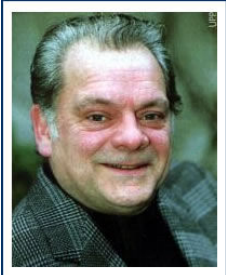


David Jason on the Dive Dome, October 2004.



It's minus two in the middle of January. You're dreaming of your last diving holiday to the Red Sea Or perhaps the Maldives. Wish you were there today? Well very soon you can be without ever leaving the UK. Come with me, David Jason, to the Dive Dome which will soon be built near London in Milton Keynes. It's the place where divers' dreams can become a reality.

Right now we are in the car park; it's no ordinary car park because we are extracting energy from the atmosphere to light up the Dive Dome. Don't worry about lugging your kit to the centre, simply climb aboard one of our electric buggies which will take you to the door of the resort where our friendly staff will greet you and take you to one of the most luxurious changing rooms you have ever seen. It's got everything, power showers, hair driers even fluffy towels! It's got the works.

Oh, by the way, your tanks will have been taken through to our gently sloping Caribbean beach while you were changing.

We are now in the Dome itself, look at the palm trees, the tropical grasses the white powdery sand, impressive isn't it! This is the bit I can't wait for; crystal clear warm seas brimming with brightly coloured tropical fish. Are you ready to dive?

You can go down from a boat, a landing board or just walk in off the beach. Underwater at minus 27 meters there are ships and aircraft wrecks as well as a cave system to explore. The exhibits will be changed every month, sometimes you will see a submarine, sometimes a helicopter. Variety, like they say, is the spice of life.

Oh, I almost forgot, we will be growing our own coral at the Dome and this will be returned to the ocean at a date in the future. And don't worry about safety; we have lifeguards with mini re-breathers as well as under water CCTV to monitor your every move. We will know before you do if you have any problems.

Back on dry land there's lots to do. If you fancy a cocktail or just a coffee come out and enjoy it on the Caribbean beach while watching your buddies have fun. If the kids are not in the supervised snorkelling paradise learning to dive they can use the crèche or education centre where they can learn from our marine biologists about the sea; its creatures and conservation of our precious oceans. There's also an education centre for you.

Why not sign up for your advanced diving certificate with PADI or BSAC?

The Dome has everything including: bars, restaurants, a health spa; beauty treatment rooms and a space age fitness centre. There is something for everyone; you can even get a winter suntan!

So, now you have had a look around, let's take the lift upstairs to our Founder Members Lounge which is strictly for you and your guests. You can relax here; even check your emails on one of the computers.

Buddies, this is paradise! How do you get a slice of it? You can join me in becoming one of the founder members. You can sign up today on our website www.divedome.com.

See you there!

