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New!!

Under Sea Adventurers Caps
Just \$10 at the next meeting.
See Linda I to get yours.



Picture of the month.

A guest enjoying the amenities at the Tamarind Club in BVI, where USAers will soon be visiting.

Submit your photos for the Page One Shot to
newsletter@usadiveclub.com

PRE-TRIP PARTY

BVI /TORTOLA

When: Saturday May 19, 2007
Time: 5:00pm
Where: Nils and Ronnie's House
4011 NE 24th Ave.
Lighthouse Point

Trip Dates: June 16-23

Please bring a dish to share. Contact Ronnie to coordinate food.

Please try and make this party. We will give room assignments, and all details of the trip. I will answer any questions that you might have, and make a list of the ones that I do not know the answer to in order to get you the answer before the trip.

We will be staying at the hotel Tamarind in Tortola. And diving with Sail Caribbean Divers.

Wear your Caribbean clothes.

Divers going:

Ronnie F, Nils J, Linda C, Angel G, Chary L, Ken S, Clare A, Ken B, Pat S, Warren P, Sue M, Barbara S, Sue C

Contact Ronnie Farr

Program for May 3rd

Rob Myers and Patrice Marker will give a presentation on traveling and diving in Palau.

Ray McAllister
VP of Programs
programs@usadiveclub.com

President's Waves



Instead of a speaker, for our March meeting, we were treated to the film Deep Sea. Many of us had seen this film at the IMAX a while back, but it was great to watch it again. This time we did not need to wear the silly 3-D goggles and still caught pieces of the film that we had somehow missed before, or perhaps had forgotten.

Our first over seas dive trip is to Tortola, BVI and is coming up quickly, June 16th through 23rd. This trip is technically sold out. We are working with the hotel next door and may have a situation where we can book there as overflow and still use the amenities at the main hotel. You can read more about this and the other overseas dive trips that are planned in this newsletter under Overseas Diving and on our website under Dive Trips.

Our first local dive trip of the season was March 31st with The Starfish Enterprise and Captain Craig and Divemaster Linda. We did two dives, both drift dives. Our second local dive trip was with The Diversity on the 14th of April with Captain Tony and Shari. A dive report for this trip is on our website under Local Diving.

May 19th is our next scheduled local dive. We are diving with the American Dream II. This will be an afternoon dive. Captain Todd will see that we are taken good care of. This is a beautiful dive boat. She is located at Hyatt Regency Pier 66 off 17th . We get a discount sticker to reduce the price of parking and I have always found ample parking here. With some operations I have found parking for the afternoon dive to be a bit of a challenge. Check out the charter's website and get in touch with Larry Baum, our VP in charge of local diving, don't get left out.

<http://www.scubafortlauderdale.com> More information on this dive is elsewhere in this

newsletter.

Our meetings are the first Thursday of each month. Our next meeting will be Thursday May 3rd at the Emma Lou Olson Pompano Beach Civic Center, 1801 NE 6th Street in Pompano Beach. Social is at 7:00 PM, meeting starts at 7:30 PM. To get to the Pompano Beach Civic Center you turn west at Jet's Pizza (just north of Atlantic Blvd. on Federal -- on the NW corner of Federal and 6th St.) and drive down a couple blocks. The Civic Center is on the North Side of the street and parking is available on the east and west sides of the building.

Join us before the meeting at Pat's Place Sports Bar and Restaurant, 635 East Atlantic Blvd, Pompano Beach around 6 PM. Pat's Place is one mile east of I-95 (1/2 mile east of Dixie Hwy) on Atlantic Blvd on the north side of the street. Thursday night's special at Pat's Place is 35 cent Chicken Wings. There is a great inexpensive menu and their Happy Hour runs until 7 PM (it's time to go to the meeting then anyway) They will be looking forward to seeing us.

Looking forward to seeing you,

Glada Blench
President for 2007
president@usadiveclub.com

Local Diving

With Larry Baum

Saturday, May 19, 2007
American Dream II
1:00 PM Show, 1:30 PM Go

Some folks have requested an afternoon dive (for a change) as well as a specific operator, American Dream Dive Charters and the American Dream II.

So, that's what we're gonna do!!



Note that this will be an AFTERNOON dive, arrive at 1pm and out at 1:30pm. The cost is \$50, which does NOT include tips. Tanks are available for \$10.60 each.

I've asked for a 2 reef profile, something on the Third Reef from 50 to 80 feet. As always, let me know if you have any favorite Ft. Lauderdale dive sites and I'll discuss with Capt Todd.

The American Dream II is easy to get to, but also please remember (so there's no surprises) that there is a nominal fee to park on the hotel grounds (and Capt Todd gives everyone a sticker to help defray, but not eliminate, the cost of parking.)

Boat Location: The American Dream II is located in slip D-99 at the legendary [Hyatt Regency Pier 66 Resort](#), just minutes from the best diving South Florida has to offer.

Hyatt Regency Pier 66

2301 SW 17th Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

Directions From the North:

I-95 South to Davie Blvd.,
East to Federal Hwy (US1),
South on Federal Hwy to SE 17th St.,
Head East, Hyatt Regency Pier 66 is located on the left, just over the Intracoastal bridge.

Directions From the South:

I-95 North to 595 East,
East to Federal Hwy (US1),
North on Federal Hwy to SE 17th St.,
Head East, Hyatt Regency Pier 66 is located on the left, just over the Intracoastal bridge.

Read the review of our April 14th dive on the the web site at [Local Diving](#).

Larry Baum
VP of Local Diving
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Social Activities

DINNER BEFORE THE MEETING:

Pat's Place Sports Bar & Restaurant
635 East Atlantic Blvd.
Pompano Beach, FL
@6:00 PM

VP Social Events
social@usadiveclub.com

USA's Overseas Diving

Most of our trips for the year are full or close full. Please see the details below and in the trip pages. We are now into the normal payment period. Please keep up with

your payments. Please be aware of the new passport rules for international travel and check your passport expiration date and note that it takes up to 10 weeks to get a new passport. If you are considering trip insurance, please investigate carefully and make sure that the policy you sign up for really meets your needs. Also note that each policy has a different timing requirement from the date of signup. A good link is: [INSURANCE](#).

BVI:

June 16-23

The trip is full; 13 people going. Waiting list only. Pre-trip party May 19

St. Vincent:

July 21-29

So far 8 people going. We have a 9th person ready to sign up, but he needs a room mate. If you are interested please contact Linda Ianniello as soon as possible.

Dry Tortugas:

August 16-19

We are 8 people going; we still have room for 1-2 more. Please contact Ronnie.

Red Sea:

16 people signed up so far. The boat does still have a few openings left but at this time any openings are being offered to the general public. If interested please contact Nils as soon as possible. This trip has a mailing list that does send out occasion updates

Payment schedule

	2007 DESTINATIONS	DATE	Dep	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Total
BVI, Tortola, Tamarind, 15 dives		6/16-6/23	200	365	365	365	365				1660
BVI, Tortola, Tamarind, 10 dives			200	335	335	335	330				1535
BVI, Tortola, Tamarind, non-diver			200	225	225	225	225				1100
St Vincent, Young Island, 18 dives		7/21-7/29	500	500	500	500	500	500			3000
St Vincent, Young Is., 18 dives, no-airfare			500	400	400	400	400	300			2400
Dry Tortugas-Playmate w/Nitrox		8/16-8/19	200	250	250	250	250	250			1450
Dry Tortugas-Playmate w/air			200	230	230	230	230	230			1350
Red Sea, serenity w/ land		9/9-9/25	500	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	4070
Read Sea, Serenity w/ transfers		9/11-9/22	500	450	450	450	450	450	450	435	3635

**Monthly payments are due by the meeting date each month.
Bring a check to the meeting, or mail it to Chary Lynn, 2160 NW 10th Street, Delray Beach FL 33445
Please mail any new signups to: Nils Jacobsen, 4011 NE 24 Ave, Lighthouse Point, FL 33064-8025**

Trip News - 2008

USA dive club has already signed up for two trips for next year. A March trip to Bay Island, Honduras on the Utila Aggressor and to Fiji in May- first land based to Kadavu and then on to the Naia Liveaboard. In both cases we have booked only "half boats" with the intent to book all the remaining spots as soon as our divers sign up. We should be able to start the signups at the next meeting, but to utilize this option we do need early sign-ups.

Utila Aggressor: March 15-22, 2008: We have 9 spots so far all in twin cabins, the boat holds up to 14, the last 4 in a quad cabin. We fly into Honduras, that a bus to the harbor and board the boat (no more flying small plains to Utila Island).

Fiji: Kadavu Land/Land-based; Naia Liveaboard. 2 middle weeks of May, 2008:

If you are interested please let me know and I will add you to a mailing list. The first important decision we have to make is whether to spend 5 or 7 days on land (we have to make a single choice hopefully good for 10 people, so we can get cheaper airfare). If you add your name to the list I will explain the options in more detail and ask for your preference (if we spend 7 days on land some of it ought to be diving, say with Mantas). We will fly FLL-LAX to Fiji (If we do 5 days on land we depart Saturday, May 10 and will be back home a gain Saturday May 24 (or at least that weekend). If we do 7 days on land we need to depart Thursday May 8.

Links: <http://www.naia.com.fj/> and <http://divekadavu.com/>

Any questions give me a call.

Nils Jacobsen
VP Overseas Diving
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USA Calendar

- **May 3rd - Regular Monthly Meeting @ 7:30 PM**

- **NOTE: Meeting location change.**
Emma Lou Olson Civic Center
1801 NE 6th Street
Pompano Beach, FL

- Join us for dinner before the meeting at Pat's Place @ 6:00 PM

- **May 10th - Board Meeting at 7:00 PM**

- Roger S's House

- **May 19th - Local Dive**

- American Dream II @ 1:00 PM

- **May 19th - BVI Pre-Trip Party**

- Ronnie & Nils' House @ 5:00 PM



Birthday greetings in May to the following club members:

Martha B, Jim D, David D, Ronnie F, Carrol F, Kurt K, Susan M, Nancy S

HAPPY BIRTHDAY from your friends in diving!!!

Classified

For Sale: Nikon Coolpix 7900 7.1MP with Nikon Underwater Housing WPCP4.



Accessories included: 2 rechargeable batteries, 1 charger, 1 GB SD Memory Card, USB cable, video cable, Camera and Housing in pristine condition in original boxes with instruction booklet and software. Price for both \$375 Great compact travel or back up camera, pictures can be shown on request.

Contact Bernie Meier 305-310-1265

Contact Info:

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