



Channel Islands Dive Adventures



Hi Everyone,

There has been much going on with CIDA in the past month and all of it will benefit the CIDA friends and customers. I have expanded the offerings of trips, by setting up 5 charters on the Peace ([check website for all information](#)), had a make over done to the website along with a new look, slide show and more (check it out) and became a partner with [DiveAssure](#) for dive accident & travel insurance.

I will tell you that it takes a lot of extra work and now its time to fix my Drysuit neck seal and get out diving; of course, with the weather we have been having it has been hard to get out diving. As always, I am looking forward to diving with everyone this year and meeting you on the next CIDA adventure!

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

Join CIDA on your next
adventure!

Trip Date

Location

Sat.-March 27 th	Santa Rosa Island
Sun.-March 28 th	Gull Island, Santa Cruz
Sun.-April 18 th	Spirit of America, Santa Cruz
Sun.-April 25 th	Gull Island (Guardian plane Wreck?), Santa Cruz
Sat., June 26 th	Santa Cruz-backside

*Check the website [Dive Calendar](#) page for detailed information and prices on each individual trip, along with other CIDA planned trips for 2010.

Early Diver Special

Sign up early for any CIDA Peace or Raptor trip and receive a \$10.00-\$35.00 discount. What a deal!!!

The Early Diver Special makes diving more affordable for everyone.

Featured Web link

CIDA is now a partner with [DiveAssure](#). DiveAssure is a leader in dive accident & travel insurance and has been in business for many years. They also have a [new relationship with Duke University](#) and a video to watch on the lower left of their home page.



Featured Dive Trip-Santa Rosa Island

On Saturday, March 27th, CIDA has its 1st charter of 2010 aboard the [Peace](#) going to [Santa Rosa Island](#). This trip is **specifically LOW PRICED** to celebrate CIDA's charters on the Peace and to give all CIDA friends and customers a chance to get out and see why diving with [Channel Islands Dive Adventures](#) can be something to look forward to. Diving the Northern Channel Islands can be an awesome experience and Santa Rosa is an excellent

place to start. **Come celebrate with us and join the adventure!**

The plan is to board on Friday, March 26th with the Peace departing at 2:00am. Captain Eric and crew always do their best to get to the best dive sites possible. Santa Rosa has many excellent sites to offer from beautiful kelp forests and large rocky reefs to pinnacles with tons of life on them. This trip is specifically catered to the intermediate to advanced level diver with the 1st dive at 80'-100' and the other 3 dives at 60' and shallower. There could be possible currents and a surface signal tube is always highly recommended.

Diving Santa Rosa Island can be quite interesting and fun where the marine life is more like San Miguel Island. There are much of the same things you would normally see at San Miguel Islands such as large schools of rockfish, huge sunflower stars, a colorful array of anemones, an abundance of invertebrates, seals, sea lions and much more. Santa Rosa can be a hunters or photographers paradise.

Trip Details

Where: Peace to Santa Rosa Island

When: Saturday, March 27th

Time: Board on Friday, March 26th after 8:00pm with the Peace departing at 2:00am

Cost: \$130.00 (**low priced for this trip only**) and includes 4 dives, meals, air and reserved bunks-**What a deal**

[Read more](#) about the trip and [make your reservation](#) early



About the Peace

The [Peace](#) is widely known as a first class dive boat ideal for single and multi-day trips to the [Channel Islands](#) and beyond. The Captain and crew are all divemasters and DAN oxygen providers.

The safety of the passengers is of utmost importance to them and at the same time they are happy to get you to the best possible dive sites that they can. The Peace is 65'x22' and has single and double bunks that sleep 32. All bunks have privacy curtains, lights, pillows and blankets. There are 2 heads with showers along with an outdoor fresh water shower. There is also a clothes dryer if needed.

On the dive deck there is plenty of room for everyone along with a sundeck, live game well for all the hunters, 12' inflatable chase boat, two 18CFM compressors for air and nitrox and the world famous hot tub. The Peace can fill to 3500psi and for nitrox (additional charge) they are equipped with a DNAX membrane system setup for 32% fills. With the membrane system there is no need for O2 clean tanks.

Inside there is a large galley with a TV and VCR player and this is also where all the delicious meals are cooked and served. Meals for a typical day will include a starter breakfast of oatmeal, toast, bagels, fruit, cereal, juice and more. You then can make your first dive and afterwards have a full hot breakfast of eggs, bacon, sausage, potatoes and more. Don't stop here-[Read More about the Peace](#)

Join CIDA on your next Adventure!!!



Buddy Dive Resort

Bonaire

May 29-June 5, 2010

diver \$1850.00 / non-diver \$1600.00

Channel Islands Dive Adventures has a trip to Bonaire planned for May 29-June 5. Currently there are 12 Channel Islands Dive Club members going (including Ken) and there is room for 4 others in a 2 bdrm. apartment. [Read all about the trip.](#)

The **Fly, Drive and Dive package** includes:

- **Round trip airfare-LAX to Bonaire**
- Fully equipped *3 bdrm. apartment for 8 days (7 nights)
- **Rental vehicle** (double cabin pick-up truck or van) for 7 days for each apartment
- **Free Nitrox**-6 days of unlimited air fills
- **Tanks and weights for the week**
- [6 boat dives](#)
- Welcome drink & free "Manager's Rum Punch Party" on Friday
- **Daily American style breakfast buffet**
- Airport transfer and all government taxes.
- **50% discount on your total food bill** (max. \$75 per person, per week)
- [3 tank \(all day\) boat dive to slagbaai, includes lunch](#)

Feb. 20th Day/Night Report

As Feb. 20th started to get close the weather report started to look bad again-this sure seems to have happened a lot this year. I kept watching the marine forecast and it didn't look bad except for the wind predicted for later in the day.

On the day of the trip the weather looked great and we made a change of plans and went to the backside of Santa Cruz. It was a bit choppy going over, but was flat calm with no wind the entire day, sunny, 40'+ Vis and water temp of 57°. The dive sites that we visited were very good and some of the divers did get bugs, although I didn't, I still had fun.

The wind did come up the last dive and created some problems, but nothing that couldn't be taken care of. It turned out to be a very good trip with almost a full boat and we were back by 10:00pm.

If you would like to read my article to see what I think of weather forecasting and boat diving, please read this-[Weather and Diving.](#)



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