

The Rebel Yell

A Newsletter from Diving Rebels, Inc.

-Oldest Scuba Club in Texas-

Established in 1958

THE DIVING REBELS MID-YEAR DIVE PARTY

Submitted by Jim and Linda Magnuson

I don't know about the rest of the club, but Linda and I don't pack as compact as we once did. Either that or we are bringing way to much stuff to the outings. On this particular trip, the excess reached the point where even fellow Rebels questioned our sanity. Specifically the question of Chris Hoffman and Ginger Martin was, "What kind of nut drives around with a barbeque grill hanging from their van's bike rack?" In addition to being the only way we could bring it, the grill's apparent precarious attachment was to tailgaters what baked beans are to the Conga dance.

The weather bears a strong mention for this outing not so much for what it did but for what it didn't do. Despite the monsoon rains falling back in the Metroplex, we mostly had to put up with the ominous threat of storms and one light Saturday morning rain. Due to the efforts of Steve Herman, we once again were able to rent a pontoon boat for the weekend. Because of the occasional periods of high winds and threat of lightning we could not run the boat as far as we did last year.

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July Meeting Information

When: Wednesday, July 5
 Where: J. Gilligan's Bar & Grill
 400 E. Abrams Road, Arlington
 (Between Collins and Center)
 Time: Social Hour 6:30-7:30pm
 Meeting Time 7:30pm

Mid-Year Party....continued

Our dive sites were at the cliffs by the golf course, being a wind-sheltered area and the second slew on the left just as you leave the marina. Despite the protection from the wind, the visibility by the golf course was only 10 – 15 feet, significantly less above 30 feet. The good diving turned out to be at the slew just a short boat haul from camp with 10-15' above 30 and up to 20' below 30 feet. We made three trips out before dinner and two later one being a night dive back at the cliffs. The visibility inside the slew itself was not very good because of the week's rain runoff but if you followed the cliffs outside the slew it made for a pretty good dive. Each of the five dive trips averaged about 6, so with the larger barge everyone had plenty of room for gear. When not on the boat, folks gathered for conversation or rest until their next opportunity to dive as most dove at least twice.

Anita and Ellen brought the Saturday dinner fixings including another grill and stove. The group enjoyed tasty hamburgers, hot dogs, corn on the cob, pinto beans and peach cobbler with ice cream for dessert.

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Sunday greeted the 7 camping Rebels with a cool sunshiny morning and after a stop for lunch at a local joint, the Diving Rebels bid farewell to another successful and fun mid-year party at Possum Kingdom Lake.

Here are the statistics:

of divers = 19

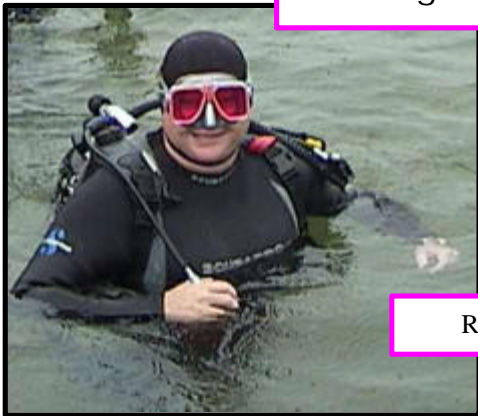
of dives made = 31

of people in attendance = 25 adults, 2 kids, 3 dogs

P.S. Thank you to Randall Paden for having his boat available in case of emergencies.

P.P.S. You'll find pictures on the web site: www.divingrebels.org ♦

Thanks to Jim Magnuson for these great pictures of the Mid-Year Party! Check out the web site for the captions that explain what is REALLY going on!



ROBERT DOVE



CALVIS HAWES



SELENA WOODWARD



GINGER MARTIN & CHRIS HOFFMAN

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LAKE MURRAY

PLACE MARRIETTA'S LANDING

TIME JULY 21-23

COORDINATOR STEVE WEST

DIVING REBELS BLUE WATER TRIP

PLACE COZUMEL

TIME AUGUST 4

LAKE WHITNEY

PLACE LAKE WHITNEY

TIME AUGUST ?

COORDINATOR WOODY & SELENA WOODWARD

LAKE OUCHITA

PLACE LAKE OUCHITA, ARKANSAS

TIME SEPTEMBER 2-4

COORDINATOR DAVE STONE

PUMPKIN CARVING WITH SCUBADILLOS

PLACE ATHENS SCUBA PARK

TIME OCTOBER 21

CHILI COOK-OFF

PLACE TO BE ANNOUNCED

TIME NOVEMBER 11,12

COORDINATOR LEONARD PATTERSON

CHRISTMAS PARTY

PLACE LAKE ARLINGTON ACTIVITY CENTER

TIME DECEMBER 16

REBEL HISTORY – PAST JULYS

Submitted by Calvis Hawes

1992 New Members: Cynthia Scoggin, Roger Labez, Guest Dorothy Kneisel

1993 First Mid-Year Party at Lake Whitney Lodge

1994 Elizabeth Ann Glover born 8.4 lbs

1997 New Members: Fay Danley, Leonard Patterson, Chris Hoffman

1998 Mid-Year Party at Possum Kingdom
50 Rebels and Guests and 2 dogs

JULY OUTING - LAKE MURRAY, JULY 21-23

Submitted by Steve West

First of all my apology is necessary. The Rebels will not be seeing Lake Travis this July as planned. A long conversation with an Austin Dive Shop convinced me of this. Lake Travis is dreadfully low on water, in fact it is 20ft. low. Water access is difficult at best, with many boat ramps left totally useless. The advice from the dive shop was "don't waste your time".

Well wasting the Rebels time would be unconscionable, therefore, onward to divable waters. With the long distance Ouachita outing looming in the not so distant future we probably should stay close to home. Lake Murray in Oklahoma has been chosen as the best alternative. Marrietta's Landing has been our usual spot in the past and it will serve us well once again.

The directions are simple: Take I35 N to OK and follow the signs to lake Murray. At mile marker 25, look for a sign pointing to the Lake. Turn Right (East) and go until Scenic 77 hwy then make a right. Follow hwy 77 until you see Marrietta's Landing, turn in there and look for Rebel signs. The campsites prices are ~\$6.00/tent & ~\$11.00/RV sites. For any additional info, call me, the outing coordinator: Steve West (817) 465-6722, or email mantasea@flash.net. ♦

Adopt-a-highway Cleanup

When: 10:00 am, July 8, 2000

**Where: Pioneer Parkway
(between Collins & 360)**

**Meet us at Electronic Discount
Parking Lot
(Southeast corner
Collins @ Pioneer Parkway)**

Bags and vests will be supplied



WELCOME JUNE GUESTS

John & LizAnn Blanton
Paul Itgen
Lan Loeckle
Chandler Robinson
Kimberly Sheffield
Mike Thompson
Jimmy Yanowski

We appreciate you checking out The Diving Rebels and we hope to see you again!♦

NEW REBEL MEMBERS

We are excited that some of you crazy divers are joining our club. We look forward to great diving with you!

Ginger Martin – Open Water
Pascal Oliver – Open Water
Patricia Oliver – Open Water
Kase Williams – Advanced Open Water
Kirby Williams – Advanced Open Water

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