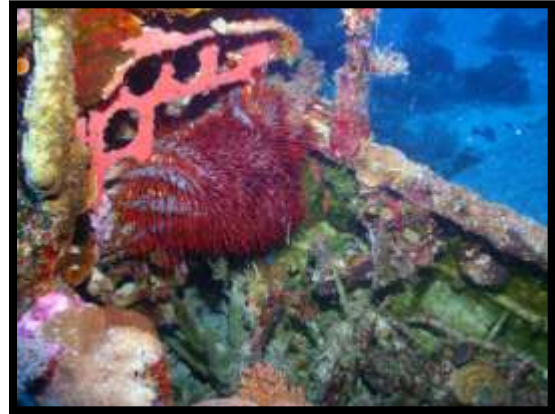


Kwajalein Scuba Club, August 2011

--The First Stage--

Equipment Alert!!

Myflex HP hoses: there have been reports on the internet of several of these hoses blowing out. So far, there are no report of injuries. If you have Myflex hoses on your gear, please check with the manufacturer to see if you need to replace them.



Cockpit of a SBD 'Dauntless' near Mellu Island

August monthly meeting-

We're going back to the Pacific Club for the next few meetings. The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 10th, at 7pm.

Orientation Dives-

Do you have a visitor coming that wants to dive at Kwajalein? An orientation dive is **REQUIRED**. The Kwajalein Scuba Club website lists all club's active Divemasters, and any of them can give orientation dives. Most of the club divemasters are available after work and on the weekends. Also, Kim Morris is available during the day by prior arrangement. Note: only professional and commercial divers who are diving in a work capacity are not required to do orientation dives. However, if they are diving recreationally, they are still required to do an orientation dive. Even Dan Orr, President of Divers Alert Network, had to do an orientation dive during his visit to Kwajalein!

Rental Gear-

Jim Bishop, John Pennington, and Bill Williamson have rental gear available if needed. Contact any of them for details and pricing. Bill's rental gear is available at Bill's Dive Shop, located at the AAFES store.

Have you received a check from Kwajalein Scuba Club?

If you have received a check from KSC, please cash it - they are only good for 120 days from the issue date. If you do not cash it within the 120 day time frame, Kwajalein Scuba Club thanks you for your donation.

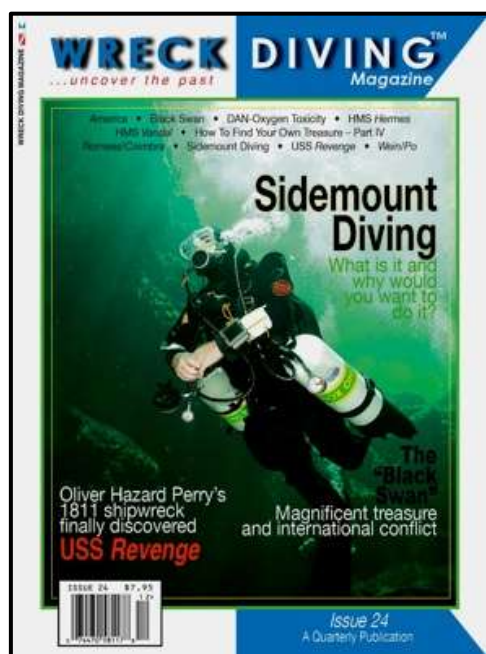
If you have any questions or comments, please see Betina Dodd, KSC Treasurer.

~~~ Ascend slowly from every dive! ~~~

Kwajalein Atoll wrecks are focus of coming multi-part T.V. series



Barbara Buchanan, a well-known underwater photographer and videographer, is here on Kwajalein filming the wrecks in the lagoon for a coming television series on Kwajalein Atoll's WWII shipwrecks and plane wrecks. Her first visit to Kwajalein was last year in June, and she is back for another visit. She has been here since July 4th, and will be here until August 15th. Her trip this time will include several days at Roi to film the wrecks up there as well. Barbara also writes for 'Wreck Diving Magazine'.



'Wreck Diving Magazine', written by and for wreck divers, is going to have several articles on Kwajalein wrecks in coming issues.

The first of these, written by Barbara Buchanan, will be in this Fall's issue. The story will cover the history of the aircraft located inside the 'Akibasan Maru' (P-buoy) wreck.

Coming articles will cover the 'Prinz Eugen' wreck, the Roi planes, and others.

For those of you who do not subscribe to this magazine, Bill's Dive Shop will be stocking copies of the magazine that have the Kwajalein articles. But supplies will be very limited!

To make sure that you don't miss out on these articles, and the other great articles in each issue of the magazine, be sure to visit http://wreckdivingmag.com/Wreck_Diving_Magazine/Welcome.html and subscribe today. Trust me, you won't be sorry!

~~~ Safe diving is no accident! [www.diversalertnetwork.org](http://www.diversalertnetwork.org) ~~~

## *Safety Topic- "Hydration"- By Dr. Lisa Shier*

Staying properly hydrated is important for divers. In nearly every case of DCS reported on the Atoll, dehydration was listed as a suspected contributing cause. Dehydration is easy to prevent. Be sure to drink plenty of non-caffeinated drinks before a dive such as water, sports drinks, or fruit drinks. (Many people prefer to avoid carbonated drinks before a dive.) When diving from a boat, always bring drinks and drink between dives. A water fountain is located at the Emon Beach Kayak Shack. Be sure to drink after a dive as well. Avoid alcohol before and between dives, and for at least an hour after the last dive.

## *Dive the Red Sea- Royal Diving Centre- Jordan - website - [www.rdc.jo/](http://www.rdc.jo/)*

The Royal Diving Club is a PADI 5 star IDC Centre offering PADI programmes from entry-level training up to instructor level certification. The RDC has permanent professional PADI instructors qualified to teach a wide range of PADI courses and can lead experienced divers on spectacular underwater safaris. Family courses with courses for children (or timid spouses) can be organized on request teaching the safe use of mask, fins & snorkel; first in the pool and then the spectacular Red Sea. We recommend learning to dive in the RDC as the conditions and the facilities for training are probably the best in the world.

Rodale's "Scuba Diving" July/August 1992 listed the RDC as "one of the World's ten best snorkelling sites". A recent visiting Tour Operator said: "This is the best diving club in the Middle East!".

## *Upcoming Scuba Classes... (all are PADI unless otherwise noted)*

### Classes by Bill Williamson-

Divemaster- begins in mid-October, enroll by September 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Classes by Lisa Shier-

Enriched Air Diver (Nitrox)- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of every month, all summer long

Advanced Open Water- open now, custom schedules for groups of 3 or more

Divemaster- class will start in late August

***Don't forget- Wednesday, August 10th, 7pm at the Pacific Club for the monthly meeting. Photo Contest will be held, subject is "People". Any underwater photo with divers qualifies for the contest!***

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