UP AND DOWN THE ANCHOR LINE

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Next KDA Meeting:

Wednesday, May 5, 2010 Bart Malone

Empress of Ireland

Barnaby's, 15 South High Street (Top floor) West Chester, PA Meeting @ 7 PM; Speaker @ 8 PM!

Bart Malone, who lives in Bellmawr, N.J., for years served as a mate on the *Seeker*. He made over171 logged dives to the *Andrea Doria* since he first reached the wreck in 1985, amassing so much china & artifacts that he is now co-curator of the *NJ Museum of Maritime History* in Beach Haven, NJ! The last picture of the *Empress of Ireland* was taken on May 28, 1914 as she left Quebec City only a few hours before she would sink following a collision with the collier *Storstad* in 14 minutes in one of the greatest tragedies in maritime history with 1012 lives lost. Today, she lies on her starboard side, at an angle of approximately 60 degrees in nearly 150 feet of water in the St. Lawrence River off Point-au-Pere (Father Point).

Harry Spencer Ferry, 48, of Villanova, died suddenly on Sunday, March 21, 2010. He was the husband of Susan (Kulp) Ferry, with whom he shared 14 years of marriage. He was born in Jamaica Plains, Mass. to Mary Elizabeth and the late Harry E. Ferry. A master craftsman, Harry was a self-contractor installing fencing for companies such as Rusticraft, Heritage and most recently for What a Good Dog as well as various others throughout the Delaware Valley. He was highly regarded in his trade for his impeccable quality and workmanship. He was a master scuba diver and enjoyed history, politics, and hiking. He also loved the outdoors, animals, wildlife, the NFL and cooking. In addition to his wife and mother, Harry leaves behind a brother, Peter C. Ferry, of Clinton, CT, many extended family members and dear friends. His Funeral Service was held on Saturday, March 27, 2010 at Coventry Church of the Brethren, Pottstown, PA. Online condolences may be offered at www.royersfordfuneralhome.com. Harry was a past instructor at Dudas Diving Duds, a wonderful, enthusiastic, selfless person, and a friend.



BUSTER SAYS:

Palm trees sway
over reef of blue;
I missed the trip sign-up
oh boo hoo! BUT DON'T <u>YOU</u>!!!!

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for a COMPLETE dive schedule
and our New TEK PROGRAM!!!

Wednesday, July 7 (Yes! It's a CHANGE from June!) It's the 25th Annual KDA PICNIC! With Product REPS, maybe a bonfire, but absolutely NO RAIN! On the Front Lawn of Dudas Diving Duds!

Last KDA Meeting: April 7, 2010!

The Norwegian tanker Stolt Dagali is a STERN wreck so don't mess with her! The bow didn't sink due to watertight compartments so 140' of her was towed to NY harbor, offloaded and later fitted with a new stern! On November 26, 1964 (Thanksgiving evening) the 582' "Pride of Dagali" (translation: Stolt Dagali) was heading from Philadelphia to Newark, NJ with a load of vegetable, coconut oil and other fats when she entered a fog bank. The 629' Israeli luxury liner S.S. Shalom was outbound for a Caribbean cruise when she also entered the same fog bank. A dangerous formula indeed tragically lead to the death of 19 crew members sleeping in the stem crew's quarters around 2:30 AM when the turbine steam powered Shalom's bow crashed into and sliced neatly through the Stolt Dagali's port side at a 45 degree angle sheering off her stern and sending it 130' to the bottom. The Zim Line's Shalom, suffered only a gash on her starboard side only flooding #1 compartment, leaving her other watertight compartments intact and afloat, but some very unhappy passengers got a cruise back to NY instead of the Caribbean after staying and rendering assistance. Next day, following the oil slick, and hot on the trail, was **Mike DeCamp** setting the stage for many, many wreck divers to follow to the sunken stern of this popular Wreck Valley ruin that tops out 65' from the surface. Forty-two years later in 2006, along comes Captain Stephen Langevin, an experienced PADI certified instructor, technical scuba diver and USCG Certified Boat Captain with over 20 years of experience in NJ Wreck Diving & Captain Maureen Langevin, an experienced PADI certified instructor, technical scuba diver and USCG Certified Boat Captain. From studying some of their video footage, they know about something unusual: the Auxiliary Stern Anchor tucked under the starboard side of the wreck (normally anchors are found forward in shipwrecks). After two years of planning an expedition was organized and on June 7, 2009, with a core group of 6 divers, Capt. Hank **Garvin** of the research vessel *Garloo* who brought his salvage experience & a pair of 2,000-lb. lift bags, the divers pulled the anchor free of the wreck. But they didn't have enough lift to shoot it to the surface. So with their precious booty dangling there at a very popular wrecksite, they reluctantly left. But on the following Sunday they chartered the commercial scallop fishing boat Kim Ann from Belmar. After a nail-biting wait for a group of divers who got there first, the Langevins got a cable attached to the anchor & their video shows Capt. Mark Vitolo hoisting it (all 5,000 lbs) from 120' & landing onto the deck of the fishing boat! 8' long w/4' flukes, it now rests @ Deb Whitcraft's Beach Haven Museum of Maritime History! Jeff Boles 50-50; Boyko, the bag; & Andrew Nagle, the Gary Gentile book! CU 5-5-10 @ Barnaby's! Dime store day i.e. Cinco de Mayo!

The KDA has gone virtual on FACEBOOK:

http://www.facebook.com/pages/Keystone-Divers-Association/109216253318

Mail@DudasDiving.com Dive season SOON!

upcoming KDA events & special stuff

PADI TEC W/ CHRIS DONNELLY

Chris Donnelly is a PADI Course director and Trimix Instructor

Thru his company 25 Fathoms we will be offering the new PADI TEC diver course.

TEC 40, TEC 45 TEC 50 AND TEC TRIMIX 65

CLASSES STARTING IN JULY

Our 2010 KDA officers:

President	•••••
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Treasurer	Noreen Brown
Secretary	Lisa Bennett
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SCUBA CAMP @ MALVERN PREP.
JUNE 21- 24 w/Open water June 25&26
Or

JULY 19-22 w/ Open Water July 23&24**

One of our most popular programs, classes fill up fast. Join EBD for a SCUBA class specially designed for the younger diver. Call for details.

GREAT NEWS MEMBERS: FREE AIR (air only) as long as you are a current KDA member. Come by Dudas Diving Duds and ask about all of the TERRIFIC KDA Member Specials on selected diving gear and accessories!

Meeting Place: BARNABY'S OF AMERICA

15 South High Street, West Chester, PA (610) 696-1400

Parking is free in the garage across High Street if you stay until 9:30! Follow Rt. 3 into town (Market St.), turn left when you get to High Street & you're there on the left! Or Follow Rt. 202 North from DE and go straight when it becomes High Street – go up about 6 blocks and it's on the right (BEFORE Gay St!)

The KDA meets at Barnaby's of America (top floor) the FIRST Wednesday of the month beginning at 7 PM, 15 South High Street, West Chester, PA (610) 696-1400. The speaker begins at 8 P.M.

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Wednesday, June 2, 2010 Barnaby's! Meeting @7. Mike Boring w/the WILHELM GUSTOFF Speaker @ 8! Wednesday, July 7 (Yes! A CHANGE from June!) It's the 25th annual KDA PICNIC! With Product REPS, maybe a bonfire, but absolutely NO RAIN!! On the front lawn of Dudas Diving Duds.

DIVER'S ED

Scubadiver @ West Chester YMCA	Tuesdays –May 11, 2010
Scubadiver @ UMLY	Mondays –June 7, 2010
Scubadiver @ West Chester YMCA	Tuesdays June 22, 2010
Drysuit @ West Chester YMCA	Tuesday May 11,2010
CPR/First Response	Wednesday May 12, 2010
Nitrox @ DDD	Thursday May 13, 2010
Rescue @ DDD	. Class begins Wednesday May 19, 2010
Advanced @ Dutch Springs	May 22 & 23,2010
Dudas Social Dive DayBring a buddy Find a BuddyTours offered	May 23,2010
DUI Demo Days.	May 22 & 23,2010
Dive Rite Demo Days	June 19&20,2010

Pete Nawrocky, our Dive-Rite rep will instruct a side-mount tank rigging class on Tuesday nite, June 15. Go to Dudas Diving Duds first then on to the West Chester YMCA. Call Dudas Diving Duds to sign up! **FREE**

EBD IS GOING BACK TO FLORIDA MAY 19-24! Call DDD (610) 436-0176

I can do OW checkouts 12 yrs and older. Anyone wanting to start or continue overhead training or just pratice Openwater - scootering too! We have housing for \$25/ nite. EBD to cook Family style meals. ANYBODY IS welcome! Even Non Divers! Water is 71 year-round and gin clear. For checkout dives you get about 60 minutes or more of Bottom time on each dive. Your awareness of great configuration is greatly increased and no waves, no blow outs, and NEVER in a hurry! So many cool people, too! Wes Skiles always has something new to show us. And if not pouring rain, we have campfires too!

EBD will be returning to N. FL for NSS CDS WEEKEND (The National Speleological Society Cave Diving Section) which will be held @ Spring House Lodge @ Otter Springs Park on the Suwannee River MAY 21-23. Must sign up early as this is a big event down in Cave country. \$25/nite goes fast! Ottersprings.com

DIVE TRAVEL

I am going back to Bonaire Jan 8, 2011. Join EBD and Mark Hennessey. Meet Capt. Don! We will be able to dive the Windjammer. Imagine! TEK training in a warm Environment! We will offer Tek Nitrox, how to swing a stage bottle & O2 deco by EBD NAUI # 8672

Grand Cayman	May 22-29, 2010
St. Lawrence With a Castle tour	August 21-22, 2010
Roatan	Sept. 11 – 18, 2010
Truk LagoonSOLD OUT	One or two weeks Sept. 26 – Oct. 10, 2010
Turks & Caicos Aggressor Live aboard	
Grenada	2011
Kasawari Lembeh Straights	May 18, 2012
Raja Ampat Islands, West Papua, IndonesiaSOLD OUT	Memorial Day, 2012

One of the world's preeminent oceanographers, to appear in Philadelphia on Monday, May 10

Sponsored by The Explorer's Club

Monday, May 10 Academy of Natural Sciences

19th & The Parkway

Philadelphia

Reception: 6:15-7:00 PM Program 7:00-8:00 PM

Cost: Free

* RSVP is required by May 7 as seating is limited

* So please call the shop to get on board and arrange for car-pooling and possible downtown dinner before or after: (610) 436-0176

Dr. Sylvia Earle is the author of many books on the ocean, including Sea Change: A Message of the Oceans and, most recently, Ocean: An Illustrated Atlas, with Linda K. Glover. Earle has led more than 60 expeditions and logged more than 6,000 hours underwater, including leading the first team of women aquanauts during the Tektite Project in 1970 and setting a record for solo diving to a depth of 1,000 meters (3,300 feet). Her research concerns marine ecosystems with special reference to exploration and the development and use of new technologies for access and effective operations in the deep sea and other remote environments.

After her WHYY interview earlier in the day, Dr. Earle will appear in person to discuss topics related to Marine conservation and her latest book: "The World is Blue." She will be available to autograph her book at her presentation at Academy of Natural Sciences.







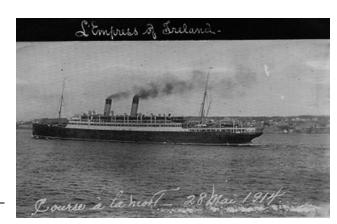
FIRST CLASS

NEXT MEETING: May 5, 2010 Barnaby's

The Keystone Diver's Association presents:

Bart Malone 'The Empress of Ireland'

The British Liner was sunk May 28, 1914 just two years after the *Titanic* following a collision with the Norwegian collier *Storstad* in one of the greatest tragedies in maritime history with 1012 lives lost. She now lies on her starboard side, in the St. Lawrence River.



Wednesday, May 5 @ 8 PM

Barnaby's in West Chester!

15 South High Street in West Chester, PA!

(610) 696-1400 (FREE parking directly across the street in the parking garage if you stay till 9:30 PM!)

It's another WONDERFUL year of diving! Come out to Barnaby's & spend some quality time with your favorite dive buddies & meet some new ones, too! Get together; share a speaker, some food and a drink!!