



# The Goby

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## *President's Message*

### SDUPS Members

I have some good news. As of now, Scripps has dropped the COVID restrictions on Summer Auditorium. Because of the paperwork that has to be filed with Scripps, this month's meeting will be held via Zoom. BUT, the May meeting will be face to face at the Auditorium, unless things change. I'm very sure it will all work out.

The deadline for submitting images to the S. D. County Fair has passed. I hope many SDUPS members submitted as we have some wonderful photographers in our group. For those of you who have submitted, April 27th is the date you should hear from the judging committee whether your submission was accepted or not. Next will be the delivery of your images to the fair on May 17 & 18th. It will be nice if SDUPS has a good showing.

I recently received some unpleasant news. My paid for liveaboard dive trip to Tubbataha in the Philippines has again for the third year been canceled because of COVID. I do have the option of getting my money back or carrying it over to 2023. I haven't made up my mind as of yet. I may have to look into some other options if I want to do some warm water diving. I would like to hear from other members about what kind of diving you've been doing in the last year. Has it been all local diving or have you found some far way places that are open? I think other members would also be interested.

It looks like Vice President **Dick Miller** has everything ready to go for our SDUPS photo booth at the Long Beach SCUBA Show. May 14 & 15th are the show dates. \*\*\* Dick is looking for a couple of volunteers to man our booth on Sunday. Just a 4 hour shift. Tickets can be purchased online ([scubashow.com](http://scubashow.com)) or you can get them at the door. If you have never been to the SCUBA Show, it's very interesting. You can also find deals on travel and photo/scuba equipment.

Please take care and be safe. Mike Poirier - *President*



# Zoom

SDUPS online **Zoom Meeting**, April 28th 7 pm. Join us to see old friends and enjoy an U/W presentation.

- 👉 Download the Zoom app to your computer (<https://zoom.us/download>) or
- 👉 Click on the Link below
- 👉 Meeting ID number: 851 3410 4135
- 👉 Meeting Password: SDUPS1961

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85134104135?pwd=UEJtUG0rczI3bEhOcW15LzlydIZJdz09>

## CALENDAR

**April 28th** – 7 pm SDUPS Zoom Meeting - See Sidebar

Presentation - Mike Poirier - Fiji Trip

**April Competition:** Spring has Sprung - images of Juveniles  
See Page 2

**May Competition:** Black Background



# April Competition

## "Juveniles"

**Greg Volger** – 1st Place Advanced



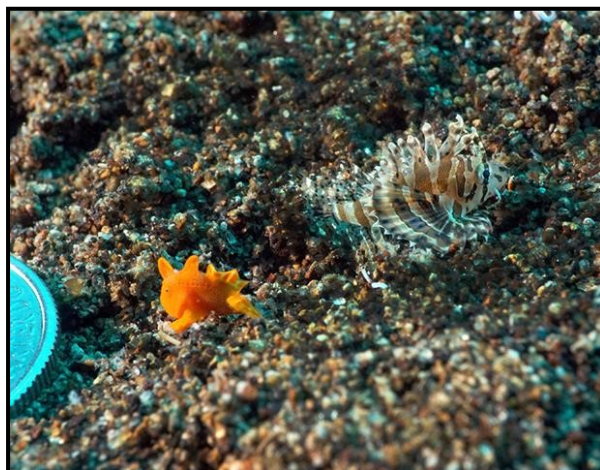
**Robert Casagrand** – 1st Place Advanced



**Mike Couffer** – 2nd Place Advanced



**Dick Miller** – 3rd Place Advanced



**Mike Poirier** – 3rd Place Advanced



**Jack Der** – 1st Place Amateur





# April Competition

**Lois Miller** - 2nd Place Amateur



**Helge Weissig** - 2nd Place Novice



## "Juveniles"

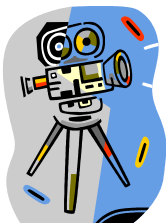
**Silvana Ghiu** – 3rd Place Amateur



**Mike Carr** – 1st Place Novice



**Christine Dorrity** – 3rd Place Novice



### Video Competition April

1st place - **Bob Yin**

2nd place - **Bill Ring**

3rd Place - **Jack Der**



## ***SDUPS March 24th Zoom Meeting***

Our March SDUPS Meeting was again held over the internet as a Zoom Meeting. Twenty-six members and guests attended. President **Mike Poirier** welcomed everyone and thanked everyone for attending. **Amy Baldwin Granger** did another great job presenting the winners of the March competition. We thank **Dick Miller** for lining up our guest speaker for the evening.

Mike introduced our guest speaker for tonight, **Sandy Huffaker**. Sandy is a Freelance editorial, news and corporate photographer based out of Southern California covering a wide range of assignments. Some of his regular clients include The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, Newsweek, USA Today, Getty Images, Scripps Health, San Diego State University, and SD Sheriff's Dept.

Sandy was interviewed by Ken Kramer's "About San Diego" in February this year about his photographing Seals and Sea Lions while snorkeling in La Jolla. Sandy shared his images with us and gave us some insights on photographing these animals. He talked about the equipment he uses and how friendly and inquisitive these creatures are. It was a fun and informative presentation. We thank you Sandy for joining our Zoom Meeting and hope to see you at more of our meetings.



**Critter Corner**

Photo - Mike Poirier

**Zanzibar whip coral shrimp -**

*Dasycaris zanzibarica* (Commensal Shrimp  
Palaemonidae)

**Also known as:** Carid Shrimp, Commensal Shrimp, Coral Shrimp, Sea Whip Coral Shrimp, Sea Whip Shrimp, Whip Coral Partner Shrimp, Whip Shrimp, Wire Coral Shrimp, Zanzibar Shrimp.

**Identification:** Prominent pointed projection on hump of carapace. Tint of translucent body with broad bands that match the black coral hosts (*Cirrihipathes*). Typically

found in pairs. **Size:** to 1.5 cm (5/8 in.) The females are twice as large as the males. They are small and hard to spot, making them a prized species for eagle-eyed photographers. They don't tend to move much, so perfect for macro photography.

**Distribution:** Indo-Pacific to N. E. Australia and New Caledonia, also Japan.

**Diet:** They feed on algae, parasites and plankton.

**Image:** The above image was taken in Anilao Philippines. Sony NEX -5N, f22, 160 sec., ISO 200, 55mm lens, 2 YS-110 strobes

**SCUBA SHOW PAST**

Shown here are a couple of photos of the SDUPS Photo Booth at the Long Beach SCUBA Show a few years back.

This years booth will feature images from members that were submitted in the last years competition. It is sure to be a great display.

Members will volunteer for a four hour shift for both Saturday & Sunday. If you would like to help out and represent our club, please contact Dick Miller at [rngr900@cox.net](mailto:rngr900@cox.net). That's RNGR900. Your help would be very much appreciated.





# SCUBA SHOW

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TICKETS HERE

## Advance Ticket Sales – Save Money and Time

The following packages and pricing are available in advance only (deadline April 20, 2022). Children 13 and under are free with a paying adult.

### Weekend Package \$65 (Full Price \$78 • Save \$13)

Includes admission on both days to seminars, exhibit hall, photo stations, Saturday evening party, and two door prize entries (one per day).

### Saturday Package \$38 (Full Price \$45 • Save \$7)

Includes admission on Saturday to seminars, exhibit hall, photo stations, Saturday evening party and one door prize entry.

### Sunday Package \$38 (Full Price \$45 • Save \$7)

Includes admission on Sunday to seminars, exhibit hall, photo stations, and one door prize entry.

### General Admission \$15 (Full Price \$20 • Save \$5)

Includes admission to Saturday OR Sunday exhibit hall, Saturday evening party, photo stations, and one door prize entry.

## Buy Tickets ONLINE at [ScubaShow.com](https://www.ScubaShow.com)

**Deadline for advance tickets/pricing is April 20, 2022.** Discount coupons do not apply. Seminar passes are nontransferable (wristband) and entitle holders to attend as many seminars as their schedule allows for the day specified. No refunds or exchanges.

## Onsite Ticket Sales

General admission (exhibit hall) tickets are sold at the outside ticket window. To purchase exhibit hall tickets with the Seminar Package, come inside the hall to the front desk. Credit cards or cash accepted.

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The Long Beach Convention Center is near the Queen Mary, Aquarium of the Pacific, waterfront restaurants and entertainment.

# May 14-15, 2022 • Long Beach Convention Center

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# PHOTOGRAPHY

## 2022 ENTRY TIMELINE

|                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Entry Deadline .....            | Friday, April 15  |
| Tier 1 Notification Email ..... | Wednesday, April 27   |
| Shipped Entries May Arrive..... | Thursday, April 28-Wednesday, May 18  |
| Print Delivery .....            | Tuesday, May 17 & Wednesday, May 18: Noon-7pm                                 |
| Artists' Reception.....         | Tuesday, June 7: 7-9pm  |
| Fair Dates .....                | Wednesday, June 8- Monday, July 4 (closed Monday's & Tuesdays, except July 4) |
| Entry Pick Up .....             | Tuesday, July 5: Noon-7pm   |

## CONTESTS (pre-registration required)

|                         |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Photo Shootout #1 ..... | Sunday, June 19 |
| Photo Shootout #2 ..... | Sunday, June 26 |

## EVENTS

|                               |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Judges' Roundtable .....      | Saturday, June 11 |
| Judges' Critique .....        | Saturday, June 18 |
| Tips from Photographers ..... | Saturday, June 25 |

## ENTRY FEE

\$20 per entry (non-refundable).

## ENTRY LIMIT

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

## ENTRY CHECKLIST

- ☐ Read entry materials and decide what to enter
- ☐ Enter online and pay entry fees by April 15 at <https://sdiego.fairwire.com>
- ☐ Save email confirmation. Entry delivery instructions will be emailed after entry deadline.
- ☐ Prepare accepted images for delivery
- ☐ Deliver or ship prints for Tier 2 Judging, due by May 18
- ☐ Pick up prints on July 5

## NEW THIS YEAR

- Fair Theme: Heroes Reunite! Celebrate Superhero's by entering your theme-inspired creations.
- Large Prints may not exceed 9lbs in weight

**For Complete Information - Click on the Link below**

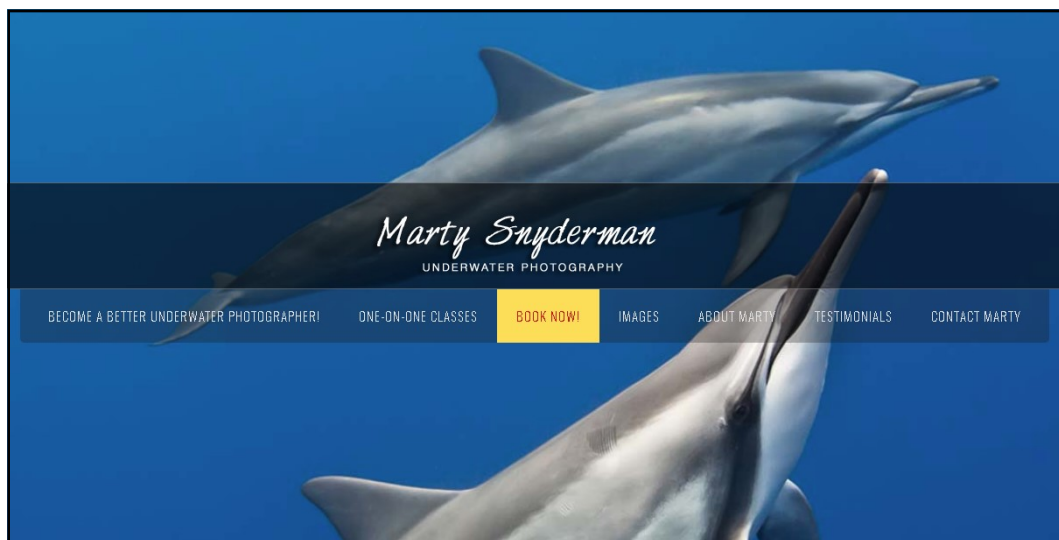
[Photography - San Diego County Fair \(sdfair.com\)](https://sdfair.com)

## Photo Classes

One-on-one online classes in underwater photography with **Marty Snyderman**

Classes are scheduled at your convenience and customized to match your goals

20% of the class fees are donated to SDUPS



**BECOME A BETTER UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHER!** Underwater photography is a learned skill. So, you might as well learn from the best, an excellent photographer that is also an excellent teacher. Your instructor, Marty Snyderman, is that person.

When taking classes from Marty, you will receive one-on-one instruction as you review your images, discuss ways to improve your underwater photography, refine the techniques you are using, and learn new techniques, concepts, and skills that will help you create the photographs you want to make. The sessions center around techniques and are not tied to any particular make, model, or type of camera or camera system that can be used to make still photographs underwater.

Sharing a session with Marty is also a great way to re-fresh your photography skills before your next diving vacation. If you only get to dive a few times a year, during your next trip you are likely to spend a few days relearning and refreshing your skills. A session or two with Marty before your trip can turn the frustration and lost time from having to relearn into fun dives and pleasing photographs.

**How It All Works** The one-on-one program is completely customizable to your knowledge, skill level, and personal goals. Marty will use Zoom software to work with you. He has licensed a version of the software that enables the two of you to keep the sessions private.

During each session, Marty will share his expertise and help you gain a better understanding of various factors involved in underwater photography, and he will suggest techniques for you to employ that can help you improve your underwater photography. Each session can be up to 60 minutes long. The cost for a session is \$65.00 U.S. Any additional time that you will not be charged for is provided at Marty's discretion or through the purchase of another session.

For more information on Marty's Classes, click on the link: [www.martysnyderman.com](http://www.martysnyderman.com)



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## Monthly Meetings

Usually the fourth Thursday of each month

7:00pm

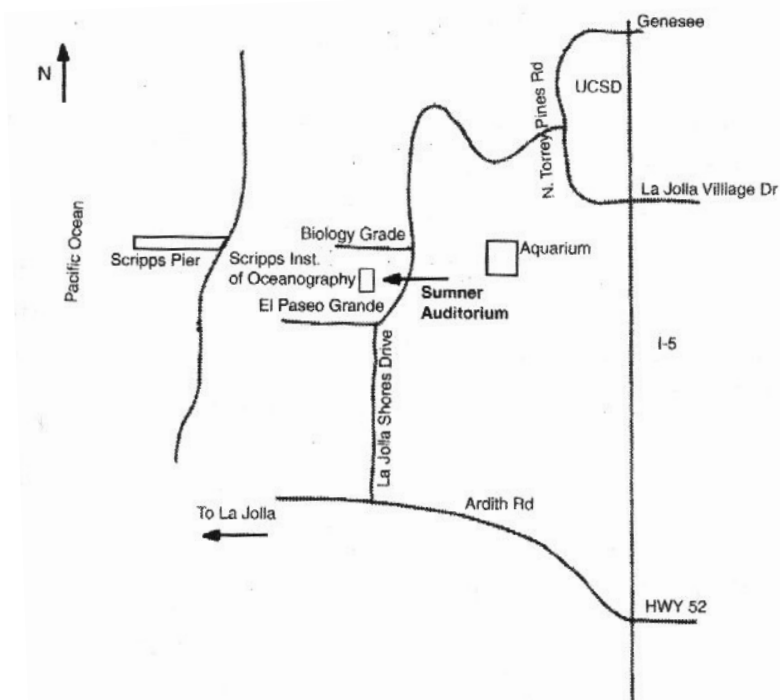
(No meeting in December)

**Sumner Auditorium**  
**Scripps Institute of Oceanography**  
**8602 La Jolla Shores Drive**  
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 Helge Weissig - Social Media  
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 Computer Tech  
 Walter Heim - Competition

## Competition Schedule for 2022

|          |   |              |   |
|----------|---|--------------|---|
| January  | Best of 2021 (or most recent dive)                              | July         | Structures - wrecks, rigs, structures u/w   |
| February | Love is in the Air - images that make you smile & think of Love | August       | Nudibranchs - Our little sea slug friends   |
| March    | Animal Behavior - cleaning, feeding, fighting or mating         | September    | Black & White - Black & White images  |
| April    | Spring has Sprung- images of juveniles                          | October      | Wide Angle/Seascapes - Reef, Kelp, Etc.   |
| May      | Black Background  | November     | Image Editing - Edit using Photoshop or other tools. No restrictions, be creative |
| June     | Don't be Crabby - crabs/ crustaceans                            | December - ? | Holiday & Awards/Party  |

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