



JANUARY 2009

Staten Island Sport Divers

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JOIN US for our

Next Meeting

Wednesday,
January 7, 2009
At 7:00pm
Ocean 3
2481 Richmond Road
www.ocean3.net

New members are
always welcome!

President & Treasurer

Steve Lombardo

Vice President

Patrick Kearns

Secretary

Sara Dluhos

Officers

Timothy Dluhos
Andrew Esposito
Diana Mercuri
Frank Saulle

Director of Photography

John Ares

Wreck Diving Coordinator

Jerry Coffin

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December 2008 Meeting

Thank you to everyone who attended the December 2008 meeting of the Staten Island Sport Divers. The very interesting meeting was hosted by Ocean 3, where members heard from special guest speakers Polina Reznikov and Larry Cohen on the topic of diving in New Foundland and whale graveyards.

Also thank you Melissa Morrissey for help selling 50/50 tickets, as well as to club members who were so generous at our food & clothing drive. This drive will be a part of our monthly meetings from now on.

Announcements

Steve will be teaching a certifying CPR class on January 10. For more details, see the article on page 2.

2009 Calendar of Events:

January – Mike Monahan
February – Gary Gentile
March – John & Anita Ares –
Humpback whales of the Silver
Banks
April – CPR Workshop

The first meeting of 2009 will be hosted by author Mike Monahan, who will be discussing his dive book Barracuda.

On behalf of the SISD, we would like to wish everyone a very happy and healthy holiday season, and a joyous new year.



ANNOUNCEMENT:

THE SISD WILL BE HOSTING A
FOOD & CLOTHING DRIVE AT
EVERY MONTHLY MEETING.
PLEASE BE AS GENEROUS AS
POSSIBLE TO HELP THOSE IN
NEED.

TAKE NOTE!

Please note that our new meeting place is Ocean 3, which is located at 2481 Richmond Road. If you need directions, you can call the restaurant directly at 718-979-5100 or visit their webpage at www.ocean3.net. Please note that if you google the restaurant the address is listed at Richmond Avenue. This is an error. The restaurant is on Richmond Road, just south of New Dorp Lane.

FOR DIVE NEWS,
EMAIL SARA AT
SISPORTDIVERS@YAHOO.COM

Reminder:
Club dues are \$40
for the year.
Please see our
webpage for
details.

Club Email:
Sisportdivers@
yahoo.com

Club Webpage:
[http://www.geocities.com/sisportdive](http://www.geocities.com/sisportdive_rs)
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New SISD Officers

As is tradition, the December meeting held the club officer elections. Here are the results.

The club president & treasurer remained the same – Steve Lombardo. Patrick Kearns is the vice president, and Sara Dluhos, who writes our newsletter and handles the email mailing list is now the secretary. The officers remained the same – Timothy Dluhos, Andrew Esposito, Diana Mercuri and Frank Saulle.

Two new positions were created as well. We now have the very talented John Ares as the director of photography and Jerry Coffin as our wreck diving coordinator.

Thank you to all club officers and members!

Find us on Facebook!

The SISD are now a part of the ever-growing Facebook world. Search for us using the name “StatenIsland SportDivers” (note the spacing- that is not an error) and keep your eyes open for postings and messages from members. If you are already on our mailing list, check your email for a request to join the page.

Look For a New Column!

Look for a new blog written by John Ares on the following topics –

1. NY UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHER SOCIETY (NYUPS) NEWS
2. EQUIPMENT
3. TECHNIQUES
4. RESOURCES / INSPIRATION

Please contact us at sisportdivers@yahoo.com if you have anything you would like to contribute or if you have any topics you would like addressed in the column.

Do you need CPR certification?

SISD President Steve Lombardo will be teaching a CPR/First Aid/AED class on Saturday, January 10 at 9am. The certifying class will be held at 501 5th Avenue (across from the NY Public Library) in Manhattan. The cost is \$99 if you register before December 15 and includes all materials. If you need this for divermaster certification, your captain’s license or any other needs, we encourage you to register. Contact Steve at 718-702-8623 for details.

Club Watch!

Keep your eyes open for any events of interest, and please let us know of anything that you think should be added!

Please email Sara at Sisportdivers@yahoo.com.

December 18, 2008 – 7pm

Oceanblue Divers – Celebrate the holidays at Oceanblue's annual party at PINK@BLVD, located at 199 Bowery, NY, NY 10002. Join them for a special presentation along with holiday raffles and prizes.

December 19, 2008 – 7pm

New York Sea Gypsies – It's annual holiday party time for the NY Sea Gypsies. Join them at the Soldiers', Sailors', Marines' & Airmen's Club at 283 Lexington Avenue at 37th Street, NY, NY 10016. The phone # for the restaurant is 212-683-4353. Dinner & drinks are included, for the cost of \$50 for members, if paid by December 13. For more details, visit their meetup page. <http://scuba.meetup.com/183/>

February 15, 2009 – 9am to 2pm

Ocean Wreck Divers Scuba Flea Market – Toms River Intermediate School North, located at 150 Intermediate North Way in Toms River, NJ 08753. Admission is \$5.

March 27-29, 2009

Beneath the Sea – Meadowlands Exposition Center. Early bird ticket discounts available until December 31. Check the webpage for details. <http://beneaththesea.org/>

May 2009

The Offenders – Bill B. from the Pennsylvania based dive club, The Offenders, attended our December 2008 meeting to mention a shark tooth dive for some time in May. As we get more details, we will send them out but keep your eyes open!