

President's Message

This Year – Let the Adventures Continue!

Life is short... wayyyy too short! So let's party – hard... but not toooo hard! Whether we're on a Club dive trip, the club rafting adventure *and picnic at a lake house*, the club brings together fun folks for some of life's "great" adventures. This year the club has already run a dive trip, we will have a great rafting event and lake picnic and provide NJ dive boats. But what else!? Well, really, that's up to you!

Cay-MAN Aggressor Dive Trip... Really Nice... but What's Next???

Nine club members sallied forth on a March adventure aboard the Cay-MAN (as pronounced by the locals) Aggressor for the Club trip. While the weather wasn't optimum and the water was "only" 79 degrees, the trip was a wonderful break from the never-ending New Jersey winter. As noted by several members, the trip was fairly cost effective, the **food** and **crew fantastic** and it was easy travel. Hopefully we'll get enough pictures from participants to put together a presentation.

But what's next??

Belize or Palau?? Or Both???

Either or both trips are possible. I am looking at the Palau **Siren** live-aboard for early 2019, March to April. Seven night trips run about \$3,500 PP plus airfare and park fees. The Siren comes highly recommended with only 16 divers, good accommodations and food.

In Belize, diving is best June to October, notwithstanding an occasional hurricane (hey, you never know!). A live-aboard was recommended to consistently get to the best dive locals. Cabins run from \$3,100 PP plus \$110 port fee and airfare.

What Next! Please let **me** know if you have an interest (not a commitment!) to one or the other or both or want to suggest other ideas. I will then try to start the process without a financial obligation from you. As always, any discounts that come to me will be distributed to the club members to reduce their costs!

Any Other Requests???

As with any organization, we serve our members (and our) interests. Want to go somewhere?? Do something?? Let me know and we can try to put it together.

And remember – dive with your head, not over it!! Right Dive Master Ben???