

The Mouthpiece



March 2005 THE ACTIVE DIVERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLET-

ADA 20th ANNUAL AWARDS PRESENTATION! Saturday April 2, 2005

WHO-All ADA members, family, friends.

WHAT–Awards, free brunch buffet, live entertainment, bands, DJs, (Top 40, contemporary, Rock and Roll) Vegas style casino, ship games, movies, video arcades, dancing and disco.

All aboard the Sea Escape's 900 passenger, 8 deck cruise ship, the MV Island Adventure, which is fully air conditioned and stabilized for your comfort.

WHEN- Sat. April 2, boarding 10 am, returning 4:30 pm.

WHERE- Ft. Lauderdale's Port Everglades. Go to Seaescape.com for maps and more info.

WHY-Day cruise on the blue Atlantic Ocean, fun and sun, scenic views

of South Florida skyline, win big bucks? meet new buddies, romance? CELEBRATE!!

COST- \$25 per adults, kids \$15.

(for deck space only, cabins extra)

RESERVATIONS DEADLINE– March 15, call Pat Hackett 305 387 0015. Your call will hold the space for 4 days. Mail your checks, payable to ADA, to Lon Von Lintel, 15305 sw 104 ave. Miami, FI. 33157. Full refunds for cancellations until March 15, none after.

IMPORTANT DETAILS-

1. To get your boarding pass, go to the group desk and show ID.

2. All passengers MUST present picture ID before boarding, no exceptions.

3. Look for the sign "ADA CHECK IN HERE" at the front door of terminal for time and place for the AWARDS PRESENTATION.

4. Pay parking is available near by.

5. Boarding begins at 10 am, ends at 10:30, don't MISS THE BOAT!

Got Ideas?

Now is the time to express yourself. Let's hear some ideas you may have to help make this the most exciting "Dive Year" yet. Want to go somewhere special? More Specialty dives? Want to send articles for the newsletter? Send me an e-mail(<u>Newsletter@activedivers.org</u>). Let's hear from you!!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2005

Renewal notices were mailed Feb. 6. If you have not received it, call Jim and check your address. 954–227–8885

ADA DIVE PACS 2005

Many of our members took advantage of the convenience and big savings of purchasing dive pacs last year. ADA is again offering dive pacs for this year.

Prices-

5 local dives for \$145(that's \$29 per dive, a savings of \$30)15 local dives for \$375(that's \$25 per dive, a savings of \$150)

Advantages-

- 1. You write only one check
- 2. You mail only one check
- 3. You save \$\$\$

Al dive pacs are non-refundable, non-transferable and must be used in 2005. Insurance may be purchased, see article this issue.

ADA FREE RAFFLE 2005

Prizes to be awarded: First prize– one dive 5 pac for 2006 Second prizes– ten single dives Third prizes– your choice in the grab box until all items gone.

How to earn raffle tickets: 1 ticket for attending any ADA function. 1 ticket for proudly wearing ADA T-shirt. 5 tickets for winning the mini-raffles. 10 tickets for being the BBQ chef. 20 TICKETS, THAT IS RIGHT, TWENTY FOR SIGNING UP A NEW MEMBER!!!

BISCAYNE NATIONAL PARK is looking for volunteers to help monitor and tend an experimental coral nursery in park waters on weekends. Call

DIVE COZUMEL MEXICO April 9–12 2005 Jim Kiernan and a couple of buddies are planning a trip to dive the Centos of the Yucatan and the walls of Cozumel. If you are interested call him at 954–227–8885.

VOLUNTEERS APPRECIATION DAY

Saturday, June 4

As a thank you for all our volunteers, we have planned a day of sun and fun in the Florida Keys. You are invited to join us for a BBQ at the home of Lee and Rosey Wood located at 182 Plantation Ave, Plantation Key, just down the street from the Florida Keys Dive Center. Many of us will want to make a dive first, either in the morning with time to enjoy kayaking, fishing, swimming and relaxing before the BBQ, or in the afternoon and then to the BBQ. All the food and drink is on us. Come and enjoy. Call Lon for reservations.

HURRICANE DIVE PAC RELIEF

As we all know, 2004 was a disaster for our neighbors to the north, who suffered damage from several hurricanes. We here in South Florida escaped property damage but were effected in other ways. Some members who purchased dive pacs were unable to use all of their pacs in 2004. This consideration is for 2004 only and will not be offered in the future. Although the pacs were non-refundable and had to be used in 2004, (announced in each issue of the Mouthpiece) the ADA Board of Directors has voted to consider offering some form of compensation for members who experienced extreme circumstances, hurricane related or otherwise, which rendered them unable to use their entire pac in 2004. If you feel you are among these members, you may write a letter to the Board outlining your plight. The Board will review and decide on a case by case basis. You may send your petition to Lon, (dead line June 1, 2005) who will present it to the Board at their next meeting and notify you of their decision. Call Lon for more info.

SCUBA EQUIPMENT RECALLS, DIVE GEAR RECALLS

MARES M1 Dive Computers -2004-12-14DACOR Darwin Air and Console Dive Computers -2004-12-14SCUBAPRO Air II Alternate Regulator Converters -2004-12-09OCEAN MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS Scuba Manifolds -2004-11-17OCEANIC BCD with Reliant Power Inflator -2004-09-02AERIS BCD with AW3 Power Inflator -2004-09-02HALCYON BCD Stainless Steel Power Inflator -2004-05-25SEA & SEA Aquapix DX-3100 -2004-04-07

Ten Foot Stop Newsletters

Posted by : scubadoc on Monday, February 21, 2005 – 12:27 AM GMT The Ten Foot Stop Newsletters, published by Diving Medicine Online can now be seen at a blogsite on the main page of Diving Medicine Online, located at this URL, http://scuba-doc.com/ .

The actual blogspot address is http://tenfootstop.blogspot.com/ . All recent newsletters are at this location and can also be seen at our archives at http://scuba-doc.com/archives.html .

If these addresses are not clickable, just copy and past into the address slot on your browser.

In addition, please participate on our Scuba Clinic medical forum at http://scuba-doc.com/scubaclinic/.

Post Dive BBQS

Cost \$7.00 includes-

Grilled hotdogs, hamburgers, chicken, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, chips and fixins. Soda & Beer. While divers are tending their gear, our chef of the day will be preparing a feast fit for a King/ Queen or at least for hungry divers. We invite all divers on the above dates to join us for good outdoor food and telling tall fish tales. Please send \$7 along with the dive fees, you may make one check for both.

DIVE AND EAT FREE

That's right, on our BBQ days you can earn a free dive and free eats. It's easy, just volunteer to be the chef of the day and you go for free.

Here's how it works -

You buy the food and bring to the dive, after which you and the Safety Officer will prepare and serve. The supplies and menu list will be faxed to you a few days prior with an exact list of needed items. Then you submit a receipt and your expenses will be reimbursed. Call Lon for more info and sign up!

Nitrox Certification

Are you interested? Those who are certified know the benefits of using Nitrox on deep dives. Those who do not know should check it out. Do a search on Nitrox benefits.

Call Lon for more info and reservations.

The one day Course includes a.m. class work and afternoon dives. Approx cost is \$150.

New Speigal Grove Requirements !!!

Effective for 2004, all ADA divers must have advanced certification or higher. Other divers may dive, but will be required to pay for a guide, cost to be divided among those who need the guide.

ARE YOU SOCIAL?



ing several plans for more socials this year. We would like your ideas of what and where. Do you ce that would be a good venue for a happy hour, snacks, and fun? Do you like the idea of a getpers and future members? Are you a party animal? Would you like to help organize and serve as

OUR INPUT!! 305–387–0015 TODAY

DIVE CREDIT REFUNDS MAILED

Members who had a dive credit from 2004 should have received their refund check by March 1. If you believe you are due a refund and have not received it, call Lon. Credits are given when ADA cancels a dive, for insured dives cancelled by the member, and for member cancelled dives with one week notice.

2005 Dive Schedule

APRIL

April 14–17 Florida springs April 23 Hollywood April 30 N. Pennekamp

JULY

July 2 Miami July 10 Tavernier July 17 N. Pennekamp July 23 Elliott Key July 30 Looe Key

AUGUST

Aug. 7 S. Key Largo Aug. 13 Pompano Aug. 21 Miami Aug. 27 Tavernier

OCTOBER

Oct. 2 Tavernier Oct. 9 Elliott Key Oct. 16 N. Key Largo Oct. 23 Palm Beach Oct. 29 Tenneco Towers MAY

May 8 Tavernier May 15 Islamorada May 22 Biscayne Natl Park May 28 Ft. Lauderdale

JUNE

June 4 S. Key Largo June 12 Speigal Grove June 18 Islamorada June 25 Biscayne Natl Park

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 4 Biscayne Natl Park Sept. 11 Speigal Grove Sept. 18 Islamorada Sept. 24 Hollywood

NOVEMBER

Nov. 6 Biscayne Natl Park Nov. 13 N. Pennekamp Nov. 20 Eagle Wreck Nov. 27 Elliott Key



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2005 ADA PROGRAM

HIGHLIGHTS SINGLES ONLY DIVES NEW MEMBERS DIVES KAYAK TRIPS CANOE TRIPS DOUBLE WALL DIVES BBQs and PICNICS AWARDS BRUNCH NIGHT DIVES 3 TANK DIVES TWILIGHT DIVES Stay Tuned&.More is yet to come!!!!

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PLACE AN AD IN THE MOUTHPIECE

ADA accepts business ads for publication in our newsletter. The cost is \$50 for ads in five issues, and \$60 for ads in all 9 issues. The ads are business–card size and must be camera ready. Send them to Steve, editor, with check payable to ADA.

FOR SALE/WANTED ADS

The Mouthpiece is a great way to let other divers know you have dive related equipment for sale or you are seeking to purchase. Just send a brief description, asking/offering price, and contact info. to our hard working editor. This a free service but only when space is available.

