

AQUANAUT DIVE CLUB UK 2008 SCHEDULE



January 23 Wednesday

Curry & Cove Evening

A night of beer & curry from 7.30 pm onwards at the Cove pub in Covent Garden.

February 28 Thursday

Dry Dive at The London Dive Chamber

Time: 18:00 hours. Cost is £30.00 per person payable on the day to London Dive Chamber. Cash or cheque only NO credit cards!!! A limited number of places only!
www.londondivingchamber.co.uk/index.php?id=dry for more details.

March 17 Monday

Pool Evening at London School of Diving

19:00 – 21:00 at the London School of Diving pool, Power Road, Chiswick.

Come and practice those skills that you haven't repeated since you did your open water...

April 5 Saturday

Vobster Quay, Somerset

Meet at 09.30 hours at Vobster for a bracing start of season warm up dive.
www.vobsterquay.co.uk for directions.

April 26/27

Littlehampton 20 – 25 metres

Dive both days or only one on board Our Joy! Boat loads at 12:00 hours each day. Accommodation is being arranged only for the Saturday evening, but if you prefer to drive down each day then please let me know!!

May 10/11

Swanage 20/25 metres Sat / 30 metre Sun

Diving on Saturday & Sunday with Swanage Divers from the pier.
Accommodation arranged for Friday & Saturday nights.

May 24, 25 & 26

Dartmouth 30 metre

3 days diving over the bank holiday weekend with Ian Noble on board Samuel Irvin 3. Accommodation arranged for Friday, Saturday & Sunday nights.

May 28 to June 4

Red Sea Livaboard

A week of warm water diving aboard Sea Serpent, one of Tony Backhursts boats.
Interested? Email Sylvia on sylvia_wb@hotmail.com

June 14/15

Portland 30 metre

A new location for the Club. 2 days diving out of Portland Harbour.
Accommodation arranged for Friday & Saturday nights.

July 12/13

Littlehampton 30 – 40 metres

A chance to see some of the deeper wrecks out of Littlehampton. Divers must have a deep certification (to 40 metres) and also dive with a 15 litre & pony, manifolded twin set or rebreather. Accommodation arranged for Saturday night (early start on Sunday).

August 9/10

Swanage 30 metre

Diving on Saturday & Sunday with Swanage Divers from the pier.
Accommodation arranged for Friday & Saturday nights.

September 6/7

Dartmouth

30 - 40 metre

2 days of deeper diving with Ian Noble on board Samuel Irvin 3. Divers must have a deep certification (to 40 metres) and also dive with a 15 litre & pony, manifolded twin set or rebreather.

Accommodation arranged for Friday & Saturday night.

September 27/28

Plymouth

30 - 40 metre

2 days of deeper diving with Pete Fergus on board Venture. Divers must have a deep certification (to 40 metres) and also dive with a 15 litre & pony, manifolded twin set or rebreather.

Accommodation arranged for Friday & Saturday night.

October 18 Saturday

Dive Nemo 33 in Brussels

A day trip via Eurostar from Kings Cross to Brussels followed by a dive in Nemo 33 – the world's deepest swimming pool! No need to bring equipment, it's all provided.

Proposed itinerary is as follows: leave Kings Cross on Eurostar at 08:00. Arrive Brussels 2 hours later. Short journey to Nemo 33 followed by dive to 33 metres, Rest of the afternoon/evening spent sampling the delights of Brussels wide selection of bars & restaurants!! Return on Eurostar to arrive at Kings Cross at 22:00. Cost: Eurostar - £65.00 Nemo 33 – 30 Euros. Costs & timings are approximate at the moment and will be confirmed once we know numbers. Non-diving partners more than welcome to come and enjoy the non diving side of the trip.

Notes:

1. Alcohol and diving are not good companions. Alcohol is a diuretic and dehydration is a common factor in cases of DCI/DCS. This is just as valid with repetitive diving to shallower depths as it with deeper dives. Only a minimal amount of alcohol should be consumed prior to and during dive trips. Drink plenty of water over the trip as well.
2. Please check and prepare your diving equipment several days before each dive trip.
3. There are minimum equipment requirements for diving in the UK, please check the safety rules to see what is required.
4. Use a maximum of 1.4 ppO₂ for Nitrox maximum operating depths.
5. Make slow descents, even slower ascents, particularly during the last 10m before the surface.
6. Descend and ascend in eye contact with your buddy, at the same level and within arm's reach of each other. You cannot help each other if one of you is several metres below or above the other.
7. You are strongly encouraged to visit either Stoney Cove, Vobster Quay or another inland site prior to your 1st sea dive of the season. Every diver must have dived to 20 metres since January (either inland or at sea) before taking part in a club dive to 30 metres.
8. On Club trips below 30 metres, divers must have a diving certification to at least 40 metres eg PADI Deep Diver speciality. Apart from the training involved to acquire this, it is also an insurance requirement. An alternate air supply must also be used ie pony bottle, manifolded twinset or rebreather

All Club members and guest divers must dive in accordance with the Aquanaut Dive Club UK's Safety Rules and their training organisation's guidelines and recommendations. If you do not have an up to date set of Safety Rules, please ask for a copy in good time so you can read them prior to your planned dive.

Email Pete Huckin on pete@jthuckin.co.uk to book your 2008 diving