

Kwajalein Scuba Club Meeting

08 July 2009

Call the meeting to order at 1907.

18 in attendance.

New members and guests were welcomed.

- Mark Dye and wife Frances. This family of 6 are all newly certified divers. ☺

Secretary's Report: Amy Daniels

The June minutes were posted to the website for members to read at their will.

Leonard made a motion to approve the minutes as read. JB seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Mary Stone (John Pennington reporting for Mary)

Compressor Fund=	\$16,435.83
Checking=	\$47,157.88
Savings=	\$20,400.00
Pacific Club Maint. Fund	\$1,995.00
Total =	\$85,988.71

Kim Morris made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Ron seconded. Motion carried.

Tank House Report: Work Performed Between: 6/1/2009 and 6/30/2009

Tanks filled Aluminum = 1737

Tanks filled DIN/Steel = 40

Total tanks filled = 1777 (a record for June fills from 2003 to current!)

VIP tanks = 77

Tanks tumbled = 1

Tanks stripped = 0

Tank House wages paid = \$1,290

Tanks missing as of 06/30/2009 = 14

Current problems:

- 3 of the 5 tank valves replaced this month were due to damage. Most divers are very diligent but please remember to treat club tanks as you would personally owned ones. The club will need to order 2 dozen replacement valves to cover aging/damaged ones.
- The normal tank maintenance cycle will require 150 **(30 ASAP)** 3000psi burst disks P/N 14120-48 disks to be ordered.

- Often there are 2-8 tanks left lying at the Ski wreck area so please return tanks IAW club guidelines so they stay secure and are ready for the next folks to use.

Chief Dive Supervisors Report: Mike Malone

- Our new CMO is a diver. They recently discussed the cost of using the chamber. It is estimated to cost approximately \$6K.
- Get DAN insurance so that you are covered!

Safety & Training Officer report: Ron Gamble

- A diver from Majuro was recently treated in the chamber. Dive limits were reduced within our atoll.
- We received 20 boots for tanks. Please use them when you are diving in the family and adult pools. They are located above the bench, near the fill station, in the tank house.

Pacific Club report: Ron Smith

- Work Day Monday (July 13th) at 0900hrs to Noon? Work will include: cleaning the storage closet, sweeping, moving supplies, minor roof review, etc. There was a previous offer by the fishing club to help too so John will contact Trudy.
- The new lights have been put up. They come on automatically at dusk.

Old Business:

Tee Shirt Designs:

- Only one design was submitted so due to the lack of competition we will proceed with that design. Any objections? If not, then Trace Fleming and James Polan will be working together on details for ordering, sales, storage, etc.

Pacific Club Rentals:

- Trudy Butler turned over the Pacific Club rental responsibilities to the KSC on July 1.

Special Presentations:

- Ivy Springer will be showing pix of her Philippines trip after the August meeting. Mark your calendars!

Helicopter:

- Ron Smith is getting this project running again. It can be moved soon but needs some wires pulled and final plans put together. Suggestion is that Bill Williamson kicked this off and might be a good candidate to chair this project when he returns.

New Business:

SCUBA Cleaning Station at Small Boat Marina: Ron Smith

- Ron has prepared a sketch that has been reviewed by Paul McGrew and is viable. The detailed estimate is just over \$3K and the thought was to ask for QoL, Beaches/Pools, SBM to share the cost since this is a permanent improvement to the marina. This improvement will add value to a LARGE percentage of the marina customers equal to potentially 25% of the community. Other ideas are welcome and we will consider options to present at the August meeting.

International Cleanup Day 19th September 2009- John Pennington

- Project AWARE's longstanding International Cleanup Day event is the biggest underwater cleanup of its kind. Held annually on the 3rd Saturday in September each year, more than 370,000 volunteers clean over 33,000 miles of shoreline to remove seven million pounds of rubbish.
http://www.projectaware.org/english/take_action/international_cleanup_day.aspx?tid=0609owb_icd **Would the KSC membership like to participate in this event?** If so, I'd suggest Sunday the 20th and I'll start working with Project AWARE to obtain materials. I'll also notify KRS Environmental, KRS Pool/Beaches, USAKA Public Affairs office and USAKA Environmental departments to pass the word to help raise get volunteers.

Open Forum: 1 minute per person

Greg Washburn- it would be nice if we could have a whiteboard at the marina, near the tank house, to post buoy issues.

Ron Smith- Do we own the shed that is near the tank house?

Mike Malone- marine mammal watch. 25 sperm whales were recently spotted off of Legan.

Meeting was adjourned at: 1938

Next meeting:

Wednesday, 12 August @ 7:00 p.m. at the Pacific Club.