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Cash on hand 7-1-78..... \$1,657.13

Income:
 Sanction fee LHDM (March)
 35 spearfishing @ 1.50 (52.50)
 15 scuba skills @ 1.00 (15.00)
 67.50
 Film Festival (DD) 11.00
 Ind. member dues
 11 @ 6.00 66.00
 Slate Ads 89.17
 233.67

Cash available 1,890.80

Disbursements:
 Slate postage
 (E. Saunders) 1.53
 Slate Aug. 91.88
 Sept. 127.52 219.40
 220.93

Cash on hand 10-10-78..... 1,669.87

"Nationals" savings 310.24
 "Disability Fund" 108.91

Myrna Jorgensen
SWC Treasurer



Dear Slate,

Surely hope everyone enjoyed themselves at the contests over the Labor Day weekend. We couldn't make it - but managed to find plenty to get involved in. The Brazos Valley Divers of Waco challenged the Heart of Texas Divers of Temple to an Underwater Monopoly Marathon for Jerry Lewis's kids. Lewis Pack and Travis Garrett of our own Aqua-Holics Divers joined the fun for a few hours. We must give these two clubs a big hand as they played underwater monopoly for 55 straight hours and raised over \$600.00 for Jerry's kids.

Safe diving,

Lewis & Judy Pack
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S T A N D I N G S

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Points</u>
<u>Men's Division</u>			
1.	Dennis Cocoran	IDA	32
2.	James Permenter	IDA	29
3.	Larry Patterson	IDA	22
4.	Jim Woolridge	IDA	21
5.	Glen Sheridan	AAA	20
6.	Bill Roden	ETA	18
7.	Forrest Garland	ETA	17
8.	Mike Beach	LTV	16
9.	Robert Swilley	Little Gems	16
10.	Wade Garvin	ETA	16
<u>Novice Division</u>			
1.	Bill Roden	ETA	39
2.	Gene Daniel	Lawton	29
3.	Dennis Fogarty	ETA	27
4.	Wade Garvin	ETA	21
5.	Forrest Garland	ETA	17
6.	Bill Reese	Lawton	11
7.	Ray McRight	Lawton	11
8.	Jeff Jones	ETA	10
9.	Ansel Hayes	ETA	10
10.	N. Spence	IDA	8
<u>Women's Division</u>			
1.	Sandra Matthews	IDA	39
2.	Carolyn Embree	AAA	13
3.	Georgia Mayes	Lawton	13
4.	Myrna Jorgensen	Cen-Tex	8
5.	Elizabeth Saunders	ETA	4
6.	Beverly Fogarty	ETA	4
<u>Scuba Skills</u>			
1.	David McMurry	LHDM	28
2.	Susan Stewart	Dallas Divers	22
3.	John Fuller	LHDM	21
4.	Glen Sheridan	AAA	21
5.	Edd Long	ETA	19
6.	Helen Holcomb	Dallas Divers	17
7.	Forrest Garland	ETA	15
8.	Jeff Jones	ETA	14
9.	Sharon Kolesar	Texins	13
10.	Tom Erwin	LHDM	11

AREA I REPORT

LHDM/Texins Challenge Dive

This annual challenge dive between LHDM and the Texins proved to be worth a trip. Even though the waters of Possum Kingdom were still murky from flooding of the Brazos River, everyone enjoyed themselves.

Divers competed in one-buoy and diamond compass runs on Saturday, September 16. This was followed by an evening dinner of hot dogs, chili and fixins with all the beer you could drink. A horseshoe throwing tournament was started but darkness set in before it could be completed.

The spearfishing contest was held on Sunday and was won by the Texins. This was done in spite of the fact that Ben Sleigh of LHDM brought in a 20 lb. buffalo.

Wet Willie WrapUp

The Texins held this annual club event at Lake Travis on the weekend of Sept. 30. The club sponsored an obstacle course, a one-buoy compass run and a spearfishing contest for the clubmembers and visitors. A Saturday evening meal of chili was served by Wayne Mathesin. The weather was beautiful and the water was clear with 15 foot visibility in spots.

Dallas Divers

That Moore presided at the club's September meeting, and Gene Gall showed one of his ever popular movies. This one was on Grand Cayman. A "White Elephant" sale is planned for the October meeting to help build up the Club's treasury.

Jim Mularky brought up a new idea to promote diving. He wants to investigate the possibility of holding a "Dive-In" at one of the Dallas area pools. He proposes that instructors, new dive gear and dive shop displays could be made available

for the general public as well as divers. Those people who have never been in the water could take a carefully supervised dive in the pool, and certified divers could try out new equipment. Sounds like a good idea.

David McMurry
Area I Vice President

AREA IV REPORT

The diving at Amistad has been fantastic this summer. I've been down there almost every weekend since May, and I'm always ready to return. With the flood on the Rio Grande and Pecos last month, it should bring the level back to normal.

It seems like Amistad always has something new to offer in diving. A 25' cabin cruiser was located in 36' of water. For some reason, there are no intentions to raise it. With visibility occasionally in excess of 40', this should be excellent for photography.

Until next month, happy diving.

Bart A. McCollum
Area IV Vice President



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AREA V REPORT

It's been a long time. I seem to be gone on business more than I'm home but that is no excuse.

The Cen-Tex Divers are learning! We had a dive at Amistad Labor Day Weekend with a good turnout. Ron and Myrna's boat conked out about 15 miles from camp and they were cooked when they finally limped in four hours later. Marty Vonderheid dropped his speargun in 130 feet of water and decided it wasn't worth it (without a wetsuit) to go get it. Jon Kangas recovered Mike Choates girlfriend's rod and reel in 20 feet and she repaid that by catching a 2 lb. bass on it.

Texins invited us to participate in their Wet Willie WrapUp held at Lake Travis the end of Sept. and we showed them we are going to give them some competition. Chuck Bradley (pres.) came in first with 7½" on the compass run and Marty Vonderheid came in third with 24". The obstacle course was bombed with Marty and Chuck both getting tangled in the ropes. In the spearfishing event Bill Prout came in first in novice and second in largest fish with a 15½ lb. buffalo. You all look out, the Cen-Tex Divers are on the move! They are holding a scuba skills and spearfishing seminar at Lake Travis October 15.

If anyone is down this way, our meetings are held - 1st Thursday each month, 7:00 p.m., Sirloin Stockade on Highway 183 across from K-Mart.

See you in the Slate next month.
DON'T WAIT....COMMUNICATE.

Ron Jorgensen
Area V Vice President

AREA VI REPORT

Lawton's Lake Murray dive was great, the weather, the water and the meal served by Lawton Divers. The Aquanauts just couldn't find any fish, but the Aquanauts weren't the only ones. Aquanaut Edd Long did well in scuba skills.

Being an old member of ETA, I know the Aquanauts are busy with the annual club raffle and plans for the Gar Rodeo. But I didn't get to attend the October ETA meeting, so if there is anything else the Aquanauts want in this report, it will be added by ETA Public Relations Officer Jeff Jones.

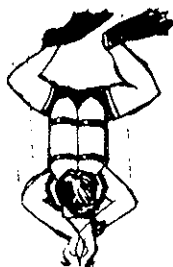
Dennis Fogarty
Area VI Vice President

AREA VI ADDENDUM

In addition to Dennis Fogarty's report, during the October meeting of the East Texas Aquanauts, two new members were voted into the club. Keith Meier and Clifford Barnes are both certified divers, and intend to work for the ETA and promote safe diving whenever possible.

The ETA officers are presently working on a bid for the SWC Annual Convention. In order to conserve time, the club voted in favor of the officers working up and submitting a bid for the convention without any further action required by the club membership. The bid should be submitted to the SWC sometime within the next two to three weeks.

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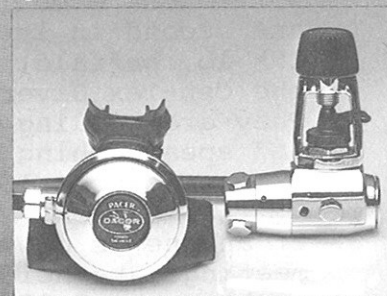
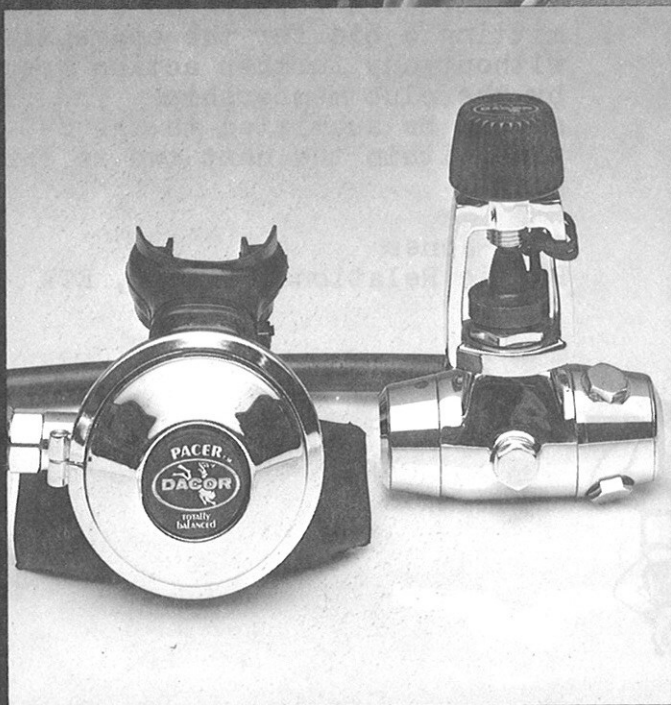
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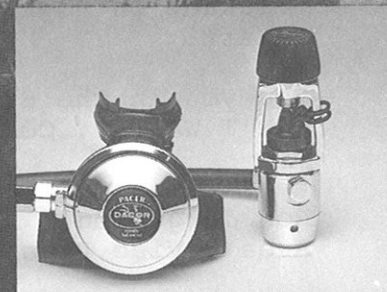
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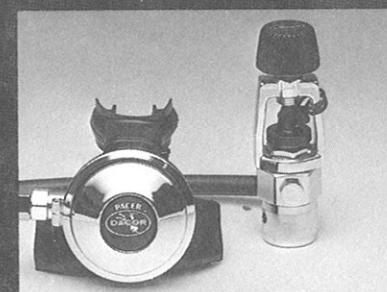
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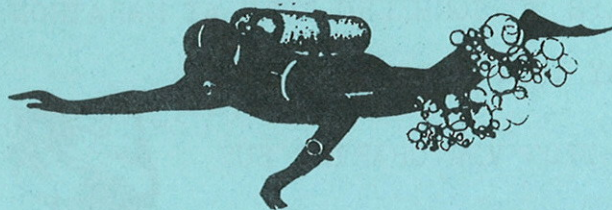
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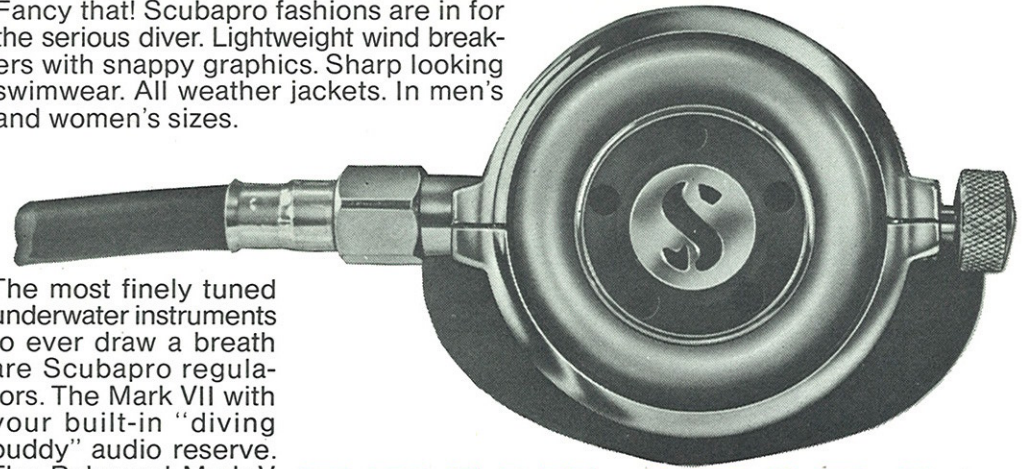
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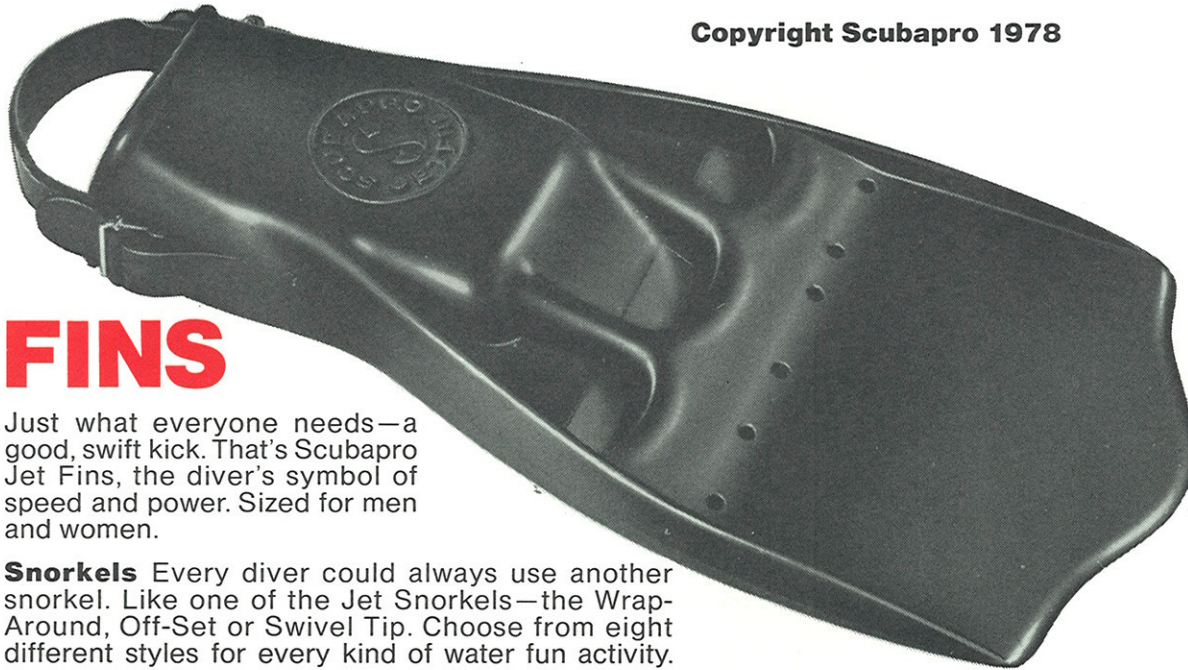
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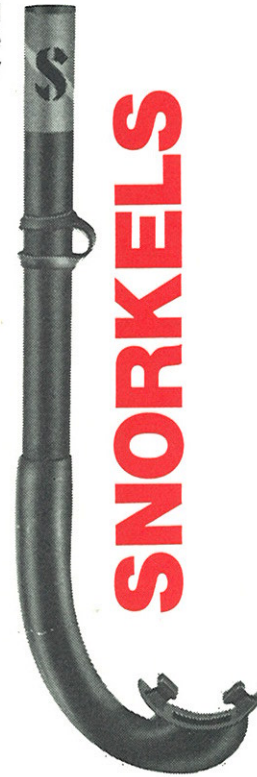
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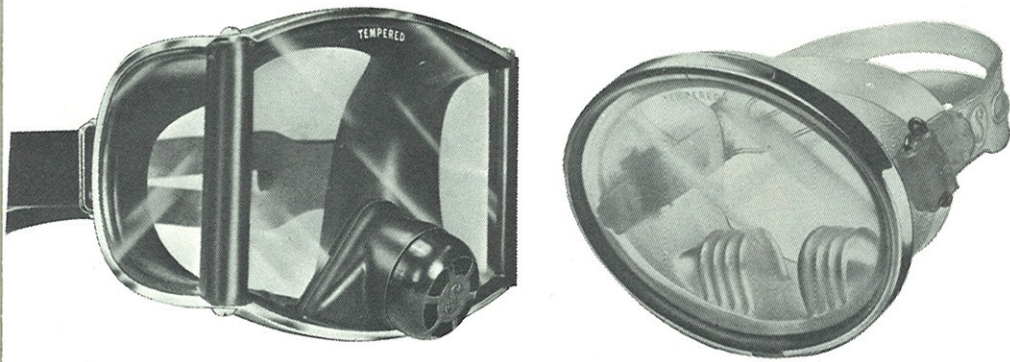


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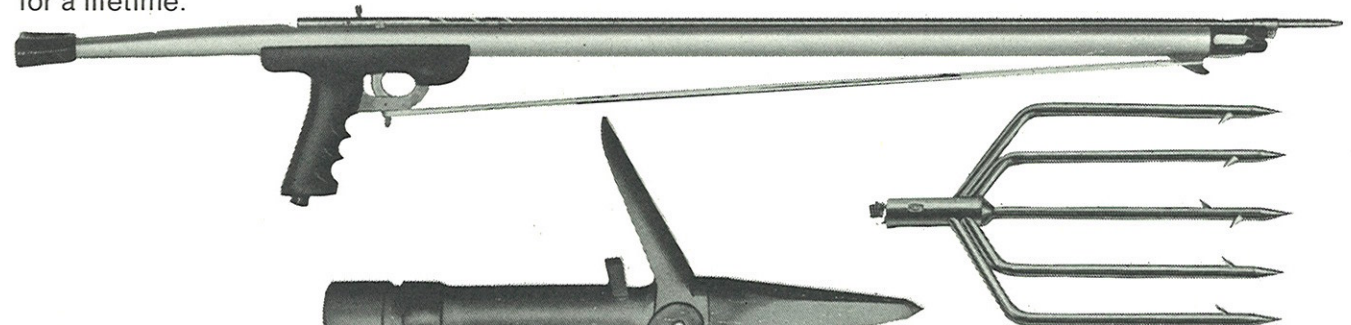
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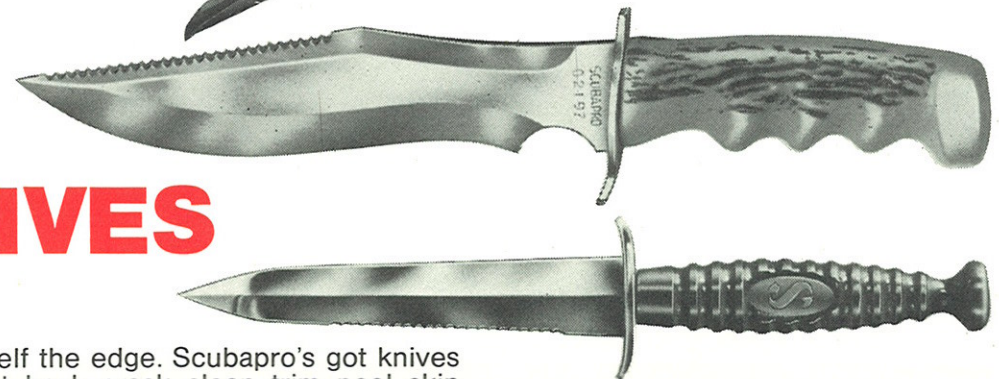
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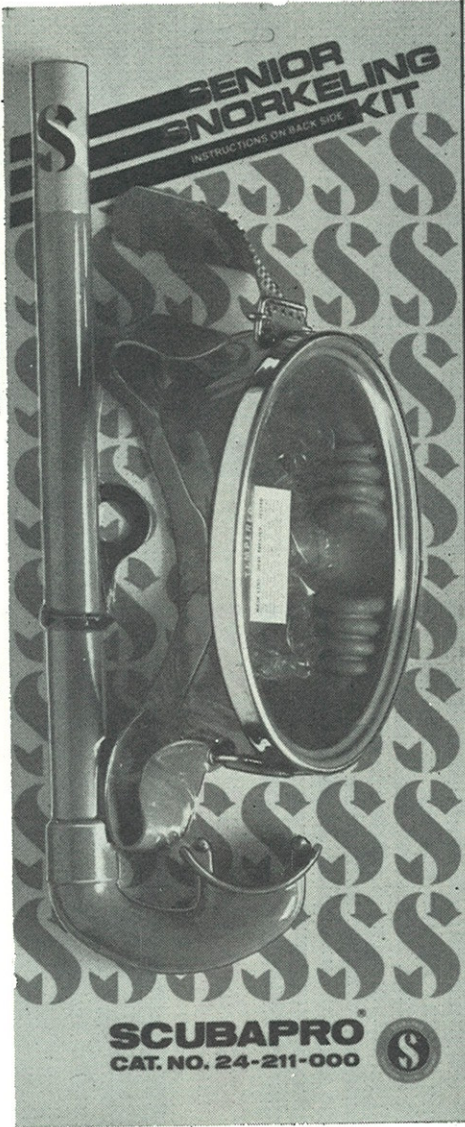
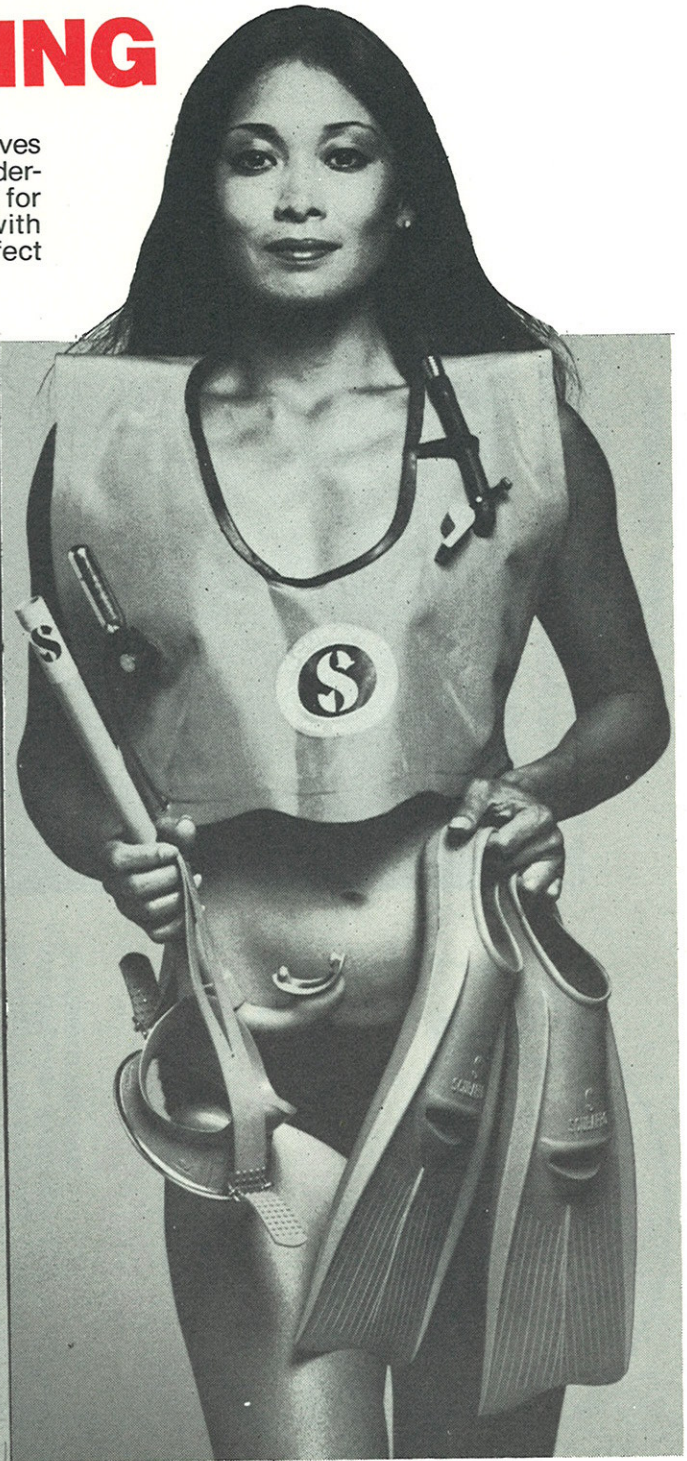


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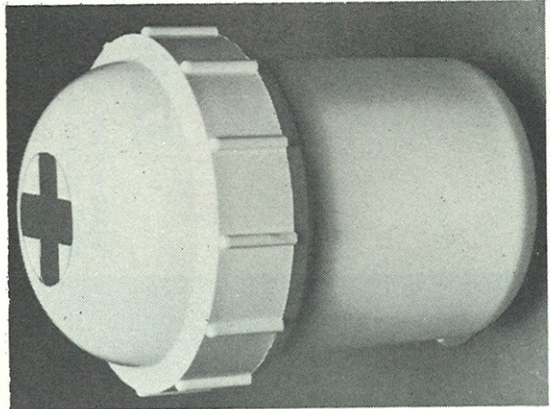
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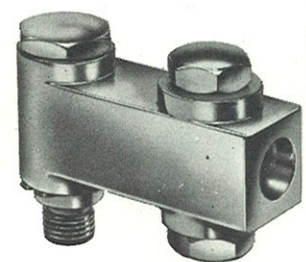
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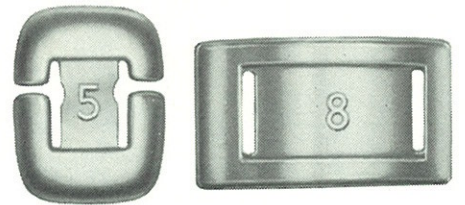


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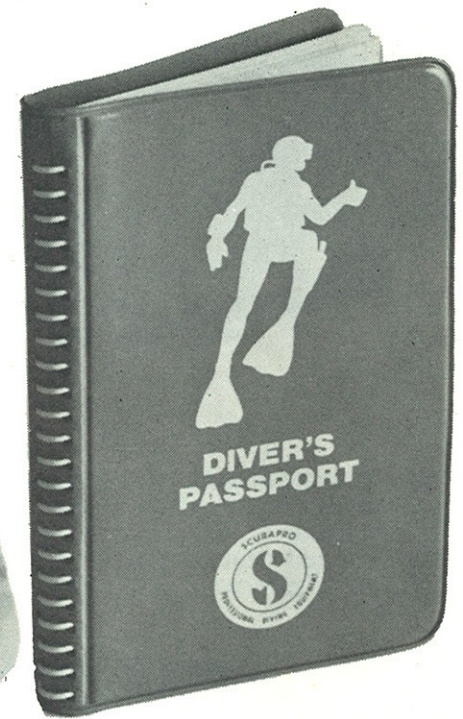
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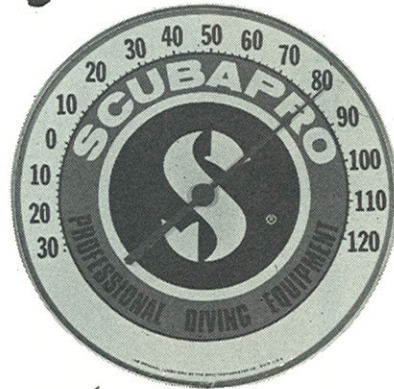
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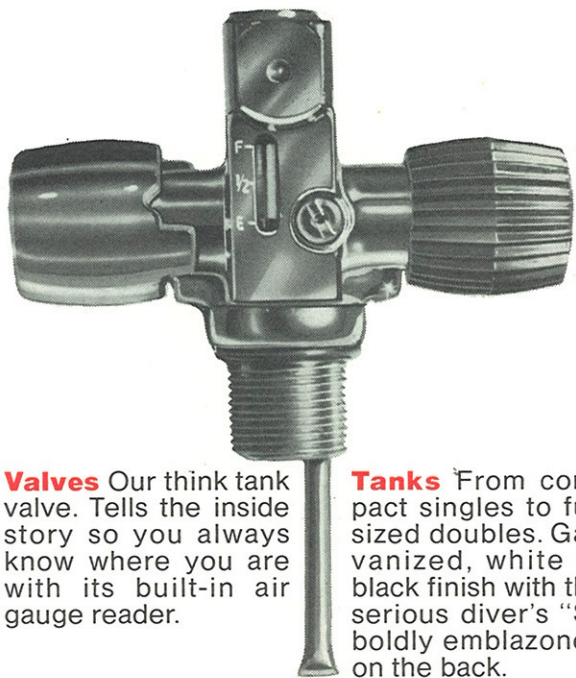


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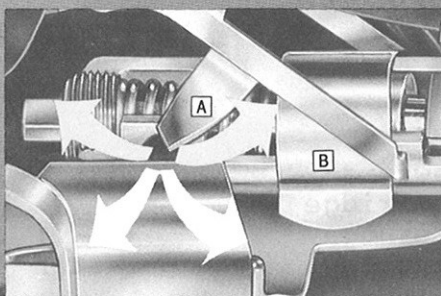
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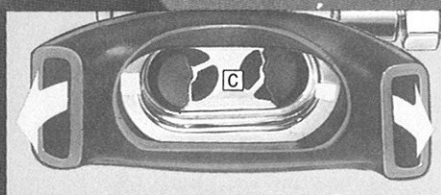
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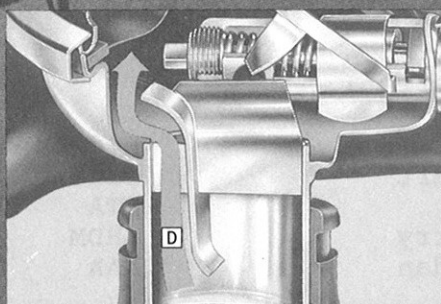
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PACER FIRST STAGE FEATURE CHART

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Balanced flow-thru piston design	•	•	•	•
Piston with teflon seat and back up rings for maximum sealing	•	•	•	•
Balanced first stage for minimum breathing effort and maximum air flow, regardless of tank pressure	•	•	•	•
Dual spring design provides equal pressure on high pressure diaphragm for smoother first stage opening	•	•	•	•
Swivel attachment yoke for proper alignment of low and high pressure hoses	•	•	•	•
3 low pressure ports on swivel for comfortable alignment of hoses for vest, dry suit or octopus	•	•	•	•
2 high pressure ports, one on each side of first stage allows use of underwater pressure gauge on either side	•	•	•	•
Heavy forged naval brass body, triple chrome plated	•	•	•	•
Heavy brass triple chrome plated body, yoke and yoke screw	•	•	•	•
Optional European din yoke for overseas use	•	•	•	•
Optional silicone hydraulic protection system	•	•	•	•

Men's Division

Largest Catfish: John Wolfkill (not SWC member)

Largest Fish:

1st	Dennis Corcoran	IDA	6 lb. 5 oz.
2nd	James Permenter	IDA	6 lb. 4 oz.
3rd	Jim Woolridge	IDA	5 lb. 15 oz.
4th	Edd Long	ETA	5 lb. 5 oz.

Most Fish:

1st	Charles Crawford	Little Gems	7 fish
2nd	Jim Woolridge	IDA	4 fish
3rd	Larry Patterson	IDA	3 fish
4th	Doyle Pennington	Lawton	2 fish

Team Total Weight:

1st	Swilley/Crawford	Little Gems	25 lb. 6 oz.
2nd	Corcoran/Woolridge	IDA	14 lb. 0 oz.
3rd	Patterson/Kornegay	IDA	10 lb. 8 oz.
4th	Mayes/Pennington	Lawton	9 lb. 4 oz.

Novice Division

No fish

Women's Division

No entries

Scuba Skills (compass run)

1st	Tom Gibson	Hydronauts (not SWC member)
2nd	Susan Stewart	Dallas Divers
3rd	Edd Long	ETA
4th	David McMurry	LHDM
5th	Glen Sheridan	AAA



EDITORIAL

A few thoughts about the SWC convention coming up in February.

All changes must be submitted in writing in time to be published to be eligible to pass by 2/3 vote at convention. All others will be 100% to pass.

In past issues there have been comments to the effect that officers of the SWC need to do the best job possible, and the Slate agrees that this would improve the SWC as an organization. With this in mind, we would hope that the people nominated in the coming year, if elected, would be the type people to take pride in their office and do their best to make the SWC a better organization.

The Editor and Staff of The Slate have tried to do the best job we could on each issue of the Slate. We would hope that in the coming year that the Editor of the Slate has enough help and information to do the job effectively.

ETA as a club has had the opportunity to prove that a group of people with the help of all area V.P.'s can do the job in at least getting what information we get out each month.

Publication of The Slate is one of the more important functions that needs the help of the entire SWC membership clubs. It will be as good as the information it carries. With this in mind the convention should bring about a club willing to take over The Slate with a club effort that has to be effective.

In effect we are asking all clubs to consider their nominees to offices and to support the elected officers with their help.

One person can only do so much without help and support. Since the SWC is made up of groups of people in clubs, this should provide the help needed to each officer elected.

So let's move into the Convention with plans to make 1979 the best year for the SWC and all the clubs that make it up.

Editorial Staff

the "bible" of underwater photography

This is the book that tells it all about the fastest growing interest of divers everywhere. Whether you're a novice photographer or an expert, you'll want to make the most out of the time you spend underwater by capturing your diving experiences on film. Dacor commissioned author Joe Strykowski, who is an expert diver, instructor and photographer, to write an authoritative hard cover volume in a clear, concise style that simplifies theory, techniques and practical methods. **Divers & Cameras** provides full coverage of the entire range of equipment including cameras, lenses, housings, filters, film, light meters, dome ports, macrophotography strobe and flash bulb lighting. Additional chapters cover composition and movie making. Over 150 photos, illustrations, charts and tables are packed into 212 pages. This is a "how to" book.



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Novice Color Prints

1st Byron Darby
2nd Byron Darby
3rd Byron Darby

Sound Motion Pictures

1st Gene Gall

Silent Motion Pictures

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Slate and fellow divers,

Hope to find everyone doing well and wet. Sept. 15-16 the Longview Dive Shop chartered The Silver King II for a weekend of fantastic weather and smooth seas. We had a great B.S. session, with well known watermen Weasel Woods, Don Sibley, and my little buddy Edd Long contributing words of wisdom about sea snakes on the oil rigs. We were about drained of energy by the time we hit the jetty's due to continual bombardment of six inch mosquitos, the big ones always get away. By sunrise everyone was getting gear ready for the water, except for ole Reg Ormsby, little did he know that the water was getting ready for him. Ole Reg had us fooled for a while cause he said he was chumming for sharks. Hang in there Reg, I mean hang over there Reg. By the time we hit the first rig several people were helping Reg chum for sharks. Edd wanted to help but Weasel and I held him back for an all time FIRST. To make a long story short we had a very good weekend and shot lots of snapper. Bill Roden was modeling the latest fashions in rig diving apparel, for fashion debut ask BILL.

Sept. 23-24, the Lawton Divers put on their annual Catfish Roundup at beautiful Lake Murray. The accommodations were great, the lake was fantastic, the food superb, but NO FISH. Our Thanks to the Lawton Divers for another fine event. Well, the Lawton Dive ended the year for the contestants of all scuba skills event, with one more event for all the spearfishermen at the ever trying COLD CADD0. This year I'm hoping for about 1 inch of ice on the lake, just to make it sporting.

In case ya'll don't know, one of our top spearfishermen this year and dear friend is having serious foot surgery and will not be able to attend Caddo. We wish a speedy recovery to ya Larry Patterson. Probably by the time it is all over, Gay will be the one who will need the most help. Anyhow Good Luck, Larry.

Our Thanks also goes to the Dallas Divers for their annual "Quentin Becket Memorial Photo Contest." For ALL you who did not attend I can honestly say You missed a Treat. They had several displays of various diving sites. Wayne Mathewson had a display of plexi-glas camera housing and novelties. Jim Mularky had a display on Salvage Diving in the Great Lakes with histreasures he found and a slide presentation to follow. I thought The Dallas Divers had a wide variety of beautiful prints and slides and the most unusual trophies I've ever seen. Thanks again for another great Photo contest.

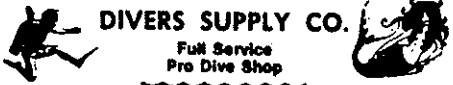
Well so long for now and I hope to see you all at The Gar Rodeo in December.

Goodnite Larry.

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