

MARIN SCUBA CLUB NEWSLETTER

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September 14th Meeting: Club Member Presentations

Our September in-person/Zoom hybrid club meeting will feature the best images, videos, and stories by a talented group of members, most of whom are MSC Board Members:

- **Virginia Bria** will recount her March trip to the Maldives where she made us all very jealous by staying at the [Six Senses Laamu Resort](#). We've heard her gush about the pristine coral and friendly whale sharks.



Virginia captured this Channel Islands' Garibaldi.

- **Jeffrey Zankle** will present incredible images of the May club trip to the El Galleon Dive Resort in Puerto Galera, Philippines.
- **Lisa Perla** will showcase images and share dive stories about exotic Anilao, Philippines.
- **Barb Wambach** will portray her underwater photography expertise with a trip to Fort Lauderdale, Florida.
- **Julie Finley** will relive her adventures during her 30th trip to Palau, Micronesia, her dive home away from home.
- **Gil Zeimer** will discuss his writing success in the scuba industry with "How to Get Published".

Please join us for this MSC group presentation on **Wednesday, September 14th** at 7:00pm PT for these informative Club Member Presentations.

August Meeting Recap: Cindy Hansen, Orca Network

Cindy Hansen, Education and Advocacy Coordinator for Orca Network, opened our collective eyes to the majestic beauty, fascinating facts, and social structures about killer whales.



Cindy's role focuses on Advocacy and Education

We were surprised to learn that orcas / killer whales are part of the dolphin family, grow up to 25 feet, weigh up to 6 tons, and live 30 to 50 years on average, but can go for as long as 100 years.

"Orca" means "killer demon from the underworld", they have the largest, most complex brain on the planet, and the Orca Network tracks each individual's travels.

Support them with a donation: TheOrcaNetwork.com.

Amos Nachoum's New Book: "Big: A Photographic Album of The World's Largest Animals"



This definitive book on the giants of the animal kingdom was created by two photographers who share what moves them when they come face-to-face with the world's largest animals. Now available on [Amazon](#) for \$58.99. Co-author is Marko Dimitrijevic.

August Dive And Dine: A Recap

Barb Wambach reported...“Twenty-three members and friends enjoyed a beautiful August 11-14 weekend at Russian Gulch State Park.



A gaggle of happy MSC campers.

“Most arrived on Thursday to share appetizers, cocktails, dinner, and campfire camaraderie. On Friday, a few snorkeled the Russian Gulch Cove, where visibility reached 30 feet. The ocean was very calm all weekend. Many hiked both in the park as well as the bluffs in Mendocino.

“Following dinner, we had a lovely surprise birthday cake for Ellen’s 75th birthday. She treated everyone to ceramic mugs with a splash of Champagne. Saturday, we dove and snorkeled Casper Cove. Barb and Virginia culled purple urchins while Greg and Steve Raffo watched from above. The culling of the purple urchins attracted large schools of fish. Our big potluck dinner on Saturday evening was another huge success with many gourmet contributions. All want a repeat next year with Thursday arrival and Sunday departure.”

Sharktoberfest Movie Night: Sat., 9/24

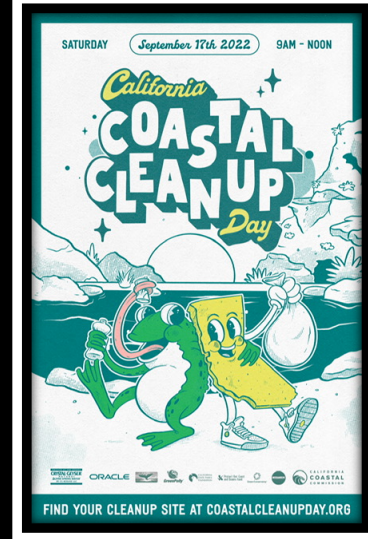
We’re celebrating the annual return of white sharks as well as the 50th Anniversary of the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries with a FREE event.

When: Saturday, September 24, 2022 5:30 – 8:30pm
Where: Greater Farallones National Marine Sanctuary Outdoor Campus, 991 Marine Drive, The Presidio, SF, CA 94129

Event Info: <https://farallones.org/sharktoberfest/>

38th Annual September Coastal Clean-Up: Saturday, 9/17

Meet club members from 9am – Noon at Kirby Cove. Bring a picnic lunch and sturdy gloves. RSVP to claramikowski@gmail.com or lissaralston@gmail.com.



23rd Annual California Ocean & Coastal Amateur Photography Contest

Thanks to Claire for sharing info: it’s free and open to all amateur photographers. See mycoastalphoto.com for previous winners, rules, categories, and prizes:

- Contest Opens: 8/1
- Submission Deadline: 9/19
- Deadline for Viewers’ Choice Award: 10/2
- Announcement of Winners: End of October

The Rules: <https://mycoastalphoto.com/contest-rules/>



2021 1st Prize: “Great Blue Heron in Eelgrass”
by Susan Cook, Sands Beach, Santa Barbara, CA

BOTTOM TIMES

September 14 (Wed): Club Members Presentation: Featuring Virginia Bria (Maldives), Lisa Perla (Anilao, Philippines), Barbara Wambach (Ft. Lauderdale), Julie Finley (Palau); and Gil Zeimer (How to Get Published). If anyone has a 5-10 minute maximum presentation, contact Virginia. Hybrid Club Meeting, 7:00-8:45pm.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7983463827?pwd=UGEREJ4VFoycmZRZ2IPWnM5NGp6dz09>

Meeting ID: 798 346 3827

Passcode: 755205

September 17 (Saturday): 38th Annual California Coastal Cleanup Day. 9am – Noon, Kirby Cove. Bring a picnic lunch. RSVP to Claire Mikowski or Alissa Ralston.

Oct 18 – Nov 1: Kona, Hawaii Dive Trip. Let Barb know if you can join her for part or all of a two-week Kona trip in late October with 15 club members. She's planning on staying at the Kona Reef Condos and dive with a few different operators. Contact Barb Wambach for details. Mahalo.

October 12 (Wed) – Kathi George, Project Manager for Global Response on Rescuing Whales, The Marine Mammal Center. Hybrid Club Meeting, 7:00-8:45pm.

Early October (date TBD). Family Snorkeling, Monterey Breakwater. Details to come from Ken Carter.

November 9 (Wed) – Renee Cappozola, "Beneath The Sea Imaging", 2021 Underwater Photographer of The Year Winner, Hybrid Club Meeting, 7:00-8:45pm.

November 25 (Friday): Blue Friday, the Day After Thanksgiving, Dive Monterey. Don't miss the best view of the fall and winter. RSVP to Ken Carter.

December 4th (Sunday afternoon): MSC Holiday Party. Save the date for our biggest event of the year at Barb's house. BYOB. The club will provide non-alcoholic drinks, smoked salmon and more. Evites will be sent in October.

The Marin Scuba Club promotes 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.

Renew Your Membership Now.

Annual renewals for your membership **now have a \$10 late fee:** \$60 for singles & \$89 for couples.

Download a form here: <https://marinclub.org/membership/>

If you want to join MSC, download this form: <https://marinclub.org/membership/new-membership/>

Renew online now or contact Julie Finley for a PDF form.

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Next Meeting:
September 14 (Wed):
Club Members Presentation:
Maldives, Philippines (2),
Ft. Lauderdale, Palau,
How to Get Published,
and more.

In-Person & Zoom
Hybrid Meeting:
Sausalito Parks & Rec
Center, Edgewater Room,
420 Litho Street, Sausalito.

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

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