

# Island Report

*News, events and happenings around Bonaire...*

## Getting the Reef Balls rolling

Sand Dollar Condominium owners, hotel staff, dive staff and other local marine life lovers have joined forces with the Reef Ball Foundation, Inc., to create some artificial reefs and help regenerate coral. Twenty massive concrete balls weighing 600 pounds each have been

molded with nooks and crannies to attract marine life of all kinds. The project, in tandem with Bonaire Marine Park, will be monitored for two years by local naturalists. If you would like to sponsor a Reef Ball or learn more, email [jweterrings@yahoo.com](mailto:jweterrings@yahoo.com) or visit [www.divesanddollar.com](http://www.divesanddollar.com).



## DIAB delights more than divers!

Dive Into Adventure Bonaire (DIAB) is an exciting summer program sponsored by Tourism Corporation Bonaire (TCB) and *Scuba Diving* magazine. Though primarily designed to showcase Bonaire's unique underwater offerings, you need not be a diver to join the fun. There are informative presentations, workshops, parties and cultural events, including Taste of Bonaire, to enjoy. You can also participate in ecoadventures like kayaking, windsurfing, sailing, kiteboarding, horseback riding, mountain biking and guided tours of national parks. DIAB runs from June 16 to June 23, 2007. Visit [www.diveintoadventurebonaire.com](http://www.diveintoadventurebonaire.com).

## Starboard supports young windsurfing stars

Starboard, one of the world's leading manufacturers of windsurfing equipment, sponsored the second Prokids Freestyle Worlds competition in 2006, an event even bigger and better than the inaugural world premiere competition in 2005. In 2007, it promises to be still more exciting, attracting top windsurfing talent under 18 years of age from around the globe to Sorobon Beach. This year's event should take place in August, check for details at [www.prokidsfreestyle.com](http://www.prokidsfreestyle.com) or [www.bonairewindsurfing.com](http://www.bonairewindsurfing.com).