

MARIN SCUBA CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Wed., April 14 Zoominar: Shane Gross, “Bahamas Underwater: A Decade of Exploring the Marine Creatures and Habitats”

For our next meeting, Marin Scuba Club is pleased to present Shane Gross, a Canadian marine photojournalist and Emerging League Member of the International League of Conservation Photographers (iLCP).



Shane released his book about diving in the Bahamas in March 2021.

BAHAMAS UNDERWATER



See page 2 for more about Shane Gross.

March Meeting Recap: Marty Snyderman: “Finding and Photographing Fishes and Their Behaviors”

Marty presented exactly the type of master class on fish and their behaviors that we all expected from a world-renowned photographer with 15,000 dives logged and a 50-year legacy.



Marty travels with “4 strobes, 3 camera bodies, 2 housings, and 1 pair of underwear”.

He says he doesn't have one favorite dive site. It could be any of hundreds with big animals, or sites with little animals, especially when muck diving at Atlantis Diver Resorts in [Dumaguete](#) or [Puerto Galera](#), Philippines, in the Coral Triangle.



See page 2 for more on Marty Snyderman.

More About Shane Gross.

Shane spent the last decade exploring and photographing the Bahamian archipelago and using those images for conservation gains.

With over 200 pages and eleven chapters on topics ranging from Sharks and Rays, to Marine Mammals and Conch, to Science and Conservation, he explores many of the animals and habitats that make The Bahamas so special.

"I am honored to collaborate with [Bahamas Reef Environment Educational Foundation \(BREEF\)](#) to make this book available in virtually every school in The Bahamas. Sales from this book go directly to [BREEF](#) to fund in-water experiences for Bahamian youth to see this beauty for themselves. I believe this type of learning will help lead to an even brighter future for The Bahamas."

Fun Facts About Shane.

- 5'10"
- Multiple winner in [NHM Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition](#) and many others
- Nickname: none
- PADI Master SCUBA Diver Trainer
- Was once in trunk of car during an accident
- Can hold breath for over 4 minutes
- Was once envenomated by a stone fish and rushed to hospital
- Eddie Adams Photojournalism Grad - 2017
- Is desperate for [Instagram followers](#)
- Thinks he's funny.

His childhood passion for sharks has grown into a love for everything that lives underwater. Telling long-form narratives about the ocean and humans' impact on her, both positive and negative, are what drive him. Visit Shane's website at www.ShaneGross.com.

Coming Up in May.

Ms. Alex Rose is the Science Editor for Ocean Geographic Magazine, and the Managing Editor for Ocean Geographic Explorers. She's also a professional photographer, violinist, Explorers Club Fellow, PADI Divemaster, and lover of all things aquatic. Find out more: www.BlueRing.com

More About Marty Snyderman.

Marty loves shooting more than 600 species of coral and over 2,000 species of fish with this simple advice:

- Go slow, go slower, stop, watch the fish, and dive like the dive guides dive.
- Have a target or two in mind.
- Look for rubble rousers — a change in habitat can reveal different animals.
- Don't forget to poke around in the reefs.

He also offers online underwater photography classes — with one-on-one instruction to refine your techniques at www.MartySnyderman.com. And buy his book: "101 Tips for Underwater Photographers" at www.wisediversers.com/. View [Marty's Vimeo presentation](#) until 4/8/21.

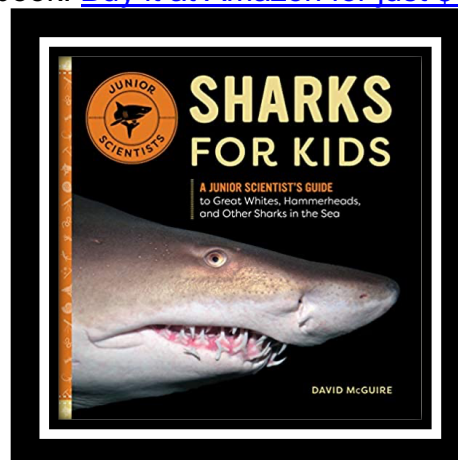
Renew Your 2021 Membership or Join Now.

Your club's Board has decided not to charge late fees for 2021 member renewals, so they'll remain at \$25 for singles and \$35 for couples. To renew your membership, complete an online form: <https://marinclub.org/membership/>.

Or to join, you'll pay full rate of \$50 per year for an individual membership or \$79 for a couple: <https://marinclub.org/membership/new-membership/>. *Each couples member can check off your Release of Liability with online forms.* Attend a meeting if you want to learn more before joining: <https://marinclub.org/>.

Dave McGuire Shark Book

Our friend and October presenter has published a kids' book. [Buy it at Amazon for just \\$8.47.](#)



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.

April 14 (Wed): Shane Gross, “Bahamas Underwater: A Decade of Exploring the Marine Creatures and Habitats”. Zoom Club Meeting, 7:00–8:45pm. www.ShaneGross.com.

May 12 (Wed): Alex Rose, Science Editor of [Ocean Geographic](#) and Managing Editor for [Ocean Geographic Explorers](#). We first met Ms. Alex when she accompanied Michael Aw to a MSC meeting. She is an amazing underwater photographer, writer and speaker. Zoom Club Meeting, 7:00-8:45pm.

[May 15 – 25 Kona Trip](#) with Barb, Jeffrey, Simma, and Ellen Sakoloff with Kona Hunu dive shop. Contact Ellen for details: relations@marinscubaclub.org

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

June 9 (Wed): Mark Stanley [Bamboo Reef](#), San Francisco. Mark will discuss his decades of diving and owning one of the city’s oldest dive shops. Club Meeting, 7:00-8:45pm.

July 7 (Wed): Speaker – To Be Determined. Club Meeting, 7:00-8:45pm.

For this and future meetings, if Marin County allows a group of 25 or more to meet indoors or outdoors, we will decide to gather in person or via Zoom about one month prior.

August 11 (Wed): Mike Bartick, “Blackwater, The Ultimate Photo Op”. Club Meeting, 7:00-8:45pm.

August 20 – 22: Summer Dine & Dive: Reserved for Ocean Cove. Details to come from Barb.

September 8 (Wed): Speaker – To Be Determined. Club Meeting, 7:00-8:45pm.

October 13 (Wed): David McGuire – “Sharktober”– Details TBD. Club Meeting, 7:00-8:45pm.

November 10 (Wed): Mike Boom – “Underwater Videos of Cuba, Egypt & More”. Club Meeting, 7:00-8:45pm.

Cabo Pulmo / La Paz — 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 30th 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.

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.

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(ZOOM ONLINE MEETING)

**PLEASE RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP NOW
FOR 2021.**

The Club now meets on
the 2nd Wednesday
each month.

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