



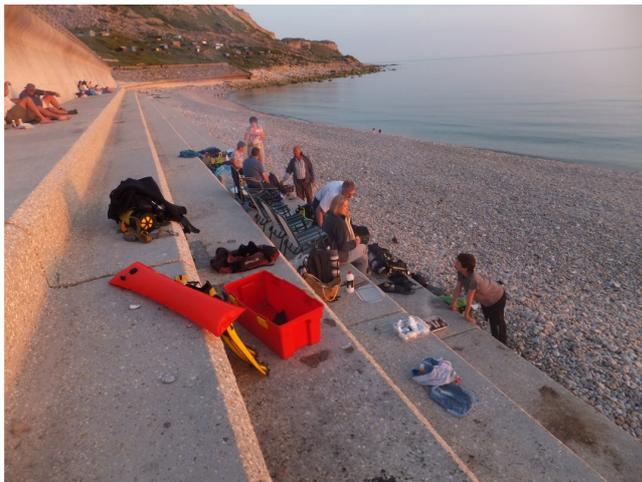
## Member's Newsletter August 2014

An essential ingredient to a healthy dive club is new members – well, OK, in this instance not so new, but three rather excellent joining members - Clare Allen, Alan Stevens and Howard Johnson. A warm welcome to you all.

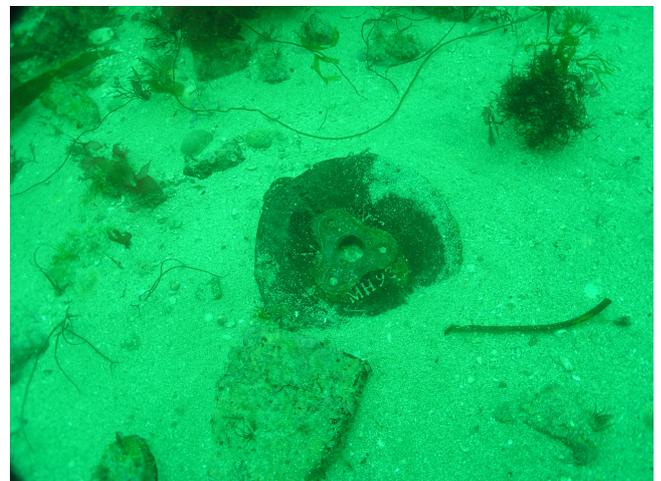
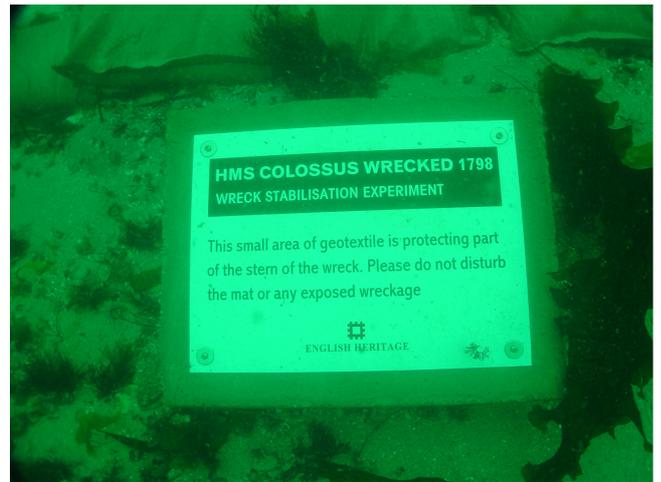
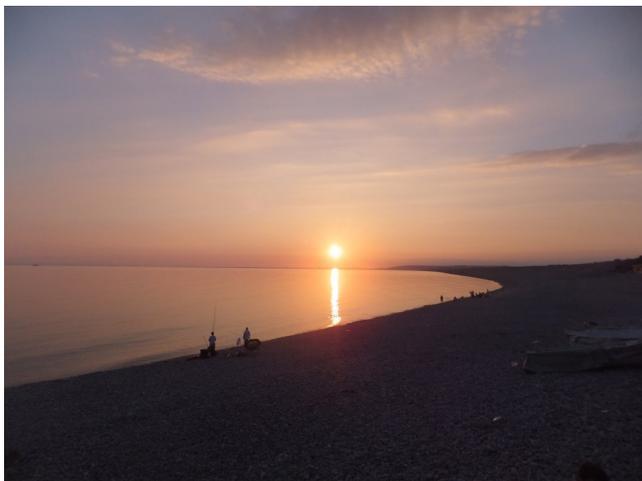
Oh, what a lovely summer we have had with temperatures over 20 degrees in the UK from May until this week. Some strong winds have caused dives to be cancelled but there has been lots of calm weather in between.

So what happened to the visibility! Some say the warmer sea temperature this winter caused a prolonged plankton bloom. Another favorite is the large amount of clay particles being washed off the land during the winter floods and a lack of flocculation due to incorrect ionic balance. The most likely explanation seems to be the stirring of deep water sea bed sediments by large waves over the winter.

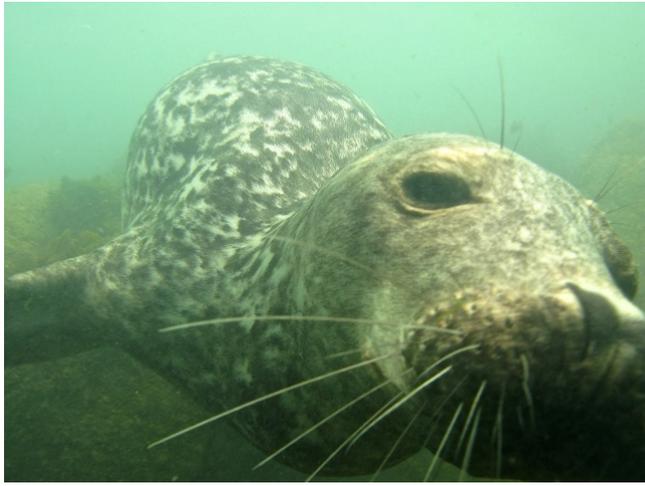
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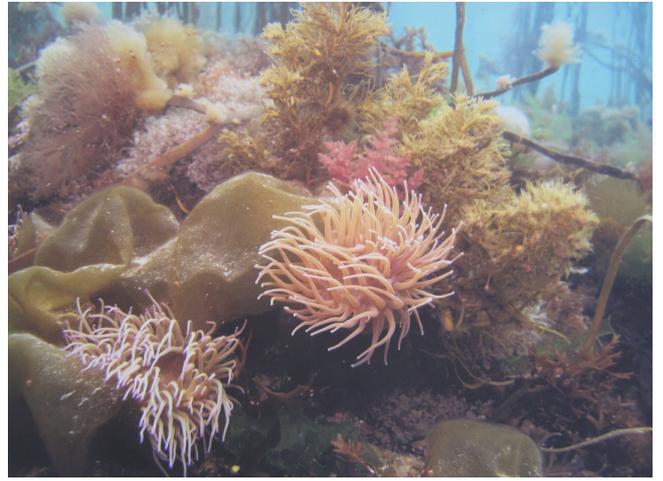
Just look at the idyllic conditions on Chesil Beach on 20<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you Jeremy for two stunning photographs.



Not too bad.



Give us a kiss Jayne



Is this what you tried to photograph Peter SZ?



A member of the local "Where the fliprwe" tribe



Thank you Nick for organizing a great trip and thanks to our skipper Tim Alsop.



"Who do you think you are looking at!".



Ocean diver training is proceeding well for Manny and Clair. To dodge strong winds and less than perfect sea conditions some training has been and will be conducted at Vobster Quay, a freshwater lake near Frome. So instructors are not out of pocket the

Committee has agreed to reimburse their £16 entry fee and fuel costs. Nick to please note. Matt is supposedly allergic to red wine but that did not stop him and Clare consuming two bottles of my finest wine during a very long day and evening of Sports Diver lectures when lunch and dinner were also provided. The Committee refused to reimburse these costs, humph! Don't forget my crispy bacon butty at Vobster you two!

Though we still have 6 weeks of hopefully good diving to go, it is time to think about booking yourself onto the end of dive season meal. The plan is to meet at the Kings Arms, North Street, Wareham on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October from 1800 to whet the appetite. Just before 1900 we stagger next door to the Rajpoot Tandoori. On Wednesday evenings they provide a special meal

deal at a cost of £10.95. They have request orders in advance and I will send details of the menu two weeks beforehand.

Please go to [www.ipsacdivers.co.uk](http://www.ipsacdivers.co.uk) enter 'Members Area', then 'Dive Booking', then go to 1<sup>st</sup> October and press 'Book Dive'. If you have a partner who is not a member please email me so I know how many people are coming – [mgwdiver@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mgwdiver@yahoo.co.uk).

This is not the first time I have said it and it will not be the last. Remember, this is the IPSAC Newsletter, not the Social Secretary's. If you would like an article published please email it to me.

Lastly, the AGM is to be held at The Committee Room, Marine Villas, Swanage Pier on Yom Kippur - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.