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Newsletter



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Photo by Roland Wenzl

Diving beautiful ROATAN

See page 6 for info on the winter club trip planned for January 2019....

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DON'T MISS THESE UPCOMING EVENTS...

Welland Dog Park dive
Oct 14. Welland



EUC Christmas Party
Sat Dec 6.



EUC Events and Dive Trips can also be seen anytime on the Club calendar under the Resources tab. Click **HERE** to view.



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Text submissions can be sent in Word, plain text or PDF format. JPEG is the preferred file format for pictures.

Note: Do not send or upload anything that you do not want to be published to the members of the Club.

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Any ideas for events or activities that you would like to see the club involved in? Let the Events Chair know.



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TRAINING

Upcoming Courses:

DRY SUIT COURSE
Open to Open water divers.

NITROX COURSE
Open to Open water divers.

ICE DIVING COURSE
Open to Advanced divers.

RESCUE COURSE
Open to Advanced divers. The course will train you to recognise diving problems and emergencies before they occur and how to handle them.



TRAINING REGISTRATION

Register for courses on the club website Training page.

SCUBA COURSES Reg 

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NOTICES

SAVE THE DATE

**EUC 2018
Christmas Party
Sat Dec 1**



Condolences



Tabatha Stuhmueller
April 23rd, 1990 - August 22nd, 2018.

It is with heavy heart I announce the passing of Tabatha Stuhmueller. Her laughter, smile and clever wit will always be remembered.

Dawn Binkowski

Tabatha certified along with Taylin Binkowski in 2004. Her Dad, Dave Stuhmueller has also been a member with the club previous to Tabatha joining us.

We also send our heartfelt sympathies to Jim Steward who lost his Mom, **Mrs. Teresa Torre Steward on August 19** at the age of 96 years. Our condolences to Jim, Sylvia and family.



SHOUT OUTS


Many Thanks

to Steve Binkowski for his generous cash donation to the Club this summer. Yay Binky!

Happy October Birthday Returns to

Jochee Chiang
Paula Huber
Anita Santoro
Hervé Séguin
Brenda Tsotsos
Sebastian Zambrano-Cifuentes



If we miss yours, click  euc_fins@euc.ca to add yourself to the Birthday List.

EUC FALL BBQ



Thank you Tony and Rose for your hospitality.
To see LOTS more pictures from the party [CLICK HERE.](#)



Photos by Cam Sherriff





A snorkelling incident occurred during the Tobermory weekend dive. All involved are safe and well thanks to the heroic actions of Fred Geppert, Todd Pope, Bill Hester, and Diver's Den Captain Peter McAdam. Coby has since made a full recovery and his doctors could not find anything wrong with him. Coby's own viewpoint will be included in next FINS Below newsletter.

From my perspective.... Fred Geppert

I am at the back deck ready to go in. My buddy for this dive at the Wetmore is Todd, already in the water.

There's Hester pulling Coby to the ladder.

Hey guys! Get out of the way. I want to get in the water.

Bill tiredly says "Help me".

Oh my. I look closer at Coby. He's not moving. This is for real.

Capt Peter runs to the back deck and says "we need to get him onto the deck"

I peel off my fins, gloves, hood & mask as I see Capt Peter starting to pull Coby up the back ladder.

He looks like a rag doll. Coby's arm should be hurting after this.

I am there for the final pull to get Coby up onto the back deck, his feet are hanging over the edge.

The look of Coby's face reminds me of my mother's face after she had passed.

I am jolted out of my reverie as Capt Peter yells "We need to start CPR!"

Dropping to my knees, I start chest compressions. Did I do 25 or 35? My tank is banging off the rail above me. "Bill, continue chest compressions while I get my tank off!"

"I don't know how." "Just press on his chest!" I get my tank off, but don't remember how.

More compressions. Rescue breath. It's blocked. I now see that Coby's hood is still on and is blocking his breathing.

I pull off the hood and his head bounced off the deck. (That didn't wake him up!)

More compressions. Breath.

Trying to check neck for pulse. I'm too wired to know if there is or not. Then the training pops in my head that you don't worry about the pulse. ABC is now CAB.

The AED voice starts: Remove clothing to administer the pads. (Didn't notice Todd get it)

The scissors appear out of nowhere.

OK Coby, wake up or I'm going to cut your nice bright white and green wet suit.

No response. (Hey Coby, I gave you a chance to save your suit)

Cut from neck to belly. Exposed. Todd applies pads.

"Stand clear, analyzing, continue CPR".

More compressions. Crack. Uh-oh. Did I just crack a rib? Training says a cracked rib means you are doing it right.

More compressions. Capt Peter has O2 and he's tested it.

Apply face mask, continual flow over Coby's face.

He breathes in.

I am stunned. I breathe.

He takes a couple of breaths. There is a slight gurgle as I hold the mask on.

"Let's get him into the recovery position"

A couple of more breaths.

Coast guard is here. (6 minutes from call)

Need to move him to the side of the deck where the CG zodiac is rafted off.

As one of the 3 techs get him on the back board to transfer Coby to the zodiac, he states "Got a pulse!"

And off they go.

What just happened?

Capt Peter and I are in the wheel house of the Proteus and start to collect our thoughts for the incident report.

We are working on the report as the divers are coming back to the boat and they are asking if something happened.

We are establishing a timeline. Writing down the events. Did it only take the Coast Guard 6 minutes from the call? Good thing we were at the Wetmore.

Called Art, Roland then Ken Boyce staying at the farm house. Finally Ken calls me back.

Let him know that CG has taken him and are on their way to Lions Head hospital.

Ken B reports that an ambulance just went flying by.

So he says they're off to the hospital to see what the outcome is.

Still getting our thoughts onto paper. Get a call from Ken that Coby is awake and chatting up the nurses.

I think I heard Ken say that Coby wants to know how he got there.

Relief.

Another call, that Coby is airlifted to London Hospital. Lions Head hospital is not sure if it's cardiac, so they ship him to London.

Back at the camp site, Ken Giuliani, Safety Director, is working on the incident report for us and OUC. Part of club policy is to report to the Safety Officer and Ken G just happens to be available to work on it. I have recounted the incident to him numerous times. Partly to get it down and partly for me to process.

Next day Capt Peter states that he has a replacement AED right out of the wrapper. And this is the 3rd O2 refill of the season.

At the farm house, Art shows me Coby's wet suit. There's my cut and the ems/hospital cuts. It's like a filleted fish. And the suit colour is charcoal grey with a little white. Hmm, perception was definitely altered.

Did I do everything that the training taught me? Apparently, but I am still rehashing it over in my mind. (Art has warned me that this will go on for a while)

Bill did good. He stayed with his buddy, even though they were snorkeling. Bill recounted that Coby said that he needs to get back to the boat. He swam on his back until he couldn't. Bill then rescue towed Coby to the back of Proteus. The actions of Todd and Captain Peter worked to make this a success story.

I am thankful for all those that I have had training me in the courses of CPR, Rescue diver, DEMP, DM which includes Jim Fennel, Art & Mary and Roland.

As a coda, Coby called me up to talk about what had happened. We spoke about my part in this incident, and he updated me on his recollections before the incident and then the trip through the hospital system. Coby states that he has no aches or pains. Not in his arms or head or chest.

And when I attend the next DAN DEMP course in the spring, I will have a greater appreciation and insight for what is taught.



DIVE TRIPS

Dive Trip to Roatan



Contact euc_communityevents@euc.ca

Is anyone interested in a trip abroad this winter? We are planning a group dive trip to the beautiful, sunny, Roatan Honduras for the end of January! In Roatan you can see amazing soft and hard coral (especially fan coral) beautiful colourful fish, and occasionally if your lucky a seahorse or octopus!

& more DIVE TRIPS



North Carolina

Dive the Graveyard of the Atlantic

June 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 2019

Come join the group traveling to Beaufort NC, boarding the *Outrageous V* to explore the amazing Atlantic Ocean.

Dive on a U-Boat, swim amongst our toothy friends, see Rays, Lionfish, maybe your dinner, artificial reef wrecks, Barracuda, a big Chicken, the famous Piggly Wiggly.

Limited space - Contact: asap

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Wiki Facts

Established in 1709 and incorporated in 1723, Beaufort is the third-oldest town in North Carolina. On February 1, 2012, Beaufort was ranked as "America's Coolest Small Town" by readers of Budget Travel Magazine.

Beaufort is located in North Carolina's "Inner Banks" region. In June 1718 Blackbeard the pirate ran his flagship, the *Queen Anne's Revenge* and his sloop *Adventure*, aground near present-day Beaufort Inlet, NC.

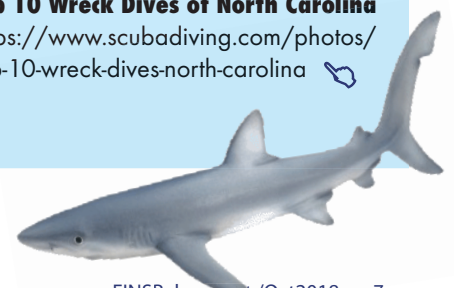
SCUBA diving

In addition to a thriving sport fishing industry, Beaufort, Morehead City and surrounding areas are a popular SCUBA diving destination. The waters off the coast of North Carolina are often referred to as the Graveyard of the Atlantic, a legacy that attracts divers from all over the world.

One of the biggest draws to the Outer Banks is the opportunity to dive on the historic World War II German U-boat U-352. The wreck lies in about 110-115 feet (35 m) of water, and sits at a 45-degree list to starboard. The wreck scatter is within a 100m radius on a sand bottom.

Top 10 Wreck Dives of North Carolina

<https://www.scubadiving.com/photos/top-10-wreck-dives-north-carolina>



EUC EVENTS CALENDAR

October 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3	4 Club Pool Night Albion Pool	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Club Pool Night Albion Pool	12	13	14 Welland Dog Park Dive
15	16	17	18 Club Pool Night Albion Pool	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Club Pool Night Albion Pool	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Schedule is subject to change and is correct as of Apr 1 2018

TENTATIVE 2018 Dive Schedule



Contact: euc_divetrips@euc.ca/dive organizer

Dates	Dive Name	Venue	Price	Dive Organizer	Avail. Spots
15-22 Feb	Roatan, Honduras	O&A	\$1,479.00	Tim's Diving Supply	Sold Out
	Call for details	NS	Diving not incl.	705-721-9797	
12 May	Morrison Warmup	Shore	\$5.00	EUC	U
		O&A			
26/27 May	Checkouts Open Water	Shore	Entrance Fee	EUC Training	U
		O&A			
2 June	Innerkip	O&A	\$5.00	EUC	U
		Shore	Entrance fee		
16 June	Niagara Drift	Boat	TBD	Aquaholics	8
		Adv			
23 June	Midland	Boat	\$80.00	Lymer	6
24 June	Midland	O&A	\$80.00	Lymer	6
7 July	Lake Erie	Boat	TBD	Aquaholics	8
21 July	Keewatin Treasure Dive, Midland	O&A	\$20.00	Friends of Keewatin	U
22 July	Waome / Gravenhurst	Boat	TBD	Scuba Shack	12
		Adv			
4/5 Aug	Tobermory	Boat	\$185.00	Divers Den	12
	Proteus	O & A			
6 - ADV	Tobermory	Adv.	\$61.00	Divers Den	12
	Proteus				
18 August	Pt Colbourne	Boat	TBD	Aquaholics	8
		Adv			
19 August	Windmill Point	Shore	\$5.00+	EUC	U
		O&A	Entrance Fees		
8 Sept	Toby Evening dive/ Laura J	Boat	\$60.00	Divers Den	12
		O&A			
15-Sep	Dive for a Cause	O&A	TBD		U
			Entrance Fees		
22/23 Sept	Rockport / St Lawrence	Boat	\$160.00	Lymer	6
		Adv			
14 Oct	Welland Dog Park	Shore	\$5.00	EUC	U

NOTE; CHARTERS NOT FILLED MAY BE CANCELLED

Legend: U - Unlimited Spots, TBD-To Be Determined, NS-Non sanctioned, A - Advanced Dive, O - Open water

APRIL	Register at pool Thursday nights as per dive package instructions	8 pm - 8:30 pm			
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