

# 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,

It's been a busy October & November and now the holidays are just around the corner, before you know it another year of exciting adventures will be upon us. CIDA has had a good 1<sup>st</sup> year and now it's time to plan 2011-thank you everyone who supported Channel Islands Dive Adventures this year.

Currently CIDA has the Peace scheduled for 3 trips and a trip to Cozumel in June. I hope to have most of 2011 schedule worked out for the December newsletter with dive trips on the Pacific Star, Raptor, Lois Ann and a whale watching trip with Island Packers and more. CIDA will also be scrapping the online PayPal system that is currently being used to sign-up for trips and going to a much more user friendly system that doesn't require you to have a PayPal account.

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** 

Location

Dec. 11

Neptune's Coastal Reefs

#### 2011 dive schedule

mark your calendar

**Trip Date** 

August 26 & 27

Location

Mar. 26 & 27 S April 30 S

Santa Rosa/Gull Island
San Nick-Begg Rock

San Miguel Pinnacles

Check back-much more to come!

#### **California Diver Magazine**

There is a new excellent dive magazine in town called <u>California Diver</u> and it's all about diving in California along with some great articles, photo's and much more. It's mailed out every 2 months and they are just starting to get them out in dive shops. Order yours today or go by your nearest dive shop and pick-up the newsiest issue.





### Featured Trip-Neptune's Outer Coastal Reefs-December 11<sup>th</sup>

8 spots left

On Saturday, December 11<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. Read more and sign-up

#### Neptune's 10/16 Trip Report

It had been a while since the last CIDA trip to the Neptune's area (Deep Hole, County Line and Harrison's Reef area) and I was very much looking forward to it and even better we had a full boat. Neptune's is an exciting area to dive with lots of big rocks, good structure, kelp beds and more. It can be an excellent game area as it is not dived much because most of the good spots are to far to swim and very few boats will go down the coast-most want to go to the islands. Read more

#### San Nick Oct.31/Nov.1 Trip Report

I had been looking forward to this trip for quite some time. Diving for bugs is one of my favorite things to do and San Nick is the place to go for the larger bugs. With fewer visitors that get to San Nick and fewer divers it equates to bigger bugs and more legal sized ones, most of the time. When we arrived to the boat we found out that the departure time had been changed to 2:00am which meant we where not going to San Nick. It turned out that the military had closed the island so now Santa Barbara Island was our new destination. Read more

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**Good Times!!!** 

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