



THE SAFETY STOP

COJO's MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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What's New

Merry Christmas and welcome to the **December 2017** edition of the **COJO Diving Safety Stop** newsletter.

November was very busy with courses and travel and, there were several accomplishments for all!!

What an awesome kick off to the Fall and Winter of 2017!! **Woo hoo!!**



The **PADI SEAL Team** is coming up for COJO North!! This promises to be an awesome course for the kids in the local area!! If you are interested, send COJO a note!!

Connie and **Claire** were able to sneak away for a bit more than a week and got to Florida for **DEMA** and, some awesome diving at **Ginnie Springs** and at **Blue Heron Bridge**!! They had an awesome time!!

Joe was able to get to **Halifax** and, meet up with the **Shearwater Scuba Club** for some awesome dives!! A very special thanks to them for hosting COJO and taking care of Joe!! Also, **Diver Ed** was able to meet up with Joe in Halifax for an awesome weekend of diving!! Woo hoo!!

COJO's Fall and Winter 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!!
Connie and Joe
COJO Diving



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Courses During November

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

- **PADI – Enriched Air Nitrox course**
- **PADI – Instructor Development course**
- **PADI – Staff Instructor course**
- **PADI – Discover SCUBA**
- **PADI – Dive Master Course**



Great job to all and a very special congratulations to **Connie Bishop** on completing her **PADI Staff Instructor** and **FQAS Instructor Certification!! Great job!! Woo hoo!!**



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Courses To Come

Looking ahead for Fall and through Winter, the Training Calendar has tons of courses and options for classes 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, the winter is an awesome time to **get your gear** in to be **serviced** and get it ready for Spring-time diving!! **COJO World HQ** and **COJO North** have awesome **full-serve service centers** for all your dive gear!!



- 9 Dec – **PADI** – Discover SCUBA Diving
- 9 Dec – **COJO** – Discover Sidemount diving
- 11 to 12 Dec – **Red Cross** – Standard First Aid – (Fredericton)
- 13 Dec – **DAN** – Oxygen Provider – (Fredericton)
- 14 Dec – **PADI** – SCUBA Diver course (Fredericton)
- 16 Dec – **PADI** – Discover SCUBA Diving (Fredericton)
- 17 Dec – **PADI** – Discover SCUBA Diving (Bathurst)
- 6 Jan – **PADI** – Open Water Diver – Fredericton
- 13 Jan – **Red Cross** – First Aid / CPR (Atlas Park)
- 14 Jan – **DAN** – Oxygen Provider (Atlas Park)





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Events During November

DEMA 2017 Trip!!

The annual **DEMA** show is a trade-only event for companies doing business in scuba diving and other water sports, and it's an opportunity for buyers to meet with suppliers and see what's new! It's also full of education seminars, so a great opportunity to sync up on the latest products, techniques and topics. Every other year the show is in **Orlando, Florida** so is a great opportunity to combine with **great diving!!**



This year **Connie** and Divemaster **Claire** travelled down to meet with key suppliers. While we didn't come back with many new suppliers this year, we were excited to see some new products!! **Keep an eye out as we bring in new stock** next year for **dive computers, fins, masks and more!!** We also sourced a new supplier for **CO portable analyzers**, a MUST when you are travelling and getting air fills from locations you aren't familiar with.

A side trip to **Ginnie Springs** had the opportunity to dive caverns, and by chance met up with fellow Canadian **Jill Heinerth**. Jill had just received the **NOGI** award for **"Sports and Education"** at DEMA, another major recognition for Jill's work!! **Great job Jill!!**

Jill said the spring was looking a bit green, but for Bay of Fundy divers this water was crystal clear!!



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The final leg of the trip was to **Singer Island**, and diving at the famous **Blue Heron Bridge**. The area still had reduced visibility due to impacts from Hurricane Irma but the diving was fantastic and the life under the bridge is definitely recovering!





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Halifax Trip (Fundy)

Once Connie was back from DEMA, she checked on Joe and headed straight to **Halifax** where she met up with Course Director **Neil O'Hare** for an awesome **IDC course!!** While she was there, she completed her **PADI Staff Instructor** course and was certified as an **FQAS Delegate/Instructor!!** Great job **Connie!!**

While Joe was there, he ended up teaming up with **Shearwater Dive Club** for dives at **Bear Cove**, **Paddy's Head** (day and night) and **Africville**, as well as an awesome pool night with **Santa Clause!!** Thanks to **Patricia Lockhart** and the entire team at the club for making Joe so welcome!!

Diver Ed, **Captain Evil** and **Nori** also made a trip from Bar Harbor to Halifax to do some awesome diving with Joe at Paddy's Head and Africville!! Thanks very much to Diver Ed and Captain Evil for coming up for the dives!! **Woo hoo!!**





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Events to Come!!



Every year COJO Diving hosts our **Underwater Christmas Tree Dive!!** This year, we have two twists to the event.

The first twist, we will have **one dive for Fredericton** and area on **Saturday, December 16th** and, **one for Bathurst / Pointe-Verte** area on **Sunday, December 17th!!**

The second, and **most exciting twist!!** We will have the event underwater **indoors!!** That's right!! We will have an **underwater Christmas tree decorating and Santa Meet-and-Greet!!** You can come in and sit on Santa's lap underwater and get a picture!! This event is open to our **PADI Seal Team graduates** and all **certified divers**. If you want to participate and not a certified diver, we will have a **Discover Scuba** that evening just for you!!

There is **no charge** for divers (including Seal Team divers) attending the event. There is a \$35+HST charge for those doing the Discover Scuba.

Fredericton Indoor Pool – Saturday December 16th @ 8pm – 10pm
Bathurst Aquatic Center – Sunday December 17th @ 3pm – 5pm

Don't let the cold keep you down, the pool is beautiful and, the hot tub is even better!! If you are not a diver, Santa will be having a photo op outside of the pool as well!! Come on out to the **COJO SCUBA Santa Dives!!**



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COJO New Year's Dive



2009 New Years Dive!!

That's right, it's time to get ready to ring in the new year with the **New Year's Dive!!** Join us on January 2nd for our first dive of the year!! Location is weather dependent but tentatively at McCann Head at St. Andrews, from 12pm – 4pm. This is an awesome way to **ring in 2018** and to meet up with a bunch of other divers to do the same!! We will have our **AWESOME** arctic shelter on site and hot chocolate too!!

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FEATURED COURSE

PADI/SDI Ice Diver and Ice Diver Instructor Course **15 to 18 March (Atlas Park)**



Full Course \$300.00 + HST
“Discover” Session \$75.00 + HST

If extreme, unusual and challenging scuba diving appeals to you, try diving under the ice. Ice diving is one of the most adventurous scuba specialties because you learn how to plan and carry out dives under the ice, in a group, safely and in a very fun and exciting manner.

Pre Requisites for the Diver course or Discover session

- 18 Years Old
- PADI Advanced Open Water Diver (Or Equivalent)

Pre Requisites for the Instructor course

- SDI Open Water Instructor (Or Equivalent)
- SDI Ice Diver (Or Equivalent)
- Current Medical (signed by physician) (Ask us for details)
- Up to date Membership fees and insurance



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Gear Special!!



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Purchase a new Zoop Novo, D4i, or Zoop Novo Combo and you also get the outstanding SK-8 compass FREE.

* Limited time offer valid until December 31st, 2017





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COJO "Throwback" Pic!

January 2013 – New Year's Dive @ Eastport

What divers will do to get a dive in!!
In the pic – Joe, Connie and Claire



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!!

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!! Woo Hoo Hoo Hoo!!

Connie and Joe!!