

Stratford Divers

The Newsletter for Stratford Upon Avon Sub Aqua Club



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Committee Bits

Good news regarding diving is starting to trickle in to us. For the first time in many months there has been some diving activity with trips to Stoney Cove and some shore-based diving already happening. We are very hopeful that Sally's trip to the Farne Islands is going ahead, as is Lundy with Angie. The Scilly Isles trip is looking very good as well. Beyond those trips, please keep in contact with your trip organiser to get the latest information.

Guess the Diver

The Covid crisis has seen some innovative approaches to masks being created. Some have fashioned makeshift breathing apparatus from old bits of clothing, scraps of cloth and other dubious materials. Some have gone to quite extreme lengths. Can you identify the member in the mask?

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Email me (Alastair) the name of the diver that you think it is before July 10th. All correct answers will be entered into a draw with the winner receiving a £20 amazon voucher. (The member in the picture is clearly excluded from the comp...sorry)

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Pool Update

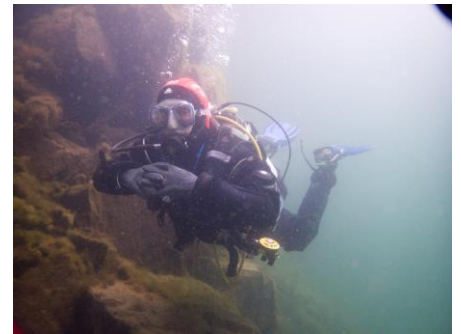
While the leisure centre has plans to re-open, the pool is currently set to remain closed for some time yet. We are in contact with the leisure centre management, but they cannot give us any indication as to when pools will be allowed to open.



BSAC has published some preparation notes around what pool use may look like once they re-open so it would be a good idea to check these out now. We will circulate any guidance that is specific to Stratford once the pool is back in use.

Stoney Opens

As many of you will be aware, Stoney is open again. There are numerous changes in place to protect users and there is a booking system live on the website. Some members have braved the murky waters already and reports are generally positive with the overwhelming sentiment being "its good to get back in the water"



If you fancy a dip in Stoney, check out the website for the latest instructions which will change rapidly to reflect shifts in government policy.

Lecture catch up

Have you missed one of the recent online lectures? Is there some aspect of theory you could do with some extra revision on? Jack has kindly offered to do some one-to-one sessions for anyone who feels they would like to catch up on some aspect of diving theory. If some catch up or revision sessions would be useful, just get in touch with Jack.



Activities Calendar



<http://www.stratforddivers.co.uk/events/>



Pool sessions run each Thursday between 8pm & 9pm at Stratford upon Avon Leisure Centre

Cost is £3.00 payable on the night

After the pool we meet at Stratford Football Club for drinks

August 2020

Date	Event	Organiser	Cost	Spaces Available?	Minimum Diver Grade
16 th Aug	Stoney Cove Fun Dive	Simon Watkins	Approx. £20	Yes	Ocean
14 th Aug	Lundy (date changed)	Angie Deaves	Contact	No	Contact
22 nd Aug	Scillies Expedition	Andy Bacon	Contact for cost	Contact	Contact

September 2020

Date	Event	Organiser	Cost	Spaces Available?	Minimum Diver Grade
5 th Sep	Chinese Night	Ellen Rowe	TBD	Yes	Open to all
10 th Sep	Pembroke	Peter Neal	Contact for cost	Contact	Ocean diver
19 th Sept	Sharm Egypt	Hilary	Full	Full	Full
20 th Sep	Stoney Cove Fun Dive	Simon Watkins	Approx. £20	Yes	Ocean

October 2020

Date	Event	Organiser	Cost	Spaces Available?	Minimum Diver Grade
18 th Oct	Stoney Cove Fun Dive	Simon Watkins	Approx. £20	Yes	Ocean
31 st Oct	Halloween / Fireworks	Ellen Rowe	TBD	Yes	Open to all

November 2020

Date	Event	Organiser	Cost	Spaces Available?	Minimum Diver Grade
1 st Nov	Scapa Flow	Alastair	Contact for cost	Yes	Sports Diver
15 th Nov	Stoney Cove Fun Dive	Simon Watkins	Approx. £20	Yes	Ocean
21 st Nov	Christmas Lights	Ellen Rowe	TBD	Yes	Open to all

December 2020

Date	Event	Organiser	Cost	Spaces Available?	Minimum Diver Grade
12 th Dec	Christmas Party	Ellen Rowe	TBD	Yes	Open to all
20 th Dec	Stoney Cove Fun Dive	Simon Watkins	Approx. £20	Yes	Ocean