



# The Villages Scuba Club

## MEETING MINUTES

**Meeting Date: August 5 2020**

**Meeting Place: Virtual via ZOOM**

**Meeting Time: 7:00 P.M.**

**Call to Order: Mike Blatti, President**

**Recognition: New Members, Guests and Visitors**

**Treasurer's Report: Provided highlights and accepted**

**Secretary's Report: Accepted from email report**

Meeting of The Villages Scuba Club was conducted virtually, using Zoom. Nineteen sign ins were recorded, which included one couple for a total attendee count of approximately 20 members.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- **Membership dues for 2020 are due.** Dues are \$5. Contact Mike Gann, Treasurer, to pay your dues. The membership rolls will be purged after the September 2020 meeting. Membership includes access to the Facebook page, email lists, and discounts for Club sponsored dive events (when offered).
- Club waiver forms must be signed by members and on file in order to attend Club sponsored diving events. See Mike Gann for a waiver or download from the website. You only have to sign a Club waiver form once a lifetime.
- Check out our website at: [thevillagesclub.com](http://thevillagesclub.com). Contact Joe Mankowski, Web Master, for updates.
- The Village Scuba Club is on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/thevillagesclub). Go online and ask to join and a board member will accept you. You must be a paid Club member to be accepted. POC is Madeline Helbeck. Club policy is **no selling or advertising** of non-scuba products or events on our Facebook page.
- Club polo shirts can be purchased at Custom Apparel in Southern Trace Plaza.
- Mike Blatti has Scuba Club decals for sale (\$4)... or take a free one if you can get it posted at a dive destination.
- Reminder: Club policy is **no selling** of products or used gear during club meetings.

### Recapped last month's trips/events:

- Jul 12 - Boat Recovery @ Veterans Park POC: Madeline Helbeck
- Jul 15 - Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Warren Gross
- Jul 23 - Scaloping Snorkel Trip at Crystal River POC: Madeline Helbeck
- Jul 27 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Gann
- Aug 3 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- No other trips were discussed



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## **NEW BUSINESS/ UPCOMING TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES:**

- Aug 10-13 - Rainbow Reef, Key Largo, FL POC: Joe Mankowski
- Aug 19 - Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Aug 26 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 2 - Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center
- Sep 9 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 16 - Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 23 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 29 - Aristakat Charters 2 tank dive, Venice FL POC: Madeline Helbock
- Oct 5 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Oct 13 - Rainbow River Drift Dive POC: Madeline Helbock
- Oct 19 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Oct 21 - Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jan 23-30, 2021 - Scuba Club Cozumel POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483
- Apr 15-29, 2021 - Philippines POC: Gail Chapman (937) 903-9062
- May 1-8, 2021 - Little Cayman \$2400 POC: Jim Calvin at Underwater Adventures (352) 787-0760 includes 3 dives daily, Airfare from Tampa, and \$100 credit
- May 29 - Jun 5, 2021 - Bonaire POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781
- Jul 3-9, 2021 - Bahamas 104ft Schooner Juliette departing Miami POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483
- Jul 24-31, 2021 - Grand Cayman POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781
- Aug 21-28, 2021 - Little Cayman \$2400 POC: Jim Calvin at Underwater Adventures (352) 787-0760 includes 3 dives daily, Airfare from Tampa and \$100 credit
- Sep 11-18, 2021 - Bonaire POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781

## **Training Tip:**

Mike Blatti presented the new Medical Form released by the various training, insurance and medical dive agencies. This form will be posted to the website.

## **Presentation:**

Mike Blatti presented a review of the recreational diving Scuba Hand Signals. This presentation is provided with the minutes.

**Next meeting :** September 2, 2020, 7:00 PM at Laurel Manor Recreational Center pending reopening of the recreational centers. Otherwise, it will be held virtually, via Zoom meeting. We will also evaluate using Zoom for remote attendance even if we are able to hold meetings at the recreational centers.



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