

Scuba Dive Online Newsletter

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"NEW YEAR, NEW CAREER?"

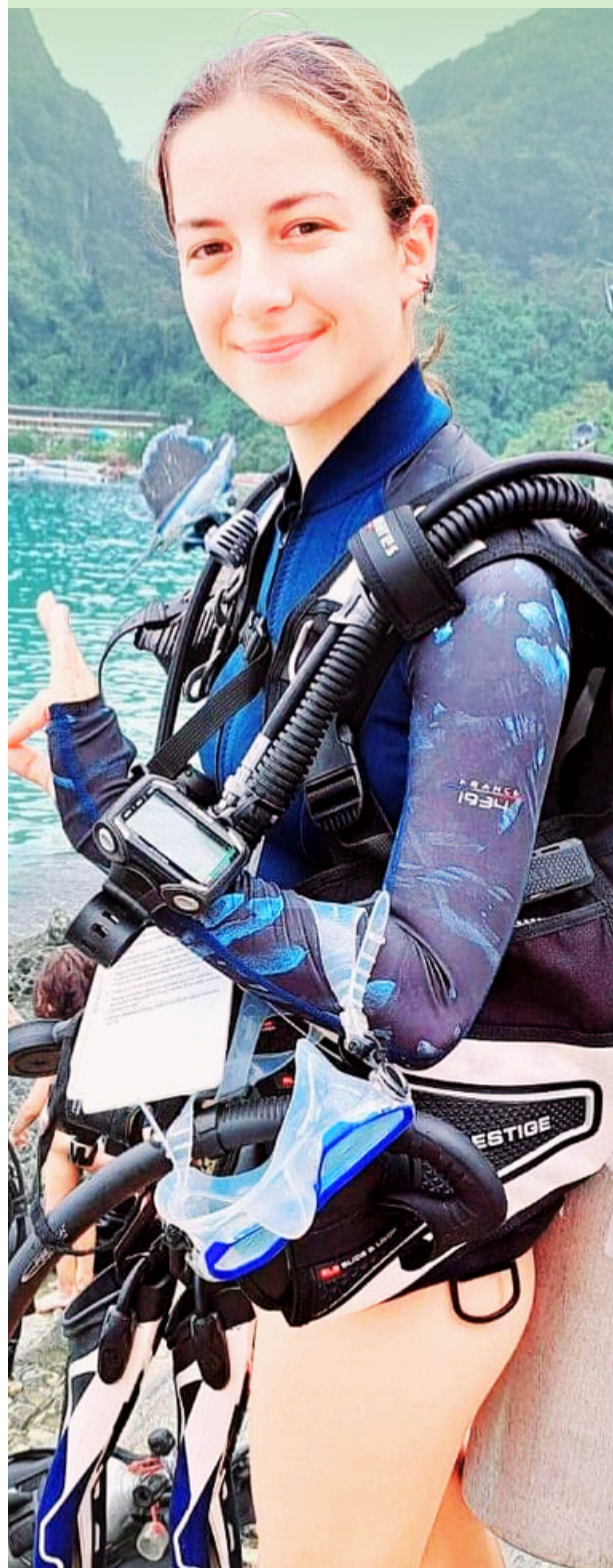
Welcome to 2025!

There is no better time to embrace a life-changing adventure than the start of a new year. At Scuba Dive Online, we are passionate about helping aspiring dive professionals transition into rewarding new careers. As a team of highly experienced, award-winning PADI Course Directors, we teach the PADI Instructor Development Course (IDC) across 12 stunning global locations.

Scuba dive Online - The creators of the hybrid IDC LIVE online.

We are proud to have pioneered the hybrid PADI IDC, offering the flexibility to complete the classroom curriculum online from your home country or after work as a busy Divemaster. The in-water training is completed in just eight days at your chosen destination, allowing you to save both time and money. "Earn while you learn".

This month, we celebrate the successes of our IDC Candidates and partner centres with inspiring stories from Koh Tao, Phi Phi, Koh Phangan, and beyond. Dive into their journeys and get inspired for your own!





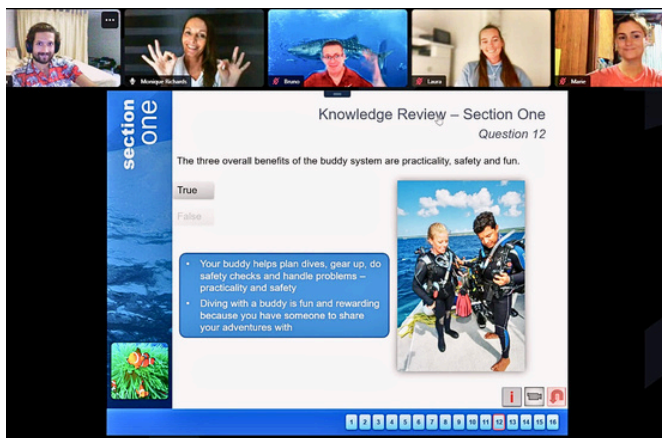
SPOTLIGHT ON DAVY JONES LOCKER

Big congratulations to Jaimie from the U.S. and Victor from Spain, who completed their IDC LIVE Online with Course Director Monique Richards. They balanced travel and diving during the online sessions and wrapped up their in-water training with expert Course Director Neil Richards at Davy Jones Locker, PADI 5 Star CDC Centre on Koh Tao. Both passed, and are now working as PADI Instructors. Way to go!



THE ALL NEW ASSAVA, KOH TAO

Four more success stories from our partner, Assava Dive Resort, PADI 5 Star CDC Centre on Koh Tao. Congratulations to Sami and Max from the UK, Aient from Myanmar, and Karsten from Germany, who all passed their IE. Led by Course Director Heidi Rijdsdijk and assisted by Master Instructor Gaspard, the team made excellent use of Assava's beautiful, quiet location in the south of Koh Tao. With new classrooms, a restaurant, and a second upcoming pool, Assava offers the perfect environment for IDC training.



ONLINE WITH PKT AND LANTA DIVER

At PADI 5 Star IDC Centre, PKT Diving, Phi Phi, we will welcome Bruno, Laura, and Marie. Along with Felix, who will complete his in-water training at our partner centre, Lanta Diver. All four completed their IDC LIVE online with Monique Richards and excelled in their eLearning preparation and dive theory exams. Monique will join them for the in-water section starting February 3rd. We are looking forward to another 100% pass!



LOVISA SHINES AT SAIL ROCK DIVERS

A huge congratulations to January IDC candidate Lovisa, from our partner centre, Sail Rock Divers, PADI 5 Star CDC Centre on Koh Phangan. Mentored by Course Director Alex Arnold, Lovisa excelled from the very beginning. Monique jumped in for some fun too, during the in-water sessions, which took place in crystal-clear conditions. Lovisa's dedication and hard work paid off, and we are thrilled to celebrate her success. She is a marine conservationist, and will pass her knowledge and passion to other budding underwater friends.



PADI MEMBER APPRECIATION NIGHT

This month, Koh Tao hosted a PADI Member Appreciation Evening, a fantastic event featuring talks from prominent figures in the dive industry. Tim Lawrence, aka "The Wreck Hunter," was a main speaker. Tim, owner of Davy Jones Locker, is the highest-qualified PADI Tec Instructor Trainer in Thailand and a member of the Explorers Club. He shared gripping stories about his shipwreck expeditions and technical diving trips. He is a highly published writer in many diving magazines, and is currently writing a book about his adventures. The evening celebrated our diving community and highlighted the endless possibilities in this career.

BLANDINE IS LIVING THE DREAM

Blandine, a graduate of Scuba Dive Online and PKT Diving's IDC programme, became an instructor in November. Since then, she has been unstoppable, certifying Open Water and Advanced divers while loving her new career. Blandine told us "As an instructor I love taking people diving for their first time. Many people are nervous and it is amazing to see how happy they are afterwards". Blandine attended the hybrid IDC LIVE online whilst in France and completed in-water at PKT with Course Director Tim Hunt. This option worked well for her, as she had study and travel commitments. Well done, Blandine! You deserve your dream career!

January has been a month of incredible achievements. From hybrid IDC success stories in Koh Tao and Phi Phi to Lovita's journey in Koh Phangan and Blandine's thriving career, our Scuba Dive Online community is making waves worldwide. With inspiring events like the PADI Member Appreciation Evening, it's clear that 2025 is already shaping up to be an amazing year for diving professionals. Ready to start your new career? Dive in and [contact us today!](#)



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