



July- 2020

No Meeting - Mon - July 13th

Fireworks Booth

Board Meeting - Thur - July 23rd

Virtual Meeting

Fireworks Booth - June 28 - July 4th

Be There

Boat Dive - Sat - Aug 8th

Raptor to Santa Cruz Island



Fireworks Booth - June 28 - July 4th

A.V. Desert Divers

38713 Tierra Subida #200-227

Palmdale Ca 93551



Happy 4th of July

July President's Message



I need to start with a huge THANK YOU to all of you who came out to the Clam Chowder Event last week. We were not even sure leading up to the event if we could pull it off, but we did, and it was a lot of fun. Our Board members worked hard to do some serious recon and find us a place where we could gather for the clam chowder lunch. (A great dive spot was also located but due to conditions, could not be explored). I hope for those who did make it will agree, a good time was had by all.

The Fireworks booth is coming up and by all accounts, this is shaping up to be one of the busiest seasons we have seen in a long time. Please remember to print off the \$20 off \$100 coupon from TNTfireworks.com We can only take one coupon from each email address. So, if you have more than one email.....Each coupon earns the club \$5. If you do not use the coupon, we can still scan it or save it for someone who comes in wanting to spend over \$100

At the time of me writing this letter we do not have a 4th of July picnic. But we do have some options to explore and if we can make it happen, we will let you know ASAP.

Take a minute to check out the article about Marty Snyderman. He is one of the best underwater photographers in the industry and is offering one-on-one classes. He reached out to our club to tell us about them, and after talking with him, I am looking forward to him talking with the club soon. I also plan to sign up.



With everything that has been happening this year, I am so darn proud of everyone who has worked so hard in keeping our club moving forward. I believe in recognizing the hard work people do for this club. I ask that when you see one of our Board Members, please give them a pat on the back. They really have done so much and continue to do for us. It is in large part that because of them, we are "Still Nifty, Diving at 50"



AVDD FIREWORKS BOOTH!!!

START: 06/28 12PM

Open
Every Day

From
10AM-
10PM

FINISH: 07/04 10PM

SMART &
FINAL
PARKING LOT
5038 W. AVE N
PALMDALE,
CA. 93551

CORNER OF
50th ST. W &
AVE. N



Raised Funds Go To:

- New Diver/ Continuing Education Scholarships
- Annual Donation to Chamber
- Underwater Pumpkin Carving
- Adopt A Beach

and many other community events.

TNT Safe And Sane Fireworks

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Marty Snyderman -

Underwater Photographer

Club Members, we have a unique opportunity to be taught by one of the best photographers in the industry. Marty Snyderman is offering one-on-one instruction on how to make you a better underwater photographer. With flexible scheduling, Marty's classes are customized to meet your individual goals. If you would like to learn more about talking a class or series of classes with Marty, click on the link below or look him up at Martysnyderman.com.

Marty has been teaching underwater photography in person and offering instruction as a magazine columnist for more than four decades, and he takes a lot of pride in his ability to teach others. The classes are about helping you improve your skills. The classes are not about him or his photography. They are about showing you concepts and techniques that will help you improve your photography no matter what make or model of camera or camera system you use.

Marty is the Marine Life Editor and photography columnist for Dive Training magazine, and he is the Senior Editor of California Diving News. His still photography has been used by the National Geographic Society, Nature Conservancy, National Wildlife Federation, Sport Diver, Diver, Ranger Rick, Smithsonian, Ocean Realm, Discovery books, Discover Diving magazine, Scuba Times magazine, and Skin Diver magazine, where he served as the photography columnist for all three diving magazines, and many major publications, natural history museums, and aquaria including the Monterey Bay, Shedd, National, Seattle, and Miami aquaria. Marty has worked with Nikon Inc. teaching courses at destinations around the world and authored a camera course for Sea&Sea US.

He will also be making a presentation to our club in the near future.

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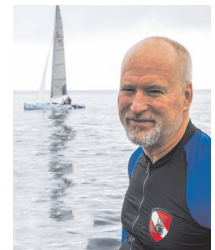
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Next Dive Aug 8th

This year has been a challenge for getting Club dives. The last trip on the Sundiver Express was a huge success. We dove the Oil Rigs and grabbed plenty of Scallops, then onto the Huntington Flats and did a wreck, The Scallop Barge, and ran across 5 Black Sea Bass. The Clam Chowder Dive is currently in peril due to the Governor and the L.A. Mayor, but we are hopeful. The next Boat Dive will be on the Raptor on Aug 8th and we have the whole boat chartered to Santa Cruz, it should be up on the Web Site soon, 20 spots are available.



Ken



July Conservation Officer Report

What crazy times we are in. Approaching summer and we have not been able to do a lot of anything conservation wise. I am hoping that in the near future we will be able to perform our community service work.

I am going to be very optimistic and schedule an Adopt-a-beach cleanup for July 18th at Corral Beach. I think we can clean the beach and keep a social distance. Since this is still a few days out we could also move the cleanup to a local area. If you have got an idea for a local spot, please give me a call and make your suggestion. No guarantees, but your suggestions will be considered.



Further in the year we are scheduled to host Coastal Cleanup Day 2020 at Corral Beach. Last year we had another very good turn-out. And I hope this year will be even better. I need some help with getting the work out locally (in Malibu) with a letter campaign. If you would like to help, any help is appreciated. As of today, CCD 2020 is scheduled to go off on Saturday, September 26th. I hope that by then people will feel more confident about going out and participating with us. I also hope that we can get local businesses to lend their support. Hopefully, Hughes Research Laboratory will come back to support this site again this year. Mark the date on your calendars and come out and join us. Again, the Date is Saturday, September 26th at 9:00 am.

Our fireworks booth will be up and running and it should be a good year. Please support the club with your time or money. Go out to the TNT website and download the discount coupons; deliver them to the booth. It is an easy way to support the effort without exposing yourself to the general public and every little bit helps. Have a great 4th of July!

Don Nipper

AVDD Conservation Officer

