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BRISTOL UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

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Welcome to the January 2026 edition of our Members Newsletter!

A very Happy New Year to all our members. This month we have our group competition to showcase, plus upcoming UK trips for members. Don't forget if you've got something to share in our newsletter, please email info@bupg.co.uk

In This Month's Issue:

- *BUPG Monthly competition results*
- *Latest UK Dive trips*
- *Competition Calendar*

January Competition – Divers

The definition of this month's competition theme :-

"A human diver, free-diver or snorkeler represented as an intentional element of the composition".

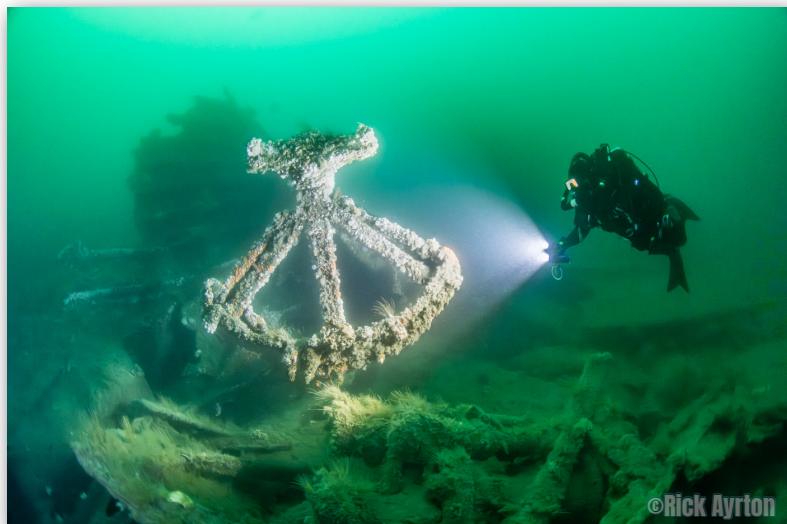
In joint first place with 5 votes each were **Simon Yates** and **Trevor Rees**. Simon's shot of a dive guide perfectly positioned in the famous Silfra fissure in Iceland also achieved 4th place at the **BSOUP** competition this month, so double congrats to Simon!

Trevor's 'selfie' shot with a dive colleague must have taken some planning and we weren't sure exactly where it was taken, but the result was excellent.



FEBRUARY COMPETITION THEME - SCENERY

In third place with 3 votes was **Rick Ayrton**, with a really well lit shot, highlighting part of the King Cadwallon wreck in the Isle of Scilly.



In fourth place with 2 votes was **Tom Ingram**, with this compelling image of a diver observing a Pipefish, observing a diver. Taken at Chesil cove, Tom also had this image commended at the **BSOUP** competition – well done Tom!



In joint fifth place with 1 vote each were **Gill Marsh (2)**, **Yo-Han Cha** and **Dan Bolt**. Well done to all those who took part. Next month's competition is entitled 'Scenery', so get your best pics in to Yo-Han in good time!



2026 Dive Trips - Register Interest Now!

Plymouth, 29th April - 4th May. Anyone interested, please contact Cathy Lewis.

Porthkerris, Cornwall - 5-8 June. Last few places. Contact Nick Watson 07798-625832.

Shetland Trip on Clasina - 29 Aug to 3 September. Contact Yo Han Cha for details.

Photography Expedition - Skye, organised by Dive & Sea The Hebrides. 12-19 September. Contact Tom Ingram for more details.

Competition Calendar & Programme

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| 2026 | Theme |
| January | Divers |
| February | Scenery |
| March | Animals in their Environment |
| April | Theme Portfolio |
| May | Underwater Excellence |
| June | Behaviour |
| July | Natural Artistry |
| August | Circles |
| September | Macro |
| October | Best of British |
| November | Mammals |
| December | Beginners Portfolio & Print Competition |

Please check the rules before entering any of our competitions - a copy can be found [here](#)

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 10th February

Why not submit your tips, hacks or workflow ideas to share with other members and we can publish them in future newsletters?

If you have any news, feature ideas, trips or product reviews, then please drop me a message. You can email info@bugg.co.uk or contact me directly [here](#)

Best regards and Happy Diving!

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