

Antelope Valley Desert Divers, Inc.



Aquarium of the Pacific

General Meeting - Wed - August 13th

Paul Dimeo speaking about Aquarium of the Pacific

Beach Dive - Sat - August 18th

Whites Point - San Pedro

Board Meeting - Wed - July 25th

Fund Raiser - Wed - August 29th

Rubio's Mexican Grill - Palmdale

June Lake clean-up - Labor day Weekend

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P.O. Box 1178
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General Meeting will be

August 13th

Ya'll Come Now!



The 4th of July Pool Party was a great deal of fun & sun...

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Blazing Color at:

www.avdesertdivers.org

STOP IN FOR A TASTE OF BAJA
AND RAISE MONEY FOR THE

Antelope Valley Desert Divers June Lake Cleanup

www.AVDesertDivers.org

TIME: 4pm-8pm

DATE: Wednesday August 29th, 2007

DESTINATION: RUBIO'S RESTAURANT
39445 10th Street West
Palmdale, CA 93551

That's right, whether you crave to eat-in or take-out at Rubio's Fresh Mexican Grill, just present this flyer to the cashier and Rubio's will donate 20% of your transaction to the Antelope Valley Desert Divers!

Please remember to turn this flyer into the cashier to receive credit



- Marinated Chargrilled Chicken
- Marinated Chargrilled Carne Asada
- Sautéed Grilled Shrimp
- Carnitas Street Tacos
- Low Fat HealthMex
- Our World Famous Fish Tacos
- And Much More!



Beach Dive...

On August 18, plan on diving at White Point. White Point is the only place on the Palos Verde Peninsula that you can actually drive down to the beach and dive. There is a parking fee at the top of the cliff entrance on Kay Fiorentino Dr. Parking next to the water makes it worth the charge.

At White Point you can still see the ruins of an old pre-WW II Japanese American bath house that was fed by hot water vents, that you can still find underwater during you dive. Just look for some white fungus around the vents, if you stick your hand in the sand you will feel the warm water coming from the vents.

The entry into the water is rocky so go slow. Visibility is like most beach dives, some days are better than others, but you will not know till you get in.

Directions to get there are: Take the 14 to the 5 then to the 405 and the 110 to San Pedro. At the end of the 110 Freeway, turn right on Gaffrey St. Go a short distance to Summerland Ave. and turn left. Take Summerland till you get to Western Ave. Turn left on Western. Go till you get to Pasco Del Mar stay in the left lane as it splits. Then turn right onto Kay Fiorentino Dr. At the bottom of the cliff is the parking and the dive site (East end). Give me a call if you plan on diving at White Point.

John B. 661-944-4473



Pacific Star 2 Day San Nick/ Santa Barbara Islands Trip 2007

On Sat/Sun October 20/21, the club has the Pacific Star chartered for a 2 day trip to San Nick/ Santa Barbara Islands. This will be a limited load trip with only 22 people. The Pacific Star leaves out of Redondo Beach harbor. You will need to board between 9:00-10:30pm (Do Not be late) on October 19th. There are lots of places to eat within walking distance. The plan is to dive San Nick on Saturday and Saturday night and then head over to Santa Barbara Island to dive on Sunday and be back at the dock about 5:00pm. Last year we did very well at both islands on this trip with 4 lobsters being over 10 lbs. San Nick is quite a ways out and can have some excellent bug hunting and Santa Barbara Island can be great if you know where to go.

The Pacific Star has lots to offer. The crew will load your gear from the parking lot and back, they are very friendly, helpful and knowledgeable. The dive deck is very spacious and the swim step/ platform are very large with 2 hot water showers. The galley is large and the food is good. There are 2 large bathrooms with full size showers. There is also a very nice upper deck with chairs that is great for naps, relaxing or reading a good book. The bunkroom is nice with single, doubles and semi-private staterooms (added cost). With only 22 people the smaller unused bunks will be used for storage. Bunks will be assigned. You will need all your own dive gear and the Pacific Star fills tanks to about 3000psi.

Club member cost is \$310.00 and non-divers are \$100.00. Deposit for club members are \$150.00 for divers and \$50.00 for non-divers. Non club members are welcome to join us for the fun. Non club members can add \$20.00 to the total price and \$50.00 to the deposit. There are some semi-private staterooms (much roomier and private) available at an additional cost of \$10.00 per person (at least 2 per room). Bunks will be pre-assigned. The price includes food, air, beer, wine, drinks (except soda). Nitrox is also available, for an additional cost. Let the boat know before hand if you will need nitrox, you will also need to contact them yourself. You must also have an O2 cleaned tank as they use partial pressure mixing for the nitrox.

Ice chest are only permitted if OK'd in advanced. Sign up A.S.A.P. as I will be contacting 3 other clubs. For more information on the Pacific Star, check www.pacificstardiving.com. For more information or to make payments, please contact Ken at 805-486-1533 or at dive@channelislandsdivers.org.





AUGUST 13th:

AVDD Presents Long Beach's Aquarium of the Pacific Dive Safety Officer Paul Dimeo

The Aquarium provides exhibits for more than 12,500 ocean animals, representing nearly 500 species; the Aquarium celebrates the planet's largest and most diverse body of water: the Pacific Ocean. Featuring 19 major habitats and 32 focus exhibits, the Aquarium of the Pacific is a world-class aquarium exploring the waters of Southern California and Baja, the Northern Pacific, and the Tropical Pacific. The Aquarium also strongly believes in and has programs in conservation and education.

The Aquarium also has a dive program that currently has over 200 divers on it's staff, both volunteers and staff members who conduct more than 30 dives daily.

Paul Dimeo's presentation will introduce AVDD to the Aquarium of the Pacific; dive program, its daily operations and structure, our requirements for entry, and some of our extraordinary stats and facts. And of course, a Q & A session will follow.

Paul has been a professional diver for over 12 years, spent 11 of those years as commercial diver in the Gulf of Mexico oil fields conducting surface air and mixed gas diving, saturation diving and supervision of divers. In 2005 he retired from offshore commercial diving which and started a new career at Aquarium of the Pacific as the Dive Safety Officer.

**2007 Antelope Valley Desert Divers Annual
June Lake Clean-up and Camp out**

Hello everyone, Once again, it's that time of year to break out the camping gear, tune up your dive equipment and start thinking about heading north up to June Lake California where the Desert Divers will hold their 12th annual camp out and lake clean up dive. As in years past, we've always had a huge turnout of about 60 campers and 20 or so divers to go into the crystal clear waters of June Lake to clean up the bottoms of all sorts of trash and treasures. We will also have our traditional Saturday afternoon bar-b-que on the beach with hamburgers and all the fix'n's. And then on Saturday evening around 5PM we will have our Pot Luck dinner in the campground, so remember to bring your favorite main course, salad, or desert and also remember that your feedin' about 60 hungry divers and campers so bring enough for a small army.

For you new-bees that haven't made this trip before, a few things to think about while packing your camp gear. The elevation is 7616 feet and we have actually had snow and freezing weather in the past, so remember to pack all the way from shorts to parka's and bring plenty of warm stuff if you're camping in a tent. There are bears in the area and the campground has "bear boxes" to store your food and other things that bears like to rummage through. Or you can use the boxes to stash your dive gear out of the way.

I still have AVDD Tee shirts for sale if anyone is interested. I will have them at the next meeting and at June Lake. They are \$10.00 each, Vicki and I can be found in campsite number 62 which is in Rabbit loop; our motor home is a 32 foot Pace Arrow. Pretty easy to spot. So come on by, visit, and buy a tee shirt. And have a great time at June Lake.

Your Secretary, Larry

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