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The following document was provided by a club member who wishes to remain anonymous. We are convinced this was written after a Wednesday night dive and MUCH beer. We do NOT recommend you follow these rules (**except for rule 26**)



THE LOW-DOWN – OCTOBER 1980

HAZARDOUS DIVERS, ASSOCIATION

The following is a tentative list of by-laws for a select organization started by charter members:

Membership: Members must be:

1. Experienced. Hazardous activities must be based on established practices.
2. Crazy. At least two diving colleagues must certify the individual is not wholly sane.

Rules and Regulations

1. Do not stay close to a buddy. You are likely to get in his way.
2. The easiest way to dive is with as little equipment as possible. BC's, pressure gauges, etc., only get in the way and can get caught on coral.
3. Never check your boat engine, gas, battery, etc. If something is wrong, this will only delay your trip.
4. Small craft advisories are only for boats less than 15' and should otherwise be ignored.
5. When drift diving, it is best to have no one remain in the boat. After all an unmanned boat has the right-of-way.
6. On days when the current is strong, the anchor should be loosely secured and no one should remain in the boat.
7. At night, there should be no more than one light per buddy team.
8. Dive plans should always be made in the water, not in the boat. It is best to explain them to your buddy once you are under water at the dive site.
9. If gauges are used, they should not be functioning properly.
10. When drift diving with a float, do not follow the diver with the float anchor. You are likely to get caught in the drift line if you follow closely.
11. Be prepared for all possibilities; take spear guns, cameras, and lobster bags on every dive.
12. Don't get thirsty underwater; drink several beers before starting your dive.

13. To get sharks to move out of your way, pull on their tails.
14. Never look in a hole before grabbing for lobsters. The lobster might escape while you're checking for urchins and morays.
15. The decompression tables are only for instructors and pessimists.
16. It is a waste of time and air to return to the boat after shooting a fish. If shark or barracuda follow you, simply bring the fish closer to you so they can't see it.
17. If you are going to drift overnight in the ocean, never let go of your fish. You will be very hungry by the time you are rescued.
18. Let your wife or friend carry any fish you shoot so that sharks don't get in your way while you are looking for more fish to shoot.
19. When getting conch, don't wear a flotation device. It's more fun to surface with a heavy load.
20. The best time to look for a missing diver is at sunset when you are going in.
21. It is best to only look in one direction while you are diving and avoid wasting time looking around you.
22. The best way to get someone's attention when you spot a shark is to pull the regulator out of their mouth.
23. If someone is caught in a surface current, don't interrupt your dive to pick them up. Another boat which is closer will eventually pick them up.
24. If you are drift diving and taking photos, get far away from the rest of the group so sand doesn't get kicked up.
25. Diving with a head cold is an excellent way to clear your sinuses.
26. For a real thrill, try nude diving. It only hurts if you rub against fire coral.

Submit your photos for the Page One Shot to webmaster@underseas.org

June Meeting Program:

Turtles

Jennifer Hartwig

Our featured speaker for the June Meeting is Jennifer

Hartwig, a marine biologist, who is Program Director for

the National Save the Turtle Foundation.

The following links will give you more information on the turtles that use our beaches for nesting. Please read and be informed.

<http://www.savetheseaturtle.org/>

<http://www.floridaleatherbacks.com/>

<http://www.funandsun.com/1toctf/wildlife/turtles/seaturtles.html>

Ray McAllister
VP of Programs

President's Waves



We are half way into the year and, although we have had lots of fun during the first half, more is coming. Soon we will be sharing stories about Cozumel with the group that went with Ann Stambaugh and the Cayman trip is right around the corner. We are still looking for three people to join Nils and company for the trip to Irian Jaya.

On Saturday, May 21st, Under Sea Adventurers set up a tent at the World Watersports' event, InTenCity. We are advertising that we have the best monthly programs, that we offer local dives up and down the coast, that we travel to exotic locations, are concerned for the environment, and, best of all, have great people to dive and socialize with. Thanks to Larry Townsend, Carol Schurtz, Kay Chung, Linda Ianniello, Bob Weybrecht, and Larry LePage who helped me out with the event.

Fifty-four members and their guests attended "Tails to Tennis Shoes" our annual Awards Banquet. It was held on the outdoor patio at Ocean Manor overlooking the ocean. A steel drum player provided tropical music, the decorations were a clever use of dive equipment, and the surprise, a fire dancer. We held a lobster pot and some of the prizes were tickets for the water taxi, air fills from Force E, and dinners from several restaurants. Your 2004 Board was recognized for their efforts with original paintings of sea creatures by Ann Stambaugh affixed to

plaques made by Steve McCutcheon. In addition to receiving a plaque for the Awards position, Ann Stambaugh also accepted an award that enrolled her in the Hall of Fame. This award recognizes the work Ann has done as a board member for over seven years. Kudos Ann, Steve, and Kim Whaley, your Vice-President of Social, for your efforts in making this a special evening.

We have twenty-two members signed up for the Reef Sweep put on by Ocean Watch. The boat, the American Dream, holds 28 divers, however, we don't want to fill it since we will need room for all the trash we are going to collect. The reef will be spotless when we're finished.

The Board voted to participate with the South Florida Underwater Photo Society (SFUPS) at the upcoming dive show in December. Since we have so many members who belong to both clubs it would be difficult to meet the requirements for a booth on our own. This is a three-day event so we will again be looking for volunteers to tout our club to potential members. You have a while to think about it.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you Thursday June 2nd at the Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, 1801 NE 6th St, Pompano Beach. Our social get together is at 7:00, meeting at 7:30. Treats will be provided.

Mary LePage
Under Sea Adventurers
President for 2005

Local Diving

with Larry B

As you all know, our June dive will be the Saturday, June 11 Reef Sweep coincidentally enough back on the American Dream II. We've had a tremendous response to this dive, with over 20 divers signed up in support of the 17th annual Reef Sweep, sponsored by the Ocean Watch Foundation, <http://oceanwatch.org/>. Don't forget: **THE FOUNDATION HAS OFFERED TO SUBSIDIZE THE COST OF OUR DIVES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20 PER CLUB MEMBER. THE REEF SWEEP DIVE, INCLUDING TIPS AND DIVE BREAK GOODIES IS ONLY \$32 PER DIVER.** We still have room available on the June 11 Reef Sweep dive. As always, please contact me at labaum@us.ibm.com or 866-614-5072 to sign up.

American Dream II



Now, let's talk about our Saturday, July 23 dive with South Florida Diving Headquarters (SFDH) and their Coral Princess, <http://southfloridadiving.com/>. The Coral Princess is a magnificent dive boat

Length: 45 ft.
Width: 14.4 ft.
Cruise Speed: 20 knots
Hull: Catamaran
Power: Twin 225 outboards
Capacity: 35 divers or 45 passengers

Description: The Coral Princess is the sister ship to the Aqua View, a custom built glassbottom catamaran that you can dive snorkel or watch from above. Being a twin hull design she is very stable and fast. The gas outboard engines eliminate nauseating diesel fumes. The Coral Princess has two tanks racks behind each seat and storage underneath.

This vessel is also equipped with side ladders which are easy to use even in the roughest seas. There are five exits, which make it easier to enter the water.

Other amenities include a glassbottom viewing window, two freshwater showers, freshwater rinse barrel, clean spacious bathroom, stereo system and a video monitor to view videos or digital images after the dive. Beverages, fresh fruit and cookies are included on all trips. No matter what age or skill level the Coral Princess has something to offer.

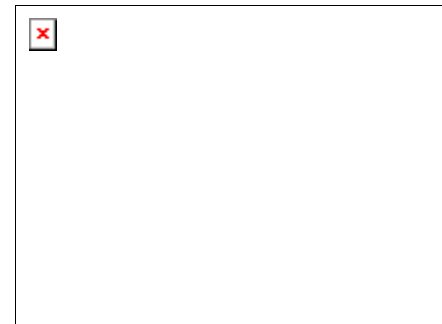
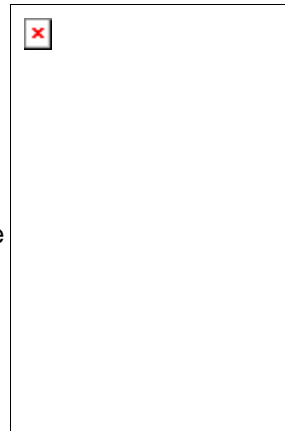
We've selected the Aqua Zoo dive profile for our July 23 dive; First Dive

Type: Anchor Dive
Depth range: 50 ft. - 70 ft.
Skill level: Open Water Certification

The "Aqua Zoo" is the nickname for an area next to the wreck of the Sea Emperor (see Sea Emperor description). It was given this name for the diversity and size of marine life that inhabits this wreck. We began bringing food and interacting with one stingray in 1996 and since then it has blossomed into the "Aqua Zoo". We offer an interactive marine experience including large southern rays, Goliath Groupers (200-300 lbs.), nurse sharks, eels and hundreds of other fish. No longer do you need to travel to far off destinations. Named "The stingray dive you can drive to" by Skin Diver Magazine. The

Aqua Zoo has also been featured on numerous television shows around the world including "Wild Things" and "Adventure Crazy".

Second Dive
Type: Drift dive on a reef.
Depth range: 40 ft. - 60 ft.
Skill level: Open Water Certification



The details are similar to what you've become used to; boat leaves at 8:00am so we need to be there at 7:30am. Cost, including tips and Janet's famous baked goods, is \$47. Tanks are \$10 each and please let me know if you'll be needing air that day. After unloading your gear, please use the valet parking provided by the facility. Remember to get your parking ticket validated at the SFDH office and parking will be \$3 for the entire day.

Directions:

From I-95 take Atlantic Blvd. (exit 34) east and go over Intra Coastal Waterway bridge. Make your first left (Riverside Dr.) and first left again into the Sands Harbor Marina. Check in office faces the Marina.

We've got 2 great Saturday dives coming up; June 11 and July 23. Our local diving is some of the best in the world. Come join us!!!

Larry Baum

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Social Activities

DINNER BEFORE THE MEETING:

- Pats Place Sports Bar and Resturant
635 East Atlantic Blvd
- Pompano Beach, FL 33060
- 954-942-6164
@ 6:00 PM













MEET @ 6PM. SPECIAL: 0.35 CENT CHICKEN WINGS!
A WONDERFUL, INEXPENSIVE MENU WITH GREAT
HAPPY HOUR DRINKS & THEY ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SERVING US!!










1 MILE east of 95 [1/2 mile east of Dixe Highway]on Atlantic Blvd on the North side of the street.

Under Sea Adventurers' Annual

Spring Banquet

TAILS TO TENNIS SHOES

For more pictures go here: [Banquet Photos](#)

InTenCity Tour

A group of volunteers manned the USA Dive Club tent at World Water Sports



We had lots of fun, won some prizes, and talked to prospective members.



USA's Overseas Trips for 2005



Program:

- Cayman Aggressor, June 18-25 – Sold Out - waiting list only
- Dry Tortugas, Playmate, Sept 8 (night)-12 - (roll-over from 2004) - One spot open
- Irian Jaya, Raja Ampat, Sorong (on Pelagian: boat dates: embark/disembark: Nov 1-12); 3 nights in Manado Lembeh Straits; dept Thursday Oct 27 – back Sunday Nov 13 -
 - o Plenty of options for extensions, such as arriving in Manado earlier, say 6 or 8 nights and/or returning via Bali ...

VP Overseas Diving: Nils Jacobsen
TGM349@email.mot.com 954-783-1667

Membership benefits

If you plan on doing your own trip with one of our major providers, please call me first so you get the best deal ...

*VP Overseas Diving
Nils Jacobsen*

USA Calendar

- **June 2nd, Thursday Meeting**

DINNER BEFORE THE MEETING:

Join us for dinner before the meeting at:

Pats Place - Sports Bar and Resturaunt
635 East Atlantic Blvd

- Pompano Beach, FL 33060

- 954-942-6164
@ 6:00 PM

- **June 9th Board Meeting**

- Larry Baum

- **June 18 - 24th**

- Cayman Aggressor - Trip Leader Ronnie Farr.

- **Sept 8 - 12th**

- Dry Tortugas - Trip Leader Ronnie Farr

- **Oct 27th - Nov 13**

- Irian Jaya - Trip Leader: Nils Jacobsen

For other Ocean and Reef related events and news click here.

Contact Info

Under Sea Adventurers web site:www.underseas.org

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Meetings: First Thursday of each month at
Emma Lou Olson Civic Center
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Social: 7:00 PM, Meeting: 7:30 PM

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