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# From the President's Slate

28-Dec-05

#### **Greetings Fellow Divers!** ~

Here is wishing to you and yours a truly wonderful holiday season! Being this, my last message to the diving faithful, I hope you all had a wonderful diving season this past year.

We had some great splash 'n crashes, beach meetings and our annual cookout. Starting with the annual New Year's Day extravaganza at the Cassidy's, we could have almost worn our shorts it was so mild! The St. Patty's Day party at the home of Mary O'Howard and Ray Porterman. Thanks to Dodie Carvalho for opening her home to BOTH the Easter Egg party and the Halloween party!!

There were the annual shows we look forward to; the Boston Scuba Show, the Sea Rovers Convention, Jonathan Bird's O.R.G. benefit to name a few.

We were entertained by some incredible in-house shows. Sue Copelas did her Antarctica presentation; Jonathan Shine widened our diving choices with his "New England's Best Shore Diving" presentation, Mike Donavan and his "Dive Belize".

Outings galore filled the Froggie calendar this past year. John Ferrier and his ski trips, Daryl Findlay's trips to OMNI, and of course, those ever popular restaurant reviews on those days when diving just wasn't to be.

Froggie teamwork showed strong when we had a couple of "THAT'S INCREDEBLE!" moments. Mia Peluso's dive gear was rescued from the Atlantic and Daryl's camera was recovered from the mighty Ipswich River.

The list goes on and on. To all of you I mentioned and to all of you I may have forgotten, thank you so much for your contributions!

Everything we do in the land of the Froggy has one common thread. They all would never have happened if some caring and dedicated people hadn't given of their time and talent to make it happen. That is why every member of our club is important. No matter how much time, ambition, ability, you name it, you think you don't have, you only really need a love of diving, of people, and a small amount of time to make a difference. In the end that's what makes it all work.

In closing, I would like to thank my Vice President this year, John Ferrier, for stepping in while I was trying to get my computersmarts. Thanks also to Dan Hering for taking the notes and Ray Porter for tending the books.

Here's wishing the best for the newest members of the big table: Mia Peluso and Dave Metrano. I would like to thank everyone for making my presidency an enjoyable and rewarding task. Most of all, I thank you for your continuing support of our club and the sport we love so much.

I would gladly jump off the dive boat with you all at any time!

#### Best wishes for a great 2006!

*urino incumbo* (Dive ON!)

Dave Smith

NSF '05 President

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### **Meeting Summaries**

#### 17-November-2005

Meeting called to order: 8:05 PM Attendance: 3 Officers, 17 Members **Announcements:** Tom Lamoly 15<sup>th</sup> year as member.

#### **Committees:**

- Secretary's Report: Dan Hering Accepted as read.
- *Treasurer's Report*: Ray Porter Accepted as read.
- *Program*: Daryl Findlay See activities list.
- Membership: John Ferrier nothing to report

#### Air Bubbles – January 2006

Old Business: Mike Denneler turned 55 years old last Thursday. Happy Birthday! 3 ½ years until retirement.

**New Business**: Susan has alternate menu for banquet.

Dive **Talk:** Sunday club dive: **Roslyn, Amy & Mia** went kayaking from Lane's Cove, were picked up at Folly Cove. John F. dove alone. Strong winds, 47°F, 12-15 ft viz at 40 ft, 4 bugs. Went to Amelia's restaurant afterwards.

#### General Discussion:

- Mike's moments:
- **Globe**: Passenger ship attacked by pirates off Somalia.
- **Globe**: Orcas on endangered species list in Puget Sound.
- **Globe**: Male fish off coast of California found with female characteristics. Pollution thought to be the cause.

Raffles: Dollars Box: Mike Denneler Mystery Prize: Jack Munro Bug Bag: ongoing

#### 24-November-2005

Thanksgiving Day, no meeting

#### 1-December-2005

Meeting called to order: 8:05 PM Attendance: 3 Officers, 18 Members

Guest: 1 – Candi Souza

Correspondence: Rich Kinkade livin' large, sent pictures of his lakeside house.

**Old Business:** Banquet tickets available. See John Sears

#### **Committees:**

- Secretary's Report: Dan Hering Accepted as read.
- Treasurer's Report: Ray Porter Accepted as read.
- *Program*: Daryl Findlay See activities list.
- *Membership*: John Ferrier nothing to report

#### Dive Talk:

- Hans: (1) Winnipesauki shore dive, many rum & medicine bottles.
   20 ft viz, 48°F, 30-40 ft dive.
- **Hans**: (2) Night dive. Helped cops raise Dodge Durango out of Salisbury River. Intentionally

ditched.

#### **General Discussion:**

- Mike's moments:
- **Trade publication: Nautilus**, the first sub to go under the arctic ice cap, scuttled in fjord in Norway. A German company is trying to raise her.

**Raffles:** Dollars Box: Susan Copelas Mystery Prize: Dave Metrano Bug Bag: Jack Munro

**ELECTION NIGHT** for next year's officers.

Photo Contest **VOTING**.

#### 8-December-2005

Meeting called to order: 8:10 PM Attendance: 3 Officers, 12 Members

Correspondence: Tom Huff / Northeast Scub, is running a trip to Turks & Caicos.

#### **Committees:**

- Secretary's Report: Dan Hering –
   Absent, none read. Mary filled in.
- *Treasurer's Report*: Ray Porter Accepted as read.
- *Program*: Daryl Findlay See activities list.
- Membership: John Ferrier nothing to report

**Old Business:** Banquet tickets available. See John Sears

#### Dive Talk:

- Mia: Discover Scuba class with Susan; 19 students.

#### **General Discussion:**

- Mike's moments:
- New England Aquarium, csection on penguin successful.
   The rumor of a stolen penguin is false.
- **Salem News**: Human skull found by Gloucester fisherman.

**Raffles:** Dollars Box: Mia Peluso Mystery Prize: Pete Chapman Bug Bag: ongoing

#### 15-December-2005

Attendance: 2 Officers, 14 Members Committees:

- *Secretary's Report*: Mia Peluso filled in minutes not read.
- *Treasurer's Report*: Ray Porter Accepted as read.

- *Program*: Daryl Findlay -
  - Salem Trolley Christmas Carol ride next Tuesday, 12/20. Some people plan to meet at the Salem Beer Works for dinner at 6PM before meeting for the show.
  - Meeting on 12/29 will be a Pizza Party at <u>7PM</u>.
  - New Year's Day Party will be hosted by Paul Sauvageau, noon start time.
  - New Year's Day Dive meeting time will be 10AM. Site still TBD.
  - Activities being considered for Jan 2006: IMAX, Blue Man Group.
     Talk about getting speakers.

#### Old Business:

- Discussion of events around the banquet. Pay the bills for raffle prizes, caterer, etc.
- Food bill for banquet \$1050 total.
   Discussion around \$200 saved;
   decision made that it should go to 50th Anniversary account.

#### **New Business:**

- **John F**: the first ski trip is on Jan 4! Let him by the Friday before if you want him to sign you up.

**Raffles:** Dollars Box: Pete Chapman Bug Bag: Mary Howard

# Omission from December Issue of Air Bubbles:

The wonderful photos of the club Halloween Party pictured in the December issue of Air Bubbles were courtesy of Anita Windeler.

Thank you Anita!



# Northeastern University Marine Science Station EVENING LECTURE SERIES

Info taken from the NEUMSC website (see below)

Spend a pleasant evening in our lecture hall listening and interacting with specialists who are enthusiastic about the marine environment.

Lectures are free for everyone and meet at the Marine Science Center, Tuesday Evenings as scheduled from 7:00 - 8:30 PM. Light refreshments served at 6:30 PM.

# Evening Lecture Series Schedule for Winter 2006 Tuesday January 24, 2006

"New England Aquarium Rescue and Rehab"

Connie Merigo

New England Aquarium Rescue and Rehab

Ever wonder what happens in the Rescue and Rehabilitation department of the New England Aquarium? What are the animals they commonly see? What treatment do these animals get while at the Aquarium Medical Center? What causes the strange event know as a mass stranding and why are these events more common in Massachusetts? Connie Merigo, from the New England Aquarium Rescue and Rehab department, will talk about the inner workings of the Rescue and Rehab program. Hear all about daily procedures, mass stranding, research and data gathered by the Rescue and Rehab program and most importantly what you should do if you see a marine mammal.

For more information on this lecture series, visit website at: www.marinescience.neu.edu/outreach/lecture\_series.html

### **Boston Scuba Show**

Excerpted from news release dated November 25, 2005

The Boston Scuba Show scheduled for February 25, 2006 at the Marlboro, MA, Holiday Inn, will headline Captain Spencer Slate from Key Largo presenting *The Righting of the Spiegel Grove*. The show will also feature *Subs Sunk on the East Coast*, by Dave Clancy.

Tickets at \$20 each may be acquired by mail (recommended) by writing to Cecile Christensen, 2 Ocean Ave (I-H), Magnolia, MA 01930, (978-525-3432). Tickets will also be available at the door.

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### Air Bubbles – January 2006

# **CLUB BANQUET, DECEMBER 10, 2005**

Photos courtesy of Paul Sauvageau & Daryl Findlay



Member of the Year 2005



Members of the month for 2005



New Life Member Dave Dodge



2005 Officers







First Place Photo

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# **CLUB BANQUET, DECEMBER 10, 2005**

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# Activities Calendar

1 New Year's Day Dive & Party	2	3	<b>4</b> Ski Sunday River * <i>Fischer</i>	5 8PM Meeting	6	7
8	9	10	11 Ski Stratton Mtn.	12 8PM Meeting	13	14
15	16	17	18 Ski Mount Snow	19 8PM Meeting	20	21
22	23	24	25 Ski Sunday River * Atomic	26 8PM Meeting	27	28
29	30	31	January 2006			
February 2006						
Feb	ruary	y 2006	<b>1</b> Ski Killington	2	3	4
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5	6	7	Ski Killington  8 Ski Stratton Mtn.  15 Ski Sunday River	9	10	11

## **Activities List**

- Dec 29, Thurs Pizza Party, 7PM at the Franco, no meeting.
- Jan 1, Sun New Year's Day Dive Meet at Chandler Hovey, 10AM.
- Jan 1, Sun New Year's Day Party beginning at 12 noon, graciously hosted by Paul Sauvageau at his house, 17 Chase Street, Salem, MA. See more information in flyer.
- Jan 4, Wed Ski Trips begin. See article next page.



# White Mountain Express Ski Tours

Ride to your favorite ski area aboard a luxurious motor coach. Departs from Westgate Plaza, Haverhill (Rte 495, exit 49) at 6:30am, and leaves the mountain at 5pm.

#### Bus ticket (\$62) includes:

Transportation
Morning coffee & donut
Lift Ticket

#### 2006 Schedule

Jan 04 – Sunday River \* Fischer

Jan 11 – Stratton

Jan 18 - Mount Snow

Jan 25 - Sunday River \* Atomic

Feb 01 - Killington

Feb 08 – Stratton

Feb 15 - Sunday River \* Nordica

Feb 22 - Burke Mountain

Mar 08 - Mount Snow

Mar 15 - Sunday River \* Solomon, K2

Mar 22 – Stratton

Mar 29 - Killington

Apr 05 – Sunday River \* Volkl, Solomon, Nordica, Fischer, Atomic

\* Buchika's Ski Shop is sponsoring demo days on all the Sunday River dates.

Reservations are required. Contact John Ferrier by Friday night the week before the trip, or call 978-346-8667 for reservations.





Deadline for submissions to the February 2006 issue of Air Bubbles is Monday, January 23, 2005.

Please have all information and articles to the Air Bubbles editor by that date.

#### Editor's note:

I was unable to get the pictures from the Salem Trolley Ride – A Christmas Carol – into this issue of Air Bubbles. I hope to put some of them into the February issue of this newsletter, as they do show what a great production that was. In order to do the pictures justice though, I *need* to go to bed very shortly.

Mary Howard

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# Upcoming Events!

Dec 29: Pizza Party

Jan 1: New Year's Day Dive

Jan 1: New Year's Day PARTY

Jan 4: Ski Trips begin

"Winter" Sunday Dives: Meet at Burger King on Rte 128 in Beverly, by 9:00AM ready to depart for dive site at 9:30AM.

The North Shore Frogmen's Club Meetings are held every Thursday night at 8PM (except Thanksgiving) at:

The Franco-American Club
44 Park Street

Beverly, MA

Directions: From Rte 128, take the Rte 62 exit, #22E, towards Beverly. Turn RIGHT onto BRIDGE ST at the new light after Danversport Yacht Club. At the end of Bridge St, turn LEFT onto RIVER ST. Turn RIGHT onto FEDERAL ST, turn RIGHT onto PARK ST. Free parking in lot across from Franco-American Club.