



# The Villages Scuba Club

## MEETING MINUTES

**Meeting Date:** February 3, 2021

**Meeting Place:** Laurel Manor Recreational Center

**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 in-person at the Laurel Manor Recreation Center. Total attendee count was 38.

### 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: [thevillagesclub.com](http://thevillagesclub.com). Contact Joe Mankowski, Web Master, for updates.
- The Village Scuba Club is on [Facebook](#). 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 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:

- Jan 7 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jan 7 - Aristakat Charter in Venice POC: Madeline Helbock
- 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
- Jan 25 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jan 28 - Swim with Manatees Plantation at Crystal River POC: Warren Gross



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

- Feb 5 - Jupiter Dive Center 3 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Feb 10 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti - Kyalami is running a \$75 per dive special for all bookings made in February. This includes 3, 5 and 10 dive trip packages.
- Feb 16 - Board Meeting - trip leaders should provide any trip updates prior to the meeting to ensure updates make it into the next agenda.
- Feb 17 - Blue Grotto Spring Dive w/ Daily Sun POC: Mike Blatti
- Feb 22 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Mar 3 - Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center - Club Officer Elections
- Mar 8 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Mar 17 - Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Mar 22 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Apr 5 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Apr 7 - Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center
- Apr 11 2PM-6:30PM - TVSC Scuba Rodeo at Mulberry Sports Pool POC: Heath Davenport
- Apr 15-29 - Philippines POC: Gail Chapman (937) 903-9062
- Apr 19 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Apr 21 - Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- 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 22-29 - 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 - Blue Heron Bridge, Riviera Beach, FL POC: Heath Davenport
- 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:**

Warren Gross presented "So you bought a new mask"



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## **Presentation:**

Heath Davenport presented “Nitrogen - It’s all in the bubble”. A copy of the presentation will be distributed with the minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.

## **Next meeting : March 3, 2021 at Laurel Manor Recreational Center**

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