



# SCUBA DIVING

with Totnes Sub-Aqua Club



[totnes-bsac.link](https://totnes-bsac.link)

## How to find us:

**BY CAR: FROM TOTNES**, take the A 385 towards Plymouth. After about 1.5 miles, you come to a mini-roundabout at Shinner's bridge. Take the last exit (signposted Dartington) and you will come to another mini-roundabout after only about 200-300 yards. Take the first exit and drive down the road, past the car park and Meadowbrook Community Centre on your left (with its own small car park).

**FROM PLYMOUTH**, Leave the A38 at Marley Head and take the A 385 to Dartington. When you get to the mini-roundabout at Shinner's Bridge, take the first exit and then proceed as before.

**FROM EXETER**, Leave the A38 at Buckfastleigh and take the A384 to Dartington and continue towards Totnes. After about 1.5 miles, you will come to a mini-roundabout with the Cider Press Centre signed off to the left. Turn right and Meadowbrook Community Centre is straight ahead.

If you would like more information on the club, please visit our website: [https://totnes-bsac.link/](https://totnes-bsac.link)  
Email: [totnes.diveclub@gmail.com](mailto:totnes.diveclub@gmail.com)  
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New members are always welcome, whether you are a complete beginner who wants to learn to dive or an experienced diver who would like to join a club that does lots of varied and interesting diving.





South Devon is undoubtedly one of the best places to live if you are a diver, with enthusiasts from all over the UK coming to the West Country every year just to dive off our coast, where underwater visibility is sometimes as good as 20-30 metres and the water abounds with colourful marine life. The area has as much to offer underwater as it does on land, with spectacular underwater scenery and many local shipwrecks.



Totnes Sub-Aqua Club was formed in 1973 and currently has over 80 members. However, membership is not restricted to Totnes residents, with Plymouth, Newton Abbot, Exeter and Torbay all represented.

The branch owns two RIBS each fully equipped with radio, echo sounder, electronic navigation and safety equipment. These are kept in a purpose built boatshed, which also houses our 4WD Shogun, compressor and a wide variety of training equipment.



The club gained national recognition from the BSAC in 1993 when it was awarded the Heinke Trophy and won it again in 2006. This Trophy is awarded to the branch judged to have done most to further the interests of its members and the BSAC. We were also runners-up for the BSAC/Diver Spotlight Award in 1998 and the Heinke Trophy in 1999.

Diving is organised throughout the year at sites all over South Devon, visiting wrecks like the Persier, the Maine and the James Eagan Layne; or more scenic dives such as Hilsea Point, the East Rutts and the famous Eddystone Reef. In the summer there are likely to be evening dives during the week as well as weekend diving, with all levels



of experience catered for. We also make regular trips to Cornwall and expeditions to such places as the Scillies, Scotland, and the Red Sea and even Bikini Atoll

We are fortunate in having a strong instructor base within the club and run introductory level training courses (BSAC Ocean Diver) every year and more advanced training as demand dictates. We also run regular Skill Development courses such as boathandling, compressor operation, chartwork and navigation and dive planning.



We hold a pool session every Wednesday evening at Totnes Pavilion and members get free use of the pool at this time. (not July—September)



It isn't all just diving either, with a regular programme of social events such as guest speakers, ten pin bowling and beach barbecues.

All divers, whether BSAC, SAA, PADI, NAUI, SSI or any other recognised organisation, are welcome to come and dive with the club. Totnes SAC is both a BSAC branch and you will need to join BSAC or be a diving member of Totnes SAC, as this ensures that the club is protected by their insurance. Unfortunately independent 3rd party insurance is not acceptable.

If you want to see what breathing underwater is like before you join, you can come along to one of our regular "Try Dive" evenings - we provide the kit, all you need is a swimming costume!

#### Costs (January 2026):

Try-Dive: £20

TSAC full membership: £216 (or £18/month)  
 TSAC junior/student membership: £129 (or 10.75/month)  
 TSAC reduced membership (6 dives max): £100

BSAC full membership: £71  
 BSAC family membership: £123  
 BSAC junior/student membership: £39