

THE SAFETY STOP

COJO's MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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What's New

Welcome to the August 2020 edition of the COJO Diving Safety Stop Newsletter!!

Although the pandemic is still going on, COJO has been able to start teaching and, diving again!! Social distancing and ensuring masks are worn when on the surface and, in close areas has become the new-normal but, the diving community is adapting and overcoming so that divers can have fun in the sun again!! What an awesome month July has been for both teaching and just plain diving our guts out!! Woo Hoo!!



During July, COJO managed a few awesome events and, tons of courses!! Thanks to all who came out for the July 1st weekday dive at Atlas Park and, thanks to all the divers getting out all over!! Remember to stay safe!! From teaching Advanced Open Water courses, working on wolffish projects, introducing new divers to the underwater world, to teaching Solo and Self-Reliant divers, COJO has been crazy busy and, people in the dive community are having an awesome time!!

A reminder that when in our retail store, masks must be worn. This is to protect you and us, and to lessen the chance of spreading the virus should it come back to New Brunswick.

Today (Aug 1st) there will be a dive at New River Beach, come on out and join us!!

Woo Hoo!!

Thanks, Safe Diving, and remember to shop local!!

Connie and Joe COJO Diving

COJO's Current Store Hours Monday to Friday – 5pm to 8pm





Courses During July

COJO is back in full swing and, courses are running wide open!! During July, here is a list of the courses we ran:

- PADI Dive Master Course (Ongoing)
- > **PADI** Open Water Diver course (Fredericton)
- PADI Open Water Course (Bathurst)
- COJO Compressor Operator's Course
- > PADI Surface Support Specialist Course (PSD)
- > PADI Advanced Open Water Diver course
- PADI Self Reliant Course
- SDI SOLO Instructor Course
- > **PADI –** Open Water Diver (Saint Stephen)

COJO is now able to teach most courses, with new rules in place to ensure social distancing and safety of all divers both on land and in the water.

For the Open Water courses, **courses are filling up quickly** but we are adding new courses to accommodate the demand!! **Woo Hoo!!**





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Courses to Come

Looking ahead, for August and into September we have tons of options to get you diving. Students on dive courses can selfstudy with textbooks or through e-learning. We will have webinars to cover content we would typically do in the classroom, and there are tons of opportunities to complete the hands-on training and dives while following health official guidelines and keeping our students and instructors safe!! Don't miss out!! If you are ready to take the plunge, come and



Here is a list of courses coming up in August and Beyond:

- > 1 Aug COJO Drysuit Orientation Course
- 8 to 9 Aug PADI Open Water Diver course (Checkouts)
- 11 to 13 Aug TDI Normoxic Trimix (Classroom)
- > 17 Aug TDI Tech Sidemount / Intro to Tech (Classroom)
- > 22 to 23 Aug PADI Open Water Diver (Bathurst)
- > 12 to 13 Sept Open Water Checkout Dives (Atlas Park)
- > 19 Aug Open Water Course (Pool)
- 3 Oct Open Water Course (Pool)

If you see something you are interested in, or if you don't see something you want, send us a note on Facebook or by email!!





Events in July

COJO's Canada Day Dive Event

COJO's Canada Day Dive Event was an awesome event at Atlas Park. On July 1st, COJO and crew was at Atlas Park for a fun dive and, social event to enjoy some quality underwater and surface time with our divers from the local area!! It was really awesome to see everyone coming out for a dive and to visit!! LET THE SEASON BEGIN!! Woo Hoo!!



Events to Come

Fun Dive – REEF Fish Count

On 1 Aug, from 10am to 2pm, COJO will host a Fun Dive and REEF Fish Count at New River Beach!! NRB is an awesome place to practice skills and a great place to get out for an easy dive with beautiful marine life on the man-made reef blocks (Reid's Reef)!! Don't miss it!!

Fun Dive – "Dive Against Debris"

On 22 Aug, COJO will host a Fun Dive with location and details TBD. The theme of the dive will be "Dive Against Debris". Stay tuned for details!!



COJO Fundy Dive Charter



On 15 Aug and 29 Aug, we will more recreational dive charters!! Our dive charters are run in partnership with Huntsman Marine Science Ceter aboard the 50ft Fundy Spray. Contact us for more info!







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Stormbringer Senior!! (Joe's Dad)

Events to be Scheduled

For **September and October**, we still have several events to be scheduled and details will be posted to our Facebook page. Stay tuned for more adventure and experiences!





Introducing the new "PEREGRINE"

Shearwater Research have released a new dive computer that everyone will love! An easy to use, full-colour and full featured computer at an affordable price.

The new Peregrine retails for only \$615.00+HST!

Just a few of the features:

- Full colour LCD, 320 x 240 QVGA
- 4 Diving Modes Air, Nitrox, 3-Gas Nitrox and Gauge
- No lockout full decompression support
- 30 hours battery life
- Logs 200 hours
- Vibration alerts
- Multiple language support
- Wireless charging
- Bluetooth support
- Strap and bungee cord included





Monthly FUN FACT

The "Porbeagle" name is thought to originate from their porpoise shaped bodies and their beagle-like hunting abilities.

Republished from: <u>https://onekindplanet.org/animal/porbeagle-shark/</u>



Image from: <u>https://oceana.org/blog/fire-and-ice-how-porbeagle-sharks-stay-blazing-fast-frigid-</u> <u>seas</u>





COJO "Throwback" Pic

August 2011

Dive Buddies Claire and Miriam after a dive in Beaver Harbour NB. Looking good!!



Click for COJO YouTube Channel

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

Connie and Joe!!