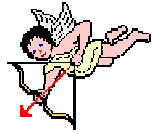


The Rebel Yell



A Newsletter for the Diving Rebels - One of the Oldest Scuba Clubs in Texas - Established 1958

February 2008

DIVING REBELS - CELEBRATING 50 YEARS in 2008

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MEMBERSHIP MEETING Wednesday – February 6, 2008

**Meeting Time
6:30pm Social - 7:15pm Meeting**

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February Meeting Program

Learn how to coordinate an outing as Keith Weber, President, will be putting on his hat as trainer extraordinaire to astound and intrigue the masses of the Diving Rebels to create Outing Magnificos.

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Upcoming Events Calendar

- Feb 23-24 Arctic Dive / Wine & Cheese Contest
Marietta Landing - Lake Murray Oklahoma
- Mar 5 Monthly Membership Meeting
- Mar 8 Athens Scuba Park
- Apr 2 Monthly Membership Meeting
- Apr 12-13 Tyler State Park

President's Report

The chilly February weather is no daunting factor for the brave souls of the Diving Rebels and the Wine and Cheese Party is shaping up. See the separate article for details.

As you may have noticed the meeting format has changed as we enter 2008. In the interest of courtesy to our presenters and those with stringent time constraints, the featured subject is now scheduled at the beginning of the meeting after just a few quick announcements. I am expecting that will be about 7:30 in most cases. I am allotting 30 minutes for presentations and am communicating that to speakers I am currently soliciting. If we could be polite and refrain from entering, leaving or having food service during that time I think we would leave a good impression on the presenter and show respect for our fellow club members. In January we had a bit of transition effect, however I observed another activity that I hope becomes the norm: about 10 to 15 people stayed and enjoyed conversation about diving – a contrast to eagerly bolting for the door. I feel this new agenda will meet the needs of our various constituencies and still allow the business of the club to be conducted.

Of course the format may adapt and I welcome any feedback on how the change affects you. While I may want to hang all night with you, that feeling may not be mutual, so some compromise is a necessity.

Happiness to all in diving,
Keith

The “How to” of coordinating a Diving Rebel outing – February 2008 Meeting topic

At the suggestion of Mark Stonebridge in a Board meeting last year, it was thought to be a good idea to have a little course on how to coordinate an outing for the Diving Rebels. In addition, Keith Weber has been teaching end-user training for his work project for several weeks and it just seemed to fit that he could teach this subject as well. So Keith Weber, President, will be putting on his hat as trainer extraordinaire to astound and intrigue the masses of the Diving Rebels to create Outing Magnificos at the February meeting.

As you will find, in reality, it is not much different than planning an outing for yourself or your family. Keith will have a packet of information and we will also have everything you need on the website available for download when you are ready to do your part in helping the club be successful. The truth is that we need members to help with outings so the Board is freed to manage the club as designed and further promote it outside of our ranks. In recent past, the Board has shouldered the lion's share of outing planning and execution, but there is no reason that has to be the standard operating procedure. It adds spice to the club when the individual and collective creativity of the club is exercised.

Of course we want to make it easy, but there is no “cancellation of membership” clause that says this is the only way. It is just from experience and heartbreak that some of the forms were put together. Currently the forms will be in Excel or Word 2003. We will have a camping checklist (tent-dive list) , meal sign-ups that can be printed by day and have spaces for about 20 participants (without user interaction), the dive log for DRIFT point awards will be available, as well as a sign-up sheet for attending the function. There has been some collaboration on DRIFT point awards and outing participation that will also be announced. Learn more on how you can help at the February Meeting!



Annual Arctic Dive and Wine and Cheese Festival Information

The time is upon us for the annual Diving Rebel Wine and Cheese Festival and Scubadillo Arctic Dive. So come freeze, or burn your tails off as Mother Nature and the pyromaniacs wield their special powers. Partake of the frigid water, the test of real diverhood, or possibly sanity, and then warm with the fire and the fruit of the vine as the competition heats up for best, white and red, and worst wines. Then tingle your taste buds with a sampling of cheese and see how you rate it as the best cheese is selected. Circulating among the crowd, pausing here and there for conversation whittles the night away. The crowd too dwindles and the embers fade until at last there is only one that has to find his way to the warmth of a tent.

As always, there will be food a plenty and if providence holds, Steve Sadler will be serving up his usual delectable meats.

Now for the important stuff:

When: February 23 – 24, 2008
Dinner bell target time 5pm

Where: Marietta's Landing
Lake Murray, Oklahoma

Tickets: \$10 before February 17 - \$15 on-site
Primary contact: president@divingrebels.org
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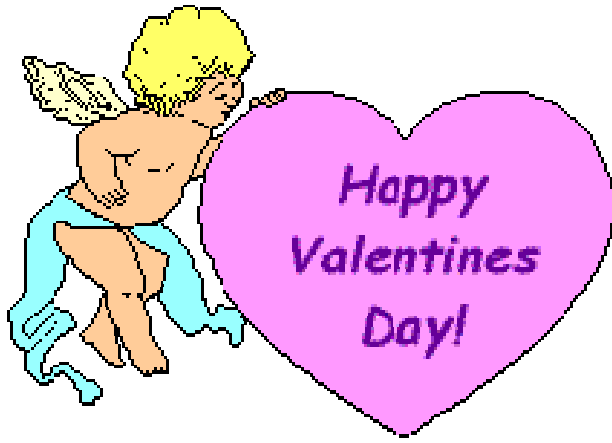


Secondaries: Any Diving Rebel Board member
Steve Sadler

Come on out, you never know what fun and games will be going on.

Diving: Water entry time 1 pm. Assemble and plan your dive before that based on group and buddy preferences.

I had the notion of going up the wall (north I think) until I ran out of air or got too cold and have a vehicle or someone to follow the bubbles to pick us up. It may be a hard climb out, but it will be an adventure and perhaps a new experience.



Birthdays

Paula Boyett	Feb 4
Mark Estill	Feb 20
Rick Emery	Feb 20
Kevin Campbell	Feb 28

Anniversaries

None Known



Mark Your Calendar!

Be sure to mark your calendars for the March 5th meeting when we will have Officer NC1 Stephen R. Bisacca of the Navy and Navy Reserve programs speaking to us. Officer Bisacca has been in the Navy for 19 years and 15 of those as a recruiter. In addition to personally aiding over 500 men and women in serving our country, he has trained 100's of junior colleagues. During a break after his first 4 years, Stephen was in account servicing and sales with Garnett Publishing and Toshiba's Consumer Division and a large uniform manufacturer.

We will get an overview of the Navy's elite programs that include the Navy Divers, Navy Seals and Navy Rescue Swimmers. While we won't learn how to do underwater demolitions, it promises to be an explosive event. Those of us that have been through the Rescue Diver course may have some curiosity as to what the Navy Rescue Swimmers would have to deal with – and probably be glad we aren't them. Not so true for the Navy Divers or Navy Seals that we all secretly wish we could be. Perhaps with some of their expertise we could actually get our Diving Thinker Man built. So come out and experience what Officer Bisacca has to teach us at the March meeting.

Don't forget Diving Rebels Caps and T-Shirts
On sale at any monthly meeting!



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Merchandise sold to Diving Rebels Members Only

Time to Renew your Membership is Down to the Wire!

If you haven't already done so, it is time to renew your Diving Rebels Membership for the 2008 year without repaying the \$15 initiation fee!

Dues are back to the regular price of \$25/\$15/\$5 and if not paid prior to the March meeting, the initiation fee applies unless waived by the Board.

Renew your Membership and Celebrate our 50th year with us!

San Marcos River Dive Report January 19-20

The 2008 Diving Rebels scuba dive outing in the crystal clear San Marcos River is history with 8 people and 5 divers participating. The water flow was slightly above normal and the water temperature was a balmy 68 degrees. Unique items found during the dive included a small metal tea kettle that was used as a gun target and a Snapple bottle filled with cinnamon and honey containing a torn picture of a male in his 20's and two pennies, sealed with wax. The Diving Rebels may have broken a hex on the young male. It is rumored that a mother or mother-in-law was using black magic to break up a relationship. The Diving Rebels enjoyed dinner that evening and breakfast together the following morning before returning home.





Diving Rebels Scuba Club 2008 DRIFT Points Rules Publication



What does the acronym mean? **D** Diving, **R** Rebels, **I** Invites, **F** Frequent, **T** Togetherness

All club members shall receive Rebel DRIFT points for specific activities as defined in the schedule below.

Activity:	Points awarded:
Attend a monthly scheduled Rebels meeting	1 pt; must sign attendance roster
Attend a monthly social outing	1 pt; must sign attendance roster
Attend a monthly dive outing (attendance only)	2 pt; must sign attendance roster
Conduct a dive during a dive outing (20 minute minimum)	See points schedule below Submission of dive log required to receive points Diving Rebels board will provide log sheets
Wet suit dive, water temp \geq 68F	1 pt per dive
Dry suit dive, water temp \geq 68F	1 pt per dive
Wet suit dive, water temp $<$ 68F	3 pt per dive
Dry suit dive, water temp $<$ 68F	1 pt per dive
The water temperature for the day will be determined by comparing the lowest recorded temperatures of all reporting computers. The temperature of record shall be the highest temperature of this comparison.	
Organize/plan an outing / social event (officers / social coordinator excluded)	5 pts / day
Support an outing: logistics supplies / support, KP duty during outing	1 pt / meal (each individual is responsible for getting this information on the attendance roster)
Meal Share Coordinator	3 pts / meal
Bring a guest to a meeting	1 pt / guest
Bring a guest to an outing (age 10+ - must be a potential dive)	1 pt / guest
Guest subsequently becomes a member	2 pt
Exceptional action in resolution of a crisis situation	2 pt to 4 pt at discretion of Sr. Board Member
Individual actions of an exceptional nature in response to an extraordinary situation	2 pt to 4 pt at discretion of Sr. Board Member

- Outings extending over multiple days will be scored on a daily basis.
- Annual blue water trip will be scored on a daily basis as a dive outing to include attendance points, and diving points for each day. Date of arrival and date of departure will not be scored.
- Any disputes may be presented to the Sr. Board Member or the designated representative. All decisions of the Sr. Board Member or designated representative are final.

REGULATOR KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

1) A first stage regulator:

- a. Reduces high pressure to intermediate pressure
- b. Turns the air on and off
- c. Has a small tank filter to prevent particles from entering the regulator from the tank
- d. A B & C



2) A balanced stage regulator provides:

- a. A constant IP regardless of tank pressure
- b. Balances inhale and exhale efforts
- c. Does not tilt in the water
- d. Is more efficient than an unbalanced reg

3) The second stage regulator provides air on demand from the diver:

- a. True
- b. False

4) Two types of second stage regulators are balanced and unbalanced:

- a. True
- b. False

5) Most free flow errors are related to:

- a. High pressure seat leakage
- b. dirty 2nd stage purge cover
- c. diver inhaling too hard
- d. Only on regulators that need to be removed from service.
- e. A & B

6) Intermediate pressure generally falls between:

- a. 110 psi to 125 psi
- b. 125 psi to 135 psi
- c. 155 psi to 200 psi
- d. 125 psi to 155 psi
- e. 50 psi to 100 psi

7) Regulators can be field repaired if you have the factory service kit regardless of certification:

- a. True
- b. False

8) The most important maintenance procedure you can perform on your regulator is:

- a. Fresh water rinse immediately after you last dive
- b. Yearly factory maintenance
- c. Air dry in the sun
- d. Rebuild after each dive

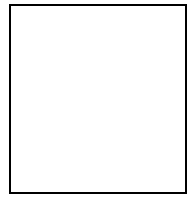
9) Ambient pressure has no effect on regulator operation as the regulator is sealed:

- a. True
- b. False

10) The name of the filter on the first stage is:

- a) Carbon activated filter
- b) Moisture reducing filter
- c) Sintered Filter
- d) It does not have a formal name

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