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"I think maybe it's time to scale back on the amount of equipment you use."

EYEMOUTH TRIP 2013

We had a great time just north of the border at Eyemouth in a sunny-ish Scotland at the end of August. Steve, Colin, Aga, Terry, Trevor and myself arrived on the Friday evening and booked into the updated B and B accommodation at Marinequest, handily situated on the harbourside. We enjoyed a good feed in the local café and managed to stop Steve from joining in the Scottish dancing competition that was going on in the town.

Saturday morning saw us on the dive boat heading out to Chevron Reef where we had a good long dive around the rocks. Plenty of crabs, lobsters, starfish etc in excellent visibility. Back on the boat for tea and cake, dried out a soggy Aga then a short cruise to the next dive site at Leager Buss – a large submerged conical rock with plenty of crevices to explore. Another excellent dive.

Back to Eyemouth and a bite to eat then a walk along the cliff tops to St Abbs – fed the overweight seal some more fish in the harbour, a few photo opportunities at the old fort then on past the turnip fields (really!). Five miles later an exhausted bunch staggered into St Abbs – which idiot suggested this? A few dive boats were in the harbour but no buses or taxis to be seen. A chat with a passerby got us a lift all the way back to Eyemouth – turned out he was a diver from Durham up for the weekend and was just about to head off to Eyemouth to see a man about a boat. He gave some very grateful divers a free lift – what a nice guy. The pub was a welcome sight and a good meal at the local Italian along with one or two or three drinks soon put things right.

Sunday morning and a dive at Birskitts seal colony – shame it was the seals' day off but still good fun. Another round of tea and, yes, cake, and we headed off to another dive site at Burnmouth caves. All in together this time and my first cave dive – very atmospheric and not as scary as I thought. Surfaced in a spectacular cavern before making our way out again past the brilliant blue jelly fish and shoals of shiny fish.

Back in Eyemouth and sort your kit out. A farewell lunch then hit the road back to reality. Thanks to Jim and Iain of Marinequest as well as all my diving buddies for a stress free, fun weekend. Can recommend it. Steph Wattam
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