



Newsletter

UPDATE

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STRONG START TO 2026

With the first quarter of 2026 rapidly coming to a close I thought it a great opportunity to revisit some of our fabulous successes already and have a wee look forward to what we have planned for the rest of 2026.

We've already been to Egypt and there is talk of a Lanzarote trip. Lots of mid week and weekend diving is happening and we have some great trips already planned for the summer and

beyond, including Isle fo May and Capernwray.

Over the winter we saw a mass of training at Largs and we will celebrate some of our newly qualified divers in this edition.

A massive thanks to everyone involved, with out your support we really would struggle. Don't forget to keep an eye on your dives, training and news on the club website.

Craig Perkins (BDO)

Congratulations..

Massive congratulations to Christopher Grant, Lisanne Gallacher and Caroline Shaw who all became Branch Divers at the start of this year and I we pull this together Martin and Ross are very close to being qualified also.



Caroline & Alan

Lisanne & Robin

Christopher & Alan

New Club Kit..

New 2026 club kit has been planned and orders are in we are looking at delivery in the next couple of weeks.

If there is anything you are looking for let the club know, and it can still be ordered. All club kit can be seen of sale on the updated club website under the shop page.

Hopefully as the year progresses we can add different and new products and if anyone has any suggestions please drop Craig a wee note.



Lottery Funding Success..

Jim Roberts pulled together a funding application with the National Lottery Community Fund which was successful for the club which will be used to buy new Regs and BCD's to support training when we get back to the pool in October. Initial application was for £10,000 and the award was £3,300. Robin along with our equipment guys pulled together a list and the final kit was ordered on 23d March.



Upcoming Trips..

Confirmed planned trips for 2026 are as follows:

Sunday 19th April

Isle of May trip. A boat trip to the Isle of May for 2 dives this event is now fully subscribed.

Friday 21st August

Capernwray - The plan is to dive Friday and Saturday with accommodation arranged at the Holiday Inn Lancaster. Saturday diving depends on sore heads.....

Saturday 20th June

Midsummer Diving Weekend, a weekend arranged by Scotsac where clubs are invited, kind of camping diving weekend. Craig is looking to see who is interested. Location is Caolasnacon, Ballachulish, PH50 4, United Kingdom

Further Proposed trips include:

St Abbs, Arran, Ailsa Craig and hopefully a winter trip to Lanza or somewhere, else warm.

If you have any suggestions or want to plan a trip, get involved.

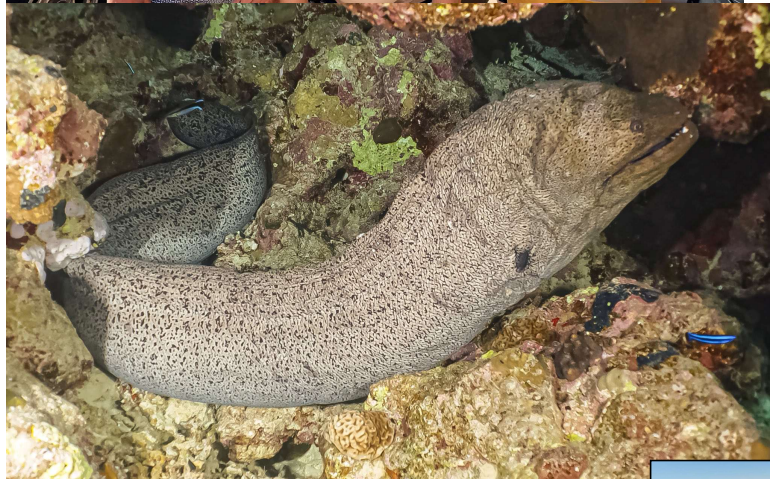


Some Winter Sun to Start 2026

Some of the club headed back to Hurghada in February for some winter sun and some very easy diving. Some members went ahead a few days before the rest of the group with Granny Carol getting her first taste of diving in 21 degree crystal blue water.



The diving as always was incredible with everyone having a fab time underwater. There was a bit of a camera competition going on as unfortunately Robin had to fly home early. This left the other amateur snappers trying to get the best shots.



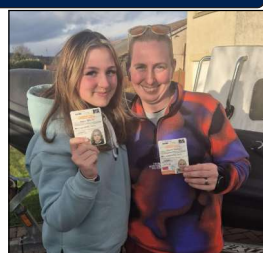
Rib Qualifications...

Over the 24th and 25th of March Darby and Jemma spent the two days in Dunoon with Jason from Wreckspeditions doing their RYA powerboat level 2 qualification.

Both days were cold, and lumpy seas. Perfect for some proper tuition.

We are pleased to say both passed with flying colours and now have their mugshots on their RYA Cards.

Congratulations both of you.



Girls are taking over..

Saturday 28th of March saw some of the club head to the Wising Well for a wee shore dive. Braving the mixed weather, from Hailstones to Sunshine the team got the required before photo. BDO craig was well informed that the girls were taking over with the ratio 7 girls to 4 boys, 5 to 3 in divers, Shore cover was 2 to 1 with wee Harris representing the boys.

A fab day was had.

