



# The Rebel Yell



July 2018 🌀 "Celebrating Our 60th Anniversary as a Dive Club!"

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We are on the web in multiple locations: Click on an image to go to the site!



## MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday – July 11, 2018

J. Gilligans, 400 E. Abrams St. Arlington, TX 76010

6:30 pm Social 7:15 pm Meeting

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## July Meeting Program

Join us at the Diving Rebels Scuba Club's membership meeting on July 11 for a presentation on diving opportunities in the Cayman Islands!!



## Upcoming Events Calendar

- Jul 13 Restaurant of the Month: Jamaica Gates
- Jul 18 Board of Directors Meeting: 7:00 pm, Ted E's Kitchen, Bedford
- Jul 21–22 The Scuba Ranch at Clear Springs Outing
- Sep 22–23 Lake Travis Outing

## July Membership Meeting Date Change

Due to the fact that July 4 happens to fall on the first Wednesday of the month this year, the Diving Rebels Scuba Club will postpone its July membership meeting until **Wednesday, July 11.**

See you at J. Gilligan's on July 11!!

## Welcome to Our New Members!

The Diving Rebels are happy to welcome two new members of the club, **David Prichard** and **Jeremy Bradley!**

Thanks for joining us during our 60th Anniversary year! Here's to some great diving and fellowship together!!

## Birthdays



Jul 03 Robert Cox  
Jul 15 John Richerson  
Jul 16 Kevin Schuck  
Jul 25 Jim Kirchhoff



## Anniversaries

Jul 14 Robert and Elaine Cox

Did we miss/make an error with your special date? If so, it's either not included or incorrect in our database.

Contact **Vice President Dale Romack** to update/correct your information!

## Prorated 2018 New Memberships

As midyear approaches, Diving Rebels Scuba Club membership dues are prorated starting July 1 to reflect a 50% decrease in diving member dues. The club offers a number of significant advantages; see <http://www.divingrebels.org/index.php/info/benefits> for a list of some of the benefits that club members receive.

The following table outlines the schedule and payments for Diving Rebels Scuba Club prorated membership dues.

	Single Diver – Regular Member	Initiation Fee*	Each Additional Diver – Family Member in Same Household	Nondiving/ Nonvoting
<b>Joining July 1 and Later</b>	\$15.50/\$15.00**	\$15.50/\$15.00**	\$10.30/\$10.00*	\$5.15/\$5.00**

If you cannot pay your club dues at a monthly membership meeting, remember that Chase Quick Pay is always an option. For more details on Chase Quick Pay, see the article in the January 2018 issue of *The Rebel Yell* (<http://www.divingrebels.org/newsletter/newsletters2018/Jan18newsletter.pdf>), or contact **Allen Bothwell** at [allenbothwell@att.net](mailto:allenbothwell@att.net) for a mailing address.

\* The initiation fee is per diving member and includes a club t-shirt.

\*\* Cash/check discount

**Join the Diving Rebels now for half of the full-year membership fee!!**



## President's Letter



Howdy!

I hope everyone is having a great start to their summer. I see many posts on social media about Diving Rebels' going here, there, and everywhere for diving vacations—and, unfortunately, not being able to attend club meetings and outings due to their travels. We understand. We might use a few choice loving names for ya in fun, but we do understand ☺. I'd rather be diving blue water too! As I have said in the past though, diving the local waters helps you maintain a high comfort level for those awesome trips, facilitating great bottom times and a much more enjoyable experience overall. In fact, we had a discussion about this when a small group of us got together at The Scuba Ranch a few weekends ago. To go along with this idea, don't forget simple things like the Divers Alert Network (DAN) and their insurance offerings when you're preparing to take a dive trip; it can really be handy if you're traveling outside the United States. See DAN's website for further information about their insurance: <https://www.diversalertnetwork.org/insurance/>.

Our Midyear 60th Anniversary Outing was a great event, and we had an excellent turnout. Kudos go to **Jeffrey Bennett** for heading it up. I believe that the Midyear Outing was the best-attended event of the year thus far. I don't want to steal too much thunder from his report in this newsletter (not reading it as yet may not be stealing any), but a poll we conducted at that event indicated that at least half of the participants had held officer positions in the Diving Rebels and that most of those had held multiple positions. It does take actively engaged members to build, maintain, and continue to grow community. Some long-time active members couldn't join us at the outing, and both the newer divers and the experienced divers coming into the group would have loved to have had an opportunity to continue community building with them. Hopefully, they'll all be able to attend our next dive event, an outing at The Scuba Ranch on July 21–22! An interesting fact about the Diving Rebels community—**Jim Magnuson** holds the distinction of being the longest continuously active member of the Diving Rebels Scuba Club! I hope that the Diving Rebels will be around for at least another 60 years!

See you at the membership meeting on July 11!!! “Why are we holding the meeting on the 11th” you ask? Since the first Wednesday this July falls on the July 4 Holiday, we decided to delay the meeting for a week.

Kevin

Join us at J. Gilligan's on July 11!

# 60th Anniversary T-Shirts

## Linda Magnuson

Our limited edition Diving Rebels' 60th Anniversary T-shirts are still available, but you need to order yours soon.

These 60th Anniversary T-shirts can be printed only in batches of 12 or more, so if you would like to have one, please follow the instructions below:

1. Log on to the following website:

[www.catalogactivewear.com/suburbanscreenprinting](http://www.catalogactivewear.com/suburbanscreenprinting)

2. Place your cursor on the **SHOP PRODUCTS** tab, then click on **T-SHIRTS**.
3. Determine your shirt color and size.

If you want a woman's T-shirt, scroll to the bottom of the page, and click on the G200L selection. Note that fewer colors are available in this style, which features shorter sleeves and a neckline. G500 and G200 have more color choices, and other styles are available but will cost more.

4. Send an e-mail containing your T-shirt order information to **Jim Magnuson** at [magnuson.tx@gmail.com](mailto:magnuson.tx@gmail.com). He'll place an order with the company when he has received 12 orders for T-shirts. **Note:** You won't be able to place an order directly with the business.
5. When you receive your shirt, please give your payment to **Club Treasurer Allen Bothwell**. Shirts are \$15.00 each (\$17.00 for size 2XL and larger).

See Allen if you've already ordered a shirt.



## Restaurant of the Month ☞ July



**Where:** Jamaica Gates Caribbean Cuisine  
**Address:** 1020 W. Arkansas Lane, Arlington, TX 76013  
**When:** Friday, July 13, 7:00 pm  
**Phone:** (817) 795-2600  
**Web:** <http://www.jamaicagates.com/>  
**Email:** Elizabeth Neumann at [social@divingrebels.org](mailto:social@divingrebels.org)



In July, we're heading for the "Texas Caribbean," where the waters are warm and crystal clear blue, and the bountiful ocean brings the best to our tables. Come join us for our July Restaurant of the Month (RoM) event on **Friday, July 13, at 7:00 pm** at **Jamaica Gates Caribbean Cuisine, 1020 W. Arkansas Lane, Arlington, TX 76013.\*** We'll enjoy some authentic Jamaican cuisine and true Jamaican hospitality at its



best with live music and maybe even a rum punch or two.

Just respond by signing up for the event at the July 11 membership meeting; by accepting your invitation to the event on the club's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/96073813073/>); or by contacting me at [social@divingrebels.org](mailto:social@divingrebels.org) or calling me at (817) 995-4677.

Elizabeth Neumann  
Social Coordinator

\* Please always check the Diving Rebels' Facebook page or website (<http://www.divingrebels.org/>) to verify the RoM's date and location.

# The Scuba Ranch at Clear Springs Outing

## Johnny Griffin

At the last meeting of the Diving Rebels Scuba Club's Board of Directors, it was decided to move the club's venue for our July outing to The Scuba Ranch at Clear Springs in Terrell.

For those of you who don't know, Clear Springs Scuba Park recently came under new management and was "rechristened" as The Scuba Ranch at Clear Springs. On **July 21–22**, we'll gather at **The Scuba Ranch, 8131 County Road 346, Terrell, TX 75161 (940-765-DIVE)**, for a weekend of fun, fellowship, and diving as we check out what the new owners are doing at one of the most iconic inland dive sites in Texas.

The park, which first opened in June 2001, features a 22-acre spring-fed lake that has some of the most beautiful, natural habitats seen in a freshwater Texas lake.

This is one of my favorite places to dive in Texas. We were there on June 16, and the visibility was very good, at least 20 feet, with a surface water temperature of 83 degrees.



I understand the owners have sunk a new plane, generally spruced up the check-in area, and even given Sisco the Shark a "makeover." In addition, they're offering kayaks for rent (\$25 per kayak per day) and have upgraded their snack bar, now including ice cream treats!

The Scuba Ranch is open Fridays from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm, Saturdays from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, and Sundays from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. They'll also open Monday through Thursday by appointment. Snorkeling and swimming are now allowed, and the entry fee for everyone (divers, snorkelers, swimmers, and observers) is \$20 per day. You can camp in your tent overnight for a fee of \$10.00, and RV and electrical hookups cost \$25.00 for two people. As an added amenity, you can now pay by credit/debit card as well as cash. For more information, check out their website at <https://thescubaranch.com/>.

Whether you come out for the weekend or just on Saturday, you're sure to have a good time with your fellow Diving Rebels. We'll have more information about the outing during our membership meeting on July 11, and you can sign up for it then. Also look to the Diving Rebels' Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/96073813073/>) and your email for updates. See you the weekend of July 21–22!



# Midyear 60th Anniversary Outing: Possum Kingdom Lake at Inland Divers Report

**Jeff Bennett**

Hello, all!

I'd like to thank everyone who came out to Possum Kingdom Lake on June 23–24 to celebrate the Diving Rebels' 60th Anniversary during our Midyear Outing. We had probably one of the best turnouts that I have seen for a Diving Rebels' event.

I'd also like to thank the **Inland Divers Association** for letting us hold the Midyear at their location at Possum Kingdom and **Mike and Yvonne Mullany** of MY Scuba Shop for bring out extra tanks for us to rent. And thanks to **Jim Magnuson** for cooking smoked chicken for our meal and to all those who brought other goodies for us to munch on.

We had a good time swimming and diving, and we even had some visitors join the club during the outing! We also held some awesome raffles. Some of us camped out overnight, but a storm that rolled through the area messed that up some!





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