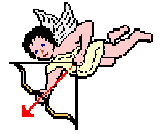


The Rebel Yell



A Newsletter for the Diving Rebels - One of the Oldest Scuba Clubs in Texas - Established 1958
February 2009

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MEMBERSHIP MEETING Wednesday – February 4, 2009

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

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February Meeting Program

We are fortunate to have Mead Sams with the Army Corp of Engineers speak to us about the state of water planning in Texas.

Please see page 2 for more information on our speaker.

Upcoming Events Calendar

- Feb 28-29 Arctic Dive / Wine & Cheese Contest
Marietta Landing - Lake Murray Oklahoma
- Mar 4 Monthly Membership Meeting
- Apr 1 Monthly Membership Meeting
- Apr 25-26 Tyler State Park
- May 6 Monthly Membership Meeting

President's Report

Greetings Diving Rebels,

I have been troubled by a communication gap and will be addressing it as we move through the year. Many decisions now are made at the meetings as a consensus among those that are planning to go and in attendance. However, those are not communicated timely back out to those that may not have been able to be there. Necessity being the mother of invention, I'll commit to learning the broadcast email Danny has established and send a DR HOLLER with time sensitive updates – especially outing related. With so many of our outings falling at the end of the months, there is a lot of room for adaptation and the need for communication between the meeting and the outing. So be looking for the DR HOLLER in email from time to time. It will be a work in progress so please let me know what you think as we go along. In addition, if you are an Outing Magnifico and need something communicated let me know as soon as you can – message on the machine at 817.581.9010 or email president@divingrebels.org.

I am looking forward to a wonderful diving year with all of you.

See you below,
Keith

FEBRUARY SPEAKER INFORMATION

We are fortunate to have Mead Sams with the Army Corp of Engineers speak to us about the state of water planning in Texas. Mead currently serves as Chief of the Planning Branch, Planning Environmental & Regulatory Division of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He has worked as an economist and urban planner for the Corps for 28 years. In this capacity, he leads a multi-disciplinary team of planners, engineers, landscape architects, and biologists in the development of federal water resource projects designed to achieve a variety of beneficial societal outputs, including those related to flood damage reduction, ecosystem restoration, water supply, and hydropower. He holds a Master's Degree in Applied Economic Research from the University of North Texas, and is currently pursuing a Masters of Natural Resource Development from Texas A&M in College Station.

His interests outside of work and academia include sailing, snow skiing, classical music, and without fail, Aggie sports.

The Corps of Engineers is the number one federal provider of outdoor recreation, managing more than 12 million acres of land and water for natural resources and public recreation benefits. The Corps' 2,476 recreation sites at 423 projects offer a wide range of opportunities and facilities for outdoor recreation.



Annual Arctic Dive and Wine and Cheese Festival Information February 28 – March 1, 2009

We are almost there! Be sure to plan on attending this event. Hoping not to jinx anything, but we sure are glad we have had some rain in recent days and perhaps can avoid the scare of a burn ban this year. This is our signature event and fund raiser and we coordinate it with the Scubadillo Arctic Dive. It is a

very fun event and probably a favorite of many, and particularly Keith's favorite since his pyromaniac side gets exercised.

It has been only in recent years that our wood supply has outlasted our ability to stay awake and burn it – **bring wood**. We hope that will be the case again this year as the bonfire rages to satisfy the need for heat on a chilly night and provides warmth for a ring of chairs for mingling and reminiscing.

It is our understand that we are competing with the dance group again this year so call Marsha at 800-257-0322 to check availability of cabins and get on a waiting list if necessary. Otherwise, plenty of camping space with heated restrooms will be available at Marietta Landing. Sites w/water & electricity are \$15 & \$18. Tent sites w/o are \$8.

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 28 – March 1, 2009
Dinner bell target time TBA

Where: Marietta's Landing
Lake Murray, Oklahoma

Tickets: \$10 before February 21 and
\$13 February 21st to date of event

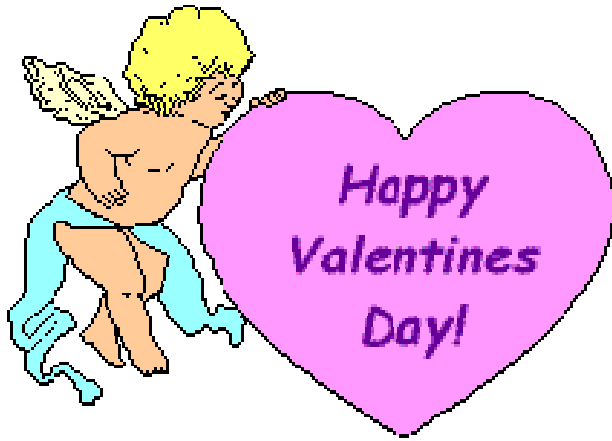


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Secondaries: Any Diving Rebel Board member

Geocaching: Ted Glodowski and Doug Sheppard will be coordinating a geocaching event in an effort to find the underwater cache and also look for other caches in the park. For those who may be interested in participating, more information will be available at the meeting or contact Ted or Doug at the event.

Diving: Tentatively planned for about 1 pm Saturday. Dry suit availability is still undetermined.



Birthdays

Paula Boyett	Feb 4
Marcus Greenburg	Feb 5
Mark Estill	Feb 20
Kevin Campbell	Feb 28

Anniversaries

None Known



Diving News from Around the World

USA Creates Three Marine Protected Areas in Pacific

<<http://www.news.scubatravel.co.uk/2009/01/usa-creates-three-marine-protected.html>>

As one of his last actions as president, George Bush designated three areas of the Pacific Ocean, covering nearly 200000 square miles, as new marine "national monuments".

Fish 'an ally' against climate change

<<http://www.newscientist.com/article/dn16432-fish-an-ally-against-climate-change.html>>

An unlikely ally may have been found in the fight against the effects of climate change. Fish excretions seem to play a key role in maintaining the ocean's delicate pH balance, says a study that also reveals that there are 2 billion tons of fish in the world's oceans.

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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 2009 year without repaying the \$15 initiation fee!

Dues are \$25/\$15/\$5 and if not paid by the end of the February meeting, the initiation fee applies unless waived by the Board.

Renew your Membership
NOW!



Diving Rebels Scuba Club 2009 DRIFT Points Rules Publication



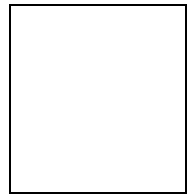
What does the acronym mean? **D** Diving, **R** Rebels, **I** Invites, **F** Frequent, **T** Togetherness

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.

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