



Newsletter - August 2010

Hi all, yes winter is still here, and yes the water is a balmy 11°C....so a few weeks ago we went to check out the winterless North, and to dive The Poor Knights 😊.

Next winter Vanuatu!...but more on that later.

The good news is we are now on the slippery slope to summer. Now is a good time to dust off the gear and get regs etc serviced or even upgraded. If you haven't had a dive for a while it is also a good time to get scuba reviews done. Yes in the swimming pool if you want!



Upcoming Courses...

Discover Scuba: As always, fortnightly, Wednesdays, 6.30pm at Freyberg Pool...call us to book you or your friends in. Cost is just \$10 plus pool entry fee. **Bookings essential!**

PADI Open Water course: Anytime by arrangement
Confined Water Training Wednesday at Freyberg Pool.
Open Water training at a time that suits you! Give us a call for more info. And don't forget, we specialise in one-to-one training.

Short on time? You can speed up your course and get in the water sooner by doing the theory by eLearning...see the eLearning page on our website for more details.

PADI Advanced Open Water: anytime by arrangement 5 fun dives and no exams! Build up your confidence in the water doing navigation, deep, night, fish ID, wreck and more. Times are flexible and we're always keen for a dive so get in touch to become an Advanced Open Water Diver.

PADI Rescue Diver: 28th-29th August. The course that everyone rates as the best PADI course out there, and a great way to build confidence in and on the water. The course requires that you have a current first aid certificate so if you don't already have one, we can sort that out too through an Emergency First Responder course (3 hours; \$170)

Dive Trips/Specialty courses...

For more details on any of our dive trips check out In Water Adventures (IWA) on our website or our Facebook page

All trips are subject to dive conditions on the day. All deposits are transferable but non-refundable. If you think you'll need to hire gear please let us know in advance so we can accommodate you as we may have courses running simultaneously.

VANUATU! July 2011

Cost: Divers from NZ \$2925.00 pp

Non-Diver from NZ \$2075.00 pp

Dates: 16th to 24th July

Cost includes:

- Return airfares from Wellington to Santo, Vanuatu
- 8 nights accommodation (7 in Santo, 1 in Port Villa)
- Continental breakfast daily
- 10 dive package (6 shore dives, 4 boat dives)
- 9 days insurance

See the website or contact Steve for more trip details, and if you need even more inspiration check out the IWA page for cool dive photos of Vanuatu.

Specialty course: Midweek Night Diver (3 Dives)

Cost: \$295 (does not include torches)

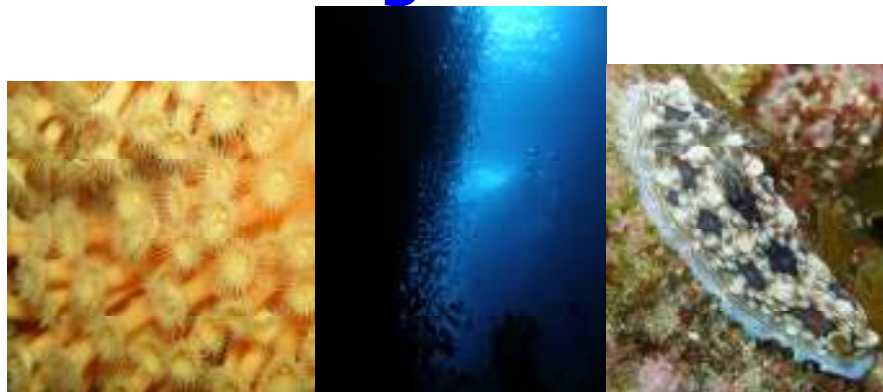
Date: Wednesday and Thursday nights until mid September. Do your night dive specialty while it still gets dark early! 3 dives and great fun...

Master Scuba Diver:

To be a Master Scuba Diver you need RESCUE plus 5 specialty courses. Give me a call to discuss a package that works for you!



Poor Knights Islands



After sifting around in the 11°C of Wellington's south coast, Rochelle and I needed a bit of a warm water dive. Bring on the 16°C of the Poor Knights Islands. The calm fine weather made the trip out very comfortable. A big thanks to the team at Dive Tutukaka who took great care of us. The first dive was in Tie Dye Arch, named because of all the colourful encrusting life on the walls. It seems we were lucky to get in here as it is in the exposed Pinnacles Island. Then after a short stop in Rikoriko cave it was on to the world famous Blue Maomao arch at Archway Island. All I can say is spectacular.

My recommendation is to dive there in July when the water is colder (its all relative isn't it!) but clearer. Check out our photos on Flickr



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General Chit-Chat...

- ❖ Big congratulations to Mark and Mouse (Chelsea) for passing their Open Water course in the nick of time for their Niue trip
- ❖ If you have photos of the Taputeranga Marine Reserve either in, on, or under visit the FoTMR FACEBOOK page and post them. If you would like to join this great group visit the FoTMR page on The Dive Guys website.

- ❖ The next Blue Wellington meeting is Wednesday 4th of August at Katipo Café on Willis Street from 6pm!
- ❖ We have some spare copies of the June/July Dive New Zealand mag in store.....pop in to grab your complimentary copy.
- ❖ Happy birthday to us! Next month is The Dive Guys first birthday! A huge thanks to everyone for all your support over the past year.....we are yet to decide how to celebrate, but suspect it will involve a dive, followed closely by a cold beer.....watch this space....

HAPPY DIVING

