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Making diving safer: free workshop to feature international dive expert

Members of Tasmania's diving community have the opportunity to attend a free workshop at IMAS in April featuring a world-leading expert in diving safety, Gareth Lock.

The workshop, to be held from 1pm to 4pm on Thursday 4 April, is particularly aimed at science/research, aquaculture, police, technical and leadership level diving professionals.

University Diving Officer Vallorie Hodges, who is organising the IMAS-funded workshop, said she had previously attended a training course presented by Mr Lock and his insights and training methods were outstanding.

"Safety is always the number one concern for all divers, professional or recreational," Ms Hodges said.

"Tasmania has a large and diverse diving community, including scientists, people working in industries such as aquaculture, and emergency services personnel.

"We can all benefit from hearing from experts such as Mr Lock, who has extensive experience in research and investigation into diving incidents and the human factors that can jeopardise diver safety.

"The course presented by Mr Lock that I attended was perhaps the most compelling I have encountered in my diving career, and I encourage anyone who wants to improve their diving, performance and leadership skills to attend."

While the workshop is free, seats are limited to 100 and attendees are required to [register via Eventbrite](#) to ensure they get a seat. Further information about Mr Lock's work is available at <https://www.thehumandiver.com>

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