

# **Sand Dollar & Bonaire Dive & Adventure**

## **Third Annual Fish ID Challenge Schedule**

**July 31 - August 6 & August 7 - 13, 2010**

### **Saturday July 31 & August 7:**

**8.30 - 9.30 am:** Diver registration at Bonaire Dive & Adventure

**9.30 am:** Bonaire Marine Park Orientation and check out dive on Bari Reef. During the orientation all will be explained about the Fish ID Challenge.

### **Sunday August 1 & 8**

**8.30 - 9.30 am:** Diver registration at Bonaire Dive & Adventure

**9.30 am:** Bonaire Marine Park Orientation and check out dive on Bari Reef. During the orientation all will be explained about the Fish ID Challenge.

**7.00 - 8.15 pm:** First Multimedia Fish ID Seminar. In this big screen presentation divers will learn how to contribute to REEF's (Reef Environmental Education Foundation)

### **Monday August 2 & 9**

**8.30 - 9.00 am:** Daily Wanted Poster unveiled under the big umbrella at BDA.

Scott & Patti available for questions.

**9.00 am:** Guided dive with naturalists Scott & Patti Chandler on Bari Reef after an explanatory briefing. Max. 6 divers.

**5.00 - 6.00 pm:** Bonaire Dive & Adventure's Dive Masters Rum Punch Party under the big umbrella, with music and snacks.

**7.00 - 8.00 pm:** Fish Tales and Raw Video Review with Scott & Patti.

### **Tuesday 3 & 10**

**8.30 - 9.00 am:** Daily Wanted Poster unveiled under the big umbrella at BDA.

Scott & Patti available for questions.

**2.00 pm:** Guided dive with naturalists Scott & Patti Chandler on Bari reef after an explanatory briefing. Max. 6 divers.

**7.00 - 8.15 pm:** Second Multimedia Fish ID Seminar.

### **Wednesday August 4 & 11**

**8.30 - 9.00 am:** Daily Wanted Poster unveiled under the big umbrella at BDA.

Scott & Patti available for questions.

**2.00 pm:** Guided dive with naturalists Scott & Patti on Bari reef after an explanatory briefing. Max. 6 divers.

### **Thursday August 5 & 12**

**8.30 - 9.00 am:** Daily Wanted Poster unveiled under the big umbrella at BDA.

Scott & Patti available for questions.

**9.00 am:** Guided dive with the naturalists Scott & Patti on Bari Reef after an explanatory briefing. Max. 6 divers.

**7.00 - 8.00 pm:** Fish Tales and Raw Video Review with Scott & Patti.

### **Friday August 6 & 13**

**8.30 - 9.00 am:** Daily Wanted Poster unveiled under the big umbrella at BDA.

Scott & Patti available for questions.

**5.00 pm:** Award Ceremony under the big umbrella at BDA with drinks and snacks.

Dear Guest,

For many years, **Sand Dollar** and **Bonaire Dive & Adventure** have actively supported education and conservation programs designed to contribute to the preservation of Bonaire's magnificent underwater Marine Park. Join them for their latest endeavor, in conjunction with Fish ID experts **Scott & Patti Chandler** of **ReefNet Inc.** Well know for their work in marine life identification and documentation, the Chandlers have spent the last 19 years documenting fish species, behaviors and creatures for future study and identification.

During the 2 weeks, Scott and Patti along with Bonaire Dive & Adventure naturalist **Jerry Ligon** will lead guided dives on Bari Reef.

There will be 2 Multimedia Fish ID Seminars per week targeting novice to advanced fish watchers during their stay.

A Bonaire specific, custom printed Fish ID Guide of the top fish families found in Bonaire waters is waiting for you in your Sand Dollar Condo. Those attending the seminar will receive a free hand out that shows photos of the top 100 fish found in Bonaire, provides a glossary of ID terms and gives Bonaire dive site codes. Several evenings each week Scott and Patti will show raw uncut video of these and other dives with participants discussing Fish ID and swapping the day's 'Fish Tales' One of Scott's specialties is shooting in Hi-Def macro, capturing on tape, interesting fishes and creatures too small to be noticed by the naked eye and fish behavior not normally seen by most divers.

Divers will learn how to contribute to **Reef's (the Reef Environmental Education Foundation)** fish database through the use of roving surveys. Information gathered in the surveys will be entered in REEF's public-accessible database and made available to divers, marine researchers and other interested parties. **Current reef database statistics site Bonaire as having 7 of the top 10 Reefs in the Caribbean in terms of species richness, with Sand Dollar Bari Reef boasting the top position with a remarkable 368 species recorded.**

Participants will be further challenged with the goal of locating a 'Fish du Jour' which will be posted on daily 'Wanted Posters'. At week's end, prizes will be awarded for the guest(s) who accumulate the most points for daily fish sightings. Guests will be encouraged to participate in a cumulative weekly fish sighting tally that will be updated daily to illustrate the vast representation of fish that can be found in Bonaire's calm waters.

Participation in the seminars, dive with the naturalists Scott & Patti (throughout the program) on Bari Reef and the uncut video reviews with Scott & Patti is **FREE**. **Bonaire Dive and Adventure** also offers **25% discount** on a H2YO noisemaker and the ReefNet Inc. DVD during these 2 weeks.

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