

New Mexico Scuba Center
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What's new:

- New Sea & Sea Camera is here, come by and check it out it's the DX1 - (if you want more than a point and shoot – but do not want a SLR – this is the one)
- New Amphibious Outfitters Apparel – the long sleeve shirts and ladies are in. New designs should be here by the end of the month.

Training: Open Water, Advanced Open Water, Nitrox, Digital Photography

Travel: Grand Cayman, Channel Islands (Santa Barbara), Cozumel, BVI (Week 1) BVI (Week 2), Utila, Fiji and anywhere else you want to go.

Practice: Sorry – Kevin is not going to be able to make it this month.

Specials – (Limited to stock on hand)

Oceanic Hera BC, on sale – only 1 left
Fish ID Cards 20% off

Divers That Have Certified in April

Open Water Divers: Samuel Gardner-Tafoya, Heather Gorenz, Yumi Johnson, Tammy Jarpe, Geoffrey Jarpe, Kim Rubidoux, Mark Yerkes, Laurance Lukens, Jose Montaluan, Matthew Geer, Daniel Bruce, Dianna Dutchman, Hailey Dutchman, Robert Dutchman,

Nitrox Divers. : Dale Spencer, Brain Breen

Advance Open Water Divers: Rocky Siirola, John Siirola, Randall Simons,

Stress & Rescue Divers: Ernie Garcia, Larry Martinez, Bill Fitzpatrick, Larry Lukens, Dallas Pottinger, Ann Gebhart, Dave Cox

First Aid / CPR / O2 Provider: Ernie Garcia,

Master Divers: Alicia Cordova de Unruh, Dallas Pottinger, Ann Gebhart, Bill Fitzpatrick,

Century Divers: Kathy Finch,

Dive Control Specialist: Alicia Cordova de Unruh

MASTER DIVER CHALLENGE

*****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 (we have given a way computers and cameras in the past – stay tuned for the give away for 2008)

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

Alicia Cordova de Unruh,
Dallas Pottinger,
Ann Gebhart,
Bill Fitzpatrick,

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 many different insurance policies. She can be reached at 244-0640. www.adulthealthcare.net

UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY – Digital Camera Class - Now it is easier to 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 is free, and the photography special counts towards becoming a Master Diver

Adaptive Diving

New Mexico Scuba Center will be joining Dive Pirates in Cayman Brac the first week in June for the annual “Back to the Brac” event. Including our new diver and 2 returning divers from Albuquerque.

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

Instructor class: [June 27 – 29, 2008 - Albuquerque](#)

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.

Visit Dive Pirates at www.divepirates.org <http://www.divepirates.org/>

Captain Si's Pirate Corner:

One of the few American pirates of the era, Thomas Tew was born in Rhode Island to a wealthy family and served several years as a successful privateer, attacking French ships. He retired early and became a business man. The governor of New York described Tew as a very pleasant man who tells wonderful stories.

Stay tuned for more next month.

Effective immediately we have been notified that any cylinders that have been manufactured from 1990 and earlier are required to have a Visual Eddy test, when they come in for Hydrostatic testing. Many tanks that have been manufactured during this dates have developed cracks in the necks. These tanks have been condemned. Unfortunately for those tanks that require the Visual Eddy – there will be an additional charge. This is a DOT requirement and as you know DOT sets the rules.

ZEAGLE TRADE IN PROGRAM FOR ZEAGLE REGULATORS PURCHASED FROM 1993 - 2001

Between 1993 and 2001 Zeagle had their regulators manufactured by Apeks. In 2002 Apeks was purchased by Aqualung, Zeagle had an agreement with Aqualung to continue to get parts that are used for annual service for those Zeagle / Apeks regulators. Zeagle has continued having problems acquiring Apeks parts for those regulators. So Zeagle is offering a trade in program for their old Zeagle / Apeks regulator for the current Zeagle regulator at a substantial discounted price. If you have one of these regulators bring it into the store so we can let you know what the cost will be and get your trade in started.

Training –

- **Open Water Class**
- **Stress & Rescue**
- **Search & Recovery**
- **First Aid / CPR / 02**
- **Underwater Digital Photography**
- **Enriched Air Nitrox**

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 gases

Travel 2008

Grand Cayman - June 14-21, 2008 SOLD OUT

Channel Islands August 2 – 6, 2008

Cozumel - September 17 – 22, 2008

British Virgin Islands (Week 1) – November 15 -23, 2008 SOLD OUT

British Virgin Islands (Week 2) – November 22-30, 2008

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Utila – (Whale Shark Season) -

FIJI - TBA

Travel Tip

Many of the Airlines have instituted a policy for domestic travel. They are allowing only 1 checked bag at no more than 50 pounds. The 2nd bag will be charged a \$25.00 fee. International travel has not been affected yet. (The airlines are considering Hawaii Domestic travel)

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.

Sorry Kevin is not going to be able to make it this month at Blue Hole.

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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