

the staggering starfish

the official newsletter of the GSNDAMBAA SCUBA Diving Club

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November Club Meeting

We are thankful for the technology that will allow us to have a virtual November meeting. Login at **6:00 PM** on the **4th**. Spanky will send an email invitation to the regulars the afternoon before the meeting. If you are not a regular attendee, please send Spanky an email request at gsndambaa@hotmail.com by noon on the day of the meeting (11/4/21) and you will be added. Our agenda includes planning the January club dive, nailing down the menu for the Club Holiday Extravaganza, and continuing our discussion for club tee shirts and sweat shirts.

November Club Dive @FIEW

On November **20th** the club will return to Fox Island East Wall after a many years hiatus. This site has been noted as one of the best wall dives in Puget Sound and is the location of a famous marriage proposal. The wall is close to shore, just past the kelp. It bottoms out at about 70 feet. This is a current sensitive site so we need to enter the water on time. So gather at **11:45** so that we can splash at 12:45. There are facilities at the park but it is not known if they are open.

After packing away all the gear it will be time to catch lunch and some libation. We will head off to a local spot to satisfy our needs as conditions allow.

Directions for the dive at Fox Island:

(Watch out for bears.)

Take HWY 16 West to the Fox Island Exit.

Cross the Fox Island Bridge

Stay on the main road, which soon becomes Island BLVD FI.

It will eventually bear right onto 9th AVE.

Then bear left on Kamus.

In a tenth of a mile, bear right back onto Island BLVD, which will soon become Mowitch DR.

Bear right onto 14th Ave, which soon becomes Ozette DR.

Bear left (frog right!) down to the water.

2021-GSNDAMBAA-at-a-Glance

11/04/2021 6:00 PM

Club Meeting - virtual

11/17/2021 11:30 PM

Leonid Meteor Shower

11/20/2021 11:45 AM

Club Dive at Fox Island East Wall

12/05/2021 10:00 AM

Club Dive at Edmonds Underwater Park

12/05/2021 4:00 PM

2021 Holiday Party at ESSDB Jim's House

12/27/2021 9:30 AM

Club Dive at Redondo

01/06/2022 6:00 PM

Club Meeting, probably at ESSDB Jim's House

Octoboo Club Dive Report

Nice calm day on the 9th as the Club gathered for the Octoboo dive at Redondo. Seemed like a lot of divers had the same idea as there were a lot of divers gearing up. The tide was out and visibility was pretty good as we dropped below the surface. We followed the line down to the carousel boat and then meandered our way over to the Volkswagen. Along the way we saw a nice red octopus with a body the size of a large ugli and lots of gunnels. ON the way back we found the remains of another car. After the dive we took advantage of the open MaST Center to see the whale skeleton and check out the aquarium.

Special Clip and Save Section!

As a public service, Spanky has developed a checklist that you can use to ensure that all of your gear joins you on your next dive. Clip on the dotted line and add it to your save-a-dive kit. Spanky recommends laminating it between 2 pieces of clear contact paper to ensure that it will give you years of devoted service.

WARM WATER TRIP	COLD WATER (LOCAL) DIVING
Wet Suit	Dry Suit
Hood	Undergarment
Boots	Hood
Gloves	Boots
Mask	Gloves
Snorkel	Mask
BC	Snorkel
Regulator	Weight Belt
Compass	Ankle Weights
Computer	BC
Light	Tank
Knife	Regulator
Fins	Compass
Camera	Computer
Spares Kit	Light
First Aid Kit	Knife
Dive Log	Fins
Dive Tables	Camera
Slate	Dive Flag
Gear Bag	Spares Kit
Cert Card	First Aid Kit
Valve Adapter	Dive Log
Bonine	Dive Tables
Extra Batteries	Goodie Bag
Dry Bag	Slate
	Gear Bag
	Cert Card
	Towel



Cool-?-of the Month Section

Cool-Photos-Of-The-Month:

Its Gunnels Galore! ESSDB Larry provided photos of gunnels that were taken at Redondo. The 1st is two Penpoints, followed by a Saddleback and a Crescent.



Cool-Web-Article-of-the-Month:

The real reason why great white sharks might bite humans.

<https://www.cnn.com/travel/article/white-shark-bites-intl-scli-scn/index.html>

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The deadline for items to be included in the December 2021 Issue is Monday, November 22.