



FISH TALES

The Newsletter of
Orlando Reef Divers

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Mark Your Calendars...

7 Feb - WETLAND'S FESTIVAL - contact Michele Mingoia (407-365-2410)

14 Feb – Seminole County Science Fair Judges needed for ORD Awards –
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Next Regular Meetings



3 Feb, 2009

17 Feb, 2009

Meetings start at 7 PM

Regular Meeting Dates
Now Appear on the
SCHEDULE

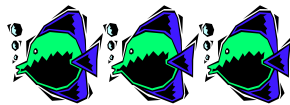
Board Meeting

3 Feb, 2009

CHECK US OUT AT:

www.meetup.com

Every meeting announced and activities described!



Remember... you can receive a complimentary ORD membership when you bring three new members to a meeting.

NOTE: BY-LAWS CHANGES ARE POSTED.

ABSENTEE BALLOT IS PROVIDED ON THE LAST PAGE FOR BY-LAWS VOTE!

Meetings are currently held at:

Paddy Murphy's

4892 New Broad Street

Orlando (Baldwin Park), FL

407.622.4700

www.originalpaddymurphys.com

Paddy's has a room which is pretty quiet until Trivia breaks out at 8. They have a pretty good pub menu and selection of beer along with a full bar. There's parking on the street, both before and after the pub, and a BIG lot just one block north.

Suggestions about future meeting places are welcome and needed! Please feel free to provide Rob with your ideas!

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MISPLACED YOUR BYLAWS?
THEY'RE POSTED ON THE
MEMBERSHIP PAGE OF OUR
WEB SITE.

ScubaBoard

Dive into an online SCUBA community! Go to www.scubaboard.com and register.

See www.sharkbreak.com



for ocean screen savers and widgets to turn your computer screen into an ocean experience.

NOTE The dive club has found a last minute dive deal on the Sun Dancer II (Belize). The dates are May 23 through May 30. This would include Memorial Day.
Price of Boat - \$2695 most rooms \$2795 Master
+ \$95 Port Charge
+ \$15 Recompression Chamber
+ Possible Fuel Surcharge if fuel prices rise again.
+ Air Fair on your own.

Space is limited so this would be a first come first serve kind of deal.

More details can be found at <http://www.peterhughes.com>. Because of the short time frame people might need to make the deposits on their own, to meet the deadline. The rest of the payment would go through the club. If you are interested or want more information let Mack know (mackhill@cfl.rr.com) ASAP so deposits can get handled by the deadline.



Best Wishes to Our Members with Birthdays this Month!!!

Mark – 6 Feb

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Deadline for Newsletter Submissions is the 21st of each month.



Minutes in Brief

(These minutes may be edited for space. See the Secretary for the official version of the minutes.)

Regular Meeting - 01/06/08

Rob called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Three guests (from meetup.com) introduced themselves (two divers and one non-diver – with the two divers joining the club on the spot).

Minutes from the last meeting were waived, and the treasurer's report has been published in the latest newsletter, hence was waived.

The Wetlands activities were reviewed, all are urged to attend the wetlands festival on 7 Feb. The science fair will be the next weekend, 14 Feb, and judges are needed for our awards (contact Michele M.).

The bylaws changes were briefly reviewed by Pres. Rob, and the general schedule of dives was reviewed by Mack.

The brunch at Dexters on 11 Jan was reviewed by Janet C., and Kathy & Mike agreed to start the next meeting with some slides from their Bonaire trip in November.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40, as the proposed speaker canceled due to workload.

Regular Meeting - 01/20/08

President Rob Byers called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Reading of the previous meeting's minutes was waived. The treasurer's report was in the Newsletter.

Bylaws proposed change were in the January Newsletter.

The club will participate in the Orlando Wetlands Festival; people are needed to staff the booth (contact Michele M.).

The club will participate in the Science Fair; we need judges (contact Michele M.).

No Undercurrent report.

Activities: Janet reported on the brunch at Dexter's 1/11. A great time was acclaimed by all attendees present.

Dive Report: Derby Day run by Michele. June 13 – 14, Narcosis, run by Rob. Possible live-aboard in Belize, May, run by David.

Elenita moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mack.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 PM

Kathy showed pictures from Bonaire at the end of the night.

Board Meeting - 01/06/08

The business meeting was called to order at 6:30, President Rob presiding with Trip Coordinator Mack and Treasurer Kathy in attendance and sundry members having drinks and dinner.

The first business discussed were the bylaws proposals, which were published in the Jan FISH TALES. The vote on these will be scheduled as soon as possible pending any suggestions from the membership.

The Wetlands Festival will be on 7 Feb: So far, Rob will open, Mike & Kathy will support the booth noonish, Dan C has volunteered for the afternoon, and Janet & Craig C will close. Additional volunteers should contact Michele.

New brochures will be printed for the festival by Michele, as she has the digital originals, and updated with the new officers.

Rob reviewed our site on www.meetup.com that he established just a week before the meeting. All members are urged to sign up on the site, showing that the club is viable to prospective members, and acknowledging attendance. It also is a good way to check the program and note any last minute changes.

The board meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:45.

2009 Activities and Dive Schedule

and other dates of interest (items in green are FYI and not official club events)

Date	Location/Event	#	Member Cost	Deposit	Opens	Contact	Phone
3 Feb	Board Meeting 6PM, Regular Meeting 7PM - Paddy Murphy's						
7 Feb	City of Orlando Wetlands Park Festival, Orlando Wetlands Park RSVP Michele Mingoia @ 407-365-2410						
14 Feb	Seminole Co Science Fair Judges needed - RSVP Michele Mingoia @ 407-365-2410						
17 Feb	Regular Meeting 7PM - Paddy Murphy's Anticipated Vote Count on By Laws Changes!						
3 Mar	Board Meeting 6PM, Regular Meeting 7PM - Paddy Murphy's						
17 Mar	Regular Meeting 7PM - Paddy Murphy's						
May 1 - 3	Derby Day Dive Boynton Beach	14	\$225	\$100	3 FEB	Michele Mingoia	407-365-2410
May 23-30	BELIZE SUN DANCER	TBD	~2700 + Airfare	\$300	Now	David Mack	407 365-2410
12-13 June	June Babies Trip West Palm Beach	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	Rob Byers	
July TBD	July Trip	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	
Aug TBD	Aug Trip	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	
Sept/Oct	Sept/Oct Trip	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	
Holidays?	Tryin' to Reason With Hurricane Season						

Important: Per Article XIII, Standards for Divers, Section 4, Refunds of the *Orlando Reef Divers Bylaws* Once a deposit is paid, there shall be no refunds for moneys paid for dive outings. The committed participant is responsible for all unrecoverable trip costs due unless he/she finds a replacement. The only exception is cancellation due to death in the immediate family.

All recoverable moneys will be refunded should a portion of a dive outing be canceled by the Club. If an entire trip is canceled, all moneys will be refunded.

Check the marine forecast at <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/marine/zone/south/mflmz.htm>

Derby Dive West Palm Beach



May 1 - 3, 2009

2 days of A.M. diving with [Starfish Enterprise](#)

2 nights at [Holiday Inn Express](#)

\$225, air fills NOT included

Deposit \$100

Derby party Saturday afternoon

Free happy hour & continental breakfast included at the hotel

Contact: Michele Mingoia 407-365-2410 or mmingoia@cfl.rr.com
