



# Steamship The Mediator

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## Program

1. Guided tour for tourists/local people
2. Removing sand and debris from with airlift
3. Survey and photographic recording of ship's parts

### Purpose 1:

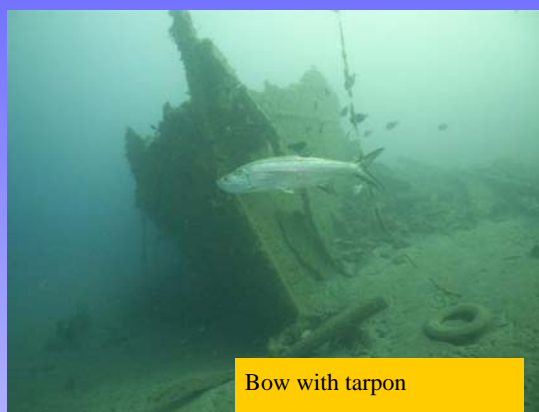
To inform local people and tourists about the maritime history, the work of Stimana and marine archaeology which hopefully will lead to the protection of the archaeological site. Also to recruit volunteers for the weekly activities.

### Purpose 2:

To increase interest to the site by exposing more parts of the ship so that it can be considered as a kind of underwater museum.

### Purpose 3:

Photographical recording in order to help determine more easy some parts of the ship and to monitor the present condition of the wreck.



Bow with tarpon  
Picture by John Dohmen

## Remarks and findings 18 November 2007

- The visiting divers (8 in total) were very positive about the tour and visibility.
- The tour was satisfactory, also due to the assistance of two dive masters assisting Karel Boon (dive instructor and guide)
- After testing the equipment (which was not used for months) the

airlift team continued cleaning the stern.

- The divers observed an increase of car tires on or around the wreck. It was suggested to organize another serious clean-up.

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## Introduction of the team



Lucie de Jong - safety-

officer and dive-supervisor (on the shore)

Registers the divers and their information given by them. Observes the safety rules.

Controls the working of the compressor.



## Introduction of team (continuation)



Instruction by Karel Boon

**Karel Boon and Ellen Gremmen** - dive instructor and underwater guide.

Instructs and informs visitors about the dive to the archaeological site. And is in charge of the guided tour. He is assisted by Ellen Gremmen.



Karel Boon

Karel's website  
[www.trunkdivers.com](http://www.trunkdivers.com)



Ellen Gremmen and John Dohmen

**Sam Pieter Storm van Leeuwen en Job Zwart , Bart van Zanten, Johan Seibel-** airlift team

Their activities consist of cleaning the stern and excavating parts of the wreck ship's parts which were dragged off the ship.



Job Zwart (left) and Sam Pieter Storm van Leeuwen



Bart van Zanten

**John Dohmen** - underwater photographer

Records weekly condition of the wreck.



Visit John's  
website

<http://curacaounderwater.com>

## Introduction team (continuation)

**Dr. Wil Nagelkerken** - archaeologist-biologist

Scientific leader of the project.



Dr. Wil Nagelkerken (white shirt), Jan de Vos, Theo van der Giessen

**Theo van der Giessen** - project manager Stimana

Functions as facilitator and takes care of the communications.



Karel Boon (left) and Theo van der Giessen

### Other volunteers:

Peter Lankamp and Richmond Gijsberta

Each year they assist for a period of 7 weeks. Peter Lankamp also reports the condition of the Mediator.

Peter Lankamp



## Pictures 18 November 2007 (for more pictures <http://picasaweb.google.com/luciejong/Mediator181107>)

