
Air Bubbles

The Newsletter of the North Shore Frogmen's Club

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President's Message

Dear Frogmen,

Results of the By Law change are majority against the change. Although the idea behind the proposal, I feel, is unanimous. We all agree the foundation of a club exists successfully when leadership between it's members is shared. Thank you, Dale Findlay for your effort in "raising awareness."

We continue to have new gusts join our club. As our dive season begins, may I request communication between members and new Froggies about a buddy and dive plan for those who are unfamiliar with waters and gear in New England.

Underwater and Above Water in New England is an entry in our November photo contest this year. So, my friends... take pictures! Also, we are updating our club photo albums, so any contributions are appreciated.

Thank you, Meg Doyon, for going up in font for our Buddy List. I can now retire my magnifying glass.

Rob Falk is finalizing the calendar to be ready by September. Anyone with photos of club activities and New England dives, please submit as soon as possible to Rob Falk, C/O Northeast SCUBA, 90 Main Street, North Reading, MA

01864, or give to a panel member. Once this project is complete, I think we will love it. It is a large undertaking and photos are needed. I urge you to take a moment to look through what you have stored away.

Thank you,

Linda Marshall

Deadline for Next Month's Air Bubbles

The deadline for submissions to next month's Air Bubbles is June 15th. Get those articles, recipes, and other items in early!

E-mail articles to me at megdoyon@cs.com.

Meg Doyon

Raffle Tickets for Sale

There are still 42 raffle tickets for sale before we can raffle off the U.S. Diver regulator. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

We also have a 25-inch color TV to raffle off. Tickets for this raffle are also available at \$5.00 each.

Visit our website at www.northshorefrogmen.com

Diver of the Month

May

Ric Stamegna

Member of the Month

May

Meg Doyon

For Sale

DUI Dry Suit. Ideal for 5'4", no more than 125 lbs. New zipper. Less than 20 dives. Very good condition. \$500. Call Patty DeClue at (978) 373-9381.

Two XL Akona Back Pack bags in new condition, never used to haul dive gear to dive sites. These were bags I used to carry samples. \$60 each or best offer. Contact Al Morris at Mycaal@aol.com

Upcoming events

Mark Miller will give us a tour of his works in Marine Biology environmental protection and progress on a Thursday night in June. Stay tuned for more information.

On July 3rd we will be joining in the **Gloucester Parade**. If you have an open back truck, we need you! Please speak with an officer.

Free Advertising for Froggies

Froggie members who own a dive- or water-related business can put an ad in Air Bubbles for **FREE**. Just email me an ad or write something up and I'll put it in.

Charge for non-member dive-related ads is \$50 per year.

New Freddie the Frog Patches!

A **green** Freddie is on a **red** Dive Flag with North Shore Frogmen on the Stripe. The size is perfect for hats, jackets and gear bags. Wear Freddie on your stuff and display your club spirit!

These are great looking, very colorful patches, and a steal at \$4 each or 3 for \$10.

See Mike Denneker at the meetings.

**Canoe Trip
Saturday, June 3rd**

Join us on Saturday, June 3rd for our annual Canoe Trip down the Ipswich River. This trip has always been a lot of fun and this year will not be any different!

Contact Ric Stamegna for more information.

**Tall Ships 2000**

Fred Chase has reserved some "Froggie" space on Lovell's Island for tent camping for the weekend that the tall ships will be in Boston from July 14-16th.

Contact Fred if you are interested!

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Catch the Wave

The 4th annual Catch the Wave scuba divers' party was held this year on March 28th at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Waltham. This is a multi dive club party, sponsored primarily by the Bay State Council of Divers and the New England Aquarium Dive Club. The purpose of the party is two-fold, to bring divers together and increase interaction between dive clubs, and to raise money for a diver in need. This year Catch the Wave competed with the Beneath the Sea dive show in New Jersey, contributing in part to somewhat poor attendance. In spite of this, the proceeds from the event paid for an electric wheelchair and ramp, which were donated to the Moray Wheels.

Catch the Wave included a buffet dinner and dancing to a DJ who was more than open to requests. There were lots of great raffle prizes, including a trip to Grand Cayman. Introductions of club presidents or other spokespersons provided an opportunity to "plug your club". For people who like to eat, the food was excellent. For people who like to go out and meet new people with an interest in diving, the conditions were perfect. For those who have been practicing their swing dancing, or just plain like to dance, this provided a wonderful opportunity to get out there and move your feet. As there were, this night, two men, Chris Hugo of Metrowest and Ray Porter, who wanted to swing dance and no other women who had practiced, I was kept very busy and had very sore feet by the end of the night. But I had a great time! By the time I caught up with Bill Werner to try to get him to dance (very difficult anyway) the party was over and it was time to clean up.

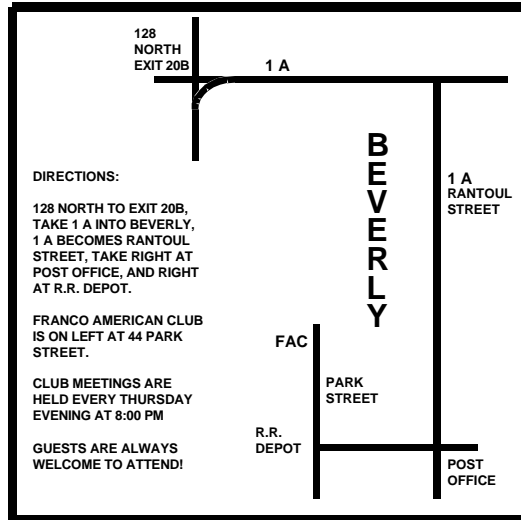
Bill, Ray and I were the only North Shore Frogmen to attend Catch the Wave this year, and Bill was there in part representing the Metrowest Dive Club. We are hoping that a lot more Froggies will go to this wonderful event next year to enjoy the great time, mingle with other divers, and support the cause of helping another diver.

Mary Howard

Club dives are held every Sunday morning at 9:30 AM – meet at the Burger King on Rt. 128.

Night dives are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month – meet at Back Beach at 7:30 pm.

Club meetings are held every Thursday evening at 8:00 PM at the Franco American Club in Beverly. Guests are invited to attend the meetings! Directions: 128 North to Exit 20B – take 1A into Beverly, 1A becomes Rantoul Street. Take a right at the Post Office and a Right at the Depot. F.A.C. is on the left at 44 Park Street.



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