



Air Bubbles



The Newsletter of the North Shore Frogmen's Club

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President's Message – May 2014

Greetings Frogs

We had a great time at the Easter Egg Hunt Dive! The Dive Bunny was able to get in a nice long dive to kick off the dive season. Thanks to Dodie and Ron for hosting the after party event! Freddy and Francine also enjoyed the egg hunt and party!

May 3rd & 4th we will have our Dim Sum and Aquarium Imax outing.

East Coast Divers is having a Divers' Social at the White Horse Tavern 116 Brighton Ave in Allston on May 3rd at 6pm.

The DUI Demo Days tour will be from 9-5 on Sat. May 10th at Stage Fort Park. See their website for details at <http://www.dui-online.com/events/category/featured-events/>. They are also selling dinner tickets from 6-8pm. Their mascots Bernie & Jezebel are getting hitched; you won't want to miss this. To order tickets for the dinner/wedding go to this link http://store.dui-online.com/product/Demo/DT_Dinner.html

Ellen Garvey will give a presentation on St Vincent on May 8th. On May 15th, Vin Malkoski will be giving his rescheduled Human Powered Submarine Race presentation.

On May 17th, we will be having our Flounder Contest at Back beach (wind depending); the alternate site would be Pebble Beach. See NSF website calendar for all the rules and details of the contest.

On Sunday May 18th, Jack Munro will be test diving antique dive gear. More details to follow on the NSF website calendar.

I would like to name Bill Werner as Diver of the month for organizing the Dim Sum Aquarium Imax Event. I would like to name Susan Copelas as Member of the Month for her help with the Easter Egg Hunt and for donating scuba gear to the club.

The water is slowly warming up and there are still nudibranchs to be found. I hope everyone has dug out their wet suits and is ready to get in the water. Let's go diving! :)

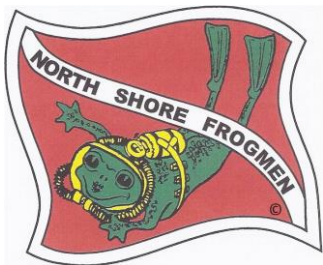
- *Laura Gallagher*
President North Shore Frogmen



Laura with the Easter Bunny-Frogs before the dive.

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***Deadline for submissions*
for the June 2014 issue
of *Air Bubbles* is
Thursday, May 22**

Meeting Summaries

03-Apr-2014

Meeting called to order: 7:35PM
Attendance: 3 Officers, 11 Members, 2
Guests

Treasurer: Member status update;
quarterly report-quick financial report.
- Question on permit for picnic: we
most likely need to get it this year.
- IRS contacted Vinny; we may need to
submit more documentation.

Correspondence:
- Colin Doherty will be diving soon.
- Club received book *Trapped Under the
Sea*, available to borrow.
- Bruce and Cheryl Moore will be back
in May; liked Francine and Freddie
Frog.

Committees:
- **Program:** See website for details
- Float Cleaning: PCYC Commodore
has not been as responsive on
allowing November float cleaning.
Club is open to doing 2 dates
possibly.
- 4/10-Bylaws vote. Everyone has
been notified by email or US mail.
- 4/13-Nudibranch dive at Pearce
Island, 11:30AM
- 4/17-Caldwell/Knowles
presentation
- 4/27-Easter Egg Dive - need
someone to lay the eggs.
- 5/18-at the Dive Locker in
Gloucester: Demonstration of MARK
V & MARK XII helmets and
Superlite's commercial diving gear, a
working demonstration. May and
state senator will be there.

Dive Talk:
- Jim donned his gear. Nothing else
mentioned.

General Discussion:
- Finatics Dive Club Events: Meeting-
Ellen Chang, Great Bay Estuary,
Friday 4/11 in Atkinson,NH. And
Clean up at Gloucester Breakwater on
4/19.

Raffles: Dollars Box: John Marren
Bug Bag: Peter Chapman

**Presentation by Ryan King and Jeff
Goodreau on diving Great Lakes
wrecks. Very interesting!**

10-Apr-2014

Meeting called to order: 7:36PM
Attendance: 4 Officers, 11 Members

Correspondence:
- Tomorrow night the Finatics Dive
Club will have a presentation (see
Laura for details).

Committees:
- **Program:** See website for details
- 4/13-Sunday, Laura is running a
Nudibranch Safari Dive at Pierce
Island, 11:30.
- 4/17-Heather Knowles and Dave
Caldwell will be giving a
presentation on the USS Nezinscot
which sank off Cape Ann
- 4/19-Join up with the Finatics and
the Audubon Society for an Earth
Day Clean-up at the Gloucester
Breakwall/Dog bar at 9AM. Not a
dive clean-up, just picking up trash
along the shoreline. Bring gloves.
- 4/27-Easter Egg Hunt at Stage Fort
Park, 10AM. Post Dive Party at
Dodie's.
- 5/1-PCYC is having a private
function and we cannot meet there,
so having a Wing Night at Hong
Kong Café at 7-ish, 12 Maple St,
Danvers. They have good food &
mixed drinks!
- 5/3&4-Bill Werner is organizing a
Dim Sum & Aquarium IMAX on
both days. Must RSVP w Bill by
4/18.
- 5/17-Flounder contest: "Flounders
for Fills"; prizes will be air fills.
- Float Cleaning for PCYC will be
done in the fall.

Business: Those in attendance at this
meeting voted on the proposed
changes to the Club's Bylaws.

Raffles: Dollars Box: Jennifer Entwistle
Bug Bag: Jeff Lynch

13-Mar-2014

This night we had no official meeting.
Those who attended had pizza paid for

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by the club. We reviewed and discussed the proposed changes to the North Shore Frogmen's Club bylaws, as put forth by the members of the bylaws committee. The proposals will be put forward for a Club vote at a future date, aiming for April 10.

After the bylaws discussion, we viewed a couple of episodes of Jonathan Bird's Blue World from season 4.

17-Apr-2014

Meeting called to order: 7:36PM

Attendance: 3 Officers, 13 Members, 3 guests

Secretary: Minutes from last meeting read and accepted.

Correspondence:

-Pat and Annette requested a list of attendees for the VT week camping/diving event.

Committees:

-**Program:** See website and minutes for 4/10/13 for details

Dive Talk:

-**Dodie** and **Ron** went to St. Thomas, saw turtles, wreck, lots of life, beautiful coral. Lots of snorkeling. Stay on the east side if you go.

-**Laura** went out w/ Boston Scuba (Mike McDonald, Louis). Lots of nudibranchs of the 1st dive; scallop dive for 2nd dive. Sunday did Pierce Island, Portsmouth; saw thousands of nudibranchs, some really big ones..

General Discussion:

-There is a petition for putting a plaque on memorial benches in Gloucester that you may want to sign. (We would like to put a plaque on a bench in memory for Arnie Pettiglio.)

-“Mike's Moment”: There is an overabundance of jellies which are being put to use in diapers, paper towels, etc.

Raffles: Dollars Box: Dodie Carvalho
Mystery Prize: Jeff Lynch
Bug Bag: Continued...

Heather Knowles and Dave Caldwell gave a very interesting presentation on their research and diving on the **USS Nezinscot**, which sank off the coast of Cape Ann.

24-Apr-2014

No formal meeting tonight as we did not have a quorum (total 9 members, including 2 officers). Discussion of Adam's trip aboard Cayman Aggressor.





**Diver of the Month
for May 2014
Bill Werner**

**Member of the Month
for May 2014
Susan Copelas**



Mary and Ellen attended the Boston Scuba Show and had our picture taken with Jonathan Bird.

Calendar of Events

 May 				1 Wing Night 7PM	2	3
4 Sunday Dive	5	6	7	8 Meeting Presentation	9	10
11 Sunday Dive	12	13	14	15 Meeting Presentation	16	17 Flounder Contest
18 Sunday Dive -Dive Locker	19	20	21	22 Meeting	23	24
25 Sunday Dive	26	27	28	29 Meeting	30	31
1 Sunday Dive	2	3	4	5 Meeting	6	7 Life Mag reenactment
8 Sunday Dive	9	10	11	12 Beach Meeting	13	14
15 Sunday Dive	16	17	18	19 Meeting Presentation	20	21
22 Sunday Dive	23	24	25	26 Meeting	27	28
29 Sunday Dive	30		 June 			

Activities List - 2014

- **May 1, Thu** **Wing Night** at the Hong Kong Café, 12 Maple Street, Danvers, 7PM-ish
- **May 3 or 4, Sat/Sun** **Dim Sum** in Chinatown and 3D Movies at NEAq
- **May 8, Thu** **Presentation: Ellen Garvey – Diving St. Vincent**
- **May 10, Sat** DUI Demo Day (1 day only) at Stage Fort Park in Gloucester
- **May 15, Thu** **Presentation: Vincent Malkoski – Human Powered Submarine Races**
- **May 17, Sat** **Flounder Contest** 9AM at Back Beach (wind depending)
- **May 18, Sun** Dive Locker Working Equipment Demo Event
- **June 7, Sat** **Life Magazine Photo Reenactment (rain date June 8)**, Plum Cove
- **June 12, Thu** **Beach Meeting**
- **Jun 19, Thu** **Presentation: Ted Maney – REEF Invertebrate ID Program**
- **Jul 26, Sat** Great Annual Fish Count
- **7/27 thru 8/3** **Vermont Camping/Diving week w/ Pat & Annette**

Coming NSF Presentations:



Diving in St. Vincent – Ellen Garvey – May 8

Ellen gave a presentation of stills and video from her trip to St. Vincent July 2013. Stills by Ellen, Ray Porter and Mary Howard, and video by Mike Garvey.

International Human Powered Submarine Races – Vin Malkoski of MA DMF – May 15

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.

Vincent 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 Invertebrate ID Program – Ted Maney – June 19

Ted Maney, biology instructor and faculty advisor for the scuba club at Salem State University, also has an association with Reef Environmental Education Foundation. He will be giving a presentation on the new REEF invertebrate identification program on June 19. He will also be giving two webinars on this topic on June 24 and June 25.

Other Coming Events:

NSF Flounder Contest May 17

When: Saturday, May 17, 2014

Where: Back Beach, Rockport, MA, United States
([map](#))

Description: 1st Annual North Shore Frogmen Flounder Fest May 17th 2013 Location: Back Beach (wind depending) alternate site will be Pebble beach.
Rules:

1. All people must have Massachusetts Recreation Saltwater Fishing Permit – visit <https://www.ma.wildlifelicenses.com/> to enter the contest
2. Review the fishing laws: All winter flounder must be 12” mouth to end of tail and you can only take 8. Do not take Windowpane Flounder (very thin and recently prohibited) or Summer Flounder (flounder with big mouth and regulations are up in the air on these)
3. Take flounder any way you see fit with two exceptions: NO OPENING OF LOBSTER TRAPS IF THERE IS ONE INSIDE AND NO SPEAR GUNS.
4. Scuba or Freediving is allowed. Only one dive or snorkel voyage may be made.
5. DO NOT SPEAR skates, sea ravens, sculpins, lumpfish, pollock, black sea bass (doubtful you’ll see a legal one), striped bass (illegal), ocean pout (illegal), torpedo ray (good luck to you if you try that one) or wolfish (illegal).
6. Bring ruler, measuring tape or mark spear if spearing or stabbing. Measure before you stab. If in doubt on size do not stab or spear.
7. As always – DIVE WITHIN YOUR LIMITS, CARRY A FLAG, MONITOR YOUR AIR, TAKE COMPASS READINGS, ETC.

Prizes: Largest Flounder (by length): prize 10 Air Fill Card from Undersea Divers Number of Flounder: prize 10 Air Fill Card from Undersea Divers Tiebreaker will be weight for either contest.

The Dive Locker

23 Harbor Loop, Gloucester, MA

Hours: M-W 9:30am – 5pm
Th Closed
F-S 9:30am – 5pm
Sun 12pm – 5pm

Working Equipment Demo Event May 18, 2014

Featuring:

Mk V

Mk X11

Jack Brown

Ocean Reef Wireless Communications

Cinema by the Sea

Northeastern University Marine Science Center
Murphy Bunker, 430 Nahant Road, Nahant, MA
7PM, Tuesdays

May 20

Jonathan Bird’s Blue World

Jonathan Bird will present some of his favorite video clips, behind-the-scenes footage, and stories of a career in underwater film-making.

June 17

Life from the Bottom of the Ocean: Mission 31

On June 1, researchers from the Marine Science Center will embark upon a month-long underwater mission with Fabien Cousteau, grandson of Jacques Cousteau. Celebrating 50 years since his grandfather spent 30 days in an undersea habitat, Fabien and colleagues will top this – at 31 days – in the “Aquarius” habitat off the Florida Keys.

July 15

Beneath the Waves: Mini Film Festival

Based on the success and popularity of last year’s event, we will again be screening a number of short films that stem from the larger Beneath the Waves Film Festival now in its fifth year.

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Easter Egg Dive, April 27

Photos courtesy of Vinny Egizi, Amy Maurer and Daryl Findlay



Visit our website at www.northshorefrogmen.com

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and Party, April 27



Bay State Council Meetings

The next Bay State Council of Divers meeting will be held on Wednesday, **June 18**, 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: <http://www.baystatecouncil.org>



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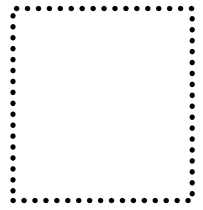


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May 3/4: Dim Sum and 3D Movies
May 15: Presentation
May 17: Flounder Contest
June 7: Life Magazine Photo



Sunday Dives:

**Summer Hours: We will be meeting for Sunday dives at 7:30 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. Check website for updates!!!!

at **Palmer's Cove Yacht Club**

74 Leavitt Street
Salem, MA 01970

Social meetings are on the alternate weeks at 7PM