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Message from the Chair

GR8 SCUBA & BBQ!

If there were a way to type this entire column in text message short-hand and abbreviations, I would do it. All jokes aside, we had our most successful barbecue ever thanks to John Meyers and the Pacific Mariners Yacht Club in Marina Del Rey (PMYC in MDR, if you prefer the abbreviated format). While the attendance at the SCUBA trip was no where near as high, we also are able to declare that a total success thanks to Adam James who worked on the waterfront in the 1990s and now owns and operates his own SCUBA charter company. Look for many more EBA SCUBA trips to destinations along the Southern California coastline and even out to camp.

Keep in mind the other upcoming events with dates and times to be announced including the ski trip, wine tasting, and next summer's reunion. We have a special treat for you with the wine tasting event this year so stay tuned!

- Dave McAlister, Chairman



EBA Triathlon winner Lee Harrison is congratulated by Rich Wise for not coming in fifth place.

EBA TRIATHLON TURNS 13

IT HAPPENED! After a dozen years in fifth place, Lee Harrison finds the magic pill** and races away with first place at the summer classic. (**Note: Performance enhancing drugs are strictly forbidden at the EBA Triathlon!)

Nursing an injured taintacoccyx, five time champion Pat McDonald withdrew from the race, but gave the competitors a rousing pep talk. With Pat out of the race, the field was left wide open.

From nearly start to finish, it was Lee. By about 15 seconds, the fastest swim was turned in by Ryan Luecke, but he could not hold off the charge of Lee who paddled the day's best kayak. Out on the run, a strong performance was turned in by David Craig (age 16) who passed Ryan, but he ran out of real estate before he could run down Lee. In the end, it was Lee, followed by David Craig and Ryan Luecke took third. A couple of "teams" put up great numbers and a notable performance was registered by Bob Fenton, who is swimming better now than when he was staff in the 70s!

In the end, all the participants are to be commended for coming out to compete. A special thanks to the volunteers that make the race possible!

You are all invited to come out next year to cheer, volunteer or set your own personal record. Lastly, it has been noted that former staffers have been collecting most of the podium finishes. Will the current staff step up and reclaim the title? I look forward to seeing you all when we get the answer next August!

- Your race director, Rich Wise

Sizzling Success

The Emerald Bay Dive and Barbecue Event was highly successful due to the hard work of two alumni and perfect weather. Adam James, an experienced dive boat captain, made sure the dives went smoothly. Near-perfect water conditions ensured great

diving. John Meyers graciously hosted the barbecue at the Pacific Mariners Yacht Club. More than 40 alumni and families enjoyed burgers cooked to perfection with all of the trimmings, good company, a beautiful setting and a perfect weather.



Diving into History



Diver Dave McAlister signals his approval of the diving at the Star of Scotland wreck.

Adam James skillfully skippered his boat out of Marina Del Rey on this perfect September morning and with a little help from the GPS easily found the location of our first dive, the Star of Scotland wreck in the Santa Monica Bay. Two dives were planned and then later we would join the EBA barbecue at the Pacific Mariners Yacht Club. Dave McAlister, another diver and I jumped into the water from Adam's boat and descended to about seventy feet where the wreck was spread out in front of us. The relatively good visibility made navigation easy. We started our exploration at the bow of the ship and

made our way around the remains of the wreck. The ship was over 260 feet long when it sank and much of the hull and deck remains. The wreck is home to lots of fish, colorful nudibranchs, walls of brightly colored anemones and a crab or two. All were on display for us. Our second dive was on a reef not too far from the entrance to Marina Del Rey. Again, Adam positioned the boat perfectly right on top of the reefs making finding the site easy once we were in the water. The reefs were full of life with lots of nudibranchs, scallops, and colorful anemones covering the rocks. Meanwhile, schools of small fish swirled

around us, getting out of our way as we swam by. A few lobster hid in the rocks and a disinterested lincod swam by. Both dives were great and with Adam's assistance, everything went smoothly.

We changed out of our dive gear and into dry clothes and then went to the yacht club to meet up with the rest of the alumni who had preferred to stay on the surface for a burger and fellowship. Thanks to the hospitality of John Meyers and the Pacific Mariner Yacht Club, the barbecue was a great success with many generations of staff enjoying catching up and feasting on good food.

The day was a success thanks to the efforts of Adam and John. Later on, when I was cleaning my dive gear, I thought of how great the day had been and that I can't wait for the next EBA dive and barbecue event.

- Bob Fenton, Editor



A dorid nudibranch on the reef.

Ed Butterworth - EB's OLDEST STAFFMAN?

Over the years, I have had the pleasure of corresponding with Ed "Butter" Butterworth. Ed was one of the earliest campers at Emerald Bay. Arriving in camp as a scout in the mid-1920s, Ed went on to work on staff through most of the

1930s, including as Activities Director and Waterfront Director. He fondly recalls traveling with other senior staffmen down to the Casino in Avalon to dance on the big wooden floor there. During the late 30's, Ed worked at camp in the summer

and attended Stanford Law School in the winters.

Like many of his fellow staffmen, Ed served during WWII, achieving the rank of Lt. JG in "Naval Intelligence". Following the war, Ed returned to camp (while establishing his legal practice) to help run the Rifle Range. The Range in those days
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Ed Butterworth (from page 2)

was located above Doctor's Cove in the area that is now the Chapel.

While his law practice flourished, Ed stayed involved in scouting, including serving as President of San Gabriel Valley Council. For those of you old enough to remember it, Ed was also a founder and president of FEDCO, which was the pre-

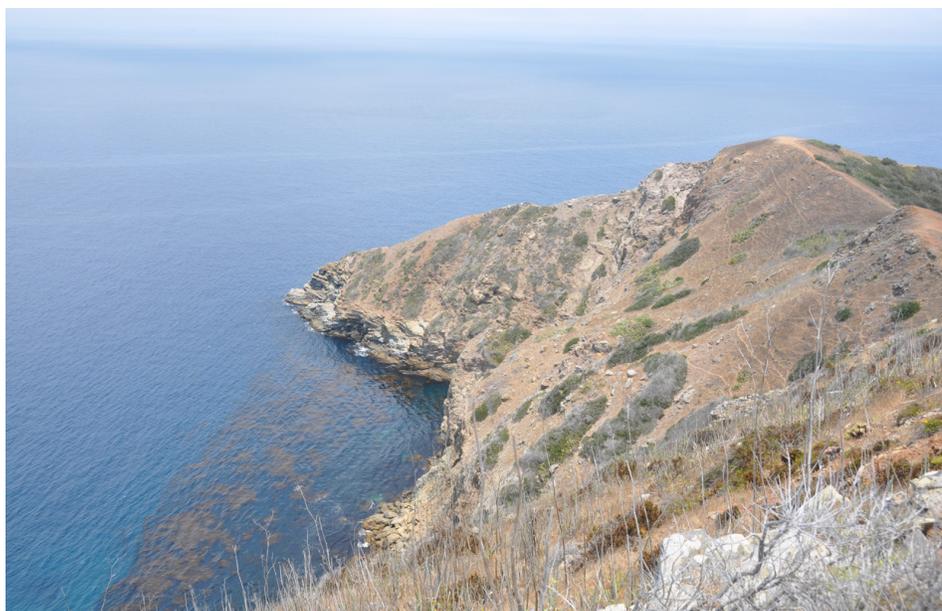
cursor to many of today's big membership stores (e.g. Costco).

After many decades, Ed made it back out to camp about a year ago. Needless to say, he was amazed by the changes. He commented that though the buildings had all changed, the waterfront, big Eucalyptus and hillsides "still felt like home."

The EBA salutes Ed and sends early birthday wishes...he will be celebrating his 100th birthday next May!

If you have any pictures or stories of Camp days gone by, please send them into the EBA: PO Box 959, Venice, CA 90294 - Rich Wise

Where on Catalina Island?



What is the name of this arrow shaped point, a favorite place to catch the sunset just west of North Hill? It is roughly a third of the way to Parson's Landing and can be accessed by taking the trail that begins at North Hill, near the grave of Sam Prentis, that arrives first at the Pierce Family Chapel. Give up? It is Arrow Point.



Canoeing Merit Badge at Emerald Bay during the summer of 2013.

Calendar of Events

- Jun 08 First Camping Session
- Aug 2-3 Emerald Bay Alumni Reunion
- Aug 09 End of Last Camping Session

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Summer Reunion 2013



Group photo from the EBA Summer Reunion 2013.



Participants in the 2013 Emerald Bay Triathlon.



The Morimoto clan get ready for a kayaking adventure.



Michelle and Knox Gardinier examine a sailboat on Bayshore Beach.

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