

October 2009



Monthly Newsletter



Superb Scapa (It was really really really good!)

Fantastic, fantastic, fantastic—did I mention the diving was fantastic? We did 2 dives per day over 6 days with some staying on board for the duration and some strolling back to a b&b each night. The 2 dive boats are converted fishing boats—very well equipped for the divers and comfortable. The sea was totally flat all week—there is a misconception that the sea is always rough, but in fact it can be quite the opposite. Admiral Von Reuter gave the order for the German Fleet at Scapa Flow to be scuttled—he said “It is my intention to sink the ships only if the enemy should attempt to obtain possession of them without the assent of our Government”.

The wrecks vary in size from 139 metres long weighing 4308 tones to 174 metres long displacing over 25,000 tones!

Visibility was on average 6—8 metres and most of the wrecks were at a depth of 35—42 metres. It was an incredible sight to see such detail still intact on and inside the wrecks. Many of the wrecks have turned turtle due to the weight of the huge guns. The Kronprinz Wilhelm and others, carried 10, 12 inch guns, 14, 5.9 inch guns, numerous anti aircraft guns and 5 submerged torpedo tubes—no wonder the average dive times lasted anything between 1—2 hours!. It wasn't just wrecks we marveled at—sea life was also plentiful. We saw baskin sharks, seals, cod, mackerel, lobster, crab, cuckoo wrasse, starfish, large colourful plumous anemone, scallops, urchins, horse mussels and many more!



MATTS DEAL OF THE MONTH
Advanced Open Water & Rescue Diver
Just £389.99

2010 is already fully booked, but we have places available in September 2011. We have already received deposits, so if you're interested in booking a place—don't hang around! **See website for full gallery.**



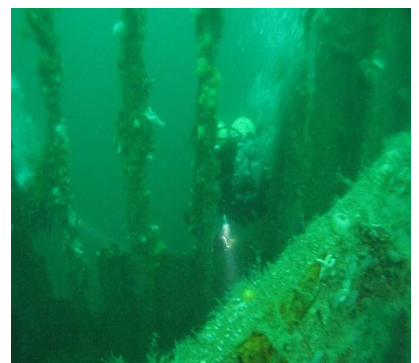
Don't forget we also offer the following services:

- > Free Air Fills
- > Cylinder testing
- > Suit repairs
- > Regulator servicing and repairs
- > Dive computer/watch servicing/ repairs including battery replacement

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DIVE SHOW 2009
If you're at the show, don't forget to come and see us at the try dive pool. Most of the dive team will be there, leaflets at the ready! See you there!



Acknowledgements



Congratulations to John who completed his Advanced Open Water Course, Paula, James and Rob on completing their Open Water Course Well done everyone!

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