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The Maritime and Coastguard Agency is the authority responsible for the initiation and co-ordination of civil maritime search and rescue within the United Kingdom Search and Rescue Region.

The Agency is committed to reducing the loss of life among seafarers and coastal users; this includes responding to calls for assistance from divers and their craft and actively encouraging safe diving practices.

On conclusion of any diving related incident, the Maritime Rescue Co-ordination Centre (MRCC) which handled the incident forwards an incident report to the National Diving Liaison Officer who extracts details of each incident, and then advises the relevant diving authorities or organisations as appropriate.

The diving incidents listed on the following pages are those incidents dealt with by HM Coastguard and they occur mainly in open sea, tidal estuaries, sea lochs and rivers. They may not include all diving incidents that occur in inland waters; those are dealt with at the present time by the other emergency services.

The following pages list, month by month, the sport diving incidents co-ordinated by MRCCs, from the 1 January to 31 December 2010.

A brief description of each incident is included, together with detailed graphs relating to incident statistics taken from reports.

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Report Introduction

During 2010 MCA Maritime Rescue Coordination Centres reported a total of 232 diving related incidents. These incidents ranged from cases of decompression illness, medical emergencies to broken down vessels. The total is up on the past two years, the usual incidents have been recorded including sadly 12 fatalities.

The greatest single incident type remains decompression illness (DCI) accounting for 66 incidents alone with a further 32 attributed to rapid ascent, which may have developed into DCI. Medical emergencies also accounting for 32 which may not have been diving related but arose from a pre-existing medical condition.

The region with the highest number of incidents is Eastern with 90; the district with the highest individual total is Portland having the single highest recorded number of diving incidents totalling 41, not surprising when you consider that Portland is one of the most popular diving areas in the country. Each incident report contains important information which is vital to assist in the accident prevention initiative; every effort should be used to encourage recording of the circumstances surrounding the incident from the casualty, dive buddy or relative.

Diving Liaison Officers (DLO)

Coastguard Diving Liaison Officers all over the UK continue to support local diving and have organised many events in their own areas, spreading the word of accident prevention and supporting safe diving practices. More divers than ever have visited coastguard stations taking away with them safety advice which puts the human face behind the voice.

Conclusions

Buoyancy remains a problem area with many incidents reported of divers losing control of their buoyancy, whilst at depth on ascent and on the surface. The deployment of delayed marker buoys at depth is also a significant cause of loss of buoyancy control, as is the loss of buoyancy control when using a dry suit.

Divers would be well advised to make sure they are adequately qualified and experienced for the diving they plan to undertake, keeping a close eye on weather and sea conditions, and making their own personal fitness a top priority for safe diving.

A helpful safety message for divers is to 'familiarise yourselves with new or different gear before planning deep dives and to always dive within your limits'.

Thank you

A special thanks to MCA coastguard teams, the men and women of coastguard helicopter crews, Royal National Lifeboat Institution, the Royal

Navy, Royal Air Force, Hyperbaric chambers, medical personnel, private and commercial vessels and members of the public, all who help and have helped divers in the past.

And to everyone who helped to gather the details of diving incidents throughout the year to enable the production of this report, including Watch keepers, Diving Liaison Officers, Coastguard Rescue Officers and a special thanks to Maggie Howell for her assistance in 2010.

Summary of Incidents 2010

MRCC/SC	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Aberdeen	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	4
Belfast	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	3
Brixham	0	2	1	1	5	3	1	6	2	3	0	0	24
Clyde	1	2	0	5	3	5	5	1	3	4	2	1	32
Dover	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
Falmouth	0	0	0	1	3	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	12
Forth	0	1	0	3	0	1	3	1	1	1	0	0	11
Holyhead	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	6
Humber	0	1	0	2	1	0	5	4	0	0	0	0	13
Liverpool	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	4
London	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Milford Haven	0	0	0	1	2	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	9
Portland	0	1	0	4	5	7	16	7	2	1	0	0	43
Shetland	0	0	0	0	2	3	2	4	8	1	1	0	21
Solent	0	0	0	1	4	6	4	4	1	2	0	0	22
Stornoway	0	1	0	1	0	4	4	1	2	1	0	0	14
Swansea	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Thames	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Yarmouth	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	4	1	0	0	0	9
Totals	1	9	1	20	27	41	47	44	23	14	3	2	232

Jan-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Jan-10	17 1620	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a retrospective report from a Coastguard Manager reporting that a diver had been given resuscitation ashore by the ambulance service, after having been brought to the surface unconscious. The cause is unknown, and it understood that the diver was deceased.
Feb-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Feb-10	02 1920	Humber	Humber coastguard received a call from a commercial dive unit requesting medical advice after having treated a diver in their own hyperbaric chamber. The diver had felt unwell shortly after surfacing from an uneventful dive and the symptoms had resolved after the short hyperbaric treatment. Medical advice was provided by a Navy Doctor at the Institute of Naval Medicine (INM). The doctor felt that the symptoms were not dive related.
Feb-10	03 1527	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had a diver onboard suffering from a very minor symptom of decompression illness following an uncontrolled ascent from 25m. The diver had completed multiple dives over 5 consecutive days. Medical advice from the hyperbaric chamber was that the diver should be transferred for immediate treatment. Rescue helicopter R-100 airlifted the diver to Dunstaffnage hyperbaric chamber for treatment.
Feb-10	04 1105	Brixham	Brixham coastguard received a call from a person on the shore reporting they could see 2 divers they thought could be in difficulty as they seemed to be drifting further out to sea. Berry Head CRT was tasked to proceed to the scene to investigate. On route to the scene they spoke to the informant who advised that the divers had surfaced and as the CRT arrived the divers were just exiting the water unaided. The CRT spoke to the divers who confirmed that they were okay and had not been in any trouble. FAWGI
Feb-10	08 1737	Belfast	Belfast coastguard received a call from a diver reporting he was feeling unwell having missed 6 minutes of decompression during a dive the previous day. Medical advice from Craigavon hyperbaric chamber was that he should proceed to the chamber as soon as possible.
Feb-10	18 0710	Forth	Forth coastguard received a call from a concerned lady reporting that her partner was several hours overdue returning from a dive with his buddies. However, as information was being gathered and SAR operations commenced the lady reported that her partner had been in contact and was safe and well.
Feb-10	21 0950	Brixham	Brixham coastguard received information that a dive rib had been towed back to harbour by a police RHIB following electrical failure.
Feb-10	27 1126	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had a diver onboard who had missed a stop after he had lost buoyancy and wanted medical advice. He was displaying no signs or symptoms of decompression illness. Medical advice from the dive doctor at Aberdeen was to not dive again that day and monitor his condition.
Feb-10	27 1401	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a call requesting medical advice for a diver who had lost buoyancy and made a rapid ascent. The diver was displaying no signs or symptoms of decompression illness, the dive boat had oxygen onboard. The diving doctor at Aberdeen ARI advised that she should be brought ashore and transferred to hospital to be monitored on oxygen for few hours.
Feb-10	28 1105	Portland	Portland coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had a diver onboard who had bleeding from the ear following a rapid ascent after having mask problems. The boat was placed in a medi-link call with the hyperbaric chamber at Poole, advising that the diver should be evacuated immediately for assessment. The diver was airlifted by rescue helicopter R-106 to Poole Hyperbaric chamber for assessment and later transferred to

			Poole Hospital. Poole CRT assisted at the HLS and Wyke CRT met the dive boat on return to harbour.
Mar-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Mar-10	28 1221	Brixham	Brixham coastguard received a call from a group of dive boats reporting that one had broken down. They were able to make their own tow, so Brixham coastguard monitored their progress until they reported they had arrived back in harbour safe and well.
Apr-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Apr-10	05 1901	Falmouth	Falmouth coastguard received a request from the hyperbaric chamber at DDRC in Plymouth requesting helicopter assistance to transfer a diver suffering from symptoms of decompression illness. The diver had been making his own way to DDRC but suffered vehicle breakdown with his boat on route, while outside the base of the Rescue Helicopter! Rescue Helicopter R-193 was tasked from RNAS Culdrose to airlift the diver to DDRC for treatment.
Apr-10	11 0927	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting a diver onboard who had made a rapid ascent, but was not displaying any signs or symptoms of decompression illness and he was placed on oxygen as a precaution. Medical advice from the Dive Doctor at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary was that as he had no signs or symptoms he should be taken to A&E at Inverclyde Royal hospital. The dive boat was met by an ambulance on return and the diver was transferred to hospital for assessment.
Apr-10	11 1308	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a second call in a day from a dive boat with another diver onboard who had made a rapid ascent. Again, the diver was not displaying any signs or symptoms of decompression illness and was placed on oxygen as a precaution. Medical advice from a Doctor at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary was as she had no signs or symptoms she should be taken to A&E at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary. The dive boat was met by an ambulance on return and the diver was transferred to hospital for assessment and treatment.
Apr-10	11 1803	Milford Haven	Milford Haven coastguard received numerous 999 calls about 3 divers who had been spotted about 400m from shore drifting and possibly in difficulties. Aberystwyth ILB and Rescue Helicopter R-122 were tasked to proceed to the position and Aberystwyth CRT to meet with informants on the shore side. On arrival on scene, the CRT reported that there were in fact 5 divers in trouble and they were attempting to make their own way back to shore. 2 made it back and 3 were picked up by the ILB before the helicopter arrived. The divers had been caught in a rip current. They were attended to by an ambulance to ensure that there was no medical problems
Apr-10	15 0853	Liverpool	Liverpool coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting 2 missing divers. ILBs from Port Erin, Port St Mary, the ALB from Douglas IOM, Rescue Helicopter R-122, the missing diver's boat and 1 other dive boat in the area were tasked to search for the missing divers. They were found by one of the dive boats about 20 minutes after they had been reported missing. They were spotted and picked up by their own boat. They were able to complete all stops and suffered no ill effects, and required no medical attention. It seems that out of 3 pairs of divers, the missing pair got swept away from the area they were expected to surface and were not spotted when they did.
Apr-10	16 1451	Forth	Forth coastguard received a call from a member of the public reporting that they could see 2 divers in difficulty. The ALB & ILB from Broughty Ferry, St Andrews CRT, and RN rescue helicopter R-177 were tasked to proceed to the scene. On arrival, the CRT assisted the divers from the water. The divers confirmed they were not in any difficulty, that they had been swimming back in slowly against the wind, and that the situation had been misread by the person who called.
Apr-10	18 0931	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had an

			<p>unconscious diver onboard and still had divers in the water. Rescue helicopter R-177, and Tobermory AWLB was tasked to proceed and 2 other dive boats with doctors onboard also proceeded to assist. The hyperbaric chamber at Dunstaffnage was put on standby to receive the diver. Tobermory AWLB met with the dive boat that had people providing resuscitation and transferred the diver. However, before the helicopter arrived the diver was declared deceased. The life boat returned to the harbour with the diver where they were met by Tobermory CRT, an ambulance and the police.</p>
Apr-10	18 0956	Humber	<p>Humber coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had a diver onboard with a suspected heart attack. The dive boat provided the diver with oxygen and CPR while speaking to a doctor in a medi-link call. Rescue Helicopter R-131 from RAF Boulmer was tasked to proceed to evacuate the diver to Wansbeck Hospital, but unfortunately he died before they arrived at hospital. Newbiggin CRT assisted at the helicopter landing site.</p>
Apr-10	22 2004	Clyde	<p>Clyde coastguard received a 999 call from a lady reporting that her husband was overdue returning from a shore dive. During the call the man called his wife to report he was out of the water and safe.</p>
Apr-10	23 1151	Clyde	<p>Clyde coastguard received a call from the Air Rescue Coordination Centre advising they had received a request from the ambulance service for a diver to be airlifted to the hyperbaric chamber at Dunstaffnage. The diver had come ashore the previous day with problems but felt okay. However he had become unwell and reported to his doctor. Oban Sector Manager assisted at the helicopter landing site where the diver was transferred to an ambulance and taken to the hyperbaric chamber.</p>
Apr-10	23 1230	Forth	<p>Forth coastguard received a call reporting a dive boat that had returned to shore had a diver who had suddenly become unwell. Following medical advice from a dive doctor, the diver was airlifted by rescue helicopter R-177 to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary for treatment.</p>
Apr-10	24 1052	Brixham	<p>Brixham Coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting a diver missing from a wreck dive. Rescue Helicopter R-193 and Salcombe AWLB and ILB were tasked to proceed to the scene, and a dive boat nearby had divers onboard preparing to dive, so they dived to the wreck to make a search. Up to 17 other vessels and a warship also responded to the Mayday broadcast and proceeded to assist in the search. Coastguard teams from Hope Cove and Plymouth made a shoreline search of the area. Despite an intensive search the diver was not located. The following day, Salcombe AWLB & ILB made a shore line search and a police dive team searched the wreck again. The police divers located the diver a short distance from the wreck.</p>
Apr-10	24 1220	Forth	<p>Forth coastguard received a call reporting a diver onshore who was feeling unwell. An ambulance and Eyemouth CRT attended the diver on scene he was later airlifted by Rescue Helicopter R-177 to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary for treatment.</p>
Apr-10	24 1643	Portland/Forth	<p>Portland coastguard received a third hand report from a person in Scotland advising that they had received a call from a friend who was concerned about their friend who was overdue surfacing from a shore dive in Portland. Lulworth CRT was tasked to proceed to the scene. However, before the units arrived on scene Portland coastguard were advised that the diver had returned to shore safe and well. Lulworth CRT attended the scene to provide safety advice and ensure that the diver's friend knew who to call in future.</p>
Apr-10	25 0844	Portland	<p>Portland coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had engine failure, but had all their divers onboard. Lyme Regis ILB was diverted from training to tow the boat back to shore, where they were met by West Bay CRT.</p>
Apr-10	25 1154	Solent	<p>Solent coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting a diver onboard who was unwell, but had completed a normal profile. Medical advice from a</p>

			dive doctor was to evacuate the diver to Whipp's Cross Hospital London for treatment. She was airlifted by Rescue Helicopter R-104 from Lee on Solent.
Apr-10	25 1418	Portland	Portland coastguard received a call from Swanage NCI reporting 3 divers who were having difficulty getting back to shore. Swanage CRT were tasked to proceed and assist, but before they arrived the NCI were able to report that the 2 divers had been picked up by a boat and returned to shore and the other had made it back unaided. Swanage CRT met with the divers to ensure that they were okay and didn't need any medical assistance. It seems they got separated in the water by the current.
Apr-10	25 1508	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard received a call from a boat reporting he had lost sight of one of his divers in fog. A mayday broadcast was made, and a major search was instigated using the CRT and ALB from Barra, Rescue Helicopter R-100, another vessel and the boat who had the diver missing. The diver was found about 20 minutes after being reported missing. It seems he had taken a bearing and headed towards land and was found on some rocks, safe and well.
Apr-10	29 1106	Portland	Portland coastguard received a Pan Pan call from a dive boat reporting they had recovered an unconscious diver and had other divers still in the water. Rescue Helicopter R-106 was immediately tasked to airlift the diver to hospital, but he was declared deceased on arrival at hospital. Lyme Regis ILB proceeded to assist the dive boat in recovering his divers and they were met by Lyme Regis CRT on arrival back in harbour.
May-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
May-10	01 0934	Brixham	Brixham coastguard received a call from a person on the shore reporting they had seen a diver surface, blow a whistle, raise his arms and descend again. Berry head CRT and both Torbay lifeboats were sent to the scene to investigate. There was a boat in the area that it was ascertained was fishing, and someone waiting on the beach for a diver to return, but it was not the diver who had blown the whistle. There was a group of divers observed returning to shore and it was found to be one of these who surfaced and blew the whistle. He had agreed with his group on the shore prior to the dive that he would go out and check the tides and indicate by surfacing, blowing the whistle and making an okay signal.
May-10	02 0843	Falmouth	Falmouth coastguard received an unreadable may day call which turned out to be from a dive boat in Brixham coastguards' area reporting that they had engine failure and were taking water. There was a dive festival taking place in the area, so it could have been one of several boats out. Fowey AWLB, Mevagissey CRT and rescue helicopter R-193 were tasked to proceed. A yacht in the vicinity responded to the may day call and also went to assist. However, before the helicopter and lifeboat arrived, the boat was able to report they had made it back to shore under escort of another dive boat. The boat was met by the CRT back at the beach.
May-10	02 1031	Brixham	Brixham coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had a diver onboard who had suffered a rapid ascent, but was experiencing no signs or symptoms of decompression illness. The boat was offered medical advice from a dive doctor, which they declined as the diver was displaying no signs or symptoms, although the hyperbaric chamber were made aware of the situation. The diver was placed on oxygen and his condition monitored. The boat was informed to call back for assistance if anything changed.
May-10	02 1038	Portland	Portland coastguard received a call from a person on shore reporting they could see a diver being towed in by another diver after he had shown signs of distress at the surface. Rescue helicopter R-106 and Portland Bill CRT were sent to the scene to investigate and an ambulance requested as a precaution. Before the helicopter and CRT arrived it was reported the divers had made it safely back to shore. The CRT met with the divers to provide safety advice and the ambulance assessed the diver's medical condition, but he did not need hospital treatment.
May-10	03 1326	Brixham	Brixham coastguard received advice from the lifeguards of a dive boat stuck on the sand on a beach after it had been loaded onto a trailer following breakdown. Tamar CRT went to the scene to assist with recovering the boat

			and trailer from the beach.
May-10	05 1026	Solent	Solent coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had a diver onboard who had missed decompression stops following a deep dive when he lost his buoyancy, and he was displaying signs and symptoms of decompression illness. The boat had other divers in the water who could not immediately be recovered. The boat was placed in a medi-link call with a dive doctor who recommended immediate evacuation to a hyperbaric chamber. The diver was airlifted the hyperbaric chamber by rescue helicopter R-104 and the fire service assisted at the HLS. The dive boat recovered his remaining divers and was met on return by Selsey CRT.
May-10	05 1204	Brixham	Brixham coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had engine failure and still had a diver drifting in the water. A yacht and a dive boat responded to the coastguard broadcast requesting assistance, and the dive boat was able to recover the diver and return him to his own boat. Torbay ILB was sent to the assistance of the broken down boat and towed him back to harbour, where they were met by Torbay CG
May-10	06 1350	Shetland	Shetland coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting a diver onboard displaying signs and symptoms of decompression illness following missed decompression stops when he had a problem underwater. The boat returned to harbour to be met by Stromness CRT who assisted with transfer to an ambulance for onward transportation to Stromness hyperbaric chamber for treatment.
May-10	15 1046	Portland	Portland coastguard received a 999 call from a dive boat reporting a diver onboard who was feeling unwell. The diver had descended, but come straight back up again. Medical advice from the hyperbaric chamber was that it was not considered to be dive related, but that the diver must be seen by a doctor or go to A&E as soon as possible. The diver declined the advice to go and stated that he felt better and would visit hospital later.
May-10	15 1221	Solent	Solent coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting that they had a diver onboard who had missed decompression stops but was not displaying any signs or symptoms of decompression illness. Advice from a diving doctor was that so long as he displayed no signs or symptoms, he should attend hospital as soon as possible for a check up, but if he did he would need to be evacuated to a hyperbaric chamber. The boat returned to harbour and the diver went to hospital.
May-10	16 1137	Solent	Solent coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had broken down but had no divers in the water. A nearby boat offered assistance and towed them back to harbour.
May-10	16 1456	Portland	Portland coastguard received a call reporting a diver in the water waving and blowing a whistle. Rescue helicopter R-104 and Weymouth ILB were tasked to proceed and investigate. However, before they arrived on scene a nearby dive boat spotted the diver who was recovered safely.
May-10	18 1904	Shetland	Shetland coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had 2 divers onboard who had made a rapid ascent from a shallow depth, but were not displaying any signs or symptoms of decompression illness. They were placed on 100% oxygen as a precaution. Kirkwall ALB proceeded to intercept the boat, and on arrival found there were actually 3 divers. The lifeboat escorted the boat back to shore where they were met by Kirkwall CRT and ambulances to be transferred to the hyperbaric chamber for assessment. None of them needed treatment in the chamber.
May-10	22 1020	Humber	Humber coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting a diver onboard who had made a rapid ascent. Rescue helicopter R-131 was tasked to evacuate the diver and their buddy, and the ILB from Seahouses was sent to the scene to assist with the transfer. The Helicopter was met at the HLS by Hull CRT and the diver and buddy were transferred to Hull hyperbaric chamber for treatment.
May-10	22 1137	Portland	Portland coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had a diver on the surface that was unconscious following an uncontrolled

			<p>ascent. Another boat alongside was providing life support while Rescue Helicopter R-106 was tasked to evacuate the diver to Dorset Hospital for treatment and Wyke CRT assisted at the HLS. However, after the diver had been evacuated, the boat reported that his buddy was now showing signs and symptoms of decompression illness. Medical Advice from Poole Hyperbaric Chamber was that this diver needed to be evacuated as soon as possible, so R-106 returned to collect them as soon as they had finished at the hospital with the first diver. The diver was met at the HLS by Poole CRT and a dive doctor. Wyke CRT returned to meet the boat when she returned later in the day. It was reported later in the day that the first diver was deceased.</p>
May-10	22 1140	Solent	<p>Solent coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting a diver who had made a rapid ascent and missed decompression stops. Medical advice from a dive doctor was that as the diver was not showing any signs or symptoms of decompression illness, and should be evacuated as soon as possible to St Richards's hospital for assessment. Rescue Helicopter R104 was tasked to evacuate the diver and transfer. Selsey CRT assisted at the HLS and Lympington CRT met the dive boat on return.</p>
May-10	22 1457	Dover	<p>Dover coastguard received a 999 call reporting a diver onboard who was showing signs and symptoms of decompression illness. Medical advice was provided which recommended the diver should be evacuated as soon as possible. Rescue helicopter R-104 from Solent airlifted the diver to the hyperbaric chamber at Whipp's Cross hospital in London.</p>
May-10	23 0346	Clyde	<p>Clyde coastguard received a call from a doctor at Oban Hospital reporting they had been informed by the police on Skye that they had a man in custody who was reporting symptoms of decompression illness, the diver had been diving over the previous 2 days. The hospital was given medical advice from a dive doctor at Aberdeen who advised that the diver was seen in hospital for assessment.</p>
May-10	23 0950	Clyde	<p>Clyde coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting an unconscious diver who had been brought back to the surface, having been found on the bottom by his buddy. Tobermory AWLB proceeded to meet the dive boat and transfer the diver and brought him back ashore where they were met by Tobermory CRT. The lifeboat staff provided CPR and oxygen while waiting for the diver to be transferred to hospital. Rescue Helicopter R-177 was tasked to transfer the diver to hospital, but before they arrived the diver was declared deceased by a doctor so they were stood down.</p>
May-10	23 1549	Clyde	<p>Clyde coastguard received a 999 call reporting a diver ashore who had symptoms of decompression illness. Medical advice from the hyperbaric chamber advised the diver should be evacuated to the chamber at Dunstaffnage for treatment. The diver was transferred by an air ambulance and land ambulance, and Greenock and Oban CRTs assisted at the HLS when the diver was collected and at the hospital.</p>
May-10	23 1552	Milford Haven	<p>Milford Haven coastguard received a 999 call from a diver reporting he was ashore and was suffering symptoms of decompression illness. Rescue Helicopter R-169 airlifted the diver to the hyperbaric chamber at DDRC in Plymouth and Dale CRT assisted at the HLS when the diver was collected.</p>
May-10	28 1208	Milford Haven	<p>Two divers were on a drift dive, one deployed the DSMB which became tangled, the second buddy deployed his in doing so the two divers became separated, Milford Haven coastguard were alerted and tasked Rescue Helicopter R-169 St Davids and Angle lifeboats, Dale coastguard team and two coastguard Sector Managers attended plus several local craft, the diver was located by a local vessel and winched to safety by the helicopter. No medical treatment was required.</p>

May-10	30 1239	Portland	Portland coastguard was alerted by another vessel of an overdue diver from a dive support vessel. Before SAR units were tasked the diver was located and recovered safe and well. On return to the shore the dive vessel called 999 and requested an ambulance for a diver aboard suffering from suspected decompression sickness. Portland CG were made aware by Ambulance control, Portland coastguard tasked coastguard rescue helicopter R-106 to recover the diver from the vessel and fly to the HLS where they were met by Poole coastguard team, who assisted with the transfer of the casualty into an ambulance for onward transportation to Poole hyperbaric chamber for treatment.
May-10	30 1443	Falmouth	Dive RHIB reported a diver overdue 4.5 miles NW Bude. Bude ILB and Padstow ALB were tasked, but stood down when the diver was reported safe on the surface.
May-10	30 1449	Brixham	Dive boat reported engine failure with three divers in the water off Penlee, Plymouth Sound RHIB Dunribbin was alongside the disabled RHIB. Dunribbin towed the stricken craft to Mount Batten Centre.
May-10	31 1018	Falmouth	A dive support vessel reported a diver had made a rapid ascent and may need medical assistance. The vessel was connected through to duty Doctor at DDRC who said diver should be given oxygen unless symptoms occurred later. No further action required.
May-10	31 1325	Holyhead	Holyhead coastguard received a call from a vessel reporting two overdue divers, the divers were eventually located and confirm that neither diver appears to require any medical assistance, other divers were in the water with them, neither diver appears to be showing symptoms or indicated any missed stops. The dive boat reported they would call when both were back on board the vessel. Both divers recovered safe and well.
Jun-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Jun-10	03 0932	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard was alerted to a diver suffering from suspected decompression sickness following a dive to 35 metres, Coastguard Rescue Helicopter R-100 was tasked to fly the casualty to Dunstaffnage chamber for treatment.
Jun-10	03 0956	Clyde	MRCC Clyde received details of a diver suffering from suspected DCI on east side of South Uist, a diver to be evacuated from a fishing vessel and taken to Dunstaffnage chamber by Rescue helicopter R100.
Jun-10	04 1005	Portland	Portland coastguard were alerted by a dive support vessel of a diver aboard who had made a rapid ascent from 25metres, rescue helicopter R-106 was tasked to recover the casualty and buddy and fly to the HLS where the aircraft was met by Poole coastguard team who assisted in preparing the landing site and transporting from the helicopter to the ambulance, for onward transportation to Poole recompression chamber. Swanage coastguard team met the dive boat on their return to Swanage.
Jun-10	04 1138	Swansea	Swansea coastguard located the owner of diver's surface marker which was found in the water off Worms Head by Gower Explorer.
Jun-10	04 1628	Solent	A Dive support vessel informed Solent coastguard of a diver aboard who had missed stops following a dive to 34m for 36min. Solent coastguard tasked rescue helicopter R-104 to airlift the casualty to Chichester recompression chamber for treatment.
Jun-10	04 1717	Thames	Thames coastguard was alerted to a missing solo diver, close to Thanet Wind farm. Several assets were tasked including those of the wind farm, a large scale search was coordinated by Thames coastguard operations room the diver was on the wreck of the EMILLE DECHAMPS and had been adrift for 2 hours before being recovered by rescue helicopter R-125.
Jun-10	05 0953	Clyde	Diver had been taken to Glasgow hospital when the staff requested the diver be transferred to Dunstaffnage chamber.
Jun-10	05 1106	Forth	Forth coastguard was contacted by a dive support vessel reporting they had a diver onboard suffering from suspected decompression sickness heading for St Abbs harbour, the diver ascended from a 16 metre stop following a 30 metre dive, the vessel had a doctor on board, Forth coastguard arranged for an ambulance to meet the vessel. St Abbs Inshore lifeboat and the coastguard rescue team from Eymouth, attended, rescue helicopter R-131

			airlifted the casualty to Aberdeen hospital.
Jun-10	05 1238	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard received a 999 call reporting an overdue diver, Stornoway coastguard tasked coastguard rescue helicopter R-100 and Stornoway lifeboat, the casualty was located safe and well before the units arrived on scene, FAWGI.
Jun-10	06 1019	Brixham	Brixham coastguard were alerted by a dive support vessel having suffered engine failure and were unable to recover divers, a Torbay Council workboat recovered the divers and the stricken vessel was towed back toward port by another local boat, the tow being taken over by Torbay lifeboat.
Jun-10	06 1105	Portland	A Pan Pan alert was revived from a dive support vessel on behalf of another vessel in close proximity, the diver had lost the regulator mouth piece and had taken in water, Portland coastguard tasked coastguard Rescue Helicopter R-106 to recover the casualty, the diver was taken direct to Dorchester hospital A&E Swanage coastguard team met eh dive support vessel on return to port.
Jun-10	06 1217	Milford Haven	Milford Haven coastguard received a call from a diving RHIB reporting having a diver aboard who had become separated from his party of three divers, panicked and made a rapid ascent from 24m to the surface. The diver was placed on oxygen and a connect call made to the duty Doctor at DDRC; the Dr advised continued use of oxygen and keep casualty under observation.
Jun-10	06 1243	Portland	Swanage coastguard rescue officers, while on patrol, were informed by a member of public that she was with a group of five divers who had gone in off Swanage Pier. She was concerned because she had not expected them to be in so long. The coastguards found the group and all were well
Jun-10	06 1420	Falmouth	A dive support vessel contacted Falmouth Coastguard reporting having a diver aboard suffering from dizziness distorted vision and cold following a dive to 40 metres, the diver was on a re-breather. Falmouth Coastguard tasked RAF Rescue Helicopter R-169 to airlift the casualty to DDRC in Plymouth landing at Roborough Airfield whe it was met y an ambulance for onward transportation to DDRC. St Merryn Coastguard Team met the dive support vessel on return to Padstow
Jun-10	06 1433	Aberdeen	Dive boat reported a diver suffering from possible decompression sickness off Lossiemouth Harbour, Moray Firth. The diver met by Lossiemouth coastguard rescue team and ambulance on entrance to harbour and was transported to Grays Hospital, Elgin where it was assessed he did not need a decompression chamber.
Jun-10	06 1515	Milford Haven	Milford Haven coastguard were made aware of a diver having lost buoyancy control, made an ascent but was arrested by his buddy diver, the two then re-descended and the first buddy suffered ear damage, the pair surfaced and raised the alarm with their diving RHIB who contacted Milford Haven coastguard. A medi link connect call was established with the duty diving Doctor, who recommended the diver rest and be seen at an A&E.
Jun-10	07 0930	Shetland	Shetland coastguard was informed of a diving casualty, rapid ascent 30-35m no signs of DCI, casualty was walking up a jetty to the ambulance. Stromness coastguard assisted problems with reception with radio at Houghton, tried in several places including at top of the hill but couldn't get through. Casualty was taken to Houghton and administered oxygen.
Jun-10	08 1604	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked coastguard rescue helicopter R-106 to recover a diver form a dive support vessel suffering from suspected decompression sickness, the aircraft was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team a dive Doctor and an ambulance, the casualty was transferred to Poole hyperbaric chamber for treatment.
Jun-10	11 0831	Shetland	Shetland coastguard was alerted to a diver having made a rapid ascent from 8 metres, the vessel was met by an ambulance and the casualty taken to Balfour hospital as a precaution.
Jun-10	12 1132	Solent	Solent coastguard were contacted by a dive support vessel informing them they had a diver onboard suffering from suspected decompression sickness, following a medical connect call the casualty was airlifted by coastguard rescue helicopter R-104 and transferred to Chichester hospital, the HLS was prepared by Selsey coastguard.
Jun-10	12 1343	Brixham	Brixham coastguard were contacted by a dive support vessel having broken down with divers in the water, Brixham tasked Salcombe lifeboat to tow the stricken vessel back to port having recovered the divers from the water.
Jun-10	12 1633	Milford Haven	Milford Haven coastguard received a call from a member of the public, reporting two divers in difficulty whilst conducting a shore dive, the divers became separated 15minutes into their dive and were heard shouting, Milford Haven tasked Dale Coastguard team and Littlehaven lifeboat to assist. Once reunited they carried out their dive will no ill effects, Dale coastguard gave advice to use an SMB on a shore dive.

Jun-10	13 1231	Falmouth	A dive support boat called Mayday reporting to Falmouth coastguard that they had two divers aboard having made a rapid ascent from 40m; they had suffered flooding of a full face mask, attempted to switch to an auxiliary feed but failed. Making an emergency ascent they were recovered breathless and bleeding from the eyes and were suffering from shock. Falmouth coastguard scrambled Navy Helicopter R-193 who airlifted the two casualties to DDRRC in Plymouth for treatment.
Jun-10	13 2022	Brixham	Brixham coastguard tasked Exmouth RNLI inshore lifeboat, Exmouth coastguard to search for two divers overdue on a dive trip. Exmouth Lifeboat and rescue helicopter R169 from Chivenor were called but stood down when the divers were located by the inshore boat at Straight Point safe and well fishing.
Jun-10	18 0911	Solent	Solent coastguard were made aware of a diver suffering from ear problems following a dive, the diver had had inner ear reconstruction, following a radio medical connect call, the dive boat was met by an ambulance for onward transportation to Chichister hospital for treatment.
Jun-10	18 0945	Portland	Portland coastguard were contacted by a dive support vessel reporting they had a diver aboard who had misses 10min of stops, Portland contacted a diving Doctor who recommended the casualty be met by a Land Ambulance on return to shore, Swanage CRT assisted with the transfer. The casualty was taken to Poole Recompression chamber for treatment, The diver had forgotten his weight belt and could not maintain buoyancy control as he neared the surface.
Jun-10	18 1321	Solent	Solent coastguard were contacted by a dive support vessel reporting having a diver aboard with acute ear pain, the casualty had a history of ear trouble, this was his first Tri mix dive to 50m. Following medical advice the dive vessel was met by Littlehampton coastguard on arrival at port, the casualty was taken to Chichester hospital for treatment.
Jun-10	19 1101	Portland	Portland coastguard were made aware of two divers who were missing from a dive support boat, the call came from another boat in the area. Shortly after another vessel reported having picked up two divers and had returned them to their RHIB. Kimmeridge coastguard team met the dive RHIB on return to shore.
Jun-10	20 1035	Clyde	Diver admitted to Glasgow hospital, the duty Doctor contacted Clyde coastguard as he thought he may need the Dunstaffnage chamber to treat a diver who had problems with one leg following a dive.
Jun-10	20 1042	Aberdeen	Aberdeen coastguard received a call of a diver who was overdue following a shore dive in the Ullapool area. Possibly false alarm with good intent. No further information.
Jun-10	20 1048	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard received a call from a dive support vessel reporting that they had a diver aboard suffering from nausea and a rash following a dive to 22m, medical advice was sought and the Doctor recommended the casualty and buddy be airlifted to a recompression chamber for treatment. Rescue helicopter R-100 was tasked with Broadford coastguard assisting with the HLS and refueling. The casualty was taken to Dunstaffnage chamber for treatment
Jun-10	20 1338	Stornoway	Medical advice was sought by a Dive Vessel for a diver who developed a rash and felt nauseous for a period after surfacing in Loch Dunvegan, Isle of Skye. Coastguard rescue helicopter R100 was tasked to airlift the diver and his buddy to Dunstaffnage recompression chamber for treatment. Broadford coastguard rescue team assisted with refueling the aircraft in Broadford.
Jun-10	20 1352	Clyde	Clyde coastguard coordinated the evacuation of a diver with suspected DCI from the Isle of Skye to Dunstaffnage hospital for treatment, Rescue helicopter R-100 carried out the evacuation.
Jun-10	23 1632	Holyhead	Holyhead coastguard were contacted by a dive support vessel reporting they had a diver aboard who had made a rapid ascent from 40m and was suffering from suspected decompression sickness, the diver had made a dive to the same depth 90min earlier. Holyhead coastguard tasked RAF Rescue Helicopter R-122 to airlift the casualty to Murrayfield Hospital. Vessels from the Liverpool Bay oil and gas field offered assistance; the vessel launched a RHIB to standby the dive boat. The Helicopter was met at the HLS by Holyoak CRT. The casualty was the skipper of the vessel; the remaining persons (dive charter) were not confident to handle the vessel and were escorted into port by another vessel.
Jun-10	23 1800	Solent	Solent coastguard received a call from a dive support vessel, reporting they were broken down with divers in the water, they were 3.5nm offshore and had suffered engine failure due to a split fuel pipe communications were made using a mobile phone and a fuse had blown making the VHF radio

			inoperative. Littlehampton Lifeboat was tasked recovering the drifting diver's and towing the stricken vessel back to shore.
Jun-10	23 1929	Solent	Solent coastguard was alerted to a dive support vessel broken down with 2 divers in the water. Coastguard rescue helicopter R-104 and Littlehampton coastguard and lifeboat were also tasked to search and recover the divers; divers surfaced and were recovered by the lifeboat, who assisted the stricken craft back to shore.
Jun-10	25 1055	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland Coastguard Helicopter R-106 to airlift a diver suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, the helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, and the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber.
Jun-10	25 1809	Yarmouth	Yarmouth coastguard were alerted to the possibility of an overdue dive boat, the dive boat was suppose to be back into Lowestoft at 1830, the vessel turned up in Lowestoft Harbour safe and well. False alert.
Jun-10	26 1333	Clyde	Clyde coastguard was contacted by a dive support vessel reporting having a diver aboard having made a rapid ascent from 15m following a dive to 27m. A medical connect call was established between the coastguard the vessel and the hyperbaric chamber at Millport, the Doctor advised the diver should be brought to the chamber to be checked over; the diver had previously had a PFO resolved. The casualty was transferred to Largs lifeboat and taken to shore for onward transportation to the chamber, the diver was kept under observation for 24 hrs.
Jun-10	29 1215	Shetland	Shetland coastguard were alerted to a male diver showing signs of DCI following a 42.8m dive 39min dive time no stops but 1m in 6m 1min at 9m. Suffering pain in right shoulder now going up neck. Casualty transferred to hospital by ambulance.
Jun-10	30 1446	Falmouth	Falmouth coastguard were alerted to a diver who had surfaced from a 9m shore dive for 30min coughing up blood, Porthoustock CRT attended and assisted the casualty into the air ambulance for onward transportation to the DDRC Plymouth.
Jul-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Jul-10	02 1046	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard helicopter R-106 to airlift a diver suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, the helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, and the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber.
Jul-10	02 1808	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard helicopter R-106 to airlift a diver suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, the Helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, and the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber.
Jul-10	03 0936	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked coastguard helicopter R-106 to airlift a male diver who was suffering symptoms of decompression sickness, from a dive boat in the middle of Weymouth Bay, to the recompression chamber at Poole. They were met by a specialist dive doctor, Poole Coastguard Rescue Team and South Western Ambulance
Jul-10	03 1202	Milford Haven	Milford Haven coastguard was alerted by a dive support vessel of a diver aboard suffering from nausea headache back pain and was drifting into unconsciousness. Rescue Helicopter R-169 Recovered the casualty and flew to DDRC Plymouth for treatment
Jul-10	03 1316	Solent	Solent coastguard, were alerted by a dive boat that they had lost two divers; the divers were recovered safe and well shortly after the call was made.
Jul-10	03 1415	Humber	Humber coastguard were alerted by a coastwatch lookout of a dive boat looking for a diver, Redcar lifeboat proceeded, when alongside the dive boat it was concluded to be a false alert good intent.
Jul-10	04 0801	Portland	Portland CG received a call form a dive support vessel reporting they were taking water, 3nm out to sea with divers in the water. Other vessels recovered the divers, Portland CG tasked Weymouth lifeboat to recover the stricken vessel, and they were met by Portland Bill CRT.
Jul-10	04 0949	Yarmouth	Yarmouth coastguard received a call from a dive vessel reporting that they had a diver aboard who had missed several minutes of decompression stops. Yarmouth coastguard tasked Happisburg lifeboat and rescue helicopter R-125 to recover the diver and transfer him to James Padget hospital, the patient was later discharged requiring no treatment.
Jul-10	04 1010	Humber	Humber coastguard tasked Staithe ILB and Staithe coastguard team to assist two divers who were reported in difficulty by a member of the public due to adverse weather. The divers made it safely to shore unaided
Jul-10	04 1040	Forth	Forth coastguard received a call from a skipper of a dive rib reported he had

			a diver that had missed decompression stops after a 45m dive. There was a one other diver in the water. The Rib was 3/4 of a mile NE of the Bass Rock. Dunbar lifeboat was tasked and a request was made for a helicopter. A call was made to the dive Doctor in Aberdeen. It was established the diver had suffered a panic attack and was showing no signs of a bend, North Berwick and Dunbar lifeboats also attended. all units stood down operations terminated
Jul-10	04 1159	Humber	Humber coastguard was contacted by the Police for two divers who appeared to be in difficulties off Marsden Grotto in adverse weather. Sunderland Coastguard, South Shield VLB and Lifeboats from Tynemouth and Cullercoats were tasked to assist as the divers appeared to be drifting and were waving an orange flag. Rescue 131 was also tasked but the divers were recovered safely by their support boat and all units stood down.
Jul-10	04 1627	Solent	Solent coastguard was informed by Dover coastguard of a diver in Solent SRR having made a rapid ascent whilst on a dive. No further SAR action taken, casualty kept under observation.
Jul-10	05 1013	Portland	Portland coastguard received a Mayday call from a dive support vessel reporting they had recovered a diver who had made a rapid ascent from depth, they were recovering the diver and commencing CPR, Coastguard Rescue Helicopter R-106 recovered the diver from the vessel and flew the casualty direct to Dorset County Hospital, the aircraft was met by Wyke CRT, the casualty was declared deceased on arrival at the hospital.
Jul-10	06 0685	Brixham	Brixham coastguard maintained a communication watch on a local diving club boat, two persons on board, whilst they made passage from Salcombe to Torquay with gear box problems.
Jul-10	06 1305	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard helicopter R-106 to airlift a diver suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, the Helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, and the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber.
Jul-10	06 1518	Yarmouth	Yarmouth coastguard maintained a watching brief on 5m dive RHIB, after a report of engine failure approximately 1/2 mile off Sea Palling. Vessel made shore safely unaided.
Jul-10	07 1245	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard helicopter R-104 to airlift a diver suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, the casualty was taken to St Richards hospital Chichester for treatment
Jul-10	08 1045	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard received a call on VHF from a dive support vessel reporting having a diver aboard suffering from suspected decompression sickness, the vessel was connected with Aberdeen Royal infirmary and medical advice given, Stornoway coastguard tasked coastguard rescue helicopter R -100 to recover the diver and buddy were taken to Dunstaffnage chamber for treatment the helicopter was met by Lochboisdale CRT who prepared the HLS.
Jul-10	08 1229	Clyde	Diver transferred to Dunstaffnage recompression chamber by R-100 helicopter coordinated by Clyde coastguard.
Jul-10	10 1136	Liverpool & Clyde	Liverpool coastguard received a Mayday call from a dive support vessel reporting to two missing divers in the Mull of Galloway area, Liverpool took broadcast action on behalf of the vessel, and made a search plan using SARIS with the aid of Holyhead coastguard. a search area was derived using SAR rescue helicopter R-177 and lifeboats from Portpatrick.
Jul-10	10 1414	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland Coastguard Helicopter R-106 to airlift a diver suffering from breathing difficulties from a dive support vessel, the Helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, and the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber.
Jul-10	11 0959	Clyde	Clyde coastguard were contacted by a dive support vessel requesting medical advice for two divers who had made a rapid ascent following a dive to 25m, the advice was to evacuated the divers, both taken to Dunstaffnage Initially and one on to Lorne & Isle hospital Oban.
Jul-10	11 1129	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked coastguard helicopter R-106 airlifted a male diver from a dive vessel, over the wreck of the Salsette, 10 miles west of Portland Bill, after he started showing signs of decompression sickness. He was met at Poole by a specialist dive doctor, South Western Ambulance and Poole Coastguard Rescue Team, then taken onwards to the Recompression Chamber.
Jul-10	11 1249	Yarmouth	Yarmouth coastguard conducted an extensive communications search for a dive boat, which were 2 hours overdue from their reported return from a dive.

			Sheingham Coastguard searched the launch sites at Sheringham and spoke to crews of fishing boats. Local dive clubs contacted. Someone from the dive boat eventually called up reporting they were ashore and apologising for forgetting to notify the coastguard they were ashore.
Jul-10	12 1307	Solent	Dive support vessel reported to Solent coastguard that they had a diver missing, was solo diving after being separated from dive buddy, the diver had been in the water for 30min. Bembridge coastguard team were tasked to observe from the shore, before other units could be tasked the diver turned up and was recovered by the support vessel.
Jul-10	17 1047	Humber	Humber coastguard received a 999 call from a dive boat reporting a diver onboard who had made a rapid ascent, but was not displaying any signs or symptoms of decompression illness. Communications with the boat were not good, so Whitby AWLB and Redcar ILB were tasked to assist in locating the boat, while rescue helicopter R-128 proceeded to airlift the diver to the hyperbaric chamber at Hull. Hull CRT assisted at the helicopter landing site at the chamber.
Jul-10	17 1218	Portland	Portland coastguard were alerted on VHF channel 16 by a diving RHIB that had three missing divers, Portland coastguard tasked coastguard rescue helicopter R-106, RFA Fort Victoria then offered her two rescue craft to assist. R-106 located the missing divers and returned them to shore, the dive RHIB was met by Portland Bill CRT on return to port.
Jul-10	18 1119	Forth	Forth coastguard tasked Anstruther Lifeboat to investigate the report of a DSMB with no boat present in the area. On arrival the Lifeboat made contact with the divers, apparently the divers heard a boat above them and deployed the DSMB to warn off vessels, their own boat had run aground. Conclusion False alert good intent.
Jul-10	18 1137	Forth	Forth coastguard received a call from ambulance control advising of a diving casualty at St Abbs. A medical link call between the casualty and the dive Doctor at Aberdeen could not be made due to bad signal and a decision was made by the Ambulance technician that medical evacuation was not necessary as it appeared to be a viral infection. Rescue helicopter 177 and Eyemouth coastguard rescue team were stood down and returned to station.
Jul-10	20 1031	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard were alerted by a dive support vessel that they had suffered steering failure with a diver still in the water, Stornoway coastguard tasked Stornoway Lifeboat to assist, the diver was recovered and the vessel towed back to port where it was met by Stornoway CRT.
Jul-10	20 1516	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard tasked coastguard helicopter Rescue 100 to take a diver with the DCI from Benbecual Hospital to Dunstaffnage Hyperbaric Chamber.
Jul-10	20 2303	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard tasked coastguard helicopter Rescue 100 to Tiree to transfer a diver with the bends from Tiree hospital to Dunstaffnage hyperbaric chamber.
Jul-10	21 1233	Solent	Solent coastguard were alerted by a dive support vessel reporting that they had a diver aboard having made a rapid ascent from 23m whilst deploying a DSMB the line did not real out causing the diver to be dragged to the surface. As a precaution the diver was airlifted by coastguard rescue helicopter R-104 to Poole HLS for onward transportation to the chamber, the helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole CRT.
Jul-10	23 0924	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard Helicopter R-106 to airlift a diver suffering from suspected decompression sic team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, and the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber.
Jul-10	23 2150	Humber	Humber coastguard was alerted that a diver had gone missing whilst on a night dive; Humber coastguard tasked Seahouses Lifeboat and brought RAF rescue helicopter to immediate readiness. The vessel called up to say the diver has been located and as making her way to port, the vessel was met by Seahouses CRT.
Jul-10	24 0727	Shetland	Shetland coastguard evacuated a diver suffering from suspected DCI from Scrabster, the casualty boarded a ferry to travel to the mainland to seek treatment, a medical link call was established and Thurso Lifeboat was tasked but stood down, Paramedics met the casualty on the ferry, the casualty was later seen at Stromness chamber.
Jul-10	24 1049	Clyde	Clyde coastguard were alerted to a diver who had completed a dive to 30m for 27min, he had missed 1 minute of stops and surfaced with a headache, the diver was given 100% oxygen and a medical link call was established with Aberdeen Royal infirmary, the diver was taken by ambulance to Millport chamber for treatment, Cumbrae coastguard CRT assisted with the transfer.
Jul-10	24 1216	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard Helicopter R-106 to airlift a

			diver and buddy suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, the Helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber.
Jul-10	25 1020	Falmouth	Falmouth coastguard received a call from a dive support vessel reporting that they had a diver who was overdue, Falmouth CG transmitted a Mayday relay broadcast requesting craft to assist in the search for the missing diver, Both of Falmouth's Lifeboats were tasked and RN Rescue Helicopter R-193, many other craft assisted in the search. The diver was located and flown to Royal Cornwall Hhospial Treリスke where he was pronounced deceased.
Jul-10	25 1051	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard Helicopter R-106 to airlift two diver's suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, the Helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole Coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber, the vessel was met by Swanage CRT on return to port.
Jul-10	25 1309	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard helicopter R-106 to airlift a diver suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel; the helicopter transferred the casualty to DDRRC in Plymouth. Portland Bill CRT met the vessel on return to port.
Jul-10	26 0952	Shetland	Shetland coastguard received a call informing them of a diver who had missed stops following a 35m dive for 43min having made a stop at 20m missed all later ones the diver was being administered 100% oxygen. The diver was met by an ambulance at Houton for transportation to Stromness chamber.
Jul-10	28 1813	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a Mayday call from a dive support vessel, believing that they had a diver in difficulty underwater. The divers surfaced safe and well, the incident was closed as false alert good intent.
Jul-10	29 1844	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard Helicopter R-106 to airlift a diver suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, the Helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber.
Jul-10	31 1352	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard Helicopter R-106 to airlift a diver suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, the Helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, and the casualty was taken to Poole Recompression chamber. A second diver was kept under observation and given 100% Oxygen.
Jul-10	31 1505	Aberdeen	Aberdeen coastguard requested medical advice for a diver with suspected decompression sickness off Lossiemouth. Ambulance arranged to meet vessel on arrival at Lossiemouth Harbour. Lossiemouth CRT in attendance.
Jul-10	31 1757	Holyhead	Holyhead coastguard was made aware of two divers in trouble way between Ravens and Porth Diane grid 860909, blowing whistle and waving, wearing black wet suit and hood. Holyhead coastguard tasked Trearda Bay lifeboat to assist the two divers, Holyhead coastguard team; the divers were recovered safe and well and returned to shore, where they were met by the coastguard team.
Aug-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Aug-10	01 0940	Brixham	Brixham coastguard tasked Plymouth lifeboat to tow a broken down RHIB with 5 divers aboard back to shore; the tow was met by Plymouth CRT.
Aug-10	01 1101	Yarmouth	Yarmouth coastguard SMC comment: Fm Lifeguards, three divers went into the water with out an SMB, advised by lifeguard that it is unsafe in this area. Divers were 100yds offshore. Hopefully this will not turn into an incident but the behaviour of these people is reckless in the extreme and it is worth recording that they have been advised of their foolishness and have chosen to ignore the advice. Should anything to happen to them we will at least know the background. The Lifeguards are going to keep a watch but there is no further action I can undertake at this time.
Aug-10	01 1253	Brixham	Brixham coastguard were contacted by a dive support vessel reporting they had a diver aboard who had made a rapid ascent from 64m, a medical link call established the diver required immediate evacuation, RN Rescue Helicopter R-193 airlifted the casualty direct from the craft and flew to DDRRC Plymouth. The diver was semi conscious and had breathing difficulties, Plymouth CRT met the vessel on return to port.
Aug-10	01 1323	Holyhead	Holyhead coastguard received a call from a dive support vessel reporting they had two divers aboard who had made a rapid ascent from 20 metres. A medi link call was established by Holyhead coastguard with a diving specialist,

			Rescue Helicopter R-122 recovered the divers to a chamber for treatment, Hoylake Coastguard team prepared the HLS.
Aug-10	01 1517	Holyhead	Holyhead coastguard were alerted by a vessel that there had come across three divers adrift they were preparing to recover them, the parent vessel arrived on scene and the divers were reunited with here parent vessel safe and well.
Aug-10	01 1557	Solent	Solent coastguard were informed of a number of divers being swept close to a breakwater in heavy surf, Solent Coastguard tasked Newhaven Lifeboat to assist the divers, all five were recovered and returned safely to shore.
Aug-10	03 1125	Milford Haven	Milford Haven coastguard received a MAYDAY call form a dive support vessel reporting they had three divers onboard who had missed stops following a dive to 40m, a medi link call was established, following the advice RAF Rescue Helicopter R-169 was tasked and recovered three divers and flew the casualties to Whitty Bush Hospital. The dive support vessel was met by Dale CRT on return to port.
Aug-10	03 1637	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Poole Lifeboat to investigate a report of a person in difficulties on the Stud land side of the Training Bank at Poole Harbour entrance. It turned out to be a diver being recovered by a RIB.
Aug-10	05 1453	Falmouth	Falmouth coastguard received a call from a police officer reporting a diver that he believed to be overdue at Pendennis Point. Prior to the arrival of Falmouth coastguard team the diver was located safe and well on the beach.
Aug-10	05 1659	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard rescue helicopter R-106 to airlift a diver suffering from suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, the Helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber.
Aug-10	06 1130	Clyde	Clyde coastguard were alerted by a dive support vessel of a missing diver, two divers had entered the water only one surfaced. Clyde coastguard immediately commenced broadcast action and tasked several assets including coastguard teams, boats, helicopter, lifeboats and private vessels. The Female diver was recovered by a diving party; the casualty was certified deceased by a Doctor.
Aug-10	06 1131	Shetland	Shetland coastguard tasked an ambulance and coastguard team to meet a vessel with a diver onboard suffering from suspected DCI following a 44m dive. The casualty was transferred to a recompression chamber and was administered oxygen whilst in transit.
Aug-10	06 1353	Falmouth	Falmouth coastguard received a call on VHF channel 16 from a dive support vessel reporting they had a diver aboard suffering from a severe headache after a dive to 26m for 57min, the diver did not initially report the symptoms to the dive boat skipper. A medi link call was established and the Doctor recommended the casualty and buddy diver be airlifted to DDRC for treatment, RN rescue helicopter R-193 was tasked and flew the pair to Robrough airport Plymouth for onward transportation to the DDRC. The dive vessel was met in Harbour by Penzance CRT.
Aug-10	07 1130	Portland	Portland coastguard were alerted by an RYA support vessel of an unattended RHIB flying a diving flag 100 meters off the Nothe Fort, Weymouth. While Weymouth RNLi beach Lifeguards proceeded to investigate a snorkeler who returned to the RHIB
Aug-10	07 1243	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Lyme Regis Lifeboat to assist a RHIB that had broken down; the Lifeboat recovered the divers and then towed the stricken boat back to shore where they were met by Lyme Regis CRT.
Aug-10	07 1311	Humber	Humber coastguard tasked Seahouses Lifeboat and Seahouses coastguard team to assist a diver with suspected decompression sickness from a dive support vessel, to rescue helicopter R131 for onward transmission to Hull Castle Hill. The casualty was met at Hull by Hull CRT.
Aug-10	07 1522	Yarmouth	Yarmouth coastguard was informed by Sea Palling lifeguards, as they assisted ambulance crew and paramedic with a diver possibly suffering from decompression sickness off Sea Palling. The man was taken to James Paget hospital for treatment.
Aug-10	08 0853	Solent	Solent coastguard received a call form a dive support vessel reporting that they had a diver aboard who was feeling unwell following a rapid ascent from 32m following a dive for 20min, a medi link call was established with a duty diving Doctor, the recommendation was to airlift the casualty to Chichester recompression chamber for treatment, coastguard rescue helicopter R-104 flew the casualty to St Richards hospital, the HLS was prepared by Selsey CRT.
Aug-10	08 1300	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard were alerted by a dive support vessel of a diver that had surfaced from a dive to 22m and was now disorientated and vomiting, a

			medical connect call was established with Aberdeen Royal Infirmary duty diving Doctor, the advice was to airlift the casualty to Dunstaffnage chamber for treatment, the vessel steamed toward port and was met by Mallaig CRT, RAF rescue helicopter R-177 airlifted the diver and transported the diver to the chamber.
Aug-10	08 1833	Dover	Dover coastguard were alerted be a dive support vessel that had suffered engine failure, with 8 pob, six were transferred to a Lifeboat which towed the stricken craft to shore.
Aug-10	10 1646	Humber	Humber coastguard tasked Seahouses Lifeboat to investigate a sighting of a divers delay buoy at the Longstone Island. The buoy was recovered and taken back to Seahouses. Nothing suspicious or untoward found.
Aug-10	10 1746	Brixham	Brixham coastguard was alerted by a dive support vessel having suffered engine failure with 12 persons aboard; the RHIB was towed back into Harbour by a Council patrol vessel. Berry Head CRT met the vessel.
Aug-10	15 0952	Milford Haven	Milford Haven coastguard were called by a dive support vessel, reporting they had a diver aboard who had made a rapid ascent from 4metres, a medical connect call was established, the duty Doctor recommended the casualty be given plenty to drink and be administered oxygen and kept under observation.
Aug-10	15 1005	Brixham	Brixham coastguard tasked RN rescue helicopter to airlift a diver suffering chest pains following a dive to 30metres, the diver had missed safety stops, R-193 took the casualty to Plymouth airport for onward transportation by land ambulance to DDRC Derriford.
Aug-10	15 1019	Portland	Brixham coastguard requested coastguard rescue helicopter R-106 via ARCC Kinloss to assist a diver with suspected DCI at Bigbury Bay. CG106 airlifted the diver to DDRC.
Aug-10	15 1202	Brixham	Brixham coastguard received a PAN PAN alert form a broken down dive RHIB, the MCA Falcon and another RHIB from the same club responded to the alert, a nearby vessel recovered the divers, the stricken craft was assisted back to shore, and MCA Falcon assisted both RHIBS to shore.
Aug-10	16 1933	Forth	Forth coastguard was requested to assist a diver at Fifeness who had got into difficulties. Ambulance, St Andrews CRT and RAF helicopter R-137 were tasked to assist. The diver had apparently suffered some kind of trauma in shallow water, CPR was initiated until R-137 arrived to ferry the casualty to Nine Wells hospital Dundee where she was pronounced deceased.
Aug-10	17 1002	Falmouth	Falmouth coastguard received a call from a dive support vessel that one diver was overdue and missing, Falmouth coastguard tasked the St Marys Lifeboat RN Rescue Helicopter R-193 and St Agnes CRT, the diver was located safe and well by the parent vessel.
Aug-10	17 1412	Shetland	Shetland coastguard were called by dive vessel on VHF channel 16 and requested working channel, stated that had a 44 yr old female showing signs of DCI, Balfour hospital called and asked to arrange ambulance to meet a dive vessel at Stromness which was enroute to Stromness the casualties condition worsened, the diving vessel proceeded to a different location for ease of access. The dive vessel transferred casualty with assistance from Stromness coastguard team to a waiting ambulance for onward transportation to hyperbaric unit.
Aug-10	17 1636	Holyhead	Holyhead coastguard, were alerted to two missing divers, both turned up safe and well, false alert good intention.
Aug-10	18 1234	Humber	A dive support vessel contacted Humber coastguard requesting medical advice for a diver who had missed stops following a dive to 38m, the vessel was advised to return to port, where a waiting ambulance would take the diver to Hull hyperbaric chamber for treatment, Bridlington CRT met the vessel when it returned to port.
Aug-10	18 1355	Liverpool	Liverpool coastguard coordinated the recovery by ambulance of a diver suffering from suspected DCI following a dive to 41 metres, to a recompression chamber. Possible jelly fish sting on way up that he may have reacted, the casualty may not have suffered DCI.
Aug-10	20 1605	Yarmouth	Yarmouth coastguard were informed of a trailer on beach, the first informant stated slack water is now so dive boat should be back. The dive RHIB returned safely shortly after. False alarm good intent.
Aug-10	22 0951	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked Portland coastguard helicopter R-106 to airlift three divers having made a rapid ascent from 22metres from a dive support vessel, the Helicopter was met at the HLS by Poole coastguard team who assisted with the transfer to the ambulance, the casualty was taken to Poole recompression chamber.
Aug-10	22 1042	Yarmouth	Yarmouth coastguard were informed of an overdue dive boat, it had not returned to shore at the expected ETA, Yarmouth coastguard put out a call

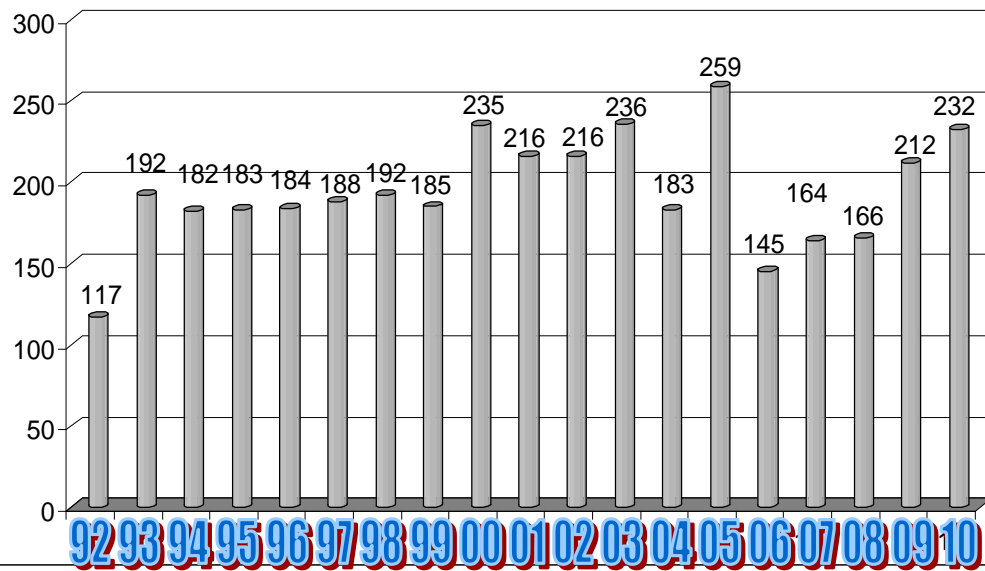
			for the vessel which was not acknowledged, the vessel shortly afterwards returned to shore and had not heard the coastguard broadcast, the vessel was safe and well. False alert good intent.
Aug-10	22 1209	Solent	Solent coastguard was contacted by a dive support vessel reporting they had broken down with divers in the water. Littlehampton lifeboat was tasked, recovering the divers and towing the vessel to shore.
Aug-10	24 1037	Shetland	Shetland coastguard tasked an ambulance to meet a dive support vessel with a diver aboard suffering from suspected DCI following a 35min dive to 36 metres; the ambulance transported the diver to Stromness recompression chamber for treatment.
Aug-10	28 1019	Portland	Portland coastguard was alerted by a vessel expressing concern for a diver who had been in the water for nearly 2 hours in Mupe Bay. Advice was sought from experts and it was believed that he was wearing a re breather which proved to be the case as he surfaced shortly afterwards. False alarm good intent.
Aug-10	28 1034	Brixham	Brixham coastguard tasked Plymouth Coastguard rescue team to assist the ambulance service with a male diver, who had suffered a rapid ascent from a dive vessel, on the wreck of the Scylla, in Whitsand Bay. The male was taken to Derriford Hospital for treatment.
Aug-10	28 1113	Falmouth	Falmouth coastguard tasked Falmouth lifeboat to a dive RHIB who had a diver aboard who had surfaced and swallowed or inhaled a lot of water at the surface, the lifeboat brought the casualty back to Falmouth where it was met by a waiting Ambulance for onward transportation to Treliske hospital.
Aug-10	28 1217	Humber	Humber coastguard received a call from a dive support vessel reporting they had recovered a diver from the water unconscious and not breathing, a Doctor in the dive part administered first aid and CPR, the casualty responded and began breathing unaided, Humber coastguard tasked RAF Rescue Helicopter R-131 and Seahouses Lifeboat's the casualty and son to Hull hyperbaric chamber for treatment.
Aug-10	28 1449	Dover	Dover coastguard was informed by a diving RHIB they had a diver onboard who had made a rapid ascent missing 12minutes of stops. Dover coastguard connected the vessel with a diving Doctor who recommended evacuation; Dover CG tasked rescue helicopter R-125 to airlift the casualty and buddy diver to Chichester recompression chamber for treatment. Selsey CRT prepared the HLS for the helicopter.
Aug-10	28 1518	Solent	Solent coastguard coordinated the transportation of a diver by rescue helicopter R-125, the diver was believed to be suffering from suspected DCI. The HLS site at Chichester was prepared by Selsey Bill coastguard team.
Aug-10	30 1301	Shetland	Dive support vessel contacted Shetland coastguard reporting a diver onboard suffering from suspected DCI, Stromness Lifeboat was tasked to recover the casualty to shore where they were met by an ambulance and Stromness CRT. The diver may have suffered a panic attack; the casualty did not have DCI. It would appear the diver surfaced and experienced difficulty with the buoyancy device and spat out mouthpiece and commenced to swallow water. The casualty was taken to Balfour hospital for treatment. No requirement for the recompression chamber.
Sep-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Sep-10	02 1718	Liverpool	Dive support vessel contacted Liverpool coastguard reporting two divers aboard suffering from suspected DCI, Liverpool coastguard requested an ambulance to meet the vessel and transport the divers to Murrifield hospital for treatment.
Sep-10	04 1710	Portland	Portland coastguard was made aware of an overdue vessel in the Portland area. Investigations were made and broadcast action taken on VHF CH 16. The vessel owners were eventually contacted and it was established that all was well.
Sep-10	05 1419	Portland	Portland coastguard received a call from a dive vessel reporting they had two divers missing, they had been missing for 45minutes, coastguard rescue helicopter R-106 was tasked to the vessel, however before the helicopter was on scene the divers were located safe and well.
Sep-10	05 1452	Shetland	A dive vessel contacted Shetland coastguard reporting they had a diver aboard who had made a rapid ascent following a dive to 41metres missing stops. An ambulance was requested to transport the casualty to a recompression chamber for treatment.
Sep-10	06 1029	Clyde	Clyde coastguard were alerted to a diver in difficulties following a shore dive, two divers entered the water and surfaced farther out from the shore than expected, one diver ditched his kit swimming ashore to raise the alarm, Clyde coastguard tasked Helensburg Lifeboat to proceed, the lifeboat recovered the remaining diver.
Sep-10	08 1001	Shetland	Shetland coastguard were contacted by a dive vessel reporting they had a

			diver aboard suffering from suspected DCI following a dive to 36m, Stromness coastguard team met the vessel when they returned to port, the casualty was taken to Balfour Hospital by Ambulance for treatment.
Sep-10	09 0851	Shetland	Shetland coastguard tasked Longhope Lifeboat, to recover a female diver who had made a rapid ascent from 6m, the casualty was suffering joint pains in left arm, the dive support vessel was steaming towards Stromness. The casualty was recovered by ambulance and taken to Stromness chamber for treatment.
Sep-10	10 1348	Shetland	Shetland coastguard were contacted by a dive support vessel reporting having a diver aboard suffering from suspected DCI following a dive to 36m the diver was experiencing pain in his right arm and was being administered oxygen. The vessel returned to Stromness and transferred the casualty to Stromness surgery.
Sep-10	12 1112	Belfast	A dive support vessel reported to Belfast coastguard that a diver had been swept away on the surface in Strangford Lough, Belfast CG tasked Portaferry Lifeboat who recovered the diver and returned the diver to the shore.
Sep-10	12 1633	Yarmouth	Yarmouth coastguard received a call from a dive vessel reporting they had broken down; Cromer Lifeboat was tasked to assist the stricken vessel back to port, on arrival the tow was taken by Sea Pauling Independent Rescue Boat.
Sep-10	15 1021	Brixham	Brixham coastguard were informed of a diver who had surfaced with nausea and a headache, a medical link call was established the Doctor recommended the diver be taken to the DDRC for treatment, the dive vessel was met by a land Ambulance for transportation to the DDRC.in Plymouth
Sep-10	15 1020	Brixham	Brixham coastguard received a call from a dive RHIB requested assistance after a diver surfaced feeling unwell after a dive in Bigbury Bay. West country Ambulance met the dive boat at Queen Ann's Battery Plymouth and transferred him to the DDRC for treatment.
Sep-10	15 1023	Shetland	Shetland coastguard investigated the report if a surface marker buoy adrift in Scapa Flow, Shetland tasked long Hope Lifeboat and St Margaret's Hope coastguard team to investigate, the lifeboat recovered the SMB and reel, which, had been lost.
Sep-10	17 1412	Solent	Solent coastguard coordinated a diving emergency that occurred in the French search and rescue region. The diver surfaced from a 51metre dive with pain in his arm, which was quite severe, Coastguard rescue helicopter R-106 was tasked to recover and fly to casualty to Chichester recompression chamber for treatment.
Sep-10	19 0957	Forth	Forth coastguard received a routine call from a Dive boat reporting a diver onboard suffering from suspected DCI with pains in his back. Whilst the vessel made her way into harbour a connect call was established with the dive doctor at Aberdeen. It later became evident that the problem was not dive related and after being checked over by Ambulance technicians all units were stood down. Eyemouth Coast Rescue team in attendance. Safety advice given to Skipper of dive boat.
Sep-10	19 1030	Belfast	Belfast coastguard tasked Kilkeel Lifeboat at the request of Carlingford Coastguard Radio for a dive boat with engine failure at No9 buoy Carlingford Lough, 3 divers still in the water. Casualty able to restart engine, all divers recovered and proceeded to Greenore with Kilkeel lifeboat escorting.
Sep-10	19 1100	Shetland	Shetland coastguard received details of a diving emergency from a dive support vessel, reporting having a diver who had made a rapid ascent from 20m, 27m dive time 25minutes missed no stops rapid ascent, has been on oxygen since on surface, the vessel was met by Stromness CRT and an ambulance the casualty was taken to Stromness for treatment.
Sep-10	19 1154	Shetland	Shetland coastguard tasked Stromness CRT and an ambulance to recover a diver from a dive support vessel who had reported having a diver aboard who was suffering shoulder pain following 30min dive to 30mm, the diver was transferred to Stromness chamber for treatment
Sep-10	20 1254	Shetland	Shetland coastguard tasked Stromness CRT and an ambulance to recover a diver from a dive support vessel who had reported having a diver aboard who was suffering leg pain and numbness following a 20min dive to 27m, the diver was transferred to Stromness chamber for treatment.
Sep-10	21 1604	Stornoway	Dive boat called Stornoway coastguard on VHF CH16 requesting medical advice for a 63yr old female diver with decompression symptoms. Vessel was connected to Dive Doctor at A.R.I. who advised she be transferred to Dunstaffnage Chamber. R100 was scrambled and uplifted the casualty from the shoreline at Doune Sound of Sleat and transferred her to Dunstaffnage.
Sep-10	23 1256	Clyde	Clyde coastguard were contacted by a dive support vessel requesting medical advice for a diver, the vessel was put in touch with the recompression chamber, the diver was subsequently seen by a Doctor, who

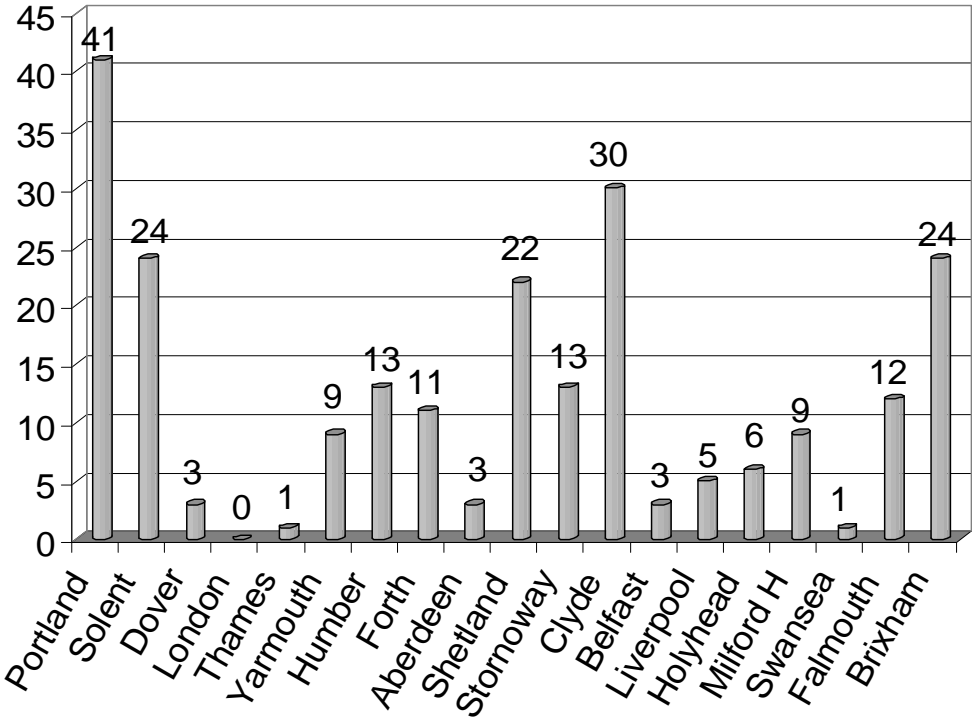
			advised the casualty be taken to Oban hospital for treatment.
Sep-10	23 1312	Stornoway	Clyde MRCC reported to the dive Doctor at ARI requested to speak to Dunstaffnage recompression chamber. After investigation a Diver with suspected Bends following a rapid ascent, was located at Mallaig Medical Centre. Fort William Sector Manager attended at Mallaig Harbour. Casualty transferred to Oban via Ambulance
Sep-10	26 1046	Clyde	Clyde coastguard were contacted by a party of divers reporting that one diver had possible decompression sickness following a dive, the casualty was on Oxygen, Clyde coastguard paged the duty staff at Dunstaffnage recompression chamber and the casualty was airlifted by rescue helicopter R-177 the diver was transferred to hospital and kept under observation.
Oct-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Oct-10	03 0915	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a 999 telephone call from a dive boat reporting he had an unconscious diver on the surface and other divers still in the water, although the diver subsequently came round when recovered to the boat. Largs ILB proceeded to their assistance and medical advice was taken from at dive doctor at Inverclyde Royal Infirmary, who assessed it was not a decompression injury. Largs ILB returned the diver ashore to the Marina where he was met by an ambulance and Greenock CRT. The diver was taken to Inverclyde Royal Infirmary for treatment.
Oct-10	10 1016	Shetland	Shetland coastguard received a call from a dive group ashore reporting that one of the group had made a rapid ascent but was not displaying any signs or symptoms of decompression illness. The diver was taken by ambulance to hospital in Houton for assessment
Oct-10	10 1026	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a 999 call reporting a group of 4 divers on the surface being swept away by the tide. CRTs from Oban, Fort William, the AWLB from Oban, Rescue Helicopter R-177 and a boat responding to a broadcast all proceeded to their assistance. However, before all units arrived at the scene, it was reported that the divers had been able to recover themselves to shore. They were checked by the helicopter paramedic, but none needed hospital treatment.
Oct-10	10 1058	Solent	Solent coastguard received a Mayday call from a boat which was broken down, taking on water, and drifting away from their divers, some who were on the surface, and some still in the water. A Mayday broadcast was made for assistance and the AWLB & ILB from Selsey, Littlehampton ILB, Rescue Helicopter CG 104 and the CRT from Selsey all proceeded immediately to their assistance. Approximately 40 minutes after the first report, the divers were picked up by a local boat and transferred to the AWLB, which also took the broken down boat in tow.
Oct-10	12 1755	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a call from a hospital in Stanraer reporting they had a diver who was complaining of symptoms which could be related to decompression illness following diving the previous day. Stanraer CRT assisted with transferring the diver to Rescue Helicopter R-177 who transferred him to the Hyperbaric Chamber at Millport for treatment. Cumbrae CRT assisted at the landing site at Millport. Following assessment, the diver was found to not to have decompression illness, so was released to hospital for observation.
Oct-10	17 0910	Solent	Solent coastguard received a Pan Pan call from a dive boat reporting that they had recovered an SMB which had been cut, and the divers had not surfaced as expected. Both lifeboats from Littlehampton, Rescue Helicopter CG-104 and vessel which responded to the broadcast all proceeded to assist with a search. However, while they were all on route, it was reported by the dive boat that the divers had surfaced safe and well and had been recovered.
Oct-10	17 1219	Portland	Portland coastguard tasked coastguard rescue Helicopter R 106 to a dive boat after the vessel reported having a diver who had made a rapid ascent when approx 10 nm west of Portland Bill. The diver's buddy had also missed stops on his ascent. The two divers were airlifted to Poole Helicopter Landing Site to be met by an ambulance, dive doctor and Poole Coastguard Rescue Officers, and then transferred to the recompression chamber for treatment.
Oct-10	19 1215	Brixham	Brixham coastguard tasked Plymouth Lifeboat, Looe Lifeboat, Passage Lifeboat 16-15 and a Yacht to assist a Dive RHIB after she suffered engine failure 8 cables north west of Rame Head. Plymouth Inshore Lifeboat recovered two remaining divers from the water and towed the RHIB towards Looe where the tow was transferred to Looe Lifeboat. The boat was secured for later recovery. Looe CRT collected details.
Oct-10	20 0933	Clyde	Clyde coastguard was alerted to a diver suffering from dizziness visual disturbances and tingling, a medical link call was established with a diving Doctor who recommended that the diver be transferred to a recompression chamber for treatment, rescue helicopter R-100 recovered the diver, Oban

			CRT prepared the HLS.
Oct-10	20 1706	Stornoway	Stornoway coastguard received a call from a dive boat, alongside Kallin Harbour North Uist, stating that they had a 21 yr old male with decompression sickness. After consultation with ARI dive doctor, casualty evacuated to the re-compression chamber at Dunstaffnage by helicopter R-100, Benbecular CRT assisted.
Oct-10	23 1113	Brixham	Brixham coastguard was contacted by a member of the public in a small RHIB at St Marys Bay Brixham reported by mobile phone missing diver. Diver turned up safe and well just prior to Torbay Lifeboat proceeding. Berry Head CRT tasked to meet the vessel to provide advice on carrying appropriate communications.
Oct-10	24 1444	Brixham	MRCC Brixham made investigations regarding a DIVE VESSEL, with no one onboard in Plymouth Sound. The diver surfaced, safe and well and was freediving. False alarm with good intent.
Oct-10	30 0934	Liverpool	Liverpool coastguard received a 999 call from a group diving at an inland site reporting that one of them was experiencing symptoms of decompression illness after exiting the water. Wasdale MRT assisted the group at the dive site until the diver was airlifted by Helimed 516B to Murryfield decompression chamber. Hoylake CRT assisted helimed at the landing site at Murryfield chamber.
Oct-10	31 1308	Forth	Forth coastguard received a 999 call from a dive club at St Abbs harbour, requesting assistance with one of their divers who was reported as suffering from DCI. Medical advice from Aberdeen Royal Infirmary was that they should be evacuated to the hyperbaric chamber for treatment. The diver was airlifted by rescue helicopter R-131 and assisted ashore by Eyemouth coastguard rescue team.
Nov-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Nov-10	15 1044	Shetland	Shetland coastguard received a call from a dive boat on their way back to harbour requesting assistance for a diver who was unwell following a rapid ascent. The boat was met by an ambulance at the harbour, the diver was taken to hospital for checks
Nov-10	21 1226	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a 999 call requesting medical advice for a diver who had surfaced and was feeling unwell. The doctor recommended evacuation to hospital for assessment and monitoring. The diver was airlifted to hospital by rescue R-100.
Nov-10	28 1623	Clyde	Clyde coastguard were alerted to a diver suffering from suspected DCI following a dive to 27m, the diver have been shell fishing and had a collection bag attached to his person, the clip broke causing the diver to make an uncontrolled ascent to the surface. The symptoms of DCI manifested whilst the diver was making his way home. On reaching home the diver was arrested by the Police for an unrelated matter, whilst in police custody the diver was seen by a police Doctor, he contacted Aberdeen hospital who requested the diver be transported to Millbrook chamber.
Dec-10	Date/UTC	MRCC	Incident details
Dec-10	04 1538	Aberdeen	Aberdeen coastguard Received a broken call on VHF radio from a fishing boat reporting they had a diver who was overdue. A Mayday broadcast was made immediately requesting assistance from vessels in the area. A Fishing Vessel responded and Longhope AWLB and rescue helicopter R-102 was tasked to proceed and carry out a search. Before the helicopter and lifeboat arrived, the fishing boat reported that they had found the diver, about 30 minutes after he was reported missing, safe and well. The diver was not carrying a light and the boat was unable to see him when he surfaced as darkness was approaching.
Dec-10	19 1523	Clyde	Clyde coastguard received a call on VHF radio from a dive boat reporting that they had 2 divers who were 45 minutes overdue. A Mayday broadcast was made to vessels in the area, rescue helicopter R-177 and St Girvan AWLB and CRT were tasked. However, before they were able to proceed to the scene, the boat reported that he had received a call from the missing divers who were ashore safe and well. The divers had become separated and were able to make their own way ashore where they were seen by a member of the public who helped them to inform their dive boat.

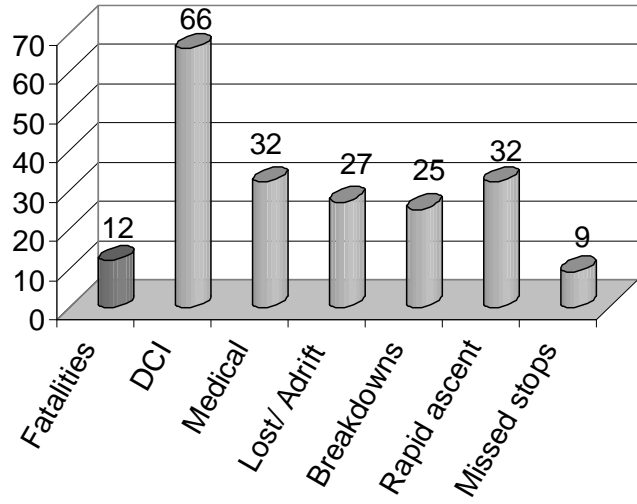
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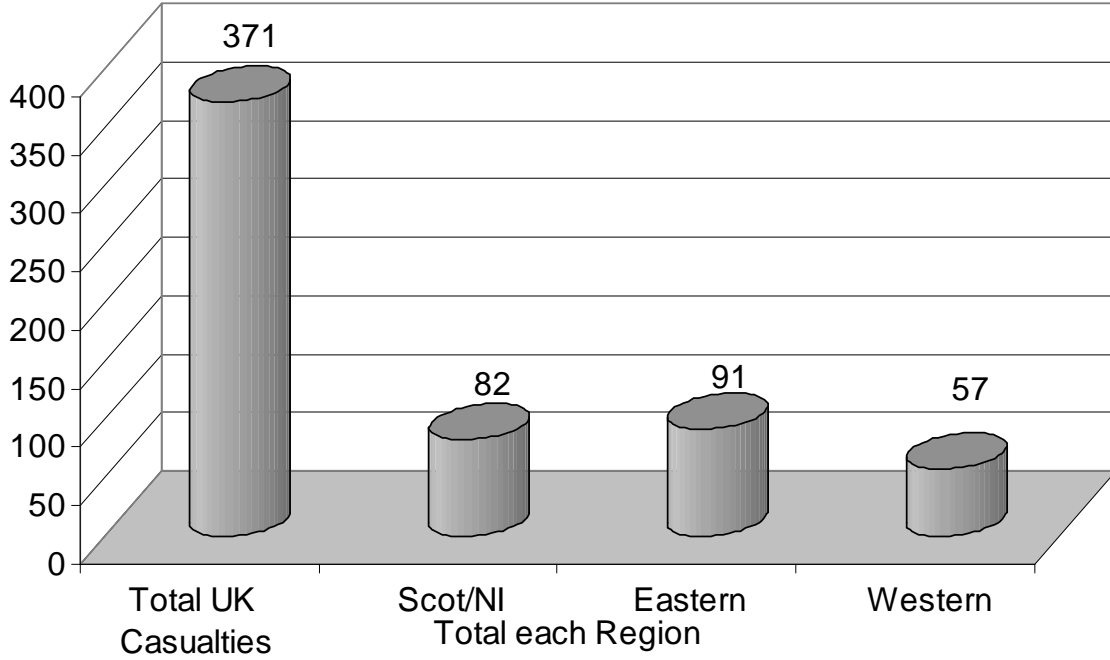


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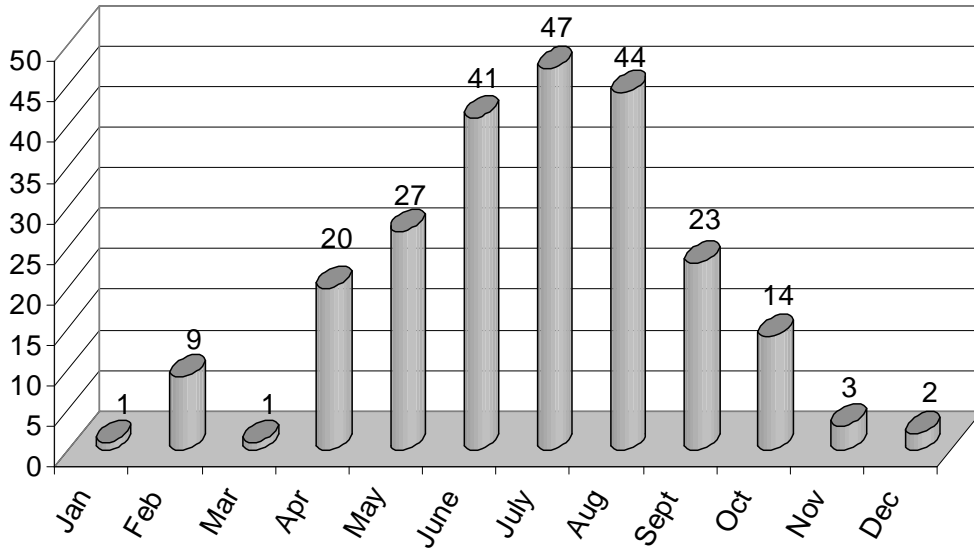


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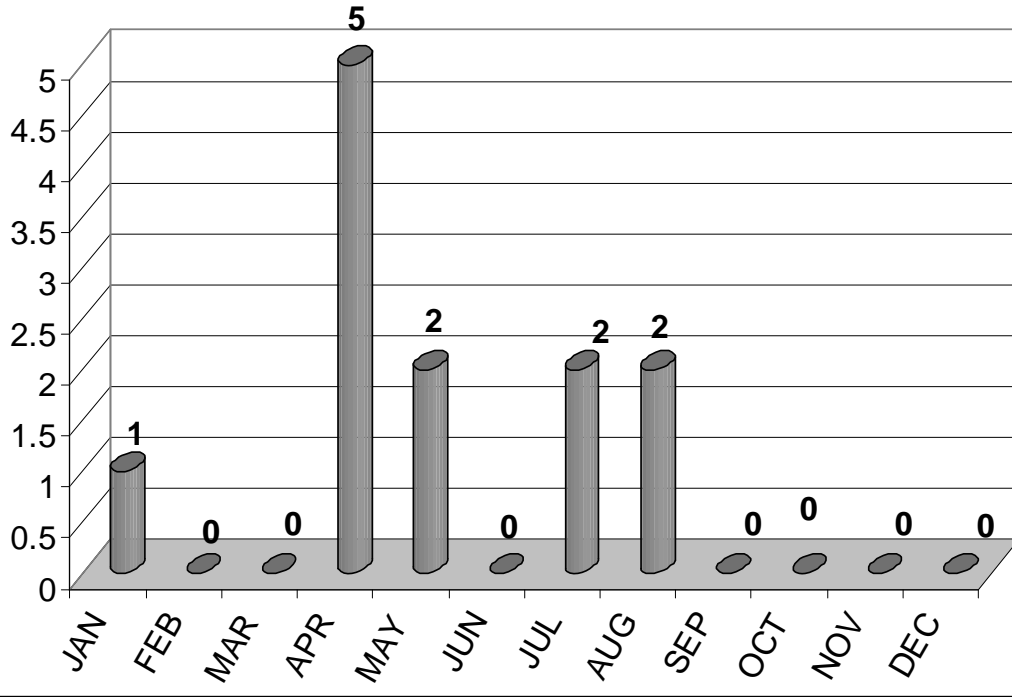
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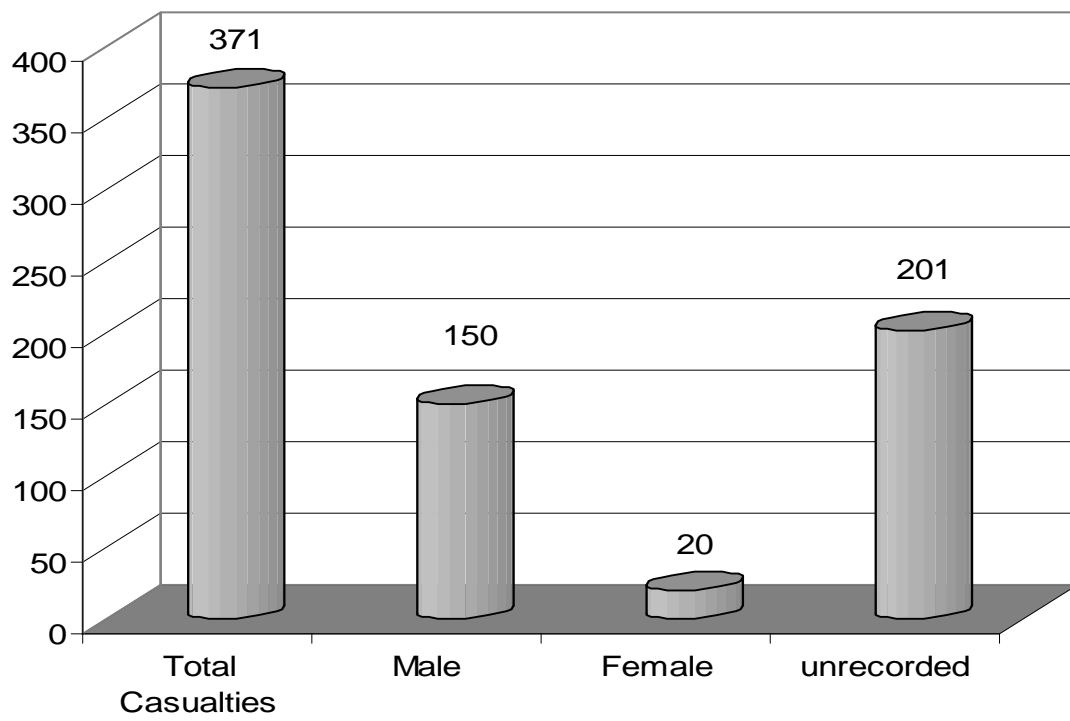
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Fatalities



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Fatality Report 2010

January 17th Clyde coastguard.

1. Clyde coastguard received a retrospective report from a Coastguard Manager reporting that a diver had been given resuscitation ashore by the ambulance service, after having been brought to the surface unconscious. The cause was unknown, the diver was later declared deceased.

April 3rd Humber coastguard.

2. Humber coastguard were alerted by a dive support vessel of a diver who had ceased breathing and was being administered CPR, the casualty was in the water preparing to dive but suffered a possible heart attack. The casualty was recovered to the diving RHIB and then on to shore, Humber coastguard tasked RAF rescue helicopter R-131 Seahouses lifeboats and coastguard rescue team, the casualty was airlifted to the recompression chamber in Hull but was declared deceased on arrival. Fatality.

April 18th Clyde coastguard.

3. Clyde coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had an unconscious diver onboard and still had divers in the water. Rescue helicopter R-177, Tobermory AWLB was tasked to proceed and 2 other dive boats with doctors onboard also proceeded to assist. The hyperbaric chamber at Dunstaffnage was put on standby to receive the diver. Tobermory lifeboat met with the dive vessel, they had people onboard providing resuscitation, the diver was transferred to the lifeboat. However, before the helicopter arrived the diver was declared deceased. The lifeboat returned to the harbour with the diver where they were met by Tobermory CRT, an ambulance and the police.

April 18th Humber coastguard.

4. Humber coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had a diver onboard with a suspected heart attack. The dive boat provided the diver with oxygen and CPR while speaking to a doctor in a medi-link call. Rescue helicopter R-131 from RAF Boulmer was tasked to proceed to evacuate the diver to Wansbeck Hospital, New Biggin CRT assisted at the helicopter landing site. The diver was declared deceased on arrival at hospital.

April 24th Brixham coastguard.

5. Brixham coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting a diver missing from a wreck dive. Rescue helicopter R-193 and Salcombe AWLB and ILB were tasked to proceed to the scene, a dive boat nearby had divers onboard preparing to dive, so they dived to the wreck to make a search. Up to 17 other vessels and a warship also responded to the Mayday broadcast and proceeded to assist in the search. Coastguard teams from Hope Cove and Plymouth made a shoreline search of the area. Despite an intensive search the diver was not located. The following day, Salcombe AWLB & ILB made a shore line search and a police dive team searched the wreck again. The police divers located the diver a short distance from the wreck.

April 29th Portland coastguard.

6. Portland coastguard received a Pan Pan call from a dive boat reporting they had recovered an unconscious diver and had other divers still in the water. Rescue helicopter R-106 was immediately tasked to airlift the diver to hospital, Lyme Regis

ILB proceeded to assist the dive boat in recovering the divers, and they were met by Lyme Regis CRT on arrival back in harbour. The diver was declared deceased on arrival at hospital.

May 22nd Portland coastguard.

7. Portland coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting they had a diver on the surface that was unconscious following an uncontrolled ascent. Another boat alongside was providing life support. Rescue helicopter R-106 was tasked to evacuate the diver to Dorset Hospital for treatment and Wyke CRT assisted at the HLS. However, after the diver had been evacuated, the boat reported that his buddy was now showing signs and symptoms of decompression illness. Medical advice from Poole hyperbaric chamber was that this diver needed to be evacuated as soon as possible, so R-106 returned to collect them as soon as they had finished at the hospital with the first diver. The diver was met at the HLS by Poole CRT and a dive doctor. Wyke CRT returned to meet the boat when she returned later in the day. It was later reported that the first diver was pronounced deceased.

May 23rd Clyde coastguard.

8. Clyde coastguard received a call from a dive boat reporting an unconscious diver who had been brought back to the surface, having been found on the bottom by his buddy. Tobermory AWLB proceeded to meet the dive boat and transfer the diver and brought him back ashore where they were met by Tobermory CRT. The lifeboat crew provided CPR and oxygen while waiting for the diver to be transferred to hospital. Rescue Helicopter R-177 was tasked to transfer the diver to hospital, but before they arrived on scene the diver was declared deceased.

July 5th Portland coastguard.

9. Portland coastguard received a Mayday call from a dive support vessel reporting they had recovered a diver who had made a rapid ascent from depth, they were recovering the diver and commencing CPR, Coastguard rescue helicopter R-106 recovered the diver from the vessel and flew the casualty direct to Dorset county hospital, the aircraft was met by Wyke CRT, the casualty was declared deceased on arrival at the hospital.

July 25th Falmouth coastguard.

10. Falmouth coastguard received a call from a dive support vessel reporting that they had a diver who was overdue, Falmouth CG transmitted a Mayday relay broadcast requesting craft to assist in the search for the missing diver, both of Falmouth's Lifeboats were tasked and RN Rescue Helicopter R-193, many other craft assisted in the search. The diver was located and flown to Treliske hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

August 6th Clyde coastguard.

11. Clyde coastguard was alerted by a dive support vessel of a missing diver, two divers had entered the water only one surfaced. Clyde coastguard immediately commenced broadcast action and tasked several assets including coastguard teams, lifeboats, helicopter and private vessels. The diver was recovered by a diving group; the casualty was certified deceased by a Doctor.

August 16th Forth coastguard.

12. Forth coastguard was requested to assist a diver at Fife Ness who had got into difficulties; St Andrews CRT, RAF helicopter R-137 and a land ambulance was tasked to assist. The 47 female diver had apparently suffered some kind of trauma in shallow water, CPR was initiated until R-137 arrived to transport the casualty to Nine Wells hospital Dundee where she was pronounced deceased.

Abbreviations used in Diving incident reports

ARI:	Aberdeen Royal Infirmary.
AWLB:	All weather lifeboat.
BCD:	Buoyancy control device.
CAS:	Casualty.
CG:	Coastguard.
CPR:	Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation.
CRT:	Coastguard Rescue Team.
CRO:	Coastguard Rescue Officer.
DSMB	Delayed Surface Marker Buoy.
DDRC:	Diving Diseases Research Centre.
DCI:	Decompression sickness.
EASTERN:	Coastguard Region. Eastern England.
EPIRB:	Emergency position indicating radio beacon.
FAWGI:	False alarm with good intent.
HELO:	Helicopter.
HLS:	Helicopter landing site.
HMCG:	Her Majesty's Coastguard.
INM:	Institute of Naval Medicine.
INSH LB:	Inshore lifeboat.
LB:	Lifeboat.
MIN:	Minute (s)

MEDI LINK Conference calls with Casualty, Doctor and Coastguard Rescue Centre.
MRT: Mountain Rescue Team.
MRU: Mobile rescue unit.
MRCC: Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre.
MRSC: Maritime Rescue Sub Centre.
PFO: Patent Foramen ovale
POB: Persons on board.
PR: Public Relations.
QAH: Queen Alexandria Hospital.
RAF: Royal Air Force.
RHIB: Rigid hull inflatable boat.
RIB: Rigid inflatable boat.
RN: Royal Navy.
RNLI: Royal National Lifeboat Institution.
SCOTNI: Coastguard Region, Scotland, North East, Northern Ireland.
SAR: Search and Rescue.
SART: Search and rescue transponder.
SAROPS: Search and Rescue operations.
SMB: Surface Marker Buoy.
TRIMIX: Mixture of gasses used in deep diving oxygen/helium/nitrogen.
999: UK Emergency Telephone number.
VLB: Volunteer Life Brigade
VHF: Very high frequency radio waves.
MF: Medium frequency radio waves.
DSC: Digital Selective Calling.
WESTERN: Coastguard Region Wales & Western England.