

The Rebel Yell

A Newsletter for the Diving Rebels.

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2005 Due are due!

Dues are payable for the 2005 Membership year. Dues are \$25.00 for a single membership and \$15.00 for an additional family member. Non Diving/Non Voting memberships are \$5.00. Dues must be paid by the March meeting to avoid having to repay the initiation fee.

March 12 

Rebel Outing – Clear Springs Scuba Park

Come for the day and see if you can find the “Pot of Gold” and win the prize as this outing follows a St. Patrick Day theme. Admission fee to CSSP will be \$15 instead of the normal \$20 admission price.



Coordinator: Ted Glodowski

Looking Ahead – April Outing

Mark your calendars for the Diving Rebels April outing to Tyler State Park! Sites have been reserved in the Lakeview campground area. We will be having a B-B-Q cook-off; so get your recipes ready. More details on page 3.

Coordinators: Linda & Jim

Calendar of Events

March 2 Monthly Membership Meeting

March 12 Club Outing – Clear Springs

March 18 Flower Gardens

April 8-10 Club Outing – Tyler State Park

RECALLS

CPSC, Head USA Inc. Announce Recall of Scuba Diving Computers

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission announces the following recall in voluntary cooperation with the firm below. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Scuba Diving Computers
Distributor: Head USA Inc., of Norwalk, Conn.

Units: 181

Hazard: The dive computers were improperly calibrated, resulting in incorrect calculations. Diving with an improperly calibrated dive computer can provide inaccurate "No Decompression (no stop) Time," "Decompression Time," "Desaturation Time" and "No Fly Time." This could result in divers suffering serious injuries, including decompression sickness.

Incidents / Injuries: Head USA received one report of a computer malfunction. No injuries were reported.

Description: The recall includes the Dacor Darwin Air dive computer with serial number 3265 through 3415, and the Dacor Darwin Console dive computer with serial numbers 8503 through 8592. The serial number will appear on the dive computer screen after removing and reinserting the batteries. The Darwin Air is a completely integrated dive computer and pressure gauge with "Dacor Darwin Air" written on the front. It is encased in gray on black heavy-duty plastic. The Darwin Console is a dive computer with a compact submersible pressure gauge bearing the word "Dacor" on the front. It is encased in black heavy-duty plastic.

Sold at: Dive shops nationwide from March 2004 through December 2004 for about \$700 for the Darwin Air and \$400 for the Darwin Console.

Manufactured in: Italy by HTM Sports S.p.A.

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using these recalled diving computers, and return the computers to an authorized Dacor dealer for a free repair.

Consumer Contact: Call Head USA at 1-800-874-3236 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's website at <http://www.divedacor.com>.

CPSC, Cressi-Sub Announce Recall of Scuba Buoyancy Compensators

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission announces the following recall in voluntary cooperation with the firm below. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Cressi-sub Buoyancy Compensators
Distributor: Cressi-sub USA, of Westwood, N.J.
Manufacturer: Cressi-sub S.p.A., of Genoa, Italy.

Units: About 1,000

Hazard: A slow leak from the shoulder exhaust caused by expansion of an internal cable housing could result in slow deflation. This could impact the diver's ability to control buoyancy.

Incidents / Injuries: None reported.

Description: Buoyancy Compensator devices provide buoyancy control for scuba divers by allowing them to inflate or deflate the devices. The recalled buoyancy compensators have model numbers J107, J113, J115, and J119. The numbers appear on the top right-hand corner of the unit (on the shoulder). "CRESSI" is written on the buoyancy control devices.

Sold at: Authorized dive shops nationwide and at various websites from January 2003 through September 2004 for between \$400 and \$700.

Manufactured in: Genoa, Italy.

Remedy: Customers can return the product to a Cressi-sub-authorized dive shop to have the product retro-fitted with a free replacement internal cable housing. Buoyancy Compensator devices with a black retaining ring around the yellow inflate button on the inflation mechanism, and an adjoining gray cover assembly (bypass case), which screws onto the inflator, are subject to this recall and must be retro-fitted. Devices which have yellow retaining rings and black cover assemblies have been retro-fitted.

Consumer Contact: For more information or for a list of authorized dive shops, consumers can call Cressi-sub at 1-800-338-9143 between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. ET Monday through Friday.

President's Report

Just a reminder – this Saturday, February 26 is our multi-club Wine and Cheese Party outing at the Marietta Landing campground area at Lake Murray in southern Oklahoma. The Diving Rebels are the sponsor of this event and we have already heavily advertised and promoted this event, so I hope you all can attend. We will have some really nice prizes available for the raffle drawing we will have at the event.

I would also like to remind everyone of the deadline for membership renewal that will enable you to avoid again going through the initiation process and dues assessment. We need to have your dues submitted prior to our March meeting, which is March 2. In order for our club to grow and develop, we must have the participation of the membership. And the first way each of you can participate is by being members. We need you to renew your membership, so if you have not done so, please contact Keith Weber, our treasurer, or me to make arrangements for your membership renewal. The club did a pretty job last year in expanding our membership role, both with some new members, as well as several “lapsed” members renewing their membership. I have said this before and will continue to emphasize it. It is very important for our membership to continue to grow. There is strength in numbers and I want to see our club strengthened. You have a board who is working very hard to accomplish this, but we can't and don't want to do it by ourselves. If you care to see the Diving Rebels grow and improve, I invite you to join with us toward this end. We need each of you.

Speaking of the board, one of the things we will be presenting and discussing at our March meeting is the 2005 budget. Keith Weber has worked quite diligently on this budget and we think it does a good job of supporting the activities the Diving Rebels for this next year. But we want you to understand it, question it, if necessary, and support the final document that will guide our finances for 2005.

Steve Ogden

Tyler State Park Outing -- April 9-10, 2005

Tyler State Park is a beautiful pine tree encircled lake about 90 miles east of Dallas. Campsites are located in the Lakeview area. It's an easy drive on Hwy. 80 with a well marked exit (mile marker 562) just a few miles past the Tyler exits. The park is just a couple of miles south. Turn left into the park, pay entrance fee, and then follow signs to the Lakeview sites.

Food: There will be a meal share for Saturday Breakfast and lunch and Sunday breakfast. The Saturday evening meal will be a B-B-Q contest in which you get to show off your abilities. Side items will be provided by the club (or someone can step up and offer their specialty). Sign up sheets will be available at the March and April membership meetings.

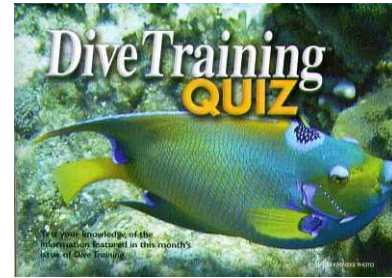
Diving: It's a shallow, but fun dive on which you can chase turtles and practice navigation skills (a game is being planned).

Activities: A scavenger hunt is planned for both land and in-water items. Stay tuned for other planned activities. Individual pursuits include hiking, paddle boating, canoeing and off-road bicycling (various levels).

Prizes: A point system will reward you for participation. More info at the meetings and in April newsletter.

1. The human lungs are made up of microscopically small air sacs called:

- A. Pleurons
- B. Alveoli
- C. Mediastinum
- D. Emboli



2. A lung expansion injury that causes a blockage in the flow of blood to the brain is called:

- A. Mediastinum
- B. Cerebral arterial gas embolism
- C. Transient ischemic episode
- D. Pneumomediastinum

3. Sea turtles can figure out where they are relative to their feeding ground using the variation in the Earth's magnetic field.

- A. True
- B. False

4. Soon after mating, adult market squid die.

- A. True
- B. False

5. When the first European explorer, Portuguese Jorge de Meneses, arrived in Papua New Guinea in 1526, he called the place Ilhas dos Papuas, which means:

- A. "Island of Warriors"
- B. "Island of the Painted People"
- C. "Island of Muddy People"
- D. "Island of the Fuzzy Hairs"

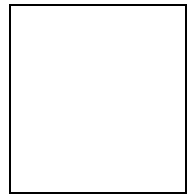
6. Pigs are a form of currency in Papua New Guinea, exchanged for reparations, dowries and debts.

- A. True
- B. False

7. One claw of a Maine lobster is a toothed "crusher" claw used for pulverizing shells. The other is:

- A. Also a crusher claw
- B. A finer-edged "ripper" claw

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