



HQ Updates

September 2017

The GUE Conference is just around the corner, and we can't wait to see you in Florida! Meanwhile, we have all your headlines for DiveGUE.tv, Quest, and everything new at GUE HQ. Scroll through for the basics, or click through for more information on the topics that interest you. Miss our previous installments? Check out all of the past issues of our quarterly HQ Updates to make sure you have all the latest [here](#).

PROJECT BASELINE



The Project Baseline logo received a makeover this month! Refreshing the logo and supporting messaging is part of an effort to emphasize the important role Project Baseline carries within GUE. We want GUE and our members to be clearly identified with the success of Project Baseline's wide range of global initiatives. If you manage a local Project Baseline initiative and have not yet received your team's new logo, let us know!

Join us on Facebook LIVE tomorrow, September 6 at 14:00 GMT/10:00 EST!

GUE President Jarrod Jablonski will announce a few recent GUE initiatives, including the newly restructured Recreational Diver Level 1 program.

Learn how this entry-level training links to the broader GUE mission and helps realize a dream Jarrod had during the founding days of GUE.

We also plan to cover a range of upcoming events, including a surprise or two for those willing to give us thirty minutes of their time. We hope to see you interacting with us during the event!



We hope to see you in Florida next month!

The 2017 GUE Conference is right around the corner! Registration is open until October 20th, but don't wait, sign up today!

The agenda, social information, and more are all published so that you can start planning your trip.

Get all of the details [HERE!](#)

We want your feedback!

Here at GUE HQ we are always looking to improve, and as a part of this quest, your feedback is crucial! Please take a few minutes to complete the following survey and provide us with important information about yourself and your communication preferences. Upon completion you'll receive a coupon for 50% off a one month subscription to DiveGUE.tv. The survey will close on September 12. [Click here to take the survey!](#)

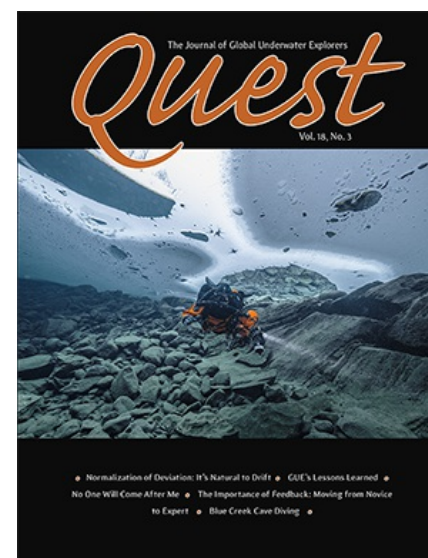
Brand new issue of Quest Magazine out now!

Printed copies have been mailed and the electronic version will be available on **Thursday, September 7!** GUE Members can read the newest *Quest* or ANY back issue at <http://www.gue.com/quest>.

Silver, Gold, Scholar, and Platinum members – to ensure you receive future copies of *Quest*, verify that your address is up to date! Make sure you are logged in to GUE.com, then go to <https://www.gue.com/user> and click on the "addresses" tab to ensure your preferred address is set as the default. If you have any trouble, or if you haven't been receiving your *Quests*, you can email info@gue.com.

Quest Volume 18, No. 3 features include:

- **Normalization of Deviation: It's Natural to Drift:** GUE Instructor Guy Shockey and Director for Risk Management Gareth Lock present a model that explains how our changing definitions of "safe" behavior can lead to predictable incidents or, with effective feedback, can be used to prevent them.
- **GUE's Lessons Learned:** Gareth Lock uses incident reports from GUE instructors to demonstrate the challenges of learning from each other's mistakes.
- **No One Will Come After Me:** A harrowing cautionary tale of exploring an abandoned mine by Maxim Kuznetsov.
- **The Importance of Feedback: Moving from Novice to Expert:** Gareth Lock and Guy Shockey on effective debriefing as a tool for improvement.
- **Blue Creek Cave Diving:** An exciting plunge into New Zealand cave exploration with Richard Harris and the Wetmules diving group.



Plus: *Underwater Mapping Made Easy* by Heison Chak; *Fireflies: Preserving the Spirit of Summer* by Sheila Hardie; *Carbon Dioxide's Other Side: Ocean Acidification* by Dr. Thomas Sawicki; and *Back to the Light: The Mysterious Sinking of UC-71* by Dr. Florian Huber.

Have an idea for a *Quest* article? You can contact editor Savannah Madley at savannah@gue.com with questions, pitches, or topics you'd like to see!

New videos added to DiveGUE.tv!

- S-Drill [Italian]

- SMB Dryruns [Italian]
- Gear Care Series: Rebuilding a single tank valve, rebuilding a set of doubles valves and manifold, disassembling a set of doubles, and reassembling a set of doubles
- Brand new short films of GUE's expeditions in Fiji and with NOAA in North Carolina have just been released!
- New series "Wrecks of Bonaire" just released!



Exploration Continues in Hoyo Negro

GUE Instructor Beto Nava is part of an incredible archaeological expedition in Hoyo Negro, Mexico! You can read more about the expedition in [National Geographic](#), and Beto will also be speaking about his work at the GUE Conference next month.

New and Upgraded GUE instructors

Congratulations to GUE's newest instructors: Dimitris Fifis in Greece, Dany Dulac and Jen Bush in Canada, David Watson California, USA, Jun Zhang in China, and Tae Han Jang in the Philippines!
We are also pleased to announce our upgrading instructors: Zsolt Szilagyi (Cave 2), Sander Evering (Tech 1), Gideon Liew (RB80), and Annika Persson (Tech 1).

Find a GUE instructor near you at <http://www.gue.com/gue-instructors>.



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