



The Villages Scuba Club

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: August 4, 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

Meeting of the Villages Scuba Club was conducted in-person at the Laurel Manor Recreation Center. Total attendee count was 47.

Presentation:

Bill Foote of Ocala Dive Center presented an overview of services provided at Ocala Dive Center.

Treasurer's Report: Provided highlights and accepted

Secretary's Report: Accepted from minutes posted on website

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 need to sign a Club waiver form once a lifetime.
- Check out our website at: thevillagesclub.com.
- 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:

- Jul 3-9 - Bahamas 104ft Schooner Juliet departing Miami POC: Jack Farrell
- Jul 21 - Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Madeline Helbock
- Jul 26 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Gann
- Jul 24-31 - Blue Heron Bridge, Riviera Beach, FL POC: Debbie Garcia



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Debbie also provided a presentation on the various sea creatures observed during the dives.

- Aug 2 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti

DISCUSSED NEW BUSINESS/ UPCOMING TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES:

- Aug 11 - Scalloping Snorkel Trip, Pete's Pier, Crystal River, FL POC: Madeline Helbock
- Aug 18 - Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Aug 23 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank Goliath Grouper dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 1 - Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center
- Sep 8 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 11-18 - Bonaire POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781
- Sep 15 - Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Warren Gross
- Sep 22 - Rainbow River Drift Dive POC: Madeline Helbock
- Sep 27 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Oct 4 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Oct 6 - Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center
- Oct 20 - Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Oct 24 2PM-6:30PM - TVSC Scuba Rodeo at Mulberry Sports Pool POC: Madeline Helbock
- Oct 26 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Nov 4 - Night Golf at Saddlebrook Executive Course POC: Warren Gross
- Nov 11 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Nov 15 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Nov 17 - Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Warren Gross
- Dec 2 - The Villages Scuba Club Holiday Party at Churchill Greens Recreational Center POC: Madeline Helbock
- Dec 4-11 - Roatan at CoCo View Resort in Honduras POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781
- Jan 22-29, 2022 - Scuba Club Cozumel POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483
- Apr 14-28, 2022 - Philippines POC: Gail Chapman (937) 903-9062
- Jun 23-30, 2022 - Red Sea Liveaboard Diving with Explorer Ventures POC: Craig Clark (Aquatic Center of Ocala) 352-245-9162
- Jul 2-8, 2022 - Bahamas 104ft Schooner Juliet departing Miami POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483

See our website and Facebook for additional information on upcoming trips



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Training Tip:

1st stage and tank maintenance tips - Heath Davenport

50/50 Raffle

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 PM.

Next meeting : September 1, 2021 at Laurel Manor Recreational Center

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