

# JUNE 2021 NEWSLETTER

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QUARTERLY (WELL ALMOST!)  
NEWSLETTER



FROM OUR FAMILY  
TO YOURS

## FINALLY! LET'S DIVE!

WE FINALLY RECEIVED WORD  
FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF  
ST. EUSTATIUS THAT WE  
CAN OPEN TO VACCINATED  
TOURISTS BEGINNING  
AUGUST 2, 2021. CONTACT  
US NOW TO GET BOOKED!  
WE ARE SO VERY EXCITED  
TO BE ABLE TO HOST OUR  
DIVERS BACK. WE MISS  
YOU!

WE WILL BE CLOSED AUG 27-  
SEPT 6



WE HAVE BEEN LUCKY TO HAVE  
HAD SOME AMAZING PEOPLE  
FROM THE SAILING COMMUNITY  
JOIN US ON STATIA.

BEAUANDBRANDY AND BROOKE  
AND GARY FROM SAILINGONELIFE  
STAYED OVER 2 MONTHS ON  
STATIA. CLICK ON THEM TO  
WATCH THEIR YOUTUBE VIDEOS





# CONTINUING TO UPDATE AND IMPROVE



**WE HAVE SPENT THESE LAST 16 MONTHS UPDATING, REPAIRING, AND MARKETING. NEW SHOWER STALLS, DECK SHADE, FACELIFTS AND ENGINE WORK FOR THE BOATS AND SOME NEW ARTWORK AROUND THE SHOP! MORE TO COME AS WE CONTINUE TO IMPROVE AND EXPAND**





# MEET M'ATUM



**M'ATUM IS THE TAÍNO WORD FOR "GENEROSITY". THE TAÍNO PEOPLE LIVED IN THE NORTHERN LESSER ANTILLIAN ISLANDS BEFORE THE ARRIVAL OF EUROPEANS. GRDC IS SO GREATFUL FOR ALL OF THE GENEROSITY OF THE STATIA PEOPLE. SO HE WAS CREATED AND PAINTED BY OUR DEAR FRIEND DIRKJE DE JONG AND NOW LOOKS OVER OUR NEW DIVE SHOP**



**CANOE, BARBECUE, HAMMOCK, IGUANA, HURRICANE, AND TUNA ARE A FEW EXAMPLES OF WORDS IN THE ENGLISH/SPANISH LANGUAGES THAT DERIVE FROM THE TAÍNO LANGUAGE**



# **IMPORTANT DETAILS- RESTRICTIONS STILL IN PLACE!**



**ALL PEOPLE COMING TO STATIA MUST FIRST EMAIL THE GOVERNMENT TO BE GRANTED APPROVAL TO ENTER. PLEASE CLICK [HERE](#) FOR RECENT UPDATES, ENTRY POLICIES FOR STATIA.**

**ST. MAARTEN ALSO HAS REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY EVEN IF ONLY FOR LAYOVER. CLICK [HERE](#) FOR ST. MAARTEN'S LINK. OR VISIT [OUR WEBSITE](#)**

**GRDC WILL BE CLOSED AUG 27-SEPT 6**

**WE WILL RESUME OUR PREVIOUS PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION POLICIES. PLEASE CONTACT US FOR FULL DETAILS. PLEASE GET TRAVEL INSURANCE FOR ALL ASPECTS OF YOUR DIVE TRIPS!**

**THOSE OF YOU WHO ALREADY HAVE YOUR PAYMENTS ON A TRIP THAT WAS CANCELLED DUE TO COVID...YOUR PAYMENTS CONTINUE TO BE HELD TOWARDS YOUR RESCHEDULED TRIP!**

**ORANGE BAY HOTEL IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO NON-COVID RELATED ISSUES. THE NEW RESORT IS YET TO OPEN SO WE WILL WAIT TO BOOK UNTIL THESE ARE ACTUALLY UP AND RUNNING.**

**WINAIR IS REGULARLY ADDING MORE FLIGHTS BETWEEN SXM AND EUX WITH 6 DAYS/WK CURRENTLY OFFERED. CHECK THEIR WEBSITE REGULARLY FOR UPDATES**