

The Mouthpiece



Oct/Nov.2005 THE ACTIVE DIVERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLET-

October Dive Schedule

22 Sat Ft. Lauderdale (**Advanced**)

A plethora of flora and fauna, just waiting to be explored. See advanced criterion this issue.

29 Sat. pm Tenneco towers(**Advanced**)

Scheduled site – Tenneco Towers. Choice of more than 40 wrecks. Some unlike anywhere else: Jet airliner, M–60 Tanks, Tankers, Freighters, Tugs, Barges. Most are intact with penetration possible. Average depth 90', visibility 40–50'. Expect currents and dramatic profiles, many fish. **See advanced criterion this issue**

November Dive Schedule

6 Su am Biscayne National Park (**Advanced**)

Sites – The Wall, Anniversary, Rocky Reef, Elkhorn Forest, Cuda Ledge, Ball Buoy, Doc DeMilly. Expect currents, usually we drift dive the deep reefs. Depths 70–110', average visibility 40–80'. Only one commercial dive boat allowed in area. **See advanced criterion this issue.**

13 Su pm N. Key Largo

Sites may include: The Christ of the Abyss, the Elbow, N. Dry Rocks, N. N. Dry Rocks, Grecian Rocks, Carysfort, Shark Reef. Average depth 30', usually no current. Average visibility is 30–50' with many tropicals, moreys, cudas.

20 Su pm Eagle Wreck (**Advanced**)

The EAGLE, named for its donor, The Eagle Tire Company, is a huge freighter, lying on it's side in about 115' of water. Two green morays call it home, as do tarpon and barracudas. We call it a great dive! **See advanced criterion this issue.**

27 Su am

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Who-all ADA members and family.

What- free beach dive, free raffle, free BBQ

When- dive at 9 am, raffle and BBQ at noon.

Where— Charnow Park Pavilion, Hollywood Beach, FI, The pavilion is located on the beach at the end of Garfield St. Look for dive flags. You can drive right to the pavilion, unload equipment, then find parking, (meters)

Menu– We will grill, and/or BBQ, chicken, burgers, hotdogs, fish, and lobster. (you catch them) Add a variety of chips, dips, salads, snacks, veggies, beer, wine, soda, water, cookies, brownies, and you have a real BBQ.

PLEASE CALL LON SO WE CAN HAVE YOUR FAVORITE FOODS AVAILABLE!

(the pavilion is covered and we will BBQ, rain or shine)

Diving—Bring all your own gear, the reef is off—shore about 100yds. All groups of divers must tow a flag. Bring one if you have it, or join a group. Non—divers have near—by shopping, playgrounds, and points of interest, as well as beautiful S. Florida swimming, sunning, and bumming.

RAFFLE PRIZES-

Two fifty-yard-line Canes football tickets. (Thank you Roy Wasson) One free dive 5 pac for 2006

Ten free single dives for 2006

Grab box until all prizes are gone.

Call Lon for more info. 305 251 4975

This free event is approved by the ADA Board of Directors as a celebration of another year of wonderful activities.

35 YEARS CELEBRATION STICKERS

ADA has been taking divers on trips since 1970. To celebrate we have had made a handsome sticker which we will hand out at all ADA activities to all members in attendance. You are invited to stick them any place other divers might see them. i.e., your dive bags, log books, coolers, tanks, etc. to proudly identify yourself as part of a unique organization. We also ask you to stick them around public places such as marinas, parks, or beaches. Then visit your local dive shop and as for permission to place a few there. Then be creative and find other places. (get permission if on private property) The idea is to make ADA more visible and bring in new members.

STICK 'EM HERE, STICK 'EM THERE, STICK 'EM EVERYWHERE!!

If you run out, ask for as many as you need to help us spread the word

Katrina Troubles

We hope all are doing well and have finished your cleanup and other problems left by the storm. This newsletter has been delayed by some of the same problems!!!

Last Newsletter of the Year!!

Yes winter approaches, but there is still plenty of good diving before. Our hard—working newsletter staff did a swell job again this year, but will take some time off. The next issue will be 2006.

PHOTOS WANTED

Want to see your name in lights? Want to be the star of the show? Want to be rich and famous? Well....we can't promise that, but if you are a photographer we welcome your photos of your u/w adventures AND top—side shots of ADA and members at any and all ADA activities. We will publish your shots in our monthly newsletter THE MOUTHPIECE on a space available basis. "Please send electronic (one meg or less) or film (with self addressed envelope if you want them returned) pics of this year's dive/activities to:

Nic Boyd

One S. Ocean Blvd # 204 Boca Raton, Fl. 33432

or email to: nboyd@oceanlandinc.com

Include your name and names of other people, if you know them, and location."

Post Dive BBQ5 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 FREE 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!

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!!!

ADA RULES & REGULATIONS

All Members Must be familiar with the following

FOR ALL ADVANCED DIVES (DEPTHS OVER 60') ADA DIVERS MUST:

Be current (dive activity within the previous 3 months).

Have the approval of an ADA Safety Officer.

Have a minimum of 25 logged dives.

Carry an alternate air source (octopus), time keeping device and depth gauge.

Have previous ADA diving experience.

All members must dive with at least a 72 cubic foot tank.

ADA GUIDELINES FOR COMPUTER ASSISTED DIVING

Members using dive computers may extend their time underwater ten–(10) minutes beyond the time allowed by the tables.

Computer assisted dives must be well within the NO DECOMPRESSION LIMITS.

Members should understand and follow the manufacturer's recommendations.

If a computer diver is buddyed with a diver using the tables, both must follow the tables.

If a buddy-team is using unlike computers, both must follow the more conservative computer.

If, in a buddy-team, either computer fails, both divers must terminate the dive.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE SAFETY OFFICERS' COMMITTEE

All members are reminded to read the "Rules & Guidelines for Diving Activities" you received with your membership package. Number 16 states, "All divers must be present for the pre–dive briefing". If the diver is not present for the entire briefing, diving privileges may be revoked for that dive. Please plan to arrive on time – or better yet – a bit early. We thank you and appreciate your cooperation.

Julio, Dan, Robert, Lee and Lon

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY FOR LOCAL DIVE TRIPS

Because of our contractual agreements with our service agents – dive shops and boat captains, we must notify them – usually seven days in advance – of the final number of spaces we are paying for. Thus, if our members cancel less than seven days in advance, we regret that *NO REFUND OR CREDIT* can be given, unless trip cancellation insurance has been purchased at the time of the dive trip payment (see next news article!)

ADA TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE

The Board of Directors has approved a unique concept in local diving: NO FAULT INSURANCE!!

For an additional \$5.00, per person, per local dive trip, members can eliminate the worry of losing their dive fees because of an unforeseen change of plans.

If, for any reason you are unable to attend a local dive for which you are scheduled and have paid the insurance, ADA will credit your dive fee to another date. The \$5.00 insurance is non-transferable and non-refundable!

When you make a reservation, ask for dive trip cancellation insurance. The Board has elected to continue the insurance offer for this year.

NOTE: It may be discontinued at any time without prior written notice.

Please call Lon with your questions and comments.

IMPORTANT WEATHER INFORMATION

Before departing for the dive site, confirm weather condition with Lon or the designated Safety Officer. It is the responsibility of the member to call; we cannot call you due to the large number of divers involved. For morning dives, call between 6 and 10 p.m. the night before the dive. For afternoon dives, call between 9 and 10 a.m. the morning of the dive.

HOW TO MAKE DIVE RESERVATIONS

Check this newsletter or the annual calendar for upcoming dives.

(Call Lon at (305) 251–4975 to make a reservation. Please do not leave requests on his answering machine, the trip may be full.

We will hold your reservation for four (4) days from the date you call. If we do not receive payment within four days, your space may be given to other members. If you wish to confirm receipt, call Lon.

Ask for details about the trip when you call. Otherwise, details will be given when you call for a weather check. (See "Important Weather Information" this and every issue)

* Make your check payable to ACTIVE DIVERS ASSOCIATION, not to any individual, and mail to:

Lon Von Lintel, 15305 SW 104 Ave., Miami, FL 33157

Itemize dates of dives on bottom-left corner of check.

Do not pay for persons other than spouses or other family members. Include their names on check.

REMEMBER: That family members must have completed individual documentation to register as ADA members.



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