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President's Message

SDUPS Club Members - This coronavirus is really disrupting the way we live our lives. Hopefully you are all doing well and the lack of employment is not effecting you. Time will change things, I just wish it would happen a little faster.

As you can see, the voting for April's Competition "Make Me Smile" was done over the internet again. It looks like we may be doing the monthly competitions this way for the time being. I would encourage all members to take part in the voting. Not only to cast your vote for the images you think are the best but also to see what competing members are submitting for the competitions. This gives you a better idea what of makes a winning image. Also, even though we are not able to vote on the videos, I still encourage members to submit those videos, you will get credit and gain points.

I'm sure you have all heard by now that the SCUBA Show has been officially canceled. Too bad as that's a great show, showcasing travel, manufactures, and much more. I've gotten some great deals on equipment as there is always special show pricing. It's been a nice getaway weekend for my wife and I. There's always next year.

On a special and very positive note, our past president **Jami Feldman** and her husband **Mike** recently celebrated the birth of there new son and future diver, Connor. Congratulations to you both. I'm sure you'll have your hands full and will be loosing some nightly sleep.

I have received four slide show/videos for our 2020 Annual Film Festival. We still haven't set a date for the show due to the coronavirus. I'm sure we will have a show but who knows when. So keep working on your show and send it to me when you are happy with your results. We need a good twenty shows so we have a ways to go yet.

The Competition for the month of May is "Yellow" The main theme or object of the image should say Yellow! I will send out a notice towards the end of the May calling for images.

Hope you are all keeping safe and taking the precautions to keep from getting this "bug".

Mike Poirier - President



Stuck at home, not doing any diving or taking any underwater photos? Well it might be a great opportunity to brush up on some skills with several online tutorials. The *Underwater Photography Guide* has added a batch of helpful hints to help us be better at what we love doing - taking pictures underwater. I know for myself, I can always use some help to improve. Their tutorials include skills for the beginner, macro & wide angle photography, Light-room help, lighting and strobes, and much more. Click on the link below and choose the topic you would like to learn more about.

<https://www.uwphotographyguide.com/top-tutorials>



CALENDAR

May 28th 7:00 pm General Meeting at Sumner Auditorium **Has Been Canceled**

May Competition - "Yellow"

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

Presentation - **Weiwei Gao**, Jolla Shores **Postponed**

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

Refreshments for the May Meeting? - **Jackie Patay**

April Competition

- "Make Me Smile" -

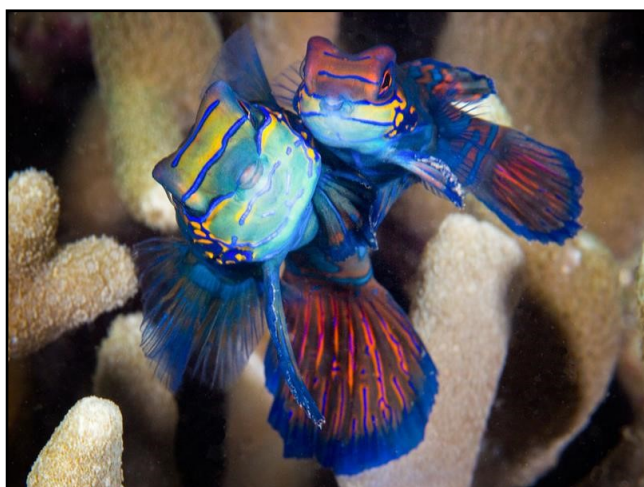
Bill Ring - 1st Place Advanced



Bob Yin- 2nd Place Advanced



Bob Pooley - 3rd Place Advanced



Erin Chandler - 1st Place Amateur



Harald Dorr - 1st Place Amateur



Robert Casagrand - 2nd Place Amateur



April Competition

- "Make Me Smile" -

Dan Kestly - 3rd Place Amateur



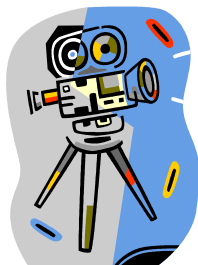
Charles Hobson - 1st Place Novice



Anna Madsen - 2nd Place Novice



Amy Baldwin/Granger - 3rd Place Novice



Videos Submitted by

Bob Yin

Bill Ring

I recently received an email from member **Polly Rogers** and evidently Birch Aquarium at Scripps has a newsletter for members of the aquarium. The link below includes videos on coral conservation and other related news. I'm sure you will find it interesting. Also click on the past issues tab to see more articles from Scripps. Thank you Polly for the info.

<https://us12.campaign-archive.com/?u=c25bf25b6cbaecf56c66b5f7d&id=86e40fdab3>

Birch Aquarium at Scripps

JUST FOR MEMBERS



Take a Deep Dive into Coral Conservation

Dear members, though most aquarium staff are sheltering in place, our aquarists have been working hard caring for our animals. They have been split into two teams that do not overlap, are practicing social distancing, and wearing protective equipment as they care for creatures and continue conservation programs.

Birch Aquarium has been propagating coral for more than 20 years. These corals are used in our exhibits and shared with other Association of Zoos and Aquarium (AZA) facilities around the country. We also assist coral researchers at Scripps Institution of Oceanography, UC San Diego, and beyond.

In our latest video, Aquarist Sean takes us behind the scenes to show how we care for an endangered Staghorn Coral. Learn about the fragile process of fragmenting the coral into smaller sections and growing new colonies below.





Photo by Mike Poirier

Dottybacks - *Pseudochromidae*: These small, elongated, and often brightly colored, crevice-dwellers only venture into the open momentarily from their cryptic hiding places inside the reef's structure. The color of dottybacks is often variable within a species, which is frequently believed to relate to an individual's sex. Their diet consists of small crustaceans including zooplankton and polychaete worms. Sex reversal appears to be a common family trait. Females lay adhesive egg masses, which are guarded and regularly picked up in the mouths of the males to mix and aerate.

The image to the right is a **Magenta Dottyback**. Their size is to 7 cm (2 3/4 in). The bright Magenta color gives this fish its common name. A solitary fish or sometimes found in loosely scattered groups. They are usually found

at the base of steep drop-offs or in caves and crevices in steep slopes and coastal and outer reefs in depths of 5 to 40 m, usually below 15 m. The Magenta is found in the Western Pacific: S.W. Japan, Philippines, Palau, Papua New Guinea to Samoa.

There is a **Royal Dottyback** which the front half is magenta and the back half is yellow. The Royal is found in N.W. Australia, E. Indonesia, Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

Also with this same color pattern is the **Flame Dottyback**. It is overall magenta in color with a yellow snout and forehead. It is localized in Indonesia, known only from Cenderawash Bay, in Papua Province (W. New Guinea).



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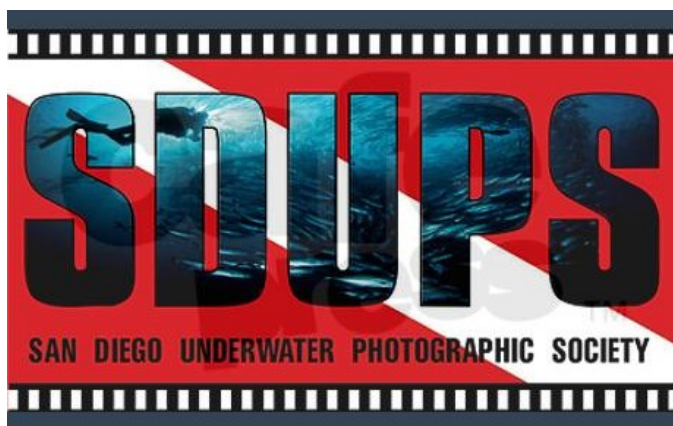


Internet Photo

In the reference book that I used of this information, "Reef Fish Identification" Tropical Pacific, they list thirty-three different Dottyback species.

It amazes me how beautiful and colorful these little fish are, and how localized they can be. Certain species found in one area but not in another. For me it's always

a joy to be able to add another Dottyback to my collection of different fish images.



SAN DIEGO UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY
51ST ANNUAL UNDERWATER FILM FESTIVAL

**POSTPONED
UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE**

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Saturday April 25th, 2020
Scripps Sumner Hall
8602 LaJolla Shores Drive
7:00 - 9:00 PM
Free Tickets Request:
sdupsfestival@hotmail.com

Poster by - Mike Pairier

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



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

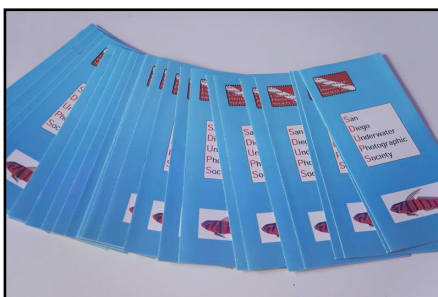


Mike & Skip at the SDUPS Display



SCUBA Show Info

<https://scubashow.com/>





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Monthly Meetings

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

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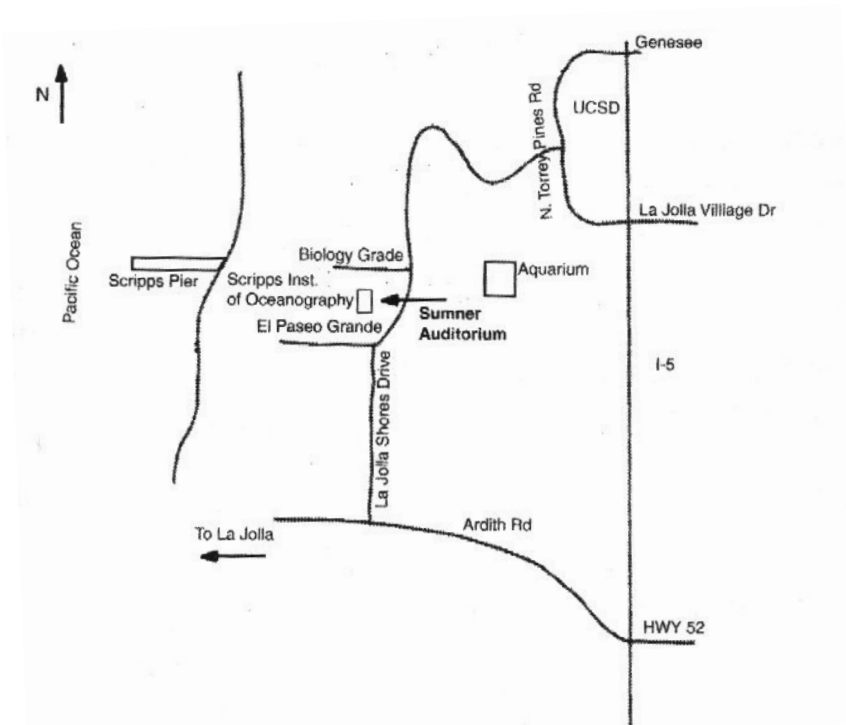
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Competition Schedule for 2020

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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