



SHIPWRECK PRESERVATION SOCIETY OF NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR INC.

Nautical Archaeology Society NAS Introduction Course, 30 June 2018 Information Package

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Dear Participant,

Thank you for your interest in our upcoming Nautical Archaeology Society's (NAS) Introduction to Foreshore and Underwater Archaeology Course. For more information about the NAS program, please visit the NAS website at: <http://www.nauticalarchaeologysociety.org/>

When: Saturday, June 30, 2018 — 8 am to 6 pm

Course begins at 8:00 am sharp.

Where: Environment Canada office

6 Bruce Street (Donovan's Industrial Park, just off Kenmount Road)

Mount Pearl, NL

(please park at rear of building, and enter by rear door in middle of building)

Instructors: Senior Tutor Ken Keeping and/or Assistant Tutor Neil Burgess

Total cost: \$75 for SPSNL members, \$125 for non-members

Special price for SPSNL members for both NAS Introduction & Part I courses: \$150

Equipment

Please bring a pen and paper for taking notes during the course. Divers need to bring their scuba certification card. All specialized survey and drawing equipment and supplies will be provided. You will receive a NAS Training Record Card (and a NAS Handbook for those who ordered a copy). Other things you might want to bring include drinking water, towel, lunch, snacks and appropriate outdoor clothing as a portion of the class will be held outside.

For those diving during the course, you need to provide all your personal diving gear for the pool session. You will only need 1 tank for the pool session. If you need to rent dive gear, you can rent it from:

Ocean Quest Adventures

40 O'Leary Avenue

St. John's, NL

tel. 722-7234

Arrange for any rental gear 2 weeks before the course!

Goals

There are three main goals for this course:

- to introduce you to the concepts and ethics that are the foundation of archaeology,
- to introduce you to underwater or foreshore mapping and recording techniques,
- to provide you with an opportunity to develop your mapping and recording skills under supervision.

Tentative Schedule (subject to minor changes)

Sunday	Activity	Location
8:00-8:20 am	Welcome, Introductions, Paperwork	Environment Canada
8:20-9:00	Intro to SPSNL, NAS & What is Archaeology?	Environment Canada
9:00-9:45	Site Types and Dating Methods	Environment Canada
9:45-10:00	Break	Environment Canada
10:00-10:30	Underwater Artifacts - What to do....	Environment Canada
10:30-11:15	2D Survey Principles and Techniques	Environment Canada
11:15-12:00	Land 2D Survey Practice session	Environment Canada
12:00-12:30	Lunch	Environment Canada
12:30-1:15 pm	Drawing up session	Environment Canada
1:15-1:30	Drive to Ocean Quest pool in Conception Bay South	
1:30-2:00	Meet at pool, change & set up scuba gear	OQ pool, CBS
2:00-4:00	Pool 2D Survey Session	OQ pool, CBS
4:00-4:15	Drive back to Environment Canada	
4:15-5:15	Drawing up session	Environment Canada
5:15-5:45	What's Next? NAS courses & SPSNL Shipwreck Projects	Environment Canada
5:45-6:00 pm	Course wrap-up & evaluation	Environment Canada

Field notes and maps will be submitted by each team before the conclusion on Sunday afternoon.

Meals

You are responsible for your lunch. We recommend that you bring your own, or buy it on the way to Environment Canada in the morning.

Dive Site

The diving portion of this course will take place in a pool, so we can expect warm water. We do recommend a T-shirt, 3mm wetsuit or shorty, if you tend to get cold. You will be relatively stationary in the water for the pool survey session. You only need 1 tank for the pool dive.

Safety

A certified dive master will be present while diving takes place. We will also have oxygen and a first aid kit on site.

For More Information

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact either:

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Ken Keeping kkeeping@maritime-ss.com tel. 730-0188

Summary

SPSNL thanks you for your interest in nautical archaeology and the NAS program. A considerable amount of organization and planning goes into each course, and it is hoped that everyone will enjoy and benefit to the fullest. The NAS course curriculum covers a lot of material in a small amount of time, so please allow some flexibility if the course exceeds the proposed schedule. Don't forget to thank the people who are volunteering their time to coordinate and teach the course!

The course is taught on a non-profit basis and 100% of your registration fees are used to pay for the course expenses or to support SPSNL activities.

Many thanks to Ocean Quest for providing access to their pool for this course!

For more information on the goals and activities of SPSNL, please visit our website:

www.ShipwrecksNL.ca

or

our Facebook group for SPSNL at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/253181431425529/>

For those wanting to learn more, we highly recommend the following book:



[Underwater Archaeology: The NAS Guide to Principles and Practice](#)

Both comprehensive and authoritative, this handbook contains extensive advice and information, including how to get involved, basic principles, essential techniques and approaches, project planning and execution, and publishing and presenting results. As well as explaining fundamental archaeological principles, this book provides a general introduction to underwater archaeology, detailing techniques and practices as they are applied in an underwater context. It provides the tools appropriate to tackle a variety of sites, in different environments and emphasises that archaeology is not just a set of techniques. 226 pages.

You can buy the paperback from us (see registration form) or you can buy the Kindle ebook online at:

http://www.amazon.ca/Underwater-Archaeology-Guide-Principles-Practice-ebook/dp/B005UQLIJQ/ref=sr_1_1?s=digital-text&ie=UTF8&qid=1423765926&sr=1-1&keywords=underwater+archaeology