Good afternoon all,

Well I should have known better than to gloat about perfect diving conditions in June and July, August pretty much shafted us all with unsettled weather and blustery conditions!

Having said that we didn't lose any days but the conditions were far from ideal. August always seems to be unsettled these days and has proven to be so over the last few years, maybe next year will be different!

My apologies must go out to the chaps who had booked on the Endeavour trip to dive SS Egypt off the West Coast of France. Nick our Skipper decided that he didn't want to be a skipper any more so I had no choice but to cancel the trip. It was a very frustrating time and I am sorry to those of you who were left with no trip to look forward to, it pissed me off too as I was looking forward to re-visiting this fantastic wreck.

Course Completions July and August.

Congratulations to the following folk on successful completion of their training courses in July:

Lindsay Chiswick, Neil Lloyd, Ron Luckett and Dave Harper for completion of Inspiration Module 1 training
Janos Suto for completion of KISS Module 2 training
Andy Dowsland, Brian Smith and Rob King for completion of Module 3 training.
Duncan Haywood and Dai Jones for completion of Inspiration Module 2 training.

August was far quieter as Endeavour was mainly booked for Charters, so congrats again to the following folk:

Ben Felton and Roger Smith for completion of Megalodon Module 1 CCR training.
Susana Catita, Pedro Aruja and Pedro Lage for Megalodon Module 2 CCR training
Pedro Lage for completing his Inspiration Module 1 Instructor Course
Andrew Oliver for Open Circuit Entry Level Trimix Training

Looking forward from October through to the end of the year we do start to quieten down on the UK diving front as most of my training now moves abroad.

There is however the opportunity to join in on some of the training courses if you wish to come along for diving only. Most of my courses are pretty much fully booked but we always have spaces for divers wishing to get wet. There is also more information on all my training courses at http://www.deepbluediving.co.uk/course_dates.php

UK Diving October 2006.

2nd-5th October for a Meg Module 2 Course so diving to 60m max depth. I also have 1 space on the training course too.
14th-21st October for a CCR Module 1 Course in the Red Sea from Sharm, I have one space on this trip for training
27th-29th October for dive spaces only on a CCR Module 1 Course.(course fully booked)

UK Diving November 2006.

2nd-5th November for 30m dives on a CCR Module 1 Training Course. (course fully booked)
7th-10th November for 60m dives on a KISS Module 2 Training Course (course fully booked)

Endeavour has a few weekends available in October and November for group Charters otherwise that's pretty much it for 2006 and with out a doubt our most successful year ever, thanks to you all for making this happen. In December I will be mainly in Florida Cave Diving and then January will see Endeavour having the gas filling station fitted, at long last.

1st Quarter 2007 Planned Trips.

Module 1 CCR Training over 2 weekends of 27th/28th January and 3rd/4th February, 2 spaces left on this course with 6 spaces for 30m diving

I am running a UK Side Mount training week in South Wales from 6th-9th February, cost is £495 per person and includes use of the side mount harness and cylinders.

Intro Cave Course in the Dordogne on the 24th February to 3rd March

Full Cave Course in the Dordogne from the 3rd-10th March.

Naturally between now and the next news letter more training dates will become available, but in the meantime if you have a specific request for training or charters please drop me a line.

Endeavour Weekends for 2007.

The following weekends are available on Endeavour for next year.

14th/15th and 21st/22nd April.
5th-7th May (bank holiday weekend)
18th/19th August
1st/2nd and 15th/16th September
13th/14th and 27th/28th October

Already the diving Season is looking pretty busy with a few exciting away trips for Northern France and the Western Approaches. I also have some good mid week neap dates in June and July so if anyone has a good idea for a project please drop me a line.

I am also running 2 more sets of 3 day midweek dates on Endeavour as this year's trips were well subscribed. These trips are listed below and are all priced £50 per person per day and if the boat gets filled with 12 divers then the price reduces to £45 per person per day

Salcombe 3 day Medina and Muree trip is 9th-11th May. Max depth is 65m on this trip
Plymouth 3 day Classic wreck trip is on the 27th-29th June and there is a weekend trip on the 29th/29th July. Max depth will be 75m as we are planning Afric, Enterprise, M1 etc
Falmouth 3 day trip is on the 19th-21st September. Max depth 75-80m continuing on from the last 3 years diving we have done from Falmouth.

Wreck Diving Trips 2007.

My main expedition next year is a 6 day Exploratory trip on Endeavour diving in the Western Approaches but being based from St Marys in the Scilly Isles. The trip will start from Penzance on Saturday 21st July with the diving starting on the Sunday ending on the Friday. At the moment the cost is around £400 per person for diving only, and you'll need to make your own accommodation arrangements on the Island. There are 4 berths available on Endeavour priced £10 per person per night but please bear in mind it is a bunk bed only!

Gas will be onboard and the plan is undived wrecks in 80m+ within the Western Aproaches with most of the targets being 20 miles offshore from the Scillys.

I have other trips onboard Endeavour and details of these can be found at **{** HYPERLINK "http://www.deepbluediving.co.uk/dive_trips.php" **}**

The next news letter will be out mid October when I return from Cave Diving in France, so in the meantime enjoy the rest of the Summer and keep your fingers crossed for a mild Winter like last year!

Best Wishes

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