

# The Villages Scuba Club

### **MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: December 2, 2020

Meeting Place: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Meeting Time: 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order: Mike Blatti, President

Pledge of Allegiance

**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, via Zoom. Total attendee count included 16 Zoom sign-ins for approximately 18 attendees.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Membership dues.** Dues are \$5. Contact Mike Gann, Treasurer, to pay your 2021 membership dues. 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: <a href="mailto:thevillagesscubaclub.com">thevillagesscubaclub.com</a>. Contact Joe Mankowski, Web Master, for updates.
- The Village Scuba Club is on <u>Facebook</u>. 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 Helbock. Club policy is **no selling or advertising** of nonscuba 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:

- Nov 16 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Nov 17 Key Largo with Horizon Divers POC: Warren Gross
- Nov 18 Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Nov 18 Blue Heron Bridge POC: Heath Davenport
- Anybody go anywhere else?



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

- Dec 5-12 Coco View Resort, Roatan POC: Mick Campbell (630) 805-2783
- Dec 7 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Dec 15 Board Meeting trips leaders should provide any trip updates prior to the meeting to ensure updates make it into the next agenda.
- Dec 16 at 10 AM Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Dec 18 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive, special price \$75 for members POC: Mike Blatti
- Jan 6 Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center Please note that, due to the ongoing pandemic, it is important to check Facebook, the club website and email for meeting plan updates!
- Jan 11 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jan 20 Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jan 23-30 Scuba Club Cozumel POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483
- Jan 25 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Feb 3 Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center
- Feb 5 Jupiter Dive Center 3 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Feb 8 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Feb 17 Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Feb 22 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Apr 15-29 Philippines POC: Gail Chapman (937) 903-9062
- May 1-8 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 Bahamas 104ft Schooner Juliet departing Miami POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483
- Jul 24-31 Grand Cayman POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781
- Aug 21-28 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 Bonaire POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781

See our website and Facebook for additional information on upcoming trips.

## **Training Tip:**

Mike Blatti presented results of field testing of the Spare Air at Blue Grotto. A copy of the presentation will be distributed with the minutes. Joe Mankowski informed the attendees that the manufacturer, Submersible Systems LLC, was very interested in the assessment performed. A copy of the presentation and videos will be made available to Submersible Systems.



### **Presentation:**

Mike Blatti presented an In depth review of the DAN/RSTC Diver Medical Forms. A copy of the presentation will be distributed with the minutes. A link to the form will be put on Facebook and the club website.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Next meeting: January 6, 2021 at Laurel Manor Recreational Center

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