

The DDRC Current News



Newsletter of the Dallas Downriver Club—Visit our website at www.down-river.org

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Special points of interest:

- The Deadline for next month's newsletter is December 31. Contact Susan Harkins at 972-470-0195 or via email at: shark@ethos.net. Please send articles, upcoming trips, boating tips and information.
- DDRC board meetings are held every second Thursday. All members are welcome to attend to learn more about club business. Contact club President Betty Scott at 214-363-2480 or awscott@tenet.edu for time and location.

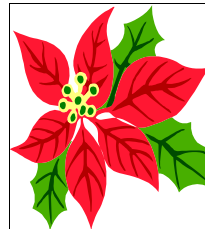


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December Holiday Party

As many of you know, each year we have a fun holiday party on the December meeting night. There is very little business to conduct, and we mostly have fun and fellowship with one another to celebrate the holiday season.



This year the party will be on December 21st (the winter solstice!) and instead of Enchilada's, we will be going to Don Hughes' house for our party. The club voted to provide \$500 for food, but you will need to bring your own drinks, beer, wine, whatever.

Don lives between Spring Valley to the

north, Hillcrest to the west, Coit to the east and Alpha to the south. His house is at 7249 Elmridge (see the map on Page 2) his phone number is 972-789-9618.

Please gather 6:30—7:00 ish. We will have, as always, a special raffle, and please bring any of your favorite

baked goods so that we can have a home-made dessert table. If you have any questions, check out the DDRC website, or call Betty Scott at 214-363-2480 for more details.

Directions: Take 635 to Hillcrest. Go north on Hillcrest. Cross Alpha road, and turn right on Elmridge Dr. Don's house is

Alamo City Rivermen 2001 Freezetrip

COLORADO RIVER-ISLAND CAMPING
January 20-21

This will be the 14th year that the Rivermen have done this trip. This was the very first trip that the club did back in 1987 and it has always been one of the ACR's most popular trips, however, you must



commit. No half hearted maybe's or I'm thinking about it.

As usual the Alamo City Rivermen will push the limits of Dutch Oven Technology. This trip involves quite a bit of logistics

in terms of obtaining enough dutch ovens to feed 50 to 60 people.

The menu is as follows:

Roast Beef Shoulder
Baked Potatoes with Onions
Green Beans
Pork & Beans
Sour Dough Bread
Peach Cobbler
Cowboy Coffee
Cost for the above is \$ 6.00 per person.

The following is

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Map to Holiday Party!!!!

7249 Elmridge

Don Hughes: 972-789-9618

6:30 to 7:00 ish



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Next Meeting:
Holiday Party,
 Thursday, December 21st.
 Don Hughes' house
 Hope to see you there!

Time to apply for 2001 Raft Permits!

It is time once again to submit permits for some of the bigger western rivers in Idaho, Oregon, Utah and Colorado. If you've never been rafting on one of these great fast moving rivers, it is a once in a lifetime experience. Fortunately, we have a few rafters in the DDRC, so the need to book professional guides doesn't come up, but we need permits in order to take the trips.

At this time of year, you can send in permits for many of these rivers. Don't have a raft? Don't worry! If you get the permit, a rafter in the club will help put together a trip, and you'll be assured a seat on a boat for a wonderful ride. I can

personally vouch for the Salmon in Idaho, the Green in Utah, the Yampa and the San Juan, all need permits. Usually, the weather on these rivers is perfect, warm days and cool nights, and the canyons are some of the most beautiful scenery there is. These rivers require permits so that they can remain pristine for all of us to enjoy.

By the way, most of these raft trips need kayakers, so if you are an experienced kayaker and would like to try one of these bigger rivers, put in for a permit, and you'll be sure to have a trip with lots of cargo space for your gear!

If you want more information, go to our website: www.down-river.org, or call Rich Grayson 214-827-0144, email: rgrayson@down-river.com.

Logo Contest

DDRC will soon be having a Logo Contest for our club's logo. We are looking for your design in black and white line art, suitable for putting on T-shirts for next year's Trinity River Challenge, etc.




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We're shredding our way to the 21st century!

Donation Vote

At the last meeting the club voted to send \$1000 to TRPA. Rich Grayson told us about the good things that TRPA does and the vote was made. Randy Stovall also suggested that we look at American Whitewater for a donation of perhaps \$500. Please check out their website: www.awa.org for more information. We will most likely vote on this in January, so more info on AWA in the January newsletter.

Raffle News...

Support our special December raffle and you could win great gear!

Tickets are:

\$1 each - Donate \$5, and get 6 Do-
nate \$10 and get 13

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December Schedule of Events

- **Every Wednesday**—Roll, Paddle and Rescue Clinic, 5-dark, Lake Grapevine, Rockledge Park, Contact Keith Smith @ 940-566-4869
- **Thursday, December 21st**—Annual DDRC Christmas Party at Don Hughes' house. Story Pg 1, Map Pg 2
- **Monday 25th** — Happy Holidays

January Schedule of Events

- **Every Wednesday**—Roll, Paddle and Rescue Clinic, 5-dark, Lake Grapevine, Rockledge Park, Contact Keith Smith @ 940-566-4869
- **Saturday –Sunday, January 20th—21st**—Alamo City Riverman 2001 Freeze Trip. Meet at Hwy 969 and the Colorado River at 9:00 am, Saturday, January 20. For further info call Gib Hafernick at: 210-822-8901; Email: Gibguy@compuserve.com

January 2001

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Roll Clinic	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Roll Clinic	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Roll Clinic	18	19	20 Freeze Trip Colorado R.
21 Freeze Trip Colorado R	22	23	24 Roll Clinic	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 Roll Clinic			



As a participant in any DDRC activity, an individual assumes the responsibility of evaluating all inherent risks before participating and assumes any risk of death or injury inherent in the sport. The participant waives claims that may arise against the club, its officers, members, servants, agents and/or trip coordinators, for death or injury to person or property, including claims of vicarious liability and claims arising from civil recklessness or any degree of negligence. Not waived are claims against an individual who causes injury intentionally or with criminal recklessness and claims among driver, owner and passengers of a motor vehicle for injuries.

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optional: Hot Wine Grog—A delicious mixture of red wine, brandy, sugar, cloves, cinnamon sticks kept simmering over a camp stove. Cost for this item is to bring a bottle of dry red wine or any flavor of brandy. We will provide the other ingredients.

To help facilitate cooking & serving, consider bringing the following: Dutch Ovens (If you've got one, bring it & let me know), Fire Starter Sticks (if you got one, bring it) Cutting boards & knives, Large pans or plastic bowls Serving Spoons. Bring your own eating utensils.

If weather conditions are too hazardous for driving on Friday and Saturday, meaning snow and ice on roads and overpasses then the trip will be postponed two weeks to February 3 and 4. This decision will be made Wednesday on January 17 at 7:00 pm. Watch the weather for our area and stay in touch with me if weather conditions are deteriorating or unpredictable.

In the event of inclement weather, such as light rain, we will still go. We have one large tarp approximately 30 by 20 feet. To help with a group shelter for our cooking & social area consider bring the following: Rope, stakes, twine, Tent

Poles or Double Bladed Paddles, Duct tape and Extra Tarps.

In the event of absolutely miserable conditions for canoeing meaning strong wind and heavy rains, we are planning on doing the cook-out and campout at Pecan Park (512-392-6171) in San Marcos. Tom Goynes has rented the Rivermen a Temporary Special Dispensation on the Wine Grog since it involves Acts of God in conjunction with water and wine. The decision to move to Pecan Park will be made at FM 969 about 10:30 AM by all paddlers present on January 20.

Optional Sunday Brunch the next day. Bring your own breakfast and contribute to the community breakfast.

Come to this event and enjoy wonderful Dutch oven cooking and Grog!

Meet at Hwy 969 and the Colorado River at 9:00 am, Saturday, January 20. We will unload canoes and run shuttle to the take-out at Bastrop City Park. When all dutch ovens & cooking ingredi-

ents are evenly loaded among the canoes we will depart. Plan on stopping and having a short lunch break at 12:00 pm. We should arrive at the island around 4:00 pm. The total length of this trip is 14 river miles on the Colorado River. This river is wide and flat with a moderate current. There are two tight turns where the river speeds up and occasionally some people experience difficulties, meaning they turn over. So you need to

tie in your gear and have an extra set of clothes if you have doubts about your skills.

The island is situated at about mile 8. It is a very large island capable of holding a large number of people. You may want to consider bringing small implements for clearing a tent area as it does get brushy. Be prepared for damp and cold weather.

Once we arrive at the Island I need few key people to help me with the following critical items:

We need to get a fire going so as to have a heat source for browning the meat. We need to get the wine grog heated up and on line as it is very critical for morale purposes.

We need help in cutting and preparing food.

Your active and positive participation is what always makes this a very different and fun trip.

For further info call Gib Hafernick at: 210-822-8901;

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Nominations for 2001 Officers

The following nominations were made for the 2001 officers at the November meeting: President: Alan Tittle, Vice President: Jeff Wilson and David Nevers, Secretary: Marilyn Scholl, Treasurer: Chris Cockrell, Newsletter Editor: Susan Harkins.

We won't vote until January so please feel free to bring more nominations to our December meeting/party.

Please consider serving if you are nominated!

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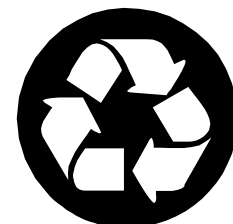
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You're Invited

DDRC Christmas, Holiday, Solstice Party!!!!!!

Thursday, December 21st 6:30 to 7:00 ish

Don Hughes' house - BYOB!!!!!!

Bring baked goods too, if you have a favorite holiday dessert.

Come have fun with DDRC!!!!!!

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