



# Air Bubbles



The Newsletter of the North Shore Frogmen's Club

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## Presidents' Message - September 2013

### Happy Summer Froggies!

I hope everyone is having a nice summer and you are getting in some nice dives!

Several Frogs got to do some diving and kayaking in Vermont and had a great time there. I would like to name Pat and Annette divers of the month for graciously hosting us at their home in Vermont. They are awesome!

Also, we got to party with "The Most Interesting Man in the World" at Jim and Linda D'urso's pool party. I would like to name them as members of the month for putting on a nice pool party at their house. You guys Rock!

Some upcoming events for September I'd like to mention. I will be planning some night dives over Labor Day weekend on Friday and/or Saturday nights on Aug 30 & 31 since high tide will be around 7-8pm on those nights. We've had some really nice night dives at Folly Cove and OGB. The squid and other marine life have been plentiful, so join us. I will send email updates as the dates get closer.

Susan Copelas is hosting a cook out at her house near Magnolia Rocks on Sunday, September 9th. I am putting together a morning charter on Cape Ann Divers the morning of the cookout. More details on the cookout and charter to come.

The Club Picnic and the Bay State Council Treasure Hunt are on Sunday Sept 22. Mark it in your calendar since it is a fun day to attend a cook out, dive, and win prizes. That is all for now. Much planning to do for upcoming events! Happy Diving!

-Laura Gallagher



Coming Up



**Sep 22 Club Picnic and  
BSC Treasure Hunt**

**Oct 3 Presentation:  
Ryan King on Cave Diving  
at Ginnie Springs**

**Arnie Pettiglio  
September 11, 2013**

**We'll miss you.**

**Our hearts go out to  
Arnie's family.**

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**\*Deadline for submissions\*  
for the October 2013 issue  
of *Air Bubbles* is  
Sunday, September 23**

## Meeting Summaries

### **1-Aug-2013**

Meeting called to order: 8:00PM  
Attendance: 3 Officers, 10 Members, 2 guests (1 became member that night)

**Treasurer:** Currently have 94 members (50% paying members).

#### **Committees:**

- **Program:** See website for details
- 8/17-Jim and Linda D'Urso having pool party at 1PM-ish.
- 8/22-Beach meeting, with plans to go to Angela's on Rte 1 if there is rain.
- **Membership:** Jennifer and Bryan Entwistle were voted in as newest members.

#### **Old Business:**

- Vermont trip is still open; Froggies should contact Pat and Annette.
- Rights to original Life magazine photo on Getty Images; cost is \$117 for a one-time use.

#### **New Business:**

- Motion made to have Jennifer and Bryan Entwistle back in Club (without paying dues for the rest of the year), seconded and passed unanimously.

#### **Dive Talk:**

- **Markus** dove with **Laura, Geoff** and **Todd** overnight on **Damn Boat**; stayed at cocktail cove. Did good scalloping in the channel.
- **Vinny** at **Pebble Beach** with **John S**; right side towards **Cape Hedge**.
- **Al M, John F** and a mystery diver at **Lanes Cove** midweek. **Al** found **John's** previously lost bag during the dive. **John** got 6 lobsters on second dive.
- **John F** at **Lanes Cove** with **Mike Blanchette** and **Mike Mandell**; rainy but good conditions; 25' vis and 63 ° F at depth.
- **Adam** at **Lanes w/ Jeff L**; 20' vis. Lobster trap trawl dropped in front of him during dive.

#### **General Discussion:**

- **Al** and **Vinny** did some clamming on shore at **Dane St/Independence Park**

shoreline; got razor clams.

- **Jim D'Urso** saw 10' blue shark off **Tilly's** while fishing.

**Raffles:** Dollars Box: **John Marren**  
Mystery Prize: **Jeff Lynch**

### **15-Aug-2013**

Meeting called to order: 7:40PM  
Attendance: 3 Officers, 13

Members

**Secretary:** Minutes from last meeting read and accepted.

**Correspondence:** VT diving/camping weekend for 2014 currently scheduled for July 22-August 2.

#### **Committees:**

##### **Membership:**

- Still waiting to hear from **Mike Blanchette** (potential member)
- **Susan Strickland** is planning on joining; **Vinny** has her dues and will hold until her application is received.

##### **Program:** See website for details

- 8/16-Night dive tomorrow at **Folly Cove**, 7:30P; expecting to see lots of squid. Saw lots of marine life on prior dives. Conditions should be excellent.

- 8/17-Jim D'Urso pool party at his house in **Peabody**, Saturday from noon. Potential dive before the party; contact **Laura**.

- 8/22-Beach meeting reschedule to 8/22 at **Pebble Beach**. If it's rained out, meet for dinner at **Angela's** on **Rte 1N**. **Laura** will send email if need to cancel.

- 9/22-The Club Picnic at **Stage Fort Park**. The **BSC Treasure Hunt** event is this day/this location also.

- **Air Bubbles:** Finally went out last night.

#### **Old Business:**

- **Picnic:** **Susan** will pick up the permit for the joint clubs picnic at **Stage Fort Park**; **MetroWest** is paying for it, but asked if **Froggies** could pick it up because we are closer. Need to check with **Vinny** on the budget; **Bill** will get the food and coordinate with **MetroWest**.

- **Life Photo recreation:** **Laura** is pursuing the re-creation of the **Life**

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Magazine Photo. It would cost \$125 to make use of the original photo 1 time. Mike Garvey is trying to contact Art Channel for more info on location.

- **Banquet:** Adam will coordinate the banquet planning. Mary has agreed to join that committee.

- Need to have an officers meeting.

- **Courtesy cards** are in; see Ellen if you need any.

**New Business:** The website calendar needs updating. (Jim, Bill, Laura & Ellen will discuss how this will be done.)

### Dive Talk:

- **Ray, Mary, Mike & Ellen** were in St Vincent on Andy Martinez's trip.

Andy is very giving of his time and expertise to help people with photos; highly recommended for everybody.

- **Jim B** and son to Pompano Beach, FL; their first drift dive. Huge loggerhead turtle; lots of tropical fish; didn't see any lionfish.

- **Jim & Adam** went to Folly Cove, saw the torpedo ray on the R side. Thermocline at approx. 30 ft at high tide.

- **Bruce & Cheryl** went out w/ Undersea Divers & Cape Ann Divers. First time in NE, terrible, underweighted. Flounder, lobsters, sea urchins. Second dive w/ better weighting was better. Also Rye Harbor in NH; flounder, crabs, etc. Bruce was diving 3mm suit w/ no hood! Also Lake Winnepesaukee; dropoff to 90' about 100 yds out. Great viz; rocks w/ swimthrough; big bass; need flag as boaters are everywhere.

- **Susan** went to White's w/ a class. Watched a flounder attack a crab. Next dive saw a huge ball of squid eggs that had broken off – biggest she's ever seen.

- **Laura with Markus & Todd** to Halfway Rock. Got to 106'; lots of anemones, soft coral, rose fish in crevice!

- **VT diving:** Lots of current in the CT River looking for the mill wheels. Tried several different depths. Finally

found 2 mill wheels in 7' of water.

**John F** and **Annette** managed to get a chain through them, and a crane operator there pulled them out of the water. **Hans** and **Dave Cunningham** were there also.

- **John F** today w/ **Ralph A**; John got 12 lobsters, Ralph 7. Saw the big torpedo ray. John grabbed a lobster right in front of the ray which picked up and rolled over him. There were some huge lobsters and lots of eggars. John suggests putting several large pieces of kelp in your catch bag to quiet the lobsters.

- **Jeff & Gary** went to Lanes Cove on Sunday; one 3# lobster.

- **Jack** dove the NH. While digging with his chisel, he detonated a bullet; it was loud. **Arnie** was about 4' away. Another time the motor of the boat he was on died going through the cut bridge just as all the tuna boats were going out; they spun a lot, dragged anchor, etc.

### General Discussion:

- Jesse was diving on FL and his primary hose blew; luckily at 10'. Attributed to hose protector wear. It's happened to Susan also. John recommends periodically changing the swivel connection to your gauges.

- Looking for someone to run for VP, Treasurer or Secretary for next year.

**Raffles:** Dollars Box: Bill Werner

Mystery Prize: Ray Porter

Bug Bag: Jim Barbara

### 22-Aug-2013

A beach meeting was finally held at Pebble Beach. The water was a bit rough and the potential divers who showed up determined that there wouldn't be good enough vis for a fun dive. The food and company was enjoyed by those who attended.

### Divers of the Month

for August 2013

**Annette Spaulding**

&

**Patrick Madden**

### Members of the Month

for August 2013

**Jim & Linda**

**D'Urso**

Please welcome our  
newest Club members

**Jennifer & Bryan  
Entwistle**

Who were voted in on  
August 1

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### Coming Events:

October 3:

#### **Presentation at North Shore Frogmen:**

Ryan King will give a presentation at the meeting about Cave Diving at Ginnie Springs, Florida.

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September 22:

**The Bay State Council Treasure Hunt** diving event is scheduled for the same day as the joint dive Clubs' picnic. See flyer attached!

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**The Joint Dive Club Picnic:** The picnic will be held in conjunction with MetroWest Dive Club again this year. It's a fun time for divers to get together and hang out, and eat. Bring a salad, appetizer or dessert. The Clubs will be providing hot dogs, hamburgers, buns and condiments. \$5 charge for those who are not members of the Clubs or their family members.

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September 29:

Merrimack Valley Antique Bottle Club Presents  
**39<sup>th</sup> Annual Antique Bottle Show & Sale**

September 29, 2013

Lowell Elks Club

40 Old Ferry Rd., Lowell, MA

Check out the site: <http://home.comcast.net/~choyt48/mvbc.htm>

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### **Nominations for 2014 NSF Club Officers**

Beginning at the first Business Meeting in November (11/7/13), the 2013 officers will entertain nominations for officers for next year, to take over "commencing with the New Business portion of the last scheduled Club meeting in December and ending with the conclusion of the Old Business portion of the last scheduled Club meeting in December of the following year."

Consider that it may be it's your time to run for office.

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Submit your photos to the

### **2013 NSF Photo Contest**

see "draft" rules on page 6



Northeastern University's  
Marine Science Center  
Annual Open House

**WHEN:** **Saturday, October 5th** from 10am-3pm  
(Rain date is Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>)

**WHERE:** 430 Nahant Road, Nahant, MA 01908

**WHO:** All ages! Something for everyone!  
*Youth/scout groups welcome*

Some of the fantastic activities we are planning...


- Tour renovated Edwards Building & research labs
- Complete a fieldwork obstacle course
- Visit the touch tanks
- Build a coral reef
- Learn about the Ocean Genome Legacy and how DNA is extracted
- Check out the marine environment using an infrared camera
- Explore how Antarctic icefish survive without hemoglobin
- Design a food web
- Listen to crabs and fish underwater
- Tour historic East Point, including its unique geology
- Touch a lobster...or is it a robot?
- Visit the solar observatory
- Learn about what some of our neighbors and colleagues are doing to protect the environment
- And more!

For more information, call 781-581-7370 or visit  
[www.northeastern.edu/marinescience](http://www.northeastern.edu/marinescience).





## Calendar of Events 2013

<b>September</b>						
1 Sunday Dive	2	3	4 BSC Meeting	5 Business Meeting	6	7
8 Sunday Dive	9	10	11	12 Business Meeting	13	14
15 Sunday Dive	16	17	18	19 Meeting	20	21
22 PICNIC	23	24	25	26 Meeting	27	28
29 Sunday Dive	30	1	2	3 Business Meeting **	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Business Meeting	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	<b>October</b>	

### Activities List

- **Sep 4, Wed**      **Bay State Council Meeting**
- **Sep 22, Sun**      **Bay State Council Treasure Hunt**
- **Sep 22, Sun**      **Joint Club Picnic**
- **Oct 3, Thu**      **\*\* Presentation by Ryan King on Cave Diving, Ginnie Springs**
- **Nov 7, Thu**      **Nominations for 2014 Club Officers scheduled to begin**
- **Nov 21, Thu**      **Deadline for Submissions to Photo Contest**
- **Dec 5, Thu**      **Elections and Photo Contest Voting**
- **Dec 7, Sat**      **NSF Banquet**
- **Dec 11, Wed**      **Bay State Council Meeting**
- **July 27 – August 2, 2014 – VT Diving/Camping/Kayaking week with Pat & Annette**

## 2013 PHOTO CONTEST

There will be a photography contest this year.

Get those photos printed and make submissions for the contest to me by November 21 at the latest!

### Photo Contest Rules:

- Submissions are to be made by members of the North Shore Frogmen's Club **only**.
- Submitted photos must have been taken **since September 2012**.
- Photos are to be submitted as prints, maximum size no more than 8 1/2" x 11".
- Submitted photos may not be matted or framed.
- Please label photos as to **orientation** (i.e. UP ↑), as there is no guarantee that I will be able to tell what you think the orientation is.
- Note the **category** on the back of each photo (see 7 categories below).
- Provide any photo **titles** you may wish to have displayed with your pictures. (I will not make up any titles, and titles really add a certain something to voters!)
- **Maximum of 4 submissions per photographer per category.**

### Photo Categories:

- 1) Cold Water
- 2) Species Interaction in cold water
- 3) Warm Water
- 4) Species Interaction in warm water
- 5) Above Water / Dive Related (must have some sign(s) of diving activity in the picture)
- 6) **New – Movie category – We will need to decide how your movie(s) will be displayed for the voting and for the banquet. If you have more than one movie clip, you may want to bring more than one lap-top; or maybe we can show them with our AV equipment?**

**I'm looking forward to seeing some fantastic photos from Club members!!**

*Mary Howard*

## Arnie Pettiglio



### **Arnie and Dodie at the 2007 NSF Club Picnic.**

Arnie passed away after suffering a heart attack on September 11, 2013. Funeral home hours will be held on Tuesday, September 17, from 4-8PM, at the McLaughlin-Dello Russo Funeral Home, 60 Pleasant Street, Woburn. There will be a Mass at 7PM.

Arnie joined the NSF in 1982 and has been a friendly presence at many Club events.

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### **Diving Lobster Poachers Caught at OGB**



Two divers from Boston with rental gear and no numbers on flag or tanks at Old Garden Beach. Came up with four bags of bugs. Graham, John sears, Jeff Lynch, and I notified the harbor master. They got nabbed with 30 shorts. The police were called in. Gear confiscated.

*From Vinny Egizi*



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### Diving / Camping / Kayaking in Vermont

Some Froggies went to Vermont for the Diving / Camping / Kayaking Week with Pat & Annette  
Below are a few pictures from Dodie Carvalho of the recovery of the two millstones during the week.



Above: Maryanne and Dave Cunningham, Hans Hug, John Ferrier, Annette Spaulding.



Below: Annette with the men who pull the mill wheels out of the river.





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### Life Magazine Photo Shoot of the NSF in 1959

Mike Garvey

On September 9 I visited Art Channell to pick his brain about the location of the Life Magazine photo shoot of the North Shore Frogmen in 1959. Ellen and I had searched the Pigeon Cove area earlier in the summer and found nothing fruitful.



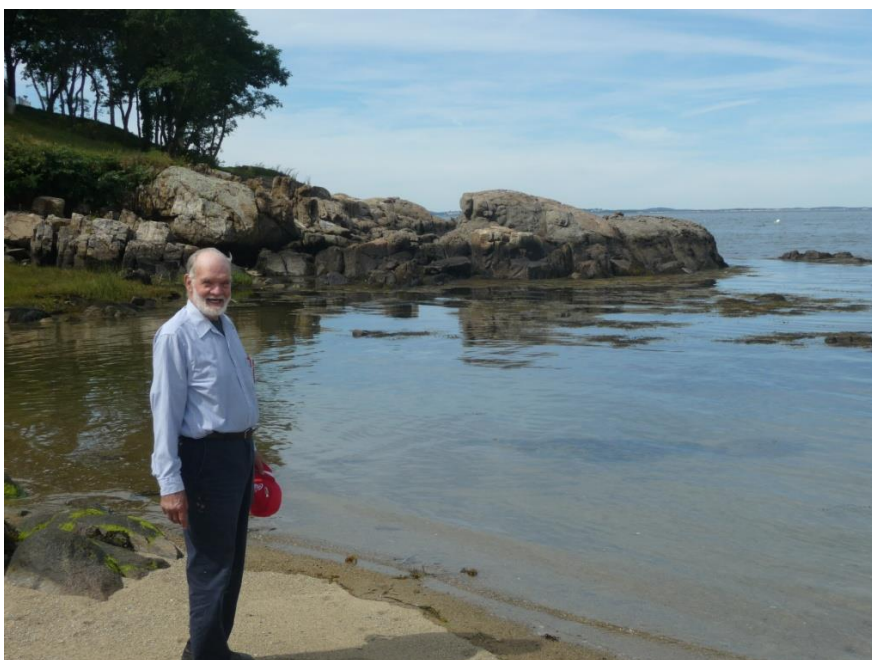
By way of background, Art was a very active member of the NSF in its inception; he was an officer of the Club for 25 of the 35 years that he was active. Art is front and center (in the pink wet suit) in the photo from Life Magazine. Art wrote a column for the local newspaper entitled “Air Bubbles”, relating the dive activities of the NSF. After studying a few charts that I had brought with me, Art suggested that we visit the site. On the way Art recounted some stories of

the early days of the NSF. The initial membership of the Club was limited to 20; Art had to wait for three months for a vacancy (becoming the 21<sup>st</sup> member). When Life Magazine approached the Club, they agreed to provide some color wet suits which were quite new on the market. The usual approach to wet suits in 1959 was to buy a sheet of suitable material and cut and glue it together to fit. The Club drew straws to see who would get which one of the colored suits; Art drew the pink one.

When we arrived at the site, Art described the scene in 1959: Alfred Eisenstaedt, the well known photographer, was positioned high on the shore looking downward toward the rocks and the water. Photography went on for the better part of an hour (around low tide). The actual picture that Life used was taken at the end of the session as some of the divers were relaxing; some divers had decided the session was over and had moved out of the picture (beyond the floats in the picture above). Life Magazine subsequently sent a number of prints to one of the Club members; this collection “went missing” for a time and was later found, destroyed by dampness.

Art was of the impression that we were at Pigeon Cove; the nearby signs identified the location as “Plum Cove Beach”. NOAA charts and Google Earth similarly identify the site as Plum Cove. Art and I did not dwell on this discrepancy.

Art and I concluded our visit with a bowl of delicious lobster bisque at the Lobster Pool Restaurant.



Visit our website at [www.northshorefrogmen.com](http://www.northshorefrogmen.com)



## Bay State Council Meeting

The next Bay State Council of Divers meeting will be held on Wednesday, **December 11**, 7:30 PM at the SSN's clubhouse located at the corner of Quarry Street and Joyce Road in Quincy.

**All are welcome to attend these meetings!**



## The Bay State Council of Divers

### Supporting and promoting the recreational diving community in Massachusetts.

The Bay State Council of Divers (BSC) is a diver's advocacy group. The BSC monitors local, state and federal regulations that may affect the recreational diving community in Massachusetts. When required, the BSC represents the interests of the diving community in these matters.

The BSC serves as a liaison between dive clubs and dive stores to promote recreational diving activity in Massachusetts. All divers are encouraged to support the BSC with an annual contribution of \$5. Your contribution will allow the BSC to continue to be a strong advocate for the recreational diving community in Massachusetts.

For more information see the new BSC website at <http://www.baystatecouncil.org>



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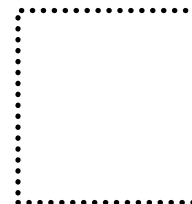


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September 22: Bay State Council Treasure Hunt

September 22: Joint Clubs Picnic

October 3: Presentation



### Sunday Dives:

Until we change the clocks back for winter, we will be meeting for Sunday dives about 7:30,  
**ready to leave the parking lot NO LATER THAN 8AM.**  
Meet at Burger King on Rte 128 in Beverly.

### The **North Shore Frogmen's Club**

(Beginning February, 2013) has business meetings and presentations on the first  
and third Thursdays of each month at 7:30PM

at **Palmer's Cove Yacht Club**

74 Leavitt Street  
Salem, MA 01970

Social meetings are on the alternate weeks at 7PM

Visit our website at [www.northshorefrogmen.com](http://www.northshorefrogmen.com)