


2026 KICK OFF

GRATEFUL DIVERS WORLDWIDE

Life Leads Adventure Follows



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LIVING IN SOUTH FLORIDA WE ARE BLESSED TO BE ABLE TO SCUBA DIVE YEAR ROUND, BUT THERE IS A TIME WHEN THE WINDS ARE IN OUR FAVOR AND THE OCEAN LAYS DOWN. THE WATER WARMS AND THE OCEAN IS THRIVING!

WE CANNOT WAIT TO TAKE YOU ALONG WITH US AS WE JUMP IN!

BUT FIRST WE WANTED TO TAKE A LOOK BACK ON JUST HOW AMAZING 2025 WAS!

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2026 Dive Dedication

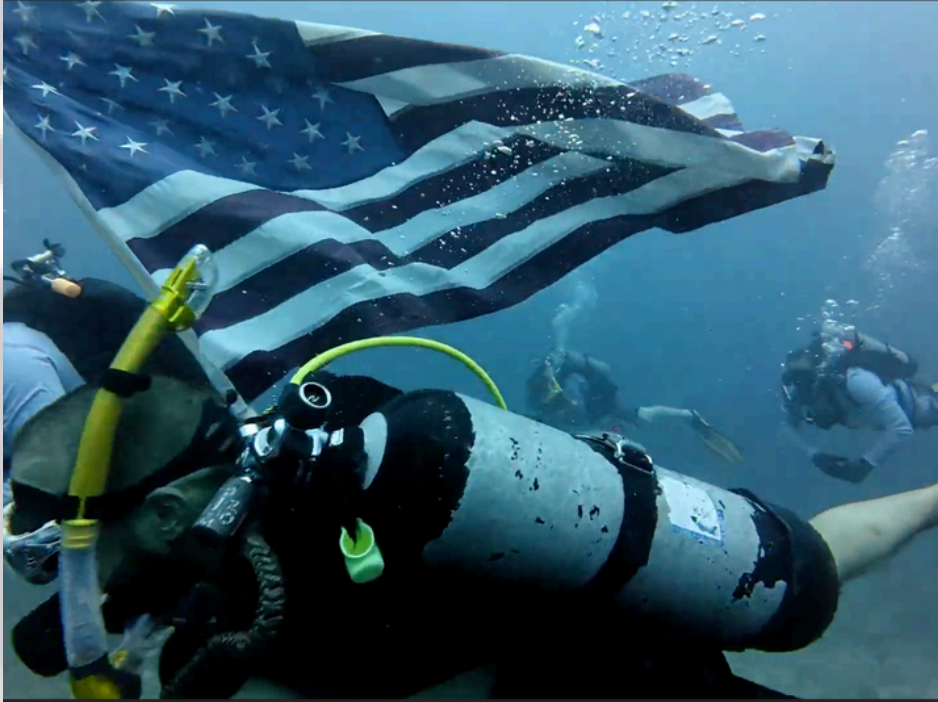


As we look ahead to 2026, our dive year will be dedicated to you, Sergio. Honoring your spirit, your love of the ocean, and the joy you brought to every dive. You will always be part of our dive team now and on every adventure to come!

It has been a true honor to call you our friend and dive buddy. Your optimism, your strength and the way you embraced life so fully is something we will always strive to carry with us, though you may no longer be by our side on the boat, you will forever be with us beneath the surface. On every dive, in every quiet moment under the waves we will be thinking of you and looking out for you

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Organizations Worked With



Organizations:

Barracks Legend Foundation - Dan Marino Foundation - Scuba4Good
Miami Adaptive Sports - Zookeeper - WahooBay - Miami Sharks

Our love for diving is something we truly enjoy sharing with others. At Grateful Divers Worldwide, our mission is to make the ocean more accessible to everyone—creating opportunities for connection, discovery, and healing beneath the surface.

Recently, we had the honor of partnering with the Barracks Legend Foundation, an organization dedicated to “taking veterans from isolation to celebration by improving mental health and helping prevent veteran suicide.”

We welcomed their group to South Florida Diving Headquarters in Pompano Beach for a Discover Scuba Diving experience designed for those who are not yet certified. The day began in the pool, where participants learned and practiced the essential skills needed for safe ocean diving.

From there, we headed out by boat to explore two incredible local sites: the Copenhagen Shipwreck and the Nursery. It was an unforgettable experience, and we’re grateful to have shared the ocean—and its sense of peace and possibility, with such an inspiring group.

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Community Events

Yes
that is
DUKE!



We love our community, meeting new people and sharing our passion for scuba diving!

Throughout 2025, we had the privilege of participating in over ten community events. These land-based gatherings gave Grateful Divers Worldwide adaptive divers and volunteers the opportunity to connect with others, share their experiences, and inspire new perspectives.

Scuba diving isn't usually the first activity people think of when living with a disability and that's exactly why these moments matter. By showing what's possible, our divers help break down barriers, spark curiosity, and open the door for others to imagine themselves beneath the surface.

And we closed out the year the best way we know how, with a SPLASH!

Our final community event of 2025 took place at the Baked Beans Boca Bowl with the American Disabilities Foundation. We rolled in with the iconic dunk tank, and let's just say, it stole the show. Crowds gathered, cheers got louder, and the line kept growing as everyone took their shot to send someone into the water (Allen, Matt, & KG definitely kept things interesting!).

The energy was electric! From nonstop laughter to unforgettable moments, our adaptive divers and volunteers were right in the middle of it all, sharing stories, spreading awareness, and proving that adventure knows no limits.

It was the perfect way to close out an incredible year, full of connection, excitement, and community spirit. If this is how we ended 2025, just wait...

2026 is going to be even BIGGER!

Make sure to keep up with our website calendar!

Events:

- Scuba4Good Music Fest
- The FT. Lauderdale Abilites Expo
- Sensory Jupiter Light House
- DEMA
- Reasource Fair U. Miami
- Bushes Backed Bean Boca Bowl
- Boca Boating and Beach Bash
- Autism Awareness Month with DMF



Certifaction!



Congratulations, Brett!

In 2025, Brett successfully completed his Scubility Open Water Course, a major milestone and an incredible achievement. This course follows the same standards as a traditional Open Water certification, with adaptive techniques tailored to ensure Brett can dive safely and confidently alongside his team of Scubility dive buddies.

Brett dives using a monofin and hand fins, allowing him to harness his hip movement and upper body strength to glide smoothly through the water while maintaining excellent buoyancy and control.

Since earning his certification, Brett has already joined us on more than 10 dives! From exploring our beautiful reefs and wrecks to learning how to hunt lobster and lionfish, he has fully embraced every underwater adventure.

We're proud to have Brett as part of our dive family and can't wait to see where his journey takes him next!

