

ISAM NEWS

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26th Annual Summer Meeting July 15-22, 2017 Hotel Bosque del Mar, Playa Hermosa

Make International Airline Reservations in and out of Liberia Costa Rica



The 2017 Annual Summer Meeting will find us at Hotel Bosque del Mar, Playa Hermosa Costa Rica. Rocket Frog Divers, known for their legendary service, will handle our diving. Costa Rica's North Pacific coast is known for large animal diving. Few places in the world have waters with such varied and plentiful marine life. Costa Rica is know today as a unique dive destination, and not only for its marine life, but because of its many other attractions. Divers have the opportunity to visit National Parks, go white water rafting, sky trekking, zip lining or zipping, big gamefishing, horsebackriding, birdwatching, swim on secluded beaches, enjoy breathtaking sunsets, warm star-filled nights, and feel welcomed by friendly Costa Rican people. The Hotel Bosque del Mar, Playa Hermosa is a unique beach front property in Hermosa Bay, Guanacaste where a high-end boutique eco concept comes alive. The resort is a small luxurious hideaway where visitors can relax and enjoy the marvels of the Pacific Ocean in year round summer weather. Set along the shores of the gray – sand Playa Hermosa (which means "beautiful beach" in Spanish), Bosque del Mar is a contemporary boutique hotel that stylishly embraces both its jungle and beach surroundings. The hotel's modern, ocean meets-jungle style is constant throughout the property. The resort is a contemporary boutique style with a lovely open-air restaurant and second-floor lounge set in a forested setting overlooking the sands and gentle surf of Playa Hermosa.

ISAM has reserved junior suite accomodations for our 2017 Summer conference.

ISAM will experience the legendary service of Rocket Frog Divers which is considered the best dive operation in Costa Rica. Rocket Frog Divers consider Costa Rica to be broken into three



categories of diving . Local diving, the Catalina Islands and the Bat Islands, Rocket Frog offers more local dive sites than any other dive operator in the Guanacaste region of Costa Rica. The Catalina Islands are a quick 30 Minute boat ride form our resort onboard the dive vessel, The Pacific Express. The diving in the Catalinas is a great compliment to our local diving as well as the Bat Islands. The Catalinas are most famous for the Pacific Giant Mantas which frequent the area throughout the year. The Bat Islands are one of the premier scuba diving destinations in Costa Rica. The area has been protected as a marine reserve by the country as part of the national park. The Bat Islands are full of marine life. There are huge schools of different species of fish ranging in size form small to huge. There are also massive schools of Rays that pass through the area. For divers, the area is most famous for the encounters that you can have with the very large bull shark!

The ISAM dive package includes all the 3 categores The ISAM 5 day -dive package includes:

Three (3) days of local diving

One (1) day of long – range diving to Catalina Islands

One (1) day of long-range diving to Bat Islands (advanced dive) * Ulimited Nitrox fills

* BAT ISLANDS DIVE TRIP does not include \$15.00 per person National Park Fee, subject to change without notice by Costa Rican government.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

The scientific sessions will be hosted by SUNY Upstate Medical University and will feature as our keynote speaker Joel Silverstein. He is one of the leading specialists in diver training, explorations, and decompression analysis. Mr. Silverstein is the author of three books and six training programs. His is a major contributor of the NOAA Diving Manual and will over 100 articles on scuba diving training, exploration, and technology. He has conducted almost over 5,000 dives all over the world, with such noted



dives as the USS Monitor and 12 expeditions to the Andrea Doria.



CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES:

ISAM is an association of diving physicians dedicated to the promulgation of diving medicine information in the United States and foreign countries. The conference will include the study of such topics as underwater physiology, diagnosis and treatment of decompression sickness, physical examination for divers, and the treatment of injuries caused by poisonous and venomous animals.

COSTS:

Per person/double occupancy (No airfare included in this price. All prices subject to change.) Costs are based on payment by check. Use of a credit card adds 4%.

Diver	\$2195.00
Non-Diver	\$1695.00
Single Supplement	\$595.00
Yearly ISAM dues to be current	\$100.00

GROUP PACKAGE INCLUDES

7 nights accommodation Jr suite room
7 Breakfast, 5 lunches and 2 dinners
Government rooms taxes
Group Transfers to and from the airport to the hotel Included
Individual Transfers 50.00 each way
5 days of ISAM diving, 2 tanks daily
Free Nitrox
Tips for the dive guides
One ISAM gift per guest
30 hours Category 2 CME

UPGRADES - Gardenview suite 298.00 Per person/double occp
Ocean suite 408.00 " " "



ACTIVITIES THAT CAN BE OFFERED EXTRA TO THE PACKAGE

Add a land extension following the seminar will be available to visit Arenal volcano and participate in unique Costa Rican adventures. The land tour will be July 22-25, details to follow. Please make your airline reservations into and out of Liberia, Costa Rica.



Arenal Volcano

Whitewater Rafting





Sky Trek





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