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**next meeting: Nov 8th**



Capt Lisk's Dive Boat

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*Straits Diving*  
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*Pumpkin Dive?*  
*Quiz still open...*

*also selected short*  
*subjects*

**This**  
**Meeting**  
**- 11<sup>th</sup>**

***Remember Our Troops!***

## NOT BREATHING! What would you do?

About the middle of September, Mike Jamrog and Rick Beyett went to dive the clear, calm waters of Higgins Lake by the American Legion post.. Also diving at that time were a father and son team. As told later, the father made a swiping hand motion across his neck signaling some type of breathing difficulty. They surfaced, but by now the father was unconscious. The son called for help, and Mike and Rick were there. First, they had to get the unresponsive man to shore. It was an exhausting struggle; nothing like the movies. The distance from the dive area to shore is at least 1/8mi (see next story). Once dragged on shore, they flipped the man over, and applied pressure. He expelled a bunch of fluid, coughed, and started breathing. The guys called 9-11, but had to get help from the neighbors to describe their location. Fortunately, the rescue team was only about 2 mins away. Current condition is unknown.

If the regular news media would have gotten this story, Mike and Rick would be getting commendations now. On behalf of the S.U.E., the Scoop congratulates these members!

As an afterthought to this story, scuba diving is a sport that presents a similar danger at any time. Be aware! As a diver, you need to know basic first aid (and rescue) as sure as you know your equipment. Let's get some club training scheduled; with annual refreshers.



Location of incident; Higgins Lake. The dropoff is seen as the dark edge; way out.

## More Higgins Lake diving

On a more pleasant note your editor, Charles, Rick, and Mike went back to the same site the following week for some leisurely diving. Sunny day, calm water,

sandy bottom; I'd forgotten how clear Higgins Lake is! The only complaint about this area of the lake is the extremely long walk out. You can wear your gear, float your gear, or some have even hauled it out on small inflatable. Regardless, you can't put your fins on till you're out there.



Rick & Mike at Higgins (grassy area is where they pulled victim)



Charles, Rick, Mike on the way out... LONG way!

But, the reward is in the dive. If you want to see something, you have to pay the price. Once down about 45', there are a couple of boats, a fish crib, and lots of fish. The guys brought some cameras and got good uw pics!



Higgins' Critters- photo by Mike

## And, Tawas Bay

Earlier in the month, Capt. Terry Lisk put his boat in Tawas Bay, and took on a few guests. Bob Burgett, Charles Storck, and your editor went out off the point to visit the Goshawk. The surface was pretty choppy; about 2' waves, and Bob and Terry were the only ones that made it down. They reported the vis was really bad, and almost impossible to see anything. So, we went back in to the old dock site and searched for things. Bob pulled up a gold ring, and your editor pulled up a glass ring (broken off a glass jug). OK; your editor also found an old bottle and some kind of brass fixture...



Capt. Lisk and Bob Burgett; Tawas

## And, the Straits dive

Orchestrated by Keith Hintz, owner of Dive and Glide, I was one of 12 divers who took to the seas Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, for a weekend of underwater excitement. With calm waters and surface temperature around 75 degrees, we dove the Maitland and Sandusky. Water temperature was good, around 55-65 degrees, with visibility at 20'. I tried my new digital camera and housing, but the results were less than satisfactory. I need more light. On Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, divers ventured out to the Young and the Cedarville. The lake was a little bit choppier and the bottom temperature was less than balmy -- 34 degrees on the Young which sets in 110 feet. Other ships that were visited by various divers were the Eber Ward, the Stalker and the Barnum. It was a great weekend aboard the ship "Cake and Ice Cream" and Captain Dick Moehl and his mate, Mark, were very accommodating. Another trip is planned for October 1<sup>st</sup>. It was nice to see fellow (new) club members, Mike and Rick, onboard and underwater. Let's try to plan some SUE club dives next year. (article by Tony Piazza)

## And, while some dive for fun...

Leo Dupuis was involved in 2 commercial recoveries this month; one boat and one sheet of steel! Pictures follow-



Recovered 'Fast Boat'



Nicholson Steel, 3/4"x10'x40'. Old Bob-lo boat in background

## And, the misc...

Bill Atkins contributes this website on the **Arabia**-  
[http:// www.1856.com](http://www.1856.com)

Ron Sujkowski contributes this on **tall ships**-  
Bay City Times becomes port sponsor for 2006 Tall Ships Celebration. Coming back to Bay City in 2006!  
<http://www.mlive.com/news/bctimes/index.ssf?/base/news-5/1126952126189710.xml&coll=4>

Info and pictures from the past visits-  
<http://www.tallshipcelebration.com/>  
[http://www.mybaycity.com/tall\\_ships/2003-covers.htm](http://www.mybaycity.com/tall_ships/2003-covers.htm)  
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### Trivia Update-

No one has ventured a guess as to the connection between the 5 women mentioned in the Sept Scoop. The Scoop will not give up information without a fight...

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### S.U.E. '05 Event Planner

Oct	11	Club Mtg
	TBA-	Pumpkin Carve ?night dive?
Nov	8	Club Mtg
Dec	13	Club Mtg
	TBA-	Xmas Party

### Wanted

Wooden bows, arrows, quivers.  
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Good BC. I need an XL, probably. Call 695-9509 or cell @ 573-0003. Briscoe Ellett II

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