



THE SAFETY STOP

COJO's MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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What's New

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

It is so hard to believe that another year (however screwed up it has been), is coming to an end!! The seasons are turning now, first snowfalls have happened all over the place and, frost is on the cars and trucks in the morning. **The dive season is not over** so, don't give up yet!! Sometimes, it gets harder to get out for a dive in the winter but, it is one of the best times

Of the year to dive!! **The water gets clearer, the air is crisper, the spirits are higher and there are never any line ups at the dive sites!!**



During October, things started to slow a bit here at COJO but there is still tons of stuff going on and, hundreds of dives to be done over the cooler months!! There was an awesome **Advanced Open Water** course, tons of **science work**, a **Commercial Prep Program** and tons of other events going on!! Woo Hoo!!

During the Commercial Prep Program, the McDermott's came out to give the students a look at the ROV that COJO Rescue uses for searching for lost objects!! Awesome job to **Rowan, Tobin, Wendy and Thom!!** Woo Hoo!!

The Annual COJO **Underwater Pumpkin Carving** was a huge success!! **22 divers** came out to play with knives underwater!! This was an awesome event!! Thanks to all that showed up!! Great job to all!!

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 October

COJO is starting to wind down courses for the season but, there are still tons of opportunities to dive and to participate in courses!! During Oct, here is a list of the courses that were run:

- **PADI – Dive Master Course**
- **PADI – Self-Reliant Diver Course**
- **PADI – Advanced Open Water Course**
- **PADI – Enriched Air Nitrox Course**
- **COJO – Commercial Prep Program**

This year has been quite challenging all around. Due to our **loyal customers**, **awesome dive masters and instructors**, and all who came out this year, COJO has had a safe and successful summer season! Thanks to all who have been out for courses this crazy year!! **Woo Hoo!!**





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Courses to Come

Looking ahead, for November and into the Fall and Winter seasons, we have **tons of ways** to get you diving. The open water season is upon us!! 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 for the rest of the year, SO FAR.....

- **2 Nov – Dive Rite – Regulator Service clinic**
- **17 Nov – Red Cross – Emergency First Aid**
- **18 Nov – DAN – Oxygen Provider**
- **19 Nov – PADI – Enriched Air Nitrox**
- **1 Dec – Red Cross – Emergency First Aid**
- **2 Dec – DAN – Oxygen Provider**
- **3 Dec – PADI – Enriched Air Nitrox**
- **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)**
- **Jan 2021 – DCBC – Unrestricted Surface Supply Diver (At ACDC)**
- **May 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 October

COJO Annual Underwater Pumpkin Carving

COJO's Annual Underwater Pumpkin Carving was a huge success this year!! On 24 October, **22 divers** got together to celebrate halloween season with some underwater pumpkin carving. The vis was horrible and once the divers got in the water, it only got worse!! The pumpkins were carefully carved and tons of fun was had!! Thanks to all who came out for this awesome event!! **Woo Hoo!!**



Note: Divers are masked, in family groupings or distanced





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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 at the Pool" and Christmas Party don't fit within the current Public Health guidelines due to Covid-19.. so we are bringing back the Underwater Christmas Tree Decorating dive event! The event is scheduled for December 5, and the location to be decided based on weather and site access.

We will take a cute little tree underwater and decorate it with marine friendly decorations, and then go for a dive! We will have change/warming shelter on site.





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Drysuit Sale

We have a few drysuits in stock. They are new, rental, or consignment. These are discounted as "one of" deals, and it's a perfect time to think about going dry!

Suits can be purchased for the price listed. However we encourage bids, and will consider those at the end of the sale period if the suit hasn't sold.

Sale period is until November 20.

All suits listed can be viewed at our Lincoln store.

<p>USED - Consignment. Bare Women's Trilam Tech Dry Size Large, excellent condition. Leak tested, dry. Includes - hood (large) 2 bellows pockets, soft boot, QCP ring system, dry gloves, Bare Trek boot size 8. Purchased new for \$2700.00 Asking \$1200</p>	<p>NEW - Bare Trilam Pro Dry Back Entry, Size ML One Only (Special Order, returned) Fits approx 5'10 - 6'0, 170-195lb Neo neck 15.25", latex wrist seals installed to fit XL soft boot - size 10 QCP cuff ring installed - supports removable wrist seals Regular price \$2424+HST SALE PRICE \$1199+HST</p>
<p>RENTAL - Men's Aqualung Fusion One, Size L/XL Excellent Condition Fit's approx 5'9 - 6'1, 160-210lb Latex neck and wrist seals Regular price \$999+HST SALE PRICE \$700+HST</p>	<p>NEW - Abyss HYDRA Front Entry, Size ML, Black One Only 1mm crushed neoprene Fits approx 5-8" - 5'10", 165-180lb Size 10 boot, neo neck 14.5, neo wrists 7" Includes drysuit bag, drysuit hood, zipper lube, hose Regular price \$2497.50+HST SALE PRICE \$2149+HST</p>
<p>NEW - Bare HDC Tech Dry Front Entry, Size MLS One Only (Special order, returned) Fits approx 5'6" - 5'8", 160-185lb Neoprene neck seal 13.5" Latex wrist seals installed to fit Boots installed size XL - USA 10 Trigon Pee valve installed Wrist rings - supports removable wrist seals 2 x Bellows Pockets Regular price \$3434+HST SALE PRICE \$1800+HST</p>	

Check our [Facebook](#) page for pics & more details!



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Monthly FUN FACT

Chitons are true “Living fossils” since they have not changed in 300 million years!

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COJO "Throwback" Pic

December 2006

One of the original underwater Christmas Tree decorating dives, and the founder of the idea Monica! Along with divers Hugh and Mike.



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

Connie and Joe!!