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## September Highlights.....

“Sharks turn out to be very much like horses....”, says David Ulloa. He’s our speaker at the September MWFPOA meeting. *Sure they are David. To read more about this interesting person see page 10.*



### Come to Margaritaville for the Annual “Dancing Under The Stars”

at Friendship Park in Meadow Wood Farms.

This year we are Featuring:  
Live Music, Great Entertainment and  
Food Galore.

This event is an adult BYOB affair.  
September 28, 2013 7-10 pm.

Tickets are now available for \$18.00 per person.

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Or

Connie Story 369-0809

**Come in Your Favorite Margaritaville Attire!**  
**(“Parrot Heads” floral shirts, flip flops welcome.)**

Singles are welcome and dancing is optional.

### Upcoming Events

Next Board Meeting—

September 12, 2013 -

Thursday—7:00 PM

Next Assoc. Meeting\_

September 19, 2013

Thursday— 7:00 PM

Agenda:

**The Shark Whisperer  
& Partner**

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Elizabeth Waller—  
President MWFPOA

September is an odd month in Florida. It holds out the promise of cooler weather but often disappoints. Days get shorter and the rhythm of life changes as the children go back to school and the snowbirds start to reappear. It's an inbetween month in many respects.

This September is significant for several reasons. First, we can look forward to our annual dinner

## President's Message: OF DANCING & DIPLOMACY

dance, "Dancing under the Stars" on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Details about the event can be found elsewhere in this issue, but I have to say that it is ALWAYS a fun evening and well worth attending. Dates and dancing are completely optional—I have gone stag on several occasions—and the food, music, entertainment and conviviality make this THE event of the year here in MWF. I'd also like to point out that (contrary to some neighborhood misinformation) "Dancing under the Stars" has always been a revenue-producing event and ticket sales not only pay for the entire party, but usually contribute a healthy sum to the Association treasury as well. So please, plan to join us for an evening you won't forget!

Another milestone in September is the resignation

of our long-time Chair of the MWFPOA Control Committee, John Trinckes. As many of you know, John has served as our neighborhood expert on all things related to County Ordinances and the MWF Deed Restrictions and By-Laws. He has promptly and effectively investigated all complaints and answered all questions that came his way. The Executive Board has relied heavily on his tact, discretion, and knowledge in navigating the delicate balance of enforcement and education that is required of this position. We all thank him from the bottom of our hearts for his many years of service, and wish him well in his new endeavors.

Obviously, John's resignation means that we have a critical vacancy. We are looking for a new Control Committee Chair—could it

be you? Are you someone who genuinely LIKES people and assumes the best about their intentions? Are you skilled at oral and written communication? Do you care about our community and about preserving a safe, welcoming and attractive environment while still respecting individual preferences and changing situations? Do you obtain satisfaction from bringing issues to a positive resolution? Are you discreet, diplomatic, and able to leap tall buildings at a single bound? If this sounds like you, please call a member of the Executive Board and discuss this position with one of us. We really, really need the right person for this job and we really, really hope that it's you!

Take care,  
Elizabeth Waller

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MINUTES ARE POSTED ON THE WEBSITE AFTER THE BOARD MEETINGS AND THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

[www.meadowwoodfarmsocala.com](http://www.meadowwoodfarmsocala.com)

## Standing Committees

<b>Beautification</b>	Chair: Vacant	
<b>Control</b>	Chair: Vacant	
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<b>Sunshine</b>	Chair: Sandy Mollberg	861-9622
<b>Welcome</b>	Chair: Della Brock	873-2726

## Directory Information

New Directories are about to be printed. If you have changed your phone, address or email, please contact Dick Woodrome at [rdw218w@aol.com](mailto:rdw218w@aol.com) or call him at 861-2364.

New directories are free for members. Non members may purchase the directory for \$5.00. Members who would like to have an extra copy may purchase one for \$2.00.

We will make every effort to deliver the Members directories, so if you are missed, please let it be known to one of the Board Members or pick it up at the next Membership Meeting.

## Membership & Newsletter

The current **membership** year runs from June to the end of May the next year. Please renew your membership ASAP. Your membership supports the monthly Newsletter along with a multitude of events and improvements to our community. We need all of you to participate in keeping Meadow Wood Farms the wonderful place to live that we enjoy. Finally, don't forget that as a member you have a voice and a vote and are encouraged to participate in all aspects of the Association.

Need to check if you've paid? **Contact Dick Woodrome at 861-2364 or email him at [rdw218w@aol.com](mailto:rdw218w@aol.com).** You can have the good feeling that comes from being an involved and contributing member of your community.

**Starting in July, 2013 the NEWSLETTER will be delivered to everyone in MWF who requested it.**

Mailing tubes have been attached to your mailbox stand in order to make these deliveries legal in the eyes of the USPS. If you're not getting one and/or need a tube, contact **Dick Woodrome** at 861-2364 or email him at [rdw218w@aol.com](mailto:rdw218w@aol.com)

**Remember it is ALWAYS available (in vibrant color) online at [www.meadowwoodfarmsocala.com](http://www.meadowwoodfarmsocala.com).** Click Newsletter and the Month you're interested in. The photos look better there too. While you're there, be sure to wander around our new and improved **website**.

## Sunshine Report

If you are aware of someone who could benefit from receiving a card, whether due to illness or other reason, please notify: Sandy Mollberg at: [lenelew@aol.com](mailto:lenelew@aol.com) phone at 861-9622.

**Condolences were sent to the family of Kenneth Langbehn on his passing.**

## NEED HELP WITH PET Registry & Rescue

*Sandy Mollberg has come to the rescue of many of our wandering pets for several years. She is asking that someone else take on the position or provide some more help at this point.*

*If anyone has an extra stall or an empty kennel or dog run that would be available to hold some of these critters until the owners can be found, that would be most useful. If anyone would be willing to field calls and maintain the pet registry -that too would be welcome. This is not a MWF service, but as most of us have pets, it is a valued service to the community.*

*Please consider participating for the benefit of all, so we can give Sandy a break.*

If you have FOUND or LOST a pet, you can contact **Sandy Mollberg at 861-9622.**

This service is not part of the Association, but rather is a personal service provided free to the residents of Meadow Wood Farms.

Sandy does not take any pets in as a rescue, nor does she place pets in homes for people. If you wish, you can register your pet with photo with her so that she will have them on file if she gets a call for a lost pet.

If you can help Sandy, give her a call.

## Recycle Your Aluminum Cans

### To Benefit MWFPOA Treasury

MWFPOA is partnering with the Girl Scouts, who will get 25% of the profits for their efforts. Our local scout, Emily Woolf will be heading up the project.

The recycle point for your aluminum cans is at the front entrance to the Friendship Park on Lake View Drive East. Barrels are provided for that purpose.

Cans that are rinsed, tab tops removed and crushed are our favorites.

Tab tops may go to any charity you know or bring them to meetings to go to Shands Juvenile Kidney foundation.

**ALUMINUM CANS ONLY PLEASE!**

***With the possibility of new road repair likely, now is also the time to address the issue of our culverts throughout the subdivision.***

A key factor in the life of a road is the drainage system. Water is the biggest enemy for road pavement so it stands to reason that maintaining a good drainage system is important. Water can weaken a road bed resulting in alligator cracking, potholes, shoulder erosion, etc. In addition, stormwater often carries a sediment load, which serves to clog culverts and swales. When this occurs, standing water can further weaken the road subbase. Aside from the County's network of culverts, drainage inlets, and swales, driveway culverts are also used to convey stormwater under the driveway. (Some driveways are inverted to allow stormwater to flow over the driveway...another acceptable method.) **What many homeowners do not realize is that driveways and driveway culverts are their responsibility to keep free and clear of sediment.** In viewing the two photos, note the culvert that is unclogged will allow water to pass through freely. Note that the clogged culvert will not allow stormwater to flow. This can result in multiple issues including a common outcome such as sediment filling in the swale thus reducing swale storage and causing water to flow to undesired locations.

The Marion County Office of the County Engineer (OCE) is planning to do maintenance work in several areas throughout our subdivision, which will consist of cleaning out County-maintained culverts and re-grading swales that have filled in with sediment over the years. The work is proposed to take place this Fall but before it can begin, there are several driveway culverts that homeowners need to clean out. A letter will be mailed from the County to those specific residents regarding that necessary activity. Once the driveway culverts are cleaned out, County crews will perform their work thus reestablishing the stormwater flow. If blockage of a County-maintained culvert, inlet, or swale is observed or any other issue with the road or drainage system, residents are encouraged to call the OCE Customer Service Center at 352-671-8686.



**This is an example of a correctly working culvert. The opening is adequate and clear from any debris or other obstacle.**

**This culvert, yes there should be a culvert hidden under the driveway, is problematic for the driveway and also undermines the road bed, potentially causing the road surface to disintegrate.**





## Meadow Wood Equine Club



This is a social group of horse oriented people. Guests or Visitors are welcome. Join us for discussions, find someone to ride with, good food, camaraderie, etc.

Membership is open to anyone you do not have to live in Meadow Wood Farms or own a horse to join. Membership is \$5.00 a year. Members receive a 10% discount off "most in store items" at Seminole, Tack Shack and J&J Tack. Must show your membership card. Some Restrictions apply as some items are not discounted such as feed, hay, shavings, and warehouse items. Ask store for details. For more information, please call: Secretary/Treasurer—Kathy

Rohlwing @ 861-7405  
Or VP— Carol Shockey @ 873-4719 Or President —Leroy Conro@ 873-2153

**September 4th thru 8th - Florida Morgan Horse Show** - at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion, 2232 NE Jacksonville Road, Ocala. Contact: Glenn Winograd| 813-286-2000

**September 6th & 7th, 2013 - Farriers Competition** - Friday and Saturday at The Ocala Equestrian Complex, 1601 S.W. 60th Av. Ocala, FL 34474 Office 352-237-4411

**September 7th, 2013 - Dressage, Show Jumping and 3 Phase Schooling Show** - Saturday at Florida Horse Park, 11008 South Highway 475 Ocala, 352-307-6699

**September 7th & 8th, 2013 - Sunshine State Lure Coursing Club Event** - Saturday and Sunday at Florida Horse Park, 11008 South Highway 475 Ocala, 352-307-6699

**September 19th, 2013 - Florida Equine Institute and Allied Trade Show** - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 +/- pm at Southeastern Livestock Pavilion, 2232 NE Jacksonville Road  
Topics - *Understanding Herbicide Toxicity / Controlling Insect Pests On Horse Farms / Pasture Health / Applied Equine Biomechanics / Causes & Treatment of Recurrent Colic In Horses / The In's & Out's Of Equine Digestion*. Registration includes admission to all seminars, trade show, a printed copy of the speakers' papers, refreshment

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breaks and catered lunch. Each paid participant will have a chance to win one of (5) \$50 Tack Shack Gift Certificates. Good at Tack Shack of Ocala, Inc. or Tack Shack Too. \$25 Early Registration (Postmarked on or before 9/6/13) \$50 Late Registration (postmarked after 9/6/13 or on-site) for more information / registration - phone: 352-671-8400 <http://www.volusia.org/core/fileparse.php/4179/urll/EqInstbrochure13.pdf>

**September 20th, 21st and 22nd, 2013 - Greater Ocala Dog Club Fall Agility Trial** - Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Greater Ocala Dog Club Show Grounds, 10205 NW Gainesville Road, Ocala 34482 [http://www.ocaladogclub.com/upcoming\\_events/pdf/premium\\_qodc\\_september\\_2013.pdf](http://www.ocaladogclub.com/upcoming_events/pdf/premium_qodc_september_2013.pdf)

**September 21st 2013 - Florida Horse Sales** - Saturday at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion, 2232 NE Jacksonville Road, Ocala. Contact: Pat Sanders 352-544-0170

**September 21st and 22nd, 2013 - Florida Reining Horse Show (FRHA)** - Saturday and Sunday at The Ocala Equestrian Complex, 1601 S.W. 60th Av. Ocala, FL 34474 Office 352-237-4411

**September 27th thru 29th, 2013 - PacWest Barrel Racing** - Friday, Saturday and Sunday at The Ocala Equestrian Complex, 1601 S.W. 60th Av. Ocala, FL 34474 Contact: Phyliss Torturo 352-239-1022

**September 28th, 2013 - Horse Sale** - Saturday at The Ocala Equestrian Complex, 1601 S.W. 60th Av. Ocala, FL 34474 Office 352-237-4411

**September 28th & 29th, 2013 - Tack Shack Horsey Yard Sale** - Saturday and Sunday at Tack Shack, 481 SW 60th Ave. Ocala 873-3599



## Come to the Meeting and Win **\$75.00**

A drawing will be held at the next MWFPOA General Meeting for \$75. If the winning resident is not present, his/her winnings will be added to the pot along with another \$25.

At the final meeting in May , the pot of \$175.00 was won by Elaine Hager.. .

Now, the pot has started again and will be \$75.00 for the next meeting in September.

ber. As Elaine will tell you, **it REALLY pays to come to the meetings.**

See you at the September Meeting, won't we?

**Florida Equine Institute & Allied Trade Show Present**

### **“ Foundations for Florida Horses ”**

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**September 19, 2013**

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**You do not need to be present to win.**

**Registration includes admission to all seminars, trade show, a printed copy of the speakers' papers, refreshment breaks and catered lunch.**

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## **OPERATION SHOEBOX**

**For those of you who are not familiar with Operation Shoebox, it is a program founded in 2003, dedicated to supporting our troops.** Allison and Lynn Zachary have adopted a platoon of 20 men and women stationed in the Middle East. They will be home in December, but in the meantime, they are sent monthly care packages. Each package must be documented with country of origin of items, weight and individually itemized. Next it is put in a specific APO box measuring 12"x12"x6". Customs forms must also be filled out for each box. Allison does all this online and prepays so that the price is slightly lower, \$13.30 for each box no matter what the weight.

Each month they get a list of most requested items from the troops and attempt to collect those things from our good neighbors in Meadow Wood Farms. They have enough goods now to send several boxes but what they need most is cash to send them as well as a note or letter that they can slip in with these care packages. Any help you can provide is greatly appreciated, especially personalized notes. Donations can be dropped off or sent to Lynn Zachary, 15 Wagon Wheel Way, Ocala FL 34482 or call 352-840-0622 and they would be happy to pick up anything you may want to donate. Should you wish to adopt your own platoon, you may contact Operation Shoebox located in Belleview, FL at 352-307-6723 or go online to get the list for most requested items at [www.operationshoebox.com](http://www.operationshoebox.com)



## CERT CORNER

While you are reading this we will be in the middle of hurricane season. Our peak time is historically around the middle of September. Peak months however, are from mid-August to mid-October and the season lasts until the end of November. While NOAA's Climate Prediction Center has recently reduced the forecast for the overall number of hurricanes they expect this year to be between six to nine, this is only a couple less than their earlier May forecast. NOAA says that the chance 2013 will be busier than normal still remains at 70%.

What this means is that it is not too late to finish, or start, your preparations. Head over to our CERT page at: <http://www.meadowwoodfarmsocala.com/cert/> for some useful and helpful information to help with your prepa-

rations. Another resource for you can be found by going to

<http://www.floridadisaster.org/index.asp>. This website has a lot of information we can all use. Take a couple of minutes and poke around the website for yourself. I know you'll be able to learn something and it might beat playing Solitaire.

Coming up starting on September 5<sup>th</sup> will be a new and updated CERT training class put on by Marion County. It will be more specific to Marion County and the issues found in this area. Several new CERT members are going to attend this 8 week long, once a week training. Since it is new and improved those CERT members who have previously attended are also being invited to monitor the class. It's a great opportunity for everyone to get caught up on the latest and greatest information, and keep all of us

playing in the same sandbox (Sorry I couldn't resist) and by the same rules since there will be changes regarding sheltering, points of distribution and other important topics.

So, with the new training coming up, if you ever thought you might like to join CERT, now is the time to do so. MWFPOA has graciously donated \$250 to CERT to help equip new members so we'll have the gear and items you'll need to get started. All we ask from you is some time to help your neighbors when they need it the most. So don't delay! You will not regret it a bit.

To sign up now or to get more information call the CERT Team Leader Deni Buetow at 622-6554 or email her at: [denisepurple1@yahoo.com](mailto:denisepurple1@yahoo.com).

## Addressing Speeding & General Road Safety in MWF



Summer is winding down and the kids are headed back to school. It's a sure sign summer is coming to an end when we see the school buses traveling our roads again. So what does that mean? It means there will be

children along the roads, playing with their friends while waiting for the bus and not watching for you. It's up to you to watch for them, watch for those big yellow buses with the flashing lights! Don't try to pass the school bus just before it stops or right after it starts moving again. What about that child who is running to catch the bus before it gets out of sight, or the one who waits for the bus before crossing the road? What about the family pet that is so glad to see its person it just runs out onto the road? **SLOW DOWN!** It's only for a minute or two and it most likely won't impact your day by slowing down, but it could impact the child or pet you hit with tragic circumstances for everyone involved, if you don't.

Dave Kane, Vice President, MWFPOA

Liaison for MWF with Local Law Enforcement

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## Real Estate in MWF

### Seller Financing

Well, we've reached the mid-point of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, and here is where we stand in terms of listings, sales, and pending properties in MWF. There are currently 21 active listings; only 2 foreclosures. There are 7 properties under contract (pending), and of those, 3 are distressed sales, either foreclosures or short sales. Lastly, there are 2 properties that successfully closed. Historically, there has been an average of 5 properties that closed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of the year. So, with six weeks left in this quarter and 7 already pending, I believe that we will meet or exceed 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter closing averages.

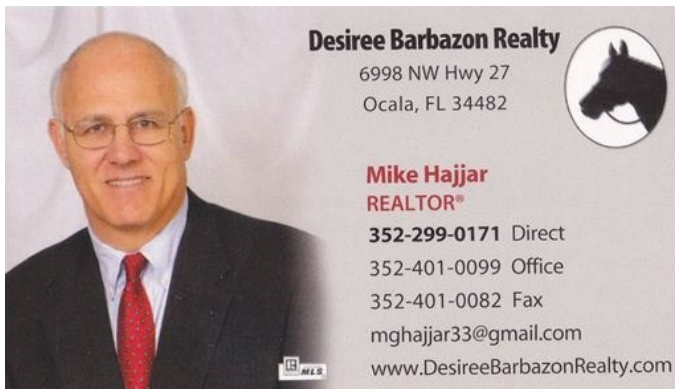
You have all heard about how important proper staging is in getting your property sold quickly and at the asking price, and I also preach about the condition of the home and how current it should be in terms of amenities in order to achieve the maximum amount. Having said that, perhaps one of the most important factors in helping your property sell quickly is to provide seller financing. I realize that most of you are not in the position to do that; you probably need the proceeds of the sale to purchase your replacement property. However, there are many cases where the owner is downsizing and does not need all of the proceeds, there has been a death in the family, and the heirs may need a place to invest the proceeds at very attractive rates, or there are those who are just looking to earn an above market rate of return on their money. Seller financing can provide safe and well above CD, Money Market, or Treasury instrument yields. In fact, many investment properties are bought this way because traditional financing may not be available until the property is brought up to current standards.

Mortgage interest rates are creeping up, and with Washington threatening to close down Freddie Mac and Fanny Mae, the insurer of 90% of all loans, credit will become more expensive and constrained. It is usual and customary for sellers' to earn a minimum of 8%-12% on short term financing (1-3 years) while maintaining a first mortgage on the property. There are many credit-worthy buyers who still cannot get conventional financing due to the sometimes onerous conditions placed upon them by conventional sources. In 2012, the average FICO score for buyers' who were successful in procuring mortgages was 750 with a down payment of 22% and a closing period of about 44 days. That's a pretty high bar for some credit worthy borrowers.


With due diligence and proper structuring, seller financing is perhaps the most powerful weapon that sellers have in negotiating the sale of their properties. Please contact me if you would like to more details, and how it could work for you.

Remember, "I've always got your back."

Mike Hajjar, Realtor 29 Never Bend Dr. 352-299-0171



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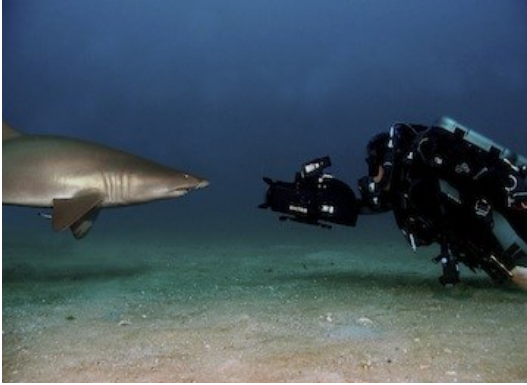
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Trying to sell something? Looking to acquire something? This space is dedicated to MWFPOA members. Send me your information for next month.

[jgebhard@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jgebhard@sbcglobal.net)

***“It’s one thing to pose a diver for an underwater advertising still; it’s something else altogether to get a shark to willingly participate.”***



*David Ulloa is the president and co-owner of Valeo Films Inc., an independent film and video production company. Undersea Expeditionary Video Services, a division of Valeo Films, specializes in expedition-style underwater film and video production. Its current projects emphasize the technical, deep underwater content on which the company focuses and for which it has a proven performance record. As a technical diver and freelance underwater expedition cameraman, David’s passion for his work and his continued outstanding performance while working as an Underwater Camera Operator, AD, UPM, DOP, Line Producer, Writer, Director and Producer have earned him the respect of his colleagues as well as the industry at large. Most recently David can be seen on the “The Quest For Sunken Warships,” a special series for Discovery Networks.*

In the summer of 2008, when a leading manufacturer of underwater camera housings decided to update and improve their advertising stock by depicting their newest housing “nose-to-nose” with a shark in the wild, we knew we could get the shot.

We targeted the Sand Tiger as our model subject due to its menacing appearance, and the relative ease with which they can be found in the deep coastal waters off North Carolina’s Outer Banks. Also, the year before while shooting in the same waters, David had a brief “in the wild” experience with a Sand Tiger where he unconsciously used natural horsemanship body language techniques to keep the fish out of his camera frame. After having spent countless hours in the water with Sand Tigers, David had a strong intuition they possessed sufficient intelligence to be taught to pair up with him, as well as the curiosity to bond with him long enough for us to capture the money shot.

A little known characteristic of sharks is that most are extremely wary of humans. Sharks are generally considered to be skeptics, cowards, and panic-aholics; they also possess lightning fast responses and an impressive ability to rapidly achieve high speed. Even though sharks are categorized as predators, we have found that they are very much opportunists and will always look for the “easy meal.” Does any of this sound familiar? Sharks turn out to be very much like horses, so it was not such a shock they responded well to horsemanship techniques.

Our first step toward getting “nose to nose” was to work with the sharks until they were sufficiently comfortable to allow David into the Zone One area of their bodies. On our first workup dives 110 feet down on a wreck well known as a Sand Tiger gathering ground, we located a pack of ten adult females followed by several of their young. As David carefully edged toward them, he wondered, “Will the natural horsemanship ‘approach and retreat’ game allow me to build rapport with these creatures?”

Right away, a large female indicated her interest in playing David’s game by remaining nearby and allowing him to approach even closer. While he did not have a stick and string, he did employ techniques of approach/retreat and comfort/discomfort, always keeping in mind four things that are important to horses – safety, comfort, play, and food. He closely watched the shark’s body language to read its intentions, and the shark carefully kept her eye on him for signs and signals. Similar to the catching game, David found that if he put slight pressure on the shark and then retreated at just the right moment, she did not feel threatened, and continued to follow him – at first for only a few seconds, but gradually, for longer durations. Within minutes, the technique worked so well, he was swimming alongside the shark gently stroking her. Expanding on this experience by utilizing the “ten qualities of a horse-man,” over the course of his hour-long dive David was able to repeatedly position himself nose to nose with the female. The next step was to introduce the Gates Housing and a photographer at sunup the next morning, with a new pack of sharks.

Next day, David splashed alone with the new housing in hand, only to discover literally dozens of sharks in the field. He was forced to weave his way through the curious youngsters to find the older, more cautious females, where he successfully singled out one shark to play with him. He positioned himself and the housing drifting backwards while facing the shark, which allowed her to follow him in the nose-to-nose position. After 30 minutes of playing in this fashion, David’s photographer joined them underwater, just in time to capture the money shot, right on plan.

**We were able to deliver exactly what the client ordered because David had, by chance, discovered that body language is universal – even among fish!**



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