

**Kwajalein Scuba Club Meeting
11 February 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.
Welcomed new members and guests.
Jason & Elizabeth Forsyth from Denver.
Joe who is TDY until June.

Secretary's Report: Amy Daniels

Mo made the motion to approve the minutes.
Leonard seconded.
Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Mary Stone

Compressor Fund=	\$15,145.83
Checking=	\$28,876.19
Savings=	\$20,400.00
Total =	\$64,422.02

Leonard made the motion to approve the report as read.
Mo seconded.
Motion carried.

Chief Dive Supervisors Report: Mike Malone

- The Colonel wants to remind club members to dive wisely, dive with a buddy and wear the appropriate gear.
- When snorkeling be sure to follow the buddy rules and wear your snorkeling vest when you are 100 feet from shore.
- Please be aware of the water safety regulations.

Safety & Training Officer report: Ron Gamble

- Be careful when diving near North Point at high tide. The wind & current can easily pull you back out into the lagoon.
- There was recently a first aide injury in the Oceanside pools. If waves are breaking in the pools, do not enter.
- There has possibly been a penetration dive on the Prince Eugene. DSC will be visiting the interpretation of "penetration".

Old Business:

Pacific Club:

- Ron Smith was elected as the Maintenance Manager of the Pacific Club.
- The work on the Dive Locker/storage room has been completed. A few finishing touches are planned.
- Ron needs money to repair the roof.
- A motion was made to allow up to \$400, from the maintenance fund, to be given to the roof repair project that Ron Smith will head up.
- The motion carried.

Tee Shirt Designs:

- Several youngsters are working on these. They will be put on the website as soon as they are turned in.

Buoy Committee:

- The buoy committee met on 23 January at the ARC. We had twelve members in attendance. It looks like we have a very viable buoy committee with lots of interested people.
- The first step is to survey/inventory every buoy we have in terms of location, condition, construction material, etc. James Polan has agreed to keep an Excel database with the pertinent data. Anyone diving a site with a buoy can help us by checking the buoy out, noting the condition and emailing James Polan.
- The second step will be to decide which buoys need attention most, ordering the necessary material to repair/replace the buoys and doing the work. The current list of buoys will be discussed and prioritized. All buoys needing replacement or repair will be worked on.
- The last step will be to decide where we might want to place new buoys, ordering the material and doing the job.
- The buoys will be periodically inspected to insure that remain in good condition.
- It would be great if divers could take a picture of damaged buoys to send to the buoy committee.
- Please take note of subsurface buoys and input the coordinates on your GPS so they can possibly be buoyed on the surface and noted on the buoy map at the Small Boat Marina.

New Business:**Member Dues:**

- No plans to increase membership dues at this time. We will review as required if and when we end up paying for electricity.

Easter Event:

- 23 March, KSC will host the underwater Easter Egg Hunt at Emon Beach at about 1500.
- There will be cash prizes in addition to KSC dive locker items.
- Volunteers and beach assistance are cheerfully accepted. Contact JB.

Dive Chamber:

- Sundays and Mondays the chamber crew will be on call while the SBM is open.
- Tuesday Holidays were missed when the new schedule was announced. More than likely, someone will be on call. They won't pay the on call fees. The bent customer will pay out of pocket.

Spring Break Music Festival:

- The KSC has volunteered to host the tricycle races at the SBMF. We need volunteers for set up, time slots to emcee and oversee races, and breakdown. Jim Stepchew is heading up the effort to organize the festivities.

Membership/Safety Meeting:

- This year's membership/safety meeting is scheduled for 8 April 2009 at 1900 in the High School MP Room. This is the mandatory meeting for the year. Those not attending will be allowed two chances to make the make-up meetings in May

and June. Those not attending any of the meetings will be placed on the Bad Diver's unless they make other arrangements.

- Topics being discussed during the safety portion of the meeting:
 - (1) Changes to the Red Cross CPR guidelines – Kim Morris
 - (2) Hazardous marine life of Kwajalein Atoll – Scott Johnson
 - (3) Barotrauma and your ears – Ivy Springer or another presenter
- We will also be showing the UXO video during the dues paying portion of the meeting.
- If anyone has the ability to videotape the meeting, please see Rob Gamble.

Open Forum:

- Sandy Lummer- Pools & Beaches Coordinator-
 - she would like some adult help with the kid's scuba club and evening snorkel.
 - An adult swim class is coming up
 - She has started a weekend snorkel adventure in the American and Japanese pools. They go in ½ an hour before low tide.

Special Presentation: Lisa Shier
Palau & Yap

Next meeting:

Wednesday March 11 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Pacific Club.