

# Channel Islands Dive Adventures



#### **Channel Islands Dive Adventures Mission Statement**

Channel Islands Dive Adventures mission is to offer well organized dive trips to unique and interesting destinations with a dive/travel guide present, to help foster new friendships with other like minded divers and above all to promote safe and fun diving.

Hi Everyone,

This month's newsletter is in honor of lobsters, mainly catching them. I really enjoy bug hunting, but what is even better is to see the smiles on my families face when they get fresh lobster-myself, I prefer fish. With bug season opening on Saturday, October 1 don't forget to have your fishing license and lobster report card.

Try not to wait to the last minute to buy yours because not all stores will have both. Also, if you haven't been diving in a while, take some time to check your gear out real good and make sure everything is in working order. Next try and plan where you would like to go. My main suggestion is to try and get were others don't which might involve a long walk or swim. Now this is VERY IMPORTANT, the main things are to just have fun and come join CIDA on one of our bugventures!!!

As always I look forward to meeting and diving with everyone this year on another CIDA adventure. Keep Diving, Ken



#### **Upcoming Dive Trips**

Join CIDA on your next adventure!

#### **Trip Date**

Oct.16 Nep
Oct. 31& Nov. 1 San

Dec. 11

#### Location

Neptune's Coastal Reefs

San Nick-Bug Fest

Neptune's Coastal Reefs

\*Check the website <u>Dive Calendar</u> page for detailed information and prices on each individual trip, along with other CIDA planned trips for 2010.





## Bug Diving-Bug Diving-Bug Diving

CIDA has 3 great trips for all you bug divers or just learning to be bug divers.

Join the fun, learn some new tips and dive some out of the way places

-Raptor to Neptune's Outer Coastal Reefs
-Peace to San Nick

Bug diving is an awesome experience!

Come join CIDA!!!



#### Featured Trip #1

#### Neptune's Outer Coastal Reefs



On Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, CIDA has a charter aboard the <u>Raptor</u> out of Ventura Harbor for a trip to the Neptune's Outer Coastal Reefs area along the coast south of Ventura. The Neptune's Outer Coastal Reef area is about 20 miles south of Ventura Harbor and is ½-1 mile offshore. This area is large and very dramatic and is comprised of large boulders, small rock piles, walls and pinnacles along with beautiful kelp forests, sea fans, bat rays and more.

There are deeper sites such as Sea Fans, Deep Hole and Sweet Spot and there is a shallow (40'-60') spot called "The Ring" with its rocky reef and kelp forest that can rival any spot on the islands on a good day. The depths range from 40'-100' with visibility from 20'-60'. This can be a very good hunting spot for fish and bugs and an excellent area for photographers. The plan is to do 3 dives in the Neptune's area and maybe south towards Leo Carrillo. The 1<sup>st</sup> dive will be about 50'-80' deep and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> dives will be about 40'-60' deep. Read More



#### Featured Trip#2

## Channel Islands Dive Adventures 1<sup>st</sup> annual 2 day San Nick Bug Fest



On Sun. /Mon., Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> & Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> CIDA has a charter on the <u>Peace</u> out of Ventura Harbor. Any multi-day trip to San Nick is an awesome adventure and hunting bugs there can be the best, due to its distance, less diver pressure and being weather dependant. The plan is to board on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup> with the Peace departing at 12:00am. Captain Eric and crew always do their best to get to the best dive sites possible and catching bugs is what this trip will be all about. If you want to learn more about bug diving and tips to catch them, then this trip is for you. San Nick has some excellent dive sites and is known for its game and large lobsters. It is remote and catching bugs here can be very good. San Nick also is good for the photographer and sightseer, but the main reason divers go to San Nick is for the game. Read More

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#### Some excellent lobster resources

If your new to bug diving, just want to refresh your memory or haven't kept up with the rules, here are some excellent resources to check out.

Fish & Game-What you need to know to stay legal

Wikipedia-all about lobsters

Frequently asked lobster questions

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