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President's Message

SDUPS Club Members - Well as everybody knows by now, the Corona Virus has turned our world upside down. I am involved in a couple more organizations and they, like everything else, are shut down. My wife Francine and I have been laying low for the past week not going anywhere that we don't have to. A few club members have a trip planned to the Philippines the end of May. Overseas travel doesn't look too good either.

The people at Scripps told me that they would call me around the first of April to let us know if the April meeting is a go or not. One way this is affecting us is the postponement of our Film Festival. Email correspondence with the Board of Directors indicates that we are considering moving it to August. We'll keep you all posted on that development. One good thing about this postponement is that it gives members more time to develop their shows for the Festival. I urge you all to keep working on a show even though August is a ways off. If you don't have a slide show maker, check out the article below. I have used the free "PhotoStage" program and it gets the job done.

I haven't heard anything about canceling the photo show at the S. D. County Fair. Also no word on the SCUBA Show in Long Beach. If I hear anything I'll send out an email to club members.

As stated in an earlier email, I'd like to keep the monthly photo competition going. We can play catch-up as soon as our monthly meetings resume. Please send me your images on time. Thank you.

Well it's like any adversity that life can throw at us, we take it in stride, one day at a time. Please be safe.

Mike Poirier - President



SDUPS MEETING February 27th

Our February SDUPS was jammed packed with useful information, great images, and wonderful entertainment.

Mike opened the meeting with a few images with the "Show & Tell". **Greg Volger** presented beautiful images taken on a recent trip to Palau. Fisheye, over & under, Manta Rays & Sharks were part of Greg's lineup. **Matt Meier** showed images of a Flamboyant Cuttlefish from the egg stage to being born. Thank you both for some beautiful images.

Guests were then introduced and then it was on to the competition. For February it was all about "Texture". As you can see with the winning images, it was an interesting and wide open category.

Our first presentation for the evening was by **Lois Fong/Sakai** who was representing the S.D. County

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Internet Corner - Mike Poirier - Slide Shows

As I have stated earlier, it's not too soon to start putting together a show for the Annual SDUPS Film Festival on April 25th. The deadline for submissions is the 5th of April.

Most of the shows that are submitted are in the form of a slide show or video. There are many ways and many different programs to produce a show. I thought that many of our new members may not have a dedicated slide show program. Yes you can put together a slide show using a newer version of MS PowerPoint but a dedicated program is the way to go. I did some research on the internet and found a few slide show programs. Some are a free download and some are to be purchased. I will list a few that I found.

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CALENDAR

March 26th 7:00 pm General Meeting at Sumner Auditorium **Has Been Canceled**

Competition - "Eyes"

Presentation - **Anna Madsen** - How to Pick a Camera

Presentation - **Weiwei Gao**, Jolla Shores

April 25th - SDUPS Film Festival. See notice pages 4 & 7 **Has Been Postponed**

Refreshments for the
March Meeting - **Jackie Patay**

February Competition

- "Texture" -

Bob Yin - 1st Place Advanced



Greg Volger - 2nd Place Advanced



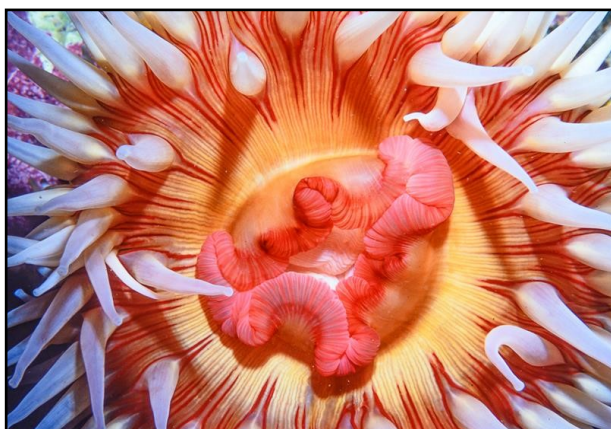
Bob Pooley - 3rd Place Advanced



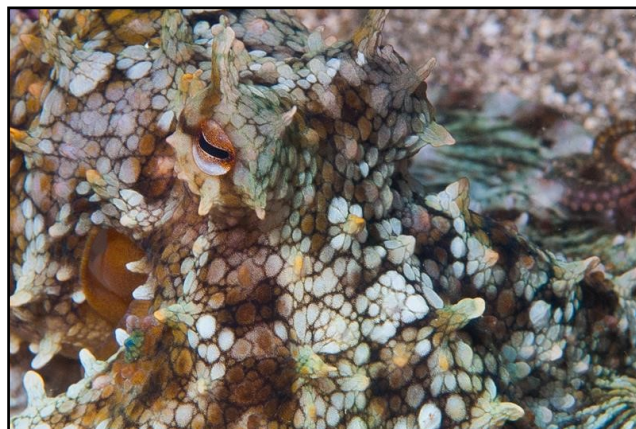
Robert Casagrand - 1st Place Amateur



Dan Kestly - 2nd Place Amateur



Harold Dorr - 2nd Place Amateur



February Competition

- "Texture" -

Dick Miller - 3rd Place Amateur



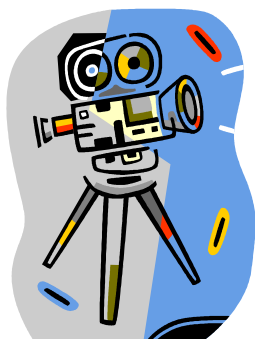
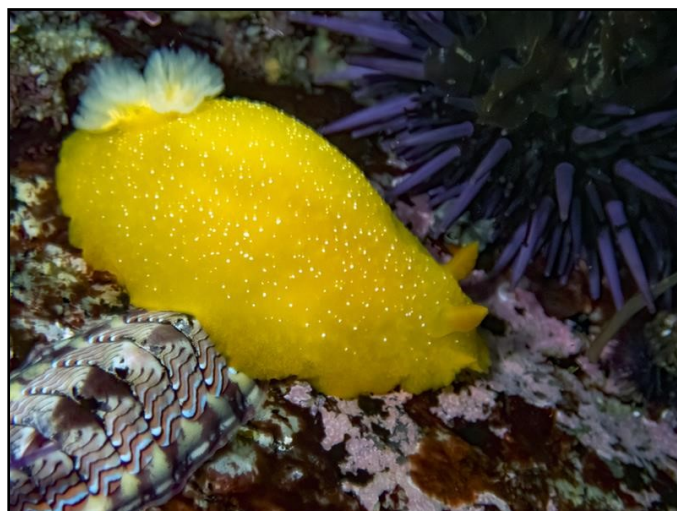
Charles Hobson - 1st Place Novice



Ann Madsen - 2nd Place Novice



Amy Baldwin/Granger - 3rd Place Novice



February Video Competition

1st Place - **Bill Ring**

2nd Place - **Bob Yin**

3rd Place - **Bob Pooley**



Our 51st Annual SDUPS Film Festival is scheduled for Saturday April 25th. The free event will be held at Sumner Auditorium. I realize this is an early notice, but it's time to start thinking about putting together a still, video, or combination of both show. Your show can be of the travel log type, or maybe zeroing in on an undersea animal to show the audience. Use your imagination and put together something special and entertaining. We need at least **20 shows** for the two part evening event. Here are the general film guidelines:

1. All entries should be limited to 5 minutes long, not including titles or credits where underwater footage is not used. Absolute length including titles and credits may not exceed 5 minutes 30 seconds.
2. A Minimum of 50% of the footage must have been taken underwater.
3. Videos/images should not show deliberate harassment of the marine creatures unless this harassment is the ecological point of the video.
4. Please ensure that you have all rights to any media that is used in you presentation (s) such as music, visual footage, personal, copyright, or any other legal rights.
5. Files can be in the following formats: ProShow, .mov, mp4, mp2.

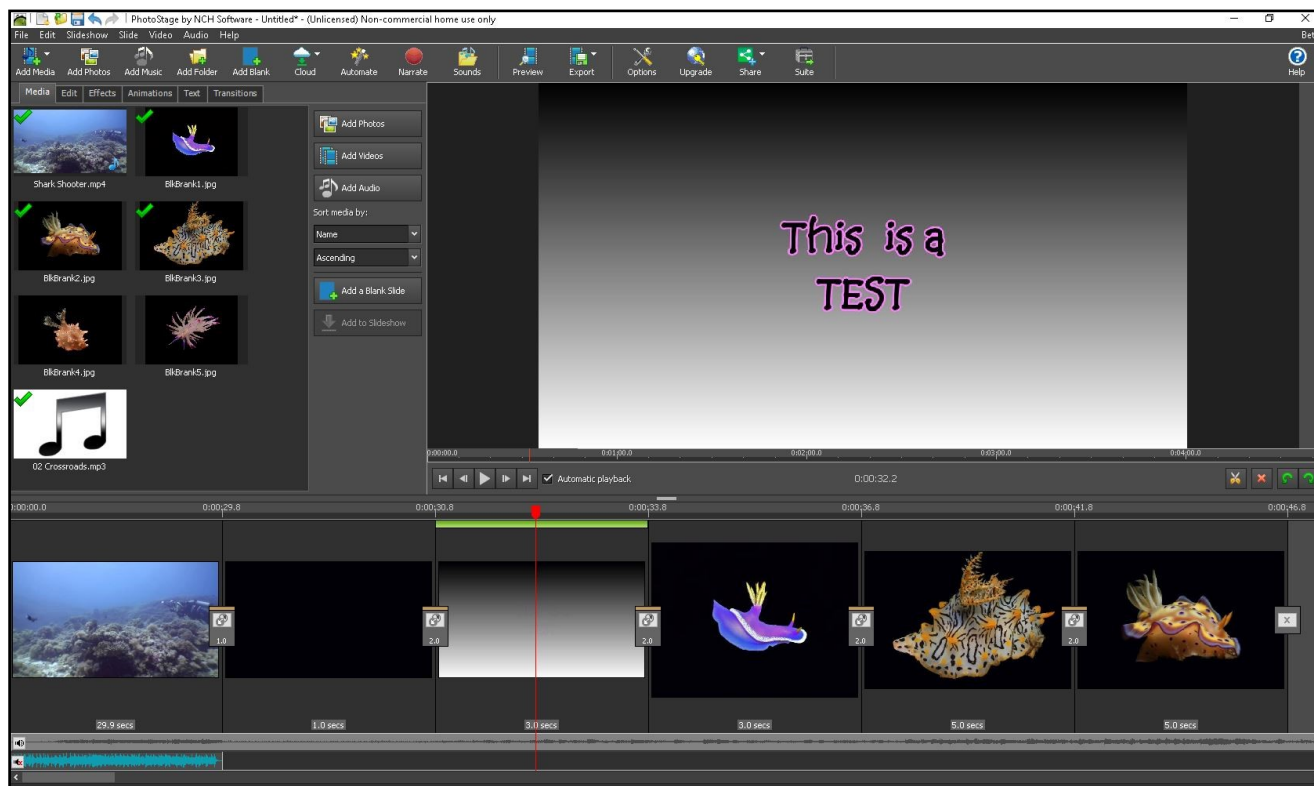
****April 5th** will be the deadline to submit film for the festival. Submissions can be brought to the March 26 SDUPS meeting on DVD/thumb drive or sent via dropbox to uwmike@att.net. Any questions can be directed to the same email address.

Deadline for submissions: ~~APRIL 5th~~

SDUPS Film Festival - 2020

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I did download a program call “PhotoStage”. It is a free download and it will do a variety of things to produce a great looking slide show including videos and the price is right, free! There is a Windows and a Mac version. I’m not promoting this product but it may be just what you need to create your show. Another good thing about this program is that there are tutorials to help get you going and answer any question on how to complete a certain task. Below is a screen shot from the program and a link on where to download it.



Screen Shot of PhotoStage and the link to the download: <https://www.nchsoftware.com/slideshow/index.html>

I did a Google Search for slideshow programs and came up with a list of a few. Remember especially when downloading a free program, be cautious and use a reputable or company site.

- Wondershare DVD Slide Show Builder
- Bolide Slide Show Creator
- Movavi Slideshow Maker

I also did a YouTube search and one video listed the best top 5 slideshow programs. Do some searching and for sure you can come up with something you can use. Now pick a theme, look through your images and impress us with your show.

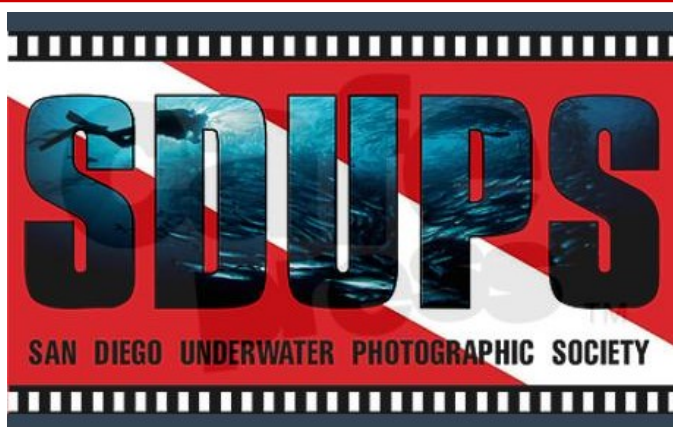


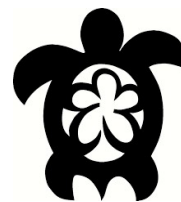
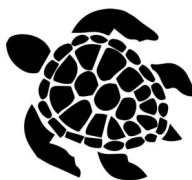
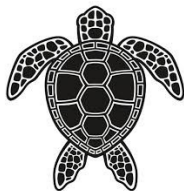


Photo by Mike Poirier

BANDIT ANGELFISH -**Critter Corner***Holacanthus arcuatus.*

White and gray, with a bold black band like a robber's mask passing through the eyes and extending the length of the body. These friendly angelfishes will actually swim over to investigate divers if you can find them. On the island of Kaua' they are so common they can sometimes be seen by snorkelers. On the other islands they are encountered most frequently at depths above 100 feet. Generally on rocky reefs, in ledges and caves; also areas high in coral. On the Island of Hawaii, I have only seen them once on the many dives I have made there. They feed primarily on filamentous sponges, invertebrates, algae, and fish eggs which makes them fare poorly in captivity. Their color pattern is unlike that of any other known angelfish. They are endemic to Hawaii and the Johnson Islands in the Pacific.

Sexual Differences: Male and female angelfish look so similar to one another that even experts find it hard to tell them apart.



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Fair Photography Competition. Lois went over all the aspects of the competition including how to enter, how the tiered judging works, and all about the different categories that are open for competition. As Lois gave her talk, a slide show was shown of all the first place winners from last years show. Our own **Bob Pooley's** image was shown. Lois ended her presentation by encouraging all members to submit images not only in the underwater category, but to think about entering in other categories. Thank you Lois for a wonderful presentation.

It was time for a break and refreshments. We thank **James Logan** for providing the snacks.

Our second presentation for the evening was by member **Daina Buchner** who recently made a trip to Bahia de los An-

gles. The main reason for the trip was to swim with whale sharks. After a thirteen hour road trip they arrived at the campground that was to be their home for the short stay. It was a little primitive but very adequate with lodging for sixty dollars a night. Daina showed a video of the trip which featured overhead drone shots of the campground and of the whale sharks. The water clarity varied from day to day but she was able to capture images of the whale sharks. It's very exciting to swim with these beautiful fish. Thank you Daina for a wonderful presentation. It gave us all an idea what it is like to make a trip to Mexican waters.

At the beginning of the meeting, President Mike announced a special award given to member **Bob Yin**. Over the many years that Bob has been a member, he has accumulated over

500 points in the monthly competitions. If a member was to win a first place each month, it would take him/her nine years to reach 500 points. I would say that is a great accomplishment. Thanks for sharing your images with us over the years Bob.



Mike presents Bob with his Special Award for accumulating over 500 Competition Points

A few announcements were made about our next meeting and the meeting then closed just before nine.

2020 SAN DIEGO COUNTY FAIR



ENTRY INFORMATION

Please note: State Rules are not yet ready, and will be posted when they are.

Entry deadline: Friday, April 10, 2020.

Tier 1 Notification: Wednesday, April 22, 2020.

Entry delivery, shipped entries: Must arrive Thursday, April 23 to Tuesday, May 12, 2020.

Entry delivery, in person: Tuesday, May 12, and Wednesday, May 13, 2020, noon-7:00pm.

Artist reception: Thursday, June 4, 2020, 7:00-9:00pm.

Exhibit dates: June 5-July 5, 2020.

Entry pick-up date: Monday, July 6, 2020.

For more information, click on the link below.

<https://sdfair.com/exhibits/photography/>





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2020 SAN DIEGO COUNTY FAIR

PHOTOGRAPHY

2020 ENTRY TIMELINE

Entry Deadline	Friday, April 10
Tier 1 Notification Email	Wednesday, April 22
Shipped Entries May Arrive	Thursday, April 23 - Tuesday, May 12
Entry Delivery	Tuesday, May 12 & Wednesday, May 13: Noon - 7pm
Artist Reception.....	Thursday, June 4: 7 - 9pm
Fair Dates	Friday, June 5 - Sunday, July 5 (closed Mondays)
Entry Pick Up	Monday, July 6: Noon - 8pm

CONTESTS (pre-registration required)

Photo Shootout #1	Saturday, June 13
Photo Shootout #2	Saturday, June 27

EVENTS

Judges Roundtable	Wednesday, June 10
Judges Critique	Wednesday, June 17
Photo Club Day	Saturday, June 13
Tips from Photographers	Wednesday, June 24

ENTRY FEE

\$20 per entry (non-refundable).

ENTRY LIMIT

Twenty (20) entries per exhibitor in all classes combined.

ENTRY CHECKLIST

- ☐ Read entry materials, decide what to enter
- ☐ Enter online and pay entry fees by deadline at sdfair.com/entry
- ☐ Save email confirmation, entry delivery instructions will be emailed following entry deadline
- ☐ Prepare accepted images for delivery
- ☐ Deliver or ship entries for Tier 2 Judging
- ☐ Pick up entries

NEW THIS YEAR

- Fair Theme: Heroes Unite, Celebrate Superheroes by entering your theme-inspired creations.
- Large Prints may not exceed 9 lbs in weight

CONTACT

Gene Wild, Coordinator

Entry Office (858) 792-4207, Monday through Friday 10am - 4pm (extended support to 7pm on entry deadline)

entry@sdfair.com

2260 Jimmy Durante Blvd, Del Mar, CA 92014

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SCUBA SHOW

THE DIVING EVENT OF THE YEAR!™

Long Beach SCUBA Show - May 30th & 31st

SDUPS will have a booth at this years SCUBA Show along with the Orange County and L.A. UPS. Members can submit images in a digital format and they will be professionally printed and matted. Member **Dick Miller** is the contact person for this event.

Who do we send the digital image to? **Dick Miller** - rngr900@cox.net Email images to Dick by March 11th

What size do they have to be? 16 x 12 high. (360 dpi, 4320 x 5760)

What is the cost per image? \$6.00. Includes printing & matting. You will get your matted image after the scuba show. Club will pay half the cost \$3.00, member to pay \$3.00.

How many do you need? 44. No more than 2 per person.

How about images that had been entered for the Fair? Images for the Fair are mounted and are 16 x 20. So your original Fair submissions will not work. BUT the digital image itself can be submitted to Dick.

WANTED - 2 individuals to help set-up the display and 4 people to man a 4 hour shift during the SCUBA Show. Volunteers will receive a free pass to the SCUBA Show.

If you have any questions, please direct them to **Dick Miller**.

Images from SCUBA Show 2016

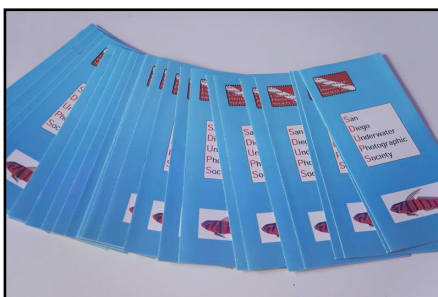


Mike & Skip at the SDUPS Display



SCUBA Show Info

<https://scubashow.com/>





2020 MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION/RENEWAL

- ☐ Single \$35 ☐ Family \$50 ☐ Student \$15 (21 & under)
☐ New Member ☐ This is an Address Correction

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Name 2

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San Diego, CA 92192**



Dues are Due!



Yes it's that time of the year when membership dues are to be collected. You can either send in the above form to the P.O. Box stated or see our Treasurer **Bill Ring** at the meeting. Remember, you can not compete in the monthly competitions after the first of March if your dues are not up to date.



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Lita is a member of SDUPS and offers club members a **15% discount** when you order online at NoSeeUmNoMore.com (**promo code is "SDUPS"**). You can also purchase her natural bug spray/itch relief at Ocean Enterprises, City Farmers, Mount Laguna Store, Mount Palomar Store or Nomad Adventures.

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Usually the fourth Thursday of each month
7:00pm
(No meeting in December)

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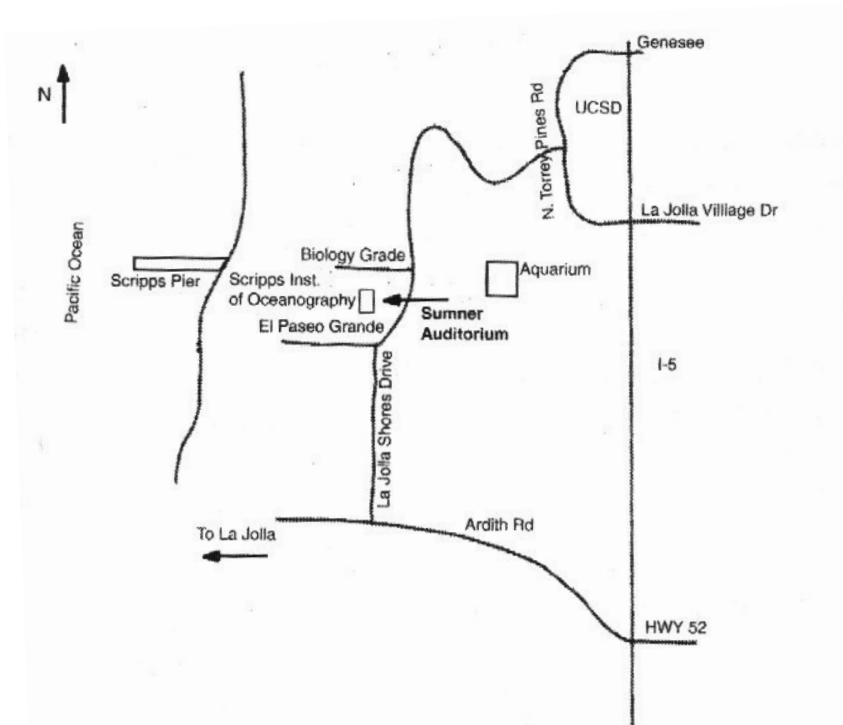
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Competition Schedule for 2020

January - 23rd	Best of 2019		July - 23rd	Available Light
February - 27th	Texture		August - 27th	Spots
March - 26th	Eyes		September - 24th	Round
April - 23rd	Make Me Smile		October - 22nd	With Claws
May - 28th	Yellow		November - 19th	Photo Shopped
June - 25th	Anemones		December - ??	Awards/Party

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