

BLUE OCEAN DIVERS

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WELCOME TO OUR MAY NEWSLETTER

Please excuse the briefness of this newsletter but we are hours away from the airplane that will take us to the AquaCat. The group is excited about the opportunity to dive with sharks and explore pristine reefs in the Bahamas. No phone, no internet, no shoes, no worries. Stop by the old dive center and ask to see the movie so you will know what you missed.

Happy Diving,
Mach10 Mike

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News from the Dive Center

Really good PodCast

Have you logged into iTunes and checked out this free podcast? This month they had video of sea horses to just die for.

Have you joined the growing group of PodCast'ers yet? Do you like watching short videos of you favorite pastime - scuba diving? Go to iTunes and subscribe to DiveFilm HD Video. This is a free podcast with lots of BEAUTIFUL underwater footage. After watching a couple of these short videos I realized just how little I've seen underwater.

Not into the iTunes thing?? Go to http://divefilm.com/dive_films/indexbd12.html# and you can download the videos in various formats to match your internet connection speed. Check it out! You will be amazed!

Scuba Challenge

Are you learning? Are you trying new things? Are you coming to the scuba challenge? If you were not there why not? It's a great time just getting wet and having fun blowing bubbles in a pool. We throw in a little challenge to keep everyone on their toes.

May's scuba challenge is the last for the year. May 15th we will have our Tech Challenge, doubles and re-breathers. Come and see what it's like to wear a set of doubles. All that extra air lets you go places and see things other divers just dream of. If you think doubles are cool wait until you experience how quite the underwater world is on a rebreather!

We start at 7 p.m. With a general overview and at 8 we are off to the Binghamton YMCA to get wet. Sign-up includes all the fun at the pool and a tank of air. He only gear you'll need is mask, snorkel, fins and exposure suit (maybe). Stop in today and sign-up today!

Not ready for the challenge but just want to get wet and dust the cobwebs off the dive skills? No worries, you can sign-up for pool play and come to the pool and get wet,

Trivia Contest



My apologies to all of you that submitted an entry for April contest. I'm at the home computer and it is either very late at night or very early in the morning and the entries are on the computer at the dive center. So we'll do a double award next month.

How's your supply of mask defog? Go to our website and answer the 2 Trivia questions. Upon submittal you will be told if you found the correct answers to the questions. Your chances in the drawing will be based on the number of questions you answered correctly. If you answer both questions correctly you will have 2 chances in the drawing. If you answer only one correctly you will get one chance in the drawing. Good Luck to one and all.

Educational Opportunities

PADI Open Water Diver

Do you have a friend that you would like to see as your new dive buddy? Are they getting cabin fever already? Are they looking for something that will get them thinking warm sunny thoughts? Enroll them now in our next PADI Open Water Diver course starting June 2nd.

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Our April class is going strong and the June class is filling. Enroll them today in our PADI Open Water diver course starting Tuesday, June 2nd before time gets away from you.

The Unknown Diver

Hello Divers

May is a tough month for old tug. Like you he just can't wait for the water to warm up so he can get his dive gear wet. But May is Spring Turkey season and the water is not that warm and the turkeys are gobbling and We you get the picture. Much like you, O' Tug is torn between loves.

Don't worry though, O' Tug will be back next month to regale us with a story or two!
but never dive over your head

"The Unknown Diver"

Travel

St. Lawrence River



Our trips in 2009 will be with Abucs Scuba doing three boat dives on Saturday, two boat dives on Sunday, lunch on Saturday and lodging Saturday night. You will be responsible for providing all of your own dive equipment including weights and three tanks. We will get air fills in Canada for Sunday. Of course, if your dive locker is a little lacking, Blue Ocean Divers can provide any equipment you are missing or a complete weekend package. The calendar has all the dates so mark your calendar NOW and don't miss a minute of the fun! The best fresh water dive destination in the USA is the St. Lawrence River, right here in our own backyard! Come and dive the St. Lawrence River.

Links to St. Lawrence Dive Site Information

Gas prices are MUCH lower that last year. Are you thinking about getting back on the road and diving local dive sites this summer? Do you know that we have one of the best fresh water dive destinations right here in our own backyard? It's the St. Lawrence River! Do you want to know more about the dive sites we dive every summer? Check out http://www.saveontarioshipwrecks.on.ca/News/Shipwreck_articles.html and see what there is to explore in the St. Lawrence River! Watch our calendar for our next trip will with ABUCS Scuba in Brockville Canada.

Warm-water Dive Trips

AquaCat Live-Aboard

Watch this spot for the trip report next month! We'll have a photo story for you when we get back too.

August Trip

We are moving our August trip to the first week of the month. We are going to Roatan. Check the website or call for all of the detail.

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Date	Activity
May 3	PADI Rescue course
May 10	Mother's Day - Show how much you care!
May 15	Scuba Challenge - Doubles & Rebreathers come and try!
May 16	PADI Enriched air (Nitrox) course
May 17	Drysuit class
May 2 nd - 9 th	AquaCat Live-aboard, Bahamas (Full)
August 1 st - 8 th	Not Florida - Watch this space!!!
May 30 -31	Dutch Springs Open Water weekend
July 11 - 12	Dutch Springs Open Water weekend
August 22 - 23	Dutch Springs Open Water weekend
October 3 - 4	Dutch Springs Open Water weekend
October 24 - 25	Dutch Springs Open Water weekend
June 13 - 14	St. Lawrence River trip with Abucs Scuba
July 4 - 5	St. Lawrence River trip with Abucs Scuba
July 25 - 26	St. Lawrence River trip with Abucs Scuba
August 15 - 16	St. Lawrence River trip with Abucs Scuba
September 5 - 6	St. Lawrence River trip with Abucs Scuba
October 17 - 18	St. Lawrence River trip with Abucs Scuba
November 4 - 7	DEMA, Orlando, FL

Store Hours

Monday – Friday Noon until 8:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Closed