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COJO's MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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What's New

Hello, **Merry Christmas**, **Happy New Year**, and welcome to the **December 2020** edition of the **COJO Diving Safety Stop Newsletter!!**

Here we are, at the **end of 2020!!** This has been a very hard year for a lot of people. Loss of jobs, worries of pandemics and tons of other things that happened that caused all to learn words like self-isolate, social distance, non-medical masks and all other kinds of terms and expressions that caused a lot of isolation and indoor activities to seem to be the theme of the year.



Let's make **2021 an awesome year!!** Let's get outside and get diving. Obviously, wherever you are, there may be restrictions on travel, gatherings and PPE that needs to be worn while getting dressed but, divers have a way of overcoming!

November is normally the month where COJO takes the chance exhale and starts to prepare for the next year. This year was no different!! Although there were some first aid and oxygen courses completed, it was a very slow month for training and excursions!!

During December, we will not be having the COJO Christmas Party and Customer Appreciation days but we would love to see all our customers! Stop by to say hello and chat any week day evening before Christmas!!

Don't forget about the **Underwater Christmas Tree Dive** that is Scheduled for 19 December!! See the details in "Events to Come"!!



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Here at COJO, Connie and I would like to take a moment and thank all the Dive Masters, Instructors, Service Technicians, Retail Assistants, Dive Team Personnel and especially all of you, customers and friends, that made 2020, although difficult, an awesome year together!! **Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year** to all!! See you soon!! 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

Our Holiday Hours

The shop will be closed December 23 through Jan 3

If you need fills, rentals, emergency service or to pick up an order.. just email or message us to make arrangements!





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Courses During November

COJO generally uses November to reload and complete all the requalification courses necessary to ensure the staff are up-to-date. This year was no different!! During November, COJO was busy with the following courses:

- **DAN** – Oxygen Provider Instructor Trainer Requalification
- **DAN** – Dive Emergency Management IT Requal
- **DAN** – Diving First Aid for Professional Instructor Trainer Requal
- **COJO** – Dive Rite Regulator clinic
- **OTS** – Guardian Full Face Mask Requal
- **COJO** – Dive Hat qualification
- **PADI** – Enriched Air Nitrox course
- **COJO** – Commercial Prep Program

We appreciate all of the COJO family that came in to say hi this year. It has been a crazy long year but due to our **loyal customers**, **awesome dive masters and instructors**, and all who came out this year, COJO has had a safe and successful year! **Woo Hoo!!**





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Courses to Come

Looking ahead, for December and into the New Year, it is time to start the **Open Water Diving** courses again!! Woo Hoo!! We will be starting new Open Water course pool work very soon so, if you are interested in doing an Open Water course, please let us know now so you can get the online training completed!! Also, for those of you that are interested in going Pro, this is the season to start a **Dive Master** or **Instructor course!!** Don't miss out!!



Here is a list of courses that are coming up, SO FAR.....

- **15 Dec – Red Cross – Emergency First Aid**
- **16 Dec – PADI – Oxygen Provider**
- **17 Dec – PADI – Enriched Air Nitrox**
- **Dec 2020 – PADI – Dive Master Course**
- **7 to 11 Dec – DCBC – Commercial Dive Supervisor Course (At ACDC)**
- **9 Jan – PADI – Rescue Diver Skills Review (Pool)**
- **23 Jan – PADI – Open Water Diver course (Fredericton)**
- **Jan 2021 – DCBC – Unrestricted Surface Supply Diver (At ACDC)**
- **April 2021 – DCBC – Occupational Scuba (At ACDC)**

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!!





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Events in November

COJO Ghost Gear Project

Working with the Maliseet Nation Conservation Council (MNCC), COJO Rescue has been removing old commercial fishing gear by the ton!! Ghost gear and other marine debris are a concern, now more than ever, as there have been many instances of North Atlantic right whales and other marine species becoming entangled (sometimes fatally) in derelict fishing gear. We will work with MNCC, DFO and the Marine Debris Strategic Action Committee to develop safe and effective methods for removing ghost gear from known locations using diving. If you want to know how you can help, contact us here at COJO Diving!!





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COJO Underwater Christmas Tree Decorating

This year the Santa Clause Dive indoors had to be cancelled due to COVID-19 so, COJO is moving back outdoors for the Underwater Christmas Tree Dive!! On **19 December**, don't miss out as COJO has the **Annual Christmas Tree Dive**.

Let's find a cute little tree and gather marine-friendly decorations. Then we'll drag it all underwater and decorate our tree! Divers can continue on to do a dive after putting on the Christmas Tree decorations! It's all in good fun, don't miss out!!

We will have a warming/change shelter available on site. Location: TBD, details to follow and dependent on weather and access.

** Participants must follow all current Public Health guidelines for COVID-19. Participants must wear a face covering at all times when 2m distancing can't be maintained. Face coverings and hand sanitizer will be available at registration. If diving with a buddy "outside of your bubble", please maintain distancing on entry/exit except when both are on regulators.



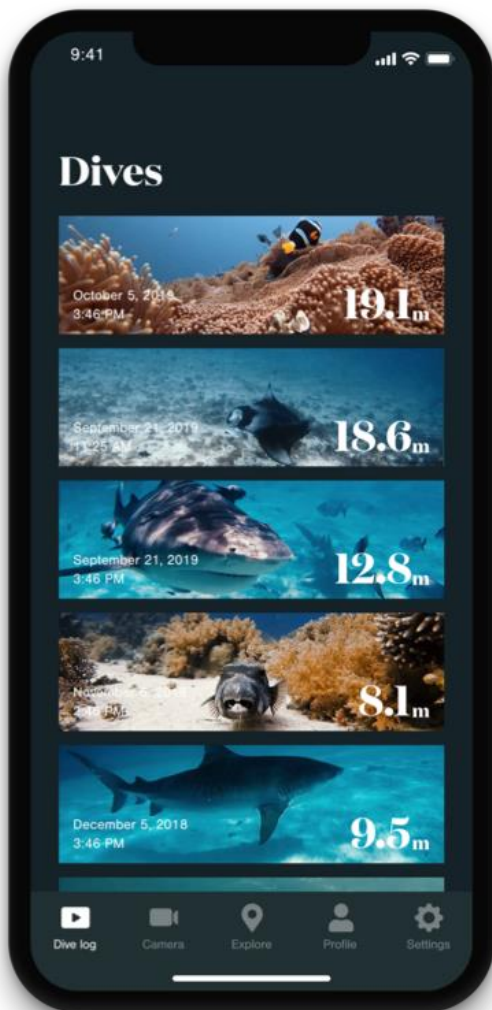


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Men's Aqualung Fusion One Drysuit	Ex-Rental, One Only. Size L/XL, excellent condition. Fits approx 5'9-6'1, 160-210lb. Regular price \$999+HST.	Only \$700+HST
Abyss HYDRA Front Entry drysuit	One Only (Custom Order). Size ML, fits approx 5'8-5'10, 165-180lb. Boot size 10. Regular price \$2,497+HST	Only \$2,149+HST
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Mares Superchannel Open Heel Fins	Size XL Only. White, Yellow, Blue.	Only \$65+HST
Hollis SMS100	One Only. Size L-XL. Regular price \$1199+HST	Only \$800+HST
Scubapro Ladyhawk BCD	One Only. Size Small, Pink trim. Model discontinued. Regular price \$859.98	Only \$499+HST
Paralenz Dive Camera+	One Only. Regular price \$725+HST	Only \$580+HST
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More items will be added, also watch our [Website](#) page for more items!



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Divemaster Course

If you are **Rescue Diver** certified, and have a minimum of 40 dives, consider going Pro with COJO, New Brunswick's **only PADI 5-Star Dive Center!** We are accepting registrations now for the next PADI Divemaster course starting in January.



Divemaster candidates follow a full program of knowledge development, skills training, practical training working with students and other divemaster candidates. It is fun, exciting, and challenging too!

[Contact us](#) for more information, and we invite all potential candidates to make an appointment at the shop so we can walk you through the program in more detail.





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Monthly FUN FACT

94% of Earth living species exist within the oceans.

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COJO “Throwback” Pic

November 2014

We travelled to Quebec to dive the Saguenay River, in the pic – Joe, Connie, Pascal (our awesome guide!!), Diver Ed, Jerry Shine.



[Click for COJO YouTube Channel](#)

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

Connie and Joe!!