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Seattle Scuba Schools News - April/May 2010

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Dear Divers,

We hope you had a good Easter and St Patty's day :-). We have been busy the last couple of weeks doing even more remodeling in the school and getting some great dives in. We have **lots** of news this month as we gear up to the warmer season with lots of classes and activities. See you underwater soon! Here are the highlights:

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Upcoming Core Classes

[Advanced Open Water Class](#)

Next step for Open Water divers - Rentals are included!!

5/8 & 9, 6/12 & 13, 7/17 & 18

[Drysuit/Advanced Combo Special](#)

Sign up for Drysuit specialty and Advanced and you can stay toasty warm for both classes... & save over \$100!

Pick any Drysuit class date and Advanced class dates that fit your schedule.

[Rescue Diver Class](#)

The 3rd of the core classes and next step for Advanced Open Water Divers!

5/15 & 16 (Just added!!), 7/10 & 11

Upcoming Specialty Classes - [Online specialty schedule](#)

[Deep Diver Specialty](#) (4/17 & 18) * [Drysuit](#) (4/18, 5/16) * [First Aid/CPR Class](#) (5/10) * [Night Diver](#) 4/(9 & 10)*

*** [Peak Performance Buoyancy](#) (4/11, 4/24 & 25) & [Underwater Navigation](#) (4/24 & 25) ***

Nitrox/Enriched Air (4/26) *
Equipment Specialty (6/3 & 10)

Upcoming Upper Level Classes

Divemaster

Become a dive professional.
Starting in May - Informational Session on April 20th

Master Scuba Diver

Gain the highest non-professional rating in Scuba diving.
Start anytime you want!

Upcoming Fun Dives & Club Activities

Boat Dives - Calender just updated with tentative sites thought the end of the year!

Open Water and Above:

6/19 - KVI, Wreck of the Murph * 7/31 - KVI, Orchard Rocks * 8/28 - Maury Island Barges, West Seattle Reef

Advanced Open Water and Above:

5/15 Afternoon Trip (Night dive experience required) - Blake Island Reef, West Seattle Reef * 9/26 - Blake Island Reef, Shangri La

Shore Dives - Remember, you get 1/2 price rentals anytime you are joining one of our shore club dives!

Please see the website for experience requirements and other information: <http://www.seattlescuba.com/shorediving.html>

Day Dives:

4/11 Les Davis * 5/8 Saltwater State Park * 5/23 Edmonds Underwater Park * 6/6 Alki Pipeline
* 6/26 Redondo Club Dive & Yearly BBQ *
7/18 Junkpile Club Dive & Day of Rescue

3rd Wednesday of the month Night Dives

4/21 Redondo * 5/19 Redondo

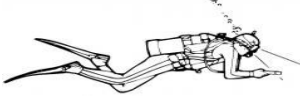
'Club' Socials, Movie Nights, Field Trips etc.... - No membership fees or paperwork to fill out, these activities are open to all!

More info on the website: <http://www.seattlescuba.com/shorediving.html>

4/13 Movie Night at Seattle Scuba

Special News

Buoyancy/Navigation Specialty Weekend - April 24 & 25



Take control of your diving! Come improve two of the most critical aspects of your dive skills, your buoyancy and your navigation, all in one fun filled weekend, great for all levels. In the Peak Performance Buoyancy specialty you will fine tune your weighting, swimming position, and become a master of controlling where you are in the water column... instead of just being wherever you end up! In the Underwater Navigation specialty you will practice one of the most important, yet rarely truly understood skills of diving.... knowing where you are and ending up where you want to be. Cost for both specialties over this weekend is \$250 as opposed to the standard \$325 tuition for both classes, and rentals are included! You need the Adventures in Diving textbook (\$40) for these classes, same textbook as for the Advanced class.

More info on Underwater Navigation specialty: <http://www.seattlescuba.com/uwnavigation.html>

More info on Peak Performance Buoyancy specialty: <http://www.seattlescuba.com/buoyancy.html>

Rescue Class Added May 15 & 16



Been wanting to take the Rescue class? Didn't make the last one? Procrastinate no more! We have just added a class on May 15 & 16, so this is the perfect chance to take this important class. If you are looking at the Divemaster class, we have structured the Divemaster class so that anyone taking the May 15 & 16 Rescue can still get into the May Divemaster class. There is also an Advanced class the weekend prior - May 8 & 9 - so this is a perfect chance to step up your dive skills.

Rescue class info: <http://www.seattlescuba.com/rescue.html>

Divemaster Class Starting Soon - Schedule online



Speaking of the Divemaster class.... the next one starts early May. There is a Go Pro Divemaster information session April 20th at 6:30 Please come if you have any questions, or just want some general information about the Divemaster class. The first day of the upcoming DM class will be May

We will walk through how we conduct the program, the requirements, expectations and outcomes. Anyone is welcome at this session, no matter where you are in your dive education. A great chance to have any questions answered with no obligation. If you think you might come, please email us and let us know - info 'at' seattlescuba.com

There is more information about the Divemaster class here: <http://www.seattlescuba.com/dm.html>

The draft schedule for the upcoming Divemaster class is online: <http://www.seattlescuba.com/divemasterclass.html>

Boat Trip Schedule Updated - May 15th Trip Added



We have updated the boat trip schedule through the end of the year, you will now find planned times/sites (remember, these might change to to conditions!) through November, so you can get signed up to hit your favorite sites. As our June 19th trip is almost full and many of you expressed interest in a boat trip prior to that, we added an afternoon boat trip on May 15th. It will depart at 4pm to take advantage of the nice tides in the afternoon, we will head out to do one day dive (planned site: Blake Island Reef) and one dusk/night dive (planned site: West Seattle Reef). You need to be Advanced Open Water certified with cold water (local) AND night diving experience for this trip.

Boat schedule: <http://www.seattlescuba.com/boatdiving.html>

Equipment Specialty Moved to June

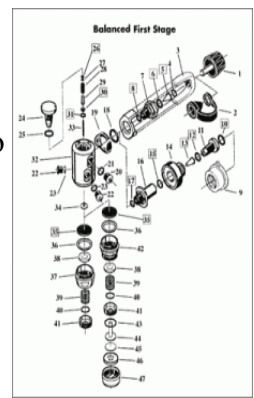


Good news for those of you who wanted to take the Equipment Specialty this April, but the schedule didn't work for you, this specialty has been moved to June 3 & 10. This class needs a minimum of 6 to run, but only has a max of 8, so sign up soon so you don't miss out! This is a very fun class for all levels of knowledge of dive equipment, whether you are a 'gearhead' or not, you are sure to benefit from a greater understanding of your gear and how to take care of it.

Class info: <http://www.seattlescuba.com/equipspec.html>

Gear Service Update - More Manufacturers Added

We are still servicing all the brands of regulators that we carry in house, but we also now have a contract tech who can service a lot of the other major brands. Remember, you should get your regulators serviced once a year.... so if it has been



longer, bring them in! Now is also a really good time to bring them in so we can get them done for you before the rest of the nice weather shows up and you can't go diving because your gear is in getting serviced :-).

Our contract tech can service: Aeris, Apeks, Aqualung, Atomic, Genesis, Mares, Oceanic, OMS OTS, Poseidon, Scubapro, Sherwood, Suunto, Spare Air, Tusa, US Divers, Uwatec & XS Scuba

REEF Fieldstation Update



For a couple of years, Seattle Scuba has been a REEF (REEF Environmental and Educational Foundation) field station, we are now also a active testing center. If you have been doing surveys and need to take your next test, let us know! One of our staff members is on the REEF Advanced Assessment Team and can administer tests through Level 5. If you haven't been doing surveys, you might consider it, REEF is a great citizen science organization and doing surveys is a great way to find fellow fish geeks :-). You can find more information about REEF at www.reef.org

Gear Special Corner - BCDs on Closeout



We have two really nice back-inflate BCDs on closeout. One is the Scubamax Freestar, and the other is the XS Scuba Advantage. The Freestar is being discontinued by the manufacturer and we are discontinuing the Advantage because we need to make space for the new lines.

At the time of this email we have 3 Freestars, all in XL, and at least one of each size in the Advantage. You can look at these two BCDs online, but the price is not the closeout

price! <http://seattlescuba.com/store/bcds.html>



We cannot advertise the actual price due to manufacturer policies.... but both BCDs are more that 30% off of the MSRP for the sizes we have left, so drop by and try one on!

That is it for now, dive safe. Craig & the rest of the Scuba Schools Staff

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