

**Kwajalein Scuba Club Meeting
12 September 2007**

President: Cowboy Galloway- called the meeting to order at 1904.
New members and guests were recognized.

- Johnny Hadley from IT
- Ron Smith

17 in attendance.

Treasurer Report: Amy Brouwer for Mary Stone (off island)

It is on the stickie note that Cowboy took with him - Mary has this ...

\$ in Checking

\$ in Compressor Fund

Total= \$

A motion to approve was made by Leonard and seconded by Melissa Oliver.
The Treasurer's report was approved.

Secretary: Amy Brouwer

The minutes from the August meeting were read and approved. Leonard made the motion to approve and Allison Villareal seconded. Minutes were approved.

Chief Dive Supervisor/ Safety Officer report: Mike Malone

- Chamber incident from Bikini, bent customer
- Dive question of the month . . . What is DAN's phone number? Cheryle Maxwell answered correctly and won a safety sausage and a safety mirror.

Tank House report:

- August tank house fills =1700
- 2 compressors are running, 1 is being fixed to = 3 compressors available.

Old Business:

Ski boat steps:

- Have been repaired
- Barricade tape removed
- Please use steps, NOT the rocks

Helicopter:

- Waiting for gas tank removal

Concrete Slab @ dip tank:

- Approval to move on
- Dip tank may be unavailable for a few days (3 or so)
- An email will go out to warn

Constitution Update:

- STILL waiting on USAKA blessing

Club Money:

- Another 10K will be put into another CD on 22 September

New Business:

Insurance: Mike Malone

- USAKA requires our club to carry insurance
- The current expiration date is 01 October 2007
- Our current carrier wants 50% of the DSC to be SDI/TDI certified so therefore, we are now shopping around for new insurance
- The best option found so far is to become affiliated with PADI. We'll join them as a recreational dive facility member which will allow us to have liability insurance.
- We would change from an SDI/TDI facility to a PADI facility
- The application fee + the first year = \$750, renewal = \$368/yr. We would pay an additional \$2000 for liability coverage.
- The next renewal date for the new insurance would be July 01, 2008. The membership renewal would be January 01.
- A motion was made to submit the application to PADI as a recreational dive facility for \$750 and pursue insurance through Vicencia & Buckley Insurance Services.
- The motion was seconded by JB Scott
- The motion carried

DSC: Mike Malone

- The council recommended that the dive orientation fee be raised from \$35 to \$50 to help recover the cost of personal insurance. (Currently DM insurance is \$350.00 annually, which each DM pays.)
- The council also recommended that the TDY fees be raised to \$50 per month
- Nina Campbell-Dixon recommended that the dues & options are written out for them (TDY visitors) to choose.
- Nina Burnham made a motion to raise the Orientation fees to \$50 and raise TDY fees to \$50/month_effective 01 October.
- Melissa Oliver seconded the motion
- The motion carried.

Buoys: Cowboy

- We have all the parts but lines are getting wrapped around the sub surface buoys
- Nina Burnham made a motion to reimburse Lou Weaver, up to \$1000, for swivels and assorted Hardware purchased, to fix the buoys that are in place.
- Jim Bishop seconded
- Motion carried

Dive Masters Reimbursement: Cowboy

- The DM would like to increase their Dive Master “pay” from \$40 to \$50. (we pay DM’s for special events and functions, i.e. dive boats etc....it’s in the Club Constitution)
- Nina Campbell-Dixon made a motion to approve that the rate reimbursed to dive masters be raised from \$40 to \$50
- Melissa Oliver seconded
- Motion carried

Tank House Employees raise request: Cowboy

- Our tank house employees would like a raise
- Their current rates of pay are: Mike McMurphy = \$11/hr and \$90/ month, Felix Dribo= \$10/hr
- Jim Bishop made a motion to table the request to raise tank house employees pay until KRS & USAKA have agreed on the transition plan and the request will be brought back to the club at the first regular meeting in January 2008.
- Nina Burnham seconded the motion
- The motion carried

Future Club Issues: Cowboy

- Our compressors use a lot of juice as does the tank house a/c
- We could have a large electricity bill coming up

Scuba Doo: Cowboy

- We donated \$3750 last year to DAN
- We hold a diamond status with them
- The diamond logo can be found on some of our KSC gear sold at the Dive Locker
- Jim Bishop made a motion that the club write a \$2500 check to DAN for this year’s donation
- Nina Campbell- Dixon seconded the motion
- Motion carried

Open Discussion:

- Allison Villareal- Begij buoy, who is in charge of it? Cowboy stated that KPD is in charge.
- Ann Pico- a dive knife was found in one of the dip tanks. It is black with blue markings. The initials on it are B.C.
- Nina Campbell-Dixon- lost her Rx sunglasses.
- Bill Clancy- lots of new buoys have been placed on the W reef. 4 in the last month.
- JB Scott- if you have a favorite dive spot, please email him and let him know so that it can be discussed and possibly buoyed. Save the Reef!

Motion made to adjourn at 2020.

Next meeting:

Wednesday October 10th @ 7:00 p.m. in CRC Room 1.