

New Mexico Scuba Center  
January, 2010

**As we all know, this past year has been one of the toughest in many decades.**

**New Mexico Scuba Center wishes to thank all of our customers for helping support us this past year.**

**We wish all of you as safe, happy, and prosperous New Year.**

**You still have time to take advantage of our Open Water Class for \$200. This will only last through January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010. (We decided to extend it 2 more weeks)**

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### In this Issue

#### What's new:

- New Mexico Scuba Center is on Facebook. Become a friend
- Dive Master/ Dive Con class will be starting early 2010. If you're interested, call NMSC for more information.

**Training:** Open Water, Advanced Open Water, Nitrox, 1<sup>st</sup> Aid/CPR/O2

**Travel:** Cayman Brac **January 23<sup>rd</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010**, Grand Turk **March 22<sup>nd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010**, Cozumel – **June 12<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> \$1875.00**, N. Carolina – **July**, Florida Keys – **TBA**, BVI (1<sup>st</sup> week) **November 6<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010 (ONLY 1 SPOT LEFT)** BVI (second week) **November 13<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>**, and anywhere else you want to go.

**Practice:** Kevin will be at Blue Hole on the 3rd Sunday this month January 17th.

### MASTER DIVER CHALLENGE 2010

\*\*\*\*\*ITS FREE \*\*\*\*\*

**Enroll for the Master Diver challenge. When you achieve your goal of Master Diver (Advanced Open Water Diver, Stress & Rescue Diver and a total of 50 Dives) – you automatically receive at no cost to you –**

- A Master Diver Patch
- A Master Diver Card
- A Master Diver Diploma
- A Master Diver T-shirt
- A chance to win one of 2 trips from SSI
- A chance to win a give away from NMSC, A trip from SSI

**Let us help you map out your training program on how to become a Master Diver (remember if you certified here you already have at least 1 specialty towards your Advanced Open Water).**

### MASTER DIVERS - 2010

*Remember Diving is not an Adventure of a Lifetime – But a Lifetime of Adventure.*

**Kathy Finch MD** - She is recognized as a DAN physician and is going to be accepting several different insurance policies. She can be reached at 244-0640. [www.adulthealthcare.net](http://www.adulthealthcare.net)

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Understand shooting underwater digital photos. Learn how to use your camera and strobe. We have a photography class every month.

Remember if you get your camera here; the tuition for the class will be 30% off, and the photography special counts towards becoming a Master Diver.

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**Captain Si's Pirate Corner:**

### Caribbean Ports

**There have been pirates operating Caribbean waters for more than two hundred years. Port Royal in Jamaica was once the centre of their wicked trade, until a goodly earthquake destroyed a large part of that city in the year of our Lord 1692. Nowadays, you may catch sight of piratical rascals in many a Caribbean port. Take note of their flamboyant clothing and watch how they walk with an unmistakable swagger, not bothering to conceal the weapons they carry at all times.**

**From Pirateology 2009 calendar**

**Stay tuned for more next month...argh!**

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### Adaptive Diving

If you are interested in becoming and Adaptive Buddy let us know.

We are assisting Dive Pirates with gear donations for Disabled divers. If you have anything to donate; you can just drop it off here at New Mexico Scuba Center and you will get a receipt from Dive Pirates for your tax deductible donation (Including any cash donation – pennies / nickels / dimes / quarters).

Visit Dive Pirates at [www.divepirates.org](http://www.divepirates.org) <http://www.divepirates.org/>

Flamingo Flocking – For only \$100 donation to Dive Pirates, you can rent 50 pink flamingo's to put in someone's yard (we can provide someone if you'd like) and surprise them when they get home, or get up in the morning. Imagine looking in your yard and finding 50 pink flamingos!! All donations are tax deductible and donations are used to train divers here in Albuquerque.



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### **Training**

- **Open Water**
- **Advanced Open Water**
- **Nitrox**
- **1<sup>st</sup> Aid / CPR / O2**

## **Xtreme Excitement**

SSI's TechXR is a well founded Technical Diving program and it was created to take the recreational diver to an extreme level for their diving adventures.

Whether you are looking for the excitement of deep reef diving or the thrill of exploring wrecks located well past 40m (130 feet), SSI TechXR is a way to learn the training and experience necessary for you to complete every new adventure with confidence and skill.

Whatever your current diving ability, extended range diving will challenge you with environments, depths, bottom times, procedures, and equipment not commonly encountered by recreational divers. You will be experiencing advanced levels that require extensive knowledge, enhanced diving skills, and considerable experience.



### **Tech XR Class: (Not just for Techies, Great for recreational divers too!)**

**As we know the words “Tech” & “Extended Range” come with visions of excessive equipment and training. How can the recreational diver benefit from this advanced training without the excessive training and equipment? Increase your bottom time and safety all at the same time.**

*Advanced Nitrox: All you need is 24 dives (6 of them Nitrox).*

- Increase your understanding of diving physics, physiology, and decompression theory
- Select and configure the diving equipment system that is best for you
- Get an introduction to advanced dive planning and gas management procedures
- Select an optimized gas blend and minimize potential decompression obligation.
- Be introduced to the use of decompression gasses.

### **Travel 2010**

**Cayman Brac – January 23<sup>rd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010 \$2295.00**

**Grand Turk – March 20<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010 \$2740.00**

**Cozumel – June 12<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> \$1875.00**

**North Carolina – July**

**Florida Keys - TBA**

**BVI (first week) – November 6<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010 (ONLY 1 SPOT LEFT) - \$TBA**

**BVI (second week) November 13<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> \$TBA**

**For more detailed information go to [www.nmscuba.com/travelpackages](http://www.nmscuba.com/travelpackages)**

### **Travel Tip**

Thou shalt not expect to find things as thou has left them at home, for thou has left home to find things different. Complied by Bob Goddess

And remember...DON'T HIDE ANYTHING IN YOUR UNDERWARE!!!

**Diving:**

Need some pool time or just want to blow some bubbles? Come join us in the pool or in Santa Rosa. Give us a call so we can reserve a spot for you.

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Check out our **class schedule** for more info on training and events

Thank you for spending a little time with us  
and please come in and see us!

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