

Oceanographic Center Research Assistants Attend Meeting in Palau



Kirk Kilfoyle and Pat Quinn on a dive at Big Drop in Palau.

On May 4-13, 2006, Oceanographic Center research assistants Pat Quinn (Ph.D. candidate) and Kirk Kilfoyle (M.S. candidate) traveled to Koror, Palau, for the Coral Reef Restoration and Remediation Working Group (RRWG), an international multi-group project funded by the World Bank Global Environmental Facility. While in Palau, Quinn and Kilfoyle met with Rommi Dizon, Ph.D., from the University of the Philippines, and local contractor Mason Whipps of Surangel and Sons to review requirements for and begin construction on artificial reef modules.

Quinn and Kilfoyle were also able to enjoy some of the spectacular diving available in Palau; including Blue Corner, which is known for its large population of sharks and schools of jacks that number in the hundreds, and Jellyfish Lake that is filled with millions of “sting-less” freshwater jellyfish.
