

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS YEAR'S RAFFLE WINNERS!

Thanks to everyone for making our second annual fund-raising raffle a great success. We topped last year's raffle, bringing in over \$2,000. The proceeds will help send 20 youths to Project Oceanology in Avery Point, CT for a weekend experience as part of a two-week summer program co-sponsored by AVSC.

1st Prize - One Week in Mexico
Celestine Smith of Coram, N.Y.

2nd Prize - Freestyle Dive Watch
LeVaughn Donovan of Elmont, N.Y.

3rd Prize - AMEX Gift Certificate
Y. Edwards of Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

NABS 2004 SUMMIT COZUMEL, MEXICO November 10 - 14

Don't miss your chance to join your fellow NABS and AVSC Brothers and Sisters as they...

*EMBARAK AN NABS CULTURAL
DIVER*

Diver rates start at \$478 (p/p dbl) for 5 days/4 nights Superior Garden View accommodations including 2 days of 2 tank diving.

Open Registration ends on September 10
Late Registration starts on September 11

NABS website: www.nabsdivers.org

READY-SET-GET WET! DIVE IN!

July 17 – Club meeting at York College

July 31 – Club Boat Dive on the Dive Vessel:
Karen (See details within)

August 13 - 15 – Club Trip to Cape Ann,
Massachusetts (See details within)

August 28 – Club Meeting and Family Day
Picnic (See details within)

September 11 – Spearfishing Contest –
Location: TBD

September 18 – Club meeting at York College

September 25 – Club Night Dive – Location:
TBD

October 2 – Club Trip to Atlantic City

October 16 – Club meeting at York College

October – 10th Annual Club Pumpkin Head Dive
– Date and Location: TBD

November 10 - 14 – NABS 14th Annual Summit
in Cozumel, Mexico

For more information about upcoming dives or if you
would like to coordinate a dive, contact
President@avscdivers.org

For the complete club schedule and directions, the
club calendar is posted on AVSC's website:
www.avscdivers.org

AQUATIC VOYAGERS SCUBA CLUB

Summer/Fall 2004



Aquatic Voyagers Scuba Club (AVSC)
Grand Central Station
P.O. Box 42
New York, NY 10163
www.avscdivers.org

EXPLORE! 2004 - AVSC SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM

AVSC is partnering with the EXPLORE! Program at York College to offer a two-week summer enrichment program to provide youth with new experiences in marine and environmental sciences, and introduce them to the concepts and skill in the sport of scuba.

As part of the two-week experience twenty students will participate in a one-day introduction to scuba class with AVSC members. AVSC will also sponsor a visit to the Marine Sciences Research Center at Stony Brook University, where students will learn about the coastal environment of Long Island and NYC. EXPLORE! will culminate with a weekend trip to Project Oceanology in Avery Point, CT, which will include a chance for the youths to check out a variety of marine animals and even operate a remote submersible vehicle.

We need volunteers to assist with the pool session for the youth on Saturday, July 24th from 9 – noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Please contact Norm or Judy Berhannan if you can help out that day.

STOLT DEGALI & PINTA SATURDAY, July 31

We bought the boat! AVSC is sponsoring a dive trip to the *Stolt Degali* and the *Pinta* on July 31st. The cost: \$60 covers the dive trip and lunch for AVSC members. We will be

taking the Karen from Brooklyn for a visit to two of the Northeast premier dive sites. It's a very popular trip, probably the best of the Jersey wrecks, so we will have to leave early. You must be at the boat by 5 a.m. This is an advance dive so be sure you're up to it. Space is limited so get your check to Reggie Callender ASAP if you plan to make it. E-mail any questions to Reggie Callender at treasurer@avscdivers.org. For additional information check out *Stolt Degali* website: http://www.gotosnapshot.com/Stolt/Stolt_catalog.html

CLUB TRIP TO CAPE ANN, MASSACHUSETTS AUGUST 13 - 15

Experience some of New England's most varied and accessible shore diving. Cape Ann offers experience for divers of all levels, with vertical walls and rocky reefs covered with kelp, anemone and sponges. While out of the water, there's plenty to do and see in the historic fishing port town of Gloucester and the artsy seaport village of Rockport.

We arrive on Friday evening for a welcome get together and brief orientation. Plans for Saturday include shore dives for morning and afternoon, and a crab fest and picnic, with prizes for the divers catching the most crabs or lobsters. We dive again on Sunday morning, with time for a leisurely lunch before getting on the road for home.

Rooms are available for the nights of August 13th and 14th at the Sea Lion Inn and the Vista Motel. Rooms will be held for AVSC until Friday, July 20th, so make your reservations now!

Hotel Options:

Sea Lion Motel
138 Eastern Avenue
Gloucester, MA
www.sealionmotel.com
978-283-7300
\$130/night plus 9.7% tax

Vista Motel
22 Thatcher Road
Gloucester, MA
www.vistamotel.com
978-281-3410
\$140-\$170/night plus 9.7% tax

Both motel locations are located within 5 minutes of Cape Ann Divers. Air fills and rental gear are available through their full service dive shop.

ANNUAL FAMILY DAY PICNIC - SAVE THE DATE SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

*Free For AVSC Members &
Family!*

Come join us for food and fun in the sun, and lots of great stories about underwater adventures and "the fish that got away".

Where is your favorite spot for a family picnic? We're seeking suggestions on where to hold this year's family day. We've been to Valley Stream State Park and to Sunken Meadow Park on Long Island and would like to hear from you! Send your ideas for a picnic spot to Zelda Betty at secretary@avscdivers.org.