

goodbye, august  
hello, september

2018



## September Speaker Scuba-Pro



SCUBAPRO is the world's most iconic brand of dive equipment, built by and for those whose passion is found below the water's surface. Founded in 1963 by Gustav Dalla Valle and Dick Bonin, SCUBAPRO remains the industry's gold standard for innovation, performance, reliability and durability. The company's products blend advanced technologies with intuitive, sophisticated designs, allowing divers to focus on their dive experience, not their gear. For the hobbyist to the professional, SCUBAPRO's portfolio features industry-leading regulators, dive computers, BCDs and thermal protection, along with a full line of masks, fins, snorkels, gear bags, scuba accessories and divewear. A Johnson Outdoors, Inc. company, SCUBAPRO employs more than 400 diving enthusiasts in 17 locations spread over 13 countries on four continents.

Divers expect their gear to be trustworthy and adaptable so they can get the most out of their dives. At SCUBAPRO, we continue to set industry standards by incorporating the latest technology to improve the quality and function of all our dive gear. Whether you dive on vacation or dive for a living, SCUBAPRO equipment can outfit you in full. With over fifty years of experience in leading the diving gear category, it is our mission to provide you the gear you want from the name you trust.

Come see what Scubapro innovations and technology is available to make your diving easier, safer and more fun. Scubapro has equipment to fully equip any diver for almost any activity:

Regulators  
BCDs  
Masks  
Fins  
Snorkels  
Dive Wear  
Computers  
Accessories  
Bags & Apparel



September 11 Club Meeting  
6:30 Graziano's Italian, Yorba Linda

September 15 International Coastal  
Cleanup  
Redondo Beach Pier

September 16 beach Dive  
7:00 AM Heisler Park, Laguna Beach

October 13 Boat Dive  
Cee Ray to Catalina

December 1 Warm Water Trip  
Grenada



## August Speaker Tyler Phelps

In the “Twilight Zone” at the August Dive Club Meeting  
recap By Silvia

Fifteen minutes. That’s all the time we have to collect our data at 500 feet. Dressed like “aquanauts” in closed circuit rebreathers, we’re the first humans to ever visit this reef. After documenting the habitat, conducting transects and collecting potential new species, we begin our ascent. It will take six hours of decompression before we can surface.

Did you know that most of the underwater creatures scientists have studied are either near the surface or at the bottom of the ocean? Our guest speaker Tyler Phelps kept us on the edge of our chairs at the August meeting, on his way to reporting to work at the California Academy of Sciences in San Francisco to continue his work on those once shallow reefs that became deep reefs, now called the Twilight Zone. Tyler always wanted to be the first to discover new species and the Twilight Zone is the place to be – he has already found more than a dozen. His presentation explained the process of naming and categorizing these new species beginning with DNA analysis and ending with classic biological descriptive techniques. We had fun finding out how valuable these unique species are too, when they bring them up live. Yes like the divers, the fish are under tremendous pressure at 300-500 feet and need to be brought up carefully. There is still so much to learn about our oceans, past and present. For instance, why do the species in the Twilight Zone, where there is so little light, look so colorful? One theory - the coral gives off unseen light to provide camouflage against the coral. If you missed his presentation, you can visit the Twilight Zone exhibit the next time you are in San Francisco.

## Club Warm Water Dive Trip 2018

Sharkbait Dive Club invites one and all to the Southern Windward Islands on the beautiful island of Grenada.

Join us for week of warm water; sun drenched white and black sands, spectacular diving, good food and good company. Divers and non-divers alike are welcome.

At 12 miles wide and 21 miles long, Grenada offers a striking topography of mountainous rainforests, stunning waterfalls and beautiful lakes and rivers. Known as the 'Spice of the Caribbean', and with more spices per square mile than any other place on earth, the scents of nutmeg, mace, cloves, ginger and vanilla will permeate the senses from the moment you step off the plane.

When: Saturday, December 1st to Saturday, December 8th, 2018.

The Resort: Coyaba Beach Resort

The Coyaba Beach Resort is just ten minutes from the Maurice Bishop International Airport and fifteen minutes from St. George's, and the famous Grand Anse beach, listed as a destination in the "1001 Things to Do before You Die" book, is steps from your room. All rooms are air conditioned with either patio or balcony. Continental breakfast is included.

Amenities include: World-class beachfront views \*Ocean view signature restaurant \*On-site scuba diving and watersports center \*Body treatment Kabanais with panoramic sea view \* complimentary green fees at Grenada

Golf Course \* chairs and umbrellas on Grand Anse beach \* service fees and taxes included



The Diving:

Eco Dive and Trek, a PADI 5-Star dive center, is on site at the hotel, with gear storage available at the shop.

Grenada remains relatively unspoiled compared to the other more popular Caribbean islands according to Rough Guide.

The Particulars:

Coyaba Beach Resort

Double occupancy: \$1,217 per person for 7 nights.

Single occupancy: \$1,939 per person for 7 nights.

Non-Diver: \$ 897 per person for 7 nights.

Diving

5 days of 2 tank dives. \$10 Marine Park annual fee for divers and \$1 day pass for snorkelers. Private boat are possible if available with 10 divers. Weights, tanks, and a guide are included.

What's not Included

Sunscreen

The hustle and bustle of mainland life.

\$100 Deposit due ASAP for Reservation, Balance due by October 1st.

Cancellation allowed up to 60 days before reservation after which refund rates will vary.

Club Discounts offered by Quest Dive



10 paid nets 2 free diver and hotel package (double occupancy), plus 10% commission over all costs (except taxes), split between divers.

Air Fare: (not included)

Available on several airlines; currently airfare is about \$740 RT for a decent one stop flight.

Other Info

A passport is required. Airport transfers are \$15 RT if paid in cash - \$20 if paid in advance by dive operator.

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## 2018 Bluewater Shootout

Bluewater Photo has announced that the 2018 SoCal Shootout Competition will be held September 14– 16, 2018. Registration is open from now until September 13th.

This competition invites divers from all across Southern California to dive and photograph with the opportunity to enter the contest and win great prizes. Photographers of all levels are welcome and can participate in a number of different

categories that are separated by camera type (compact, mirrorless, dSLR) and photo type (macro, wide-angle, behavior, etc).

“The limitation of only being able to use photos from that specific weekend really adds to the excitement and fairness of the competition. It adds that extra flare of need to first find a subject or image you're planning to take, and then also nail the photo!” - Adam Gibson

This contest brings together our local community of divers and underwater photographers, while also promoting local diving and the great underwater environment that we enjoy here in Southern California.

What can you win?

There's a great list of sponsors who have chosen to participate in this year's competition, offering prizes that range from completely free vacations to free gear and local boat trips. With a grand total of over \$24,000 in prizes last year, Bluewater Photo is planning to surpass this total for 2018 – they already have a new record of free trips as prizes! While the full list of sponsors is still coming in, see some of the highlights below.

Platinum Sponsor prizes: A free trip to the Sea of Cortez aboard the Quino El Guardian, multi-night stay packages at Volivoli Beach Resort in Fiji, Clearly Cayman Beach Resorts, and El Galleon Dive Resort, along with numerous high-end video lights and camera products from Kraken and a GH5 Housing with 2 TLC arm sets from Aquatica.

Gold Sponsor prizes: A multi-night stay at Aiyandar Resort in Anilao, 3 night/4 day stay with dives for 2 people at Atmosphere Resort in Dumaguete, multiple products from ThinkTank, twoYS-D2

strobes from Sea & Sea, and an Olympus TG-5 camera + housing.

Silver Sponsors: prizes from Ultralight Control Systems, Ikelite, CeeRay dive boat, Channel Island

Dive Adventures, Truth Aquatics, 2 trips aboard the CeeRay dive boat, and so much more!

How do I join?

For more information or to sign up to participate in the competition, go to [bluewaterphotostore.com/socal-shootout](http://bluewaterphotostore.com/socal-shootout), or contact Adam at [adam@bluewaterdivetravel.com](mailto:adam@bluewaterdivetravel.com).

## Upcoming Dives

### Change in Beach Procedure

Participation in our beach dives has been pretty spotty of late and to save Martin the hassle of getting to the dive site and having to abort because no one is there we have initiated a RSVP protocol. If you are participating in our beach dive, E-mail Martin at [n1diver@aol.com](mailto:n1diver@aol.com) or call at 714-833-9167.



[www.clipartof.com](http://www.clipartof.com) - 441036

### Beach Dive September 16, Heisler Park Laguna Beach 7:00 AM

Having been a preserve for many years these waters teem with friendly fish and lobster. You will find barred sand bass, sheephead, calico bass, opaleye, schools of jack mackerel and more, including the ubiquitous bright orange garibaldi.



For the best diving, head out to the outer edges of the kelp (about 150-200 yards out) and circle around to the left. Water clarity varies but averages about 15 feet. The bottom is quite interesting with rocky ridges and small pinnacles reaching up to 25 feet down from a 35-40 foot bottom.

From the bluff it is easy to observe conditions and how the kelp forest pans out. There is shore access at other places in the park, but the easiest is at the northwest end directly out from the statue right off Cliff Drive. Here there is a ramp that leads down to a sandy beach with generally easy entry. If you want you can wheel your gear down to the sand and there you will find a freshwater shower. At the top of the bluff are restrooms, picnic tables and barbecues. Parking is metered at \$2 an hour with the new-fangled meters taking quarters and credit cards. Look for Martin.



### Boat Dive CeeRay to Catalina October 13

Details

3 dives

Bring your own tank and gear (air fills on boat)

Boarding - 6am

Cost - \$150, includes food and air fills.

Please call or visit the Seas The Day Store in Brea as soon as possible to make your reservation. Spots for this trip normally fill quickly. Scuba gear also available for rent.

Seas The Day Scuba

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## **Hey Beach Divers Be careful Parking in Laguna Beach**

LAGUNA BEACH — Tickets for parking violations that impair public safety — at a red curb, next to a fire hydrant, too close to a fire station, and in certain other no-parking zones — will cost violators \$63 beginning May 10, a 46 percent increase over the current fine.

The City Council on Tuesday, April 10 voted 4-0, with Councilwoman Toni Iseman absent, to increase the penalty of the violations.

Other fines — including for parking at a yellow, white or green curb, over marked lines or in an intersection or driveway — will remain at \$43. Parking in a spot designated for disabled drivers without the proper permit will remain \$300, the city's stiffest parking fine.



### **Upcoming Classes**

Continuing education courses are designed to advance your diving skills and keep you doing what you love. You can start right after earning your Open Water Diver certification.

Taking another dive course will help you gain more confidence and enhance your scuba skills so you can find new ways to explore the underwater world.

#### **Upcoming Classes**

O Advanced Open Water:

Sept: 15, 16

EFR:

Sept: 18 & 20

### **Learn to Dive Enriched Air**

Learn to dive using Enriched Air Nitrox from the comforts of your own home! The E-Learning course will allow you to complete your bookwork and test all from home and on your own time. Once completing the test you will then come into the store for a practical training session which will include analyzing tanks. Stop in or give us a call for more information.

## Don't Forget Our Sponsors

We are fortunate to have a great group of sponsors who contribute to the success of SharkBait Dive Club. Without their help and support, we wouldn't be able to provide the benefits that membership in SharkBait gives our members.

We need to do our part also by supporting our sponsor/friends with our continuing business support. When considering a purchase of equipment, a class or a trip, or when you have that irresistible taste for Italian food please remember our sponsors. They are great partners !!!!



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# Club Information



Monthly club meetings with speakers and raffle prizes  
Monthly Newsletter  
Land-based Club activities and events for the whole family  
Organized local dives  
Resort warm-water trips  
Good dives and good buddies  
Membership costs are as follows .

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New Membership:  
Single \$40 pp  
Family \$50 (couple/family)  
Renewal:  
Single \$30  
Family \$40

membership renewals are due in February for all current members. New members dues will be prorated depending on the month they join the club

Dive Club members will receive from Seas the Day SCUBA

\*10 free air fills, or 5 free nitrox fills

\*10% discount on all merchandise except cameras and camera equipment, weights and cylinders (very skimpy markup on these items)

\*discounts on boat trips with the club.

## Club Board Members

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