



# “DIVE LOG”

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## June Meeting SCUBA Bingo!

No speaker this month although I'm sure there will be lots of exciting dive talk. As the season is upon us! We will play a few rounds of SCUBA Bingo. Some nice prizes for the winners. Come on down!



Kevin Brook thinks SCUBA Bingo is almost as cool as diving Halfway Rock!



Ken Kadaras with a nice bug off Race Point



**Go Bruins!**

## Club News

June 4th

### Cape Lobster Dive

Club members Kris Dufour, Ken Kadaras, Ken Mostello, Bob Abraham and Joe and Marie LeBlanc went bug hunting off Race Point on June 4th. Those amazing winds calmed down long enough for us to make the run up Cape Cod Bay. When we arrived fishing boats were everywhere but quickly dispersed leaving us free to drift dive the edge of the sand bar in 30 to 60 ft of water. The water was unusually cold but there were plenty of lobsters to pick over with a few nice ones in the mix. No rocks, no weeds, just sand and “ceramic artifacts” to inspect. National Seashore rules applied so no upper limit. Jerry our Divemaster and Captain Billie took very good care of us. Great trip!



Kris, Ken , Joe and Marie LeBlanc on the Cape Dive Locker boat with Captain Billie

June 25th

### Cape Lobster Dive

Rich Atkins will be leading a second Cape Cod boat of Cape Cod probably on Nauset Ledges. This one will be east

July 10th

### Chick's Day Stage Fort Park

We will gather at Stage Fort Park in Gloucester MA- for our annual Chick's Day dive. The guys do all the work, lugging tanks, coolers and grills and make sure the lady's have a day of leisurely diving. Stage Fort Park has plenty of parking (small fee) rest-rooms, and a picnic area adjacent to the water. The entry couldn't be easier down a ramp or the beach.

The dive is shallow, no current to speak of and there is a good variety of sandy areas, rocks and eel grass to look around in for critters. Shallow depths means plenty of time to poke around. There is a small fee \$5 associated with Chick's Day, sign up at the meet- ing. There is \$15 a carload parking fee.

August 20th

## Pre-Lobsterfest Lobster Dive

Club members will be diving with Cape Anne Divers on Saturday morning to gather lobsters for our feast. Make arrangements by calling Cape Anne Divers directly and reserving your spot now. This is a

great time to dive with Club Members, the water is at its warmest. If we get enough divers we can get the big boat! Don't get turned away book now. A credit card number will hold your spot.

August 27th

## Seal Dive August 27th

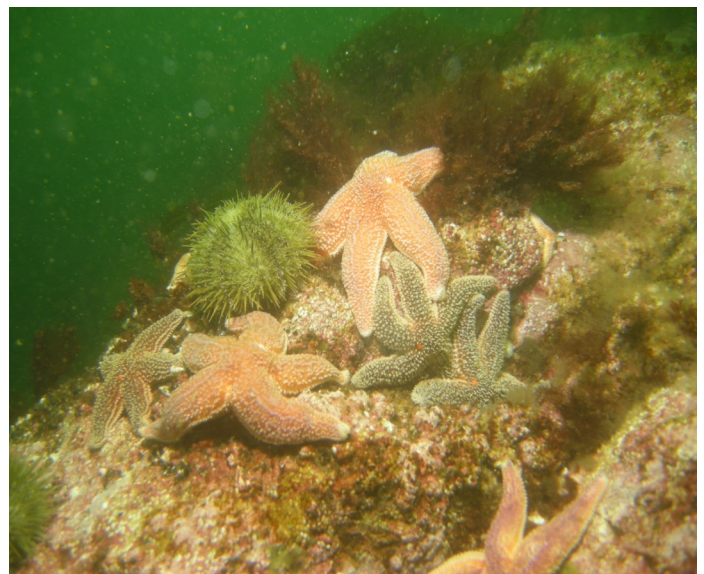
The Club is sponsoring a seal dive with Fran Marcoux on the DayBreaker Sunday afternoon August 27th. First choice of sites is the Isle of Shoals off New Hampshire with the Salvages off Rockport MA as the back up location if the weather does not coop-

erate. You are almost guaranteed to see seals at this time of the year in either location and since its not a deep dive its about as warm a dive as you will get in New England. Watching the seals is a lot of fun. Sign up sheet will be out at the next meeting.

July 31st

## REEF - Great New England Fish Count

Set aside Sunday July 31st for the 20th annual Fish Count sponsored by the New England Aquarium. We will probably dive at Lanes Cove in the morning to do the actual fish count. After our two dives are over we will then assemble with all the other clubs and divers at Stage Fort Park to turn in our counts. Data collected by each diver is recorded and a tally kept of the different species seen that morning. Each diver is eligible for food refreshments and the big raffle. There always some really cool prizes including gear and even trips handed out at the raffle. We are usually the largest club at the event. Lets make sure we get a good turnout this year. Kevin Brook will be leading this event.



# June/July 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
12	13	14	15	16 General Meeting 7PM	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Cape Lobster Dive with Cape Dive
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
3	4	5	6	7 BoD Mtg 7PM	8	9
10 Chicks Day	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 General Meeting	22	23

## 2011 Event Planner

Cape Cod Lobster Dive Saturday June 25th Rich Atkins

Scuba Chicks Day, Sunday July 10th Christine Bowers

REEF Fishcount, Sunday July 31st Kevin Brook

Canada Trip July 28th– August 1st Bob Abraham

Lobsterfest Sunday August 20th Rich Atkins

Seal Dive Sunday PM August 27th Joe Avoli

Club Banquet Thursday October 20th Bull Run Shirley, MA Speaker Jonathan Bird

# Where have you been?

The Club wants to know. If you have been on a dive trip or some other activity that is club or scuba related let us know. Send a summary and a picture or two to the address at the end of the newsletter and I

will add it to a future newsletter.

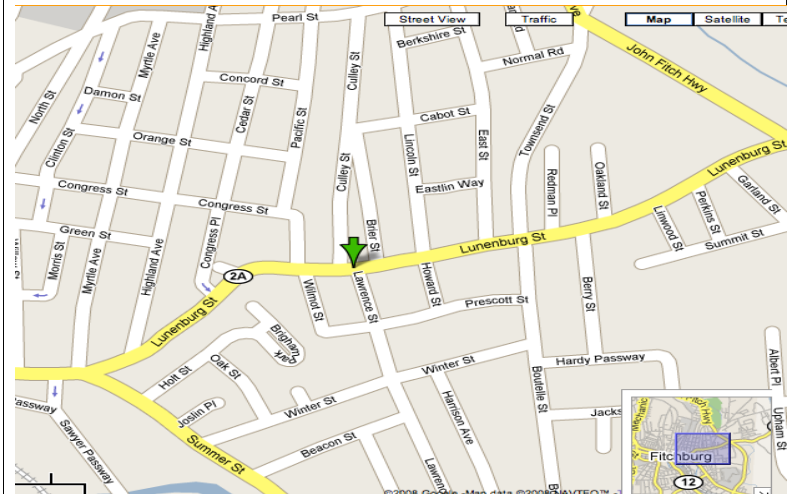
If you have been on a dive trip and would like to schedule a presentation to the club contact Joe Avoli the Activities Chairman.



Roxie approves—she loves to crunch the feet!

## Meeting Time and Location

The United Divers meet once a month on the third Thursday of the month at Slattery's located at 106 Lunenburg Street, Fitchburg, MA. There is ample parking provided in the rear of the building. The meeting will be taking place in the event room near the back right of the restaurant. The meeting will begin at 7:00p.m. with a social hour beginning at 6:30p.m. If you should have any questions please feel free to contact any of the board members.



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## The Purpose of the United Divers of Central Massachusetts

The purpose of the United Divers of Central Massachusetts is to promote the sportsmanship and sport of SCUBA diving by stimulating our members to achieve the highest standards of safety and proficiency in SCUBA diving. To promote friendship and wholesome social activity among its membership. To promote educational programs that will provide fundamental knowledge supported by actual hands-on experience in a variety of areas including: safe diving practices, conservation of marine ecosystems, first aid and handling diving related emergencies, to organize group SCUBA diving trips, educational and social events that will allow our membership to accomplish all of the above.



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