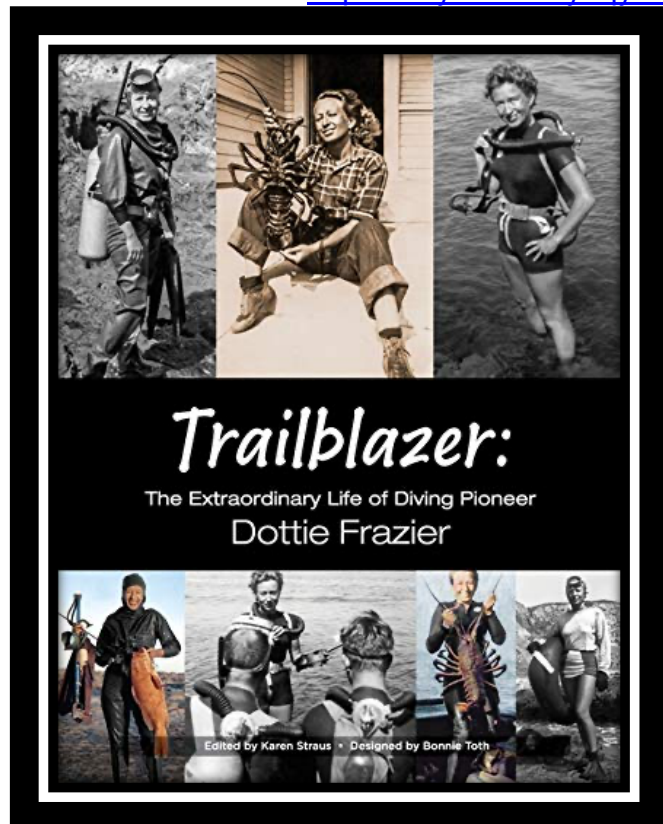


# MARIN SCUBA CLUB NEWSLETTER

## VOLUME 28, NUMBER 11

**Wed., November 11 ZOOM Meeting:  
Dottie Frazier — 98-Year-Old  
Scuba Industry Trailblazer**

This amazing diving legend will be our very special presenter in November. Her accomplishments have filled an Amazon book: <https://tinyurl.com/y4qyz29c>



Barely 5' tall and weighing about 100 lbs. dripping wet, she was usually wet during her remarkable and adventurous life.

A Long Beach native:

- She started ocean swimming as a child in the 1920s, then surfing, skin diving, and spearfishing.
- In the 1930s, she became a skin-diving instructor.
- In the 1940s, she was a "Rosie the Riveter" and a commercial fisher.
- In 1950, she became a charter member of the Long Beach Neptunes dive club.

**See page 2 for more about Dottie Frazier.**

## NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2020

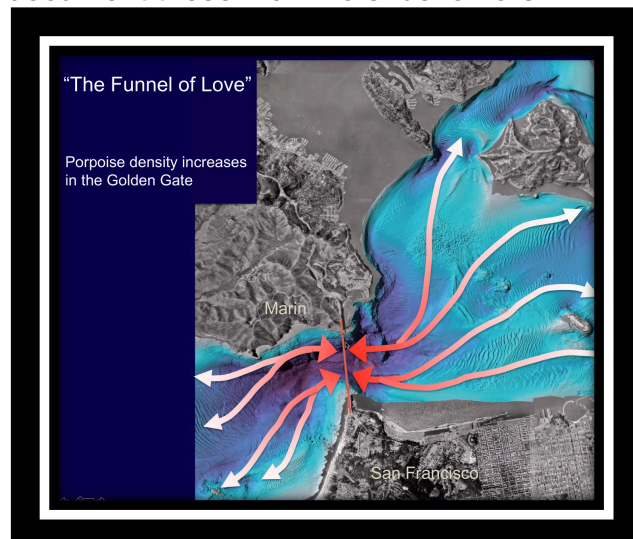
**October Meeting Recap:  
Bill Keener "Tales of Urban Whales  
— S.F. Bay's Cetacean Restoration"**

Bill offered an energetic, engaging, and amazing presentation on the population of bottlenose dolphins, harbor porpoises, grey and humpback whales within San Francisco Bay waters.



*Have you seen any of these mammals?*

He discussed porpoises' "Funnel of Love", how whales travel 1,500 miles to Magdalena Bay, Mexico, and how we can all be "Citizen Scientists" to document these mammals' behaviors.



For more info, visit <https://tinyurl.com/y36rc8oo>.

**See page 2 for more MSC News.**

### More About Dottie Frazier, Trailblazer.

- In 1955, Dottie became the world's first certified female scuba instructor, began two years as a hard-hat diver, was the first female dive shop owner, and was even a wetsuit manufacturer for the U.S. Navy.
- In 2019, she was honored with the [Historical Diving Society Diving Pioneer Award](#).
- In 2000, she was inducted in the [Women Divers Hall of Fame](#).



*Dottie's Dad made her first diving mask out of a fire hose, an inner tube, glass, tape, and glue.*

After using that mask for the first time, Dottie said, "I could see everything under water as clear as if I were on the surface. From this time forward, this became my world. New discoveries presented themselves daily amid the constantly changing underwater wonderland."

Please join us for a Q&A Zoominar with Dorothy Adell Reider Gath Frazer May on Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Her book is available on Amazon: <https://tinyurl.com/y4qyz29c>

### More MSC News.

### **Holiday Quarantini Zoom Party, Sunday, 12/6, starting @ 5pm**

Our annual holiday party is usually our biggest event of the year. But sadly, not this year.

Because of COVID-19 safety protocols, we'll be hosting a **Holiday Cocktail Party via Zoom**, plus six video / image presentations by MSC members.



Our presenters will include:

- Barb Wambach – Monterey and Big Sur
- Virginia Bria – a Marin Scuba Club walk down memory lane club montage
- Ken Carter – Dive Hacks: Storm Whistle Tuck, Carter Snorkel Strap, Six-Gun Dive Knife Holster
- Bryan Eckert – Diving the Poor Knights of New Zealand plus Aniloa Macro
- John Lewis – Little Cayman
- Sue Estey and Tom Patterson –Fiji
- And possibly more MSC members.

Though we won't be able to meet in person this year, the spirit of the holidays will still be present during this event. More details will be sent in an email about separate Zoom rooms. Stay tuned!

### **March 2021 Presenter: Marty Snyderman.**

You've probably seen photos snapped by Marty, an EMMY award-winning cinematographer, author of 10 books, and recipient of numerous industry accolades.

Join us on March 10<sup>th</sup> to see the magic of his images and video over more than four decades.

# BOTTOM TIMES

**WE WILL DECIDE TO MEET IN PERSON OR ZOOM ABOUT A WEEK BEFORE EACH MONTHLY MEETING, OR WILL PROVIDE FURTHER INFO IN ADVANCE FOR EACH DIVE TRIP.**

## **NEW MEETING DAY: 2<sup>nd</sup> WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH!**

**November 11 (Wed): Dottie Frazier, Trailblazer and Diving Pioneer.** Zoominar Club Meeting. This 98-year-old woman was the world's first female SCUBA instructor, commercial diver, dive shop owner, and more. Join us LIVE for her extraordinary story and a Q/A session. 7:15-8:45pm.  
<https://tinyurl.com/y4qyz29c>

**December 6 (Sun): Holiday Quarantini Zoom Party, 5pm. Marin Scuba Club Group Video and Images Presentation. SAVE THE DATE!** Presenters will include Barb Wambach, Virginia Bria, Ken Carter, Bryan Eckert, John Lewis, Sue Estey and Tom Patterson, and possibly more MSC members. More details to come soon re: separate rooms, etc. A full listing is on page 2 of this newsletter.

**January 13 (Wed) 2021: Professor Ezri Tarazi, Design-Tech Lab, The Technion, Israel.** Ezri will discuss his success with 3-D printing of artificial coral reefs out of terra cotta in the Red Sea. Club Meeting: Zoominar Club Meeting. 7:15-8:45pm.

**February 10 (Wed): Brian Stanley, Bamboo Reef, SF. Details to come.**

**March 10 (Wed): Marty Snyderman, "Finding and Photographing Fishes and Their Behaviors".** Marty will share insights gained over almost 50 years on insights into fish behaviors and his techniques on how to capture their images. Zoominar Club Meeting. 7:15-8:45pm. Read more:  
[www.MartySnyderman.com](http://www.MartySnyderman.com)

**Spring 2021: Philippines El Galleon Dive Resort in Puerto Galera.** Rescheduling is on hold until travel is safe. Contact Ellen Sakoloff for details.

**April 14 (Wed): Speaker – To Be Determined. Details to come.**

**Cabo Pulmo / La Paz Tentatively Rescheduled for October 2021:** The Cabo Pulmo, Mexico trip has been rebooked for arrival Saturday, October 23, 2021 for a 7-night stay. 22 MSC members are rebooking. Some members will be flying home on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup> and 10 members are taking a van to La Paz for whale shark snorkeling. This Fall 2021 trip is now wait list only. If you want to be added to the wait list, contact Barbara Wambach: [blwambach@comcast.net](mailto:blwambach@comcast.net).

**MSC Masks for Sale: \$12/2, \$24/4.**

Only 4 masks now remain from our order of 100. Contact [gil@zeimer.com](mailto:gil@zeimer.com) ASAP to buy them. Then payments should be sent to [Marc Paris](#) via check, Venmo, or via PayPal:  
93 Graceland Drive, San Rafael, CA 94901.

**We promote safe diving.**  
**Remember to always plan your dive based on the conditions,**  
**be aware of your skills and equipment, and, above all,**  
**always stay with your buddy.**



Marin Scuba Club  
28 Marinero Circle, #30  
Tiburon, CA 94920



Next Meeting:  
Wednesday, November 11:  
Dottie Frazier,  
Trailblazer and  
Diving Pioneer  
**(ZOOM ONLINE MEETING)**

**PLEASE RENEW YOUR  
MEMBERSHIP NOW.  
RATES WENT UP  
ON 4/1/20.**

The Club now meets on  
the 2nd Wednesday  
each month.  
*(This issue will be our  
final newsletter for 2020.)*

---

**Marin Scuba Club: Board of Directors**  
<http://www.marinscubaclub.org>

**BOD Chair**

Barbara Wambach, Chair [chair@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:chair@marinscubaclub.org)

**BOD Vice Chair/Social Media**

John Lewis, Vice Chair [vchair@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:vchair@marinscubaclub.org)

**Treasurer**

Marc Paris [treasurer@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:treasurer@marinscubaclub.org)

**Secretary**

Lisa Kuhn [secretary@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:secretary@marinscubaclub.org)

**Membership Coordinator**

Julie Finley [membership@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:membership@marinscubaclub.org)

**Member Relations**

Ellen Sakoloff [relations@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:relations@marinscubaclub.org)

**Newsletter Editor/Publicity/Webmaster**

Gil Zeimer [newsletter@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:newsletter@marinscubaclub.org)

**Activities Coordinators**

Barbara Wambach [activities@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:activities@marinscubaclub.org)

Niles Szwed [activities3@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:activities3@marinscubaclub.org)

**Program Coordinators**

Virginia Bria [program@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:program@marinscubaclub.org)

Bryan Eckert [program2@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:program2@marinscubaclub.org)

**Special Program Coordinator**

Kenneth R. Carter [kc@marinscubaclub.org](mailto:kc@marinscubaclub.org)

---