

Stratford Divers

The Newsletter for Stratford Upon Avon Sub Aqua Club



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Committee Bits

We would really appreciate it if all members could check out the members directory section of our website and make sure that your details are up to date, including your emergency contact details. You can change this yourself but if you need some support, please let anyone on the committee know.

We are also looking at the way that we collect club fees as well as BSAC fees. With the rise of direct debit the process of collecting club fees has become far more complicated and we will be looking to standardise how we collect money as far as possible. Rest assured that any change made will be communicated well in advance.

Pool Update

There are some refurbishment works coming up at the pool which may affect us. Between July 23rd and July 27th the pool, steam room and showers will be closed. In theory, we will be able to get in the pool on July 28th (Thursday) but given the propensity for works to overrun, please be on the lookout for a closure notice at short notice that week.

In addition, from July 23rd the shower block will be closed for 3 weeks so we will all have to go home stinking of chlorine after our session.

If we hear about any other changes to this we will communicate it as soon as we can so please look out for any messages sent via chat.

Club News

Congratulations to Denise Watkins for completing Sports Diver last weekend. Denise completed this with the support of the regional coaching team with Natalie and Simon. This is a fantastic way to make use of BSAC resource to supplement what we can do ourselves. Feedback was excellent and this route is worth considering to further your training.



Trips

The long-awaited return to the red sea, long delayed due to covid, finally happened in June. A large group of club divers made the trip and the photos looked fantastic. There is a full report available on the website so please take the time to read through it as it is rather good!



The ever-popular Lundy trip happened last weekend as well. From the pictures it looked as though the seals have missed us. Staying on Lundy is always a special experience and when the seals are as playful as they seemed to be this time it becomes a unique trip and well recommended for newer members.



If you would like to register your interest for any of the trips in this newsletter or on the website please contact the trip organiser for more details

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

Date	Event	Organiser	Cost	Spaces Available	Minimum Diver Grade
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July 2022					
1 st – 3 rd	Lundy Island	Angie Deaves	TBC	No	Ocean
8 th – 11 th	Farnes	Sally Richards	TBC	No	Sports
17 th	Stoney Fun Dive	Simon Watkins	£20 entry	Yes	Ocean
22 nd -24 th	Swanage Trip	Simon Watkins	Contact SW	No - Full	Ocean

August 2021					
17 th – 21 st	Rib Trip – West Bay	Andy Dale	£25 per day	Full	Ocean
21 st	Stoney Fun Dive	Simon Watkins	£20 entry	Yes	Ocean
27 th	Bank Holiday Weekend RIB Trip	TBC	TBC	Yes	Ocean

September 2021					
2 nd – 10 th	Isles of Scilly	Andy Bacon	TBC	Yes	Sports
18 st	Stoney Fun Dive	Simon Watkins	£20 entry	Yes	Ocean

October 2021					
14 th – 16 th	Late season RIB Trip	Alastair Manning	TBC	TBC	TBC
16 th	Stoney Fun Dive	Simon Watkins	£20 entry	Yes	Ocean
30 th - 6 th Nov	Red Sea Northern Wrecks & Reefs	Andy Dale	£1457	Full	Sports

Boat Bookings

To help trip organisers we have set up an email address that will go to Angie as DO and the website admin team. If you are planning a trip, please contact boatbookings@stratforddivers.co.uk

This is particularly important if you are planning a trip with Hornet as it will allow us to reserve the boat for you. Boat bookings are strictly first come first served and must be with the agreement of the DO. Trips booked can be viewed in this newsletter and on the website

If you have a trip that is not listed above, please could you send me the details so I can add it.

Alastair.manning@gmail.com or 07394 404855

Club Airfills:- Now available from our own compressor at the bargain price of £3.50 per fill (to cover running costs). Please let me know if you will be dropping off a cylinder for filling as I may not be at the club every week. Just ask me for more details.

Don't forget easyfundraising – click the link to raise some cash. [Stratford Divers Fundraising | Easyfundraising](#)