



## Newsletter - September 2010

Hi all, Spring is officially here, and despite the rain the water is getting warmer! A few of us hardy souls have continued to dive through winter, but for those who have somewhat hibernated.....its time to get back into it!

The Dive Guys first birthday celebratory dive this weekend (Sunday 5 Sept) is the perfect opportunity!

More on this below....



### News and Events...

- ❖ It's our birthday on 1 September! It is hard to believe that a whole year has gone by since the Little Purple Dive Shop opened its doors.....time flies when you are having fun!

We would love you to join us for a dive and a beer/pub grub on Sunday the 5th to celebrate. Plan is to meet at the shop at 1030 and the dive site by 1100ish. The site will be confirmed on Saturday so keep an eye on email and facebook for updates. Also a reminder to let us know if you need any gear.....this is going quick so call if you need something.

Après dive or (just après) we have booked the upstairs area of the Realm's back bar from 1pm so see you there!

## 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!**



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**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. We also offer PADI eLearning



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**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.



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**PADI Deep Diver: dates TBC.** Wanna go deeper? This course will teach you techniques for diving in the deeper range of 18-40 metres. If this sounds like you, get in touch and we'll try and get a group together.....



**Need a goal this summer? Become a PADI Master Scuba Diver.....**you need to log 50 dives, and do a RESCUE plus 5 specialty courses. Give me a call to discuss a package that works for you!

If you are interested in doing a speciality we have not motioned here just give as a call and we can make it happen.



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### **Online Courses via PADI eLearning®**

Work getting in the way of your diving? If you're looking for a flexible way to fit a course into your busy schedule or if you just prefer web based learning, then PADI's online courses are the way to go.

**Courses available include:**

- Open Water Diver
- Scuba Tune-Up
- Advanced Open Water Diver
- Rescue Diver

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### **Dive Trips**

## **VANUATU! July 2011**

**Cost: Divers from NZ \$2925.00 pp**  
**Non-Diver from NZ \$2075.00 pp**

**Dates: 16<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

**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 on our website for cool dive photos of Vanuatu.

A \$100 per person deposit is required prior to November 31<sup>st</sup> 2010 to secure your spot. Following that a second deposit of \$1150 per person is required by 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2011 to confirm. The final payment is due 8 Weeks Prior to your Departure - Friday 3rd June, 2011.



## Taputeranga Marine Reserve



2<sup>nd</sup> Birthday

Not a great day weather wise but still nice underwater.

While Murray Hoskings braved the elements top side others, including Celia Wade-Brown dived and snorkelled round the, work-in-progress, snorkel trail. The vis was great and the water not too cold.

Find out more about the snorkel trail and the reserve on the Friends of the Taputeranga Marine Reserve Charitable trusts Facebook page.



## Cool stuff in store!



Dive gear made by New Zealand Divers for New Zealand divers!

Checkout the T-shirts and Hoodies for guys and girls in Store now!



.... drop into the shop to check out this great range

## General Chit-Chat...

- ❖ A big welcome to our new intern Mouse (Chelsea)! If you drop into the shop in the weekends over summer, you will find Mouse holding the fort while I am out training. She will be more than happy to sort you out
- ❖ Congrates to Camron and Grant on completing their Open Water. Jimmy for completing his Advanced and also Richard on completing the Digital underwater Photography course.
- ❖ The next Blue Wellington meeting is Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September at Katipo Café on Willis Street from 6pm! Come along and hear more about the Taputeranga Marine Reserve. Also the great job Blue Wellington does.

**HAPPY DIVING**

