



THE SAFETY STOP

COJO's MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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What's New

Happy Canada Day and welcome to the **July 2020** edition of the COJO Diving Safety Stop Newsletter!!

The state-of-emergency is lifted quite a bit and we've been diving!! The COJO Annual "**Really Dusty Fin Dive**" was a huge success!! There were **41 divers** out and a bunch of non-divers for some fun in the sun!! Woo Hoo!! Thanks to all who came out, there is still an awesome summer to salvage and, we can all get tons of diving in!!



Remember that getting ready to dive, just like while doing anything else, social distancing and face coverings are important to keep you and your buddies safe!!

Today, July 1st, COJO will be at **Atlas Park** for the **Canada Day Dive Event**!! This is a great chance for people in the **Pointe-Verte (COJO North)** area to come out and get some diving in. The event will go from noon until 4pm. We are also able to do air fills and visuals on cylinders!! Hope to see you all there!! **Remember to bring a face covering!!**

During June COJO ran a **COJO-Pro Charter**, where all available staff went out for a charter dive. This was important to ensure all SOPs were in place and worked well. There are some new rules to be followed when participating in a charter however **CHARTERS ARE BACK!!** If you are interested in a charter, contact us, or visit our Facebook page for details and to sign up!!

Our retail store is now open to the public. Please bear with us through these new times as we are still adjusting. There are guidelines for distancing that must be maintained and, all customers must wear a mask to come to the store. This is just to be extra-cautious, so no one ends up not able to dive due to an infection!!

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

Connie and Joe
COJO Diving

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



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Courses During June

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

- **PADI** – Dive Master Course (Ongoing)
- **PADI** – Open Water Diver course (Fredericton)
- **DAN** – Oxygen Provider Course
- **COJO** – Compressor Operator's Course

COJO is now back in full swing, 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 the Summer we have **tons of options** to get you diving. Students on dive courses can self-study 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 visit us for information!!



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

- **3 July** – **COJO** – **ROV Pilot Course**
- **4 to 5 July** – **PADI** – **Advanced Open Water Course**
- **18 to 19 July** – **PADI** – **Open Water Diver course (Bathurst)**
- **24 to 26 July** – **PADI** – **Self Reliant Course (Dives) (COJO North)**
- **21 to 22 July** – **TDI** – **Basic Gas Blender course**
- **8 to 9 Aug** – **PADI** – **Open Water Diver course (Checkouts)**
- **8 Aug** – **COJO** – **Drysuit Orientation course**
- **11 to 13 Aug** – **TDI** – **Normoxic Trimix (Classroom)**
- **17 Aug** – **TDI** – **Tech Sidemount / Intro to Tech (Classroom)**

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 June

COJO Dive Social, Sale and Swap Meet

COJO's annual Social, Sale and Swap Meet was a month late this year but, what an awesome event it was!! People from all over came out to buy and sell gear!! Thanks to all who came out to visit, buy and sell dive gear!! Woo Hoo!!





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COJO "Really Dusty" Fin Dive

On 20 June COJO hosted the annual **Dusty Fin Dive**. Due to the late start because of COVID, this year's dive was called the **Really Dusty Fin Dive!!** New Name, same awesome diving day!! Woo Hoo!! This year, **41 DIVERS CAME OUT TO DIVE!!** This is amazing and, we were totally crazy that day!! What an awesome turn out. All in all, divers and non-divers, there were 50 people out to the event!! This made for an awesome day for all who came out and, what a totally awesome way to start the diving season!! Thanks to all who came out, let's keep the momentum going!! Woo Hoo!!





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Events to Come

Canada Day Dive – Atlas Park

Happy Canada Day!



On 1 July, from Noon to 4pm, COJO will host a Fun Dive at Atlas Park in Pointe-Verte. Let's celebrate the birth of our great nation, and dive too! The fee is \$15+HST for the park entry fee, and please have a face covering!



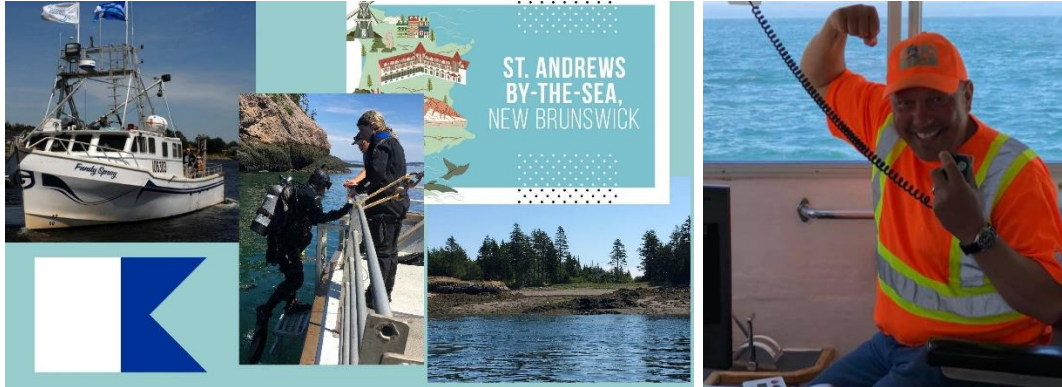
Canada Day Lumberjack Eric and Joe!!



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COJO Fundy Dive Charter



On 11 July, we will have our first recreational dive charter of the season! Our dive charters are run in partnership with Huntsman Marine Science Center aboard the 50ft Fundy Spray. This charter is **SOLD OUT**, but there is one spot remaining on the August 15 charter, and several spots remaining on the September 12 charter!



Joe with Annabelle and Charlie!! Woo Hoo!!



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Events to be Scheduled

For **July and August**, we still have several events to be scheduled and details will be posted to our Facebook page. Stay tuned for more adventure and experiences including the following:

Pirate Dive
REEF "Great Annual Fish Count" Dive
PADI "Dive for Debris"
... and more!

Equipment Servicing

Is your equipment due for service?

Here are just a few of the services we offer:

- **Regulator Servicing.** Regulators should be inspected at least once a year, and rebuilt every 2 years (depending on the manufacturer instruction. If you notice any issues – leaks, hose cracks, difficulty breathing, it's definitely time for servicing.
- **Computer Battery replacement.** We recommend battery replacement at least once a year, and more frequently if needed for higher usage especially in cold water dives
- **BCD Cleaning & Servicing.** We run through a full-point checklist of all parts and a full inflation test as well. We apply a treatment rinse to the inside of the bladder as well!
- **Drysuit seals replacement.** Don't leave wrist or neck seals with nicks or tears, we can repair those before they end a dive!

For a complete list of services, check our website here: [Services and Inspections](#)





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Monthly FUN FACT

Moon Snails can live for up to seven years.. that is quite a lifespan for the ocean!

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COJO "Throwback" Pic

March 2005

Dive Buddies Hugh and Andre, on the dock at Atlas Park in Pointe-Verte, NB.. 15 years ago, and the place is still amazing!



[Click for COJO YouTube Channel](#)

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

Connie and Joe!!