

BOTTOM TIMES

REDWOOD EMPIRE DIVERS

General Meeting

The first Thursday of the month.

When: 3-4-10

Time: 7:00 pm

Where: Round Table Pizza
2065 Occidental Road,
Santa Rosa, CA

[CLICK HERE FOR DIRECTIONS](#)

February Meeting Thanks Scott Cassell!

He delivered an excellent presentation at the meeting last month. Check out what Bill Hanson wrote about the meeting in the Voice:

<http://thecommunityvoice.com/article.php?id=916>

If you missed the meeting check out Scott's work at

www.underseavoyagerproject.org

APRIL MEETING

by Gary

Peter Otis will be giving a presentation on abalone at our April 1st meeting. Covering the critter's anatomy and will dissect a couple of them.

In the meantime we need a volunteer to grab a couple of abs so that he will have live specimens to work with. Any offers?

DIVE

**Doran Jetty
Cleanup and Potluck
3-06-10**

with John Morozumi

Come join the club for our March General meeting to discuss details



By John

This coming Saturday we'll hit Doran Beach to dive the jetty and remove abandoned crab rings. Meet at 8:30 at the very last parking lot beyond the boat ramp at Doran. We'll dive from 9 to 11 or so while the water is slackest. There will be a couple of skiffs to ferry the rings back to shore. Bring something to share at the potluck and award ceremony afterwards. I'll have a big pot of chili going.

Any non-diving volunteers for staying on shore and getting the meal set up?

2010 Dues

By James

Go to

redwoodempiredivers.org

Print out the membership application form and waiver. Then bring it to the general meeting or mail it in. Mailing information is on the form.

California Academy of Sciences

By James

If you haven't been, then you gotta go! The place is incredible. Six inches of glass separated me from scallops, abs and a nice cabbie. The closest I got all this month.



Send me your diving stories or other informative articles for the next newsletter.

NORTH COAST MLPAs

The marine maps are updated and the 8 external array proposals are now available to view. http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/mpaproposals_nc.asp These are only proposals, nothing is finalized. Please take a look at each of the proposed Marine Protected Areas (MPA's), the info, the rationale, the allowances, etc. If you have any comments about them, please send Brandi Easter an email at NCRSG_2010@yahoo.com

If you don't know Brandi, read her self nomination as a "Consumptive" to the NCRSG. <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/pdfs/ncrsg/easter.pdf>

Next Blue Ribbon Task Force (BRTF) meeting
March 1-2, 2010 -C.V. Starr Community Center
300 S. Lincoln Street
Fort Bragg, CA 95437

If you are not able to attend the meetings in person, you can still view them via webcast. Webcast and agenda information can be found http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/meetings_n.asp

Brandi will be posting updates to Spearboard.com <http://www.spearboard.com/showthread.php?t=100230> and to the Norcal Underwater Hunters <http://norcalunderwaterhunters.com/forum/index.php?board=19.0> sites as well.

Fear the Blob Fish

From: Jed

You may have seen this picture before. The author has a highly overactive imagination. Note the flesh composition. You will hear more about this in my presentation on abyssal life, coming to your club meeting soon. http://www.latimes.com/ct-met-kass-0217-20100217_0,5490895,full.column



RED EVENTS CALENDAR – 2010

UPDATED 2/28/2010

GENERAL MEETINGS

First Thursday of the month
Starts at 7:00 pm at Stony Point
Round Table Pizzeria. 2065
Occidental Rd., Santa Rosa.

JULY MEETING BBQ-
POTLUCK

DIVES

Single day dives meet at 8:00 am.
at chosen site. Alternate dives
two weeks later at same location
only if dive was called.

CLUB EQUIPMENT

Picnic supplies- Paul Whyte

CLUB OFFICERS

President	Paul Whyte
Vice President	Gary Baumoeel
Secretary	
Treasurer	Paul Damgaard
Editor	James Cameron
Webmaster	Nikki Gross
Campmaster	Brian Gross

March 2010

3-1 Call for October Van
Damme Reservation
3-4 General Meeting
3-6 Dive Fort Ross
with Mike Mendoza
3-6 Dive Doran Jetty
with John M.
3-20 St Patrick's Day Party

April 2010

4-1 General Meeting
4-3 AB Dive Ocean Cove
Let's Camp

4-10 AB Dive
with Charles Dollwet

May 2010

5-1 – Tino's Big Ab Big
Ling - Manchester KOA to
Benefit RFA [SIGN-UP](#)
5-6 General Meeting
5-8 Dive Stillwater
with James Cameron
5-31 Memorial Day

June 2010

6-3 General Meeting
6-5 Dive TBD
with ???”your name here!!”
6-30 Dungeness Closes.

July 2010

7-1 General Meeting
7-4 Fourth of July
7-10 Dive Tomales
with Paul Damgaard

August 2010

8-5 General Meeting

**8-6 to 8-8 CAMP @
ALBION**

Details to follow

8-21 Matt's Big AB to
Benefit SCAN

September 2010

9-2 General Meeting
9-6 Labor Day Holiday

**9-3 to 9-6 – Van Damme
Campout**

9-18 – Nor Cal Picasso Open
at Caspar Beach

October 2010

10-2 Lobster Season Opens
10-7 General Meeting

**TBD – Van Damme
Campout**

10-9 - Randy Fry Memorial
10-11 Columbus Day

November 2010

11-4 General Meeting
11-6 Dive TBD
11-11 Veterans' Day
**11-11 to 11-13 PEACE Dive
the Channel Islands.**



Mike Mendoza is taking
\$150.00 deposits for the
trip aboard the PEACE.
departs at 2AM call
415-516-0155 to sign up
11-30 Ling and Ab Close

December 2010

12-2 General Meeting
12-4 Dive TBD

Forward articles for the next news letter to jamesrcameron@hotmail.com