The Bimonthly Newsletter of the United Divers of New Hampshire

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It was a snowy day out on the ice at Lake Winnipesaukee, but that didn't stop club members from daring the plunge in the UDNH annual ice dive! Photos by

Stephen Cantelli.

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Bonaire trip

By Luis Figueroa

I just returned from Bonaire and I got to meet Jake in person as my wife knows him from when they worked together in a previous life. (Wang) They both participated in Wang's "ultimate frisbee league". I went with my wife and 3 kids. Jake invited us to lunch with Linda and his kids at one of the local restaurants. I managed to get a dive off his house where the famous Bonaire Reefcam is. (Small wall) He had to clean the reefcam lense so he guided me and some of the divers in my group from Aquatic Escapes to the underwater reefcam.

Attached is picture of jake as he entered and a picture of me entering, the 3rd picture is me and two others in front of the reefcam as we are swimming away. (we didn't time it right as the bonaire cams take pictures every 3 minutes.

I did 22 dives logging over 12 hours bottom time. I like the unlimited diving concept Plaza Resort Bonaire has. I dove the Hilma Hooker wreck 4 times. I should have digital pictures of me on the wreck shortly from one of the folks in our group.



Luis on the wreck of the Hilma Hooker. Photo taken by a dive buddy.





Tidbits

Scallop diving in Massachusetts: Bay Scallops season is from 4/1 to 10/1. Divers can go after Sea Scallops anytime of year provided size ok. See http://www.state.ma.us/dfwele/dmf/recreationalFishing/diverinfo.pdf for more information. Click on "Diving for Shellfish and Sea Urchins".

From the Editor

Hi all,

Hope you enjoy this issue! As you can see, most folks are probably doing more diving than writing! Oh well, it's certainly the season for it. I've tried to make up for it by putting more photos in this issue!!! Hopefully some of you tropical lucky ones will write about the fabulous liveaboard adventure that so many club members are enjoying right now.

And for those of you who notice such things ... I'm trying out a new font again. Please let me know if you like it.

Happy diving,

Karen



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Meetings are held the first and third Mondays of each month, January through November. We encourage potential members to attend a meeting or two to experience our club before joining. The meetings are held at the YMCA on 30 Mechanic St. (off of Elm Street) in Manchester. The meetings start at 7:00 PM. Each meeting consists of a short business portion followed by a variety of presentations and discussions. Immediately following the club has an hour of pool time for swimming, trying out gear, and the occasional game of pool volleyball or underwater hockey. Members and guests often meet afterwards at a local restaurant for food and drink.

Extreme Weather

Meetings will be held if the YMCA is open. You can call them at (603) 623-3558. Check close to the meeting time as the front desk often has no advance warning of early closures.

Membership

Annual dues for membership for 2003 in the United Divers of New Hampshire are \$30/individual or \$45/family. Dues are not prorated for members who join later in the year. To join, please contact Don Eva at (603) 672-5608

Get in the Swim

After every meeting, the YMCA pool is open to our dive club for an hour of fun and fitness.

Don't wait for the ice to thaw before trying out that new equipment, the pool is the perfect place. Check out the club calendar for special presentations in the pool like dive knife use or trying out a dry suit. So bring a suit and a towel to every meeting and get into the swim.

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Tides

Tide information for New England can be accessed online at www.maineharbors.com

Club Events

United Divers event calendar can be accessed online at www.udnh.org/calendar.htm









Rescue diver, suited up and ready at the ice dive on Lake Winni.



A hole in the ice is born ...



Bring in the power tools ...



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And voila ...



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