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# DIVING REBELS SCUBA SCOOP

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### RECORD SETTING REBEL OUTING AT SCUBA RANCH

On July 20<sup>th</sup>, the Diving Rebels held their mid-year (slightly late) outing at Scuba Ranch. We had a great turnout, great diving and great food. It was a nice, hot summer day, 97 degrees, with a very welcome breeze. Our resident Jim “MacGyver” and helpers hung a tarp in order to give us some more shade. With the addition of a misting fan and the frequent dips in the pond, we all enjoyed a comfortable day.

With a total attendance of about 20, we had more dives made than I can remember for a single day of diving. Thirteen divers made 42 dives !!! Some dove for fun, while others were strengthening their skills. Two new members, Mark & Kim, each made 6 dives. All were treated to 20-25 foot visibility, lots of very active (hungry) perch, some catfish and turtles. Most of the aquatic creatures stayed above the wickedly cold thermocline (about 50 degrees) in the more temperate, 82 degree shallows. From our centrally located pavilion #4, there was easy access to all attractions in the lake; airplanes, boats, busses and, of course, Cisco the Shark. The “Eating Rebels” were not disappointed. The club provided plenty of grilled chicken and sausages, while members added a variety of tasty side dishes. Among our choices were fruit, coleslaw, broccoli salads, fresh garden vegetables, baked beans and other munchies items. Of course, desserts were not left out. We enjoyed Sopapilla Cheesecake, Lemon cake, cookies and 2 flavors of ICE

### CREAM.

Prize chances were earned by diving, helping and just being there. Members had choices of gift certificates, mesh bags, a weight bag, beach towel and various other scuba or fish motif items.

This particular day was also a nationwide celebration of *PADI Women Divers Day*. And, we enjoyed the camaraderie of our friends, the Scubadillo’s at the adjacent pavilion.

Linda Magnuson

### Movie Recommendation

This documentary is called **“Last Breath”** currently available on Netflix. The film walks you through some commercial saturation dives in the North Atlantic by a crew servicing an oil rig. This movie is a great look into the environment of commercial diving and the high tech ships used to support it. You can get a real feel for what it takes to support these deep rigs but, that is just a set up for a worse case situation that strands a diver at 300Ft with 5 minutes of air and no way to get to the surface. It is not a re-enactment, it is actual footage both above and below water, with some filler footage to connect the scenes. *Divers will be talking about this one!*





## Restaurant of the Month—Istanbul Grill

***Istanbul Grill was a great choice for July's Restaurant of the Month.***  
Seven ??? club members

The restaurant is a Turkish grill and family owned located in southern Arlington. The delicious food emphasis is on grilled meats with Mediterranean appetizer. Our group had a terrific time with good food and great friends. Give a shout out to Ellen. Thank you Ellen for a great outing and making arrangements.

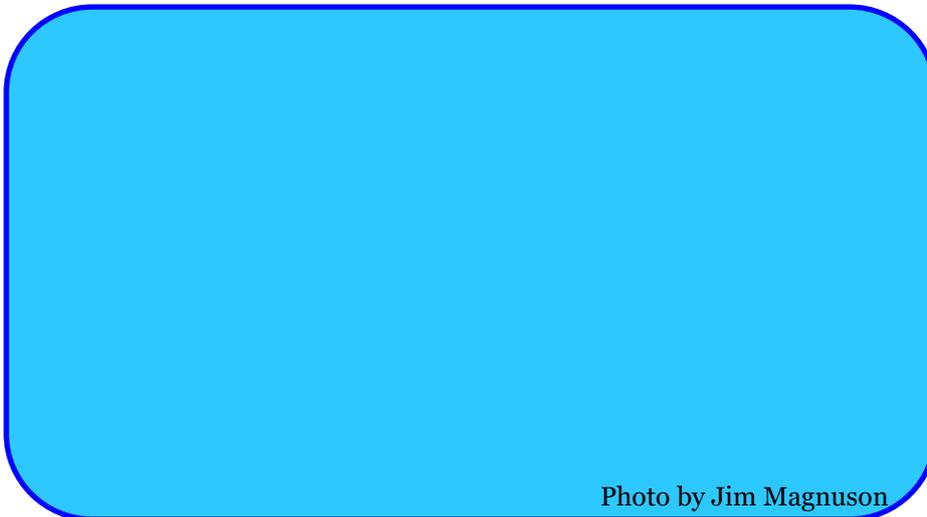


Photo by Jim Magnuson

On the right side are Linda Magnuson, Robyn Doege, Diana Pitman & her friend Rusty and on the right side are Garth and Dawn Shackelford and unknown lady at end.

## Why I Dive!!!

***If you would like to contribute to this section on "Why I Dive" please send your article and picture (optional) to the editor at the following email address:***

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***We look forward to reading your article next month.***

***Clean jokes can be submitted too!! Be part of our Scuba Scoop.***



## Why I Dive Continued!!!

### Why I dive (still)

A lot of reasons why I kept and keep diving. When I was a kid, I used to enjoy walks in the woods exploring creeks, hills and valleys, but with age that became synonymous with "trespassing". The great freedom in diving is knowing that, within the limits of physics and physiology, I can go where I want, with the possibility of finding anything seeing anything, possibly never seen before by anyone. I love the fish, corals and critters but truth is I like to see what is beyond my current sight, over that next hill if you will. Sometimes disappointed but always yearning for one more chance to make some small discovery something that will surprise me or pique my curiosity.

**Jim Magnuson**



### Why I dive

People get into diving for as many reasons as there are fish in the lakes and oceans. Everyone that dives have their certain unique to themselves moment if life that sparks the idea to do it. For me it was a natural progression from the time I was born. I have always been consistently, whether I was supposed to be there or not, in the water and liked subjects dealing with science, biology, and art. As a kid, nine months of the year was split between traveling from lake to lake to Gulf repeatedly almost every weekend. When your family travels from fishing tournament to fishing tournament, you start to think as kid, it would be a lot easier to know and understand fish if I just get in the water and watch them. I liked to watch the animal behaviors and the interactions within the habitat. It was living art. In my younger more zealous days, diving was a way to make quick cash cleaning the bottom of rich people's yachts while dreaming of discovering a new aquatic species. What biologist doesn't want the chance to name a newly discovered species? Diving was always the place to go before final exams, some people prefer to cram right before a test, I get underwater. But over the year's aquatic biology career paths shift you in many different directions and due to global circumstances into more of a conservation aspect and diving was more land locked and in controlled aquatic environments with the occasional field project in the Keys or BVI. Most dive days are spent either fixing underwater life support issues, scrubbing rocks, cleaning underwater viewing panels, underwater education shows, catching up animals for exams, teaching new divers how clean glass without scratching it, swimming bull and tiger sharks that have just traveled across part of the country, or tending sharks or crocs off divers while they clean. After the roughly 3,000 hours of accumulated bottom time, from mostly one place of employment, it boils down to the same original reason I dive. I just want to watch animal behaviors and interactions within the habitat and maybe discover a new species.

**Robyn Doege**



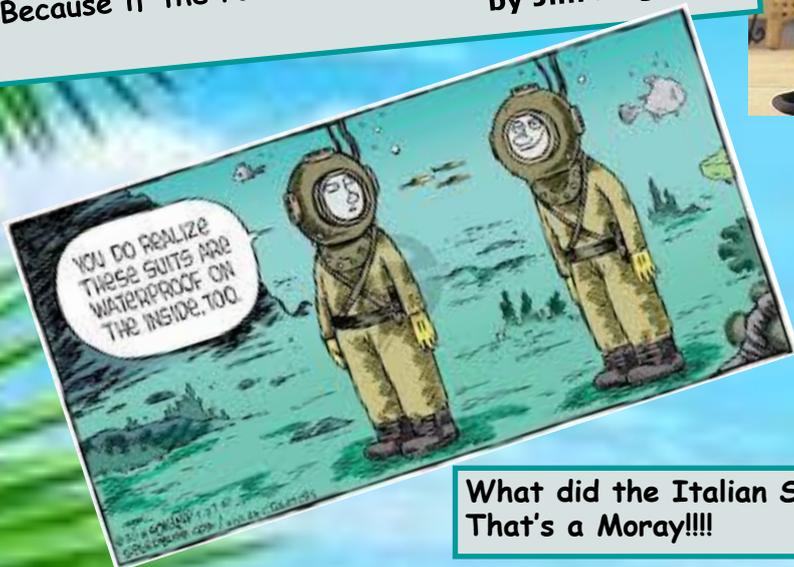
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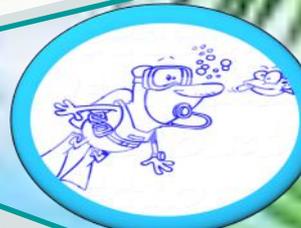
Why do people back-roll to get out of a boat?  
Because if the roll forward they just hit the floor.  
by Jim Magnuson



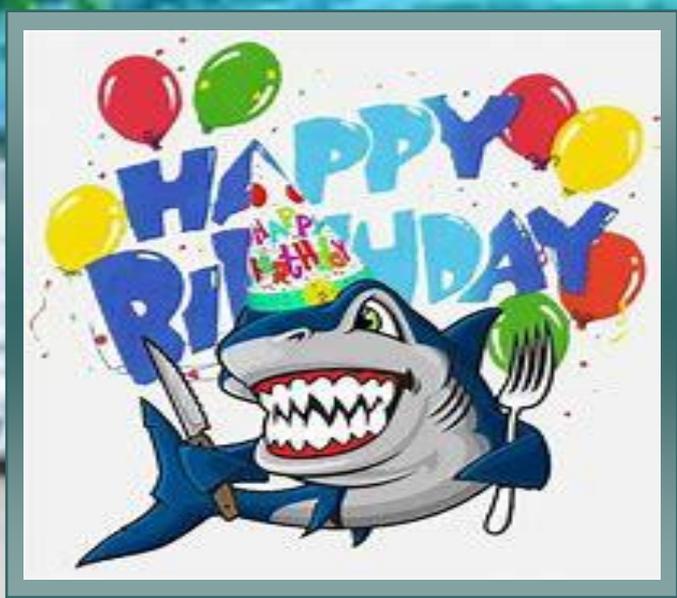
dumpster diving



What do you get when you combine a scuba diver with a janitor?  
Jacques Cousteau



What did the Italian Scuba Diver say to the eel?  
That's a Moray!!!!  
by Selena Woodward



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