

The Rebel Yell

A Newsletter for the Diving Rebels.

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May Outing – Balmorhea State Park May 27th-30th

The Rebels will once again trek to Balmorhea State Park in West Texas to “dive the desert” for our May outing from May 27 – 30. We will depart Friday evening May 27 for a drive through the night, arriving at the park about 7 AM. We will set up camp and start diving. The diving there is very unique, with ocean quality viz and fish found nowhere else. We will have some underwater contests, perhaps another checkers tournament as we did a couple of years ago. Weather permitting; we will attend the stargazer’s party at the MacDonald Observatory on Mount Locke. If you have not been there before, Balmorhea State Park is an oasis in the desert, an experienced not to be missed, so I hope you will join us. More information will be available at the May meeting. Coordinator: Steve Ogden

May Meeting Program

Mark Stonebridge, a Diving Rebel, will discuss his diving experiences in the North Atlantic, such as exploration of wrecks, including the *Andrea Doria*. This will provide a diving perspective that most of us have not experienced, so be sure and join us for our May meeting.

Calendar of Events

May 4 Monthly Membership Meeting
May 27-30 Balmorhea Outing
June 1 Monthly Membership Meeting
June 18-19 Mid-Year Party
Clear Springs Scuba Park
July 6 Monthly Membership Meeting
Chinese Auction
July TBA Membership Drive-Clear Springs
July 31-Aug 5
La Paz Baja California Mexico

President's Report

Our annual April outing at Tyler State Park on April 8 - 10 was once again a great success, due in large part to the outing planning and execution of Jim and Linda Magnuson. Jim and Linda had all kinds of activities for our participation. We started off with underwater poker. Those of us who played started off by drawing five laminated playing cards before entering the water. I was fortunate to draw two kings. Jim had placed two additional cards at each of six underwater locations. Whenever we found one of these stations, we could check the card with the same backing color that we had and take the card if it would improve our hand and leave behind our discard. I was fortunate, in that the first station I found, there was another 5 to join the one I already carried. So there was two pair. Another station provided a third king, so now I had a full house, which provided me reasonable assurance that I had won, since only four hands can beat a full house. My confidence was confirmed, as my full house hand was the winner.

Linda had developed an outing points checklist that covered a wide range of activities that included the underwater poker contest, a scavenger hunt that entailed collected items both from the lake and the land, points for diving, points for camping and points for participating in the barbeque cooking contest. I also was able to win the scavenger hunt so I figured I was in pretty good shape for the overall win.

The barbeque contest yielded some really excellent products, including venison and sausage, all of which were by an astute panel of judges. If I recall accurately, I think that Danny Bouska won the contest. So Danny was coming on strong in the contest for overall points. Add to the fact that Danny camped two nights and did several dives, he edged me out by five points for the overall win, so congrats to Danny. For one of the few Tyler outings, we had super weather, so that was certainly a plus that added to a really enjoyable outing.

I hurried back to Dallas from the Tyler outing to join several other Rebels (Tommy and Vickie Engle, Clyde Freeman and Randall Paden) at the Scubadillo Dive Club's annual Crawfish Boil at Winfrey Point on White Rock Lake. The event was very well attended and there was plenty of crawfish, sausage, chicken, corn, mushrooms and garlic. In keeping with the tradition of the past few years, I had several of my critters there. I believe the Rebels had at least one winner in the raffle drawing as I think Clyde won, and perhaps Randall did also, which would not be unexpected with his historical string of luck.

Linda Magnuson and I represented the Rebels at the Shop 'N Swap at the Emerald Sea Divers shop parking lot on Sunday April 17. Unfortunately, the event was not very well attended, perhaps due to little advertising. Linda brought a couple of items that she didn't get any offers on, so I ended up buying them from her, along with a few other items I purchased from other individuals there as well as the dive shop. So thanks to Linda for coming out and representing the Rebels.

Steve Ogden

Members Only Section on divingrebels.org soon to be available!

A Members Only area on the website will soon be available. Members will be notified via email with details on how to access the area. This will be a password-protected area to which only Members will be given access.

Included in the Members Only area will be:

- Members Directory to include: Name, City, home phone, email address and certification level. If you DO NOT wish your name be included in this directory or if there is information you do not want listed, you must notify webmaster@divingrebels.org
- Member Chat Area
- Swap Shop Area
- Outing Questionnaires

This is not an all-inclusive list of items, but a beginning. New items may and will be added to the area. Watch your email for access information!

May Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

Doug Sheppard, May 6th
Steve Ogden, May 14th
Mark Stonebridge, May 20th

Anniversaries

Mark & Michelle Estill May 14th

Membership Survey!

The Diving Rebels Board of Directors will be mailing out a Membership Survey in June to current members. This is your club, and we as a board wish to gather member input on a variety of areas. The survey will be due by the July 6th meeting. By bringing your survey and attending the July membership meeting and Chinese Auction, you will receive a free ticket for the door prize drawing. Help the board make the club the best in the DFW area and Texas by taking a few minutes and completing the survey and attending the July membership meeting and Chinese Auction.

Mark your Calendars!

July 6, 2005

CHINESE AUCTION!!!!!! Make plans now! This is a major fund raising event for the Rebels, so let's have a very great turnout.

La Paz – July 26-31, 2005

The deadline has passed, but if you are still interested please contact Danny Bouska or Jill Hart. We may still be able to get you signed up for this exciting trip.

More Barbeque Cookoff Results

As mentioned by Steve in the Presidents Report, some great barbeque came from the 1st Rebel's BBQ Cookoff. There were several very tasty entries in each category.

There were three categories: Brisket, Ribs and Chef's Choice.

Winners were:

Brisket : Danny Bouska
Ribs: Jim Magnuson
Chefs Choice: Jill Hart – Cantaloupe Ice Cream

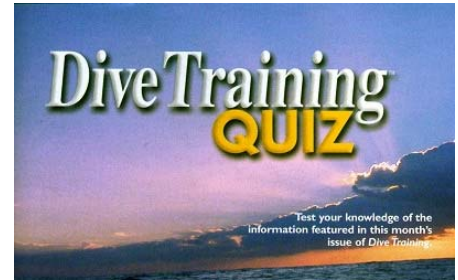
Everyone loved Jill's Cantaloupe Ice Cream and she's been kind enough to share her recipe!

Cantaloupe Ice Cream

5 Eggs	3 tsp vanilla
3 cans cream (pet milk)	3 cups milk
4 cups sugar	1 can condensed milk (eagle)
1 ½ tsp. Salt	3 large cantaloupes (juiced)

Remove outer skin of cantaloupes. Remove seeds then grate or put in blender or juicer.... I like to use a juicer. Remove any large parts.

Beat with mixer eggs, sugar, and vanilla. When sugar is almost dissolved add cream, milk, and salt. Put in pot and bring almost to a boil and stir constantly. Until it makes a soft curd. Put in refrigerator until cool. Now add cantaloupe juice to the cooled mixture and put into ice cream freezer until hard
ENJOY !!



1. Under the right conditions, all reef fishes have the ability to change sexes.

- A. *True*
- B. *False*

2. Scientists call the female-to-male sex switch protogyny, while male-to-female changes are categorized as:

- A. *Protandry*
- B. *Prodactry*
- C. *Anagyny*
- D. *Anadactry*

3. The only fish that can fertilize itself is the:

- A. *Ocellated wrasse*
- B. *Tobaccofish*
- C. *Anemonefish*
- D. *Mangrove Rivulus*

4. In some fish species the adult male guards the eggs he fertilizes by holding them in his mouth until the young hatch. This is called:

- A. *Oral incubation*
- B. *Mouth incubating*
- C. *Mouth brooding*
- D. *Mouth hatching*

5. Hawkfishes lack the buoyancy-controlling internal organs known as swim bladders that are found in many bony fishes.

- A. *True*
- B. *False*

6. Isopods attach themselves to and feed upon the skin of their host fishes.

- A. *True*
- B. *False*

7. The eyes of fishes known as bigeyes are equipped with a reflective tissue that is in the back of each eye, which helps them see clearly in relatively low light. It is called the:

- A. *Tapetum lucidum*
- B. *Limbus thread*
- C. *Luminous filament*
- D. *Luciferous tapetum*

8. The Queen Charlotte Islands is also known as Haida Gwaii or:

- A. "Whale Islands"
- B. "White Bird Islands"
- C. "Dark Shore Islands"
- D. "Home of the People"

9. The Queen Charlotte Islands are an archipelago off the northwest coast of British Columbia, Canada. They consist of about 150 small islands and two main islands:

- A. *Haida Island and Gwaii Island*
- B. *Graham Island and Moresby Island*
- C. *Dixon Island and Charlotte Island*

Cool and Interesting Links:

Diving Jacobs Well – www.visitwimberly.com/jacobswell

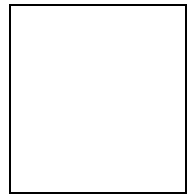
Jacobs Well Photos - www.smartdivers.com/photojacobswell.html

Monterey Bay Aquarium Web Cams: www.mbayaq.org/efc/efc_hp/hp_obw_cam.asp

CoCo View Resort, Roatan Honduras: www.cocoviewresort.com/webcams.html



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