

# SUNDAY SEMINARS

Room numbers and times are subject to change

FREE PRESENTATIONS — NO PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED			
	SEASIDE 4-A FREE PRESENTATIONS	SEASIDE 5-A FREE PRESENTATIONS	SEASIDE 5-B FREE DAN SEMINARS
11AM - NOON	<p><b>The Hoverstar Aquajet Dive H2</b> <i>Lee Ricasa / Chris Browne, Hoverstar Flight Technology Inc.</i></p> <p>The Aquajet Dive H2 is a hydro-dynamic surface and sub-surface water-scooter that travels at 5.6 MPH. It has a 100-minute run time charging in 4 To 6 hours with a 3-hour fast charge. The Aquajet Dive H2 has a recommended depth of 20m, is first-time user friendly, and designed with our oceans ecosystems in mind. With 3 set speeds users can acclimate the precise-movement that only the Aquajet H2 can provide. So, whether you wish to glide up &amp; down like a dolphin or turn on a dime like a stingray the Aquajet dive is your key to oceanic fun!</p>	<p><b>PALAU... WOW!</b> <i>Dr. Bill Bushing &amp; Palau Dive Adventures</i></p> <p>Take a virtual trip with Dr. Bill to some of the best diving in the world in the nation of Palau. This archipelago consists of 250 to 500 islands (depending on what size you consider) with beautiful karst formations making it a true scenic delight topside. The warm, clear waters offer opportunities to see and film manta rays, sharks and a virtual biodiverse bonanza of fish. The site of a major battle during World War II, it also gives one a chance to dive wrecks and see the relics of the bloody battle on Peleliu. Highlights from Dr. Bill's trip there will be presented via video footage.</p>	<p><b>Delta P and Barotrauma: What pressure can do to gas filled spaces</b> <i>Matias Nochetto, MD</i></p> <p>This talk will help all divers understand the most common dive injuries. What pressure does to which bodily structures, how injuries happen, what are the risks and how to avoid them. From the common and mundane to the rare and bizarre, barotraumas are covered in a way that preventive measures will become obvious.</p>
NOON - 1PM	<p><b>Winning Wide Angle Photography</b> <i>Francesca Diaco - Fisheye Expeditions &amp; Photography</i></p> <p>Professional underwater photographer, journalist and trainer, Francesca Diaco, will discuss her top tips for capturing stunning wide angle photography. She'll talk about the best gear for winning angle work and offer advice on exposure, lighting (including balancing natural and artificial light) and clean and captivating composition.</p>	<p><b>The Marine Life of Wakatobi</b> <i>Richard Smith and Wakatobi Resort</i></p> <p>Join marine biologist, accomplished photographer and writer Dr. Richard Smith as he describes how his research on pygmy seahorses at Wakatobi led to the first PhD on these enigmatic fishes. Richard will share his stories of seeking out and documenting the rare marine life found on the protected reefs surrounding Wakatobi Resort and throughout the Wakatobi island group. The discussion will also touch on some of the other unique and seldom-photographed marine creatures he has encountered while diving at Wakatobi Resort and from Pelagian liveaboard dive yacht. Many of Richard's images represent the only pictures of living, wild specimens.</p>	<p><b>Customizing Your Emergency Action Plan: When Things Go Wrong</b> <i>Francois Burman, PE, MSC</i></p> <p>Nobody likes to think of bad outcomes, but when they happen no element is so crucial, yet as easily overlooked, as an Emergency Action Plan. What is the roadmap? Where should I start? What are my responsibilities as a diver, as a dive leader and as a dive operator? This lecture will explore realistic scenarios to kick start the process of developing a sound Emergency Action Plan.</p>
1PM - 2PM	<p><b>"Diving Adventures with Larry Smith" A Bill Macdonald film presentation</b> <i>Manta Ray Bay Resort and Yap Divers</i></p> <p>Considered by many to be the best dive guide ever, Larry Smith's story is one of adventure and sharing with others the riches of the world's most biodiverse ocean regions. Larry was instrumental in pioneering what became known as "critter diving" in the Lembeh Straits, he was inducted into the International SCUBA Diving Hall of Fame in 2010.</p>	<p><b>How to Choose the Dive Destinations that Best Meet Your Needs and Expectations</b> <i>Ken Knezick, Island Dreams Travel</i></p> <p>Speaker Ken Knezick has been diving for 35-years, quite literally around the world. His fast-paced presentation will compare and contrast the best diving available to you, covering both Caribbean and Pacific destinations. A wealth of information will be shared, accompanied by a generous dose of humor, and audience participation is always encouraged.</p>	<p><b>Recompression Therapy: One does not just squeeze bubbles</b> <i>Matias Nochetto, MD</i></p> <p>Everybody knows that treatment for the bends involves going back to pressure to squeeze down bubbles. But pressure is just one component of recompression therapy. This lecture will go over the not so obvious mechanisms involved in the definitive treatment of Decompression Illness in a didactic and entertaining way.</p>
2PM - 3PM	<p><b>Pristine Paradise PALAU</b> <i>Palau Visitor's Authority</i></p> <p>Everything you want to know about this amazing place. Information regarding Palau dive tours, land tours, activities provided in Palau. Palau will also discuss the initiatives of the conservation organizations as well.</p>	<p><b>Drysuit Diving in California</b> <i>Bruce Justinen, Seasoft Scuba</i></p> <p>Drysuit diving in California is unique. There are huge temperature variances both above and below the surface, currents, shore and boat dives wreck dives and just looking at the fishies. A drysuit should keep you dry, keep you warm and should have very little hydro drag. Bruce Justinen has more than 5,000 drysuit dives on the west coast from Mexico to Alaska and has taught dozens of drysuit seminars around the country. Let him take you through all of your choices, answer ANY question you have about drysuits and leave you informed and educated about drysuit diving in California.</p>	<p><b>Risk Assessment and Mitigation in Dive Operators: The DAN HIRA Initiative</b> <i>Francois Burman, PE, MSC</i></p> <p>There are a multitude of issues of concern outside of in-water and dive-site environments. Knowing what these are, deciding on which issues are important, and avoiding falling prey to alarmism, requires a structured approach to the management of the real risks. Hazard Identification and Risk Mitigation (HIRA), is a standard industrial technique that can be effectively applied to the diving industry.</p>
3PM - 4PM	<p><b>Pristine Paradise PALAU</b> <i>Palau Visitor's Authority</i></p> <p>Continuation of the Palau presentation, everything you want to know about this amazing place. Information regarding Palau dive tours, land tours, activities provided in Palau. Palau will also discuss the initiatives of the conservation organizations as well.</p>	<p><b>Polar Diving in the Arctic and Antarctic</b> <i>Henrick Enckell, Oceanwide Expeditions</i></p> <p>Join us in discovering the pristine nature of our polar areas. Our Dive Team Leader, Mr. Henrik Enckell, will take you on a visual journey through both the Arctic and Antarctica, both underwater and topside, covering the logistics of getting there and back along the way. We will also discuss the special wildlife we encounter and learn that even though they may look similar at first glance, the two poles are actually quite different.</p>	<p><b>Pro Tips for Everyone - Underwater Photography</b> <i>Scott Gietler, Bluewater Photo &amp; Travel</i></p> <p>Scott Gietler, owner of Bluewater Photo, Bluewater Travel, and the founder of the Underwater Photography Guide, will be presenting on his latest pro techniques for underwater photography. These will be applicable for new and experienced photographers alike. Discussion points will include: how to shoot difficult subjects like fast-moving pelagics, shy marine life, extremely small critters, as well as how to obtain a proper black background, shoot subjects on white sand, and more. Come join us and see photos of fascinating marine life both big and small.</p>

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