

**The Fun Diving “Club”
Local Diving Adventures with Y-kiki Divers**



Welcome to Fun Diving, and if you're newly certified, welcome to diving!

You may have heard the saying, “Five years from now you will be the same person you are today, except for the books you read and the people you meet.” Likewise, I would say that five years from now you will be the same diver you are today, except for the classes you take and the divers you dive with.

Our Fun Diving “club” includes a core group of avid divers who are very proficient, experienced, and enthusiastic about sharing their love of diving with whomever chooses to join us on any given outing, whether it is one of the scheduled Local Diving Adventures sponsored by Y-Kiki Divers or an additional outing that we add to the mix and invite all to attend.

Especially welcome is anyone who does not have a buddy or who is a little insecure about their current skills. We always have on hand a skilled and patient buddy who will truly enjoy diving with you and offering any guidance or assistance you may want. Really. This is one of the main purposes of the Fun Diving “Club”. We will stay within your limits and comfort zone when we dive with you, and not consider it to be any kind of imposition. On occasion we will also send out an invitation for an excursion that requires a minimum level of experience, such as a wreck diving weekend on Lake Michigan. When this occurs the invite will clearly state what depths you need to be certified for and whether equipment such as a drysuit is advisable.

The only way to get better at diving is to go diving, and the best way to get better is to go diving with divers who are more skilled than you. Acquiring more skills now on local dives will greatly enhance your enjoyment and safety when you make your trips to exotic destinations. Imagine being able to focus on what you are seeing, experiencing, or photographing, because you no longer need to concentrate on your buoyancy control and manipulating your equipment.

In conclusion, our priorities when we go out fun diving are:

Safety first, always

Having fun, both in the water and when sharing surface intervals and meals

Acquiring and improving on diving skills

Have questions? Whether general diving questions or questions specific to one of our planned dive outings... bring them on! You may e-mail me or call or visit Y-kiki Divers to get your questions answered.

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2012 Calendar of Events

Additional events, including Wreck Trips and Cavern Trips will be added during the year—watch the Fun Dive Email Reports for Invites. (And let us know what else you are interested in!)

JANUARY

Polar Bear Dive—Mermet Springs, Sunday, Jan 1

Goat Diving Weekend—Mermet Springs, Jan 14-15 (RSVP)

FEBRUARY

Our World Underwater (Chicago-based consumer dive show) -- Feb. 17-19

MARCH

Pool Sessions—Buoyancy clinic & gear checkouts/trials, March 10 & 11 (RSVP)

APRIL

Quail Run Quarry -- Geocaching Diving (an underwater treasure hunt) —April 21



MAY

Pool Session—Reef photography & gear checkouts, May 19 (RSVP)

Table Rock Lake, May 26-27 (Monday is Memorial Day)

JUNE

DUI DOG Days—Pearl Lake, S. Beloit, IL, June 2-3

Poker Run Dive—Pennyroyal, Hopkinsville KY, June 30-July 1

JULY

Lake Norfolk, July 7-8

Table Rock Lake, July 28-29

AUGUST

Pennyroyal, Hopkinsville KY, Aug 18-19

SEPTEMBER

Current Rive Dive/Float Weekend, Sept. 8-9

DUI DOG Days—Mermet Springs, Sept 22-23

OCTOBER

Bull Shoals Houseboat Trip, Fri-Mon, Oct 5-8 (RSVP)

Soak Your Gourd Underwater Pumpkin Carve Dive—Quail Run Quarry, Oct 21



NOVEMBER

Bonne Terre Mine—Nov. 11

JANUARY 2013

Polar Bear Dive—Mermet Springs, Tues., Jan. 1

Sign up to receive the Fun Diving Report, a periodic update on upcoming destinations/events, travel/lodging plans, etc. go to the Y-kiki Divers home page (www.y-kiki.com) and scroll down the lefthand side of the page to add your name & e-mail to our eNewsletters. You'll be asked to check mark the lists you're interested in. Be sure and check, "Local Diving Adventures" to receive the Fun Diving Report.