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Forty years of diving in Hong Kong



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Have you ever wandered into the Waglan Bar on a Thursday evening to discover a bunch of animated, cheerful people making the atmosphere bubbly?

This group is the South China Diving Club (SCDC), a registered overseas branch of the British Sub-Aqua Club, which is the UK’s national governing body for scuba diving and snorkelling.

The SCDC meets in the Waglan Bar every Thursday evening, and occasionally hosts educational talks –about topics like diving, marine biology and archaeology, and underwater photography – in the Harbour Room. They are a friendly group. Whether you are a novice or a qualified diver, you’ll be welcomed with open arms.

This year, the SCDC marked its 40th anniversary. They celebrated in great style, with a party on 24 May and a dive with 40 divers diving for 40 minutes each on 26 May.

The SCDC was started in 1979 by a group of enthusiasts who wanted to dive regularly in Hong Kong. Today, the SCDC is thriving. They dive almost every weekend in Hong Kong; and arrange regular expeditions to the Philippines, Australia and other destinations in Asia.

The SCDC is run by volunteers, who offer high-quality diving courses from novice to advanced levels. The club also carries out beach and underwater clean-ups and an annual reef check.

Hong Kong might not be the first destination you think of for scuba diving, but you would be pleasantly surprised by what SCDC divers have discovered in local waters.

For more information, visit the SCDC website (www.scdc.org.hk) or drop by the Waglan Bar on a Thursday night. You’ll be glad you did!



Paul, Lucy and Rob



Andy, Tom and Marcus



George and Rob



Adrian, James and Jennifer



SCDC chairman- Chris Dillon



Pool training



SCDC Reef Check 2018

SCDC divers have discovered in local waters:

