



# ISAM NEWS

## INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF AQUATIC MEDICINE

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# 23rd Annual Summer Meeting

## July 19-26, 2014

### SunBreeze Hotel & Hugh Parkey's Belize Dive Connection



### 30 Divers • 30 Hours Category 2 CME for Physicians ONLY 20 BEACH FRONT ROOMS - RESERVE EARLY!

The 2014 Annual Summer Conference will find us at SunBreeze Hotel in Ambergris Caye. This Belize hotel is a perfect vacation getaway conveniently located within a stroll from the quaint town of

San Pedro Belize on Ambergris Caye, Belize. SunBreeze Hotel is a U shaped Spanish Architectural design with a touch of the Caribbean surrounded by tropical gardens overlooking the Caribbean Sea.

Belize Central America. Ambergris Caye is the largest island in Belize, and the main destination for travellers to this western Caribbean nation. San Pedro is the only town on the island. Ambergris Caye has been the hub of Belizean area maritime trade for centuries. Fishing, coconuts, and chicle were historic means of islanders support, but the last thirty years have led to a large growth in both the Belize dive and scuba trade, and ecotourism. The rich variety of things to do in San Pedro Town makes Ambergris Caye the gateway to Belize.

Belize has the amazing Belize coral reef system, the second largest in the world and this hemisphere's longest, running off-shore, and many cayes (islands of coral sand) are surrounded by astounding reefs to snorkel or scuba dive. The reef lies one-half mile east of the Am-



bergris Caye shoreline and runs the entire 25 mile length of the island. This has made San Pedro Town the dive and water sports capital of Belize and Central America.



Ambergris Caye is justly the most popular attraction to the tourists who come to Belize. The factor that most contributes to this is the unbelievably superb diving & snorkeling conditions. The pace is slow, the people are very friendly, the streets are still dirt and sand and the resorts are small and intimate. The main modes of transportation are golf carts and bicycles. No matter where you go, Ambergris Caye's charm is authentic island – wide. Settle in, dig your toes in the sand, and stay a while....

#### 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 the three books and six training programs. He is a major contributor of the NOAA Diving Manual and well 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 examinations for divers, and the treatment of injuries caused by poisonous and venomous animals.

**COSTS:**

Per person/double occupancy  
Airfare to Belize City not included in this price  
All prices subject to change.  
Cost based on payment by check. Use of a credit card add 4%

**Deluxe Ocean View Rooms**

Non-Diver..... \$  
Single Supplement..... \$  
Yearly ISAM Dues to be current..... \$

**GROUP PACKAGE INCLUDES:**

- Airfare from Belize City to Ambergris Caye Belize
- 7 nights accommodations double occupancy
- Government Room taxes
- 5 days diving, 2 tanks daily
- Tips for the dive guide
- One ISAM gift per guest
- 30 hours Category 2 CME



**Activities that can be offered extra to the package:**

- Caving
- Cave Tubing
- Kayaking
- Jungle Hiking
- Zip lining
- Mayan Ruin Expeditions
- Horseback riding on treks through rainforest, jungle waterfalls of ancient Maya temples



**REQUIRED EQUIPMENT**

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International airline flights should be into **Belize City**.

**RESPONSIBILITY:**

ISAM, Traveler's Choice, SunBreeze Hotel and Hugh Parkey's Dive Connection assume no responsibility or liability as to the safety, quality of conditions, nor the act of any employee or agent of any establishments, firm, person or entity furnishing such services, transportation, equipment, substitution or unperformed services, nor assume any responsibility or liability for the safety of any participating individuals while engaged in underwater activities. All trip participants will be required to sign an ISAM/Traveler's Choice liability waiver.



**BELIZE REGISTRATION**

Member: \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Sizes: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like Traveler's Choice to make airline reservations for \_\_\_\_\_ persons

Departure City: \_\_\_\_\_ Airport Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge my airline ticket to the following credit card: Credit Card Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please call Traveler's Choice for Airline Reservations at (910) 452-1452. E-Mail: DivingDocs@aol.com

\$1000 Deposit per person required at this time.

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