



THE SAFETY STOP

COJO's MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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What's New

Welcome to the **June 2017** edition of the **COJO Diving Safety Stop newsletter**.

During May, COJO was absolutely **FLAT OUT** completing all of the open water diver pool sessions as well as many other courses!! All of the groups are now **ready for their open water** checkout dives which will be held at **COJO North** in Atlas Park on **3 and 4 June!!** Come out and join the group!!



COJO has also been busy running other courses and now has the first of two **Rescue Diver** courses spooled up and ready to go for **June 3-4** weekend as well.

During May, COJO ran several events and courses such as the **COJO Dive Social and Swap Meet** (COJO World HQ), The **COJO North Dive Social and BBQ** and the **New Brunswick Nature Trust, Pea Point Clean Up** and **Connie** was at the **Huntsman Marine Bio Blitz** for some scientific diving!! **Woo hoo!!**

This month **Doc Octo** not available this month due to work commitments but he will be back next month with another awesome article on diving medicine!!

COJO's Summer Store Hours:

Monday	5pm to 9pm
Tuesday	5pm to 9pm
Wednesday	5pm to 9pm
Thursday	5pm to 9pm
Friday	5pm to 9pm

Thanks and Safe Diving!!
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Courses During May

During **May**, COJO ran the following courses.

- **PADI/SDI** – Recreational Sidemount Diver course
- **PADI** – Dive Master course
- **PADI** – Open Water course (Freddy)
- **PADI** – Open Water course (Bathurst)
- **PADI** – Advanced Open Water course
- **COJO** – Drysuit Diver course
- **PADI** – Enriched Air Diver
- **Red Cross** – Standard First Aid
- **DAN** – Oxygen for Diving Emergencies
- **PADI** – Bubblemaker Course
- **PADI** – Public Safety Diver crossover course

What a crazy-busy month!! Woo hoo!!



**Awesome work to all the PADI Bubblemakers!!
What an awesome time!! Woo hoo!!**



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Excursions During May

During May, COJO was CRAZY-BUSY the entire month!! Woo hoo!! First and foremost, **a very special thanks to the COJO Team** for all of the support and hard work in May and throughout every year!! **COJO would not be such a success without the team!!** There is no "I" in COJO Diving..There are two, but that's not the point...

COJO World HQ Dive Social and Swap

On **May 7**, COJO World HQ held its annual **Dive Social and Swap Meet**. During the day, many divers came and, bought and sold several pieces of mildly used gear that has been hanging around their garages, basements and gear lockers that just wasn't needed any longer!! What an awesome day!! Also, **Diver Ed** and **Captain Evil** were able to come down for the swap and to do a dive with Joe at **Morell Park**. No, not at the Morell Park beach but in the Morell Park Baseball and Soccer fields!! What a crappy dive!! **Thanks very much to Diver Ed and Captain Evil!!** Joe was kept busy for hours while the adults had some quiet time!!





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COJO North Dive Social and BBQ

This year also marked the first annual **COJO North Dive Social and Swap Meet!!** The Swap Meet part of the event was not really a big part of the weekend because of the **Grand Opening of the COJO North** store but, next year's event promises to be the biggest one EVER!!! People (Joe) are already talking about it!! Woo hoo!!



NTNB Pea Point Clean-up Dive

On **28 May**, Connie and a large group of divers, and surface crew met up at **Nature Trust's property, Pea Point, in Black's Harbour**. They completed the **second annual Pea Point Clean-up dive!!** Great job to all involved and a very **special thanks to Nature Trust of New Brunswick** for the AWESOME stewardship of our environment!!





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What Happened to Evin??

Do you remember **Evin**? The little, 2-year-old boy with Scoliosis of the Spine that Aqualung and COJO teamed up to get a drysuit and get him trained so he could swim? What an awesome kid, and an awesome family!! Well, what ever happened to Evin? Here is some information from Erin, Evin's mother!!

"Hi Connie and Joe. We have had lots of use for Evin's swimming suit! He just loves it, so much so that he even likes to wear it in the bathtub! He is doing amazing and has really gotten the hang of swimming in his own in the suit. It took some practice, but he's there. Now we are just waiting for some warm weather to arrive and stay so we can get in the pool and enjoy it even more".

So, a very special thanks to Aqualung Canada for the suit!! Awesome job!! And Evin, Just Keep Swimming!!





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Courses To Come

Looking ahead for **June**, and beyond, The Training Calendar is chock-o-blocked full of courses!! Woo hoo!! We have tons of courses available for any level!! If you are interested in any of them or, if you don't see what you are looking for, just send a note to us at cojodiving@gmail.com or on **Facebook** for information on when we can run it for you!! Don't forget about the non-diving courses too such as **First Aid**, **Oxygen Provider**, **Advanced Medical First Responder**, **Equipment Maintenance** and much more!!



- **2 to 4 June – PADI – Recreational Sidemount Diver (Bathurst)**
- **2 to 4 June – PADI – Open Water Diver (Bathurst)**
- **2 to 4 June – PADI – Rescue Diver (Bathurst)**
- **Ongoing – PADI – Dive Master**
- **9 to 11 June – Red Cross – Standard First Aid (Lvl C)**
- **11 June – DAN – Emergency Oxygen for Diving Emergencies**
- **22 to 25 June – TDI – Intro to Tech / Tech Sidemount**
- **24 to 25 June – PADI – Wreck Diver Specialty (Class and Land)**
- **30 June – 3 July – PADI – Wreck Diver checkouts (Tobermory)**
- **4 – 7 July – PADI – Rescue Diver course (Fredericton)**



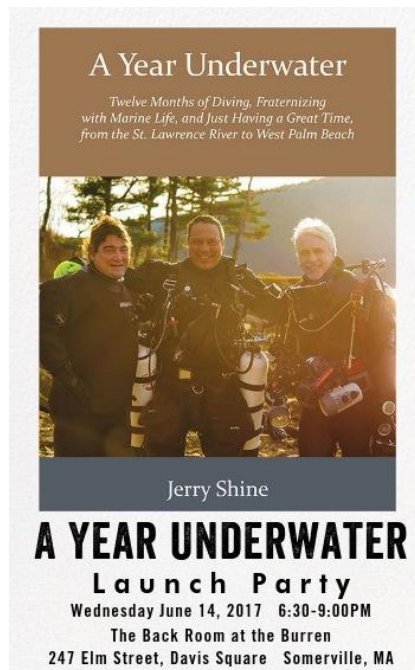
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Events to Come!!

Jerry Shine's "A Year Underwater" Book Launch!!

On June 14 and 15, Joe will be travelling down to 247 Elm Street, Somerville, MA for the official launch party of "**A Year Underwater**"!! This is **Jerry Shine's** new book that captures a year in the life of Jerry's diving!! This will be an awesome book and promises to be a best seller!! If you would like to pick up a copy, send us a note at cojodiving@gmail.com and we will **HOOK YOU UP!!** Woo hoo!!



The Dive In Theater!!

On 15 June, Joe will join **underwater superheroes Diver Ed** and **Captain Evil** aboard the **Starfish Enterprise** for an awesome day of **The Dive In Theater!!** This is the hottest event in Bar Harbor!! Don't miss out. If you would like to attend the Dive In Theater, send us a note and we will find out availability for upcoming shows. **The show runs daily from Memorial Day to Labor Day in Bar Harbor, ME!!** Woo hoo!!



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Quillis Family Fun Factory!!

This expedition is a bit of work but, Joe will be putting in a water park on the St John River near Woolostook Campground!! If you are interested in helping out and finding out a bit about underwater work, send us a note!!

Tons of stuff on the horizon, don't miss out!!

COJO – Soldier On Open Water Course!!



This **August**, COJO will be running a **Soldier-On, PADI Open Water course** to offer wounded veterans and current soldiers of the Canadian Armed Forces a chance to get their PADI Open Water Diver certification!! A very special thanks to **PADI Canada** for supporting and sponsoring the event and to **Mike Cotts** for all the work he is doing on the project!!

Also a very special thanks to soldiers **everywhere** for serving the country!! We appreciate what you do for us!!



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COJO Financing Options Now Available!!

For purchases as low as \$499, COJO customers (OAC) can now take advantage of no-interest and low-interest options with payment plans up to 36 months.

Canex No-Interest Payment Plan

\$499.99 - \$6,500 up to 36 months

For serving and retired military members and their families, RCMP, DND staff and other serving members and staff, the Canex plan is an excellent option! Contact us for more details or click the logo to go to the Canex site:



COJO Diving Financial Services

\$2,000 - \$10,000 up to 36 months

COJO Diving Financial Services is a great low-interest option for all customers looking to keep existing their existing credit line open! No fees and we offer an early payout option as well!



For more details go to our website:

[Financing Options](#)



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Other Great Programs from COJO!

COJO Discount Program

We offer several discount options for our military, EFR workers, full-time students, and supporters of Nature Trust of NB!

Read more [here](#).

COJO "Rent To Own" Program

The **COJO "Rent to Own" Program** is born from the need for divers to get into their own gear sooner. You've already decided the diving sport is awesome and you want to go diving as much as you can! But spending money on rental gear doesn't allow you to save up to buy your own gear. This program supports your dive habit AND gets you into your own gear sooner!

Read more [here](#).

COJO Weight Replacement Program **NEW!!**

At COJO Diving we understand that emergency situations happen, and it may be necessary for divers to ditch their weights in order to achieve positive buoyancy at the surface. If you purchased your weights from COJO, contact us on how to replace your weights FREE of charge.

Read more [here](#).

COJO Pony / Bail-out Refill Program **NEW!!**

At COJO Diving we strongly encourage all divers to carry a completely independent air source for emergency bail-out situations. We will top-up and refill pony bottles following use in an emergency or following annual inspections or hydros, or just any time to bring those tanks up to full pressure.

Read more [here](#).



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Featured Course **4 to 7 July (Fredericton)** **PADI Rescue Diver Course**



Cost \$300.00 + HST

Challenging and rewarding best describe the Rescue Diver course. Building on what you've already learned, this course expands on what you already know about how to prevent problems and how to manage them if they occur!!

Pre Requisites for the PADI Rescue Diver course

- 12 years or older
- Have a PADI Adventure Diver cert (or equivalent from other agency)
- Be trained and current (with proof) of first aid and CPR

Schedule

- Online training and exam – Prior to 4 July
- July 4, 5pm – Class and Skill Dives
- July 5, 5pm – Skill Dives
- July 6, 5pm – Skill Dives
- July 7, 5pm – Skill Dives and Class



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Gear Highlight!



We are thrilled to be a dealer for Ikelite, who provide a full line of housings, strobes and accessories for underwater photography for beginning divers up to full professional photography! Just ask Connie how many cameras and housings she has!!

Featured Product



The Ikelite housing for the Olympus Tough TG-3 & TG-4 provides a perfect starter underwater solution with a lot of capability. The TG-4 has amazing macro capability, and ability to define and save custom settings. Add a tray, arms and strobes for the ultimate underwater solution! Contact us for info!!

Canadian MSRP \$949+HST
(Only \$31/month on Canex 36mo plan!)



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COJO "Throwback" Pic!

A long time ago.. near Oromocto NB

Early diver Connie out for a dive..

A very special congratulations to Connie, who finally retired (from her day job) and is now able to dive (and clean Joe's gear) more!! Congratulations Connie!!





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In other news, Covfefe.....

We would love for you to follow us on **Facebook**. Become a **friend** of **COJO Diving** at <http://www.facebook.com/COJODiving> or join us on Twitter (@cojodiving) or Instagram (COJO Diving)

COJO also has a YouTube Channel where you can view some of our dives as well as training videos. It is constantly being updated so don't miss out!!

[Click for COJO YouTube Channel](#)

Thanks and we are looking forward to diving with you soon!!

Connie and Joe!!

