



# The Rebel Yell



A Newsletter for the Diving Rebels.

-Oldest Scuba Club in Texas-

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## Important Reminder!



**CHRISTMAS PARTY, DECEMBER 16, 2006  
THE RSP LAKE ROOM ON LAKE ARLINGTON**

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## December Meeting Program

Judy Kay, PADI Course Director and co-owner of We B Divin, will present an introduction to the role played by freshwater mussel ecology in our Texas waterways, the role the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department plays and some of the freshwater mussel species a diver is likely to see on a dive in Texas waters.

## Diving Rebels Calendar of Events

- Dec 6 Monthly Membership Meeting
- Dec 16 Christmas Party
- Jan 3 Monthly Membership Meeting
- Jan 20 San Marcos River Dive and Clean-Up
- Feb 7 Monthly Membership Meeting
- Feb 24 Annual Ice Dive – Lake Murray, Okla

## Presidents Report

Greetings to all from the garden spot of Beaumont, Texas. Well, the November meeting was my last club meeting for a while and this is my final President's report. I am in my third week working here at the GE Water facility. I have returned to Dallas each of the past two weekends to spend time with friends over the Thanksgiving weekend and to take care of things around the homestead and begin to get it ready for me to move out – a very long and involved process. On each trip, I shared the company of Ted Glodowski. We met up either in Conroe or at his apartment and shared driving and expenses and each got a little sleep. Since Ted doesn't get off work on Sunday until 9 PM, the returns to southeast Texas have been a bit late for me ranging from 3 – 4 AM – not much sleep that return night.

Just to let you know that I have not forgot about diving since arriving here. My first night in Beaumont, I noticed a dive shop just down the street from my apartment. So I stopped in and talked to Jason Bush, who with his wife Jodie, owns the only dive shop in Beaumont. And it's within walking distance of my current, but temporary, residence. We talked about dives in the Beaumont area as well as the Flower Gardens. There doesn't seem to be a great abundance of local diving; the only place seeming worthwhile to dive is a spot called Smith Lake. So I will certainly be looking forward to continuing to dive with the Rebels as much as possible.

I am sorry that I will miss the December meeting. As best as I can recall, this is one of the very few Rebel club meetings that I have missed in the 10+ years that I have been a member. I only can recall missing one other meeting several years ago, when I got confused as to which Wednesday of the month it was. There may have one or two others, but I can't think of any.

But I am certainly looking forward to see you all at the Christmas party in a couple of weeks. This will be a good time to catch up a bit. Perhaps I will even be the proud recipient of the "falcon" in the gift exchange. (For those of you who don't know about the falcon, it is the current "white elephant" gift that is making the rounds in the Rebel events such as the Chinese auction and the Christmas party gift exchange. And of course, we would all be grateful to be winner of this item?!)

During the November meeting, we had our election for the 2007 Diving Rebels officers and I am confident that the club is in very capable leadership hands going forward. Jim Magnuson was elected President, and that is good for the club, as Jim is the active member with the greatest longevity in the club and is a past President. Other officers are Danny Bouska continuing as Vice President (as well as newsletter editor and webmaster), Keith Weber repeating as Treasurer, Linda Magnuson again taking on the very important role of Activities Director, Jim Kirchoff reprising his role as a wonderful Secretary and John Richardson is newly elected as Junior Board Member. We will need to appoint a Senior Board member since Jim Magnuson who, if he were not the President elect, would have progressed from Junior Board Member to Senior Board Member. But remember, as I emphasized in my report last month, Jim and Linda and the rest of the board really need the help and support of the each of you as the membership for them to be able to continue to grow and improve the club. They all can and will do a lot to improve the club, but they can't do it all themselves. So please reach out and step up to contribute with your individual talents. I will try to do what I can from a distance.

Again, I look forward to seeing you at the Christmas party. If not then, then hopefully on one of the upcoming club outings, in which I will continue to try and participate as much as possible.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all and I hope to see you soon. Please be safe in all that you do. Best regards to all.

Steve (Oggie) Ogden



## Join the Diving Rebels Scuba Club



**July 28th – Aug 4<sup>th</sup> 2007**

### Golden Reef Inn - Bonaire, Netherlands Antilles



**Package 1:** \$1399.00 per person double occupancy, includes roundtrip airfare from DFW, airport transfers, accommodations for 7 nights/8 days, room taxes, unlimited shore diving including weights, weight belts, tanks, air and taxes (24hr on site tank access and secure gear storage along with freshwater showers, rinse tanks, etc), daily continental breakfast and a double cab pick up suitable for diving with air conditioning, taxes and CDW insurance included.

**Package 2:** \$1549.00 per person double occupancy. Same package as above but includes dinner in the form of vouchers to selected restaurants.

A variety of options are also available to add to your trip.

#### Additional Options include:

- Unlimited Nitrox Upgrade: \$30.00 per person
- Boat Dives: \$25.00 per boat dive, or single boat dives for the week \$125.00
- Shore Dive East Side Cai: (max 4 per trip, intermediate to advanced diver only) \$25.00 per person
- Wild Side Dive Trip: \$80 A two tank dive (you bring tanks), using a custom-built 30-foot Zodiac Hurricane 920 built exclusively for diving, divers are taken to explore the beautiful east coast. The virgin east coast is filled with a variety of life, including the larger organisms: spotted eagle rays, green morays, nurse sharks, turtles, and more! Corals are found in abundance with sea fans reaching in excess of 7 feet high!

#### Not included in the prices listed above:

- Bonaire National Marine Park Nature Fee: \$10.00 non-divers, \$25.00 per scuba diver.
- Bonaire Departure Fee: \$20.00 pp payable in cash or debit/credit card (MC, Visa, Discover, all accepted, but American Express is not) at the airport prior to check-in.

Deduct \$110.00 from the package price for Non Divers. Non-diving children under the age of 11 are free of charge.

A deposit of \$150.00 reserves your spot with 25% of package price due by February 19, 2007 and balance due by May 15, 2007.

For more information: [www.divingrebels.org/bonaire.htm](http://www.divingrebels.org/bonaire.htm)  
or call 817-542-2962

# HEAR YE, HEAR YE

And calling all Ye Olde Faithful Rebels and other goode folks

## THE DIVING REBELS SCUBA CLUB



INVITES YOU TO OUR

## 2006 CHRISTMAS PARTY

**When: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 6 PM - ?**

**Where: THE RSP LAKE ROOM ON LAKE ARLINGTON**

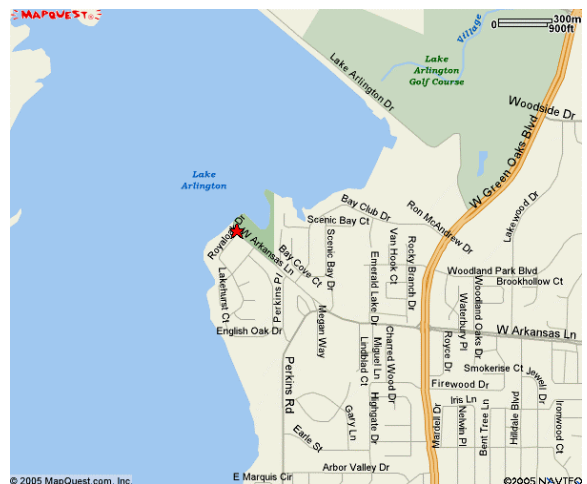
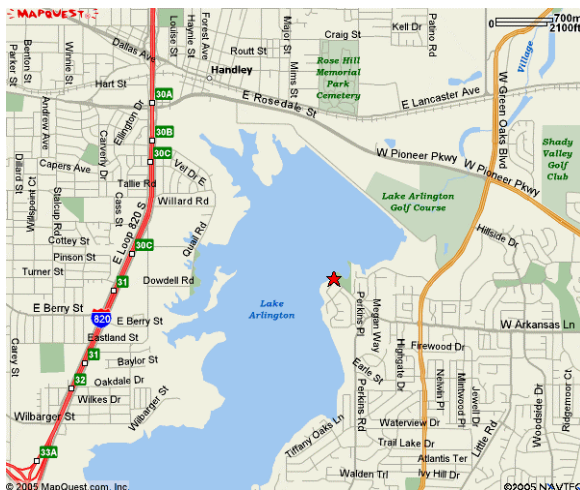
(just before Arkansas Lane dead ends at Lake Arlington – please see maps at bottom)

How much? Tickets are only **\$5**

What's to eat? The club will furnish meat such as turkey, ham, sausages, etc and soft drinks. You are asked to bring a salad, desert, appetizer, potatoes, breads, etc. and whatever favorite beverages you like.

Activities: Gift exchange (voluntary) with gift values of \$20 - \$25  
Raffle and silent auction for many great items that you can use for diving and camping  
Music and lots of fun

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## *PROPOSED* CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR 2007

January 20–21	San Marcos River Dive/Snorkel
February 24 -25	Lake Murray w/Scubadillo Dive Club, et al
March 24–25	TBA
April 13–15	Tyler State Park
May 25-28	Lake Travis or Lake Amistad (Memorial Day)
June 23 -24	Lake Whitney
July 21-22	Possum Kingdom Lake (Mid-year outing)
July 28 – Aug 4+	Bonaire, Netherlands Antilles
August 18-19	Clear Springs
Aug 31-Sept 3	TBA (Labor Day)
October 19-21*	Broken Bow (Pumpkin Dive)
November 10	Joe Pool (Chili Cook-out)
December 8	Annual Christmas Party

Notes: TBA = to be determined

\* This will be an extended outing. Plan to take off Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> to make this a “3-day” weekend. Boat diving is planned.

~ Additional local activities will be offered throughout the year, such as Main Street Days in Grapevine May 18-19, as well as movie or aquarium visits and the Scubadillo Crawfish Boil in April.

+ Blue water trip in late July/early August.

I look forward to another great year of activities and welcome any and all new ideas from the membership, as there may be places and events, which we haven't yet experienced. Also, please consider coordinating an outing as a way to contribute to your club.

Please contact me, Linda Magnuson, via the Diving Rebel website or by phone, 817-540-2950, if you'd like to help or have any questions.

**1.** The branch of biology that deals with the relations of organisms to one another and to their physical surroundings is called:

- A. Morphology
- B. Ecology
- C. Serpentology
- D. Geology

**2.** In dive center-sponsored trips, group leaders typically are trained:

- A. In first aid and CPR.
- B. As instructors or divemasters.
- C. To fix or adjust scuba equipment.
- D. All of the above.

**3.** Types of metal detector technologies used today are:

- A. VLF (very low frequency)
- B. Pulse induction (PI)
- C. BFO (beat frequency oscillator)
- D. All of the above.

**4.** Common principles of maintaining O-rings include:

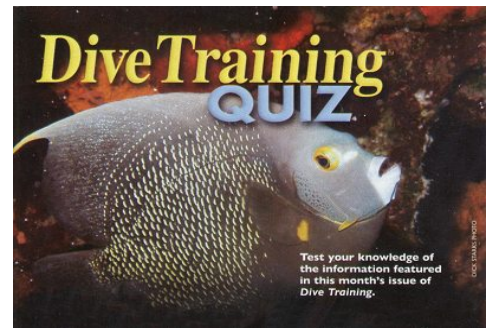
- A. Handle them with care.
- B. Not all O-rings require lubrication.
- C. The O-ring, not the lubrication, forms the seal, so grease should be applied in a thin, even coat.
- D. All of the above.

**5.** In Operation Crossroads, the two nuclear bombs dropped on Bikini Atoll were called:

- A. Able and Baker
- B. Cain and Able
- C. Little Boy and Fat Boy

**6.** Airlines compute luggage size in a linear measurement. To figure out the linear measurement of a bag:

- A. Measure the bag's length.
- B. Add the bag's height and weight.
- C. Add the bag's length and height.
- D. Add the bag's length, width and height.



**7.** Small openings positioned behind a stingray's eyes near the highest point of their head are called:

- A. Batoids
- B. Spines
- C. Spiracles
- D. Ampullae of Lorenzini

**8.** While composing a digital frame photographing toward the sun, it's a good idea to compose the shot:

- A. With the sun in the middle of the frame.
- B. With the sun just outside of the frame.
- C. With the sun at the bottom of the frame.
- D. Wearing sunglasses.

**9.** Nassau grouper spawning grounds are called SPAGs, which stands for spawning aggregation sites.

- A. True
- B. False

**10.** Divers should surface:



- A. Away from and to the side of the boat.
- B. Behind the boat.
- C. In front of the boat.
- D. None of the above.

**Birthdays**

Keith Weber                      Dec. 15th

**Anniversaries**

Jim & Linda Magnuson              Dec. 11th



**Early Bird Membership Renewals**

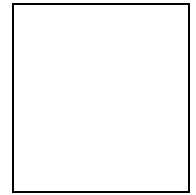
Early Bird Membership Renewals are now available thru the end of the January meeting.

If you pay by the end of the January meeting, you will receive an approximate 10% discount. The rebate makes the rates \$22 -individual, \$13 - each additional family member and \$4 non-diver.

At the end of the January meeting the rates are at the current full rates (\$25, \$15, \$5), so don't miss out. Remember if you haven't paid before the meeting March 2007, the initiation fee applies.

**Seasons Greetings**

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