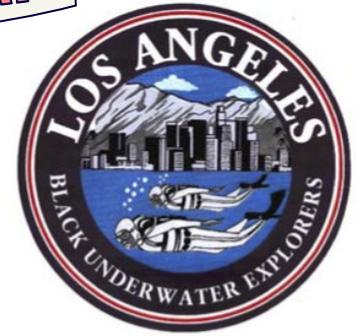


2011 NABS Club Of The Year

# LABUE NEWS

Los Angeles Black Underwater Explorers



## PHOTO OF THE MONTH

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Photographer: Bryant Turner  
Camera: GoPro HD Hero 2  
Location: Galapagos  
Subject: White Tip Shark

*THIS SPOT COULD EASILY FEATURE YOUR PHOTO! Please e-mail to [dewing@proskauer.com](mailto:dewing@proskauer.com) your underwater photos for future consideration. Topside photos are accepted if the photo was taken at a LABUE event.*

## WAITING TO REBREATHE

Join us on Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> for our General Membership Meeting featuring a special presentation on rebreathers. Rebreathers reuse some or all of the air exhaled extending no decompression limits and bottom times, with no bubbles. In April, long time LABUE member Mike Dillard completed an intense one week PADI Rebreather Certification class in Key Largo, Florida. Mike will share his experiences with us and give us some insight into the latest rebreather technology suitable for recreational divers; and the advantages of using a rebreather and training required. As usual, we will be offering great refreshments, door prizes, along with LABUE updates and friendly member fellowship.

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***Dedicated to Expanding the Knowledge and Enjoyment of Scuba Diving among African Americans***

## DIVE RECORD PLANNED BY ET MAN

BY STEPHEN SCRUGGS

To translate for all non-natives, ET can mean either 'East Tennessean' or 'Extra Terrestrial'. In this case, the meanings may be interchangeable.

Jerry Hall of Kingsport, Tennessee is going to attempt to break a world record for the longest SCUBA dive this summer. He previously set the record in 2004 by spending 120 hours and one minute in the water. The record stood until 2011, when a Florida man broke it at 120 hours and 14 minutes.

Hall will call a 12-by-12 platform at the bottom of South Holston Lake home during that week. Filling 7,200 minutes can be a tad bit difficult submerged beneath the water. So Hall and his team are bringing time fillers. An underwater bike is being donated by the Bristol YMCA so he can get some exercise. Hall and another diver

will be able to play checkers on checkerboards. Lubell Labs, a company based in Ohio, is letting Hall and his team use an underwater speaker to play music. He can take a swim as long as he stays underwater, and will even be helping some people get their diving certificates, because he is a master diver after all. A member of the Kingsport City Fire Department is also building a box so he can take a television with him when he lives with the fish.

A volunteer crew of 25 divers, two dive captains and 10 to 15 people on land will be assisting Hall during the week to make sure everything runs smoothly. One of the dive captains is Jim Bean who will be in charge of keeping Hall safe for the duration of the attempt. "As long as we don't go very deep, he can stay

(underwater)," Bean said. "As you go underwater, your body starts absorbing all the bubbles that you are breathing into your tissues. At the depth we're at, he can stay an unlimited amount of time."

Hall will be at a depth of about 20 to 30 feet. Divers will be with him constantly throughout the attempt. Most of the divers have a medical background to be able to assist him if a situation comes up. The attempt will take a toll on him physically. He will lose 20 to 25 pounds during the five-day stretch. During his first attempt in 2002, his skin shriveled up so badly and put him in so much pain, he thought he did permanent damage to his skin. Since then, Hall and his team have discovered a cream made by Crown Labs in Johnson City that helps

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY: RICHARD RICE



**Keepers of the sport!** That is how I sometimes think of LABUE members. For over 21 years LABUE has more than lived up to its mission statement, *Dedicated to Expanding the Knowledge and Enjoyment of Scuba Diving among African Americans*, playing a critical role as the primary advocate and promoter of the sport in our community. We have been responsible for hundreds of divers becoming certified and continuing to actively participating

in the sport by organizing regular Discover SCUBA sessions, local beach and boat dive activities, and dive vacations. LABUE has also played an important role in supporting SCUBA diving in the Southern California dive community with members participating in harbor and beach cleanups, as well as supporting the Catalina Hyperbaric Chamber as a sponsor of the annual Chamber Day/Evening event. LABUE members have played a key role in LABUE's mission by their support and participation in these activities, dedicating their time and money to make our efforts successful.

Like some of the other older members of LABUE, after over 42 years of enjoying the sport of SCUBA diving, I can see an end to my active dive participation at some point in the not too distant future due to the physical limitations that sometimes come with age. SCUBA diving is something I had always wanted to do since I was a child and I have thoroughly enjoyed, providing me and my dive buddies challenging and

exciting and unique experiences at dive destinations around the world. I remain dedicated helping LABUE remain a vibrant and successful dive club by developing new club leadership and by sharing my dive experiences with others and encouraging them to consider SCUBA diving as a sport they would enjoy. Many of you would also like to share your SCUBA diving experiences with others by introducing them to the sport. Your active participation in LABUE is the best way to accomplish this. With your help, we can develop a new generation of divers who will continue to expand LABUE to guarantee its growth and success into the future,

If you would like to recommend an activity or event that would benefit the community, our members, or help fulfill our 2013 mission, please share it with me or one of the Board members. We value your recommendations. If you are interested in lending your labor, experience, or organizational skills to LABUE, your participation in one of our active committees would be more

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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than welcomed. Give me a call or send me an email ([labue@sbcglobal.net](mailto:labue@sbcglobal.net)) to share your ideas and thoughts on how to make LABUE a better dive club and to let me know how you can help us in these efforts.

If you have not already mailed in your 2013 LABUE membership dues, take a moment to send them in or renew online using PayPal and don't forget our general membership meetings held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Natural History Museum featuring fun, entertaining, and informative meeting programs.



### 5th Annual LABUE Photo Contest

The 2013 Annual LABUE Photo Contest will provide an opportunity for friendly competition among members and non-members to display their photographic skills with images from excursions around the world. This year's contest format provides an opportunity for club members to vote for the best photo from each of three categories: Sea Life, Diver and Landscape. The grand prize winners for the three categories will have their winning photos published in the December issue of the 'LABUE News' club newsletter. In addition, each photographer who submits an entry will be awarded raffle tickets to be drawn for valuable prizes at the October LABUE club meeting. Details for entering your photos will appear in next month's LABUE Newsletter but you can start thinking about your entries now. Good Luck!



### What Kind of Camper are You?

By Randy Tillery

What kind of camper do you want to be? Some people like to go camping and bring all those home amenities with them. Others like the minimalistic aspect and bring only what they need. Both ways can be equally enjoyable, it just depends on your mindset. Things to consider when preparing for this adventure are: Be prepared to rough it and to adapt to whatever Mother Nature may have planned. Bring items that can do double duties. Utilize the same philosophy you have when you pack clothes to go on a trip and you can only check one bag for free. Get the most out of the items you do pack. Be mindful of bringing just one small, medium, or large bag for your clothes and personal items. Prior to arriving at the campsite, work out in your mind what you will need. Accommodations such as a tent for two or for six depending on your family size and the level of comfort you desire. Additionally, you may want a general purpose tarp or a screened shade tent for various possibilities. Sleeping gear can include a sleeping bag, single or double, a foam pad, a cot, and/or even an inflatable mattress. With cooking gear, all you need is a portable stove with one or two burners, two to three pots/pans with relevant cooking and cleaning utensils. For lighting, you may want propane or a battery operated lantern in addition to a good flashlight. Let's keep it real though. If you want the large lights, the big heaters and most things electrically powered, you should perhaps consider renting a travel trailer or RV. There is no shame in that game. Your camping experience should be just that, an experience. Your forethought and planning will determine if it's good or bad.



## CHECK OUT THE LABUE STORE



**Our hats and polo shirts are beautifully embroidered!**



**Makes a great gift!!**



**Above long and short sleeve t-shirts have the same front/back design layout!**

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**Look great on the boat or beach with official LABUE apparel including T-shirts, Polo Shirts, and Baseball Caps.**

**T-shirts and Baseball Caps are in stock and are available in most sizes at \$20 each. Check out the LABUE Store at [www.labue.org](http://www.labue.org) to place your order, or you may purchase items at the monthly membership meeting.**

**ET MAN**

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a lot. Bean and the other team members stuff new gloves and socks full of the cream before giving them to Hall.

Since the world record is for the longest underwater SCUBA dive, Hall has to spend every waking moment beneath the water, and every sleeping moment. When he's ready he will put on a full-face diving mask, curl up next to some oxygen tanks and go to sleep. While he is sleeping, team members will be watching the bubbles to make sure they occur in regular intervals. If he moves in any way while he is sleeping, the divers use their fingers and put the "okay" sign under his mask. "So when I open my eyes, I see that and I'm like, 'Okay, remember you're still underwater so don't get up and walk to the bathroom,'" Hall said. "You know, when you first wake up, you're still a little disoriented, even in your own home."

Hall will be wearing a weighted vest to help keep him underwater. He will have three tanks on the underwater platform, a primary tank, secondary tank and an emergency tank. The tanks contain around 80 cubic feet of air, which will give him around 3 to 4 hours of breathing time. When the primary tank gets low, Hall will hold his breath and switch to the secondary tank while a diver switches out the low tank for a

full one on the surface. The team will have around 100 oxygen tanks that can be switched plus six tanks that can be used to fill the smaller tanks.

Another thing he will have to do underwater is eat. He will eat soup put in a squeeze bottle, candy bars and other small items. He has to lift up his mask, put the food in and blow the excess lake water back out of his mouth. When he does, the fish usually grab the crumbs. He is able to brush his teeth, drink Powerades and use the bathroom, although just "number one." The activity of his body trying to keep warm and a low caloric intake prevent "number two." When he does use the bathroom, it has to be captured in a bag because the Tennessee Valley Authority has certain rules for disposing of human body waste.

Hall said he finds being underwater peaceful and something he really enjoys, but he is doing more than breaking a world record. He also wants to raise money for charity. When he set the record in 2004, he also raised \$4,000 for the Ronald McDonald house. "This time we have teamed up with the Speedway Children's charities, the Bristol chapter," Hall said. "This is not just a dive for us to go get a record and be done with it. It's not just some people going out and sitting in the water, to me that would be a little bit selfish."



**BOAT DIVING?**

If you decide to sign up for a boat dive and you want a LABUE dive buddy, please contact DonCosta Seawell at 909-593-1877 or doncosta1@msn.com with your trip details and he will convey that information to the club so that anyone who desires to join you will be aware.

**DIVER NEWS**

New and/or Renewing Members

- Brenda Kitchen
- Miles Maxey
- Franchesca Hyde
- Tyrie Bivings
- Beverley Pyne

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Know of any member  
Certification announcements?  
Please notify Debora Ewing at  
dewing@proskauer.com



Scuba diving is something to be shared and the **Los Angeles Black Underwater Explorers** would like to introduce you to ...

## DISCOVER SCUBA 2



This DISCOVER SCUBA Program is designed to *briefly* introduce individuals to a new world and to help prepare non-divers for a dive training certification program (NOTE: this is NOT a certification program). Certified divers will be available to answer questions and provide support throughout the entire Program. Minimum age to participate is 10 yrs of age. Adult presence required for participants under age 18. Participants should plan to bring a swimsuit, drying towel, and water for hydration.

Featured components are:

- Introduction to the world of *SCUBA* and equipment review
  - (optional) Pool session with certified divers
  - (optional) dive shop tour

**WHEN:** Saturday, September 7, 2013 @ 9:30 A.M. until 12:30 P.M. .

**WHERE:** PACIFIC WILDERNESS 1719 So Pacific Ave.; San Pedro 90731 (310) 833 2422

**COST:** \$15.00 (exact cash) per person in attendance (NO SIT-INS—guardians exempt)

Call George Linares @ 661 547 4010 to sign-up by Aug. 29, 2013

**DISCOVER SCUBA 2**  
**Application**  
**2013**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day Ph # \_\_\_\_\_ Eve Ph # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Ph # \_\_\_\_\_

E-address \_\_\_\_\_ Referred by \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \$15.00 \*\* Make ck payable to LABUE

(check where applicable)

< > I am a good swimmer     < > I am comfortable in the ocean

< > I have snorkeled before

< > I am ready to enroll in a training class

< > I currently do not have any physical health and/or other condition issues  
(if so, please see Program Leader)

**Waiver**

I \_\_\_\_\_, hereby agree to participate in the Los Angeles Black Underwater Explorers' (LABUE) DISCOVER SCUBA Program and agree to abide by all club rules. I acknowledge that I am voluntarily participating with full knowledge of the potential dangers of scuba and dive-related activities. In consideration of my application acceptance, I agree to assume all risks of bodily injury, death or property damage; arising out of or in connection with my participation in LABUE activities. I also agree to release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless LABUE and their members and officers from any liability arising out of or in connection with my participating in LABUE activities. I further agree that this release and indemnification is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the State of California. I have carefully read this release and fully understand its contents. I sign this release of my own free will with full knowledge of its significance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*Participant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Today's Date

\* - guardian's signature required for participants under 18 yrs of age

## NEWSLETTER ADS

LABUE is offering newsletter ads for nominal prices. The price structure is as follows:

- \$15 for a quarter page ad (per month);
- \$20 for a half page ad (per month);
- \$30 for a full page ad (per month).

If you're interested in purchasing an ad, please contact Debora Ewing at (310) 284-4556.

## PHOTO OF THE MONTH



**Reminder: Please e-mail your photos for the "Photo of the Month" contest. You just may see your photo on the cover of an upcoming edition of the LABUE News! Please e-mail photos for consideration to [dewing@proskauer.com](mailto:dewing@proskauer.com).**

## UPCOMING EVENTS 2013

- July 9, 2013 -- General Meeting - 7:00 PM
- July 23, 2013 -- Board Meeting
- August 13, 2013 -- General Meeting - 7:00 PM
- August 27, 2013 -- Board Meeting
- August 29, 2013 -- Discover Scuba II Deadline
- September 7, 2013 -- Discover Scuba II - 9:30 @ Pacific Wilderness

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## Meetings

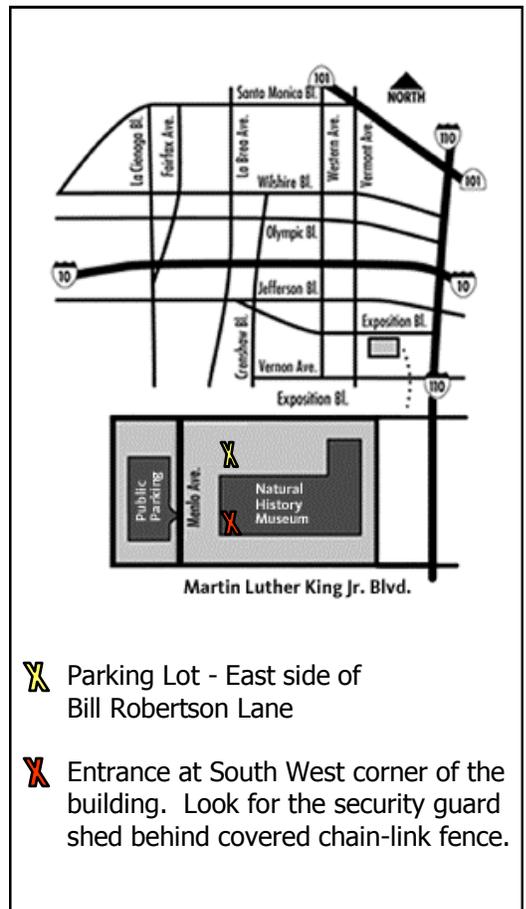
The LABUE meetings are held the second Tuesday of every Month at 7:00 PM in the Times Mirror Room at the Natural History Museum in Los Angeles.

## Directions

The Natural History Museum is located in Exposition Park, at 900 Exposition Boulevard between Vermont Avenue and Figueroa Street.

From the 110 (Harbor) Freeway, take the Martin Luther King Boulevard exit and head west towards Vermont Avenue. Turn right (north) on Menlo Avenue. Make a left into Exposition Park Lot 3.

Please visit the Museum website for more information at [www.nhm.org](http://www.nhm.org).



**X** Parking Lot - East side of Bill Robertson Lane

**X** Entrance at South West corner of the building. Look for the security guard shed behind covered chain-link fence.

## Contact Us:

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**In consideration to the many LABUE members who are unable to download large files on their computer, we will be limiting the number of photographs included in our newsletter. To accommodate our many excellent photographers, we will begin posting additional photographs on the LABUE website for your viewing pleasure.**

## Sipadan – Kapalai Dive Resort



### Mabul Malaysia Registration Form September 14 – 21, 2013

Pricing Information

The Los Angeles Black Underwater Explorers (LABUE) has scheduled its 2013 club dive trip to Mabul, Malaysia – Sipadan Kapalai Resort from September 14 – 21, 2013. This form is to be completed by everyone participating in what will be another exciting LABUE Dive Vacation. Please check ALL of the options applicable.

Dive Package Includes: 7 nights Chalet accommodations w/private sundeck, taxes, round-trip land and boat transfers from Tawau Airport, all food and beverages while at resort (excluding alcoholic, juice and/or carbonated soft drinks), 3 boat dives per day (Sipadan, Mabul or Kapalai Island), unlimited house reef diving, Sipadan permit fee and LABUE fee. **Each traveler is required to secure his/her own airfare from the USA to Tawau, however Mario Cabading from Scuba Travel Ventures can secure your airline reservations at an reasonable rate by contacting him via email at [mario@stv.travel](mailto:mario@stv.travel) [NOTE: To arrive on Saturday, Sept. 14th, you need to leave USA on Thursday, Sept. 12th.]**

| OPTIONS                    | Kapalai Resort | Early Registration | NOTES                                                                                  |
|----------------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Double Occupancy Diver     | \$2200_____    | \$2150_____        | Deposit MUST be received by September 30, 2012 to be eligible for the \$50.00 discount |
| Double Occupancy Non-Diver | \$1775_____    | \$1725_____        |                                                                                        |
| Single Occupancy Diver     | \$3260_____    | \$3210_____        |                                                                                        |
| Single Occupancy Non-Diver | \$2826_____    | \$2776_____        |                                                                                        |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

## TERMS AND CONDI- TIONS

**Membership Requirements:** The prices quoted in this form apply to divers who are members of LABUE, LABUE Sister Clubs, and members of NABS affiliated dive clubs only. The prices quoted also apply to non-divers. For those LABUE members who have not paid their dues, their trip invoice will include an additional membership renewal fee. DIVERS ONLY who are not LABUE or LABUE Sister club members and who are not members of a NABS affiliated dive club will be charged an additional \$50 non-member fee. Individuals wishing to participate in this trip are welcome to join LABUE and may do so by completing a LABUE Membership Application (available on-line at [www.labue.org](http://www.labue.org)) and submitting it along with this Registration Form and \$30 annual membership dues.

**Package Rates:** The final package price will depend on varying individual selections. Once this Form is completed and a **\$400 deposit received (\$200 deposit for non-diver participants)**, the quoted rates in effect at that time will be guaranteed. The rates quoted in this Form are guaranteed until **April 4, 2013**. Individuals submitting their deposits subsequent to that date will be subject to rates in effect at that time. After **April 5, 2013**, every effort will be made to renew LABUE's contracts with the tour operators at the original prices, however, there may be changes. To ensure the lowest possible guaranteed price, individuals are advised to confirm their reservations immediately.

**Payment:** To confirm your reservation, everyone must submit a **signed Registration Form** and a minimum deposit of **\$400 (\$200 deposit for non-diver participants)**. The final payment is due **July 2, 2013**. Your reservation is subject to cancellation if the final payment is not made on or before **July 2, 2013**. The initial deposit must be paid to LABUE via a personal check, cashier's check, money order, PayPal or cash. When using PayPal, please add 3% percent to your payment to cover the PayPal fee charged to LABUE. When paying by *PayPal*, send payment(s) to: [paypal\\_membership@labue.org](mailto:paypal_membership@labue.org)

**Diver Requirements:** Divers participating in LABUE organized Dive Vacations must be certified by a recognized SCUBA diving certification agency (NAUI, PADI, SSI, etc.). In addition, divers must have current dive insurance (Divers Alert Network (DAN) or equivalent Dive Insurance). LABUE requires that you provide the following information as part of your Registration:

SCUBA Diving Certification Agency:

C-Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Certification level: OW, AOW,

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Dive Club Affiliation: (LABUE, LABUE Sister Club, NABS Club, Other):

**IMPORTANT NOTE: Current SCUBA diving insurance is required for participation in LABUE Trips.**

Dive Insurance Carrier:

Policy/Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Cancellation Policy:** Requests for cancellation **MUST BE** in writing and mailed to The Los Angeles Black Underwater Explorers, P.O. Box 90069, Los Angeles, California 90009. **A \$50 fee will be charged for cancellation January 1 – April 1, 2013; 30% fee will be charged for cancellation July 14 – August 13, 2013; 50% fee will be charged for cancellation August 14 – August 31, 2013 and September 1, 2013 and after, 75% cancellation fee applies.** No refunds will be given to “no shows” on the date of departure or for any unused portion of the package. It is **strongly recommended** that you purchase Travelers Insurance to minimize the loss in the event of an unexpected cancellation.

**Roommates:** After the initial registration sign-up period (thru January 1, 2013), each individual traveler may be assigned a roommate *if available*, unless two travelers specify that they will be rooming with each other and both have already paid the \$400 deposit. If you wish to have a particular roommate, it is imperative that the deposits for both individuals be made early in the reservation process. No one individual will be allowed to 'hold a room' unless \$800 in deposits for two individuals have been made. Roommate assignments will be determined by a combination of factors including the date the initial deposit was received. The Trip Planning Committee will make an effort to accommodate special requests, however it is not guaranteed. If this is a concern, those interested can sign up for a single supplement. Single person supplement rates are available for individuals not wishing to have a roommate. You will be kept informed via periodic E-mails of individuals whom have signed up for the trip, as well as room availability. It is anticipated that the currently available rooms at the resort will eventually be sold out prior to the club trip.

**Responsibility:** LABUE and its Officers act only in the capacity of coordinator for the trip participants and are not liable for injury, damage or loss occasioned by neglect or default of any company or person engaged in conveying the tour, or any hotel proprietor, dive operator or other persons supplying services or materials in connection with the tour. LABUE and its Officers do not accept any responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, quarantine, acts of God or other causes beyond its control. Furthermore, LABUE and its Officers acknowledge that there are risks inherent in scuba diving and they cannot be held liable for any injuries or death.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Requested Room-**  
**mate:** \_\_\_\_\_

I read and understand the Terms and Conditions of this 3-page document and agree to comply with each of them in their entirety.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

P.O. BOX 90069, LOS ANGELES, CA 90009  
(323) 299-3798 (Phone and Fax)

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

For the Year \_\_\_\_\_

### General Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Referred By: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Certification Information:

Year First Certified: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Dives \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Last Dive: \_\_\_\_\_ o Warm Water o Beach o Boat

### Agency Certification

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Diving Preferences: o Beach Dives o Boat Dives o Warm Water Dives

Amount: \$30.00 o Individual Membership o New o Renewal

\$45.00 o Family Membership o New o Renewal

\$300.00 o Lifetime Individual

\$450.00 o Lifetime Family

Please make checks payable to: "Los Angeles Black Underwater Explorers" or "LABUE"

### WAIVER

I \_\_\_\_\_, hereby apply for membership in the Los Angeles Black Underwater Explorers (LABUE) and agree to abide by all club rules, I acknowledge that I will be voluntarily participating in LABUE events with full knowledge of the potential dangers of scuba diving and diving related activities. In consideration of your acceptance of this application and my membership in LABUE, I agree to assume all risks of bodily injury, death or property damage, arising out of or in connection with my participation in LABUE activities. I also agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless LABUE and their members and officers from any liability arising out of or in connection with my participation in LABUE activities. I further agree that this release and indemnification is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the State of California. I have carefully read this release and fully understand its contents. I sign this release of my own free will and with full knowledge of its significance.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_