



**Battlefords Scuba Community**

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## The Prez Sez

Dennis McCullough

Sometimes we benefit from the actions of others and sometimes we can help others. That is the balance of life. No one of us, no group gets through this wonderful puzzle we call life without getting a little help somewhere along the way and no one escapes without having to lend a hand at some time.

The Battlefords Scuba Community has been fortunate to have benefitted over the past number of years by being pretty much the only active dive club in Saskatchewan that was open to all divers. Our events were attended by divers from Saskatoon, Regina, Prince Albert, and points in between. Sometimes there were more guests than members which was astounding. The fact that those guests returned spoke well for how the membership received those guests and made them feel welcome. And our members were welcomed with open arms when they visited other clubs.

Times change and situations change. The group in Regina has organized the Regina Scuba and Snorkel Club. The Moose Jaw Barracudas are working to recover their place after in the dive community after losing the spark plug individual. Prince Albert divers are working to rejuvenate the Prince Albert Scuba Club. It is wonderful to see divers coming together to make things happen in the Saskatchewan dive world. But they will need our support to grow and prosper.

Just as these divers came to our events and supported us morally and physically, we need to get out to their events for their benefit. And they are trying to get started at a time when the uncertainty resulting from COVID is still haunting people, causing them to think twice about group activities and meetings, when inflation is running wild for a variety of reasons, and when dissension seems to be a way of life. They have a tougher row to hoe than the Battlefords Scuba did during its formation. It's our turn to lend some support, to go out to an event they are organizing, to ensure their work is appreciated and to share the load. Payback can be a lot of fun!

Good luck to all the new clubs and their members.

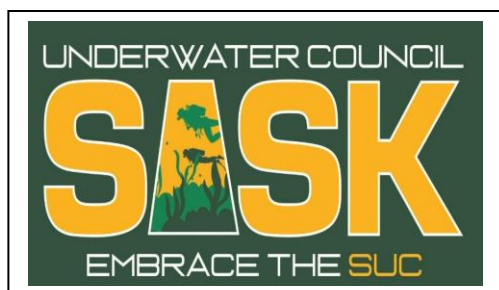
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## BSC News

### UPDATE on the SASKATCHEWAN UNDERWATER COUNCIL

In March of 2021 we appealed to you for assistance in making some very significant changes to the make-up of the Saskatchewan Underwater Council. Change did happen in a big way but unless you followed events closely you likely heard nothing much more about it. It's time we updated you as many of you will be members still, or maybe again.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Council last June there were many changes made to the bylaws of the SUC, all attempting to update practices and policies and to close the doors on some of the loopholes that led to the formal complaint that was laid by some of the board members to the SPRA with the resultant loss of funding pending further investigation. Members from the Battlefords Scuba Community and the Regina Scuba and Snorkel Club were elected to the Board effectively shifting the balance of power from the one club that had dominated the affairs of the Council for the past decade or two. Club representatives were given the same rights as the elected board members – proposing motions, taking part in discussions and voting – all with the proviso that the elected board members shall always outnumber the club appointees. The Program Director who had held office, largely to the benefit of his club, was defeated in the election and a new unaligned individual was elected to the office.



The loss of funding requested by the complainants resulting in the Executive Assistant resigning, a saving of \$40,000 per year. The lease for office space (rarely used for any purpose) was relinquished, the phone line was terminated which saved even more money. The Club representative (and Program Director) and the Club itself that had benefitted most from the alleged fraudulent activities were suspended from

membership when they failed to answer the Board's questions in any way. The Executive Assistant, who had written himself thirteen cheques for twelve months of work was taken to Small Claims Court where the judgment favoured the Council, and the misappropriated funds were repaid. That individual was then expelled from membership permanently.

Then the serious work began. The Secretary, Tracy Wilson, volunteered to take on the role of acting Executive Assistant and she shouldered the greatest portion of the work. Financial records were sorted out for an audit, and to the satisfaction of the SPRA Oversight Committee, the format of the minutes of meetings were changed to reflect what went on with action assigned to individuals to report back to meetings – ACCOUNTABILITY! Work was begun on formalizing and standardizing reports for events operated by the Council and the member clubs. The website was rebuilt. Work was done on developing policies on funding, on board member expectations, on telephone contact for the SUC office, and considerable time was spent on defending actions that had been taken from those who had lost their position of privilege.

Membership issues were clarified, and clear and accurate reports were filed with the SPRA and the ISC regarding the past year's operation.

The Board moved from its four meetings per year at remote locations to monthly meetings of 60 to 90 minutes via Zoom or Teams – more work got done and far less expense was incurred. As members of the Council, you are entitled to sit in on the meeting but cannot take part unless invited.

In March the SUC's funding was restored on a probationary basis and the year's financial allocation was placed in the bank account. This created quite a scramble as the money had to be spent by the end of March and receipts had to be in hand to account for the spending. The Council quickly put together a series of Refreshers that would be free to SUC members – the short lead time made it difficult to get people out this year, but plans are being made to operate several courses next year with more lead time. A Speaker Series was developed to be conducted via Zoom, free for SUC members. The response to this program has been somewhat better. A board member workshop was held with the goal of doing some serious introspection about the operation with an eye to making improvements (see Richard Reed's item in this newsletter for more details).

Much of the funding was passed on to the clubs for their programs – equipment, training and pool rentals being the big items there.

The Scott Beck Memorial Diver of the Year was split into two programs, one a nomination for outstanding contributions to diving in Saskatchewan and the other retaining the bingo card format of past years with a variety of items to be checked off as completed.

With the passage of the policy on Board Member Expectations, one director was removed from office for non-attendance at meetings.

A job description for the Executive Director has been developed and approved and the search has begun for a suitable candidate.

A slate of programs put on by the Council and its member clubs has been developed and details will be circulated as the dates approach. See the coming events item in this newsletter for more details and watch for further e-mails.

As far as member clubs go, the BSC and the Regina Club are active and strong. Unfortunately, the Moose Jaw group has decided to cease operations for the time being. On the other side of the coin, the Prince Albert Scuba Club is being rejuvenated and hopes to become a vital part of the SUC.

It has been a busy fifteen months for the Saskatchewan Underwater Council and much more remains to be done. The probationary period continues until the end of September this year when a final decision will be made by the SPRA as to the eligibility for continued funding.

You have your chance to have a say in the affairs of the SUC at its Annual General Meeting to be held via Teams on Sunday, June 5 at 11:30 am. Only current members will receive the meeting invitation, so please make sure your fees are paid. It's a good time to get involved.

Here's to a stronger and improved Saskatchewan Underwater Council!

## SUC SPEAKER SERIES

The Saskatchewan Underwater Council has, in the past, been criticized for not giving the membership much in return for their membership, other than the subscription to DIVER magazine. Part of the thrust of the new Executive must improve the benefits of membership and to this end, they have decided upon a Speaker Series to utilize part of the funding the Council receives from the SPRA.

The idea was spearheaded by Brad Nelson with the intent of giving SUC members access to some of the leaders in the dive industry and their ideas at no cost. Many of these individuals are Canadians or have Canadian affiliations. The series is done via internet (Zoom, Teams, or some other connection that requires no special installation on your computer or mobile device. Each session is free to all SUC members – a link is e-mailed to the members, and they have only to click on that link to be connected and to be part of the group. Each presentation is slated to be about an hour long.

The series began on April 14 with a presentation by Michael Menduno, a pioneer in the field of mixed gases, technical diving, and the use of rebreathers. He spoke about the history of this aspect of diving and his experiences in growing it. His presentation put a little different perspective on that part of the sport and its relationship to the recreational portion.

On June 8, Alisha and Joey Postma of Dive Buddies for Life will be the presenters. This couple hail from the Maritimes are both avid cold water divers and have crossed Canada diving with local divers as they travelled, even making a visit to Atton's Lake. They do a monthly podcast that can range through all aspects of what it means to be a great dive buddy in the broadest sense. Every month they highlight a species of marine critter. Personable, knowledgeable, and enthusiastic are only a few of the adjectives that describe them.

Other speakers slated to appear include:

- Guy Shockey an Instructor with Global Underwater Explorers and currently noted for his work on the Human Factors in Diving – born and educated in Saskatchewan Guy has moved onto the world stage.
- Kirk Krack of Performance Freediving International who has trained athletes to national and world records in Free Diving. Born in Prince Albert, he learned to dive in Saskatchewan and moved on through shops around the world becoming a noted technical diver, instructor, and instructor trainer.
- John and Cathy McQuaig of Edmonton noted dive explorers and instructors. Cathy serves as the Executive Director of the Alberta Underwater Council. Both are still active and avid divers.

These presentations bring to life the differing experiences of Canadian divers in the ever-expanding world of scuba diving. They present the passion of these extraordinary people in order that we all may expand our horizons.

Take an hour and it might change your life! Thanks for a great idea, Brad and good work in making it happen.

# SUC (Saskatchewan Underwater Council) Non-Profit Lifecycles

## Board training session Saskatoon May 14, 2022

Richard Reed

Dennis and I attended a SUC Board Training Session in Saskatoon with 6 other SUC board members, which was led by Dawn Martin, of Daybreak Consulting. The session was not so much about the Governance of a Board, but the Lifecycle of the SUC Organization.

The Lifecycle of a Non-profit Organization starts as an idea, moves to Start-up, then Growth, Maturity, Decline, Turnaround, and possibly, but hopefully not Terminal. Most Organizations would operate in the Growth, Maturity, Decline, Turnaround, and then cycle back to Growth as time goes by with the change in Board Members, by-law changes and developed, financial resources come and go, and the change in direction of the Organizations Mission Statement.

With good Board leadership, the Membership should understand the Organization is a Non-Profit Corporation and the Board makes decisions and changes in the Organization for the Membership's best interest. Each cycle is guided by Diagnostic Characteristics and Performance Outcomes which are categorized by Programs, Management, Governance, Resources, and Systems.

As we worked through the process, we had a better understanding were the SUC Organization was at, and what work has to be done in the next few months to have a good sustainable Organization for the betterment of the Membership. It was interesting to note that although the Board and the SUC has seen a substantial change in the past year, we were not as far established as we thought we were, but we are on the right track.

With the knowledge gained through this session the Board and the SUC Organization will be operating on a more stable and sustainable platform.



## YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT YOU NEED.....

You never know what you may need to get through your day when you go out the door in the morning! This is the story of two individuals who found out the hard way what they needed to get to get through one specific day.

Corey Peterson and his brother Chris spent one March weekend completing the DAN Diving First Aid for Professional Divers course with the instructor Dennis McCullough. Most of us have done at least one first aid course, oh hum – it meets a job requirement or it's nice to have but I'll never use it. The course was fun, lots of laughter and banter.

A few days later Corey was curling in the Realtor's League in Saskatoon when a fellow curler a couple of sheets over fell to the ice. No one seemed to be prepared to do anything and Corey's training kicked in although he wondered if there was not someone more qualified than he to take over. Corey sent someone to call 9-1-1 but was informed that was being done. He sent someone to get the AED. He noted the patient was turning blue, so he rolled him onto his back and checked for breathing. Finding no sign of breathing, our hero started CPR, wondering if he was doing it right but doing his best to remember what he had learned. The AED arrived and the victim's hoodie was cut off and Corey walked the other person through putting the pads in place and turning on the AED. According to Corey, when the AED advised to shock the individual, he pushed the button and "poured the volts to him". When the device told him to resume compressions, Corey did so.

EMS arrived before the second analysis of the situation by the AED. They had Corey continue while they got set up. The victim was put on oxygen and placed on the gurney and then the paramedics took over the CPR and rolled away with the unfortunate person. The unfortunate truth is that over ninety percent of those who require such lifesaving actions do not survive – the goal of first aid is to sustain life until more advanced medical assistance arrives. Corey had done his job it seemed.

Corey and Dennis did an informal debrief. Corey was still not sure he had done everything correctly. Dennis assured him he had done more than anyone else and that he had done it well and congratulated him.

It was a little more than a week later when Brad Nelson, Tracy Wilson and Dennis were talking about the incident. Brad, a former paramedic in Saskatoon, recalled that a former colleague who is now the ambulance's public relations person, had mentioned that they had had a "save", two in fact which was extremely rare. Confirming that Corey had no objection to the incident being pursued, Brad was able to ascertain that the "save" was the very incident that Corey had been involved in and was able to connect the ambulance authority with Corey as the ambulance operator likes to congratulate people who rise to the occasion.

A couple of weeks later, Corey was invited to attend another of the curling sessions, and he was introduced to the gentleman, who was only forty-six years of age, and his very grateful family. The patient had been implanted with a pacemaker to control a condition that he had lived with for some time, but which had caused in no problem until that fateful day. He and his entire family had enrolled in a first aid course because of his experience.

Corey did not know that morning he would need his first aid training, and the gentleman did not know he would need Corey. But fate brought them together in a most memorable experience. Congratulations Corey and thank you.

There are a couple of thoughts to take away from this tale. You never know when you may be called upon to render first aid in an emergency. And do not be afraid to step up to help in an emergency – it can make a huge difference. As a diver, or a diver support person, we are in situations that are slightly more risky than normal, and often a long way from help. Can you step up or are you going to be one of those who walk away hoping someone else will be there?

How about completing a First Aid Course or an Emergency Oxygen Provider Course? It could make a difference in your life.

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### GRANT FUNDING HELPS CLUB PROGRAMS

The Battlefords Scuba Community has been the recipient of several grants from various agencies this past year and we must acknowledge that assistance without which we would not be able to operate some of the programs we do.



The City of North Battleford saw fit to grant us \$596 for introductory programs in scuba and we were able to fund two Discover Scuba sessions although we were unable to make an Open Water Scuba Diver course fly. The City receives money for the Community Program Grants from the Sask Lottery Funds, and we thank both sources for their help.



The Battlefords Agency Tribal Chiefs Community Development Corporation met our request for \$5,769 to carry on the Discover Scuba for High Schools program. That amount enabled us to provide no-charge introductions to scuba diving to one hundred students. This year the students have come from Biggar, Neilburg, Wilkie, Warman, Sakewew, and Elrose. In addition to offering thanks for the financial assistance, there is a debt of gratitude to the volunteers who helped with this program – Kyle Mazur and daughter Kennedy, Richard Reed, Robert Turpin and especially Kevin Killoran who had worked every one of the sessions as well as hauling gear back and forth to Wainwright.

And the BSC received funds from the Saskatchewan Underwater Council in the amount of \$14,375. Four hundred seventy-five dollars went toward the costs of the website for two years, just under \$5,100 went towards pool rentals for the season and a little over \$8,800 went to pay

for Instructor training for two of our members. This will ensure that there is a succession plan in place for years to come, and it will enable us to increase our outreach programs through the Discover Scuba for Schools and taking programs into some of the summer pools in the surrounding communities. We wish Richard Reed and Tracy Wilson well in this undertaking. And we thank the SUC for its hard work to obtain these funds from the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association and the Sask Lottery Foundation.

Your executive continues to look for funding sources to help operate programs for our members and divers in general.

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## CERTIFICATIONS

Over the past couple of years, thanks to COVID-19, we have not done much in the line of certifications of any sort. But there were a couple of courses, or at least certifications completed.

Congratulations to Tracy Wilson and Richard Reed on completing their Divemaster training after a lot of work over a long period of time. Both divers did great work in becoming certified – the first divers the club has certified at this level. Their final dive was under miserable conditions at Turtle Lake. Winds out of the northwest made for foot and a half wave slamming into them as they worked, stirring up the lake which already had less than ideal visibility – all this as a background for a search and recovery scenario. But this pair are tough cookies and managed despite Mother Nature. Great job!



*"It's just a hunch, but you're not a certified diver, are you?"*

Chris and Corey Peterson completed their DAN Diving First Aid for Dive Professionals, the first bodies we have put through the revised DAN course. This brotherly pair made it fun to do first aid. Congratulations gentlemen. And then Corey went out and applied his learning just so he could prove to himself that he knew the material. Well done young fellow!



Richard Reed completed his internship to become a Divemaster Discover Scuba Leader. Once he returns to the water, he will be able to conduct his own Discover Scuba sessions. Great work Richard and congratulations!

Now that the restrictions around COVID have pretty much been relaxed we can begin to return to more normal operations and get back to certifying divers. Let's get at it!

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## **CELEBRITY DISCOVER SCUBA**

On Sunday, January 23, 2022, the Battlefords Scuba Community held its first annual Celebrity Discover Scuba event. It began as an idea to get the media involved in a fun event surrounding scuba diving in hopes that we might get some free publicity for diving in general, and for the club in particular. It was also a reaction to one of the old guards with the SUC, who when the idea was raised at an SUC meeting, poo pood the idea saying "we tried it once and it doesn't work" – never mind that that individual has all the personality of a rotting potato!

We began with a list of nineteen possible celebrities – mayors, MLA, media representatives, Chamber of Commerce people, people from the funding agencies which have supported our programs and facility operators with whom we work on these programs. Everyone was interested and thought it was a good idea, but it was difficult to get some of the media people to commit to a Sunday and some had other assignments. Then COVID got back into the act with the fourth wave (or maybe the fifth) and people started to drop like flies. The nine who had committed fell to three before we got to the date, but we went ahead determined to give them a good experience. Others were down with the virus or had been exposed and felt it best to err on the side of safety or had been ordered by employers not to put themselves in the situation where they might be exposed

Jeremy Cockrill the local MLA, Ross MacAngus representing the City of North Battleford and Shane Fluney from the Gold Eagle Casino braved the elements and joined us in the session. With the volunteers who had offered to help we had a two helper to one diver ratio (get that anywhere else!!). They gave it their all for a good cause and we did appreciate their participation.

The result was that three people got to try scuba who might never have otherwise done it. But all reported that they had a better understanding of diving in general and of diving in Saskatchewan in particular. They left with a better understanding of the training that goes into scuba diving, the safety features that are built into the program, and the role that this club has played in offering the no-charge to the students Discover Scuba for Schools program and in training/certification in general. Sounds like we accomplished what we wanted to do – maybe next time we can get a few more out.

Oh, and a nice closing, the News Optimist did a full page colour spread on the event – a nice boost for the club.

Thanks to Jeremy, Ross and Shane for taking part, and to Brad Nelson, Tracy Wilson, Rob Florence, and Robert Turpin for their assistance with the program.

We're already working on the 2023 edition – watch for it!



### **Celebrities in the Celebrity Discovery Scuba 2022**

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### **JOB OPPORTUNITY**

The Saskatchewan Underwater Council, after its struggles, has a job opening. It is looking for an Executive Director to commence duties in early September of this year, working for the first month with the interim Executive Director, Tracy Wilson, to learn the ropes.

The job description outlines the candidate as a proactive individual responsible for conducting the day-to-day business of the Saskatchewan Underwater Council within the scope of all SUC policies and procedures. This person will take an active part in the development and implementation of short and long term planning for the SUC and will assist the Board in determining ongoing objectives and policies necessary for the furtherance of those plans. The individual must be self-motivated, able to work independently and remotely, have excellent communication and computer skills as well as proficiency in maintaining and co-ordinating financial records and information, including grant applications and funding. It is also noted that, since the position deals with underwater sports, the advancement of those sports and the underwater environment in Saskatchewan, the individual should have a sound grounding in the sports and the industry.

The responsibilities of the Executive Director fall into several areas:

- Office and administration
- Accounting
- Membership
- Communications
- Grants
- Long/short term planning and implementation
- Event organization

A breakdown of these responsibilities is available from the office of the SUC upon request. If you or anyone you know might be interested in this part-time position, please contact the SUC via e-mail at [executive@saskuc.com](mailto:executive@saskuc.com) , by mail at Box 7651, Saskatoon, Sk. S7K 4R4, or by telephone at 306-380-6787.

This could be a fun and fulfilling position for someone interested in working within the dive industry or sport administration. There's a great bunch of divers out there looking for some on-going leadership!

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## BSC Travels

### Cozumel Trip 2022

Chris Peterson

In February along with some friends I made my long-awaited return to Cozumel, MX. After a couple years of travel restrictions, it was exciting to get back to my favorite warm water destination. A group of six of us stayed at the Villablanca Hotel. A modest hotel just outside of town. It's a quiet spot and close to the water if we want to do a shore dive. We usually rent a car to make travel around the island easier and if need be, we can meet our dive boat at the marina. We do mix of picking up groceries at the Mega and eating local. We really enjoy trying new local spots. This year we met another friend, Trevor, on the island. Trevor works as an instructor there for three months a year. He was completing the Open Water Course for two of our travel companions.



spotted eagle rays. On a night dive we were lucky to see a handful of Caribbean octopus. Another highlight was a dive site of the north of the island called Eagle Ray Alley. There we dropped to about 70' and waited by the edge of the wall for the eagle rays to come up from the deep. It didn't take long and suddenly we saw 19 eagle rays come up a play in the strong current at that site. Overall, it was another great trip, and we are planning to go back in November. If you haven't been to Cozumel, I highly recommend it!





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## TURPIN'S COZUMEL TRIP 2022

Our first post pandemic dive trip was to Cozumel, Mexico.

We have been there several times before and really enjoy the drift diving. There is hardly any work involved, just clasp your hands, and enjoy the trip over the reef or beside the wall.

On this trip, we had two full weeks of diving twice a day. On one day we also incorporated a night dive and saw a fine-looking octopus.

We also had a three-dive day mid vacation. It was a Sunday and the dive shop (Aldora Divers) offered Robert and me a special adventure dive day complete with lunch on board. We boated out north somewhere between Cancun and the north end of the island. We were in the middle of the ocean with no land in sight.

The dives we were promised were three deep dives. The first was called the Ledges. It is a reef that was discovered by a free diving and scuba diving lobster fisherman. He has been diving for 40 years and was on our boat along with a dive instructor (our guide), a Divemaster, a student Divemaster, a photographer from Ireland, the boat captain and the two of us, eight in total.

We suited up and were each given a satellite SOS locator to attach and a SMB. We really were in the middle of nowhere. We had to make negative entries for all three dives which are fun to do. We had to stick with the group due to the current and when we dropped in and got to depth, we were right on top of the reef. It was at 100 feet at the top so going through our air was happening fast. All divers were on nitrox.

The reef was beautiful, and our fisherman speared three lionfish that were filleted for a ceviche lunch at the second interval and chum bait for our next dive.

The second dive averaged 80 feet and was at the Sleeping Sharks Cave. We dropped in right on top of the small reef and immediately there were two black tipped reef sharks. One was a baby, about 3 to 4 feet but the other was about 6 feet long. We all knelt in the sand and the fisherman held the lionfish parts for the sharks. They circled us continuously and eventually grabbed the bait. It was interesting watching their eating action. Then a third and much larger shark came along and swam with us.

At the beginning of the second dive, one could hear a low sort of mooing sound in the water. We were all watching for the animal that produced the sound and very soon four dolphins appeared and floated in front of us, twisting and turning around each other. We watched them for one minute and then they disappeared. In another minute six dolphins appeared and checked us out and disappeared. It was like in a dream. A moment to be cherished and was thankfully videoed.

Back on the boat we enjoyed the fresh ceviche and guacamole, both the best we have ever eaten.

After a good long interval, we repeated the shark dive.

Each of the three dives was well over 60 minutes and averaged over 80 feet each. These Sunday dives were around dive number 15 or so for us after diving 7 days straight prior to this.

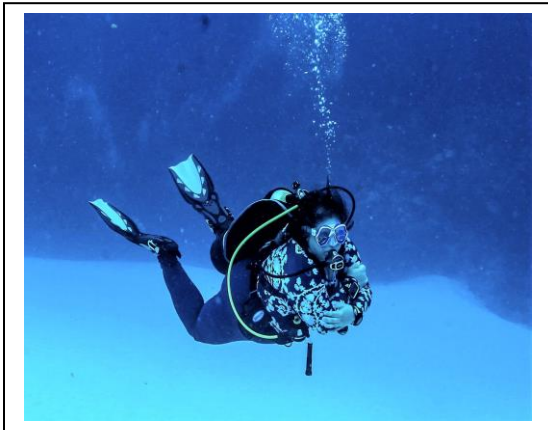
Now for the interesting land part. That evening right before sleep time we both experienced lower back pain in our skin, not deep tissue or muscular. I also had pain wrapping around my right-side ribs from front to back and a spot on my right upper arm. Robert had the same skin pain across his lower abdomen, again it was not muscular but more like skin pain.

In the morning we had no skin pain at all but felt that we may have had skin bends or cutaneous abnormalities, a mild form of decompression sickness. In fact, our cases were so mild that there was no skin discoloration or lasting effects. We phoned DAN insurance and a doctor from Florida took all our information which included the basics and the previous day dive details including interval times, dive depth and length and the previous week's dives. She was very thorough and was skeptical of what we had since it is very unusual for two people to have the same symptoms for DCS at the same time. She also said that DCS is not the accumulation of nitrogen in the tissue but rather the accumulated metabolic poisons that the tissue could not move out easily, especially in fatty tissue. That's where the skin hurt the most, in that nice pillow layer of fat.

Anyways, the doctor sent us to Dr. Gomez at the CostaMed hospital. It is an incredibly clean hospital and seemed to run efficiently. Dr. Gomez interviewed us, had our vitals, and banned us from the water for 48 hours to be safe. We were symptom free at this point, but we happily complied. We visited Aldora Divers and told them of our possible diagnoses, and they gave us oxygen to breathe for a half hour and we were on our way. A week later DAN called to follow up. It's a great organization for dive insurance.

We do not doubt we had skin bends. The amount of diving we had done all week, the fact we have too much of a fat layer and the dive depth, dive time and interval times all contributed to this occurrence. We did not exceed any dive limits including our NDL (No Decompression Limit). No one else on our boat had any problems. They were young and fit. We are old and puffy. We will pay more attention to all of this in the future and add this to our experience list.

The two weeks of diving was a success, and we were very happy to share it with good friends, Dave, and Leona.



## COMING EVENTS

May 29	Regina Scuba and Snorkel Club's Beach Clean-Up Lovering Lake
June 5 at 11:30 am via Zoom	Saskatchewan Underwater Council Annual General Meeting (election of directors)
June 6 at 6:30 pm	Battlefords Scuba Community General Meeting & Dive Prep Night
June 7 at 6:30 pm	First Dive Night at Atton's Lake
June 12	Moose Jaw Barracuda's Underwater Gymkhana at Lovering Lake
June 18 & 19	Definitely Diving Days at Atton's Lake
July 1	SUC's Canada Day Dive and Beach Clean-Up Mel & Greg's Beach at Danielson Provincial Park
July 11 – 14	Tentative dates for the Search for the sunken steam tractor at Turtle Lake
July 16	BSC's Women's Dive Day and Beach Clean-Up Turtle Lake
July 31	BSC's Drive & Dive at Atton's Lake Regional Park
August 27	Prince Albert Scuba Club's Dive at Little Bear Lake
September 24	Pumpkin Carving Dive at Wainwright
October 15	SUC and MJ Barracuda's Pumpkin Carving Dive at Lovering Lake
October 19	BSC's Annual General Election
November	Regina Scuba and Snorkel Club's Cozumel Trip

BSC's Regular Dive Nights go on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm at the boat launch in Atton's Lake Regional Park until August 20<sup>th</sup> when we switch to Saturday diving because of the short evenings. Of course, there are some who are available to dive most any time, particularly on the weekends. Have tanks, will travel!