



Scuba Diving: 

A Sacramento/Sierra Foothills Underwater Photography & Videography Organization		
Established November 1999	sacaim.org	Year 6

August 2005

Meetings are normally held the 4th Wednesday of the month at the Round Table Pizza, Greenback & Madison. Ask for the AIM discount (call 989-1133 to order in advance). New members are always welcome.

Newsletter note: Articles and photos are needed for next month's newsletter. So are your photos. Send to: Holly Johnson holjohnson@ucdavis.edu 916-379-0920.

Last Month's Meeting:

The scene for this years festival was as beautiful as it has been in the past: sunny skies, beautiful views, a little warmer this year which kept many participants inside, and great socializing. The entertainment "film festival" part was very well done this year. Members sent images and video to Joe Herrlie (stills) and Barbara Bloom (video) and the two of them put a wonderful show on for the group. Still images using ProShow gold was Joe's editing program: adding motion to the still images. Highlights of underwater images from several AIM events and video of some of the funnier moments of members during past AIM Spring Trips were compiled by Barbara using I-Movie. Charles Bormann presented a nice PowerPoint presentation of his images. The program went very well....projected through **our new, very own digital projector!** Dan Garcia worked very hard obtaining prizes from many local businesses to hold our first raffle...Many got to win something. Grand Prize went to 3 members: Power Fins....a collector item for sure! What you read on the box isn't exactly what is in the box...you had to be there. Thanks to all the donators were sent by Sharon in appreciation of their support of AIM.

The membership was lighter than usual this year. We need to have serious talks about interest and participation. This has become an annual event for us to show our work...more to share in the event is always welcomed. Charles Bormann is this year's "Cover Boy" with a beautiful octopus. 18 other images were entered and will all be a part of AIM's 2006 Calendar. Thank you all for participating.

Food...prepared by the membership and main grilling by Dan Garcia...thanks again for great chef duties....

A special thanks to:

Hudson Dive center
Scuba World
Dolphin Dive Center
Bob Evans Design
Ikelite
Sports Chalet

As well as our own member, Carl Sweet for providing raffle donations.

The calendar images will be shown at the next AIM meeting.

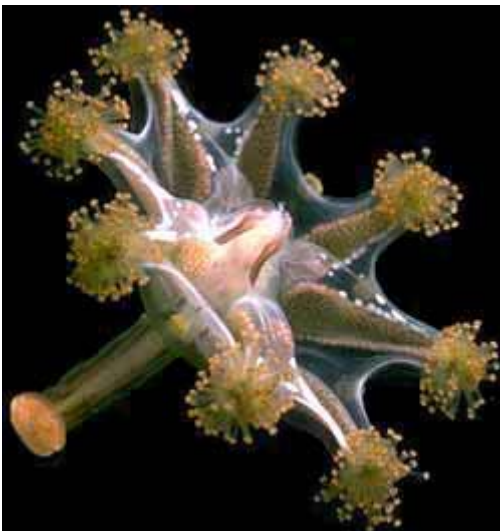
Look below for photos!!!

This Month's Meeting:

Guest speaker: Linda Krugman will have a top-side photo show for us: "A Polar Bear Adventure in Churchill, Canada."

Upcoming events: Also: Atlantis Dive Resort: Spring Trip 2006 8 spots left.....contact Carol ASAP to reserve space. Post trip option to Borneo: Sipidan Water Village and Kinabatangan River/Rainforest with Orangutans and Proboscis monkeys and more.... March 24-April 7th is available. Contact Carol soon for details.

Who am I: Identify the creature in the photo, win a prize! The most correct response will win. If there is more than one correct response, everyone who guesses correctly will be entered into a drawing for the prize (fine print-newsletter editor's decision is final!). The answer will appear in next month's newsletter. Be as specific as possible:



This Month's photo:

Due to lack of a correct guess from last month (OK, lack of any guesses at all), this month's photo is the same as last. Send your guess in!!!

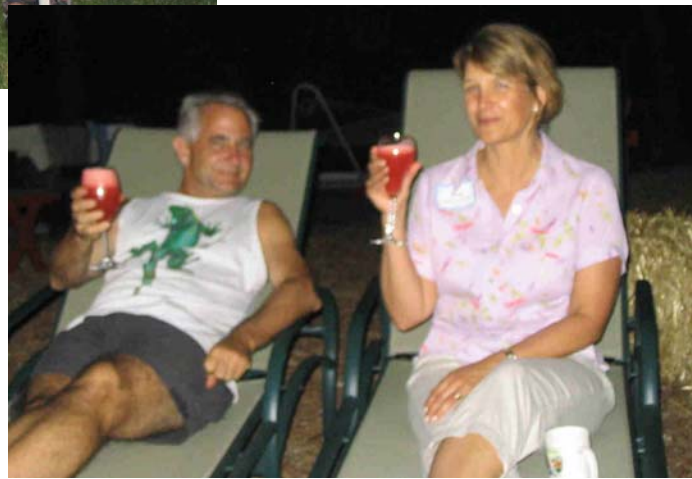
You will find me affixed to eelgrass or seaweeds in subtidal regions. I attach to surfaces by a stalk on the aboral side (side opposite from the mouth). When detached, I cannot swim and therefore move very little in a lifetime. I possess 8 marginal lobes that end in clusters of tentacles. I have the ability to deter predators and to catch prey. I mostly feed on the caprellid amphipods abundant in eelgrass beds. I am about 2.5 cm in diameter. Text adapted from BioMEDIA ASSOCIATES.

Member's Corner:

No articles this month.... Hopefully yours will be here next time!

Member's Photo Album: A place for you to display your pictures (hey- they don't even have to be underwater!). Send in your favorite photo each month and have it featured in our newsletter, or send photos of creatures you need identified. Featuring photos from the film festival!





For Sale: Fellow photographer has to give up diving...has the whole system as listed below: never in the water! Still in the box!!!1 Contact them directly for details:

Michael & Ruth Chofré
 Isle Cove, 811 Juno Lane
 Foster City, CA 94404-2813 USA
 Tel: (650)571-6083
 Email: chofrem1@comcast.net

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PAID</u>	<u>ASKING</u>
1. Tetra 5050 housing with ROC	\$1,499.00	\$1,000.00
2. Tetra Ultra Wide Wetmate Lens (100 degree)	600.00	400.00
3. Inon Wide Angle Dome Kit for UW1 - 100 lens	389.00	280.00
4. MacroMate lens for Tetra 4040	499.00	350.00
5. Sea & Sea YU-90 TTL DUO (\$535/each)	<u>1,070.00</u>	<u>750.00</u>
SubTotal.....	\$4,058.00	\$2,780.00
6. Olympus C-5050 camera	<u>\$ 699.00</u>	<u>\$ 250.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL.....	\$4,757.00	\$3,030.00

If you find someone who wants to purchase the entire package from us, Michael will sell it for only \$2,500.00 (that includes everything that's listed above)

None of the items in the PAID column include the CA State Tax either, which would bring the original total to \$5,149.45. Sooooooooooooo that means that a person purchasing a one-year old UW complete camera system could purchase this for less than half price. Also, the strobes are not Olympus 5050 specific and are sold on-line and in the stores for minimum - \$535 each!!!

And yes, we have the owner's manuals packed in with each of them.