



So Much Diving—So Little Time

Howdy!

Where to begin? There is lots of diving to be had.

We are at Athens this weekend then hoping to go to Clear Springs starting next weekend.

- Memorial Day sinking of new jet in Athens
- North Texas Scuba Retailers Fun Dive Day Jun 5th from 12-3. Scavenger hunts, vendor gear demos, great munchies!
- Flower Gardens Jun 11-12

- Junior Kids Camp in June (14-17) and July (11-15) in both stores
- Bonaire - Rich and Patti in June and July
- July 16th Hell's Gate Cleanup
- Sept Dive Around Texas awards banquet
- October 15 - Splash Funfest in Cozumel with Nancy
- Feb 2012—Turks & Caicos Aggressor

Where do you want to go? We can help with that.



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Specialty—Peak Performance Buoyancy

What is neutral buoyancy? Scuba divers like to be neutrally buoyant so they neither sink nor float. It can be a tricky thing. Divers who've mastered the highest performance levels in buoyancy stand apart. You've seen them underwater. They glide effortlessly, use less air and ascend, descend or hover, almost as if by thought. They interact gently with aquatic life and affect their surroundings minimally. The PADI Peak Performance Buoyancy course refines the basic skills you learned as a [PADI Open Water Diver](#) and elevates them to the next level.

The Fun Part

The fun part of this course is giving your dive skills a polish you may not have thought possible.

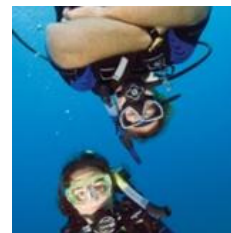
What You Learn

- How to trim your [scuba gear](#) so you're perfectly balanced in the water
- Nuances in determining [weight](#) so you're not too light nor too heavy by even a slight degree
- How to streamline to save air and move smoothly through the water

- How to hover effortlessly in both a vertical position and a horizontal position

Your Next Adventure

Part of mastering buoyancy control is learning how to use your [BCD](#) and [weight system](#) effectively, plus maintain streamlining. This makes the PADI [Equipment Specialist](#) course a natural companion, because you learn more about these pieces of [gear](#) and how to make them suit your specific diving styles.



Where are we diving

- May 21-22 CSSP
- May 28-29 CSSP
- Jun 4-5 CSSP
- Jun 11-12 CSSP
- Jun 18-19 CSSP
- Jun 25-26 CSSP
- Jul 2-3 CSSP
- Jul 9-10 CSSP

SPECIALITY COURSE

Course Name	Min Age	Prerequisite Certification	Learning Materials	Scuba Gear You'll Need
Peak Performance Buoyancy	10	(Jr.) Open Water Diver or qualifying rating	PADI's Peak Performance Buoyancy Video	Basic Scuba Gear

Diving Milestones and New Divers

Open Water

Colton Marshall
Mason Raines
Nick Raines
Hesanni Lopez
Denis Clemens
Nina Duong
David Nguyen
Dave Sedlin
Hal Marshall
Luke Marvel
Robert Trejo
Adrian Ramsey
Scott Airtam
Scott Rogers
Dan Parks
Rebecca Parks
Catherine Rudder
Ray Jennings
Valerie Jennings
Ramya Sundaralingam
Naveendran Wijeyasekaran

Chad Gay
Paul Paris
Karen Wile
Thomas Mathias
Jennifer Yenter
Jim Yenter
Eric Wilson
Chad Harris
Anthony Grindl
Larry Jinks
John Martin
Kayla Lorentz
Rishita Patel
Drew Jarman
Elizabeth Bowman
Laura Mitchell
Patricia DeLay
Lauren Gaudielle
Ashley Malfitano
Brian Malfitano
Lindsay Davenport
Mike Berkstresser
Cassandra Holtz
James Keller
Jessica Cook
Christopher Roundtree
April Nunn
Stefanie Allan
David Ryan
Catherine Fabris
Penny Vennerholm
Amber Vennerholm
Donna Howell
Colin Howell
Laura Burgess
Cleo Reed
Russell Garrett
Renee Garrett
Yulia Grishina
Sam Atwood
Jeffrey Hartz
David Crafton
Suzanne Keck

Nick Turner
Elissa Berchelmann
Arturo Dominguez
Heather Zak
Joel Christian
Michael Roach
Rachel Ijames

National Geographic Open Water Diver

Jim Mannes

Advanced Open Water

Soren Haroldson
Gordon Cox

Enriched Air

Lowell Davis
Vickie Davis
Ricky Hill
Craig Thomas
Eric Moore
Lonnie Trammell
JoAnn Trammel

Peak Performance Buoy.

Denis Clemens
Hesanni Lopez
Robert Trejo
Karen Wiles
Paul Paris
Ramya Sundaralingam
Naveendran Wijeyasekaran
Donna Howell
Colin Howell
Arturo Dominguez
Suzanne Keck
David Crafton

Deep Diver

Neil Smith

Dry Suit Diver

Cassandra Holtz

Master Scuba Diver

Kristy Corbeil

Open Water Scuba Instructor

James Thompson

**From what we get we
make a living. From
what we give we make
a life.**

- Winston Churchill



What's Happening

Memorial Day Weekend - Sinking of the new plane in Athens www.athensscubapark.com

May 27-30th - Memorial Day in Cozumel with Patti. Come do your check out dives with us there or further your diving with Advanced Open Water. We have a great group. \$1250

June 5th - North Texas Retailers Fun Dive Day 12pm-3pm. Park Entry fee \$20

June 13-17 - Junior Open Water camp 8a-12p in Carrollton and Garland

July 2nd-10th - Bonaire Buddy Dive with Patti - We have one spot left. Come join us! \$1000 plus air



July 11-15 - Junior Open Water camp 8a-12p in Carrollton and Garland

July 16th - Hell's Gate Possum Kingdom Annual Cleanup. Free!

October 8th-15th - Splash in Cozumel is born again - this time called Fun Fest - If you are looking for some great diving, fun events and parties at night, scavenger hunts and other fun activities, join Nancy for the week. \$870-905 plus air.

February 2012 - Turks and Caicos Aggressor with the whales

June 16-23 - Cobalt Coast on Grand Cayman

Summer 2012 - Galapagos Aggressor or Baja Aggressor



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Looking for a change of lifestyle—come see us we can help!

CD Corner - Teaching Kids

I thought I would focus on Junior Open Water this month.

How jealous all of us over 30 are when we see a 10 yr old getting certified. Just think where we might be if we had started back then. I would like to think I might live on an island some where.

If your kiddos are approaching 10 years old or are already 10. We have 2 junior camps one in June (13-17) and one in July (11-15). The class is 8am-12pm Monday-Friday and we have

class and pool time each day they are here. I always look forward to teaching or at least assisting with the camps because kids are fun. They don't need the same explanations that adults need and they can do the skills better than many of us.

My favorite time teaching kids happened several years ago. I was doing the air depletion exercise with a buddy pair of a young lady and gentleman. The girl was very nervous. The boy went around in front

of her and sat with a patient smile on his face and had his alternate in his hand for her just in case. When I asked why he did that since that wasn't part of the exercise he responded "because buddies take care of one another". WOW!

Another reason I like kiddos is that no matter your physical ability or lack there of, scuba levels the playing field. It is great for everyone!

The other cool factor is that it extends their desire to vacation with

their parents when most teenagers don't want to be seen with adults.

Enroll now to save your kiddo's spot. Classes in Carrollton are filling fast and we just opened the Garland classes.



Critter Feature — Splendid Toad

Not just your average toad fish—you can find them anywhere. IT is the splendid version that lives only in Cozumel. Funny I should mention that as we leave in a week for one of the best places in the Caribbean.

As you cruise along a reef and think you are hearing things because you are hearing croaking, you are not hearing things. In Cozumel, especially on the Cedar Pass dive you can find these guys under a ledge as you see in the picture to the right. Because of where they live (under ledges) their eyes are on the tops of head rather than the sides. Bet you didn't know that.

Let's talk details. They have a total of 8 fins: 2 dorsal fins, 2 pectoral fins, a caudal fin, and an anal fin. The midline of the upper body contains the two dorsal fins. They look a little prehistoric as the tail tapers down as they don't look like they swim well.

It is the vibrant color of blue and yellow that are more than amazing. Can't explain the colors. Kind of look like an ocean version of a catfish.

Bring photos or send via email the best picture you've taken of one of these guys.

