Cover Shot by October Featured Videographer
Diane Randolph

Featured Contents

2013 Board of Directors & Sponsors ................................................................. 2
September Masters Winners ............................................................................. 3
September Challengers Winners .................................................................... 4
SFUPS Thank You’s & Announcements ......................................................... 5
More Announcements ..................................................................................... 6
October Featured Videographer ...................................................................... 7
October Guest Speaker .................................................................................. 8
Club Members in the News ............................................................................. 9
SFUPS On The Scene ..................................................................................... 10
Contest Calendar & Club Travel Exchange .................................................... 11
Classifieds and Grouper Dive Shots .............................................................. 12
Parting Shot ................................................................................................... 13
2013 SFUPS Board of Directors

President– Sam Hodge
Vice President- Phil Rudin
Treasurer– Patrice Marker
Secretary– Carol Schurtz
Newsletter Editor– Suzanne Bushnell
Membership– Mark Widick
Webmaster– Susan Mears
Audio/Visual– Jim Mears
Director at Large– Suzan Meldonian
Director at Large– Bill Lipscomb

2013 SFUPS Sponsors

[Images of sponsors logos]
September Masters– Light Rays and Jellies

1st Place — Wayne MacWilliams

2nd Place — Wayne MacWilliams

3rd Place — Kelly Casey
September Challengers— Sharks

1st Place — Sam Hodge

2nd Place — Craig Dietrich

3rd Place — Kirk Kilfoyle

4th Place— Sam Hodge

5th Place— Bernd Meier
A BIG SFUPS Thank You to Kevin Palmer

SFUPS would like to thank Kevin for his great presentation about strobe positioning and lighting. These techniques and tips will help members take their best shots! Thanks again.

Announcements

- SFUPS membership has some awesome privileges including the member galleries hosted on the website. If you are a new member and would like to submit a gallery please check out the submission guidelines. We want to see your shots!

- Calling all videographers- SFUPS wants you! Please produce a short video via Vimeo, write a short bio with a photograph and send it in. For all the details go to SFUPS.org

- The River Center of Loxahatchee will be having an encore presentation with speaker Bud Howard discussing the St. Lucie River and Loxahatchee River. The presentation will be held on Thursday Oct. 3rd at 7pm at the River Center—Burt Reynolds Park.

- Calling all divers, snorkelers and coral reef enthusiasts! Join us for a free 2.5 hour stony coral identification class on October 15 or 17, 2013. The classes will be held in Miami-Dade County at the Coral Reef Conservation Program office at 1277 NE 79th Street Causeway, Miami, FL 33138. To reserve your spot please email Coral@dep.state.fl.us.

- Jonathan Lavan is leading a trip for REEF to Belize from 4/26/2014-5/03/2014. Spaces are going fast so for all you fish geeks that love to do fish surveys and learn more about the world we love and all its creatures go to www.reef.org now for more information and how to sign up!
More Announcements

**Reef Photo Video**
Reef is teaching a macro workshop from Nov. 21-24 at Blue Heron Bridge & Ft Lauderdale. Workshop starts Thursday Nov. 21 at 6pm.

Price is $450

**Gug Underwater Gallery**
Gug Underwater will be holding it’s first anniversary sale on Saturday Oct. 26. Bring all your friends to see Gug’s art!

**Force E Scuba**
Ximena Olds is teaching a macro workshop on Oct. 27 at Force-E Riviera Beach 9am-6pm

Price is $125

**Pompano Dive Center**
Book your 2 tank night dive on Saturday Oct 12 with PDC.

**USA Dive Club Spots Available**

2014: **Palau, Siren & Micronesia, Pohnpei Island.** The land based portion will be Pohnpei (the capitol island of Micronesia). The primary dive resort on the Island is “the Village”. We fly in and out through Hawaii, Inbound we overnight in Hawaii, and carry on to Pohnpei next morning. We are offering a 7 or 10 night option. We are likely to leave US **March 30** (or 3/27, for an extended (10) land stay). Stay on Pohnpei from 4/1 to 4/8 then fly into Palau. The boat dates on **Siren** are **April 8-15, 2014.** We stay a day in Palau (sightseeing), fly out at night and home via Guam, with an optional layover in Hawaii – how long: your choice – and then home. Carrier: United. Directly home as fast as possible: 4/16 (Wed) is possible if desired. Airfare estimate $2950 ($2150 - boat only).

Questions? Contact VP of Overseas Diving Nils Jacobsen by e-mail.
overseasdiving@usadiveclub.com
I have always had a fascination for fresh and salt bodies of water and the creatures found in it. Finally certified for open water diving in 1993, I spent the first 3 years after getting certified just enjoying the reefs, working on my buoyancy skills, and having a blast. Once I got to the point in diving where exploring the reefs wasn't enough I tried to decide if I wanted to get into photography or videography.

One day I picked up an old land video camera that my father had and I was totally hooked on videography. Once I was able to get my first underwater video camera set up I was rarely without it underwater.

I love capturing the movement, memories, and feelings of places, people and critters and then putting them all together into a format that tells a story for others to enjoy.

My first video camera was a Sony High 8 in a Light and Motion Housing. The lights I used were regular dive lights and the holders were an ingenious invention my Dad came up with.

I have now progressed to shooting primarily with a Canon XA10 HD video camera, a Light and Motion Housing and 3 Sola 1200 Video Lights (although I still love that 1st camera and handmade light set up)

The primary focus for my video's is macro and super macro behavior shots and I use the +5 and +10 subsea diopters to get super close detail. Diving a good part of the time at the Blue Heron Bridge I really enjoy away trips to the Pacific and Caribbean.

I have recently had the honor of working on several projects with Stan Waterman who has had a huge impact on my life and video productions. A great man with a huge heart and wonderful advice that I listen to very closely. A person could not ask for a more caring or worthy mentor.
George C. Schellenger is a two-time Emmy award winner with more than 20 years experience in television and content development. He’s worked with leading media and technology brands across the United States from Time Warner to Microsoft (even NASA). At Microsoft, he helped launch MSNBC.com. At Time-Warner, he consulted for National Geographic, The Weather Channel, CBS, CNN, ABC, The New York Times, The Associated Press, Reuters – even Robin Leach. He’s been an adjunct professor at the University of Missouri’s School of Journalism and even served as Director of Content for the X PRIZE Foundation, working to give away $2MM in a lunar-lander prototype competition. He served as a producer for TEDxUSC, the original TED spinoff. With Dr. Guy Harvey and the Guy Harvey Ocean Foundation, he’s produced and directed a series of highly-acclaimed ocean conservation films, making a difference on a global scale. He is also a board member of Operation Blue Pride, a nonprofit organization taking severely wounded veterans diving to help them recover from the trauma of war. In 2013 he published his first book, *Not Because It's Easy*, an adventure story paying tribute to Project Apollo.
Club Members in the News

- Chris Gug has three photographs on display at the Lighthouse Art Center “Photo Now” Exhibit.
- Alan Eagan had several images published in the Miami Herald on Goliath Groupers.
- Susan Mears has contributed an image for NPS.gov.
- Jonathan Lavan has an article in UWPhotographyGuide.com.
- Jonathan Lavan will be giving a lecture comparing Caribbean & Sea of Cortez fish for "Fish & Friends" at REEF HQ in Key Largo (MM 98.3) on Tuesday November 12th at 7pm.
- Mark Widick has two photographs published in NatGeoExplorer.com— page 19.

Congrats to all our members! Keep up the great work!

September SFUPS Contest Categories

http://www.sfups.com/

OCTOBER MASTERS

Over/Under *– come on! You’re in the Master category, it’s hard to do, but your persistence will pay off. It may not be perfect but enter it.

OCTOBER CHALLENGERS

Boat from Below – your photo must include a shot of a boat from underwater (clearly visible) however the boat does not have to be the subject.
SFUPS On The Scene

Florida’s Forgotten Reefs Opening Reception

Thanks to all those members who came to the opening reception and who participated in the exhibit! It looked amazing and there was a great turnout.

Join SFUPS for the next meeting
Oct. 8th at 6:00 pm
for social hour, drinks & dinner
Meeting will start at 7:15pm

SFUPS Meeting Location
Courtyard Marriot Ft Lauderdale North
2440 W. Cypress Creek Road
Ft Lauderdale, FL  33309
954-772-7770
Contest Calendar

Ocean Art Photo Contest—Deadline November 11, 2013

Beneath The Sea—Deadline December 31, 2013

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

Scuba Symphony Quarterly Contest

Epic Diving Shark Shot Photo Competition

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.

2014

- Feb 16-23 Truk Lagoon on the Odyssey with Bonnie Pelnar, UnderwaterColours.com
- May 24-31 Scuba Travel Ventures at Tubbataha Reef in the Sulu Sea on the Azores liveaboard.
- Sept 20-27 Jonathan Lavan has a trip planned to the Sea of Cortez. If you are interested please contact him or go to www.rociodelmarliveaboard.com for all the details. If you just wait to sign up please call Brooke in the Rocio office at 602-272-2522 and be sure to mention Jonathan’s name!
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

- One wet close up diopter Nexus CL 100. Approx. 4" in diameter. Has black rubber skirt to fit over lens port. Has been used on Seatool ports, may fit others as well. contact Bernd Meier at meierb@bellsouth.net

SFUPS Grouper Dive Shots

Thanks to Craig Dietrich, Larry Townsend, Richard Apple and Chris Gug!
Parting Shot by

Ray Schreiber

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.

http://www.sfups.org/