



## Alberta Adventure Divers Sept. 17, 2021

Pumpkin dive 2021!

**Pumpkin Dive Sept. 25:** Happily, we will host a Pumpkin Dive in 2021! See the attached poster for timings, etc.

This epic dive event is a local tradition. You would think that in our 27<sup>th</sup> year the event would run stale....not yet!!!!

The mystery dive this year is an 'escape room'. Bring your usual dive equipment to the event, a slate, a dive knife to carve your pumpkin, and a pumpkin!



**Love of life – love of diving!** We maintain a positive outlook to life during this extended pandemic. We enjoy local diving to our heart's content, and work within regional restrictions to ensure the health and safety of ourselves and our dive buddies.

**Mystery dive:** this year, creative geniuses have been at it again. With Mark and

Briana's research and assistance, an escape room theme was formulated. Cathy W has embellished the plot line, and Kevin S and Roxanne's friend 'Amazon', sourced some unique contributions to the event. Divers, you don't want to miss this fun dive.



**Pumpkin carving:** After the mystery dive, have your picnic lunch, warm up, change or fill your cylinder, grab your pumpkin, then go out to enjoy the pumpkin carving dive. Bring your carved pumpkin for judging, warm up, and compare results with other carvers, and try to bribe the judges examining the pumpkins.



### Covid

**considerations:** This is an outdoor event! The beach is large, which accommodates social distancing very well. Masking is optional, and we have hand sanitizer available.

As in 2020, divers will bring their own lunch and snacks, to avoid Covid food handling concerns.

We will not use the cookshack as it is enclosed and does not allow for social distancing – again this year, we can't encourage 'cuddling' around the warm heater.

**Pre-registration:** is preferred, with payment in advance at the dive store: e-transfers, credit card, etc. The attached release can be sent to the dive store, or brought in person to the event.



We continue the tradition of a Toonie 50-50 draw, with proceeds to go to Project Aware; and a Toonie draw with a special prize. Air fills available on site for \$15.

We'd love to see you join us for a strong finish to an amazing dive season! If you've been to the pumpkin dive in the past, you know the fun waiting for you, if it is your first time – welcome to the UW pumpkin carving club!



**Dive night:** We've had an amazing summer of dive nights. Thanks to all who have joined us for projects, fun dives, and training dives.

If you haven't dove recently, there is a new boat on the course, the cow wandered to a new pasture, and a few items have been placed on scaffold – to create fish habitat and to move artifacts off of the silty bottom.

**BC trip Nov. 2021:** We've been in contact with the dive operator, and will be making a final decision on the status of this trip very soon. We will most certainly plan an epic Family Day 2022 trip to BC.



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