

## The Villages Scuba Club

### **MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: July 8 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 accept Secretary's Report: Accepted from email report

Meeting of The Villages Scuba Club was conducted virtually, using Zoom. Thirty three sign ins were recorded, which included a number of couples for a total attendee count of approximately 40 members.

A Moment of Silence was held for Claude Hartman who died during the recent Schooner Juliette charter trip.

#### **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: <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 now has the 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. If you leave something at the back of the room...take any leftovers with you.

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

 Mike Blatti led a brief discussion on COVID-19 orders in place and status of and compliance for the charters in Jupiter Beach



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- Jun 8 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jun 15 Circle of Heroes 2 tank dive with Aristokat Dive Charters POC:
  Madeline Helbock
- Jun 17 Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jun 22 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jun 25 Venice Beach Dive POC: Madeline Helbock
- Jun 27-Jul 3 Bahamas 104ft Schooner Juliette departing Miami POC: Jack Farrell
- Jun 30 Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Warren Gross
- Jul 7 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- No other trips were discussed.

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

- Jul 15 Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jul 23 Scalloping Snorkel Trip at Crystal River POC: Madeline Helbock
- Jul 27 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Gann
- Aug 3 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Aug 5 Club meeting at Lake Miona Recreational Center
- 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 12-19 Bonaire POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781 CANCELLED
- Sep 16 Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 23 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank 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



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#### **Presentation:**

Heath Davenport presented on things all scuba divers should be doing now to prepare for full re-opening. The presentation is provided with the minutes.

### **Training Tip:**

Mike Blatti presenting on controlling your Ascent rate. The presentation is provided with the minutes.

**Next meeting:** August 5, 2020, 7:00 PM at Lake Miona 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.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

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