

# MERRY CHRISTMAS



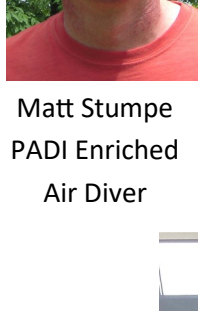
Thanks to Instructor Brian Harvey for completing a Friday evening SCUBA Refresher for this nice couple.



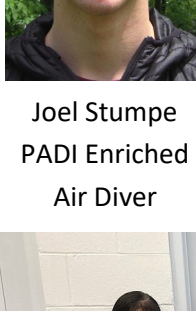
Thanks to IDC PADI Instructor Michael Jernigan, Dive Master John Vetter, and Dive Master in Training Jeff Gillam for helping this group get a SCUBA Refresher completed for their next trip.



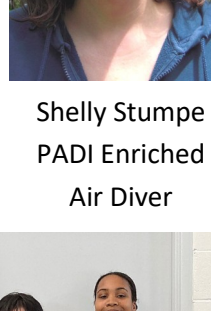
Sunday morning PADI Enriched Training. The Stumpe Family are now Enriched Air Certified.



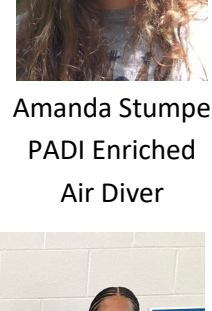
Matt Stumpe  
PADI Enriched  
Air Diver



Joel Stumpe  
PADI Enriched  
Air Diver



Shelly Stumpe  
PADI Enriched  
Air Diver



Amanda Stumpe  
PADI Enriched  
Air Diver



Sunday Afternoon First Aid Training Graduates.

## DO YOU STILL BELIEVE...THE TRADITION CONTINUES



### SCUBA SCHOOL

DEC 26-28	OPEN WATER PART ONE (CLASSROOM AND POOL SESSIONS)
DEC 27	DISCOVER SCUBA, SCUBA REVIEWS, OR FUN DIVE (NOON-3PM)
DEC 28	OPEN POOL DIVE (2-4 PM)
JAN 2-4	OPEN WATER PART ONE (CLASSROOM AND POOL SESSIONS)
JAN 3	DISCOVER SCUBA, SCUBA REVIEWS, OR FUN DIVE (NOON-3PM)
JAN 4	OPEN POOL DIVE (2-4 PM)
JAN 9-11	OPEN WATER PART ONE (CLASSROOM AND POOL SESSIONS)
JAN 10	DISCOVER SCUBA, SCUBA REVIEWS, OR FUN DIVE (NOON-3PM)
JAN 11	OPEN POOL DIVE (2-4 PM)
JAN 16-18	OPEN WATER PART ONE (CLASSROOM AND POOL SESSIONS)
JAN 17	DISCOVER SCUBA, SCUBA REVIEWS, OR FUN DIVE (NOON-3PM)
JAN 18	OPEN POOL DIVE (2-4 PM)
JAN 23-25	OPEN WATER PART ONE (CLASSROOM AND POOL SESSIONS)
JAN 24	DISCOVER SCUBA, SCUBA REVIEWS, OR FUN DIVE (NOON-3PM)
JAN 25	OPEN POOL DIVE (2-4 PM)
JAN 30-FEB 1	OPEN WATER PART ONE (CLASSROOM AND POOL SESSIONS)
JAN 31	DISCOVER SCUBA, SCUBA REVIEWS, OR FUN DIVE (NOON-3PM)
FEB 1	OPEN POOL DIVE (2-4 PM)

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- Roundtrip airport/hotel transfers
- Day one = 1 shore dive orientation dive followed by one tank boat diving
- Day 2 - 6 = 5 days 2 tank boat diving (Total 11 boat dives)
- Unlimited tanks for shore diving (transportation not included)
- Diving includes tanks, weights and belt
- All service charges on hotel/dive package features.

#### Package Excludes:

- Marine Park tag \$40.00 USD (valid for 1 calendar year MUST BE PRE-PURCHASED ON LINE PRIOR TO TRAVEL)
- Government entry tax = \$75 to be paid on line before entry or upon entry
- Departure tax
- Beverages
- Nitrox
- Night dives
- Personal dive equipment
- Gratuities
- Trip Cancellation & Dive Insurance

#### OPTIONAL ADD ONS

Nitrox = \$110 per person  
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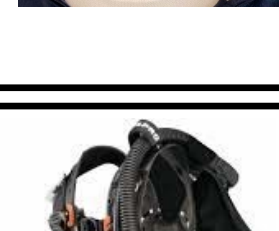
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### CONGRATULATIONS

PADI DIVE MASTER JEFF GLLIAM .

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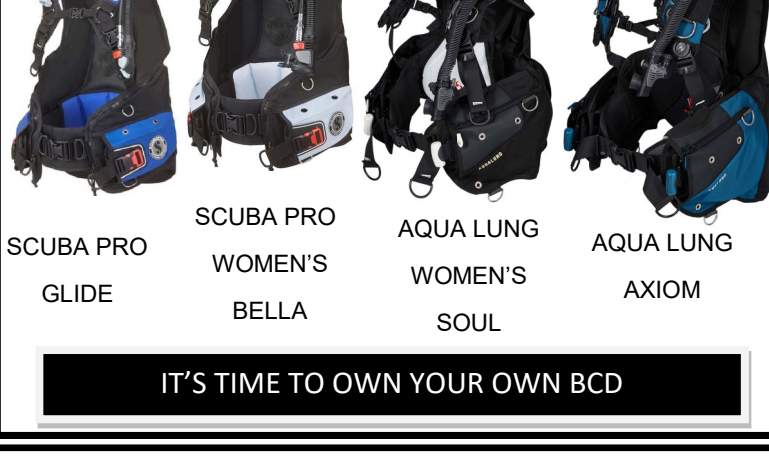
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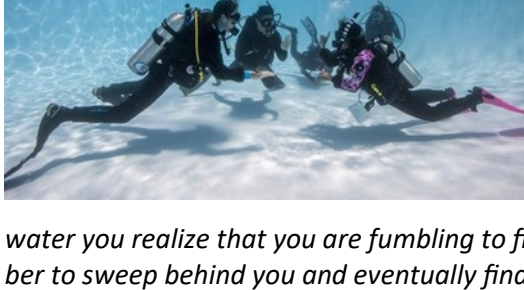
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### YES WE HAVE BCDs IN STOCK



IT'S TIME TO OWN YOUR OWN BCD

### When you are a scuba diver returning to the water after a break:



You've not been diving in what feels like decades and you've just realized that you've put the BCD onto the cylinder backwards! You quickly turn it around and hope no one saw. Now, which way the regulators and gauges go again? This regulator looks different to the one you had last time - "am I doing this right?" - You feel stupid asking, but it is probably better to check after all. You smile enthusiastically, nervously wondering if you can still remember how to dive.

Okay! You've got your kit all set up and it's time to walk out to the dive site. You are excited but there is this wobbly feeling, everything just feels a bit weird. As you get into the water you realize that you are fumbling to find the inflate button. Finally, it's time to descend, "where's that regulator?" you remember to sweep behind you and eventually find it, but you worry that everyone is sick of waiting for you. You hit the deflate ... and you are still on the surface! Your buddy and the guide look up at you patiently as you gradually make your way down towards them.

This used to be easy, but now it feels odd and strangely vulnerable.

But, as you start to swim along, things start to fall into place. Each time you reach for your inflator hose you find it faster. The second time you clear your mask you remember to focus on breathing through your mouth (the first time resulting in some spluttering). By the end of the dive, you are really starting to enjoy yourself again and the nerves have melted away. After a few more dives it's all coming back again.

Does this sound familiar? Look at all the things we need to know and do when we dive, from putting our equipment together, carrying out checks, finding clips to fasten and buttons to press. These are motor skills that took time and effort to learn. The ability to perform these skills got laid down in pathways of nerves that run from your brain to your fingers and toes; and all the way back again. When we have a break from diving, these pathways are unused. Like tracks in a field the grass grows over them and it can be hard to find our way through when we return. But the pathways are there! By re-using the skills: we open them up again. Repetition and practice send signals down the nerves and the connections strengthen again, which is why we get better and faster at the skills the more we do them.

There are many pathways you will need to revisit when you return for your first dive after a long break. There will be connections that must be made just to get into the water, for example being able to locate and press the deflate button. (You won't go very far if you can't do that!) You should also practice some basic skills that you need for the dive, like clearing your mask in case it fogs. Plus, getting the hang of buoyancy will be important. But what about the hidden pathways?

There are things you would need to do if something went wrong. For example, practicing sharing air in case of loss of gas, or dropping your weight belt in case of failure to establish buoyancy on the surface. When was the last time you went down those tracks? If you needed to, would there be a clear route through, or would you be struggling to hack your way through the overgrowth in an emergency?

In the same way that tracks fade when they are not followed regularly, our skills atrophy when we do not practice. Look back through your training, are there any skills that you have not used? Often the most important skills are the ones we may never need to do for real, so we forget about them ... or tell ourselves we know how to do them. But if those skills have not been practiced, they will not be accessible. Why not take a wander down those overlooked pathways by refreshing skills and practicing scenarios with your dive instructor. Regularly re-discovering what you can do is all part of your diving journey.

It's a good idea for divers who haven't been in the water for a significant period and are thinking about returning to enroll in a scuba refresher course. The program should get you back to feeling comfortable in the underwater world in less than a day. Check it out and get ready to start diving again.



The new MK11 EVO/R105 is a simple, rugged and reliable air delivery system. The MK11 EVO is a compact balanced diaphragm first stage with a forged brass body fitted with thermal fins and protective plastic bumpers to ward off scratches. The R105 delivers smooth, dependable air flow from its classic downstream valve design. Built to last, the R105 features a durable metal valve housing and an anti-scratch front cover.

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The Mk11 Professional First Stage Regulator is the perfect choice for the recreational diver who wants the advantage of a diaphragm first stage for use in temperate waters. Diaphragm-based first stages are environmentally sealed so that water cannot enter the inner mechanism.

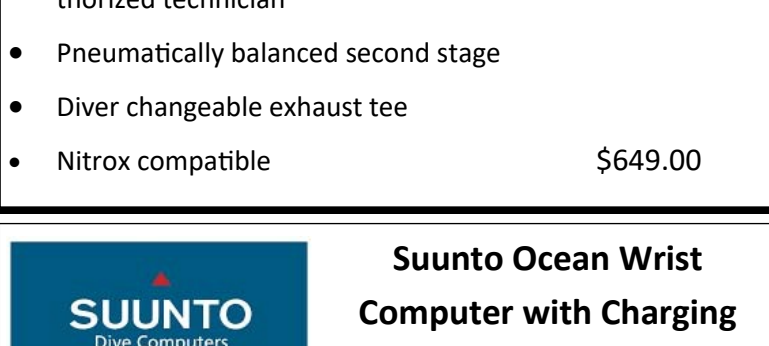
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The Apeks XTX50 Regulator is what you're looking for in a top of the line regulator, at a reasonable price. The Apeks XTX50 is designed to handle every diving condition you could put it through. It can even be changed from right hand to left hand use, by an authorized technician. You can change out the exhaust tee from a wider tee for minimal bubbles, great for photography, or a more narrow exhaust tee for a smaller more compact regulator. Apeks XTX50 features:

- An over balanced diaphragm design first stage that is environmentally sealed
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### A Christmas Thanks

A sustainable business cannot be run without a balance of good relationships and support from those with experience and an encouraging spirit. It has taken some relentless seeking and understanding of the current state of most of our lives to be encouraged to 'power through' these times. If you are a customer, serving you has been one of the most fruitful experiences of our life. You are worth every ounce of work we do for you. If you are a friend of mine, thank you for putting up with my consistent nagging and moans of the business world as I see it. If you are family, I love you, **Period.**

This year has been incredibly fun and that is because we have the greatest customers in the world. We constantly long to do better, be more efficient, always with a goal to 'effectively' make diving a passion of the heart and an adventure worth sharing.

I can not say this enough. Thank you for your support. Thank you for your encouragement. I'm not wanting to sound so pathetically full of gratitude, but that is what this time of year is about. You need to be thanked, you need to be praised, and I appreciate you.

I hope you all have a very enjoyable, very sappy, very cheerful holiday season. We all need some joy right now I'm sure, so let's all make it happen. Merry Christmas and may God Bless YOU

**Luke 2:11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.**