



Air Bubbles



The Newsletter of the North Shore Frogmen's Club

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Presidents' Messages - February 2012

Fifty-two divers in the water on New Year's Day, what a way to start the year! Fantastic weather and strangely warm water helped. And when you consider 45 degree water to be "warm", I guess that's a sign you truly are a New England diver. There's also been plenty of diving throughout the month, but I don't think it was ever quite as warm as it was on New Year's. There will be planned dives every weekend for those who wish to brave the cold; keep your eye open for emails and messages. Or just come on by one of the meetings to find out where the next winter dive will be.

We have some good ideas for events and presentations coming up. On Feb 9th, Victor Mastone, Director of the Massachusetts Board of Underwater Archaeological Resources, will talk to us about the Battle of Chelsea Creek from the Revolutionary War. It should be a good one. Feb 25th is also the Boston Scuba Show out in Marlboro, organized by Fred Calhoun. And before you know it, it'll be time for the Boston Sea Rovers Clinic, in March.

This month, I'd like to name Dodie Carvalho as Member of the Month, for once again graciously hosting the New Year's Day party. For Diver of the Month, I'd like to name Ellen Garvey, for stepping into the role of Secretary, and doing a fine job of it.

Meg Tennissen

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Club Events



February 9: Presentation by Victor Mastone, Director of the Massachusetts Board of Underwater Archaeological Resources (See pg. ?)

April 21: Float Cleaning at PCYC

**Welcome
New Member
Steve Morse
Of North Reading
Voted in as newest member
on January 5, 2012**

**Welcome
New Member
Gary Michaud
Of Ipswich
Voted in as newest member
on January 12, 2012**



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***Deadline for submissions*
for the March 2012 issue
of *Air Bubbles* is
Tuesday, February 21**

Meeting Summaries

29-Dec-2011

Pizza Party, no business

Attendance: 3 Officers, 16 Members
Pizza purchased: 13 large, 5 small.
About 7 large pizzas were sent to
Dodie's for the New Year's Day Party.

Raffles:

Dollars Box: John Marren
Bug Bag: John Marren x2

5-Jan-2012

Meeting called to order: 8:12PM

Attendance: 4 Officers, 13 Members
Guests: 2

Secretary: Minutes read and accepted

Treasurer

-2011 finances will be reported on next
week; probably won't be as good as
previous due to low attendance
(perhaps due to fewer speakers due
to lack of a meeting room)

-Please pay dues

Committees

-Program:

-We'll be having a planning meeting;
let an officer know if you'd like to
participate

-Fred Calhoun will come talk; John
Sears will arrange it - perhaps end
of Jan.

-Vic Mastone was going to come last
year to talk, but was cancelled; Mary
will arrange for him to come
perhaps Fed

-Membership: Steve Morse applied for
membership and was voted in.

(Steve supplied hot chocolate and
coffee at New Year's dive. Steve is
from North Reading, PADI certified
in 2008

-Air Bubbles:

-Went out Tues/Wed - on time!
-If anybody would like to take it over
from Mary please come forward

New Business

-We need more speakers this year; all
members should recruit

-If anyone has activities they'd like to
consider for this year, please pass
them to officers or Program Cmte

-Sea Rovers March 10-11

-signup sheet needed for setup,
teardown, manning booth

-Raffle prize: John will talk to Bobby;
Tony will talk w/ his shop

-Space will be the same as last year?

-Display: flat screen TV or 2 - one for
club slideshow, one for Sea Hunt;
Meg will supply one laptop

-Pamphlet: Vinny will see what it
costs to get some made up

-Application forms: Ellen will print
20 to be handed out for serious
applicants

-Cards: Vinny will get them printed

-Meg has the NSF banner

-Artifacts and photos (esp contest
winners) requested - framed
pictures preferred

-Boston Scuba Show Feb 25 in
Marlboro: we'll have a table (free
except individuals need to buy
admission). We'll have cards there.

-Float cleaning: John Sears is
organizing; will make it as late as
possible in April.

-Membership: suggest we have 1-2
more people helping with member-
ship. Would like more access to
Facebook (officers and those 1-2
people): there are 2 sites - Northshore
Frogmen and Cape Ann Divers;
Northshore Frogmen should be more
open (Tony will help! Yeah!)

-Need to send out a list of the
committees that need help and get
people to sign up

Dive Talk

-51 people attended the New Years;
dive (and there were a few people
that didn't make it because parking
was full). Big round of applause for
Tony!

-Tony is organizing winter dives

-Graham is proposing Gloucester
breakwater 10:30 Sunday; meet at
Burger King on 128 at 9:30, far side of
parking lot where the truckers pull in

General Discussion

-Yeah Dodie - great party New Years

-Mike's moments:

-Baby seal found sleeping on couch

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in New Zealand – ½ mile from beach.

- Orca vs shark frenzy – sharks landed on beach and were attacked by dogs.
- Australian black tip only lives in tropical water; other black tips are not tropical. They're interbreeding
- At the Dubai aquarium there's a virgin shark that's giving birth to a series of female sharks
- Ad from the 50s to become a frogman

Raffles

Dollars Box: John Ferrier

Bug Bag: John Sears

Mystery Prize: John Sears

12-Jan-2012

Meeting called to order: 8:12PM

Attendance: 4 Officers, 16 Members

Guests: 1

Secretary: **Minutes read and accepted**

Committees

-Program:

- We'll be having a planning meeting Saturday afternoon at Ellen and Mike's house – let an officer know if you'd like to participate and we'll give you the particulars
- Fred Calhoun will come talk Jan 26 (contact is John Sears).

- **Membership:** Gary Michaud of Ipswich applied for membership and was voted in. He was certified July 2011.

- **Air Bubbles:** Submissions due Jan 20

Old Business

Content in italics is from last week (repeated here for reference/planning)

- *Activities planning meeting will be Saturday*
 - Suggestions for activities that we have done in the past:
 - hay ride
 - rescue and CPR class
- *Sea Rovers March 10-11*
 - *signup sheet needed for setup, teardown, manning booth.* Suggest we have a printed list of lectures available so people can see when they what to do what.
 - *Raffle prize: John will talk to Bobby; Tony will talk w/his shop*

- *Space will probably be the same as last year*
- *Display: flat screen TV or 2 - one for club slideshow, one for Seahunt; Meg will supply one laptop*
- *Pamphlet: Vinny will see what it costs to get some made up*
- *Application forms: Ellen will print 20 to be handed out for serious applicants*
- *Cards: Vinny will get them printed*
 - Suggest we get a QR Code for the cards and Sea Rovers booth.
- *Meg has the NSF banner*
- *Artifacts and photos (esp contest winners) requested – framed pictures preferred*
- *Boston Scuba Show in Marlboro Feb 25: we'll have a table (free except individuals need to buy admission). We'll have cards there.*
- *Float cleaning: John Sears is organizing; will make it as late as possible in April*
- *Need to send out a list of the committees that need help and get people to sign up*

New Business

- Dive Sunday Fort Sewell 9:30 – meet there
- Tony will try to arrange a talk by Ilir Capuni who discovered a sunken ship in Italy
- Beneath the Sea is 3rd week in March. [Like Sea Rovers but New Jersey]. If anyone wants to go, consider carpooling

- Remember to renew your lobster license. Easy to do online.

- Potential Club ski trip – if interested contact Markus

Dive Talk

- 12 people went to Old Garden Sat AM. Anemones, tunicates, nudi, scallops. 43 deg; vis 25-30. 59', 79 min. Fun dive but chilly.
- Graham, Lauren, Gary (new member) went to Gloucester breakwater Sunday. 40 deg, 20' vis. Pleasant.

General Discussion

- Dues can be paid online
- Mike's moments:
 - South Africa. 12 guys swam 2 miles and poached Perlmonen (abalone). A great white shark picked off the

last person; others kept going. Some experts say sharks are coming into shallows more because people are feeding them as a tourist attraction.

- Graham: There's a story on BBC radio about invasive crabs in the Baltic Sea. Apparently Stalin had tried to get crabs growing as a food source and was unsuccessful. In the late 90s it was tried again – successfully. Now they're taking over because there are no predators.

- Al Morris: Dominica is sponsoring a contest – the award will be a trip there; details will be forthcoming

- Check out youtube for Charles Maxwell for cool baitball photos

- Netflix has several episodes of "Deep Sea detectives" (good show done with the guys of Shadow Divers fame)

- Look online CSS Hunley – 1st sub to sink a ship in WWII – truss that brought it up several years ago has been removed so one can now get a good look at it

Raffles:

Dollars Box: John Marren

Bug Bag: continued

Mystery Prize: Lauren Byrnes

19-Jan-2012

Minutes not currently available for this meeting.

26-Jan-2012

Meeting called to order: 8:05PM

Attendance: 2 Officers, 22 Members

Abbreviated meeting as Fred Calhoun is here to present

Treasurer

- PCYC Meeting room reserved for Holiday Party
- 500 courtesy cards and flyers ordered

- Dues are due

Committees

-Program:

- Victor Mastone will present Feb 9
- Boston Scuba Show Feb 25
 - Please sign up to man the booth
 - If interested in signing up for tank inspection course, let Klaus know; he'll try to arrange group rate

- Sea Rovers Mar 11&12
- Float cleaning Apr 21
- Dodie won't be around for Easter Egg Hunt party, sorry.

New Business

- Dive this weekend/Sunday: meet at Burger King at 9

General Discussion

- Susan: Dive Locker – great organization – please visit

Raffles

- Dollars Box:** Mike Garvey
- Bug Bag:** Bill Werner
- Mystery Prize:** Roslyn Smith

Presentation:

The Battle of Chelsea Creek

Victor Mastone is the Director of the Massachusetts Board of Underwater Archeological Resources, part of Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management. “Established in 1973, the Massachusetts Board of Underwater Archeological Resources (BUAR) is the sole trustee of the Commonwealth's underwater heritage, promoting and protecting the public's interests in these resources for recreational, economic, environmental, and historical purposes.” (Section in quotes is from the website: <http://www.mass.gov/czm/buar/>)

Victor has worked on a number of projects related to Underwater Archeology in Massachusetts. He writes: “**The 1775 Battle of Chelsea Creek has been the focus of my research over past 2 years. It is a relatively unknown early Revolutionary War battle which resulted in the loss of HMS Diana. We undertook extensive historic landscape reconstruction and military terrain analysis in an urban setting to relocate possible battlefield features. It allowed us to tie very vague historic descriptions to potential site locations. Work was funded by a NPS grant. Fieldwork was basically walkover and there has been no diving or underwater remote sensing as yet. We have significantly narrowed down the possible location of HMS Diana, our next phase of research.**”

Vic will discuss this research with us, and will also show a few slides of some of his other projects, including reported anchor recoveries off both Gloucester and Plymouth, and the Minot's Ledge Plaque project. He states: “**As always I can stay as long as people want for Q&A.**”

**Diver
of the Month
for February 2012
Ellen Garvey**

for stepping into the role of Secretary, and doing a fine job of it.

**Member
of the Month
for February 2012
Dodie Carlvalho**

for once again graciously hosting the New Year's Day party.



**Northeastern University
Marine Science Center Lecture Series**

All lectures take place in the Murphy Bunker at the Marine Science Center. Light refreshments will be served half an hour before the start of the program, and most lectures last for 1-1.5 hours. The MSC is ADA-accessible, and no reservations are required.

Tuesday, February 7, 2011 at 7 pm

GEOLOGIC HISTORY AND EVOLUTION OF BOSTON HARBOR

Dr. Peter Rosen, Association Professor
Department of Earth and Environmental Science, NEU

Tuesday, March 13, 2011 at 7 pm

THREE SEAS PROGRAM: THE NEXT GENERATION OF MARINE BIOLOGISTS

Dr. Sal Genovese, Program Director,
Marine Science Center, Northeastern University

ANNUAL RISER LECTURE

Friday, April 27, 2012 at 4:00pm

Dr. Nancy Knowlton, Sant Chair for Marine Biology
Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of Natural History

Carole McCauley, Outreach Program Coordinator, NEU MSC
430 Nahant Road, Nahant, MA; (781) 581-7370, x321
<http://www.northeastern.edu/marinescience>

WHITE MOUNTAIN EXPRESS

Ride with us to your favorite ski/ride area. \$80 includes round trip bus ride (Haverhill exit 49), coffee and doughnuts (up), movie (both ways), après ski party and a good time by all! Jan & Feb schedule:

Feb 1	Sunday River
Feb 8	Stratton Mountain
Feb 15	Sunday River
Feb 22	Jay Peak
Feb 29	Sunday River Fischer *
Mar 3-10	Lake Tahoe trip
Mar 14	Mount Snow
Mar 21	Sunday River Rossignol/Blizzard *
Mar 28	Killington
Apr 4	Sunday River-cookout Atomic/Volkl/Nordica/ Salomon/Fischer/Rossignol/Blizzard *

* Ski brand name indicates free demo days sponsored by Buchika's Ski shop

Reservations are required and are secured with a deposit; call **978-346-8667**.

John Ferrier regularly goes on these trips; contact him with your questions.

Visit our website at www.northshorefrogmen.com

THE DIVE PATROL
presents
The 61st Edition of
THE BOSTON SCUBA SHOW

Directed by Alan Budreau
with EMMY AWARD winners
Kerry and Linda Hurd

Feb 25, 2012 (10 am to 3 pm)
Marlboro Holiday Inn (jct rtes 20 and 495)

FEATURING
EMMY Award Winner
JONATHAN BIRD
(new in-water film - what more can we say?)

Fred Calhoun
with a new film, Q & A, and lively commentary

Alex Shure
Saturday Night Ledge
Selected short subjects

plus
Jerry Shine
2012 PAUL REVERE SPIKE AWARD
Dive New England

This is not the order of presentations

ALWAYS FREE PARKING

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Cecile Christensen, 2 Ocean Ave (1-H), Gloucester, MA 01930
Checks payable to The Dive Patrol



Bay State Council of Divers

The next meeting of the Bay State Council of Divers is scheduled for **Wednesday February 8, 2012** at the South Shore Neptunes' Clubhouse in Quincy at 7:30PM.

All are invited to attend these meetings

See <http://www.baystatecouncil.org> for more information on the Bay State Council.

Calendar of Events

February 2012			1	2	3	4
5 Sunday Dive?	6	7 NEU MSC lecture	8 BSC meeting	9 8:00 PM Meeting PRESENTATION	10	11
12 Sunday Dive?	13	14	15	16 8:00 PM Meeting	17	18
19 Sunday Dive?	20	21	22	23 8:00 PM Meeting	24	25 Boston Scuba Show
26 Sunday Dive?	27	28	29			
March 2012				1	2	3
4 Sunday Dive	5	6	7	8 8:00 PM Meeting	9	10 Sea Rovers Clinic
11 Sea Rovers Clinic	12	13 NEU MSC lecture	14	15 8:00 PM Meeting	16	17 St. Pat's Party?
18 Sunday Dive	19	20	21	22 8:00 PM Meeting	23	24 Beneath the Sea
25 Sunday Dive	26	27	28	29 8:00 PM Meeting	30	31

Activities List

- **Feb 7, Tue** Northeastern University Marine Science Center Lecture (see pg. 5)
- **Feb 8, Wed** **Bay State Council meeting**, 7:30PM, Quincy, MA
- **Feb 9, Thur** **Presentation: Victor Mastone on the Battle of Chelsea Creek**
- **Feb 25, Sat** **Boston Scuba Show**, Marlboro, MA (see pg. 5)
- **Mar 10-11, S-S** **Boston Sea Rovers Show**, Danvers, MA (www.bostonsearovers.com)
- **Mar 13, Tue** Northeastern University Marine Science Center Lecture (see pg. 5)
- **Mar 17, Sat** **NSF Saint Patrick's Day Party?** (see info in future newsletters)
- **Mar 23-25, F-S** **Beneath the Sea**, Meadowlands, Secaucus, NJ (www.beneaththesea.org)
- **Apr 21, Sat** **Float Cleaning at PCYC**



The Bay State Council of Divers

Supporting and promoting the recreational diving community in Massachusetts.

The Bay State Council of Divers (BSC) is a diver's advocacy group. The BSC monitors local, state and federal regulations that may affect the recreational diving community in Massachusetts. When required, the BSC represents the interests of the diving community in these matters.

The BSC serves as a liaison between dive clubs and dive stores to promote recreational diving activity in Massachusetts. All divers are encouraged to support the BSC with an annual contribution of \$5. Your contribution will allow the BSC to continue to be a strong advocate for the recreational diving community in Massachusetts.

For more information see the new BSC website at <http://www.baystatecouncil.org>



NEW 5 - Digit Lobster License Numbers Are Required On All Tanks and Flags this year!

If you intend to catch fish you also need to buy a Recreational Saltwater Fishing Permit too!



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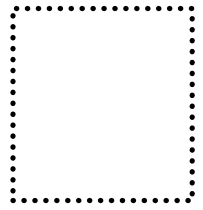


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Feb 9: Presentation-Victor Mastone BUAR

Feb 25: Boston Scuba Show, Marlboro

Mar 10-11: Boston Sea Rovers



The **North Shore Frogmen's Club**

meets every Thursday (except Thanksgiving) at 8PM

at **Palmer's Cove Yacht Club**

74 Leavitt Street
Salem, MA 01970

More parking available in the Harbor Sweets lot across the street.