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The Newsletter of
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Mark Your Calendars...

February 2 & 16: ORD Meetings – presentations to be announced.

Next Regular Meetings



Meetings start at 7 PM

February 2 & 16

Board Meeting

February 2 @ 6:30 PM

CHECK US OUT AT:

www.meetup.com

Every meeting announced and activities described!



RSVP there to let the world know who attends our meetings!

Remember:... You can receive a **complementary** ORD membership when you bring three new people to a meeting who then become members.

Meeting Place

Meetings are held at

Paddy Murphy's

4892 New Broad Street

Orlando (Baldwin Park), FL
32814

407.622.4700

www.originalpaddymurphys.com

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

Suggestions about future meeting places or outings are welcome! Please feel free to email the officers or Newsletter editor with your ideas!

Officers and Committees

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Mack /Michele

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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.

Found an interesting website – email it to the Newsletter Editor for posting!

Want to plan for an emergency? Check out www.72hours.org !?!

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



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

Mark		6
Mike	J	15

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Classified Ads: Members of Orlando Reef Divers may submit FREE classified ads for the resale of personally owned items, to find dive buddies, etc. Rates are currently being established for ads from businesses (small or large).

Letters to the Editor: Members' letters to the editor are welcome. (The editor reserves the right to edit for spelling, & space available.) You must provide your name and phone on all letters.

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.)

1st Regular Meeting - 1/5/10

The meeting was called to order by President Rob at 7:00pm. With 12 members present, but no guests.

Minutes of prior meeting waived, were published in the newsletter.

Treasurer reports that we have money, and a report will be published in the newsletter.

Sales: The normal swag was available; T-shirts, coozies, stickers.

Old Business: None.

New Business: The Trip coordinator meeting & program will be done on Feb. 2. Time to get involved and learn what it takes to run dive trips.

Activities: Brunch is planned for Jan. 24 at Park Plaza Gardens. RSVP to Susan.

Science Fair on will be on Feb. 20, Kathy, Susan, and Rob have volunteered to judge for ORD's certificate.

A report on the holiday party was presented, Michele won the Basket of Cheer. The general consensus was that good food, good friends, a fun evening was had by all.

Dive Schedule: The 2010 schedule was briefly discussed. The May Dominica trip is open and has 8 signed up. The traditional Derby Trip is also open, a June Babies trip should be ready to open in February.

Coordinators are needed to run trips in July, August, Sept. Rob

and Janet may come up with something.

Announcements: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Program: There was no program.

2nd Regular Meeting - 1/19/10

The meeting was called to order by President Rob at 7:05pm. There were 9 members present, and 3 guests. The guests introduced themselves, and were welcomed.

Minutes of prior meeting were waived, and will be presented in the newsletter.

Treasurer reports that we have money, and a report will be published in the newsletter.

Sales: The normal swag was available; T-shirts, coozies, stickers.

Old Business: All were reminded that the trip coordinator meeting & program will be Feb. 2.

Time to get involved and learn what it takes to run dive trips.

New Business: None

Activities: The Brunch planned for Jan. 24 at Park Plaza Gardens is arranged. RSVP to Susan.

Science Fair on Feb. 20, Kathy, Susan, and Rob have volunteered to judge for ORD's certificate.

Michele will have a pre-Dominica party, details to follow.

The Annual picnic, date TBD, was discussed, and President Rob will host.

The Halloween party will be held again by Mack & Michele, details to follow.

Dive Schedule: 2010 schedule

was discussed. The Dominica trip is open and has 8 signed up. The Derby Trip is open, May 1-2 in WPB. June Babies trip should be ready to open in February, for June 26-27 in Pompano Beach.

Coordinators are needed to run trips in July, August, Sept. Rob will try to put something together for August.

Janet is looking at Bonaire in September. Discussed possible Fiji trip in May 2011, will likely be a liveboard trip.

Announcements: None

There was a lot of discussion and general visiting with our guests, talking about the benefits of diving with the club, and with people you know. Discussion also touched on the benefits of being a DAN member.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Program: There was no program.

Board Meeting - 1/5/10

Called to order at 6:35pm. Derby trip approved. First meeting in February will include Mack's trip coordinator meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.

Activities!

24 Jan. - A great brunch was attended by 11 of us, lots of great food and copious champagne!

2009-2010 Activities and Dive Schedule

Feb. 2	Regular Meeting 7PM - Paddy Murphy's: Trip Coordinator's Meeting						
Feb. 16	Regular Meeting 7PM - Paddy Murphy's:						
2010 EVENT SCHEDULE & DIVES							
Date	Location/Event	#	Member Cost	Deposit	Opens	Organizer / Assistant	
April	TBD		TBD				
May 1-2	Derby Day Trip		\$220	\$100	Jan 5	Rob Allen S	
May 22-29	Dominica, WI See Advertisement for details!	12	\$875	\$275	Oct. 6	Michele Kathy	
June 26-27	Pompano, Diving with South Fla. Diving, Saturday night at the Ocean Point Resort	10	\$165	\$75(?)	Feb. 2	Susan Justin	
July	TBD		TBD				
August	TBD		TBD			Rob	
Sept.	Bonaire ??		TBD			Janet	
Oct.	TBD		TBD				
Other Events for the year!							
Fall Picnic - volunteer host - Rob							
Halloween Party -Mack & Michele							
Year-End Holiday Party							
2011	FIJI on the Island Dancer II - people are looking seriously at this one for May!						

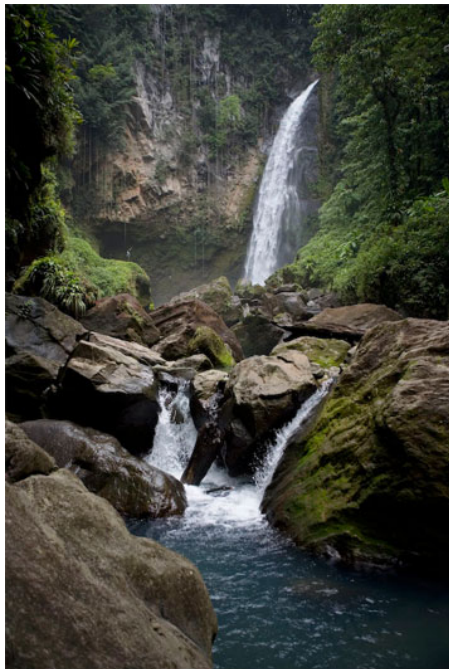
Important: Per Article XIII, Standards for Divers, Section 4, Refunds of the *Orlando Reef Divers Bylaws* Once a deposit is paid, there shall be no refunds for moneys paid for dive outings. The committed participant is responsible for all unrecoverable trip costs due unless he/she finds a replacement.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

Membership Renewal Notice

Orlando Reef Divers Membership Dues are due on October 1 of each year. Renewal dues are \$20 per person for the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. (New members since June 2009, if you paid \$25 dues at signup, you are paid through Sept 2010.) You can send in your dues at any time. Please return your payment to:

Treasurer, Orlando Reef Divers, P.O. Box 1863 Winter Park, FL 32790-1863



Dive Dominica in 2010

Join Orlando Reef Divers May 22-29, 2010 in beautiful Dominica, West Indies.

We will have 5 days of 2 boat dives per day with [Dive Dominica](#) and unlimited shore diving. Tanks and weights are included.

Accommodations are double occupancy at [Castle Comfort](#) located one mile south of the island's capital, Roseau. Your accommodations, welcome rum drink, transfers from and to the airport, taxes, and daily breakfast are included. Use of kayaks is also included.

For some previews of the awesome scenery, see <http://www.dominica.dm/site/index.cfm>

The price of the trip does NOT include airfare, lunch, dinner, tips, departure tax, trip insurance, or hotel room during the air travel portion of the trip should an overnight layover be necessary.

Extra cost options are available to upgrade to an ocean view room (\$210 for the week) and a Castle Comfort dinner package (\$212 per person for the week).

Member diver cost is \$875 payable in 3 installments. Deposit of \$275 is due at signup.

Contact Michele or Kathy

For those who have placed a deposit, the 2nd installment was due in December (keeping to the schedule for final payment in February). Please ask the coordinators for details on payment schedules when you sign up.

Derby Dive 2010: 30 April – 2 May!

On the Narcosis

It's that time of year, the annual Run for the Roses at the Kentucky Derby on the first Saturday of May. And in the grand tradition of the Orlando Reef Divers, we'll be having our annual "Derby Dive".

Here's the plan: We head south on Friday 30 April and meet at the beautiful Juno Beach Holiday Inn Express just a block from the Atlantic Ocean. On Saturday morning we'll dive with Captain Van and the crew of [Narcosis](#) out of the Riviera Beach Marina. Saturday afternoon, we'll gather in the dining room of the Holiday Inn and enjoy our potluck Derby Party while we watch the race. Don't forget the infamous Mint Juleps!

Sunday morning we'll dive again with Narcosis. I know, it sounds great, right?

Cost is \$220



Here's what \$220 buys you:

- Two tank dive on Saturday morning and a two tank dive on Sunday morning
- Two nights at the Juno Beach Holiday Inn Express

Tanks are not included, but Capt Van rents them to us at \$10 per tank for air

Deposit is \$100. This trip opens at the first meeting in January 2010

Rob is the trip coordinator

Let's go diving!!