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2013 SFUPS Sponsors
May Masters – Super Macro

1st Place — Bernd Meier

2nd Place —
Susan Mears

3rd Place — Suzan Meldonian

4th Place — Rob Myers

5th Place — Chris Gug
May Challengers– Trash House

1st Place — Judy Townsend

2nd Place — Patrice Marker

3rd Place — Judy Townsend
A BIG SFUPS Thank You to Joanna Walczak

SFUPS would like to thank Joanna Walczak, the SE regional administrator of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. Joanna studied marine biology at Nova Southeastern University and University of Texas at Galveston. Joanna has been a driving force behind coordinated efforts to protect the south Florida coral reefs. Her passion for the environment is evident in the great presentation she gave to the club in May. Thanks again!

http://www.dep.state.fl.us/coastal/programs/coral/

Announcements
New Meeting Location!

SFUPS is thrilled to announce the new location for it’s monthly meetings at the Courtyard Marriot Fort Lauderdale North. The new location is a newly remodeled Marriot with a big, beautiful meeting room, safe and ample parking, a bar, restaurant and banquet facilities. SFUPS looks forward to expanding it’s membership base and bringing in more top notch photo pros for speaking engagements. The new meeting location will be an excellent place for parties, events and grabbing a bite before the monthly meeting. Thank you to all the board members who took the time to review each location thoroughly, making a decision that will benefit the club as a whole.

Courtyard Marriot Fort Lauderdale North Cypress Creek
2440 W. Cypress Creek Road
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309
954-772-7770

Reef Photo Video

Reef is hosting a Lembeh Macro Adventure!

The workshop will be held at the NAD Lembeh Resort. The dates are Sept 28– Oct 5 and there is an option to extend on the Seven Seas Liveaboard. Click on the link above for all the details and info

Force E Scuba

Check out the calendar of events to get the latest info on night dives, dive trips and other Force E sponsored events.
More Announcements

Lake Worth Lagoon Initiative

The Palm Beach County Department of Environmental Resources Management is accepting public comment on the 2013 Lake Worth Lagoon Management Plan Update. The plan summarizes the progress made over the past five years towards understanding, restoring and enhancing the Lake Worth Lagoon ecosystem and charts the course for continuing improvements.

The public is invited to view the plan and provide comments by June 15 to ERM-lwlmp13@pbcgov.org

Tips for preparing comments

- Be specific
- Be clear and concise
- Cite references if appropriate

June Show and Tell

“Eggs and Eels” by Phil Rudin

Welcome to our newest sponsor

Pompano Dive Center

(954) 788-0208

June Tips and Tricks

“Floods” by Bob Weybrecht

What happens when you flood your Inon strobes? Bob will give some advice from his own experiences.
May Featured Photographer — Craig Dietrich

Craig Dietrich found his passion for photography in high school, eventually joining the U.S. Navy and serving both in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm as a Naval Photographer on the U.S.S. Independence. Rejoining civilian life, he opened his own successful children’s and family photography business. Joining his two loves of photography and scuba diving, Craig is now an award-winning underwater photographer, has his work displayed in galleries in Carmel, California and in Fort Lauderdale, Florida and has had his work showcased in several dive publications, including a recurring blog on SportDiver.com. His wish is to get as many divers as possible just as excited about underwater photography so they can spread the word of how important it is to preserve our world’s most precious resource.

Craig offers a wide line of products— including images on paper, gallery wraps, and metal prints—on his website at www.dietrichunderwater.com as well as teaching underwater photography classes for all skill levels.
May Guest Speaker— Chris Parsons

Chris is a pro underwater photographer currently residing in Fort Lauderdale, FL. He loves to dive, take photos and teach people about photography. His images have been published in major magazines like Alert Diver, Sport Diver, Scuba Diving, Southern Living and River Watch. Sea Shepard, National Geographic, and the Tennessee Aquarium have also featured his work. An early adopter of digital underwater, and with a science and software development background, he can bridge the gap between the creative and technical sides of today’s image creation process. Chris is an integral part of the Nauticam team.

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Club Members in the News

- Congrats to Matthew Potenski—a finalist in the Ocean In Focus Conservation Photo Contest
- Wayne MacWilliams had 2 photos published in ScubaDiving.com
- Craig Dietrich’s article “Water Planet: Swimming With The Big Boys” can be read in SportDiver.com
- Jonathan Lavan had an article written about his Reef Volunteer of the Year Award in ScubaDiving.com
- Congrats to Steve Kovacs for taking 4th Place in the Ocean Views Photo Contest
- Congrats to Jonathan Lavan on his 3rd place finish in Novice Macro for the NCUPS Photo Contest
- Congrats to Steve Kovacs on his Honorable Mention in Advanced Macro for the NCUPS Photo Contest
- Congrats to Judy Townsend who placed 3rd in the Oceans Category for the Palm Beach Post’s Focus on Nature Photography Contest. The winners will be published in the Accent section on June 30.
- Congrats to Steve Kovacs for his 1st place win in the Portrait category in the RSMAS Photo Contest
- Congrats to Judy Townsend for her 3rd place finish in the Portrait category in the RSMAS Photo Contest

June SFUPS Contest Categories


**JUNE MASTERS**

**Fantastic Fans**

Wide angle shot highlighting the beauty of Atlantic sea fans. Sea fans are the main subject. No pacific shots.

**JUNE CHALLENGERS**

**Silver Schools**

A school of highly reflective fish
SFUPS On The Scene

“Into The Blue” at Nova Southeastern University was great success. Nora Quinlan was nice enough to send a note with all the comments attached. Nora estimated that approximately 1000 people saw the exhibit.

Thanks again to all who participated! SFUPS looks forward to the next one!

Comments from “Into The Blue”

Karen- “Beautiful photos”
Teresa- “Amazing”
Adam- “Great job”
Wayne- “Beautiful exhibit”
Juan- “Outstanding”
Brittany- “Amazing photos”
Sarah- “Love it”
Danielle- “Beautiful art”

The Lake Worth Initiative Symposium was held on May 15 at Palm Beach Atlantic University. Anne Dupont gave a presentation to a crowd of about 100 people. Most of the attendees were not scuba divers and were surprised and amazed at the variety of marine life in the Lagoon. Great job Anne!

Our Florida Reefs

Come to a meeting in your community, learn about coral reefs and add your voice for the future of Southeast Florida’s reef system.

June 6– Stuart       June 12– Delray Beach       June 19– Dania Beach
June 25– Miami       June 26– Cutler Bay

Click on the link above to sign up for one of the community forums

Join SFUPS for the next meeting on June 11, 2013 at 6:15 for a special cocktail party!

Meeting will start at 7:30pm

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Contest Calendar

Ocean Art Photo Contest — Deadline November 11, 2013

Eliat Red Sea Monthly Competition to compete in Eliat Red Sea Shootout

Scuba Symphony Quarterly Contest

Club Travel Exchange

Want like minded company on your next trip? Send your travel plans to newsletter@sfups.org. The trip details will be published in the newsletter for other members to see. Any members interested in a trip can send an email to newsletter@sfups.org and the groups will be connected.

2013
⇒ August 2–9 Alaska on the Nautilus Swell

2014
⇒ Feb 16-23 Truk Lagoon on the Odyssey with Bonnie Pelnar, UnderwaterColours.com
Classifieds

- **FS**: Nikon D700 body and Subal ND700 housing. Housing has 45° magnifying viewfinder. The viewfinder retails for $1300. Very gently used and never flooded, original box and all papers for camera included along with synch cords and 77mm zoom gear. If interested, contact Fletcher Forbes—my email is jandfforbes@cox.net

- **FS**: 2005 Grady-White 228 boat with Yamaha 225 hp 4-stroke outboard. This boat is set up for diving. It is the walk-around model with cuddy-cabin, 49 sf of back deck space, tank racks, and camera rinse tank! Can handle 5 divers. Fresh water shower on the stern, sink and port-a potty (never used). Motor has only 138 hours. Really. If interested, contact Fletcher Forbes—our email is jandfforbes@cox.net

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For Your Information

Check out Photoshelter as your image sharing and ecommerce site. It offers free trials, copyright law info and many free guides that are great for photographers.

“PhotoShelter offers professional photography websites, built-in eCommerce, secure cloud storage, and client proofing tools - all in one platform.”

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Need to polish your domeport?

Ikelite Polishing Kits available at Gug Underwater Gallery

Micromesh Acrylic Restoring Kit available at MicroSurface

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“I’m downloading a new app that fills my room up with water so I can scuba dive. If I were you, I’d put your scuba gear on.”
SFUPS Member Benefits

Yearly dues are $35 for individuals and $45 for families. Make checks payable to SFUPS and mail to Patrice Marker at 9273 Silent Oak Circle, Wellington, FL 33411-6634 (Don’t forget to send a copy of your dive insurance and C-Card)

Membership benefits include continuing education, information about the latest equipment and techniques, presentations about marine life, conservation and exotic dive locations, club sponsored trips, online gallery to showcase images, this awesome newsletter and much, much more.

SFUPS welcomes divers just starting in underwater photography as well as professionals who have taken their photography to the next level.

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