

Cape Dive Club Newsletter

June 2007

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Did You Know

1-pound female lobster usually carries approximately 8000 eggs. A 9-pound female may carry more than 100,000 eggs. The female carries the eggs inside for 9 to 12 months, and then for another 9 to 12 months externally attached to the swimmerets under her tail.

Our First Meeting

We had our first meeting on Thursday May 24 at the Hyannis Golf Club. We had a great turn out. We are still waiting for many of you to join us! Make sure to be at our next meeting on Tuesday June 26. All new members who joined at the meeting were given a free raffle ticket for a basket full of goodies to enjoy some fresh caught lobster this summer. John O'Connor was the winner of the raffle.

Message from the President

I am very pleased with the turnout at our first meeting. I hope that we can get several more members to join us! We discussed several ideas for up coming events. This is your club, so your input is important. You must tell us what you want!

The dive season is well under way for many of us. I want to encourage members to share their dive stories and pictures with us. You can do this at our meetings or send us an email that we can share with everyone!

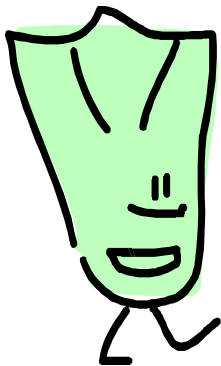
I recently had a great experience diving this year. I discovered my first real artifact – a brass port hole! There is a more detailed story in this newsletter on my adventure! (See Page 4)

I want this dive club to be a success, but there is a lot of work to be done. Everyone's help is appreciated!

Keep diving and be safe.
Jodi

The Lobster Eggs

When the eggs hatch, the larvae will float near the surface for 4 to 6 weeks. The few that survive will settle to the bottom and continue to develop as baby lobsters. From every 50,000 eggs only 2 lobsters are expected to survive to legal size.



Members Needed!

We need to establish some committees and people in charge of organizing some of the club events. Several people indicated on their membership application that they were interested in helping out - this is great!

At our next meeting, we will try to set up some groups of people to do this. Some of the organizers needed are for:

- Monthly Raffles
- Shore Dives
- Boat Dives
- Cookouts
- Community Service
- Speakers
- Newsletter Help
- Website Help

Monthly Club Raffles Organizer

Each month at our club meetings, we will sell raffle tickets. The money from the raffle will be to benefit club events and outings. At our first meeting, a couple of people very generously donated some items. We need to get contributions every month. These items do not have to be dive related. Anything you want to donate would be accepted.

We are looking for a few people to take over the raffle. This would be to help obtain donations both from club members and businesses. You would also run the raffle at each meeting. Several people indicated on their membership that they would be interested in this. The club will be in touch with you shortly to help out with this. If anyone else is interested, please let us know at the next meeting or send an email to capedive@capediveclub.com.

Shore Dives

We would like to have some shore dives on a regular basis. Both on weekends and after work are options.

This is a great opportunity to meet other club members, improve your diving, try out new equipment, and have lots of fun! If you are interested in helping out with the shore dives and organizing them, please let us know at the next meeting or email us at capedive@capediveclub.com

Boat Dives

We trying to plan a couple of club boat dives. We have worked out a special rate with the charter Cape Diver from the Dive Locker in Hyannis. The rate will depend on where the dives are. Some ideas are two tank lobster dive can be done in Cape Cod Bay, Chatham Wreck Dives, and Nauset Barges. We need to know what type of dive you want so we can secure the boat. The Cape diver can accommodate up to six divers from our club. There will be a sign up sheet at the next meeting, but it would be appreciated if you can let us know what type of dive you would be interested in, what level you are at, etc. We can make a custom charter to the clubs needs.

You need to email Jodi@capediveclub.com and let her know if you are interested in a charter.

[A Legal Lobster](#)

It takes 5 to 7 years for a lobster to grow to legal size in the ocean. A lobster at legal size will weigh approximately 1 pound.

Other News

We still need more help with the following:

Website Help is needed. Any help you can give is needed. Contact Brian L. at BrianL@capediveclub.com

Speakers and Presentations – We want to have a speaker or informative presentation at each meeting. We need your help to get these arranged.

Newsletter Help – Help is needed on putting together our monthly newsletter.

Logo- We need your logo ideas. We have a few, if you have an idea; make sure to bring it with you to the next meeting!

Fundraising – We need volunteers to come up with ideas and help raise money for the club.

New Members - Tell everyone you know about our club and get them to join!

More Stuff

We have a DAN instructor available if anyone is interested in taking any classes offered by DAN.

DAN is giving away free Testing-Shirts if you sign up and share your dive information. Check it out at: <http://www.DiversAlertNetwork.org/news/article.asp?newsid=928>

Bonaire – Join us in January 11-20th – there are still a few openings. Payment in full is not due until October. More information at the next meeting!

Training – Learn to use your wreck reel and lift bag or emergency sausage. This is FREE to Cape Dive Club members. It will be on Sunday June 17th at 4:00pm. If you are interested in attending you need to email Jerry at Jerry@capediveclub.com

Stories – See Scubaboard.com and TheDecoStop.com for more stories on the recent porthole recovery.

Dive Stories
By Jerry Cronin
May 26, 2007

Yesterday we recovered a brass porthole off the Horatio Hall. Jodi discovered it several weeks ago. We went out a few days later and spent two full dives sawing off deck planking and working bolts that for the most part were in pristine condition. This porthole had been under feet of sand for decades, which kept the bolts from corroding at all.

The team was blown out for the last two weekends. We spent the time wisely. A purchase of two impact hammers and the associated equipment to operate them off scuba gear plus several practice dives in Hathaway's paid off handsomely.

It still took two dives, 68 minutes and the second of 92 minutes to recover it. I mean, come on..... we got into 20 minutes of deco on the Hall..... well..... the ones not on rebreathers. This was the hardest I've ever worked under water. Rick filmed the entire two dives with a HI-Def video camera. From what I've viewed, it came out AWESOME. The noise from both impact hammers was unbelievable. You couldn't believe the vibration that went thru your body, it was actually painful. Ask me for a copy of the DVD if you like.

Sadly, the second porthole discovered that day is now back under feet of sand. A shoal has reclaimed it in just three short weeks.

The third one? That one is still there. Federal regulations, however, prevent us from revealing its location. But, there's a charter boat that operates out there now so, you have a good shot at finding it. I don't see us headed back out there for a while.

Go recover it if you dare.

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Pictures courtesy of Rick Marshall

June Diving Events

Date	Event	Details	Time	Cost	Sponsor	Contact Information
Saturday, June 09, 2007						
	Lobster Dive and Sunset Cruise on the Canal	Departs from Onset Pier - one tank dive in Cape Cod Bay and a leisurely sunset cruise through the canal. Light snacks provided and you may bring adult beverages!	4:30PM Arrive 1/2 hour early	\$70.00 Diver \$20.00 Non Diver	Buzzards Bay Dive Center - Onset	508-291-7282
	Charter	The Race Lobster Dive	Call	Call	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Sunday, June 10, 2007						
	Charter	Horatio Hall 60' Wreck Dive	8:20AM	\$90.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Monday, June 11, 2007						
	Charter	Perkiomen 60' Wreck Dive	9:00AM	\$90.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Friday, June 15, 2007						
	Charter	Nauset Barges 110' Wreck Dive	7:00AM	\$110.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Saturday, June 16, 2007						
	Charter	Nauset Barges 110' Wreck Dive	7:00AM	\$110.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Sunday, June 17, 2007						
	Dive Club	Wreck and Lift Bag Education	4:00PM	Free	Jerry@capediveclub.com	
	Charter	The Pinthis - 100' Wreck Dive	7:00 AM	\$110.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Monday, June 18, 2007						
	Charter	Mars - Endicott 130' Wreck Dive	7:00AM	\$110.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Thursday, June 21, 2007						
	Advanced Open Water	Get your advanced certification. Includes night diving, boat diving, deep diving, and navigation. June 21 thru June 24	Call	Call	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Friday, June 22, 2007						
	Charter	Horatio Hall 60' Wreck Dive	6:30AM	\$90.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Saturday, June 23, 2007						
	Charter	Aransas 60' Wreck Dive	7:30AM	\$90.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Monday, June 25, 2007						
	Charter	Horatio Hall 60' Wreck Dive	9:00AM	\$90.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Tuesday, June 26, 2007						
	Dive Club	Meeting	6:00-8:00PM		Hyannis Golf Club	
Friday, June 29, 2007						
	Charter	Nauset Barges 110' Wreck Dive	7:00AM	\$110.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185
Saturday, June 30, 2007						
	Charter	Nauset Barges 110' Wreck Dive	7:00AM	\$110.00	The Dive Locker - Hyannis	508-775-1185

Happy Birthday In June

Eric S
Sue C



Contact US

Join the Cape Dive Club Now! For more information, email us at CapeDive@CapeDiveClub.com

Individual Member \$40.00 Family Member \$65.00 Associate Member (Non-Diver) \$ 15.00

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Check out our website – it is still under construction- capediveclub.com

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DON'T MISS THE NEXT MEETING
TUESDAY JUNE 26, 2007
AT THE HYANNIS GOLF CLUB
ROUTE 132 – HYANNIS
6:00 TO 8:00 PM