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OFFICIAL VOICE OF  
SOUTHWEST COUNCIL OF SKIN DIVING CLUBS



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Mr. Hank Silver, 634 S. Central Expressway, Richardson, Texas 75080

1. Copy of Clubs' constitution and/or Bylaws.
2. Membership list of club including names, addresses, and designated officers.
3. Membership fee (\$10.00 for the club and \$4.00 per individual).

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# PRESIDENT'S PAGE

## SUPPORT YOUR SLATE ADVERTISERS

This diver hasn't been under in too long! Since there is little or no diving for me to report, I will say that the Council is very active now on two projects.

The first of course is our Convention. Any of you who have not yet made plans to attend should do so by making reservations now at the Hilton Inn and by filling out a pre-registration form, found elsewhere in the "Slate". The host club has secured a 5- piece orchestra which I have personally auditioned and they are "outta sight". There are already some fantastic door prizes and raffle prizes for you to win. We have confirmed a guest speaker for the Convention's business meeting. Mr. Lonnie Peters will discuss Texas' Spear-fishing Regulations and the effort to change them favorably for us. All of you are naturally invited to attend the Convention's business meeting and other activities. You need not be a delegate to sit in, but it would be nice to know how many of you expect to be in attendance so that chairs, tables, coffee, etc. can be provided.

This, then, is an open invitation to all of you to attend your Council's Convention, talk diving, and see your Council in action. P.S. We have many more surprises for those who attend.

The second project is the campaign to allow in Texas the spearing of all species of fish. We are getting the support from many areas; notably, the Sportsman's Club of Texas, Inc. SCOT is a powerful Voice in Austin, speaking on behalf of the interest of Sportsmen. They have written a resolution supporting our endeavor to be delivered to the Texas Parks & Wildlife Commission. SCOT's annual meeting will be held on January 19, 1974 in Austin. SWC is a member of SCOT and allowed 5 voting delegates. Your interests will be expressed by those 5 delegates. Anyone wishing to act as a delegate should please write me at once and plan to attend.

Further good news. We have been petitioned for membership by a new club. The Quitman Dolphins under the leadership of Gary Simkins have applied for SWC membership and their application is being studied for approval. I have had the pleasure of visiting their club and promise they will be a welcome addition and a credit to the Southwest Council.

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### Non-Spearfishing

1	Cheryl Hubenak	IDA	26 points
2	Mike Kornegay	IDA	23
3	Robert Swiley	Ark La Tex	21
4	Gorden Hubenak	IDA	20
5	Elbert Jackson	AAA	19
6	Don Franklin	Sherman	18
7	James Gale	AAA	17
8	Tommy Herrin	Sherman	16
9	John Graff	AAA	15
10	Dennis Corcoran	IDA	14
11	Ronnie Walters	IDA	12
12	James M. Fuller	Cen Tex	12
13	Cabe Sasing	Cen Tex	10

### Novice Spearfishing

1	Homer Baxley	Hell Divers	31 points
2	Mack Guthrie	Little Gem	25
3	Danny Moss	IDA	18
4	Tommy Herrin	Sherman	17
5	Blaine West	Sherman	12
6	Steven May	Texins	12
7	Russell Sullivan	Texins	11
8	Julie Walters	IDA	10
9	Steve Burns	Texins	10
10	Ron Jorgensen	Sherman	10
11	Gary Embree	AAA	9
12	Don Franklin	Sherman	9

### Womens Spearfishing

1	Cheryl Hubenak	IDA	27 points
2	Sandra Matthews	Orca Tamers	22
3	Carol Embree	AAA	12
4	Julie Walters	IDA	12 no fish
5	Carla Wilson	IDA	10
6	Myrna Jorgensen	Sherman	10
7	Carol Franklin	Sherman	8
8	Kibby Jorgensen	Sherman	6

### Men's Spearfishing

1	George Beach	Lawton	56 points
2	Ed Ralston	Lawton	53
3	Bruce Mays	Lawton	52
4	Matt Willey	IDA	45
5	Jim McAnally	Lawton	31
6	Robert Swilley	Ark La Tex	30
7	Dennis Corcoran	IDA	28
8	Ronald Walters	IDA	23
9	Charles Crawford	Little Gem	20
10	Deryle Matthews	Orca Tamers	20
11	Wayne Mathewson	Texins	19
12	Mike Kornegay	IDA	19
13	Homer Baxley	Hell Divers	18
14	Charles Wright	Lawton	17
15	James Gale	AAA	16
16	John Graff	AAA	16
17	Jack Echart	LTV	16
18	Bob Lackey	Texins	16
19	Jay Zornes	Texins	16
20	Steven May	Texins	16

### 100% Attendance

1	George Beach
2	Ed Ralston
3	Bruce Mays
4	Matt Wiley
5	Jim McAnally
6	Robert Swiley
7	Dennis Corcoran
8	Charles Crawford
9	Deryle Matthews
10	Wayne Mathewson
11	Mike Kornegay
12	Charles Wright
13	James Gale
14	John Graff
15	Jack Echart
16	Jay Zornes

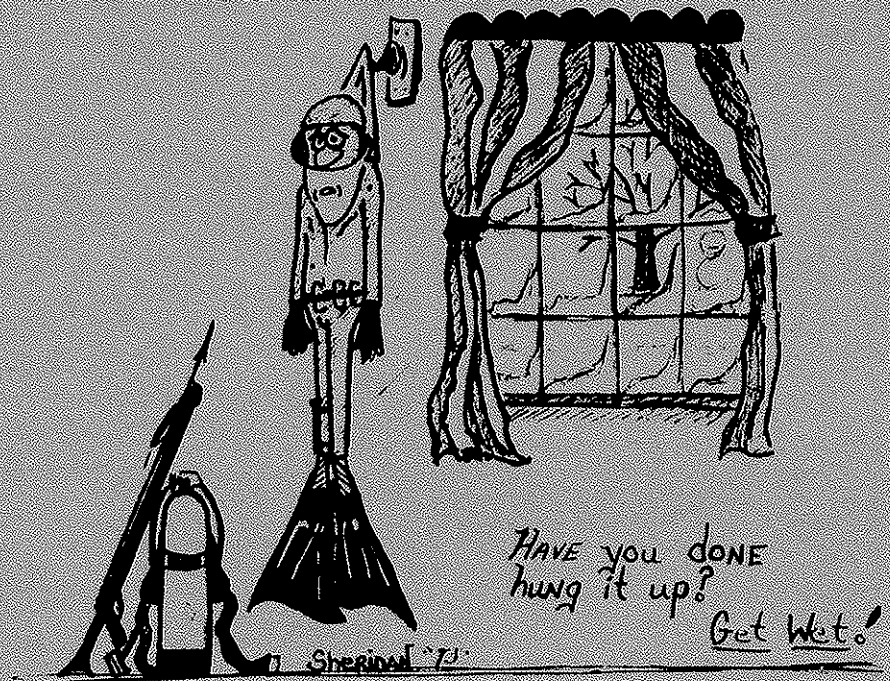
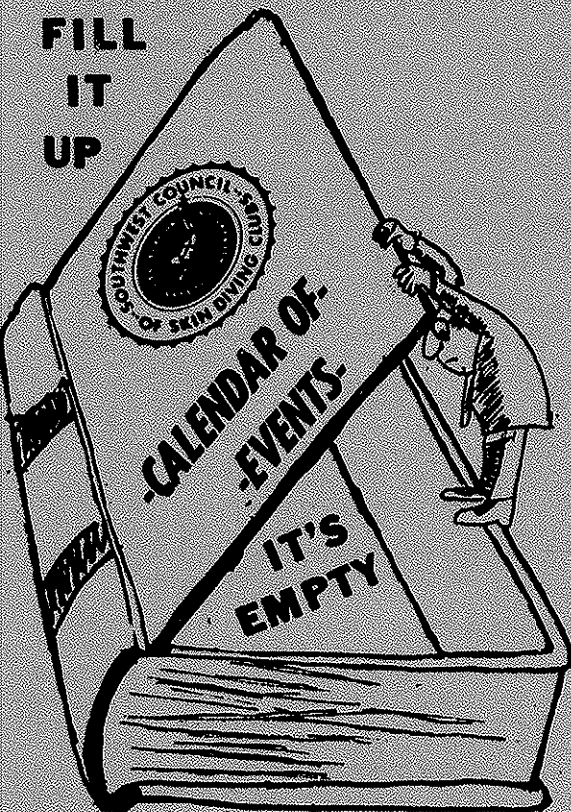


# SCHEDULE of EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Jan. 13	T. V.	Super Bowl	Houston
Feb. 1-2-3, 1974	Dallas Divers	Council Convention	Dallas, Texas, Hilton Inn
Feb. 16-17	YMCA	Instructors Institute	Odessa, Texas
Feb. 23-24	YMCA	Advanced Divers Workshop	Jonesboro, Ark. 72401

**PLEASE HELP US**

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UP**



**STARTING**

With the Feb. Issue the SLATE is going to sponsor a "Write the Caption Contest" for a diving oriented cartoon. First prize will be \$5.00 Cash for the one who sends in the most appropriate caption.

----- WATCH FOR IT -----

# EDITORIAL

1974 arrived right on schedule - but the "Slate" is late again, however not without reason. We didn't get the information on various activities as early as we had hoped besides the fact we were waiting on the Ark-La-Tex Gar Rodeo results which was held on Jan 6th. A complete report on this is to be found elsewhere in this issue.

Again we are asking each individual to help in our 1974 advertising solicitation. I have included the '74 rates and note that the ad year will run from March thru February as that is the term of the Slate editor. Since it is now changing this issue will carry a "bonus" ad for all our advertisers who helped us last year with a 6 mo. ad or more. Now is the time for all clubs to consider an ad for the year of 1974. A 1/4 page ad from every Council Club will help considerably so please consider this at your next meeting and start the year right by helping your Council. Also please talk it up with your local dive shop and other merchants with whom you trade. START NOW.

## ADVERTISING RATES 1974 - SOUTHWEST SLATE

Rates are for single copy ads in continuous issues, photo ready. If you wish alternate publications add \$5.00 per month. For non-photo ready ads (we do layout) add \$10.00 for full page - \$5.00 for one half page and \$2.50 for one fourth page. Layout charge is a one time charge for each different layout.

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WHEN & WHERE

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DALLAS DIVERS

Second Thursday each month. El Chico Restaurant, North Central Expressway near Richardson, 7:00 P.M.

LES HOMMES DES MER

Second Wednesday. Dallas Aquarium, Fair Park in Dallas, 7:30 P.M.

AMERICAN AIRLINES

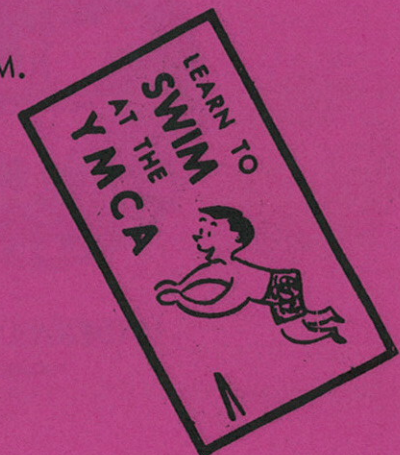
Last Monday at Training Building on Lemmon Avenue Parking Lot in Dallas, 7:30 P.M.

INLAND DIVERS ASSOCIATION

Third Thursday each month. Swanky Shack Cafe in Fort Worth, 7:30 P.M.

EAST TEXAS AQUANAUTS

Second Wednesday each month. TIKI Restaurant in Longview, 7:30 P.M.



THE MORNING AFTER  
by Scott Hilaman  
(From the Pelican Diver)

Our hero arises at three in the morn,  
from the party last nite wishing he never was born.  
Thru that veil of cobwebbs from too much beer,  
our hero tries to think; where the hell is my gear?

He bangs and he clatters and swears in the dark,  
the kids start to cry and the dog starts to bark.  
By now he is glad that he's going away,  
His wife's mad as hell and will grumble all day.

Into the car for that three hour drive,  
the ole head is throbbing like he'll never survive.  
While the fun of the dive creates drive enough,  
his stomach tells him it best not be rough.

The gear and the divers are all on the boat,  
with all that junk its a winder it floats.  
Out thru the inlet and into the swell,  
suspicions confirmed: he's not doing too well.

He suffers in silence to the site of the dive,  
knowing to get underwater is his chance to survive.  
With a great show of courage he pulls on his suit,  
can't make it to the rail; quickly uses his boot.

He opens his bag and pulls out his gear;  
He's forgotten something - he's gripped by fear.  
To us all if happens sooner or later:  
OH GOD, he cries, NOT MY REGULATOR!



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WINTER DIVING

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Instead of feeling forlorn  
Visually inspect your equipment  
Improve it where you can  
Now back to the fire  
Grin and dream of dives to come.

NEWS & VIEWS

We want to welcome Bill Posey, Owner of Arkansas Divers Supply, Little Rock, Ark., as a new independent member to the SWC. I'm sure we will be hearing much more from Bill and his efforts to get a group from Little Rock into the Council.

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U. S. Divers is hosting their first Aqualung Dealers Assn. (ALDA) Seminar in Austin -- Jan. 22-23 for all Aqualung Dealers in this area.

Understand two Aggie oceanographers, after two years of research, have discovered how to make a clear acrylic tank so divers can see how much air they have left.

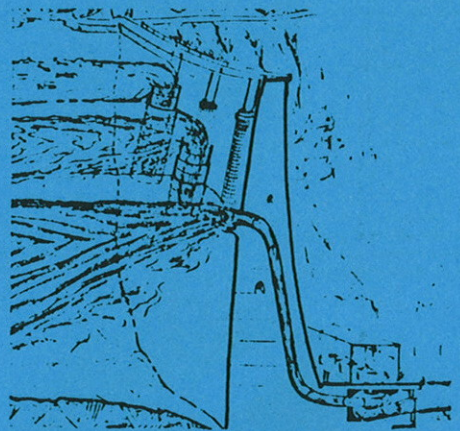
A. E. "Cap" Blood and #1 son Kirk just returned from a trip to Glovers Reef where they had some excellent diving, including 2 dives in the "Blue Hole". Seems as though some of the Divers were cornered by a large marine animal 50'-60' long. Most thought it was a whale shark.

From the appearance of Ed Ralston at the Ark-La-Tex Gar Rodeo he is preparing for a try out with the "Whiskered Wizards" even though he is only 4'10" tall or maybe he's hoping it will creep up on top. You look sharp Ed. Let it grow.

SCIP has just released the 1974 edition of their Divers & Instructors manual. Nicely done as usual. They can be obtained by contacting Tom Hanley, 14230 Edgecrest, Dallas, Texas 75240.

Judy Crouch has been galavanting around to Belize City and San Pedro as a guest of Coral Beach Divers Ltd. and she says it is all it is advertised to be and more.

Cold water taken from the depths behind the 502-foot-high Flaming Gorge Dam on Utah's Green River is perfect for use in the power plant at the toe of the dam. Unfortunately, with the intakes located 190 feet below the surface, the water passing through the dam is too cold for propagation of downstream sport fish. During construction and while water was bypassing the dam, the area became a prime trout haven. However, once reservoir temperatures became stratified, fish



no longer thrived. This model illustrates a solution proposed by the Bureau Of Reclamation. Two of the three trashrack structures would have 16-foot-diameter aluminum sleeves lowered around them to admit water only from the upper levels. The third trashrack will admit water normally. The mixed result of these should be outlet water of about 55° F, considered optimum for sport fish. A gantry crane would lower the sleeves on rollers against the dam face where they would be bolted in place, submerged and out of sight.

### CHANNEL PROPOSED

"The Dallas Morning News"

The Port of Galveston proposed Tuesday that a \$440 million channel, 57 miles long and 100 feet deep, be built to accommodate oil company supertankers meeting the energy shortage.

The proposal was made to the Texas Offshore Terminal Commission, a citizen group assigned by the state to inquire into the desirability of such facilities. The commission has asked the attorney general whether it can legally recommend an on-shore terminal, since its original inception was to study floating terminals 30 miles to 50 miles in the Gulf of Mexico.

Commission Chairman Joe Albritton of Houston said the cutoff of oil from Arab Nations could cause the commission to adopt a changing posture regarding offshore terminals, but the ultimate recommendation won't be based on the vicissitudes of politics.

The Galveston Port delegation openly recognized many problems with its plan, including environmental effects and the assumption that American companies can quickly apply the necessary technology for ocean dredging.

C. S. Devoy, Galveston Port director, said it would take five years to dredge the channel from Pelican Island near Galveston to water 100 feet deep in the Gulf, dumping the spoil in deep water and keeping any dredged sand for filling in beaches and low spots in the Galveston bay areas.

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**ALUMINUM TANK PROBLEM** by Brian Gibson  
*from Manitoba Underwater Council Newsletter*

If you happen to own one of the U. S. Diver's 1972 model long aluminum tanks, you may have experienced a couple of the same small problems that I did with mine. I found that with the tank having 3-3/4 lbs. positive buoyancy when full and 9-1/2 lbs. positive buoyancy when empty it presented the problem that, as the tank became increasingly more buoyant during the dive, the tank tended to pull up and away from my back. Although some of this feature is desirable, too much becomes a nuisance as the tank valve keeps klunking you in the back of the head. I adjusted to this problem by moving the tank lower in the packpack which left me with yet another problem. Moving the tank lower in the backpack frees more of the tank to tilt away from your back thus making it increasingly diffi-



cult, and at times impossible, to reach the reserve rod and necessitating my having to operate it at the valve from over my shoulder.

The solution I found was to cast two lead weights of 2-1/2 lbs. each in the lids of gallon-size cans (any large can lid would do but you need two as the lead sticks and the lid must be peeled away) and curving them to the shape of the sides of the tank. I put a section of inner tube slightly wider than the lead weights on the tank a couple of inches from the bottom and then taped the weights, one on each side, against the rubber tube. I then covered the tape with another section of inner tube to hold the tape in place and protect it from abrasion. This gives the tank approximately 1-1/4 lbs. negative buoyancy at the end of the dive. There is still a very slight pull away from your back by the tank toward the end of the dive, but this is not at all uncomfortable and the backpack straps can be used to keep the tank close to your back without having to tighten them so much that your breathing is restricted.

I also accomplished one other thing incidentally. The 5 lbs. that I attached to the tank was removed from my weight belt, making it more comfortable to wear.

COUNCIL DUES WERE DUE

JAN 1, 1973 - GRACE

PERIOD EXPIRES MARCH 31st.

GET YOUR DUES IN NOW

IN ORDER TO CONTINUE

RECEIVING THE "SLATE"

"Letter from the Secretary"

Dear S.W.C. Members:

I thought I would let you in on the planning of our convention. The Host Club this year is the Dallas Divers. Every member of the club is hard at work. The Hilton Inn on Central Expressway is the place, Feb. 1 and 2, 1974. Now mark your calendar for this important date.

Plan on registering early - there will be a discount for those who pre-register. Application for this is in the Slate. Friday night there will be a Social and I know you all will enjoy the evening for the man in charge has a great evening planned.

Saturday there is a full day planned for the ladies who find the business meeting too much. They can go on a chartered bus to Ola Rodreda Artist Center. I hear this is worth the trip. That afternoon, bingo with prizes donated by Gene Hall.

During the day for everyone we will have a room for resting and refreshments.

We will have lots of door prizes for the dinner dance Saturday evening and there will be two extra nice ones you can buy a chance on. They are a Carvel Boat donated by Hank Silver and a 30 gal. Marine Aquarium donated by Boyce & Delores Petty.

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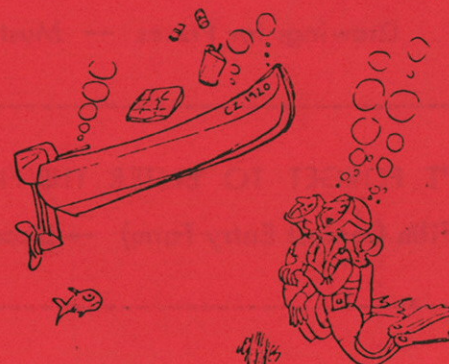
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Saturday evening is also packed full of surprises. I know for a fact the band is great. I know you have heard this before, but I do believe this will be one of the best conventions you will attend and all I can see that would ruin it would be if you, my fellow divers and interested friends, forget to come. So start making plans now for this.

Sincerely,  
Carolyn Weatherman,  
Secretary



"Say, isn't that our boat?"

(From Tiki Talk)

The DALLAS DIVERS host the ... 1974 SWC CONVENTION  
 FEBRUARY 1 - 2 - 3, 1974



HILTON INN - DALLAS, TEXAS

FEBRUARY 1, 1974

REGISTRATION: 4:30 P.M. -- 10:30 P.M.

- \* Cocktail Reception -- Hosted by Dallas Divers -- (Open Bar - Drinks \$1.25)  
 \*\*CHECK REGISTRATION TABLE FOR TIME AND PLACE\*\*
- \* Exhibits

FEBRUARY 2, 1974

REGISTRATION: 7:30 A.M. -- 7:30 P.M.

OPEN 8:00 A.M. -- Hospitality Room -- FREE COFFEE

9:00 A.M. Business Meeting

Other Activities:

- \* BINGO (\*\*With Prizes)  
 (Time and Place will be Posted)

NOON: BUFFET --- BUFFET --- BUFFET

1:00 P.M. Business Meeting

- \* Bus Tour and  
 Shopping Spree to  
 "Olla Podrida" (Unique Shop Center)

7:30 P.M. AWARDS BANQUET AND DANCE

Live Band \*\* BYOB (Set Ups will be furnished)  
 Drawings for Prizes -- Must Be Present To Win

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 (Guests of Coral Beach  
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TICKET ORDER FORM

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How did you hear about this Convention? \_\_\_\_\_  
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PRE-REGISTRATION

<u>Number of Tickets Requested</u>			<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>		
<u>SINGLE</u>	<u>/</u>	<u>COUPLE</u>	<u>SINGLE</u>	<u>/</u>	<u>COUPLE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	
_____	/	_____	REGISTRATION (Meetings & Noon Buffet)	\$ 4.00	/	\$ 8.00	_____
_____	/	_____	AWARDS BANQUET & DANCE	\$14.00	/	\$24.00	_____
_____	/	_____	COMPLETE SCHEDULE	\$18.00	/	\$32.00	_____
_____	/	_____	Total Ticket Order	Total \$ Remittance		_____	

DOOR REGISTRATION (FEBRUARY 1 - 2, 1974)

<u>Number of Tickets Requested</u>			<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>		
<u>SINGLE</u>	<u>/</u>	<u>COUPLE</u>	<u>SINGLE</u>	<u>/</u>	<u>COUPLE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	
_____	/	_____	REGISTRATION (Meetings & Noon Buffet)	\$ 5.00	/	\$10.00	_____
_____	/	_____	AWARDS BANQUET & DANCE	\$15.00	/	\$25.00	_____
_____	/	_____	COMPLETE SCHEDULE	\$20.00	/	\$35.00	_____
_____	/	_____	Total Ticket Order	Total \$ Remittance		_____	



The Ark-La-Tex Divers now hold a dishonorable title of the Second Contest where no fish were taken. The water was very muddy due to recent rains and as was Caddo 0-visibility. The party seemed to be enjoyed by everyone especially James Bryant of the E. T. Aquanauts.

Besides the movies and slides by Don Sibley we played kick ball, had some boxing matches and played galloping dominoes.

Bob "Roland" Creamer prepared some delicious gumbo with the help of Weasel and Janie Wood and Janelle Berger. Dot Sibley asked for the floor and had everyone swear allegiance to President Nixon for the excellent job he is doing. Thanks for your patriotism, Dot.

The compass course was won by James Swilley in 1 min. 48-9/10 seconds. Clubs represented were Ark-La-Tex, Texins, Hammer Head Divers of Beaumont, Diving Dames of Houston, E. T. Aquanauts, and Old Men of the Sea. No divers from Quitman Dolphins showed up.

Door prizes were won by Ken Scott, James Bryant, Jay Tornes and Roy Creamer. There were 44 divers entered.



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Another contest season came to an end at Caddo Lake with a record result - no fish! In spite of the high water and bad water condition the turnout was good. Thanks to the host club for a good time.

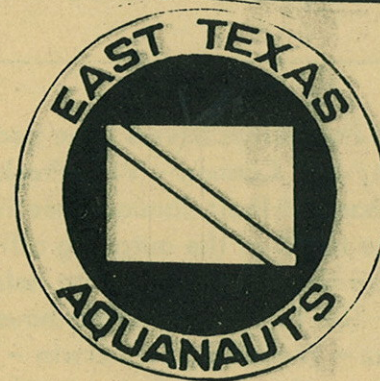
Orca-Tamers had their annual Christmas and award party at the Pearl Distributors Banquet room. Ron Christopher showed some excellent film from his trip to British Honduras.

Inland Divers had their annual Christmas party at the home of Wally Crutcher. I attended both parties and enjoyed both.

In view of the gas shortage I.D.A. is planning some local spearfishing at Lake Worth, better known as Mudd Flats (some time clearer than Murry ) but full of Gar. It will be called "Mudd flats shoot out". The challenge is by I.D.A. to any SWC member, just for grin and fun. It will be strictly informal. Anyone interested can call or write me for information, probably will be in January.

I would like to announce the birth of the 1989 SWC spearfishing champion on Oct. 5, his name is Terry Dennis Corcoran. Anyone seeking employment as a spearfishing partner in 1989 please send resume to Terry Dennis Corcoran, 6313 Greenfield Road, Ft. Worth, Texas 76135.

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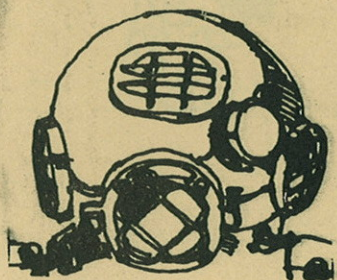
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## -----AREA I REPORT-----

The Dallas Divers have had elections of officers for the coming year. Shorty Weatherman - President, Mel Cannon - Vice President, and Anita Millers as secretary/treasurer. All of these changes will be made at their January meeting. Good luck to the new officers and congratulations to a job very well done to all of the outgoing officers. The club is knee deep in work and up to their elbows in planning to finalize the convention to be held in Dallas in February.

The L.H.D.M. divers have re-elected their entire executive staff again for next year. Phillip Rodriguez - President, Tom Erwin - Vice President, Jean Rodriguez - Secretary, and Earl Rhodd - Treasurer. The club now has seven board members, Ben Sleigh, Jesse Garcia, Becky Erwin, Ronnie Stephenson, James Irwin, Ronny Williams, and Dave McMurry. The January meeting will be at the Sea Cave Restaurant, at Seven Seas. The new officers will be officially installed as well as award trophies to the diver of the year and the Sportsmanship award to some well deserving member of the club. I would like to congratulate the old and new officers for a job well done and good luck for 1974 diving season.

The Texins have a brand new slate of executive officers. Ken Snyder - President, Jim Sanders - Vice President, Candy Luxem - Secretary, and Jay Zornes - Treasurer. The year end party will be at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Garland on the 19th of January. All of the new officers will be initiated into office as well as all of the year end awards will be awarded. I know everyone is looking forward to this annual awards party. Congratulations to the job well done by the present executive staff and good luck to the new officers.

The Sherman divers have not held their elections as of this writing. I know they plan to in the December meeting and I will find out that news for the next Slate. I did see some active divers at the Caddo dive--well sort of active that is, kinda like me, I guess. I think the next gar rodeo should be at Lake Ray Hubbard. There may not be any gar but you would be able to see.

-----Area Vice President  
Bob Lackey

## PROGRAM CLEARINGHOUSE

Gene Gall - "Gallstone Productions" - 7252 Stefani, Dallas, Texas 75225, 214 - 748-9451  
Film Titles ("VA Fogg" "Curacao" "Cozumel" and others)

Hank Silver - "Silverflick Productions" - 634 S. Central, Richardson 75080, 214 - 231-6561 (Dallas)  
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James P. Mularky - 1119 Green Cove, Richardson, Tex. (241-7721)

Slides show of Wreck diving in the Great Lakes  
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(A very experienced diver who also has stories to tell from all over the globe)

Anita Miller - 651 Clearwood Drive, Richardson, Tex. 75080, 214 - 235-2412  
80 - 100 slides on Coral Beach Diving on the Barrier Reef at Belize.

Modern Talking Picture Services, Inc., 1411 Slocum St., Dallas, Texas 75207

Judy Crouch, 4718 Maple Ave., Dallas, Texas 75211 (521-9772)

Slides: Cabo San Lucas, Freeport, Grand Bahama Islands, Nassau, Montego Bay, Cozumel

Boyce Petty, 1509 Bella Vista, Dallas, Tex. 75218 (Movie of Jamaica)

Carolyn Weatherman, 1309 Amherst, Plano, Tex. 75074 (Movie of Jamaica)

Anyone else willing to present a program to area clubs, please send name of program to Dick Wilgus, 804 N. High,

Lonaview, Texas 75601



## AREA VI REPORT

Well divers, again the end of the month has rolled up on me finding that I haven't written my report yet. I will surely learn one of these days.

We divers in Area 6 aren't talking much about the past Gar Rodeo, but instead looking forward to the one coming up in January on Lake Bistineau. We are hoping to find some fish this time to help us forget the cold water and uncomfortable conditions. Surely we can't have another dry contest. But even so, everyone has a real treat in store for them Saturday night with the gumbo dinner that is planned. It makes my mouth water just to think about it. I know that a lot of hard work has been put forth to make this contest a real treat. I think Laurance WOODS, Bob Creamer, Janelle and Billy Berger and all the rest that was involved in the planning for this contest deserve a hardy thanks for a job well done. Now if I can find the fuel I will surely be there to enjoy the food and the gar hunting. I haven't seen any of the Longview Divers, but I understand they did do a little checking out of the lake over the holidays so they just might be the ones to take the Osgar home with them. I know I would sure like to own one of them.

There is also a lot of excitement built up about the upcoming S.W.C. Convention to be held in Dallas. All the people I've talked to are looking forward to attending. I know I wouldn't miss it for the world. If it is half as good as the one that the Lawton Divers put on last year, we are certainly all in for a real good time.

I mentioned last month that the Ark-La-Tex Divers had gone 100% S.W.C., well now I am proud to say that we have a new club presently petitioning to join the council. So maybe East Texas is on the upswing. We sure hope to make our area one of the most dived area in the council. All we need to do now is get all of our divers to go diving.

I guess that is about all the news I have for now, but I do hope to see everyone at Lake Bistineau and if not there surely at the Convention in February.

Robert Swilley - Area V.P.



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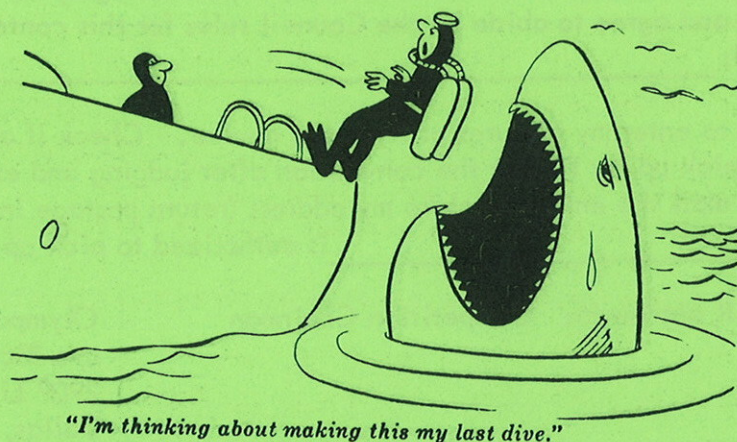
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ENCLOSE \$2.00 PER CATEGORY

<u>Category entered</u>	<u>Check each category</u>	<u>Max. allowed under rules</u>	<u># of entries</u>
A. Color transparency (slide)	_____	5	_____
B. Sound motion picture	_____	2	_____
C. Silent motion picture	_____	2	_____
D. Black and White print	_____	3	_____
E. Color print	_____	3	_____

Title of each entry beside corresponding entry member.

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| 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
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Attach additional sheets if necessary, with titles.

Awards will be made at the convention in each category for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, places. I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the Council rules for this contest.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

I want to enter my pictures or film as a novice. Check if appropriate \_\_\_\_\_

I will pick up my film at the convention after judging and exhibit \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail the entries back to my address (return postage included) \_\_\_\_\_

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Mail all entries to: Competition Chairman

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NOTICE \*\*\*\*\* DEADLINE JANUARY 25, 1974 \*\*\*\*\*

Deadline has changed to midnight January 25, 1974 as per rule No. 14 in the SWC Photography contest rules published in the December Slate.

RULES FOR SOUTHWEST COUNCIL  
1974 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

1. The categories that may be entered are as follows:
  - A. Color transparence (Slide), mounted in 2x2 inch cardboard mount.
  - B. 8 or 16 mm Sound motion picture
  - C. 8 or 16 mm Silent motion picture
  - D. Black and White picture
  - E. Color print
2. Limitations on number of entries in each category are as follows:
  - A. Not more than five transparencies (slides)
  - B&C. Not more than 600 ft. reel per entry, and not more than 2 entries of 8 mm and/or 16 mm motion pictures.
  - D&E. Not more than 3, 8"x10" or larger prints in each division.
3. All three categories may be entered by each contestant. However, prints may not have been made from an entry that is entered in any other category.
4. Slides and prints must be consecutively numbered from one (1) and each must be titled. Full name of entrant must be on each slide or print. Slides must be spotted on lower left hand corner on side opposite the emulsion. Include as many details as may prove helpful in judging, ie: film, camera, exposure, light, etc.
5. Prints must be mounted on 11 x 14 or larger mounting board. Framed prints will not be accepted.
6. Contestant must be a member of SWC and have been so for at least six (6) months prior to date of convention.
7. No commercial picture, or one made or produced for compensation, or made at the same time and the same set as a commercial picture shall be eligible in any contest. A commercial picture includes one made by or for one's employer.
8. Commercial or professional photographers; are not allowed to submit entries in the same film media in which they are or can be classified as commercial or professional. That is, a still photographer entering the slide or print category; a movie or t.v. set cameraman entering the movie category. This makes unfair competition and discourages growth of the contest. It is permissible that a still photographer enter the movie category and vice versa, as these two fields are very different. It is the intent that the contest of the SWC be amateur.
9. No picture winning an award in any previous SWC contest, shall be eligible for entry in any subsequent contest.
10. Contest films shall be the work of the contestant (or two or more persons jointly) except use of an amateur cameraman is permissible only when the contestant appears in scenes.

11. Subject must pertain to diving. (No fishing, hunting, boating, flying, etc. except that it supports the subject of underwater diving.
12. Slides and prints must have been taken while diver is submerged. No aquarium shots; all entries must be the work of the contestant. Movies must be at least 50% underwater scenes and must be titled and the container of film must bear the contestant's full name.
13. No copies of existing pictures, slides made from prints, or slides made from another photographer's slides will be accepted. Violation of this rule will mean automatic disqualification from all categories. Violators will not be allowed to enter the contest for the next two succeeding years. There will be a provision for appeal, but the contest director must be present.
14. Deadline will be midnight of the eighth (8) day preceding the day of the convention. This is to allow unhurried and proper judging.
15. Entry blank is to be published in each of two SWC States, published just prior to convention. An entry blank properly and completely filled out must accompany each set of film entered in each category.
16. Additional entry blanks must be obtained upon request and by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Contest Chairman.
17. Decision of the judges is FINAL and is to be made by the time of the convention business meeting and is not to be announced until awarding of trophies.
18. Any violation of these rules will subject the contestant to disqualification. It will be the decision of the judges whether the contestant will be disqualified from all categories, with the exception of #13, which carries an automatic total disqualification.
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