

The Villages Scuba Club

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: June 7, 2023

Meeting Place: Laurel Manor Recreation Center

Meeting Time: 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order: Mike Blatti, President

Pledge of Allegiance

The June 2023 meeting of The Villages Scuba Club was conducted in person at the Laurel Manor Recreation Center. Total attendance was 58 members and guest

Recognition: New Members, Guests and Visitors

Treasurer's Report: Provided highlights and accepted

Secretary's Report: Accepted from minutes posted on website

REVIEWED OLD BUSINESS:

• **Membership dues for 2023.** Dues are \$5. Contact Mike Gann, Treasurer, to pay your 2023 membership dues. Membership includes access to the Facebook page, email lists, and discounts for Club sponsored dive events (when offered).

Membership roster and Facebook will be purged following the June meeting.

- Club waiver forms must be signed by members and on file in order to attend Clubsponsored 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: thevillagesscubaclub.org.
- 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. 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 (\$7)... 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.
 Also, please be sure to take your unclaimed gear after the meeting.

Recapped last month's trips/events:

- May 10 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- May 13-20 Little Cayman Beach Resort POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781
- May 17 Devil's Den Spring Dive POC: Warren Gross
- May 22 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- May 25 Narcosis Dive Circle of Heroes 2 tank dive POC: Warren Gross
- Jun 2 Kyalami Scuba Club, Riviera Beach 50'-60' Reef 2-tank dive POC: Mike Blatti



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REVIEWED NEW BUSINESS/ UPCOMING TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES:

- Jun 12 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jun 19 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jun 21 Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jun 22-29 Red Sea Live-aboard Diving with Explorer Ventures POC: Craig Clark (Aquatic Center of Ocala) (352) 245-9162 FULL
- Jul 1-7 Bahamas 104ft Schooner Juliet departing Miami POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483 FULL
- Jul 5 Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center
- Jul 10 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jul 19 Devil's Den Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jul 24 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Jul 24-29 Captain Hooks Dive Center in Marathon, Florida Keys POC: Dennis Davison (309) 241-3043
- Aug 2 Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center
- Aug 4 Scalloping Trip, Crystal River POC: Madeline Helbock
- Aug 7 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Aug 16 Blue Grotto Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Aug 21 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 1-8 Naboo Resort, West Bay, Roatan, Honduras POC: Debbie Garcia (352) 410-3002
- Sep 5 Kyalami Charters in Jupiter 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 6 Club meeting at Laurel Manor Recreational Center
- Sep 9-16 Van Der Valk Plaza Beach Resort, Bonaire POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781 BOATS ARE FULL
- Sep 20 Devil's Den Spring Dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 21 Oct 8 Ultimate Egypt Adventure POC: Gail Chapman (937) 903-9062
 FULL
- Sep 25 Jupiter Dive Center 2 tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Sep 28 Kyalami Scuba Club, Riviera Beach 50'-60' Reef 2-tank dive POC: Mike Blatti
- Dec 9-16 Roatan at CoCo View Resort in Hondurus POC: Joanne Sargent (305) 989-7781
- Jan 20-27, 2024 Scuba Club Cozumel POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483
- Jun 30 Jul 5, 2024 Bahamas 104ft Schooner Juliet departing Miami POC: Jack Farrell (727) 861-3483
- Sep 19 Oct 3, 2024 Egypt POC: Gail Chapman (937) 903-9062
 See our website and Facebook for additional information on upcoming trips



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Training Tip:

Warren Gross presented the training tip "Preparing Your New Mask".

Presentation:

Mike Blatti presented "Improving your Air Consumption". A copy of this presentation will be made available on the website.

50/50 Raffle

The meeting was adjourned at 08:15 PM.

Next meeting: July 5, 2023 at Laurel Manor Recreation Center

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