

Antelope Valley Desert Divers, Inc.



August - 2022

General Meeting - Mon - Aug 8th

Jim Gunderson - What is "Scientific Diving"

Board Meeting - Wed - Aug 24th

Lancaster Location

Boat Dive - Sat - Aug 13th

Spectre to Anacapa Island

June Lake Cleanup - Fri-Sun - Sept 2nd-4th

See flyer inside!

August Dive on the Spectre to
Anacapa Island - August 13th

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The June Lake Cleanup - Sept 2nd - 4th



Jim Gunderson - August Guest Speaker

• **Presidents Message for August...**

Happy Summer AVDD! What a great year this has been. I hope you all are getting out and enjoying some great diving someplace. Well as stated last newsletter the pool party was a great event. Thank you again Terry and Colleen for being the best host and allowing us to have an awesome water gun fight.

I also need to amend my statement at the party for what we made this year for the Fireworks Booth. Are you sitting down? Our grand total that you made for the club is \$42,000, this is the most we have ever made, and it is all due to your hard work and dedication to the club that made this possible. This is so awesome and makes me proud to be a part of our club.

Next big event on the horizon is the June Lake clean up on Labor Day Weekend. Scroll down to see the flyer, and If you have not heard this year we are teaming up with the awesome group "Clean Up the Lake" if you have not heard about them, they are the ones who did the multi month clean up of Lake Tahoe and pulled thousands of pounds of trash out of it. Here is the link of a news clip they did.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M1gbGcEGCz4&ab_channel=KCRANews

And if you want to find out more about them, here is their website

<https://cleanupthelake.org/>

They will be bringing their core group of people to help us out this year, they will also be doing a bigger clean up of several lakes in the area a couple weeks after us and have invited any club member who would like to join to please do. I hope my schedule will allow me to join them.

June lake will be loaded with a lot of events, aside from the Cleanup on Saturday, anyone wanted to get High Altitude certified will need to contact me and we will set it up. It will be a second fun dive over at the marina.

You also need to mark your calendars for October 22. This will be our annual Underwater Pumpkin Carving Contest. I started early this year in hope to finally bring back Discover Scuba!!

The last thing for this month's letter is to note is our annual fall trip to Catalina. So, if you haven't made hotel arrangements yet, please do. With that I wish you continued adventures underwater and I hope to be your Dive Buddy soon.

Jeff



AVDD T-shirts & Hats

I still have limited 50 year anniversary shirts, (shown on me backwards to see design) were \$20 now \$15 and don't forget I still have the Sun hats, we're \$25 now \$20 and these Sun hats have the hidden neck protector from harmful UV rays also have permethrin that repels mosquitoes and ticks chiggers flies midges. Active ingredients remains effective for 70 washes. Please contact me personally at almicole@verizon.net for size and color rather than go to the AVDD website so I can check inventory, I also have the AVDD shark window stickers at \$1 each and bottle openers same price.

'From the desert to as far as the ocean seen, let's dive somewhere in between. Stay safe y'all.

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Guest Speaker for August - Jim Gunderson

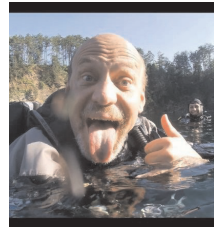
Scientific Diving is the use of Scuba to conduct scientific research in a marine or freshwater environment.

Projects can range from coral studies to fish studies, to geological and archaeological research.

Essentially anything that is in the water can be scientifically studied. In conducting oceanological (salt water) or limnologic (fresh water) studies, divers are often used to take observations, measurements, and other scientific data in fulfillment of a given research project.

This presentation will cover some of the generalities of scientific diving, what diving qualifications are needed.

Discuss many of the common research techniques used and how to become involved in scientific diving either as a volunteer or as a career opportunity.



- **AVDD Fall Trip,**

Hello fellow members. Guess what time it is? Yep, you guessed it! It is time for our annual Fall trip to Catalina!!

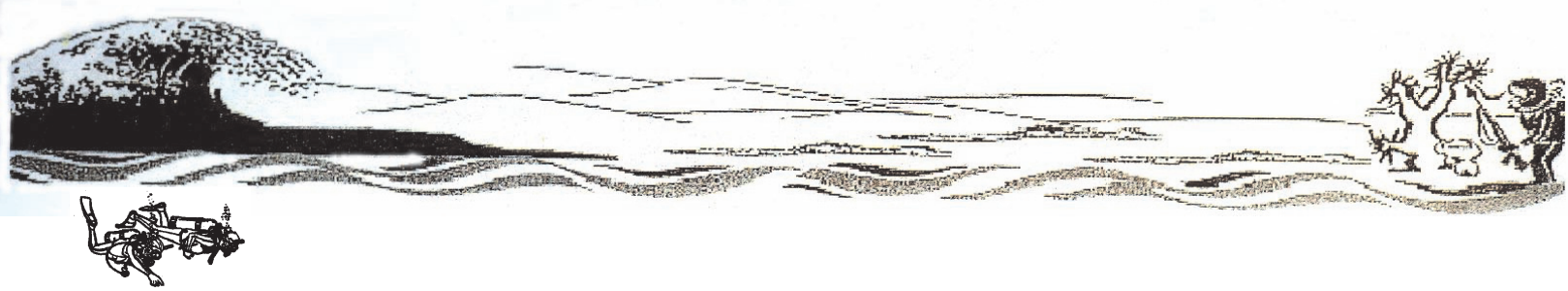
This year our trip will be November 4th ~ 6th. Many will be staying at the Seaport Village Inn.

Reservations are filling up quick so go online and make your reservation.

If you do not want to stay at Seaport, there are many other options available for you to choose from. Look forward to seeing you there!

Robert Wisdom Treasurer AVDD





- **Membership**

It's that time of year again to renew your membership with AVDD. We've come up with a few changes that we hope will make it easier to stay an active part of the Club. Don't worry, this isn't one of those emails where we tell you about a price hike for memberships like everyone else seems to be doing.

Here's what you need to know for the new membership year:

- MOST IMPORTANT: r membership waivers have been digital for a few years now. This year, you will be required to re-sign the waiver. After this year, to renew your membership, you will only be required to pay the renewal fee.
- We will be asking you to provide an updated emergency contact. Everyone filled out an emergency contact form when they first joined the Club, and we want to give you the opportunity to update the emergency contact. You will also can update your emergency contact every year here on out if you choose to do so.
- The new memberships are available to purchase on our website. Here is a link to the store to make your purchase: <https://www.avdesertdivers.org/store>. Once you've purchased your membership, I will send you the waiver to sign. It will come from sdmocusign@gmail.com. Please look out for the email, check Spam, and make sure that you sign it. If you completed the requisite number of shifts at our FWB to qualify for a free individual or family membership, I will just email you the waiver, most likely by the end of this week.
- One last thing: if you decide not to renew your membership this year, we will keep you on the email list for our newsletters. If you do not want to receive them, please let me know so I can remove you from the mailing list.

Thanks everyone for making this Club the fun, social family that it is. We couldn't do it without you!
We're very excited for another great year with you guys.

Lauren Bociaga Antelope Valley Desert Divers Vice President/Webmaster

- **August Dive**

I have secured 10 spots on the Spectre for Saturday AUG. 13. the cost is \$140.00 (reg price \$175)

this includes 3 dives, breakfast, snacks, BBQ lunch and a return dessert.

You must supply a tank and weights and the rest of your gear. If you need rentals contact the Ventura Dive Shop they will set you up.

The bunks are available during the dive and ride (No Overnight),

You must bring your own bedding as there are only a few mattresses and no pillows. sheets or blankets on them.

Remember to sign up soon as there are only 10 spots

Ken White AVDD Dive Coordinator





- **2023 Cozumel Mexico Trip**

The trip will be scheduled for some time in May 2023, exact dates are TBD.

We have chosen the Cozumel Hotel (By Windham)

The rates below are an approximate, and they may increase slightly as we solidify pricing, and possibly choose to add additional dives, services etc.

7 nights, 2 tank am boat dives included.

Single \$1,800 - Double \$1,200 - Double (Non-Dive) \$725

Triple \$1,150 - Triple (Non-Dive) \$675



We will be posting more information as it comes along. If you are interested, and have any further questions please contact Robert Wisdom via e-mail treasurer@avdesertdivers.org

Adam Parra Conservation Officer (520) 906-0015



2022 June Lake Clean-up Schedule of Events



Saturday September 3rd, 2022

- 8:00 Arrive and Set up at June Lake Beach
- 9:00 Dive Briefing (All divers required to attend.)
- 9:15 ~ 11:15 Dive & Beach clean-up activities
- 11:30 ~ 12:30 Lunch
 - Note: Tickets will be given out to all Clean-up Participants. Includes Divers performing clean-up activities, Support Personnel, and participants performing beach clean up activities. Non-Participants can purchase meal tickets for \$2.00 Each.
- 5:00~7:00pm AVDD Pot Luck Dinner and Raffle Site #47 Squirrel
Contact Robert Wisdom 661-917-3694 Site# 47 with any questions.