



Air Bubbles



The Newsletter of the North Shore Frogmen's Club

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President's Message – February 2014

Happy Winter, Frogs!

I would like to name Bob Boyle as Member of the Month and Mike Garvey as Diver of the Month. Mike has done so much work revising the bylaws. Thanks for all your hard work! Bob Boyle has done so much for the club, we love you Bob!

We are happy to announce that we will be having an Ice Diving Event at the club Thurs Feb 6th at 7:30pm. Mike Strickland from Aquatic Escapes dive shop will be coming to the club to give an educational ice diving presentation. It will meet the classroom requirements for those that are signed up for the Ice Diver Certification with Mike. It will be an educational presentation for the others that don't want to participate in Ice Diving but would like to see what it's about. We will set up the actual ice diving date on a Sunday in Feb. Of course not on Super Bowl Sunday!

Vin Malkoski will be coming to speak at the meeting on February 13 about the International Human Powered Submarine Races.

Metro West Dive Club has invited us to their annual banquet on Sat Feb 22nd at 6:30pm at the Columbus Club on 11 Fountain St (Jct. of Rt.135) Framingham, MA. Cocktails at 6:30, dinner at 7:30. They have a "Dive Destination Theme", so wear a t-shirt or sweatshirt from your favorite dive trip. Buffet Dinner includes Chicken Marsala, Roast Beef, Ziti & Meatballs, Salad, appetizers, desserts, coffee. There will be music, dancing, raffles, cash bar. Tickets are \$30 per person & **must be purchased in advance online** via PayPal on their website: <http://mwdc.org/dinnerdancetix.html>

The Boston Scuba Show is on Sat March 1st, 2014 at the Holiday Inn, Rte. 1, Peabody, MA; 10 AM to 3 PM. Presentation by Jonathan Bird for The Dive Patrol. Tickets at the door are \$15. Or contact Chris Christensen, 2 Ocean Ave (1-H), Gloucester MA 01930. Checks payable to The Dive Patrol.

Tickets are now on sale for New England's largest educational dive show! The Boston Sea Rovers Clinic will be held at the Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Boston North Shore in Danvers MA, on March 7th-9th. Focusing on

Education, Exploration and Conservation, there are going to be some amazing workshops, speakers and events to attend. Join the event, Sat 9am-5pm, Sat night film festival 8pm-10:30pm, Sun 9:15 am-4:30 pm.

<http://www.bostonsearovers.com/ticket-sales/>

We are also looking for volunteers to man the Froggy booth at the Sea Rovers. Here is the link for the scheduled seminars: <http://www.bostonsearovers.com/clinic-home/daytime-seminars/>

Perhaps you have an hour to spare between presentations you plan to attend?

Please let me know if you can volunteer for any of the following time slots, or sign up at a meeting.

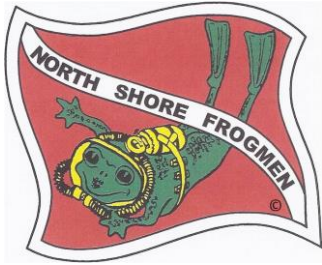
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
9-11 (Susan Copelas)	9:30-10:30
11-12	10:30-11:30
12-1	11:30-12:15
1-2	12:15-1:00
2-3	1-2
3-4	2-3
4-5	3-4

Many thanks in advance! :) , *Laura Gallagher*



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***Deadline for submissions*
for the March 2014 issue
of *Air Bubbles* is
Friday, February 21**

Meeting Summaries

09-Jan-2014

Meeting called to order: 7:37PM
Attendance: 3 Officers, 10 Members
Secretary: Minutes from last meeting read and accepted.

Treasurer:
-We ended 2013 with 51 paying members and 47 "non-paying members". 24 paid members for 2014 plus a few Life members who paid anyway.

-We will start doing quarterly financial reports; a 2013 year-end report will be available by the end of the month.

-**2014 dues are now due.**

Correspondence: Neptunes' newsletter received.

Committees:

-**Program:** See website for details
-1/16-Jen Entwistle will give presentation on "Animal Rescue for NEAQ"

-1/23- Ellen & Mike Garvey will present on Philippines from trip in March 2013.

-2/15-Vin Malkoski will present on International Human Powered Submarine Races

-Ice diving certification: Aquatic Escapes has offered to give the classroom portion of the ice diving course to the whole Club if 4 members will sign up to pay for and take the full certification course. Jen and Jim are interested. Others? Let Laura know if you are interested.

-Sea Rovers tickets are on sale. Laura will have some at upcoming meetings if you don't want to get yours online.

-Event planning meeting: We had a good meeting last Sunday with about a dozen members. Made plans for the year. Laura has put the events on the calendar on the website. Highlights of the meeting:

-Our goal is to have 2 presentations /month during the winter, 1 during the summer.

-Banquet is planned for Jan 24, 2015.

- Weekly dives on Saturdays AND Sundays. Saturday dives will be later in the day.

- 1/mo boat dive w/Cape Ann - Club members to book as individuals for the same date. First person to sign up chooses the site, so let's make sure that's a Froggie!

- 5/17-Biggest flounder contest

- 6/7-Life Magazine reenactment; rain date 6/8. Low tide is at 1PM. Maybe we can have Art Channell come talk to the Club shortly before that date. (He is in original photo.)

- 7/19-Beach party w/ lobster contest.

- 9/13-Whale watch; Club members will book as individuals for same trip.

- Continue w/ "wing night", a night out at a restaurant rather than at PCYC, once every 2-3 months.

- In addition to photo contest, we'll have yearly contest for:

-Biggest scallop of the season; bring shells to a meeting for measurement.

-Biggest flounder of the season, tape measure picture; diving or snorkeling, spear or bag.

-Most interesting find diving anywhere in the world; bring entry to photo contest.

- Club will purchase:

-NSF stickers (6x6), adding "Member" to some

-Shirts w/ embroidered logo by order. Need to make sure logo is finalized.

- Board is considering to offer half price membership to new divers, certified within the year (BOD sets rates, so this doesn't need bylaw change)

Old Business: Check for booth at Sea Rovers was cut; check to see if mailed.

New Business: Logo: the bylaws require a single logo. Shall we update it? Will need discussion.

Dive Talk: The New Year's Day dive was great; 20' vis, 37° F. **Jim B, Jack** and **Graham** dove, but didn't see much. Jack dove wet and almost ran out of air, since he started w/ 1900 psi and they were down for 45 min!!.

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Dive this weekend? Maybe, check wind.

General Discussion:

- For the people who were at the pizza party at Santarprios, check your bill. Peter gave them a card to hold his tab, but paid in cash. Credit card was also charged.
- Roslyn's father died after Christmas; we'll send a card.
- There will be more daytime flights to Bonaire, so travel there will be easier.

Raffles: Dollars Box: John Marren
Mystery Prize: Jim Barbara
Bug Bag: will go off next meeting

16-Jan-2014

Abbreviated Meeting for PRESENTATION

Meeting called to order: 7:37PM
Attendance: 3 Officers, 15 Members, 2 Guests

Secretary: Minutes from last meeting read and accepted.

Committees:

- Membership:** Received applications from Brad Rosse and Andrea Manter of Concord. They're in Florida taking rebreather course. Will try to make a meeting when they return,
- Program:** See website and last week's list for details

Dive Talk:

- Jim and Laura** went to the Dog Bar; 2' vis.
- Dive this weekend:** meet at 8AM at Old Garden NOT BK.

General Discussion: Graham: See great photos of the supply ship Thistlegorm sunk in 1941 near the Suez Canal; amazingly intact, including trucks and motorbikes.

Raffles: Dollars Box: John Marren
Mystery Prize: Susan Copelas
Bug Bag: will go off next week

Jennifer Entwistle gave a great presentation on Marine Mammal Rescue for the NEAQ.

2014-01-16 –

NSF BOD Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Directors of North Shore Frogmen was held Thurs Jan 16.

Present: Laura Gallagher, Jim Barbara, Ellen Garvey, Meg Tennissen

Absent: Adam Hartnett, Lauren Byrne

A motion was made to consider offering half price membership for the remainder of the year to any diver newly certified during the calendar year. This offer would apply only to the first certification of the diver.

The proposal was unanimously approved, with the present members constituting a quorum.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Ellen Garvey, NSF Secretary

23-Jan-2014

Abbreviated Meeting for PRESENTATION

No business was conducted at this meeting, though we did review options for a single logo to determine which one was preferred by those in attendance.

Ellen and Mike Garvey gave us a great look at the creatures of the Philippines that they saw on their trip there last year. Maybe we'll get an updated version after their upcoming trip?

Banquet Raffle Prize Winners

Regular Raffle

Vinny - tequila
Annette - rum
Roslyn - bracelet
John M – luggage scale
Ginny – plush frog
Adam - Aqualung rash guard
Ray - knife&bottle opener
Wine - Bobby
Poster - Bobby
Diana R - Dunkin Donuts pack

Mystery Prizes

Mary - bottle opener
Vinny - folder
Gail P - bottle opener
Bill W - Happy Meal figurine
Peter C - lighter

Grand Prizes

Ray - travel BC
John F - carry on dive luggage



50/50 Raffle

Meg won 50/50

**Member of the Month
for February 2014
Bob Boyle**

**Diver of the Month
for February 2014
Mike Garvey**

Calendar of Events

February							1
2 Sunday Dive?	3	4	5	6 Meeting Presentation	7	8	
9 Sunday Dive?	10	11	12	13 Meeting Presentation	14	15	
16 Sunday Dive?	17	18	19 BSC Mtg	20 Meeting	21	22 MWDC banquet	
23 Sunday Dive?	24	25	26	27 Meeting	28	1 Boston Scuba Show	
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9 Sea Rovers	10	11	12	13 Wing night	14	15 St. Patrick's Day Party	
16 Sunday Dive?	17	18	19	20 Meeting	21	22	
23 Sunday Dive?	24	25	26	27 Meeting	28	29	
30 Sunday Dive?				March			

Activities List - 2014

- Feb 6, Thu **Presentation: Mike Strickland – Ice Diving**
- Feb 13, Thu **Presentation: Vincent Malkoski on the International Human-Powered Submarine Races**
- Feb 19, Wed **Bay State Council Meeting, 7:30PM, Quincy**
- Mar 1, Sat **Boston Scuba Show at new location.**
- Mar 6, Thu **Presentation: Janna Nichols – REEF**
- Mar 7-9, wknd **Boston Sea Rovers Clinic**
- Mar 13, Thu **Wing Night at Kowloon Restaurant, 7PM**
- Mar 15, Sat **St. Patrick's Day Party at Ray & Mary's**
- Apr 3, Thu **Presentation: Ryan & Jeff Presque**
- Apr 17, Thu **Presentation: Heather Knowles & Dave Caldwell**
- 7/27 through 8/8 **Vermont Camping/Diving week w/ Pat & Annette**

Coming NSF Presentations:

Ice Diving Presentation/Training – Mike Strickland – February 6

Mike Strickland from Aquatic Escapes will be giving an educational presentation on Ice Diving at our meeting on February 6. The presentation will cover the instruction needed for those getting their Ice Diver Certifications. Others are welcome to attend to learn about Ice Diving. The presentation starts at 7:30, and will be followed by a brief Regular Club Meeting and dive talk. Arrive between 6:30pm and 7:30pm for social hour.

International Human-Powered Submarine Races – Vincent Malkoski – February 13

The International Human-Powered Submarine Races are held every other year at the Naval Surface Warfare Center Carderock Division in West Bethesda, MD. The 2013 races kicked off on June 24.

Each team must develop a one or two-person "Wet" submarine. Crew members breathe SCUBA from the air supply carried aboard. Each sub is unique, designed from "scratch," and relies upon novel techniques for propulsion and guidance. The International Submarine Race's™ specific goals are:

Contestants include universities, high schools, individuals and research labs. Various awards are given out at each ISR, including ones for best overall performance, innovation, speed, speed by category, best use of composite materials and spirit of the race.

Vin Malkoski of the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries has been acting as dive safety officer for these races. He will give a presentation about this event to our Club on February 13.



REEF Presentation – Janna Nichols – March 6



Want to do more on your dives and make them count for something?

REEF (Reef Environmental Education Foundation) teaches recreational divers how to monitor marine life while they have fun diving. Training and surveying is free and easy (and a bit addictive) and can be done anytime, anywhere! Come find out how it works and why it's such a rapidly growing citizen science program.

Janna is REEF's Outreach Coordinator. She has been a PADI scuba instructor, and an AAUS scientific diver. Always interested in marine life identification and underwater photography, many of her photos appear in fish ID books and publications. She has conducted over 800 REEF surveys (most in the cold waters of the Pacific NW), and leads the REEF Pacific Coast Advanced Assessment Team. Janna was chosen as REEF's Volunteer of the Year in 2003 and as Dive News Network's 2013 Diver of the Year. Her goal is to spread her enthusiasm about the REEF Fish Survey Project and turn everyone into fish geeks. Resistance is futile!

BOSTON SCUBA SHOW

The Boston Scuba Show is scheduled for March 1, 2014 at The Holiday Inn on Rte 1, (1 Newbury Street), Peabody, Massachusetts. Beginning at 10 A.M. and continuing through to 3 P.M.

The program will feature: Jonathan Bird of TV's *Jonathan Bird's BLUE WORLD*. Jonathan will be showing and discussing videos shot during his many adventures.

Also on the program will be:

Deb Greenhalgh and Steve Lubas, returning from TRUK Lagoon;

Dallas and Linda Edmiston coming in from YAP, popular Pacific retreat;

in-water photo offerings from GUAM with Donna Calhoun;

Diver Ed, recently escaped from Maine;

the films of Bill Lovin;

the amazing crack-of-dawn underwater photography of Jerry Shine;

Recreational Rebreathers and Cold Water Sidemount Diving with Alex Dulavitz;

current ramblings of Alex Shure;

a new film and lively commentary by Chris and Fred Calhoun. Audio-visual by Linda and Kerry Hurd. Program directed by Alan Budreau.

The Underwater Club of Boston Paul Revere Spike Award will be given to Alexine Raineri.

During the show, attendees can be part of a group photo with Jonathan Bird...copies available.

Attendees are eligible for a free scuba experience at selected local dive shops. Inquire at the show upon arrival. Compliments of The Dive Patrol, Inc.

Tickets at \$15 per will be available at the door on the day of the show, or may be purchased in advance by writing to Cecile Christensen, 2 Ocean Ave (1-H), Gloucester, MA 01930. Checks payable to THE DIVE PATROL.

The Underwater in Salem Sound Lecture Series

This is a free lecture series sponsored by Salem Sound Coastwatch and Marblehead's Abbot Public Library. The series was a huge hit last year and we have some great speakers again this year. **The presentations will be held on the last Wednesday of each month, January-April at 7PM at the Abbot Public Library, 235 Pleasant Street in Marblehead.** As an added bonus, some of the winning photographs from the

"Salem Sound -A Sense of Place" photo contest held last year is on display in the library's Meeting Room.

February 26, "History Revealed by the Sea Floor"

by Dr. Brad Hubeny, Professor, Geological Sciences, Salem State University

Did you know that sediments deposited on the sea floor can create a historical record of environmental conditions in the surrounding community? In this presentation, Dr. Hubeny will share the story of Salem Sound as revealed by sediments near the sewage outfall off Great Haste Island.

March 26, "Changing Climate, Changing Fishes"

by Dr. Mike Armstrong, Assistant Director, MA Division of Marine Fisheries

Different species of fish are swimming in our waters these days. The winter flounder numbers have declined dramatically, but last year we had a bumper crop of squid. Dr. Armstrong will talk about how changing water temperatures are affecting local species of fish.

April 30, "Shellfish, Shellfish Everywhere and Not a Clam to Eat!"

by Barbara Warren, Executive Director, Salem Sound Coastwatch

Barbara will provide a look into the productive shellfish beds in Salem Sound, which sadly are not ready for human consumption.

For more information contact Salem Sound Coastwatch at info@salemsound.org or call 978-741-7900.

WHITE MOUNTAIN EXPRESS

Ride with us to your favorite ski/ride area aboard a luxurious motor coach. Bus departs from Pelham Street Park & Ride in Methuen (Rte. 93, exit 47) every Wednesday at 6:30am and leaves the mountain at 5pm

Bus ticket includes:

1. Round trip motor coach transportation w/ movies
2. Morning coffee & donut
3. Full mountain lift ticket

2014 SCHEDULE

Feb 5	Stratton	Mar 5	Killington
Feb 12	Sunday River	Mar 12	Stratton
Feb 19	Jay Peak	Mar 19	Sunday River
Feb 26	Sunday River	Mar 26	Jay Peak
		Apr 2	Sunday River

Reservations are required, and are secured with a \$40 deposit, no refunds or credits within 72 hours of departure.

For reservations, call 978-346-8667

Bay State Council Meeting

The next Bay State Council of Divers meeting will be held on Wednesday, **February 19 (snow date February 26)**, 7:30 PM at the SSN's clubhouse located at the corner of Quarry Street and Joyce Road in Quincy.

All are welcome to attend these meetings!



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>



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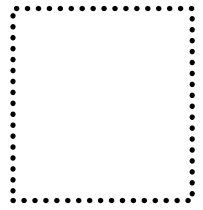


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February 6: Presentation
February 13: Presentation
February 19: Bay State Council Meeting
March 1: Boston Scuba Show



Sunday Dives:

We will be meeting for Sunday dives about 9:00 AM,
ready to leave the parking lot about 9:15-9:30 AM.
Meet at Burger King on Rte 128 in Beverly.

The **North Shore Frogmen's Club**

(Beginning February, 2013) has business meetings and presentations on the first
and third Thursdays of each month at 7:30PM

at **Palmer's Cove Yacht Club**

74 Leavitt Street
Salem, MA 01970

Social meetings are on the alternate weeks at 7PM