



October Guest Speaker - Terry Hodgkins

The 4 "C's" of Loberstering

A.V. Desert Divers

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October - 2022

General Meeting - Mon - Oct 10th

Terry Hodgkins - Lobsteren'

Board Meeting - Wed - Oct 19th

Lancaster Location

Boat Dive - Sat - Oct 8th

Sundiver Express

Pumpkin Carving Contest - Sat - Oct 22nd

Courson Park Pool

Catalina Fall Trip - Sat/Sun - Nov 5th & 6th

Catalina Island



The June Lake Cleanup - Sept 2nd - 4th

Everyone had a great time!



• **Message from the President...**

WOW! Where has the summer gone. I feel like I was just talking about summer is coming and like that, Snap! It's gone. But what a great summer it was. It feels like we are getting our momentum back. The June Lake clean-up was a great example of this. We made new friends, reunited others with their iPhone, Apple watches and Drones. I believe a good time was had by all but wait! There's more...

We have our Underwater Pumpkin carving contest next and it's true. We are bringing back discover scuba!! This is followed by our annual Club trip to Catalina and finally, we close out the year with our Christmas Banquet. I look forward to all these events and sharing good times with all of you.

I was asked recently about our association with the WAVES Project and how do we benefit supporting this awesome organization. The answer is that we help each other out. We support them by getting the word out about their events they and supporting our local WAVES classes in Palmdale. In return they support us by offering equipment and gear at reduced price (You should check them out), invite us to join them on trips and be added in on any training they do, like the Science of Diving they did last year. They are the reason we can get our tanks hydroed at an amazing price. This is also a great pool of people to help build our membership locally. We also know that supporting their mission of helping Veterans reach the water, plays an important part in reducing the 22 veteran suicides that happen every day. I am honored our club is considered a partner by the WAVES Project.

In closing, I want to have a little fun. How would you like a club lapel pin? If you have read my letter, please let me know. I would love to give you one.

Jeff

Oct Club Dive

Will be on the Sundiver Express on 10/8.

Leaves at 7am.

It will be a 3 tank dive.

Included are tanks.

Food and drinks also.

Sold out

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Guest Speaker for October

California's recreational spiny lobster season is set to kick off Saturday, Oct. 1, 2022, at 6 a.m.

No one can attempt to take lobster prior to 6 a.m. on Oct. 2. With a sunrise around 6:45 a.m. on the morning of the opener, that means there will be a very short window of time to legally take lobster in the dark, when most lobsters are out."

A lobster report card is required for all persons fishing for lobster, and individuals 16 years or older must have a valid sport fishing license and ocean enhancement stamp.

Terry will be speaking on the 4 'C's of Lobstering.

Catching, Checking, Cleaning, & Cooking.

So, get yourself down to the ocean & try your hand at catching a lobster.

Terry Hodgkins AKA- Lobster Man



June Lake Cleanup



Thank you to all AVDD members for coming out to our recent June Lake cleanup and coastal cleanup day! During our June Lake cleanup, we recovered a total of 319 pounds of trash over the course of 3 days. On Saturday, our official cleanup day, we had 12 divers in the water! We were able to recover an iPhone, a drone, and an Apple Watch. All were returned to their very surprised owners!

On coastal cleanup day we worked with "Heal the Bay" and hosted a cleanup of Dan Blocker/ Corral Beach in Malibu. In total, AVDD members and volunteers from the public collected 134 pounds of trash and 99 pounds of recyclables. We had 40 people, including AVDD members helping with this cleanup! Thank you all for helping to make this happen!



On another note, lobster season begins October 1st at 6am! You must have a CA fishing license with an ocean enhancement stamp, and a spiny lobster report card. Be sure to get your gear serviced and remember to fill out your spiny lobster report card BEFORE entering the water. Please send me your pictures of you and your catch so we can share it on social media!



Adam Parra - Conservation Officer



Catalina Club Trip November 2022

We have a host of fun activities planned for our November 2022 trip to Catalina Island! Make sure you book your ferry tickets at <https://www.catalinaexpress.com>. Most of our members will be staying at Seaport Village in Avalon. You can book your room directly through their website: <https://seaportvillageinn.com>. (There are a lot of great hotels on the island also!)

Here's a breakdown of the weekend's activities:

- November 4 @ 5:30pm Night Dive off Casino Point. If you want to participate in the Night Dive, you must have your Open Water Advanced certification (or comparable certification) as this is an advanced dive. Catalina Diver Supply closes at 4pm, so make sure you have your tank before the dive!
- November 5 @ 8am Club dive off Casino Point. This will be a one- or two-tank dive depending on dive conditions (and how cold the water and air is!). Expect to see plenty of Garibaldi, Sheepshead, and if we're lucky a Black Sea Bass.
- November 5 @ 6pm Club dinner at El Galleon restaurant in Avalon. We are trying to get the banquet room on the second floor of the restaurant, otherwise we will be in the main restaurant area. El Galleon is a casual restaurant featuring pub food and a full bar. Later in the evening, they host a karaoke night, so feel free to stick around!



A vibrant underwater photograph of a coral reef. The scene is filled with various types of coral, including branching and table corals, in shades of yellow, orange, and green. The water is clear and blue, with sunlight filtering down from the surface. A large, semi-transparent teal circle is overlaid on the center of the image, containing text and a list of benefits.

AVDD

Do you know your benefits of being a member of the Antelope Valley Desert Divers?

- Reduced price on monthly boat dives
- Club trips throughout the year
- Underwater Pumpkin Carving Contest
- Free air fills
- Annual Visual inspections on your scuba tanks
- Reduced price on hydrostatic testing of your tanks
- Continuing education certifications like High Altitude Diver training
- First-aid and CPR training
- Discounted pricing on equipment
- Refresher training
- Cool swag!!



Calling all Certified Scuba Divers!

Come celebrate Halloween and participate in our Underwater Pumpkin Carving Contest provided by AV Desert Divers

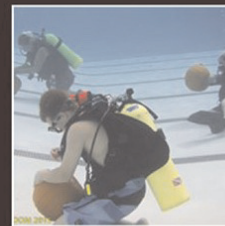
Saturday, October 22, 9 am

Courson Park Pool, 38226 10th St. East



Underwater Carving
Participants Must: 10 years of age or older, bring valid C Card to the event, register and pay \$5 fee at www.PlayPalmdale.org. Pumpkins and carving tools are provided. No personal carving tools permitted.

Free pumpkin coloring for kids ages 5-10.
Spectators welcome.



AV Desert Divers will be verifying C Cards and overseeing underwater activities, avdesertdivers.org.

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JOIN THE WAVES PROJECT THIS NOVEMBER 11, 2022 TO SUPPORT AMERICAN VETERANS WITH SERVICE CONNECTED DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES TO EXPERIENCE SCUBA DIVING.



7:00-7:45 AM - REGISTRATION
8:00 AM - SHOTGUN START

BANQUET, PRIZES AND AWARDS
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

\$175 PER SINGLE OR \$700 FOR A FOURSOME

For more information:
www.WAVESgolf.com
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The WAVES Project is a 501c(3) Non-profit organization and has been established to provide an opportunity for American Veterans with service related disabilities to learn scuba.

ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE WAVES PROJECT, INC

2023 T-Shirt Design Contest

Our 2023 T-Shirt design winner will be announced at the March Banquet! We can't wait to see what awesome designs you come up with!

Participation Rules:

- White border (so we can put your design on shirts of different colors)
- Themed is preferred
- You may design the front and back or just the back, but leave room for our logo!

The deadline for submissions is

February 4, 2023

Email submissions to

avdesertdive@gmail.com

