

# The Seahorse Dive Club Newsletter

**May 2005**

Dear Club Member,

The UK diving scene has started well and the club has resumed diving out of Lyme Regis. Club diving abroad has been particularly active also and we have several reports of recent trips on the club website, along with photographs. But we are extremely short of material for home diving and we desperately need to address the balance.

If you are off to Lyme Regis your feedback on how the diving went would be greatly appreciated. If you have an underwater camera then your pictures would be of great value for the newsletter and the website. Please pass on reports of your diving to me when you have a moment, thanks.

Lesley Skeats has been appointed as Members Representative on the committee. Lesley will act on your behalf for any issues, suggestions or recommendations you would like putting to the committee.

We wish all members of the club a safe and successful season's diving.

Dive safely,

Steve Cain

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## Diving UK

Sue Meakin's trip to Pembrokeshire is planned for the week-end of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> May.

The Wild Pig and White Horse RIBs are ready for the diving season. Mark has been preparing his second RIB, the Sea Horse RIB, and this will be seaworthy soon. The Sea Horse RIB will be kept in Wroughton for use wherever it is required.

Looking ahead to next month, the long week-end for 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> June now has 22 names. If you have not got your name down and want to dive this trip then contact Mark Horton. This will be a club subsidised week-end.

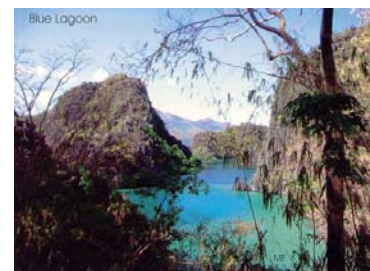
Dave Hall will be investigating new UK locations for club diving; Cornwall is an option Dave is looking at. Any announcements will appear on the UK Diving web page.

## Latest news

The club subscription to Diver magazine has been dropped due to insufficient numbers, those who have paid will get a refund; please contact Malcolm Cole.

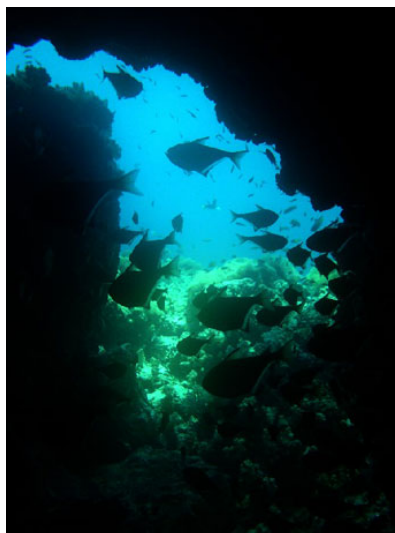
## Dive trips abroad

The planned trip to Thailand for October has been cancelled due to uncertainties after the recent Tsunami disaster. Jason is organising a trip to the Philippines instead, again for October. This trip will be day boat diving and the trip will be for either 1 or 2 weeks, depending on what people want. Numbers will be limited to 8 or so and Jason needs the names of people interested so that he can book flights. If you are interested then contact Jason ASAP [elephantmann@hotmail.com](mailto:elephantmann@hotmail.com)



## Thailand

Graham and Lesley Skeats recently dived in Thailand. Their report and photographs can be found on the club website at: [www.seahorsediveclub.co.uk/travel.htm](http://www.seahorsediveclub.co.uk/travel.htm)



# Tenerife

Four members of the club (and 1 non member) dived in Tenerife during April. Paul and Malcolm Cole, Graham Morrison, Steve Cain and Bob (not the builder) Wheeler dived with Tenerife Scuba <http://www.tenerifescuba.com> in the south of the island. This was all RIB diving, visiting 11 dive sites near Costa del Silencio and diving Wrecks and Reefs and feeding Stingrays. The staff at Tenerife Scuba, Chris, Sarah & Mark( the posh one, the northern lass and the cockney wide boy as they call themselves) were absolutely fantastic. Loads of fun and a great time were had by all. A full report appears on the club website together with pictures at: [www.seahorsediveclub.co.uk/travel.htm](http://www.seahorsediveclub.co.uk/travel.htm)



Outside the dive centre



Ocean Odyssey RIB

## Courses and Training

The first two dives of an Open Water Course were completed on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April at Stoney Cove. Despite the water temperature being 5°C and Mark forgetting his gloves on one dive all went well. The air may have been somewhat heated though with Mark's vocabulary of words of single syllables due to communication problems 🤪. Perhaps some Swim-Ear could solve the problem next time eh guys 😊.

Mark will be completing the above OW course at Vobster on the 8<sup>th</sup> of May should anyone else want to go along.

Other courses such as Advanced OW, Dry-Suit, Nitrox,EFR/Rescue diver and Refresher courses can be arranged as required. Call Mark or Jason.

Jason can be contacted on: 01793 347998 or [elephantmann@hotmail.com](mailto:elephantmann@hotmail.com)

Mark can be reached on: 01793 731843

Whitehorse Divers is at: <http://www.againstthewind.org.uk/whitehorse/index.htm>

## Social

There aren't currently any plans for social events. As we are now well into the new diving season diving activities will be given priority.

## Links

Some useful Links and contact numbers:

Seahorse Dive Club: <http://www.seahorsediveclub.co.uk/>

White Horse Divers: <http://www.againstthewind.org.uk/whitehorse/index.htm> Tel: 01793 731843

Website of the month: <http://panoramas.dk/fullscreen/fullscreen45.html>

Amazing 3D view, but you will need the latest QuickTime browser plug-in to view it.

Contributions are always welcome, if you have something you want including in the next newsletter then please send it to: [stevecain\\_diving@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:stevecain_diving@tiscali.co.uk) OR [malcolm.cole@btinternet.com](mailto:malcolm.cole@btinternet.com)

Please send pictures as JPEGs or TIFFs and any text as .txt or .doc.

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