

News, Travel & Events



Lembeh Shootout 2013 2nd - 9th December

NAD Resort and Underwater. kr are proud to publicise our 2nd annual underwater shootout, held in conjunction with primary sponsor, Nauticam, in Lembeh, Indonesia.

Join us for a week of fun and prizes between 2 – 9 December 2013, with prizes over US\$35,000 including cash!.

These “competition” weeks are open to all nationalities, and are a good chance to practice your photography with strict rules relating

to the environment and behaviour. Many participants from last year felt that this emphasis on being a good photographer helped them to focus and in the end get a more valuable shot.

The 7 Nights Shootout Package Price is only US\$996.00/person

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Photographing Marine Animals with Paul Naylor South East Group MCS 7/8th September 2013

The aim of the course is to show those new to underwater photography how to start taking successful photographs/images and help existing photographers who are not having the success they had hoped for to improve their technique.

Paul Naylor, author of three underwater guides to marine species of Britain, will lead you through when and how to use the types of



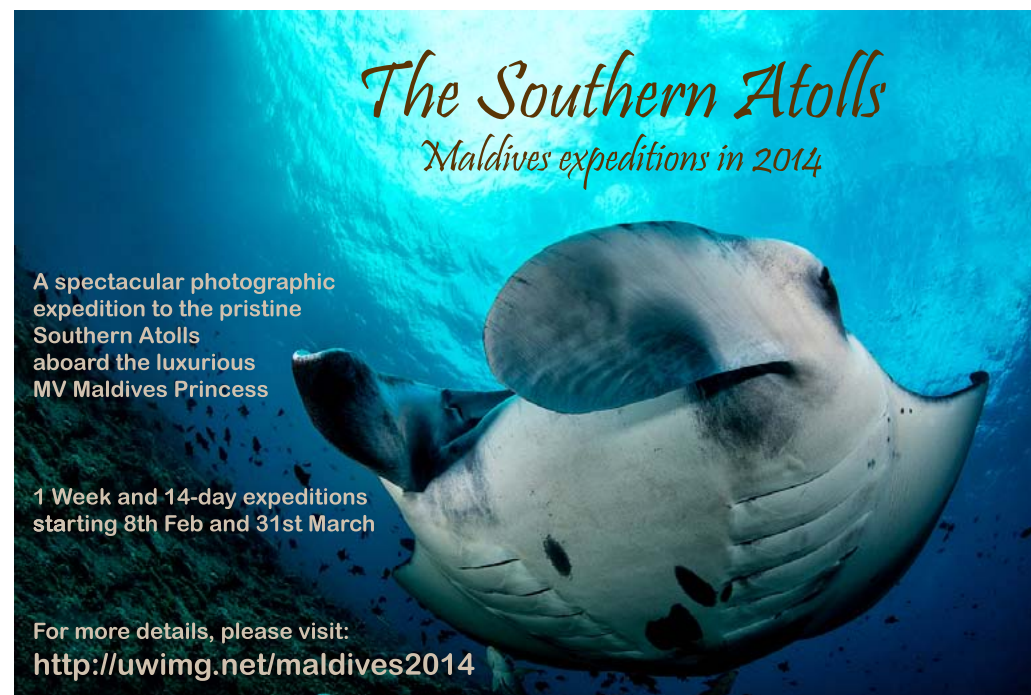
Gerry Casey

equipment available to the underwater photographer.

The course will take place at Leeson House, Swanage, Dorset

Contact Gerry Casey:

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www.mcsuk.org



The Southern Atolls
Maldives expeditions in 2014

A spectacular photographic expedition to the pristine Southern Atolls aboard the luxurious MV Maldives Princess

1 Week and 14-day expeditions starting 8th Feb and 31st March

For more details, please visit:
<http://uwimg.net/maldives2014>

Maldives Expeditions 2014

Award winning underwater photographers Kay Burn Lim and EunJae Im have put together an amazing itinerary for their Maldives expeditions in 2014 with carefully crafted routes and trips during the peak diving season. The expeditions will take their groups further South than most other operators to pristine diving grounds aboard the luxurious 147 foot Maldives Princess liveaboard.

4 weeks in February and April will be spent in the extreme South where much larger schools of big predators congregate. Whalesharks and Mantas are also a common sight. Very few operators have worked in this region and those in the know have incredible stories to tell.

August is when the expedition heads to Baa Atoll and Hanifaru Bay. With a little luck, it is possible to witness huge school of mantas feeding within a tiny area. A week over the Christmas holidays is also part of the schedule and is when the peak diving season starts. What better way to



spend your Christmas day than on an island for a BBQ party on the beach after an excellent day of diving?

This promises to be a spectacular opportunity to dive the best the Maldives has to offer on one of the most luxurious liveabords in the Maldives.

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DiveQuest

THE ULTIMATE IN DIVE TRAVEL & UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY TOURS

Photo: Martin Edge



www.divequest-travel.com

The Cayman Photoquest with Martin Edge 5-15th May 2012

Bali: The Art of Underwater Photography with Shannon Conway 21 November - 1st December 2012

Sharks & Dolphins of The Bahamas with Charles Hood 19 - 26 April 2013

Galapagos: The Art of Underwater Photography with Shannon Conway 11-24th June 2013

Ultimate Papua New Guinea with Michele Westmorland 19-30th October 2013

Truk: The Art of Underwater Photography with Shannon Conway 4-11th May 2014



DPG Expeditions

Cat Island Oceanic Whitetip Photography Expedition

May 4- 10 2014



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Pictures of the Year competition Call for Entries

Two Competitions: One Entry -
You have until 28 May to submit your
entries to the most influential Pictures
of the Ocean competition.

12 Categories: 38 Prestigious
Awards

The Winners of the Most OG
Pictures of the Year Competition will
be announced on 6 July at the 8TH
MALAYSIA INTERNATIONAL
DIVE EXPO 2013

Your entry will be judged during
the 12th Celebrate the Sea Festival,
Brunei on 8 June 2013

You are invited to share with the
world your experiences and special
moments with the seas.

As your work will influence
changes, we view the importance
of awarding you with special
recognitions with prestigious Awards
for Outstanding Achievement,
Merit of Excellence and Special
commendations. Doublet Award for
Outstanding Achievement

University of Miami RSMAS underwater photo contest Call for entries



The 2013 University of Miami's
Rosenstiel School of Marine and
Atmospheric Science Underwater
Photography Contest is calling for
entries. The contest is open to amateur
photographers who earn no more
than 20 percent of their income from
photography. The deadline for entries
is May 17th.

Since its inception in 2005,
the contest has drawn entrants from
across the globe submitting more than
400 images per year. Photographs are
judged in five separate categories:
Fish or Marine Animal Portrait,
Macro, Wide Angle, UM Student, and
Best Overall. The winning images are
displayed on our website as well as
in a traveling exhibit throughout the
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Tobias Friedrich 2013 trips

Tobias Friedrich is a professional underwater photographer with over 50 publications and many cover shots in the last years for various well known dive magazines around the world.

During his photo trips he joins as a photo expert and explains techniques, which should help the participants to improve their images. The trips are very practical and a lot of fun for everyone.

The trip dates for 2013 are:

07. -14. September 2013

EXPEDITION GREENLAND –

Discover the giants of the arctic: icebergs and whales, during an expedition limited to six people to East-Greenland. Price including accommodation (all meals, excl. alcohol), diving and dayboat are 2900,- Euro (excl. Flights and stopover expenses) and can be booked via NORTHERN EXPLORERS:

28. September – 05. October

2013 POLARLIGHTS NORWAY – The best of mid-Norway: Arctic salmon, deep sea corals, kelp forests, chimeras as well as polar lights (if we are lucky) can be seen. Price incl. accommodation, meals and diving (excl. flights): ca. 2.650,- Euro and can be booked via NORTHERN EXPLORERS:



21.-28. November 2013

WORKSHOP EGYPT – During a liveaboard trip to maybe the most amazing dive spot in the Egyptian Red Sea, the Brother Islands, Tobias Friedrich will explain in detail how to improve your underwater pictures. Price of the trip is 999,- Euro (excl. flights and expenses) and can be booked via Nautilus Tauchreisen:

The price is 190,- Euro and can be paid directly on the boat.

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Basking Shark Scotland



Basking Shark Scotland is pleased to announce dedicated shark diving trips from May 2013. Our Oban based trips are focussed on getting amazing interactions with the sharks from a brand new fast and comfortable 12m cabin RIB. Come and experience our 10m+ sharks effortlessly glide past, as you obtain stunning footage of these gentle giants. Along with the sharks we also visit local seal colonies for fantastic playful interactions in good visibility.

Excursions are based on single, two and three day itineraries, with the longer trips including island landings and overnight accommodation. Our location is well known as one of the best places for wildlife watching in Scotland. Minke whales, dolphins, porpoises, eagles, puffins and otters

are all regularly seen during the summer season. All of these fantastic experiences are set in the spectacular Scottish islands, with wonderful local produce and hospitality.

Our trips can cater from novice swimmers to full professionals and can be tailored to our clients wishes. We can arrange accommodation and transport for those visiting from afar, along with gear rental and even DSLR hire. We are a HSE media diving contractor with qualified commercial divers so professional filming can also be arranged. We can easily organise groups and private tours along with taking individual bookings. Please see our website and facebook page for more information.

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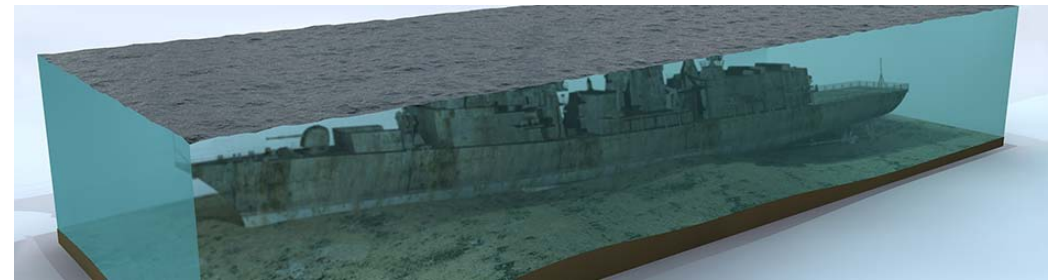


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An artificial reef for Weymouth and Portland and a possible blue print for the whole of the UK

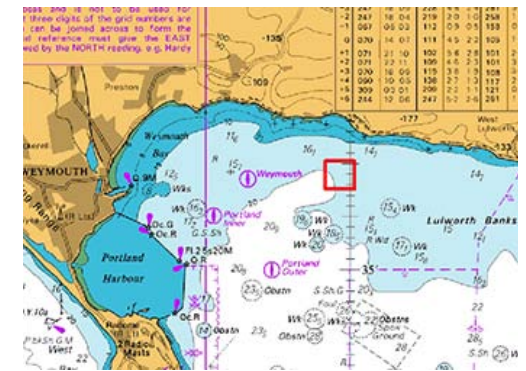


Through the three year process of obtaining permissions to sink two destroyers and create artificial reefs, Weymouth and Portland Wreck to Reef have by coincidence created a new way to manage an area of sea-bed by the people for the people.

It has been suggested that Weymouth and Portland Wreck to Reef now has a blue print that should be adopted across the whole of the United Kingdom.

The jewel in the crown of these reef sanctuaries, is of course the once jewels of our naval history, our warships.

Our ex naval ships could be cleaned and made ready responsibly here in the UK and would help create much needed habitat for our ailing marine environments and bring decades of revenue to our coastal communities.



The UK is sadly out of step with the rest of the world with regards to giving ships as 'deeds of gifts' to any organisation. Portugal and Thailand sunk four ships in 2012, with Portugal planning to sink another two warships this year.

It is hoped by signing this petition you will help Wreck to Reef change the British Governments view and, by deed of gift, give us at least one vessel.

www.wrecktoreef.co.uk/e-petition/

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2013 British Underwater Photography Championships

organised by the British Society of Underwater Photographers (BSoUP)

Saturday 6th July 2013

The 2013 British Underwater Photography Championships, organised by the British Society of Underwater Photographers (BSoUP), will take place on Saturday 6th July at Mount Batten, Plymouth, Devon. All underwater photographers are invited to participate, whether they are members of BSoUP or not.



Tim Priest

There are four categories: Marine Life, Mankind in the Sea, a Theme category to be announced on Friday 5th July, and Humorous. A maximum of one entry per category is allowed.

Images entered in the Marine Life, Mankind in the Sea and Theme categories will also be entered in the overall competition for the Grand Prize.

Prizes, trophies and individual awards will be presented for winning images in each category as well as a grand prize for the best overall image. All prizes except that for the Humorous category will be awarded by an independent panel of judges; the

Humorous category will be judged by the audience present.

Viewing and judging of the images entered will take place at the Mount Batten Centre on the Saturday night. Earlier in the evening the Hotel Mount Batten will again be putting on a substantial buffet dinner for us.

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The 2013 TPOTY awards are now open for entry, and close on October 1st. This year marks our 10th birthday, and we plan to celebrate in style, with some surprises in store! New categories and new prizes await, so start planning your entry into the world's leading travel photography awards.

The Travel Photographer of the Year (TPOTY) photo contest is run by photographers for photographers. Whether you are amateur or professional, beginner or expert, young or old, wherever you live in the world, TPOTY is for you!

www.tpoty.com

Free Lembah photo workshop with Wolfgang Pölzer

Want to learn all about underwater photography? Then there's no better place to be than at award-winning Eco Divers Resort Lembah this September.

Wolfgang Pölzer, respected underwater photo journalist, book author and double gold medallist at the CMAS World Championship of Underwater Photography, will be running a FREE week-long underwater photography workshop. Dates run from 28th Sept to 5th Oct.

Born in a small town in Austria, he studied marine biology at university and over the past fifteen years has published many books and worked as freelance journalist and photographer for several diving, travel

and nature magazines.

In this workshop everybody – from beginner to professional – can learn from his extensive knowledge, through nightly slide shows and also one-on-one critique sessions with individual guests. Taking part is absolutely free when guests book a 7-night package, as Wolfgang is offering his workshop purely out of his aspiration to share a love of underwater photography.

www.eco-divers.com

2013 San Diego Undersea Film Exhibition 11 - 12th Oct



The 2013 San Diego Undersea Film Exhibition is calling for submissions. The event will be held on 11 and 12 October in the Qualcomm Hall, San Diego. Films that have been selected will be projected in a High Definition format in a state of the art venue onto a 30 ft. screen. There are no prizes and an independent panel of distinguished judges will select the approximately 30 films to be shown during the two night event. The deadline for submission is 15 July 2013.

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Win a 10-Night Trip to Truk Lagoon with the Siren Fleet

To celebrate the launch of their newest destination, Worldwide Dive and Sail's Siren Fleet is offering you the chance to win a 10-night liveaboard safari aboard the S/Y Truk Siren!! Enter their online competition and you could be well on your way to diving the wreck capital of the world!

Commencing operation in November 2014, the S/Y Truk Siren will offer divers the choice of 7-night or 10-night itineraries year round. There are over 61 wrecks to dive in Truk Lagoon as well as stunning coral pinnacles within the lagoon that attract sharks and other pelagic fish species. Many of the wrecks are within suitable depths for recreational divers (40m/130ft) however some sites require tec/wreck diving qualifications and experience.

A spacious dive deck, with plenty of storage is one of the signatures of the Siren Fleet yachts and the S/Y Truk Siren is no exception to this rule. The deck will also be refitted to provide a more flexible set up and a wider range of facilities for tec diving groups.

On board tec/wreck divers can benefit from an oxygen & helium blending station along with manifold



twin-tank sets and stage tanks. There will also be a deco bar for safety stops and required decompression stops. Meanwhile dive activities are also supported by 2 rhib tenders – providing extra surface cover and greater flexibility of dive plans.

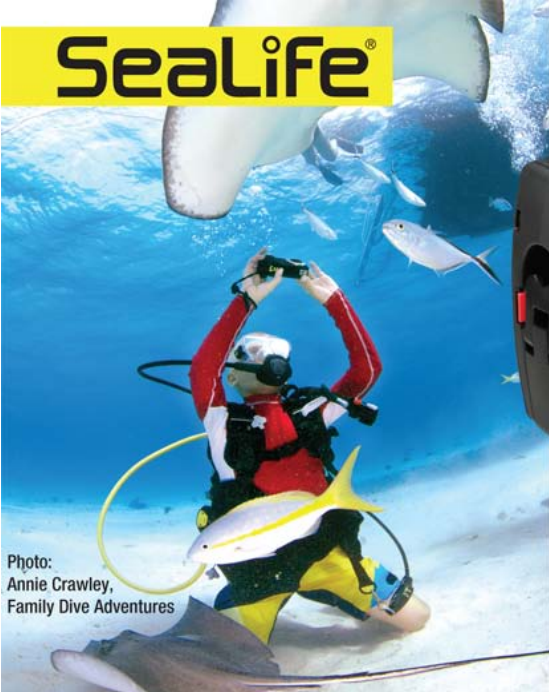
All guests will be provided with 15l tanks and nitrox* (up to 32%) free of charge, as well as a full set of Aqua Lung rental equipment (bcd, regulator, wetsuit, fins & mask). Poseidon MKVI recreational rebreathers will be available for rental or courses and the S/Y Truk Siren will be fully rebreather-diver friendly.

Contact the Siren Fleet team to reserve your place, book by 31st May 2013 to qualify for their "Early Bird" Special. Trips are priced as follows:-

7-nights Standard Rate €2500
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Underwater Photography Workshop with Mark Webster

Maluku Divers, Ambon
22 February to 1 March 2014

Details: www.photec.co.uk
www.muckdivingindonesia.com

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Wetpixel Lembah Macro Workshop 12-23 October 2013,



We also have a few places left for the Wetpixel Lembah Macro Workshop Hosted by Wetpixel Associate Editor Alex Mustard, this will provide everything you would normally expect on a Wetpixel trip, as well as formal teaching, coaching and encouragement to help you produce stunning images.

www.wetpixel.com/expeditions

The trip is based at Lembah Resort, and the timing has been carefully selected to ensure maximum subject and photographic potential for the workshop. The dates are 12-23 October 2013, but as we only have a few spaces left, please get in touch very soon.

Wetpixel Whaleshark trips July/August 2013



Over the past few years, Wetpixel has run photographer-friendly trips to Isla Mujeres, Mexico in order to observe and record the world's largest aggregation of the world's largest fish. This year, we have a few spaces on the first trip (30 July to 5 August), and 3 spaces on the second trip (5 to 11 August) still available. These represent an amazing opportunity as they are normally heavily over-subscribed.

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