



Winter News

The nights are closing in – the water temperature is dropping by the day. But as usual we don't just hang our kit up; we get out there and keep playing. It's time to dig out the old flask and that thermal underwear. Winter can be the best time to dive in the UK. The water is at it's clearest with fantastic visibility. This period is a good time to develop skills, gain proficiency and competence; Keeping dive fit and checking out new locations. My calendar programme is designed for just this. I'll promote a venue and sometimes a theme – all you have to do is get out and do some diving. We can provide guided diving, equipment hire and advice on how to get the best from a site.



We have a PADI equipment speciality workshop split over two evenings in November. On this I'll show you some essential maintenance, give you some great ideas for Christmas gifts and get you ready for the winter ahead. I'm also running a workshop on DSMB (delayed surface marker buoys) in the 6m pool at Sheffield. Also - look out for the late night sessions for night dives at Stoney Cove.

Most of the dive locations we use are suitable and available for adventure dives for Advanced Open Water. Rescue diver sessions are usually set out at the Blue lagoon dive site. Don't forget we have a social session most Wednesday nights at Denby Dale at 9.15 at the Dalesman. We have regular pool sessions on Wednesday and Fridays for training, development and fun - give us a call for availability.

Diary Dates

- Sat 4th November Blue lagoon diving with a BONFIRE & FIREWORKS
- Sun 5th November Eccy Delph
- Wed 8th November Blue Lagoon
- Wed 15th November Stoney cove (night diving after 6pm)
- Sat 19th November NDC at Chepstow – Plenty for everyone in all depths. Available are guided 40m dives with me (pre-requisite of deep dive speciality + 10 or more dives to 30m)
- Fri 24th November** **Rescue diver pool session at Ponds Forge - Sheffield**
- Tue 28th November Equipment Speciality workshop – part one
- Thr 30th November Equipment Speciality workshop – part two
- Sat 2nd December Blue Lagoon
- Sun 3rd December Hodge close, Lake District. Altitude dive!
- Fri 8th December** **DSMB workshop and Rescue diver workshop at Sheffield**
- Sun 10th December Capernwray
- Sat 16th December HDC dive club xmas party
- Sun 17th December Blue Lagoon – Fancy dress dive with warm mulled wine and mince pies
- Wed 20th December Stoney cove (night diving after 6pm)
- Sun 30th December LAST dive of the year – venue to confirmed
- Sun 7th January Stoney cove
- Sat 13th January Photo workshop – theory session day one
- Sun 14th January The Rez – disused underground water reservoir (Advance Open water or above)
- Wed 17th January Stoney cove (night diving after 6pm)
- Fri 19th January** **DSMB workshop and Rescue diver workshop at Sheffield**
- Sat 20th January Photo workshop – theory + pool session day two
- Sun 21st January Blue Lagoon – with a photo contest
- Sun 28th January Capernwray
- 3rd February Nemo 33 – dive the worlds deepest scuba pool
- Sun 18th February Gildenburgh near Peterborough
- Wed 21st February Stoney cove (night diving after 6pm)
- Sun 25th February Capernwray
- Sun 4th March Stoney Cove
- Sun 11th march NDC at Chepstow
- Wed 21st March Stoney cove (night diving after 6pm)
- Sun 25th March Capernwray



if possible let me know if you are coming on any dive – sometimes we cancel or change venues

Equipment Speciality

Can you re-thread your cam band strap?

Those long winter dark nights could be put to a bit of dive equipment maintenance. On this course we show you how to check your gear, do simple repairs and know how it all works. We'll show the workings of the equipment we use. Fiddle and play is the game!

We have a planned course for November, split over two evenings - see calendar above for dates

The cost for the session is £75

plus a chance to win a holiday to the red sea!



Photography Workshop & PADI Digital Underwater Photography Speciality

I've had quite a good year on the digital photographic front. Recognition in several photographic competitions and diver splash ins. Published pictures including a high society magazine – Lancashire Life!

I keep been asked to run a workshop. So I've decided to put one for you. The course will run over two consecutive Saturdays in January. (Bring in your new xmas presents).

The course is very practical and hands on. A pool session is included. We will look at digital photography and how to get the best results.

The course is *limited to 6 people* – first come first served.

Saturday 13th and Saturday 20th January 2007

Cost for the course is £155 per person - Which includes a manual and white balance slate



PADI Multi-Level and COMPUTER diver at Nemo 33 in Belgium (the worlds deepest scuba pool) 34m deep and 32°C!

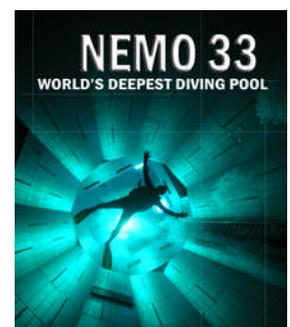
February 3rd - 5th 2007 (Smudges Birthday)

Ferry crossing on the North Sea ferries. Departing Huddersfield at 3pm on the Saturday, and then returning Monday morning.

Cost includes:

- Ferry crossing
- Two nights accommodation
- 2 dives at Nemo 33
- PADI training and certification for the Multi-level & computer diver

Cost £175 per person (deposit is required to secure a place)



Menorca 2007



I've finalised the details of our annual trip to Menorca. We've been running this now for a few years – and have proved very popular. With the increasing costs involved I need firm commitment from people as soon as possible. I have to put the money up front when I book – and each trip ends up with people saying they want to go and then backing out. The prices are set out below – no hidden costs.

1 week's holiday May 11th until the 18th May

The cost per person:

Flights	£145 (approx price including taxes from Manchester)
Accommodation	£125 based on 2 people in there own s/c apartment
Diving	£160 unlimited 5 day pack (includes at least two boat dives) £285 open water course (3 days)
Mini-bus hire	£55 per week - based on 8 people sharing

Food and meals are the only things not included in the package.

Deposit of £200 is required to secure a place
Balance due 8 weeks prior to departure



Check out our web site for description of the dive sites
and over 500 photographs of past trips