



THE SAFETY STOP

COJO's MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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What's New

Welcome to the **March 2019** edition, of the **COJO Diving Safety Stop Newsletter!!**

February was crazy with tons of **Discover Scuba's** and **Open Water** courses, and others!! Joe had to make a trip to Ottawa for a week, then to Vancouver for another. Connie stayed mostly at the COJO World Headquarters. COJO has some exciting news coming up on the new **Rapid Response Trailer**. Keep an eye out for that one!!



COJO's Ice Diver specialty course will be on a new date and in a new location!! The course will be at **Atlas Park on April 13 and 14th** because of popular demand!! Woo Hoo!!

COJO is also running courses in **Bathurst** and **Tracadie**!! If you are interested in diving, make this year your year to get in the water!!

COJO's 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 February

February is a very slow month for diving. There are a few die-hard divers that are out and, the rest is either classroom training or the start of **Discover Scuba's** and **Open Water Courses**. We did manage a few courses though!!

- **DAN** – Instructor Qualification Course
- **PADI** – Open Water Diver course (Fredericton)
- **PADI** – Discover Scuba Diving course (Fredericton and Bathurst)
- **PADI** – Ice Diver course (Postponed due to weather)

In addition, all the open water students that are ongoing, are doing an awesome job!! Keep up the awesome work and welcome to a brand new world!! **Woo Hoo!!**





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Courses to Come

Looking ahead for the winter, getting ready for SPRING the **Training Calendar** is full with tons of courses and options for classes for all levels!! If you know someone who is interested in learning to dive, don't miss this chance!! **Courses are filling up!!**

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 more information!!



- 12 Mar to 11 May – **PADI** – SEAL Team
- 14 Mar – **PADI** – Enriched Air Diver
- 16 Mar – **PADI** – Discover Scuba Diving
- 23 Mar – **PADI** – Open Water Diver Course
- 6 to 7 Apr – **DAN** – Dive Emergency Management Provider
- 6 Apr – **PADI** – Open Water Diver Course
- 13 Apr – **PADI** – Discover Scuba (Bathurst)
- 13 – 14 Apr – **PADI** – Ice Diver course
- 27 Apr – **PADI** – Open Water Diver Course
- 4 to 5 May – **PADI** – Open Water Course (Bathurst)
- 2 - 4 May – **PADI** – Peak Performance Buoyancy course
- And tons more!!





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Events During February

As we said earlier, February slowed down, as is typical during these couple months. **Joe** did manage to get out to **COJO North (Atlas Park)** to prep an ice dive but, with the wind chill, there was no way of safely doing the dives!! Thanks to **Hubert, Jay** and **Veronique** for coming out to help!! Next time!! **Woo Hoo!!**

Joe also made a trip to Ottawa and is currently in Vancouver scoping out possible future dive trips!! Don't miss out!! Stay tuned!!

A special congratulation to COJO Diver's and awesome **Abyss Diving Suits** Models **Leo Gosier** and **Nick Fusco** on completing their **PADI Ice Diver Specialty** course in Maine!! Awesome job!! **Woo Hoo!!**





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2018 PADI Master Diver Challenge

And the WINNER IS.....

Our very own **Gilles Turner** was the lucky winner of the **2018 PADI Master Diver Challenge**!! The contest was open to all divers who earned their **Master Scuba Diver** rating between May 1 2018 and Sep 30 2018. Gilles was awarded an all-expenses paid trip for 2 to Roatan, Honduras.. wow!!

The award is well deserved and recognizes the outstanding achievement Gilles had on earning his Advanced and Rescue certifications, and 5 specialty courses. Stay tuned to how you can qualify for the contest this year!

Congratulations Gilles!!





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Events & Trips to Come

Boston Sea Rovers!!

That's right!! Connie and Joe are headed to **Boston Sea Rovers** to see presentations and enjoy some Southern diving!! Boston Sea Rovers is an awesome Scuba show that happens annually in **Danvers Mass**. If you have never been, it is a great way to break up the cold of winter!! This year, **Diver Ed** will be doing a presentation on **Mini Ed!!** It is one for the record books!! Don't miss out!!

Also, we are now fully underway planning training, events and trips for **2019!**

Below is just a sample of what's coming up!

May 25 – Sep 7

COJO is now running recreational dive charters!! We will start in May and run charters every month in the **Bay of Fundy** partnering with **Huntsman Marine!!** Don't miss out on the fun, contact us for dates & info!

May 18-25

We will again join the **Paddlefest** festival in St. Andrews with dive events!

June 22 - 23

Our first **Advanced Open Water** Diver course of the season will be paired with a Fundy dive charter! We will also have our **Pirate Dive** event in June!

June 29 – July 6

Our summer highlight will a return to **Newfoundland** with **Ocean Quest Adventures**. We have an amazing group of divers heading there with us to explore the **Bell Island Wrecks**, discover sea caves, kayaking, icebergs & more!

July 20 – 21

PADI Women's Dive Day plus the **REEF Great Annual Fish Count** events.

Aug 17 - 18

We will again participate in the **Great Fundy Coastal Cleanup** event with our partner **Nature Trust of NB!** For 2019 we are considering a return to **Grand Manan**, and make a weekend of it!



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Aug 31 – Sept 1st

We will return for a few days diving at Perce QC. Amazing marine life, and dive with the seals on this great charter dive trip. We still have a few spots available!

Sep 21 - 26

We will return for diving at Les Escoumins in QC and a charter weekend at the Saguenay River. We still have a few spots available!

Stay tuned for more dive trips in 2019! Are you interested in a location but don't see it on our calendar? Contact us and let us know!





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Product Highlights

Each month we like to bring attention to products that we stock and found are awesome in some way. We may even have a great deal on them! However, the best deal for all divers is to have an active and successful local dive shop.

Please buy local!!



The forefront of Emergency Cutting Tool (E.C.T.) dynamics and design, the EEZYCUT TRILOBITE was developed for divers, mariners, mountaineers, extreme sports adventurers and rescue service providers who demand a tool that delivers a swift, safe, efficient cut. **Manufacturer Suggested Price \$35.00**



ATOMIC SUBFRAME MASK

The strongest and most indestructible 2-window mask ever!

Lifetime warranty against frame breakage.
Ultraclear lenses, optional corrective lenses

Manufacturer Suggested Price \$149.95



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Monthly FUN FACT

“The world’s longest mountain chain is underwater, and less explored than the surface of Venus or Mars.”

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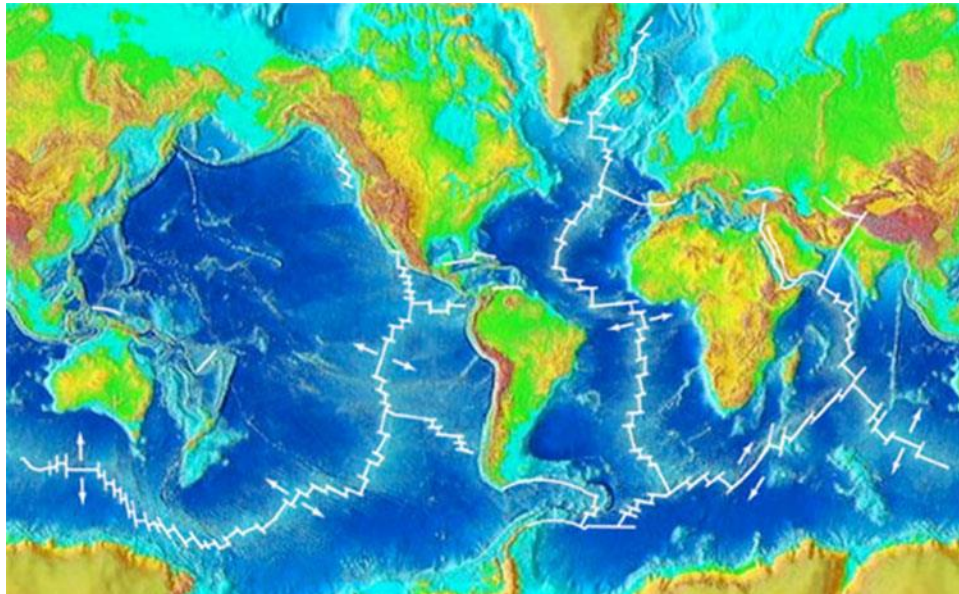


Image from NOAA Ocean Explorer article:
<https://oceanexplorer.noaa.gov/facts/mid-ocean-ridge.html>



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COJO "Throwback" Pic

October 2015 – Advanced Open Water Class

We thought everyone could use a little "green".

This pic is from the **Fredericton Green**, where Advanced Open Water students are practicing land navigation with Instructor Joe.

Think warm thoughts, Spring is coming!!

