



The Villages Scuba Club

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: March 2, 2022

Meeting Place: Laurel Manor Recreational Center

Meeting Time: 7:00 PM

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 67.

Presentation: Larry Thompson, owner of Calypso Divers of Tampa Bay presented an overview of services and trips provided by the dive shop. Contact information is available on the resources page of The Villages Scuba Club website. A copy of Larry's presentation is available on the website as well.

Election of Board Members - Led by Michael Campbell, the members of The Villages Scuba Club re-elected the current board, without opposition. The board will serve until March 2023.

Treasurer's Report: Provided highlights and accepted without comment.

Secretary's Report: Accepted from minutes posted on website

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Membership dues for 2022.** Dues are \$5. Contact Mike Gann, Treasurer, to pay your 2022 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.



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- Reminder: Club policy is **no selling** of products or used gear during club meetings.

Recapped last month's trips/events:

- Feb 11 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Feb 16 - Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Feb 21 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Feb 25-26 - The Villages Outdoor Expo at Everglades Regional Recreation Center POC: Mike Blatti

REVIEWED NEW BUSINESS/ UPCOMING TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES:

- Mar 9 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Mar 16, **10 AM** - Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Mar 23 (Wednesday) - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Apr 6 - Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center
- Apr 11 - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Apr 20 - Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Apr 24 - Scuba Rodeo at Mulberry Grove Sports Pool POC: Madeline Helbock
- Apr 27 - Pura Vida in Riviera Beach 2 tank dive (Wreck/Reef) POC: Mike Blatti
- Apr 14-28 - Philippines POC: Gail Chapman (937) 903-9062
- May 4 - Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center
- May 6 (Friday) - Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- May 7-14 - East Bay Resort in the Turks & Caicos POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781
- May 18 - Devils Den Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- May 23 - Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jul 2-8 - Bahamas 104ft Schooner Juliet departing Miami POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483
- July 16-23 - Cobalt Coast Dive Resort in Grand Cayman POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781
- Sept 10-17 - Van der Valk Plaza Beach Resort in Bonaire POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781
- Dec 10-17 - Roatan at CoCo View Resort in Honduras POC: Joanne Sargent
- Jan 21-28, 2023 - Scuba Club Cozumel POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483
- Jun 22-29, 2023 - Red Sea Liveaboard Diving with Explorer Ventures POC: Craig Clark (Aquatic Center of Ocala) (352) 245-9162

See our website and Facebook for additional information on upcoming trips

Training Tip:



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Mike Blatti presented the training tip "Pre-Dive Boat Protocol". This presentation will be available on the website. Pre-Dive Boat Protocol - Mike Blatti

50/50 Raffle

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.

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

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