

May Speaker Jedd Brett (via SKYPE)

No, this is not a repeat. We were not able to finish the presentation of Black Coral last month due to time pressures, so we are finishing this month. We will see the completion of the documentary and talk with Jedd about the Black Coral project and the process of taking it to fruition.

Jedd, along with his brother Todd, have crreated an amazing movie about the Black Coral divers of Maui. Jedd will talk about the divers, the dangers, the adventures and thrill of deep diving and the monetary rewards of harvesting Black Coral.

Jedd will give us a view into these divers via the dramatic and poignant documentary that tells the story of the men who would go to great depths (below 200 feet) to retrieve the valuable coral, creating a tight-knit group and huge risks at the same time.. In-depth interviews give the viewer a taste of the divers' personalities and dramatic re-enactments bring the whole operation to life. While discussing controversial diving practices, the film intrigues, entertains and informs while leaving recreational divers with an





May 14 Club Meeting Graziano's Italian, Yorba Linda

May 18 Boat Dive Sundiver Express to Catalina

May 19 7:00 AM Beach Dive Moss Street Laguna Beach

June 11 Club Meeting
Graziano's Italian, Yorba Linda

July 13 Club Summer Luau Vlads Polynesian Back Yard









June Speaker Dr. Emi Latham

Here's a speaker you don't want to miss. Dr. Emi Latham, MD, is a board-certified emergency physician who specializes in undersea and hyperbaric medicine. Her expertise includes preventing and treating disease and injury in divers and other individuals working in altered atmospheric conditions. Within UC San Diego Health's Hyperbaric Medicine and Wound Care Program, Dr. Latham assesses a person's fitness to dive, treats diving accidents and uses hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT) to treat conditions such as decompression illness, carbon monoxide poisoning, gas gangrene, nonhealing wounds and tissue damage from radiation, burns or infection.



Dr. Latham will cover some of the basic issues which can arise whie engaged in diving activities. She will also answer questuions we may have about diving physiology, diving limitations (medical issues, medicines, etc.), diving fitness, precautions while diving and probably any other topics which arise.

Dr. Latham completed a fellowship in undersea and hyperbaric medicine at UC San Diego School of Medicine. During her fellowship she trained at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the National Baromedical Services in Columbia, S.C., and Long Beach Memorial Hospital. She completed a residency in emergency medicine at Akron General Medical Center. Dr. Latham earned her medical degree from The Medical College of Ohio. She is board-certified in emergency medicine and hyperbaric medicine.

Upcoming Dives

Beach Procedure

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 or call at 714-833-9167.

May Beach Dive Moss Street May 19 7:00 AM

Moss Street Beach is at the end of Moss Street. Take coast Hwy and turn on Moss Street (toward the ocean). Parking may be found along Moss Street and on Ocean Way.

Beach access is via a staircase which leads down to the rather intimate beach.

Moss Cove offers two distinctive dive spots -

South-East or to your left from the stairway You'll find Scattered rocks and a series of Parallel reefs rising 20 feet from the sandy bottom. Several with a sharp drop-offs, all interesting to explore.

South or to your right from the stairway there are several "mini" reefs with lots of promise for exploration. This area is generally shallower.

The entry is fairly easy and straightforward. The bottom drops off rapidly five or six feet.

The site contains many small walls and ledges with some of the rocks towering some 18 feet off the bottom. There is a wide variety of marine life here. Gorgonians, Feather Worms, Anemones, lobster as well as the usual suspects Sheephead, Garibaldi, Kelp Bass and so on.



Boat Dive May 18 Catalina

Join SharkBait members as we travel to Catalina for 3 dives aboard the Sundiver Express. The Sundiver is the fastest dive boat to Catalina with a travel time of just over 1 hour which means you will be back at the dock mid afternoon after 3 exciting dives.

Tanks are included, no need to bring your own. Aluminum 80's are standard but smaller tanks are available upon request. Fresh fruits and greens and vegetarian selections are served between dives.

Contact Barry Bloch by E-mail if you are interested. divingwetdog@yahoo.com.

Make your reservations directly with Sundiver either through their website http://sundiverinternational.com/dive-boats/or call them 562-370-0059.

See you there.



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

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