

DEEP CAVERN DIVER COURSE

Cave Divers Association of Australia

The reasons for learning to cave dive are many and varied but whatever your reason for undertaking a cave diving course you will be guaranteed of two things:

- a) Your diving skills and knowledge will be put to the challenge and
- b) You will get to dive in some of the most amazing fresh water sites anywhere in the world.

Places such as Piccaninnie Pond, the Shaft and Kilsby's Sinkhole will all come within your diving reach.

Your ticket to these and other cave diving sites rest in a Cave Divers Association of Australia sanctioned Deep Cavern course.

Deep Cavern Course

This 4 day, full or part time course aims to develop the skills and knowledge for cavern and sinkhole diving, including the planning and organization, the procedures, techniques and problem solving required in a variety of cavern and sinkhole diving situations.

Theory sessions shall cover such topics as CDAA history, buoyancy and anti silting, reel and guideline use and equipment considerations.

Practical sessions shall include 4 training dives in Cavern Sites and 3 supervised site dives in Sinkhole sites. Time shall also be spent gaining wire ladder climbing, rope working and abseiling experience.

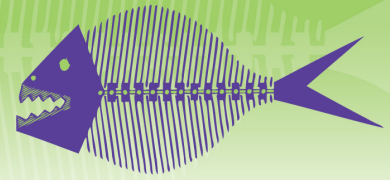
Pre-requisites.

Before commencement of a CDAA Deep Cavern diver training program the candidate must:

1. Hold an entry level recreational SCUBA diver award for a minimum of 12 months
2. Hold Advanced Open Water certification or have evidence of equivalent dives
3. Have logged at least 25 dives totalling a minimum of 20 hours, including at least 2 night dives and 5 dives deeper than 25m
4. Be a minimum of 18 years of age.
5. Submit a current (issued less than 12 months ago) medical statement signed by a registered medical practitioner stating the candidate is fit to dive.

Equipment

1. Suitable exposure suit
2. Mask and fins
3. Small sharp line cutting device
4. Watch, bottom timer or dive computer
5. Depth gauge with maximum depth indicator or dive computer
6. Buoyancy Control Device (must be in addition to the exposure suit)
7. Twin cylinders, minimum capacity 2200 litres*



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8. One primary and two back up lights – minimum duration 60mins.
9. Dive tables of your choice
10. Pencil and slate
11. 2 passport sized photos

Course costs \$895

Your course fee includes...

- Approved tether clip and lanyard
- Use of a variety of reels
- All class materials
- CDAA members manual
- Student notes in folder form
- Pool costs – if applicable
- All permit fees to sites
- Joining fee with the CDAA
- Card handling fee with the CDAA
- Membership fee with the CDAA

COURSE 1: April 4/5 followed by April 11, 12, 13

COURSE 2: May 23/24 followed by May 30, 31 and June 1st.

A deposit of \$395 is necessary to confirm your place on the course.

This particular program will be delivered with theory classes at SCUBA CULTURE, pool training also performed locally, there is a requirement for a full 3 days on site in Mount Gambier.

The cost of the course does not include accommodation, transport, food or air whilst in Mount Gambier

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