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Saginaw Underwater Explorers

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Club Meetings- Held at 7:30pm on the second Tuesday of each month, at the Thomas Twp. Fire Station on the corner of Dice and Thomas.



This Meeting- 13th

(at Fire Station on Miller; off Gratiot)

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VIPs; This Meeting



also selected short subjects

VIPs at this meeting; get your updated sticker!

(English Language Version)

Remember Our Troops!

Only Reported Diving- Pool Swim

Well, the SCOOP was a little off on the date of the pool swim, but exactly right on watching your e/m for corrections! The pool swim was in fact held the Sunday after the meeting; our apologies to anyone going there the week before. The few that did make it to the pool still had a good time; last chance to loosen up in warm water. Jeff Millemon had been waiting all winter to test his dry suit, and he reported success; no leaks!

Dive Plans for '08

The SUE board has planned some splash dives for the club. These dives are planned for the Tuesday following a club meeting, in the afternoon. The dive sites will be local places; the idea being a quick and easy way to get your gear wet. The May dive will be on the 20th, at Haithco park. See the annual schedule for other dates. And, watch for any changes. Also, the club has planned a trip to Petoskey to dive on the memorials site, and help perform a clean-up. This is scheduled for May 17 & 18. All this information, and more, can be found on <http://www.saginawunderwaterexplorers.org>

-Our Web Site!

Have you visited it yet? Normally, the SCOOP does not endorse the competition, but this website is up-to-date with club information, and growing! Designed by webmaster Greg Prenzler, with major contributions by Dave Sommers, the SUE website provides instant answers to your basic questions. Click on the above URL, and the home page opens up as-

The buttons along the left read, in order, HOME, CONTACTS, MEETINGS, MEMBERSHIP, EVENTS, HISTORY, LINKS, PHOTOS, and NEWSLETTERS. Clicking on CONTACTS provides an instant list of current officers, and their telephone numbers.. These are the folks dedicated to making the club a success. Feel free to call these numbers, and express your thoughts. Clicking on EVENTS will yield:

-which gives info on the upcoming Petoskey dive, and the local monthly dives, among other events. Click on HISTORY, and you get:

1959	1971	2007
1960	1970	
1961	1976	
1962	1977	
1964	1982	
1965	1985	
1966	1987	
1967	1988	
1968	1990	
1969	1990	

This is a listing by years, starting with 1959 when the club was formed. Clicking on any year opens up all the articles from the Saginaw News referring to the club that year. Other history can be gotten by clicking on NEWSLETTERS (next page). All the newsletters

sent since 2001 can be accessed by clicking on the year, then the month. The current newsletter should be included by the time of the meeting. Expect in the near future some newsletters from years past. If you have any old newsletters to contribute, please contact one of the CONTACTS...



Past newsletters; click on the year, then the month...

The Queen is Dead; Long Live the Queen!

The following was received from Peggy@goscuba- "Spring is the time of change, and the same is true for Peggy & Adventures In Diving Inc. ADVENTURES IN DIVING INC. is merging with Mike at ADVENTURE SCUBA in NOVI. See (www.miadventurescuba.com) YES, we are closing the Holland store. I'm sorry to go but I have a great opportunity to do what I love best; DIVE, TEACH & TRAVEL. The new store, ADVENTURE SCUBA & SNORKELING CENTER, Inc. will continue to give great service, with more staff, full time repair technicians, awesome instructors & instructor trainers on staff, and more great travel. And the new shop is only a couple of miles from Twelve Oaks Mall (for the non-divers in the family) as well as great food, great diving, and of course, there is still my smiling face.... Come check us out on the web (or better yet in person at 40001 Grand River, Novi, Michigan 48375). Our phone number is 248-615-3483 and you can still e-mail me at peggy@goscuba.net"

ed's note- The Holland shop was a long way from Saginaw, but a number of our members have done business there. Peggy has always been friendly with the SCOOP, and we have reciprocated newsletters. The SCOOP wishes her the best in this new adventure!

Decompression Fix?

"Glucose pre-dive drink may prevent decompression sickness! Decompression sickness is caused by nitrogen being released from the blood too quickly, forming bubbles which may expand and injure tissue. Anything that reduces bubble formation should decrease the risk of decompression sickness. Researchers from the French Navy have found that drinking 1.3 litres of a saline-glucose drink an hour and a half before the dive decreased bubble formation. This provides an easy means of reducing decompression sickness risk."

-News report from scubatravel.co.uk

Boat kills 2 divers in Red Sea; RIP

<http://www.iht.com/articles/ap/2008/04/12/africa/ME-GEN-Egypt-Divers-Killed.php> An Egyptian medical official says two Polish scuba divers were killed when they were hit by a speedboat in the Red Sea resort city of Sharmel-Sheik. Hospital authorities identified the Polish victims as Jona Kosic, 45, a man, and Wizo Kosic, 43, a woman.

-News report from scubatravel.co.uk

Dive Team News

It is well known that Lt. Sommers is always seeking the darkest, murkiest water in Saginaw County to run his dive team through. He apparently slipped a little this month, when the dive team explored a previously virgin and very remote dive site in the most southern edge of Saginaw County... That's Bill Giorgis checking out the area; Bill stated it "was the clearest water he's ever been in". (photo by Lisa)



Great vis; No fish...

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S.U.E. '08 Event Planner

May: 13- Club Mtg, 17- Petoskey, 20- Haithco
Jun: 10- Club Mtg, 17- dive TBA
Jul: 8- Club Mtg, 15- dive TBA
Aug: 12- Club Mtg(Tony's), 19- dive TBA
Sep: 9- Club Mtg, 16- dive TBA
Oct: 14- Club Mtg, 21- pumpkin carve(?)
Nov: 11- Club Mtg,
Dec: 9- Club Mtg, 13- Xmas party(Timbers)

For Sale

1997 Boston Whaler 15' Justice (commercial grade) model, 1998 Shorelander trailer, 2001 75 HP Mercury (bought new in 2001) with less than 50 hours on it. It has a dual battery setup, a built-in 15-gallon Pate gas tank, a depth finder, Hummingbird graph, marine radio, swim platform and heavy ladder, plus anchor, line, fenders, etc. Pier 7 Marina in Bay City is selling it for me for \$10,500. Anyone interested can call Pier 7 at 989-894-9061.
-Michele Whitaker

Wanted

½" Tank valve .

Contact Mary Poma 771 3649

Zipper; for Harvey drysuit. Preferably waterproof. Don Storck
dstorck@hotmail.com

Wooden Bows and arrows, also older quivers. Not old quivering farts, but those for carrying arrows. Thanx, Val
magmagems@yahoo.com

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