

# Horizon News

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## Christmas is Coming!!

Yes, it's that time of year again and we need to start spreading some Christmas cheer. We will be holding our annual [Christmas Dive](#) at Capernwray and this year it will take place on Sunday December 18th. It is always great fun with lots of people wearing fancy dress or just silly hats and eating mince pies. However Christmassy you want to be is just fine, but fun will definitely be on the agenda, so don't miss out, book your place today!!

You may also be thinking about Christmas presents for the divers in your life (or maybe a hint to drop to your secret Santa) so we have put together a list of possible [gift ideas](#) to help with that Christmas wish list. We have been busy making sure all our prices are keen and competitive so come on in and see what we have on offer. We are also having a festive Dive Society Social on the 7th December, see page 4 for more details.



### Dive Society Renewal.

It is also the time of year when those of you who do not already pay by standing order need to renew your [Dive Society Membership](#). To keep all your benefits such as discounts, newsletters, social events and access to pool sessions fill out a renewal form and send it with your subscription to the Dive Centre.

Remember, you will need to be a member to book a place on any of our 2012 UK dive trips and if you set up a standing order for your subscription you will pay a reduced fee.

## 2012 Dive Trips

We have been busy planning a series of exciting dive trips for you all to go on during the next 12 months. We have 3 Red Sea, 7 UK and a Philippines trip currently on offer. There is something for all levels of diver experience both at home or overseas.

In the Red Sea we have 2 liveaboard trips, offering a range of wreck and reef diving of the highest standards, while our land based trip to Taba, which has a great mixture of exciting dive sites, would be a great place to complete a dive course or to take a non diving partner.

Our trip to the Philippines has proved to be very popular but we still have one place available for what promises to be a real diving adventure.



Our UK programme is also proving to be very popular with many places already being booked. To find out more about all the trips we have on offer check out the [TRIPS](#) section on our website, read the other articles in this Newsletter or give us a call at the Dive Centre.

## UK Trips 2012

### **Plymouth, Easter Weekend 5th-9th April 2012.**

Plymouth offers some of the best scenic and wreck diving in UK waters and we have been going there at Easter for many years to enjoy all it has to offer. This is a fantastic way to kick off the British diving season and to make the most of the early bank holiday. The Price per person for this great 4 day trip is just £225.00



### **Scapa Flow, Week 23rd—30th June 2012.**

When you mention Scapa Flow to divers around the world their eyes light up at the thought of diving one of the top wreck diving destinations in the world. We are lucky enough to have this incredible piece of maritime history within British waters and with the help of one of the best skippers around we can take you to see and experience this incredible place.



The Price for this great 7 night 6 day diving trip is just £499.00 (only 1 space left so book soon to guarantee a place)

**St Abbs, Weekend 15th—17th June 2012.** A firm favourite with all of us at New Horizons, St Abbs offers some of the most scenic diving around yet is accessible to divers of all levels. For many of us this is where we did our first UK sea dives but it still keeps calling us back again and again. The Price for this Weekend Break is Just £109.00



**Isle of Man, Long Weekend 11th—15th July 2012.** With the chance to see Basking Sharks, Seals, Wrecks and Scenic Walls the Isle of Man offers something for everyone. Being an offshore island visibility tends to be good and every dive offers a large range of marine life and back on land we will be staying in the ideal spot to enjoy all the area has to offer.



The Price for this 4 night 4 day diving trips is just £399.00

**Farne Islands, Midweek 19th—21st August 2012.** Another of our regular destinations, and somewhere that new UK divers can join in the fun, the Farne Islands offer superb diving and regular seal encounters. The North East coast is a beautiful place to visit with it's long sandy beaches and historic castles so plenty to do for none divers too. The price for this 2 night 2 day diving trip is just £159.00.



### **St Abbs, Weekend 14th—16th September 2012.**

St Abbs, St Abbs, so good we are going there twice. This is another chance for you all to get up to one of the UK's favourite dive sites and for all our new recruits this is a must do trip. For those who have been before you need no persuading so book early to avoid missing out. The Price for this Weekend Break is Just £109.00



**St Keverne, Cornwall, Long Weekend 5th— 9th October 2012.** This is a new destination for New Horizons this year though some of our divers have been here before and have given it a glowing report. Diving from Porthkerris Divers shuttle boat, the Celtic Kitten, you will have the chance to dive some of the best that Cornwall can offer with the wrecks and reefs of the Manacles close at hand. The Price of this 4 night 4 day diving trip is just £229.00



Please [Contact the Dive Centre](#) for more information and to book a place on any of our UK trips for 2012.

## Red Sea 2012

### Red Sea Liveaboard - North & Brothers

**24th February to 2nd March 2012**

The Red Sea provides UK divers with the closest coral reefs with clear, blue water and in February the weather is warm and sunny and the water temperature is in the low to mid 20s. Visibility is excellent with 20m being the norm and the variety of fish species and corals is huge (not to mention the dolphins!). The best way to explore this diver's playground is on a liveboard boat. Experience two of the finest areas in the Red Sea. The Brother Islands offer breath-taking underwater scenery, wall diving, wreck diving and an abundance of marine wildlife. The Northern part of this itinerary will allow you to explore some of the best wrecks that the Red Sea has to offer.

An ideal itinerary for those wanting a taste of variety, allowing you to experience world famous wrecks and pristine reefs. The M/Y Blue Fin measures 39m and will comfortably accommodate 24 people. M/Y Blue Fin is the first in the BlueOTwo fleet and with her understated luxury and unique

layout remains a very popular choice. She is a traditional style liveboard vessel in many ways but also has some unique twists that keep her standing out from the crowd! All double and twin cabins benefit from en-suite facilities, air conditioning, mini refrigerators and

personal entertainment systems. A spacious dive deck also makes kitting up and getting in the water a stress free experience

### Red Sea Day Boat Diving

**Taba, 27th March – 03rd April 2012**

Taba gives its name to the stretch of coastline from the Israeli border, south towards Nuweiba, it is one of the most picturesque regions on the Red Sea, with azure-blue waters and sandy stretches of beach laid out before the towering Sinai mountain range. Holidays in Taba are peaceful and relaxing, with hotels generally quite spread out and no town centre as such. There are several shops and restaurants in nearby Taba Heights, easily accessible by taxi. Taba also



makes a great base for exploring the entire region, as many sights are easy to reach from here for example, Petra, Jerusalem and St Catherine's Monastery. The Taba region is a developing tourist area, and a virtually unspoilt red sea diving destination. With pristine coral reefs close to the shore, clear waters and a great variety of life under the water, Taba offers ideal conditions for novice and intermediate divers and underwater photographers.

We will be staying at the Hilton Taba which is an excellent hotel with great all round facilities. This package is on an all inclusive basis (meals, certain snacks and drinks). The diving is with Aqua-Sport which was the first scuba diving centre in the Middle East. Aqua-Sport has developed into one of the world's most respected diving organisations, with over 40 years' experience. They offer both boat and shore diving. This would be a great place to complete your Open Water Diver Course with a New Horizons Instructor (ask for details).



### Red Sea Liveaboard - Straights of Tiran & North

**10th - 17th August 2012**

The Straits of Tiran and North cruise allows you to take in some of the best wrecks the Red Sea has to offer as well as the pristine coral reefs of Tiran and the dramatic walls at Ras Mohammed. During the month of August the marine life tends to be at its best with large schools of fish in clear blue waters. The Tiran dive area is found in the entrance to the Gulf of Aqaba and is made up of four main reefs, these reefs, named after British cartographers (Jackson, Woodhouse, Thomas, Gordon), are world famous for their extraordinary diversity of corals and strong south westerly currents make them home to many large pelagic fish.

The M/Y Blue Melody measures 38m and will comfortably accommodate 26 people. M/Y Blue Melody is everything you would expect from a 5\* diving vessel with large dining area, separate sky lounge with state of the art entertainment system and double and twin cabins all benefiting from en-suite facilities, air conditioning, mini refrigerators and personal entertainment systems.



Our Red Sea trips are always popular so if you are interested please [Contact the Dive Centre](#) to reserve your place.

## Equipment News

There have been a lot of changes at New Horizons over recent months and we would like to invite you to come and have a look at what has been happening. There are some new faces, with Dave Porter and Kathryn Donnelly, who would love to see you and show you around. We have some new lines, new displays and many items now cheaper than you can find them online. For anyone looking at treating themselves to a new BCD, regulator or Suunto computer then NOW is the time to do so. For full details have a look at the [Products](#) section of our website and click on the relevant links.

Here are a couple of our current offers to give you a taster.

### Suunto Computer Deals

	RRP	Our Price
D9tx	£ 945	£ 849
D6i	£ 595	£ 549
D4i	£ 365	£ 325
Hel 02	£649	£ 575
Cobra 3	£ 649	£ 559
Vyper	£ 249	£ 199
Zoop	£ 199	£ 159

Not only do you get your Suunto at these fantastic, unbeatable prices, we are also offering the first battery change of your new computer totally **free of charge**, saving you up to a further £45.

### Aqua Lung Titan LX Supreme Regulator **OUR PRICE £297.00 (RRP £349.95)**

The Aqua Lung Titan LX Supreme is an improved version of the Titan LX which has some exciting new features such as an auto-closure device (ACD). It is actually lighter weight, making it even more travel friendly and the ease of breathing is rated superior on the ANSTI breathing machine.



### Aqua Lung Titan LX Octopus **OUR PRICE £99.00 (RRP £129.95)**

The Aqua Lung Titan LX Octopus is a pneumatically balanced second stage regulator with a high-visibility yellow cover ring and 39" yellow hose and is ideally suited to colder waters.



**SPECIAL PACKAGE OFFER £396.00**

**Buy BOTH and get an**

**Aqua Lung Double Console**

**worth £114.95 completely FREE.**

## Congratulations!!

### Open Water Referral

Simon Ashton

### Open Water

Adam Davies  
Chloe Donaldson  
Alex Donaldson  
Tommy Oakes (Jnr)

### Advanced Open Water

Rachel Hughes  
Alex Warren  
Wayne Davies  
Rosemary Fricker  
Edmund Burgon  
Harry Dunn (Jnr)

### Rescue Diver

Matthew Williams  
James Liptrot  
Hannah Griffiths  
Helena Dunn

### Specialties

Kathryn Donnelly  
Helena Dunn  
James Liptrot  
Matthew Williams  
Hannah Griffiths  
Adriano Henney  
Russell Briercliffe  
Lukasz Majewski  
Manuel Del Moral Caro  
James Beattie  
Mark Grindrod  
Fergus Holland  
Brian Rustage  
Jane Sheldon x 2  
Anne Sherman

### Master Scuba Diver

Jane Sheldon  
Aimee Procter

### Divemaster

Keith Miller

### Emergency First Response

Shelley Booth, Jan Wood, Kirstie Davies  
Helena Dunn, Clare Hammond, Brian Hillaby,  
Adriano Henney, Matthew Williams,  
Alan Davies, Gareth Newton, Shelley Hesford

## Christmas Dive Society Social.

We are planning a fun quiz night for our Christmas Social on the 7th December at Macc Rugby Club. You can form teams on the night and there will be a £1 per person entry fee with prizes for the winners and maybe the losers. Everyone is welcome so make a date in your diary and we look forward to seeing you there.

## Important Dates

3rd December	Open Water Dives	Capernwray
4th December	Open Water Dives	Capernwray
4th December	Pleasure Diving	Capernwray
4th December	Drysuit Specialty	Capernwray
7th December	Dive Society Christmas Social	Macc Rugby Club
18th December	Christmas Dive ( Fancy Dress Optional)	Capernwray
24th February 2012	North & Brothers Liveboard	Red Sea
27th March 2012	Taba, Hotel and Boat Diving	Red Sea
5th April 2012	Plymouth Easter Hard boat Diving	Plymouth
21st April 2012	Philippines Island Hopping	Philippines
10th August 2012	Strait of Tiran & North Liveboard	Red Sea