

MARIN SCUBA CLUB NEWSLETTER

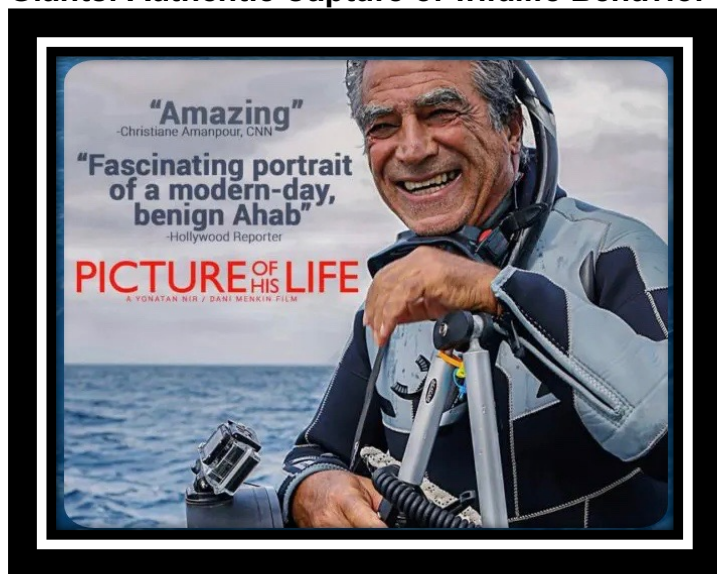
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Wed., August 12th ZOOM Meeting: Amos Nachom, “In Harmony With Ocean Giants”

Because COVID-19 pandemic has negated global travel plans, our diving colleague Amos Nachom is available to present via ZOOM in August.

Amos, a master of photographing big animals worldwide, will discuss **“In Harmony with Ocean Giants: Authentic Capture of wildlife Behavior”**.



[Click to Watch.](#)

He has free dived with blue whales off the Eastern Pacific, scuba dived with crocs in the Okavango delta, and gone face-to-face with the Great White Shark. He’s one of only five people ever to swim and photograph a polar bear underwater, while more people (12) have walked on the moon.

Since 1980, he has explored every significant body of water from the North Pole to Antarctica. Amos’s photographic vision is to raise awareness of ocean giants in their habitats. His images reflect respect and compassion for animals and wilderness.

His photographs strive to dispel the myth of “dangerous” wildlife and show harmonious interactions between man and animal.

See page 2 for more about Amos.

August 21-23: Marin Scuba Club’s Annual Summer Dive and Dine

Our annual Dive and Dine is confirmed and so far, we have 24 members joining this event!

Barb sent an email on 7/8; sign-ups and waivers should be returned by 8/15.

See our website’s [Trips page](#) to download the Sign-Up Form. Read our health and safety info.



Join us for culinary camaraderie.

We have reserved Ocean Cove group campsite #3 for arrival Friday, August 21 and departure Sunday, August 23rd. Ocean Cove campsite showers are open.

Costs: \$35 for campers; \$15 for non-campers, plus the park entrance day fee per auto.

The Weekend Dive & Dine Schedule.

Friday morning: Check-in as at noon, but OK to arrive early as Campsite opens at 9am.

Friday evening: campfire camaraderie

Saturday morning: scuba and snorkeling.

Saturday afternoon: hiking.

Saturday evening: 5pm appetizers and dining.

We look forward to a fun, safe, outdoor social with beautiful views of the ocean at Ocean Cove.

See page 2 for more MSC News.

More About Amos Nachom

As an explorer, he leads wildlife photography expeditions through www.BigAnimals.com. But photographing a polar bear in the open ocean had eluded him until he starred in a documentary in 2019 — “**Picture of His Life**” — winner of multiple film festivals. Many club members saw this amazing film pre-COVID at the Rafael Theatre.

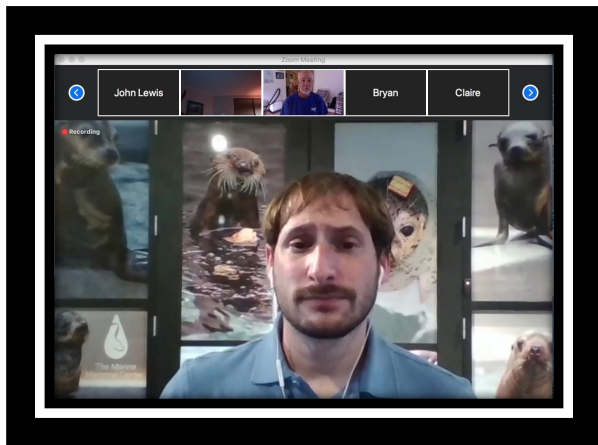
Amos also received the [International SeaKeepers Society “Man of The Year” Award](#) for his conservation, education, and exploration contributions over the past 40 years. He was recently interviewed on CNN by [Christiane Amanpour](#) about the movie.

Amos lives in Pacific Grove CA. He photographs with RED cinema cameras and Nauticam housing, a Nikon still camera, Seacam housing and strobes.

Join us for this very special presentation by Amos Nachom on August 12. His photos have appeared in *National Geo*, *Time*, *Life*, *The New York Times*, *Condé Nast Traveler*, many more, as well as a Ted Talk on “In The company of Ocean Giants”. Also, [watch Amos on Viking TV](#).

July’s Meeting With Adam Ratner, The Marine Mammal Center

Our second Zoom meeting was among the best presentations we’ve ever had. Adam Ratner, Associate Director of Conservation Education at The Marine Mammal Center in the Marin Headlands, showcased “Behind The Bark: Saving Seals and Sea Lions in California”.



Adam added, “TMMC saves more marine animals in one week than most others rescue in one year.” That Zoom meeting has now been archived on our Vimeo page: <https://vimeo.com/439064618>

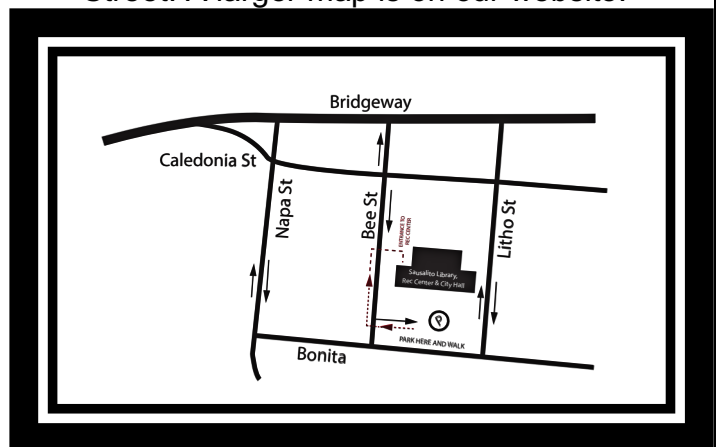
MSC Masks for Sale. \$12 for 2, \$24 for 4.



Supplies are limited for these cotton masks. Contact gjl@zeimer.com to order ASAP. Once confirmed, payments should be sent to Marc Paris via check or via PayPal.

We Will Have a New Venue Once COVID-19 Has Been Conquered: Sausalito Rec Center, 2nd Wednesdays

The address is 420 Litho Street, but entrance and parking can both be accessed on Bee Street. A larger map is on our website.



STILL TIME TO RENEW!

We've Raised Membership Fees

MSC will reduce 2021 membership fees for all who have not renewed yet during 2020. The rebate will be based on the number of months that we are closed for in-person meetings.

The fastest way to renew or join MSC is to complete our interactive online form: <https://tinyurl.com/wo23hoo>. Or request a membership form from Julie Finley: membership@marinclub.org

BOTTOM TIMES

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

NEW WEEK, 2nd WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH!

Aug 12 (Wed): Amos Nachom, “In Harmony with Ocean Giants: Authentic Capture of wildlife Behavior”. ZOOM Meeting. 7:15 – 8:45 pm. Free for members and friends.

Aug 21/22/23 (Fri-Sat-Sun): Annual Dive & Dine, Ocean Cove. The campsite #3 along the Sonoma Coast. Contact Barb to join in the scuba, snorkel, camping, and culinary fun: blwambach@comcast.net

Sept 9 (Wed): Michael Scott, Seacology’s Island Conservation Program. Watch a presentation of Seacology’s history, conservation approach, current projects, and future outlook in 61 countries since 1991. Zoom, Barb’s backyard, or Sausalito Park & Rec Center, Game Room, 7:15 – 8:45 pm. Free for members; \$5 donation for non-members. **(THIS WAS RESCHEDULED FROM MAY.)**

Oct 14 (Wed): William Keener, Marine Mammal Biologist: “Whales and Porpoises”. Club Meeting: Zoom, Barb’s backyard, or Sausalito Rec Center, Edgewater Room, 7:15 – 8:45 pm. Free for members; \$5 donation for non-members. **(THIS WAS RESCHEDULED FROM APRIL.)**

November 11 (Wed): Marin Scuba Club Group Video and Images Presentation. Club Meeting: Zoom or Sausalito Rec Center, Game Room, 7:15 – 8:45 pm. Free for members; \$5 donation for non-members. Presenters will include Barb Wambach, Virginia Bria, Ken Carter, Bryan Eckert, John Lewis, Sue Estey / Tom Patterson, and possibly more MSC members. Details to come.

(NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE YET ON THIS SOLD-OUT TRIP. IT MAY BE MOVED TO 2021.)

Nov 7-15: 20 MSC members plan to leave for Cabo Pulmo for 5 nights / 4 days of 2-tank dives on November 7th for \$863 - \$916 per person double occupancy. Some members will stay for 3 nights in La Paz to snorkel with whale sharks, scuba dive, or just relax. Contact: 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.**

Meet a Mudskipper: The Fish That Walks on Land from BBC Earth.

Arlene Rudy shared [this fascinating video](#) with us.



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Next Meeting:
Wednesday, August 12th:
Amos Nachom,
"In Harmony with Ocean
Giants: Authentic Capture
of Wildlife Behavior"
**(ZOOM ONLINE
MEETING)**

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

Marin Scuba Club

The Club now meets on
the 2nd Wednesday
each month
(except no meeting
in December).

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