

Canary Divers Trips

May saw the Canary Divers trip to Oban in Scotland over the bank holiday weekend. As always, the arrangements were completely flexible with some divers arriving on Friday and others arriving throughout the weekend.

Saturday diving consisted of a charter boat dive on 'Little Blue'. The skipper was friendly, knew the area well and was able to drop us on a couple of really good sites.



The first dive site was on the wreck of the Margaret Niven. Photos and details can be found on the Canary Divers website in the galleries section. The second dive site was another site in East Loch Tarbert. The site has no official name (if the GPS map is to be believed) and has been named 'Duncans Garden' by the skipper after the diver which brought it to his attention. The site consists of a large table at around 12m which slopes away on all sides. The aquatic life here is phenomenal with crabs and langoustines wherever you turn. The array of soft coral is also a sight to behold.

After enjoying the days diving we returned to our campsite with goody bags in hand. After a fantastic barbeque prepared by Stuart 'Rhodes' Blackledge and a small amount of liquid refreshment, the team waxed lyrical into the small hours about the ones which got away.

The second days diving was another boat charter on the vessel 'Gannet'. Once again the crew were knowledgeable and couldn't do enough to please us. The diving starting with a drift dive off Back Island.

The visibility was patchy in places but generally enjoyable. The underwater fauna is well worth a visit around this part of Scotland with the warm waters of the gulf stream providing an unusual array of life.

After the dive the crew took us further out to the wreck of the SS Breda. More details and photos can be seen on the Canary Divers website galleries.



Dave and Paul get the navigation prize on this dive for managing to loose the 7,000 tonne ship during their dive. The excuse that the water was like pea soup just didn't quite hold water (even if vis was low)

Once the wreck had been dived the crew of the Gannet provided the usual compliment of hot and cold drinks and surpassed our expectations with a plate of hot sausages and hot dog buns!

Forthcoming trips

- 3 June - Anglesey
- 7 July - St Abbs
- 4 August - Cornwall (HMS Scylla)
- 16 Sept - Farne Islands

Website News

An RSS feed is now available from the Canary Divers website so that you can be alerted to news as it happens!

