

3rd Quarter

July August Sept 2008



ORLANDO REEF CARETAKERS ASSOCIATION

The Harlequin



ORCA Elections

Our annual elections were held on September 27th at the Orlando Science Center

Announcing your new 2009 Board of Directors

Officers

President: Terry Alexander

Vice President: Ray Wortley

Secretary: Josh Soloman

Public Relations: Bonnie Alexander

Treasurer: Leslie Masem

Directors

Mentoring: George Reed

Membership: Neimar Perez

Web: Jim Troeger, Paul Ogne, Cesar Campo

Newsletter: Ron DeNoia

Coordinators

Raffle: John Mac McDougal

Frag: Joe Durham

Photography: Denisa Morehouse

True or False

Coral reefs cover less than 1% of the earth's surface but are home to 25% of all marine fish species.

At the present rate of destruction 70% of coral reefs will be destroyed by the year 2050.

Coral reefs have been used in the treatment of cancer, HIV, cardiovascular disease, arthritis and ulcers.

Coral reefs provide \$375 Billion around the world in goods and services.

500 million people rely on coral reefs for their food and livelihoods.

Answers on page 3, no cheating

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Third Quarter Review

July

The July meeting was held in Casselberry, FL at the beautiful home of Jon and Naomi Clements. They set up the upstairs of the home for a frag event, and had the downstairs as a socializing area. A variety of appetizers were offered, as well as drinks, and a huge table of all the makings of a Taco dinner. Almost all of the 150+ frags had been pre-registered, making this event a huge success.



August



Our August meeting was held at the home of Pam and Mac McDougall in Kissimmee. The star of the show was Mac's behind the scenes tank room. Of additional note was Pam's beautiful artwork which framed the tank in woodwork. Great food, another good raffle and a real good time. Nominations for elected officer positions were taken at this meeting.

September

This meeting was held at the Orlando Science Center. In addition to our annual elections being held that night, James Fatherree was the featured speaker. James gave a wonderfully informative presentation about reef lighting. The night ended with the raffle and Mac reminded everyone that the proceeds from raffles are put into the following raffle. So the more you spend, the better it gets.



Welcome to Our New members

July 2008

Payton & Petra Vicknair
Mike, John & Joseph Birthisel
Jason & Sonya Jones
Dan Taylor & Cheri Geiger
Keith & Amy Belden
David Coon
Jeff & Margaret Gaines
James & Natalie Mead
Paul Ogne

August 2008

A slow month for new members but we did have numerous renewals

September 2008

Torry Schilling
Tim & Ronda Dykes
William Pruitt
Daniel Osmolski

Bulletin Board

Southeaster Reef Conference-

Plans are going forward for our 3rd bi-annual SRC to be held summer 2009. Many members volunteered at the recent BoD meeting to ensure this event is a success. The SRC Committee chairman is Terry Alexander. If you have questions/suggestions, please contact Terry. Watch for updates on the website and make plans to attend this very special event!

Save the date

October 25th - Alexander Springs Scuba and Snorkel
November 8th—ORCA BBQ @ Rock Springs. Free to ORCA members
December 13th - Holiday Party

ORCA Shirts - 2 new exciting colors may be added, please contact Bonnie Alexander (photographer) for information.

New Item—A **Suggestion Box** will be available at every meeting so the board can hear your thoughts and make improvements.

Looking Ahead—Fourth Quarter

October

This meeting will be held at the home of Jill Holmquist and Manny Delvalleon Saturday, the 25th. Check the website for address and time. This will be a frag event meeting. Pictures of frags will be posted on the website as they are registered.

November

No meeting this month

Happy Thanksgiving

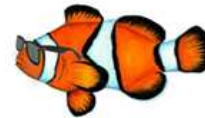


December

Holiday Party at John Tom's home.

December 13, 2008
2137 Lake Vilma Drive
Orlando, FL 32835
Doors open at 6PM

Notables



Many thanks to Tim Walsh who makes arrangements for ORCA to use the conference room at the Orlando Science Center for our guest speakers



Matt displays the certificate that shows ORCA took third place in the web competition at MACNA. Congratulations web guys.

Answers to Quiz

If you answered **TRUE** to all the quiz questions give yourself a pat on the back and then think about the questions again while you look at the picture to the right of a beautiful coral reef in American Samoa.

ORCA is committed to the preservation of our coral reefs.





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ORCA thanks you for your support

Want to host an ORCA meeting? Ask any of the Board of Directors below for information

2008 ORCA Board of Directors

Club Officers:

President - Matt Kantz

Vice President - Ray Wortley
Secretary - Joshua Solomon

Treasurer - Pam McDougall
Public Relations - Terry Alexander

Club Directors:

Membership Director - Melissa Kantz

Web Admin – Jim Troeger, Paul Ogne

Frag Director - Joe Durham

Photographer - Bonnie Alexander

Newsletter Editor - Ron DeNoia

Mentoring Director - George Reed

Raffle Director - John (Mac) McDougall

ORCA OutTakes



Does anyone know which fingers to use to make the rabbit.



Let's get this damn meeting over with already. These people only come for the raffle anyway. Raffle, Raffle..... Raffle's the thing I tell ya.



You're right George, All we gotta do is tell these guys we have fish tanks and we can just show up and eat their food.



SHARK ATTACK!!!



If I knew all it would take to get a babe like this was a haircut, I'd of cut it long ago.

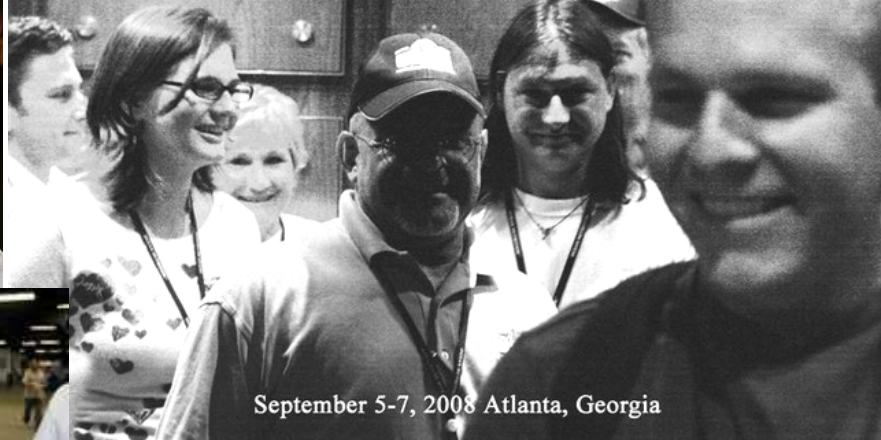


Hey Terry, have you seen that little smoky I dropped on the floor and then kicked across the room

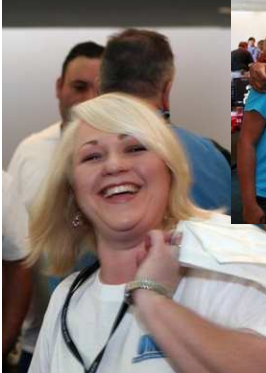
MACNAXX



Who are these deliriously happy people, and where are they all going??
why...they're *ORCANs!* and they are headed to MACNA XXII!



September 5-7, 2008 Atlanta, Georgia





More MACNA

