

The Sea Breeze

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The New York City Sea Gypsies Inc.

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Editor

HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 4, 1978

Place: OCTOBER'S
1617 York Avenue (85th & York)

Time: 7:30 P.M.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MEETING OF
THE DECEMBER MEETING

1. John Falk distributed copies of the summary of the New Jersey Regulations for Diving Inlets which he obtained at the November meeting of the New Jersey Council of Diving Clubs.
2. Cary Africk reported on his recent trip to Bonaire.
3. Ruth Jacobson announced that the White Plains Y.M.C.A. is offering an Underwater Photography Course. The class will meet every Tuesday night.
4. Sign-up sheet was passed around for the annual Ice Dive to be held at Candlewood Lake sometime in February. Ropes are needed. Get-together at the Frosts afterwards.
5. It was announced that any club member who wishes to wreck dive this summer must put \$20. in the escrow account. Checks or Cash should be given to Peter Parsons.

If a member has already made this deposit previously, the deposit will be carried forward for the 1978 diving season. This summer's dives are being planned according to the amount in the account.

** After the meeting, Ken Gilmore showed slides of the Sea Gypsies Cozumel trip. The program was made very interesting by Ken's commentary and the posing of the Sea Gypsies and sea life alike.

** Several members sent me the following article which appeared in the New York Times on December 11, 1977. Because the recall may affect club members, the article is hereby printed in its entirety:

THOUSANDS OF REGULATORS FOR SCUBAS ARE RECALLED

Dec. 10. The Consumer Product Safety Commission announced yesterday the

recall of tens of thousands of scuba regulators sold around the country because they might fail and cut off air to divers.

Involved are all such regulators sold after Dec. 1, 1976, manufactured by the U.S. Divers Company of Santa Ana, California, which is conducting the recall.

The agency said the problem involved a "potentially defective clamp ring which could cause unseating of the second stage regulator diaphragm, the section of the regulator which the diver holds in the mouth".

"Unseating of the diaphragm could cause the regulator to become flooded with water, thus cutting off air flow to the diver," it said.

The consumer agency said no injuries or deaths had been reported but four complaints had been received about the problem.

The units were sold under the model names of Conshelf 12, Conshelf Supreme, Calypso J., Calypso Four, Aquarius, Octopus and Hookah.

The agency advised consumers with such units to stop using them and return them to an authorized U.S. Divers dealer for free replacement of the clamp ring.

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DUES

The 1978 Sea Gypsies' dues are due NOW!! Please see that your \$20. is given to Peter Parsons prior to or during the February meeting. A member two months in arrears on March 31 will be dropped from the club's activities. All members in arrears will be notified by the omission of

their names in the March Sea Breeze.

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1978 BUDGET

A tentative Budget for 1978 has been drawn up by the Executive Committee which met on December 19, 1977. The budget will be finalized and presented to the club at the February meeting. The budget will also be published in The Sea Breeze.

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FOR SALE A complete 75 gallon fish tank set-up: tank, stand, light, filters, thermometers, tubing, etc. Asking \$175.00. Call Pam Peper at 857-0563 (new home number).

NOTICE

Please give your receipts for items (food, liquor, etc.) bought for the Holiday Party to Adrienne. The receipts will be tabulated and then given to the treasurer for reimbursement.