



The Rebel Yell



A Newsletter for the Diving Rebels - One of the Oldest Scuba Clubs in Texas - Established 1958

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MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday – October 3, 2007
6:30pm Social - 7:15pm Meeting

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OCTOBER MEETING SPEAKER

Please join us at the Monthly Membership Meeting for an exciting presentation by Bob Powell. Mr. Powell is a Public Safety Diver with the Texas Department of Public Safety and will share his experiences with and the duties of being a Public Safety Diver.

Upcoming Events

Oct 3	Monthly Membership Meeting
Oct 19-21	Broken Bow Bonus Day Outing
Nov 7	Monthly Membership Meeting
Nov 10	Chili Cook Off – Joe Pool Lake
Dec 5	Monthly Membership Meeting
Dec 15	Christmas Party
Jan 2	Monthly Membership Meeting

PRESIDENTS REPORT

I want to thank everyone for your participation in last month Chinese auction. It cannot work without generously donated items and competitive bidding and we had a lot of both. We raised over \$800 and had a lot of fun doing it.

This October's meeting will be our chance to nominate people for next year's board. I would encourage everyone to consider what you can do to help move the club forward. I am aware that everyone these days leads a busy life, but we need people to step up and give that extra little bit of time needed to maintain the club's organization. Realize that no matter what position you may help in, there are always people to assist and make the job easier. If you cannot take on the regular duties of the board, please at least consider what you can do to help with an outing or assist a board member with their duties or ask to organize an outing for next year. If you have done neither before, rest assured you will get help and ideas, but the event can be a simple or complex as you want to make it. It's been a bit of a tough year, dive wise, for the Rebels in light of the flooding and calendar conflicts, but I am confident that this next year's inland diving will return to its pre-2007 quality and regardless we certainly want to do another blue water trip (ideas on where and when are already floating around).

Linda has confirmed that we have the *free* use of the pontoon boat for the October Broken Bow outing. Please plan to take the Friday off and come for a long weekend that should promise good diving and uncrowned camping. Look for more details elsewhere.



Birthdays

Danny Bouska Oct 8th
Sherry Hammond Oct 22nd

Anniversaries

None Known



Diving Rebels to Assist in Veteran Families Food Drive

The Women's Auxiliary has asked the Diving Rebels to participate in a food drive for the families of veterans who were injured in Iraq, Afghanistan and other locations throughout the world. **Please bring canned food items to the October and November Membership Meetings.** The food will be used to help veteran's families with Thanksgiving dinners.

For every 10 cans of food, receive one ticket for the Christmas Party Raffle, which always has great prizes!



A Special Welcome to the Club's Newest Members!

**Kirk and Wren Tidwell
Nick and Paula Boyett**

Thanks for Joining!

Broken Bow Lake Oklahoma

DIVING REBELS BONUS DAY OUTING October 19 – 21, 2007

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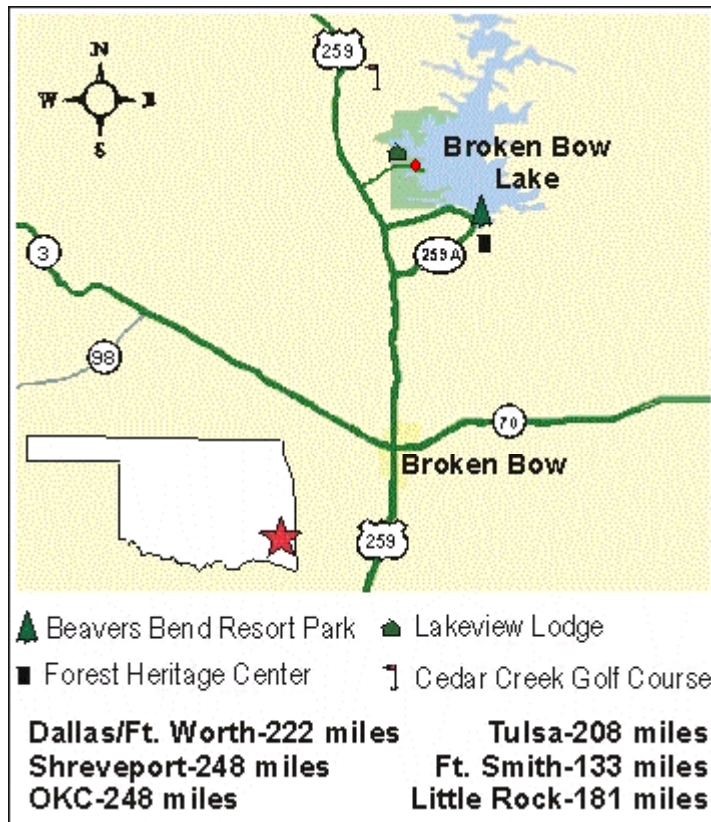
It's time to get wet! The Diving Rebels will be diving in style this weekend with a 30-foot pontoon barge. James Crowell of Broken Bow Scuba Services has graciously agreed to provide his boat for the weekend to explore the depths of this beautiful lake in southeast Oklahoma. It is only 222 miles from Dallas and offers reasonable visibilities of 6-15 feet.

Dive sites may be accessed by shore or by boat. This lake offers many dive sites, including cliff walls that can be explored to a depth of 140 ft. Water temperature at depth can be a little bit chilly, so come prepared for 50 degrees at depth and warmer near the surface.

Dive shops are located in the town of Broken Bow, which is about 15 miles from the lake. Air fills are \$8, so you might want to bring extra tanks.

Camping will be at the Stevens Gap area - \$8/night w/water & electricity. This area is Hochatown State Park. There are campsites near the platform and sunken boat, if we are lucky enough to get them (we will try to post signs). Some members are planning to arrive on Thursday. A meal share will be available for Friday lunch, dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner and Sunday breakfast, lunch. Sign up sheets will be at meeting or call Linda.

There are many cabins in the Stevens Gap/Hochatown Area for those who prefer indoor accommodations. Just a few: Pine Meadow Cabins 580-494-7391 (small winery w/in walking distance); Hochatown Cabins 580-494-6152; Broken Bow Cabins Lodging 580-208-2006 (of their properties, Deer Run Cabins seem closest to camp site). Cabins range from 4 to 16 persons and have various amenities and rates.



Directions to Stevens Gap area:

Take I-30 east past Mount Pleasant to Hwy 259. Go north on Hwy 259 into Oklahoma, thru Idabel and the town of Broken Bow. Go about 8.5 miles past town, then turn right into the Stevens Gap area. I will try to post info at the office and directional signs along the road. (Signs were removed by Park Rangers last year) We are hoping to be on Eagle Drive.

Note: Be sure to go past the Beaver's Bend area to Steven's Gap Rd (diamond shape on map)



Diving Rebels Enjoy Wine Tasting at Tony's Wines

Thirty-seven Diving Rebels Members and friends enjoyed an evening of Wine Tasting at Tony's Wine Warehouse on Oak Lawn Ave in Dallas on Saturday, September 29th. The Wine Tasting was followed by an enjoyable meal at Bellini's Restaurant immediately following. The group tasted 12 wines from Italy, California, and Chile and many found wines that were quite to their tasting. Here are a few pictures from the evening of fun and camaraderie.

Tony's Wine Warehouse



Bellini's



Test your knowledge of the information featured in this month's issue of Dive Training.



1. When corals cast out their symbiotic zooxanthellae algae, which lend the corals their color, exposing the white skeleton underneath, this process is called:

- A. Whiting
- B. Ocean warming
- C. Bleaching
- D. Global warming

2. Divers can reduce their risk of lung expansion injuries by:

- A. Not exceeding an ascent rate of 30 feet per minute.
- B. Using a high-quality regulator and having it serviced regularly.
- C. Avoiding diving too soon after a chest cold or respiratory infection.
- D. Not smoking
- E. All of the above

3. Fields of study that may require diving skills include:

- A. Marine biology
- B. Limnology
- C. Oceanography
- D. Natural resources management
- E. All of the above

4. The first step toward being able to remove and replace your mask underwater without stress is overcoming what's called the:

- A. Gag reflex
- B. Gasp reflex
- C. High-pressure nervous syndrome
- D. Refractive correction

5. Instructors can engage shy students by:

- A. Talking with them during breaks.
- B. Yelling at them.
- C. Working recompression problems or dive plans in small groups.
- D. Both A and C are correct.

6. When Columbus sailed to the Americas in 1492, his first landfall was on what Bahamas Out Island?

- A. San Salvador
- B. Rum Cay
- C. Great Exuma

7. When you travel overseas and register your trip with the State Department, the federal government can come looking for you in case:

- A. Of a disaster.
- B. You go missing.
- C. You are arrested.
- D. All of the above.

8. During the Great Depression, the Civilian Conservation Corps gave Texas' San Solomon Springs what distinction?

- A. The world's largest dive quarry.
- B. The world's largest spring-fed swimming pool.
- C. The world's largest cenote.

9. The mimic octopus is an Indo-Pacific species known for its ability to:

- A. Alter its color and pattern.
- B. Alter the texture of its skin.
- C. Make its body look like other species.
- D. All of the above.

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