

Editorial

Come on down

I've been in this game long enough to know that the general media have a warped sense when it comes to the underwater world.

Denizens of the deep, frogmen, deepsea divers and films like Thunderball conjure up a dark and mysterious place where, if you aren't eaten alive by a denizen, your oxygen hose will be cut by enemy frogmen.

Add to this the Jaws of Hollywood legend and you have the perfect vehicle (not) for encouraging our youngsters to appreciate the underwater world.

I begrudgingly accept this situation but would have thought a responsible and august body such as

the Plymouth Marine Aquarium here in the UK would have more sense than to use this photo to promote their new exhibition "Explorocean".

What right minded person would have the brain cell to think that a picture of a shark about to eat you alive would encourage visitors to experience "a real taste of life beneath the waves etc etc".

As if this were not enough the same brain cell promise "3D sharks that snap at you out of the shadows".

The bye line states "Explorocean will set the next generation on the road to discovery". With pictures like this I think they'll be on the road to buy a speargun at least, if not an oxygen cylinder they can throw into the sharks mouth and explode with a high velocity rifle.

Welcome to the underwater world. We're all doomed.

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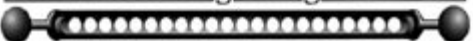
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