

# Mass Bay Divers

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## Letter from the President

Well, another official dive season has finished. Since I became president, this is the first year that I didn't dive our last scheduled dive. We failed to dive due to the winds and high surf, however, nine of us went to breakfast at Schooners instead. One year we even dove in the snow for our final dive, but this year the conditions were worse.

I would like to congratulate the winners of the Halloween costume contest and the pumpkin carvers. October was a great party month and thanks to Lori both events were a hit. Thanks again to Torpedo Ray for providing the music and to Al & Arlene for donating a nitrox course for the treasure chest contest. It was a fun night and the costumes were great. The October celebrations may be over, but we have the big Winter Party on the horizon. See inside for details. It is a great event with tons of raffle prizes, good food, music, dancing, photo contest, etc.... Feel free to bring family and friends. You definitely don't want to miss this event. Ask Fred who brought a whole table of friends last year and they all had a great time (or at least that is what they told me).

Nominations took place for the 2007 Board of Officers. We vote in December. If you don't like the choices or want to throw your name into the mix, feel free to make additional nominations at the December meeting. Right now we have some hot competition for the president and vice president positions. If no one else comes forward, Matt Bell will remain as treasurer and Wayne Ross will continue as our corresponding secretary. As of now, it seems that Carol's seven year stint as recording secretary will finally come to an end. Arlene was nominated last night and said she would gladly welcome the position. Carol is stepping down and passing the baton. Now that she isn't busy taking notes, she can freely express herself during the meetings (although I don't think taking notes ever prevented her from commenting throughout the meeting... this only means that her hands will be free to gesture along with her comments).

See you at the December meeting (if not sooner), Bo

Next Officer's Meeting	Monday-November 27, 2006	At 7:00pm
Next General Meeting	Monday-December 4, 2006	At 7:00pm
President	Bo Howes	
Vice President	John Sullivan	
Vice President	Robin Scott	
Treasurer	Matt Bell	
Recording Secretary	Carol Hamilton	
Corresponding Secretary	Wayne Ross	
Membership Coordinator	Nancy Sullivan	
Boat Dive Coordinator	Matt Bell	
Website Editor	Andrew Haley	
Newsletter Editors	Robin Scott Arlene Anzuoni	
Events Coordinator	Lori Hindle	

## UPCOMING EVENTS

December 1, 2006-General Meeting  
January 20, 2007-Annual Winter Party  
January 24, 2007-BSC Meeting

## NEW CLUB EMAIL ADDRESS AND WEBSITE

Due to recent changes, the club now has a new permanent Email Address. It is [massbaydivers@hotmail.com](mailto:massbaydivers@hotmail.com). Also, we have a website for you to see new information and upcoming events. It is [www.massbaydivers.com](http://www.massbaydivers.com) or [www.massbaydivers.org](http://www.massbaydivers.org).

## MASS BAY DIVERS BOUTIQUE

New items are available for sale: tank tops in white, ash or navy for \$8.00. There are also Baseball caps (\$11.00) & some T-shirts (\$10.00). We can do special orders for sweatshirts and long-sleeve T-shirts. Just let John know if you are interested in ordering or purchasing items. A order form has been included in this newsletter. You can also get on off the website.

## KEEP YOUR DIVING GOING OVER THE WINTER

Think you need to stop thinking about diving now that the weather is turning colder? Not so; think about ways to enhance your diving:

- Learn about Nitrox (Enriched Air)
- Equipment Specialist
- EFR
- O2 Provider

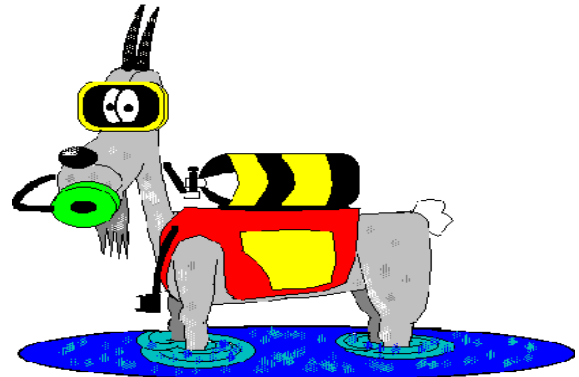
These are just a few of the things to keep you active until the Spring is here and we can get out diving again.

For more info contact the shop at 781-331-1144



## OFFICIAL DIVE CLUB MOST POINT WINNERS

1. Mike Holodinski
2. Carol Hamilton
3. Matt Bell



## 2007 WINTER PARTY

Mark your calendars for the Annual Winter Party. It will take place on Saturday, January 20, 2007 at the Weymouth Elks. The cost is \$20.00. More information to follow.

## NEW SHOP HOURS

South Shore Divers new hours are:  
Monday thru Thursday and Saturdays 9:30-6:00pm. Fridays 9:30am-8:00pm. Sundays during the month December 10am-4:00pm. Make sure you get your tanks filled on Saturday for diving on Sunday.

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Nancy Sullivan is our Membership Coordinator. As of the June Meeting there were 72 paid members. To join Mass Bay Divers, just see one of the club officers or view our website. You can also talk with Arlene at South Shore Divers, Inc. The cost to join the club is \$25.00 for an individual membership or \$40.00 for a family membership. Mass Bay Divers would like to welcome any new member to the club. Feel free to join in the fun at any one of the dives and events that the club has planned.

## **ELECTIONS OF 2007 OFFICERS**

The following people have been nominated for 2007 Officers.

President: John Sullivan  
Dave Cangiano  
Vice President: Robin Scott  
Mike Holodinski  
Jay Bruce  
John Sullivan  
Treasurer: Matt Bell  
Recording Secretary: Arlene Anzuoni  
Corresponding Secretary: Wayne Ross

Elections will be held at the December General Meeting. Last minute nominations will also be accepted. Absentee ballots are not accepted. Please try to attend this meeting.

## **STELLWAGON BANK NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY PLAN REVISION**

Visit [www.shipwreckdivers.org](http://www.shipwreckdivers.org) to find out about the Stellwagon Bank National Marine Sanctuary Management Plan Revision. Some feel this revision may adversely affect the dive community; decide for yourself. Check out the website and read up on the recommendation for a 3-tier classification for shipwrecks. This information was provided to the club at the last Bay State Council meeting.



## **VACATION IDEAS**

### **BON TERRE MINE, MISSOURI**

**March 2007**

Robin and Ethan Scott are trying to put together a trip to Bon Terre Mine in Missouri. If you are interested in joining them, please contact either one at 781-812-2431 or on their cells- Robin @781-789-8201 or Ethan @ 781-789-5762.

### **BONAIRE**

**March 4-12, 2007**

Good Deal to Bonaire

Some members are traveling to Bonaire and wanted to share this information on a good deal. The flight leaves at 6:00am from Boston and arrives in Aruba at 12:55pm. Since the flight to Bonaire is at 11:00pm, the travelers have a day room in Aruba. The accommodations in Bonaire are for a two-Bedroom condo (sleeps four) at the Sand Dollar and includes breakfast daily, truck rental (for shore diving), and 6 one-tank boat dives for approximately \$1625.00. Mark and Carol Durgin have more information if anyone is interested.



# ANNUAL WINTER PARTY

**Saturday, January 20, 2007 – 7:00pm @ the  
Weymouth ELKS  
Holbrook Hall**

**Dinner, Music, Dancing, Members  
only Door Prize, Awards,  
Photo Contest, and much more.  
Tickets are on sale now for \$20.00.  
See any Officer for a Ticket.**

**Friends and Family are welcomed.**

**Seasons Greetings**



### Top 10 Reasons Santa Claus Doesn't Dive

10. He's jolly enough with out getting narced.
9. Still mourning the mysterious disappearance of his dive buddy, Frosty the Snowman, while diving in the Bahamas.
8. He hates it when his dry suit leaks and his fuzzy red woolies get wet.
7. Rudolph's nose shorts out under water.
6. His sleigh failed Coast Guard inspection.
5. He's nervous because great white sharks have made the "naughty" list for 25 years running.
4. Dry suits not available in "jolly old elf" sizes.
3. That big white beard makes it impossible to get a good seal on his mask.
2. It's hard to get 32 fins on those little reindeer feet.
1. His elf-produced wooden regulator is dangerous at depth.



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