

# Channel Islands Dive Adventures



Hi Everyone,

The holidays are past us now and it is time to dive into 2010. With that, CIDA has some fun & unique trips scheduled for the upcoming year with something always in the works (more on that soon). The CIDA <u>calendar</u> is starting to look a bit interesting for 2010.

As a personal milestone for myself, I am now a NAUI Scuba Instructor. At present, I don't have any plans to teach and I think I will just keep my options open for a while. As always, I am looking forward to diving with everyone as much as possible in 2010.

Keep Diving, Ken Kollwitz

#### **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.



# **Upcoming Dive Trips**

Trip Date Location

Sat., Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> Anacapa 3 Arches-Relaxed

Sat., Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> Anacapa-Day/Night

Sun., April 18<sup>th</sup> Santa Cruz-Spirit of America Wreck (formerly the Peacock)

Sat., June 26<sup>th</sup> Santa Cruz-Back Side

Sat., July 17<sup>th</sup> Anacapa-TBM Avenger

\*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.

### **Wanted-Wanted-Wanted**

I am looking for dive related pictures and videos for my new website. If you have any that you would like to show on my website, please check my website media page for more details.

#### **Featured Web link**

The Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary has some interesting information on West Coast Shipwrecks. Take a look; you can also use this web link for some other interesting information.

A Good Diver is always learning!!



## Featured Dive Trip-Anacapa 3 Arches

The 3 Arches (underwater) trip is on Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> aboard the Raptor out of Ventura Harbor. In mid December there was a slight change to this trip. It was originally planned to dive 2 underwater arches and now we will be doing 3, a different one each dive. The reason for the change is, I forgot about another

dive with an underwater arch. On December 12th I was helping out with a class aboard the Raptor and the instructor asked to dive Barracuda Rock on the front west part of Anacapa. I have not dived this spot in years and forgot how nice of a dive it was and to top it off we had 40'-50' Vis and calm seas. It was a fantastic dive. There is much more to see then just an underwater arch. We seen plenty of large fish cruising through the kelp along with large lobsters everywhere and my grandson even spotted an octopus with his good young eyesight. During the dive I thought this would be a very good dive for the upcoming CIDA dive trip. I know I am looking forward to going back again.

This trip will be excellent for anyone wanting a fun relaxing day, I am sure we can all use that after the holidays. This will also be a good chance to try out any new gear, sharpen skills, test that drysuit or camera or just have fun with no worries. The trip leaves at 8:00am with boarding starting at 7:00am. If you need anything Ventura Dive & Sport will be open in the morning. The cost is \$130.00, limited to 16 divers and includes food and air. To make it easy, you can now pay with a credit card online if you would like. Check the Calendar page for more details on this and other upcoming trips

# Paying for a CIDA trip?

CIDA has made it easy to pay for a trip. You can pay online with a <u>credit card</u> or pay with a check. There is also a discount on all trips for any Channel Islands Divers dive club members.

# Attention Underwater Hunters

2010 not only brings another good year of diving, but it also brings a new year to pay the F & G for a fishing license and lobster tag if needed.

Don't get caught without one, it is easy to forget.



CIDA is now on <u>facebook</u> with 260 members and still climbing. Join the group and have another way to stay updated on current trips and events. Don't wait, join now! It's free and easy!

## **Blog-Blog-Blog**

There is a blog on the CIDA website, please feel free to use it. It is there for comments, questions; write an article (maybe your version of a past trip) or anything else you can think of.

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