



# The Rebel Yell



August 2017

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## MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday – August 2, 2017

Humperdinks, 700 Six Flags Dr., Arlington, TX

6:30 pm Social 7:15 pm Meeting

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## August Meeting Program

**Mead Sams**, former Chief, Planning Branch, Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and currently an Adjunct Professor of Economics at TCU, will be our guest speaker on August 2. Mead's non-academic interests include sailing, scuba, snow skiing, backpacking, and classical music, and he is noted in the United States Geological Service records as the 17th Texan to climb to the summit of Mount Rainier. Mead recently completed open water diver, nitrox, and peak performance buoyancy re-certification classes. His presentation will focus on the fascinating world of sea otters. Come to the August membership meeting and hear what he has to say about these furry fellow divers!

### Upcoming Events Calendar

- Aug 11 Restaurant of the Month: David's Barbecue
- Aug 16 Board of Directors Meeting: 7:00 pm,  
Sherlock's Baker Street Pub & Grill, Arlington
- Aug 25–27 Midyear Outing: Clear Springs Scuba Park
- Sep 2 Wheeler Branch Outing
- Sep 16–23 Fort Lauderdale, FL

## Why We Dive . . .



### Welcome to Our Visitors!

Here's a Diving Rebels welcome to two new members of the club, both of whom joined at the July membership meeting:

**Chris Duck**  
**Veer Patel**

Thank you for joining the Diving Rebels! We hope that we see you at future club meetings and outings. Let's go diving soon!

### Birthdays



Aug 02 Ellen Fourton  
Aug 06 Bob Munger  
Aug 07 Ted Glodowski  
Aug 07 Robert Martinez  
Aug 07 Steven Woodward  
Aug 12 Jim Magnuson  
Aug 21 Phyllis Kirchhoff  
Aug 25 Gerald Bartz

### Anniversaries



Aug 5 Kevin and Amy Clements

Did we miss/make an error with your special date? If so, it's either not included or incorrect in our database.

Contact **Vice President Dale Romack** to update/correct your information!

### Prorated 2017 New Memberships

As midyear approaches, Diving Rebels Scuba Club membership dues are prorated starting July 1 to reflect a 50% decrease in diving member dues. The club offers a number of significant advantages; see <http://www.divingrebels.org/index.php/info/benefits> for a list of some of the benefits that club members receive.

The following table outlines the schedule and payments for Diving Rebels Scuba Club prorated membership dues.

|                                     | Single Diver –<br>Regular Member | Initiation<br>Fee** | Each Additional Diver –<br>Family Member in Same<br>Household | Nondiving/<br>Nonvoting |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Joining July 1 and<br/>Later</b> | \$15.50/\$15.00*                 | \$15.50/\$15.00*    | \$10.30/\$10.00*                                              | \$5.15/\$5.00*          |

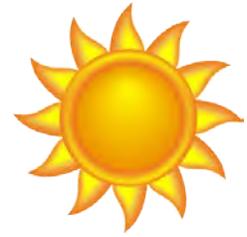
If you cannot pay your club dues at a monthly membership meeting, remember that Chase Quick Pay is always an option. For more details on Chase Quick Pay, see the article in the January 2017 issue of *The Rebel Yell* (<http://www.divingrebels.org/newsletter/newsletters2017/Jan17newsletter.pdf>), or contact James Rivers at [treasurer@divingrebels.org](mailto:treasurer@divingrebels.org) for a mailing address.

\* Cash/check discount

\*\* The initiation fee is per diving member and includes a club t-shirt.



## President's Letter



Hello!

This letter is going to be short and sweet as I am in Vegas. Don't worry—the club's funds are safe!

The Diving Rebels have had a heck of a year thus far, and I'm looking forward to the Midyear Outing at Clear Springs Scuba Park on the weekend of August 25. The BBQ on Saturday will be served at no cost to dues-paying members and their guests. Since this outing is a "give back" to our members, though, we're asking non-dues-paying members and visitors who aren't the guest of a dues-paying member to pay \$20 for the meal.

The BBQ meal, which will be catered by Chuckwagon Cuisine Catering Company on Saturday, August 26, includes three meats; three sides; rolls and butter; all condiments, including Chuckwagon's homemade BBQ sauce; peach cobbler; Texas sheet cake; homemade ice cream made on site; tea; and lemonade. The meal will be served in true cowboy style by Chuckwagon's staff from their vintage 1895 Studebaker chuckwagon.

I'm hoping that it will be a bit cooler at the Midyear Outing than it was for our trip to Lake Tenkiller State Park on July 21–23. I sweated so much I could have filled a bathtub. Even if it's hot at Clear Springs, I hear the visibility has been good, and I'm sure the water will feel great.

Looking to the future, coming up are our Wheeler Branch Outing on September 2, our trip to Fort Lauderdale on September 16–23, our annual Underwater Pumpkin Carving Contest at The Blue Lagoon on October 20–22, a BBQ contest at Cedar Hill State Park on November 11 (a "no rules" BBQ throw down! – stop yer braggin' and bring it on!), and to wrap up the year our annual Christmas Party on December 9.

I won't be seeing you at the August meeting but will be at Clear Springs for the Midyear Outing for sure.

Still hungry for BBQ,

Kevin

**See you at Clear Springs Scuba Park on the weekend of August 25 at the Midyear Outing! Come and enjoy some great diving, fellowship, and Texas BBQ!**



# July Restaurant of the Month Report

## Restaurant of the Month & August



**Where:** David's Barbecue  
**Address:** 2224 W. Park Row Drive, Pantego, TX 76013  
**When:** Friday, August 11, 7:00 pm  
**Phone:** (817) 261-9998  
**Email:** Cathy McWilliams at [social@divingrebels.org](mailto:social@divingrebels.org)

On July 14, our Restaurant of the Month (RoM) event took 13 of us to Cajun Corner in Pantego for good Cajun cooking; we had some snafus on a few orders, but for the most part, service was good, and most of us enjoyed our meals. Cajun Corner is a BYOB restaurant, but it provided buckets of ice for those of us who did bring our own bottles.

### In Cajun Country



August's RoM outing will take us back to Pantego for my Texas favorite—barbecue! I can't say "No" to good BBQ, and I'm told that **David's Barbecue** will not disappoint. Located at **2224 W. Park Row Drive, Pantego, TX 76013**, this great Texas BBQ institution dates back to 1910 and is best known for its brisket. We'll converge on David's on **Friday, August 11, at 7:00 pm**. Note that David's Barbecue does serve beer, but not wine or liquor. You can bring your own wine or liquor, but you must keep it in your possession on your table.

Please let us know that you're planning to attend the August RoM by **5:00 pm on Wednesday, August 9**. Just respond by signing up for the event at the August membership meeting, accepting your invitation to the RoM on the club's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/96073813073/>), or contacting me directly by email ([social@divingrebels.org](mailto:social@divingrebels.org)). I look forward to seeing you there!

Bon appétit!

Cathy McWilliams  
Social Coordinator

# Midyear Outing: Clear Springs Scuba Park

The 2017 Diving Rebels Scuba Club Board of Directors cordially invites club members and their guests to attend our annual Midyear Outing at Clear Springs Scuba Park. This event is coordinated by the board as a way to show appreciation to our members and assist them to do what Diving Rebels do best . . . **PARTY!!!**



- When:** Friday, August 25–Sunday, August 27  
**Time:** Friday after 5:00 pm and Saturday 8:00 am 'til ???  
**Where:** Clear Springs Scuba Park (CSSP), Terrell, TX  
**Food:** BBQ on Saturday, August 26, with all the trimmings, including dessert, tea, and lemonade, will be provided by Chuckwagon Cuisine Catering Company.

We will provide more information at the August membership meeting, but the basics are the following:

-  Someone will go to Clear Springs Friday afternoon to hopefully grab the spot under the trees on the south side of the park; however, since this area has little grass, if it's too wet or muddy at that spot, a secondary location will be chosen. After you check in at the park, look for the famous Diving Rebels Scuba Club banner! You can come to CSSP Friday after 5:00 pm or starting at 8:00 am on Saturday.
-  The Saturday meal will be served **at no cost to dues-paying members and their guests** at approximately 3:00 pm. **Since this outing is a “give back” to our members, though, we’re asking non-dues-paying members and visitors who aren’t the guest of a dues-paying member to pay \$20 for the meal.** The meal includes three meats; three sides; rolls and butter; all condiments, including Chuckwagon’s homemade BBQ sauce; peach cobbler; Texas sheet cake; homemade ice cream made on site; tea; and lemonade and will be served in true cowboy style by Chuckwagon’s staff from their vintage 1895 Studebaker chuckwagon.
-  The entrance fee to the park on Saturday, August 26, will be \$20. **Remember, CSSP accepts cash only! And be sure to bring your C-card if you intend to dive.** See the CSSP website at [www.clearspringsscubapark.com](http://www.clearspringsscubapark.com) for a listing of air fill and equipment rental prices and other charges.
-  Camping is available at CSSP. However, camping costs (\$5.00 per day) are the responsibility of the individual. See the CSSP website for additional information and restrictions.

## Let's go diving at CSSP and have some fun!

# Wheeler Branch Outing

Hello Diving Rebels!

On **Saturday, September 2**, we will be heading to **Wheeler Branch Park, 2099 County Road 301, Glen Rose, TX 76043**, for a day of diving and hanging out with good friends! The entrance fee for adult non-Somerville County residents is \$8 per person; the park opens at 7:00 am and closes at sunset. Wheeler Branch Park has a boat ramp with floating dock, a beach area that also has its own floating dock island, public restrooms, covered picnic areas, and a large pavilion. There is also a very nice fishing pier. Those Diving Rebels who have already been to Wheeler Branch have commented on the good diving there, so it sounds like a lot of fun.

Note that dues-paying members will have a portion of their \$8 entrance fee refunded at the outing. After the outing, those interested will head for **Hammond's BBQ at 1106 NE Big Bend Trail, Glen Rose, TX** (<http://www.hammondsbbq.com/>) for a tasty meal.

Check out the park's website for directions and other details: <http://www.scwd.com/about-the-park.html>.



# Chinese Auction

The Diving Rebels Scuba Club will hold our traditional Chinese Auction during the **September 6** membership meeting.

What is the Chinese auction? Well, it's more fun than a lake full of Diving Rebels! The Chinese auction is not only the biggest Diving Rebels fundraiser but also one of the most entertaining of our monthly meetings.



The way the auction works is this: we have a live auction for donated gifts. What makes the auction special is that the items being auctioned are wrapped and unknown to the audience. What is being auctioned might be a dive computer, fins, boxes of Girl Scout cookies, or just about anything else. **BUT REMEMBER**, the item must be new and of a minimum value of \$25. Think of it this way: you should donate an item that you would actually want yourself.

After you win an item by high bid, you have the choice of either keeping the item or forcing a trade for whatever item was won before yours. The kicker is that you have to decide to trade or not to trade before you unwrap your item. The previous bid winner may have won the bid for a dive knife that you want. If you trade, you'll trade off your wrapped item for the dive knife not knowing what you traded away. You know that you'll get the dive knife, but what did you give up for it? Maybe it's a wet suit; maybe it's a new dive computer or even a Caribbean trip. As trades can only go back to one previous round, the bid winner before you will unwrap whatever you swapped him. He cannot have it taken away nor can he force a swap for any other previously auctioned items.

Your item, whether you swap or not, may be taken from you by the next winning bidder. You also must unwrap and disclose your item to the group. If some of this doesn't make sense, don't worry—it will be explained again at the September meeting.

What we ask you to bring is a new item with a minimum value of \$25 that will be usable by the winner. (Not many people need a box of a/c air filters or 10 paving stones). The item should be wrapped in a nondescript wrapping—newspaper or paper bags are quite acceptable. Think about things you can talk your employer into donating or things you got two of for Christmas. **BUT THE ITEM MUST BE NEW AND SOMETHING THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOURSELF!**

Please come prepared to have fun and aggressively bid on those items you just can't live without. If you want to win a bid on an item, bring some \$\$\$\$ as the competition sometimes becomes quite fierce, the banter hilarious, and the items worth the effort it takes to win them! One last thing, **please be prepared to pay for your items by the end of the meeting** as we won't be able to track items for future payment. Thanks to all, and we look forward to a big crowd and lots of fun.

# Join the Diving Rebels for a 2018 Cruise!

The Diving Rebels' own **Penny Johnson** is setting up a Caribbean cruise package for members and guests of the Diving Rebels Scuba Club. This 7-day Western Caribbean cruise will depart from New Orleans on November 11, 2018, and return on November 18, making stops in Cozumel, Roatán, Belize, and Costa Maya. See the itinerary below for cruise details.

## Diving Rebels 2018 Caribbean Cruise



**Norwegian Gem**  
**7 Day Western Caribbean Cruise, Nov 2018**

Inside Cabin - \$599      Ocean View - \$684      Balcony - \$1029.00  
All above rates are based on double occupancy. Port Charges & Taxes are \$143.79 per person. Rates and availability not guaranteed until deposit made. Must be booked and fully paid by Aug.10, 2018.

| Date                   | Port                                 | Depart  | Arrive |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|--------|
| Sunday, November 11    | <a href="#">New Orleans, LA</a>      |         | 4:00pm |
| Monday, November 12    | At Sea                               |         |        |
| Tuesday, November 13   | <a href="#">Cozumel, Mexico</a>      | 8:00am  | 5:00pm |
| Wednesday, November 14 | <a href="#">Roatan, Honduras</a>     | 10:00am | 6:00pm |
| Thursday, November 15  | <a href="#">Harvest Caye, Belize</a> | 8:00am  | 5:00pm |
| Friday, November 16    | <a href="#">Costa Maya, Mexico</a>   | 8:00am  | 4:00pm |
| Saturday, November 17  | At Sea                               |         |        |
| Sunday, November 18    | <a href="#">New Orleans, LA</a>      | 8:00am  |        |

Free at Sea Choices: (Choose 2)

- Ultimate Beverage Package
- 250 Minutes Internet Package
- Four Day Specialty Dining Package
- 20 Image Photo Package

Pre-Paid Service Charge (Gratuities)

- \$50 per port Shore Excursion Credit
- \$75 Onboard Credit

For more information about the cruise and/or to obtain a registration form, contact Penny at:

Penny Johnson, A+ Travel  
 1216 Glenbury Ct., Arlington, TX 76006  
 Phone: (817) 975-6106  
 Home Phone (evening): (817) 422-9494  
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# Lake Tenkiller Report

## Jeff Bennett

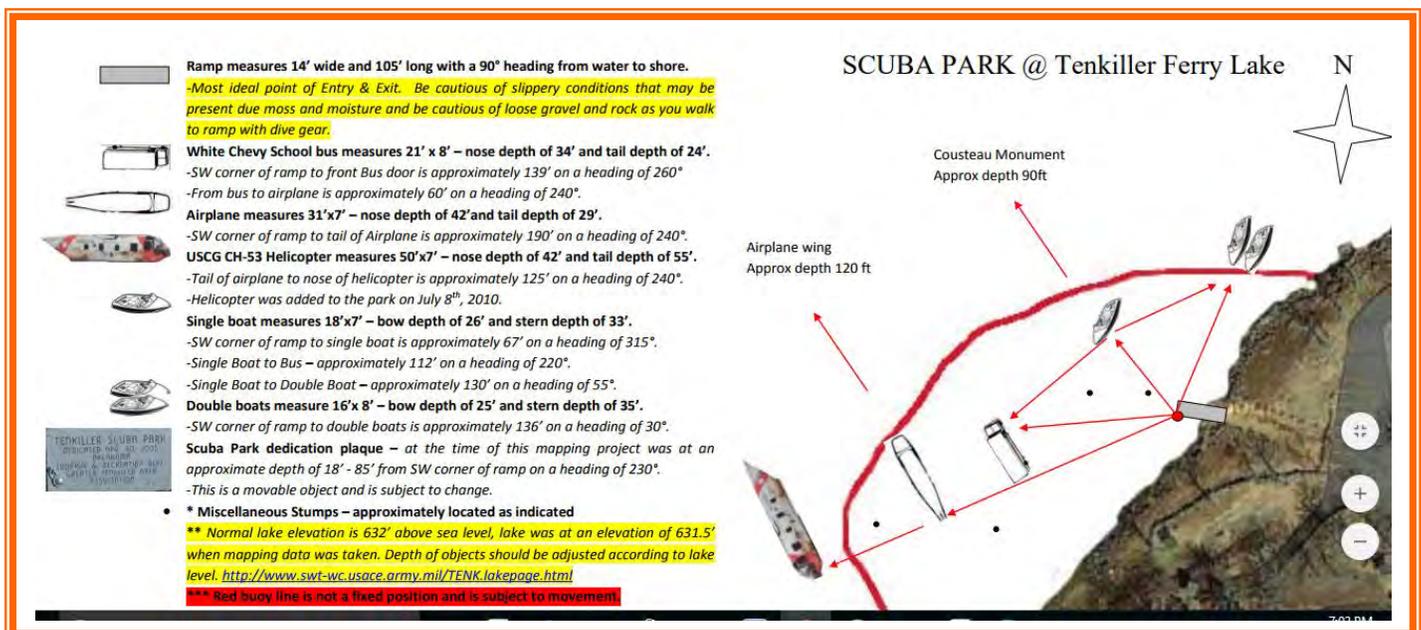


I'd like to thank everyone who came out to Tenkiller State Park on July 21–23. It is a very nice park and was only a four-hour drive from my house. The days were hot, and the nights were comfy—provided you had air conditioning! The lake was nice, with a large swimming area next to the scuba park. The water was choppy, but it was good practice for shore entry, that's for sure.

The visibility was bad in the first 15 feet. After that it opened up, with a thermocline at 40 feet—and yes, we were diving in wet suit conditions. **Kevin Schuck** wants to come back at a different time of year for further exploration of the items in the scuba park, such as the airplane wing at 120 feet.

I'd like to give a big “Thank You” to **Penny Johnson** for cooking an awesome dinner, consisting of a one-pot dish made up of corn on the cob, carrots, sausage, potatoes, cabbage, and onions. She rounded it out with pasta salad, a slaw, and homemade cookies. I'd also like to say that Penny showed herself to be an official true-blue Diving Rebel, as she camped out and hung out with just the guys. **Allen Bothwell** and **Mark Smith** came in for the day to dive. **Mark Stonebridge** cooked some awesome ribs and wrapped-in-foil potatoes and corn. I whipped up an egg, fried potato, sausage, and corned beef hash breakfast.

Here's an interesting map of the scuba park.





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