

## Kwajalein Scuba Club Meeting

14 October 2009

Called the meeting to order at 7:03.

37 members in attendance.

New members and guests welcomed: David Kemper (KRS IT), and Joe McCollum (ICIDS).

### **Secretary's Report: Amy Daniels**

Minutes are posted on KSC website and printed copies are available for review on front table.

Motion to approve the September minutes posted online by: Leonard Grandbois

Voting: Yea (all) /Nay      Results: Motion Carried

### **Treasurer Report: Mary Stone**

Checking:	\$28,442.07
Compressor Fund:	\$16,435.83
2 CD's:	\$20,400.00
Pacific Club Maintenance	\$1,995.00
TOTAL	\$67,272.90

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by: Valerie Finney

Voting: Yea (all) /Nay      Results: Motion Carried

### **Tank House Report: Work Performed Between: 9/1/2009 and 9/30/2009**

Tanks filled Aluminum = 1967

Tanks filled DIN/Steel = 47

Total tanks filled      = 2017

VIP tanks                      = 91

Tanks tumbled                = 0

Tanks stripped                = 0

Tank House wages paid = \$1653.00

Tanks missing as of Sept09 = 19 (6 more than August)

- The club is looking at options to recover tanks and implement a special sign out sheet for extended sign outs for boat owners versus just missing tanks every month.

- Membership lists for good/bad divers is in desperate need of updates.
- Compressors due for maintenance and details are being worked.

### **Chief Dive Supervisor Report: Mike Malone**

- The DSC would like to recognize the newest member: Mike Woundy
- DSC meeting scheduled tonight after the meeting during the Galapagos presentation.

### **Safety & Training Officer report: John Pennington for Ron Gamble**

- John Pennington attended the USAKA safety meeting and three items came up:
  - Col. Clarke is concerned that some divers have not stayed within the approved depth limits. This may be for the incidents in the past that were dealt with but let's ensure that we are being safe and observing all policies.
  - Ski Wreck stairs still need to be repaired and Dave Norwood pointed out that that was not a KRS item. We are looking at no/low cost options to fix the stairs.
  - There was also a suggestion to pressure wash the rocks/stairs at North Pointe like they are doing on the boat ramp. Someone has scrubbed them down to help.

### **Pacific Club report: Ron Smith**

- Item under new business

### **Dive Locker report: Bill Williamson**

- Initial shirts almost gone but more are on the way. Hats are on island now. Shot glasses are on order. Rum Reggae shirts are in the works.
- John Pennington is commissioning a new Troy's Coral Head t-shirt design and is currently working with Jane Christy on details to get it developed with the island artists. The wording should say something like "I've dove here, have you?" as a conversation starter and the graphic should include many elements that make Troy's such a beloved location for KSC members.

### **Buoy Committee report: JB Scott**

- The ARMY divers left their hydraulic drill in Alaska. There is possibly one on island. We are trying to find it.
- USAKA safety is working on creating a standard to follow in buoying the wrecks.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Committee Leaders Needed**

- Four end-of-year events will be creeping up fast and we need volunteers to head them.

- Underwater Pumpkin Carving (should schedule Monday Oct 26<sup>th</sup> but need leader.)
  - Carrie West volunteered to help Doug Hepler.
- Underwater Turkey Hunt (Need leaders)
- SCUBA-Santa – Should be on Sunday December 20<sup>th</sup> and will match up with the KYC Parade of Lights.
  - SCUBA-Santa Committee Chair: Doug Hepler has agreed to do it again.
- President's Dinner / Scuba-Doo with nice catered dinner, music, door prizes, etc.
  - Probably need to schedule for Jan/Feb to do it right. Committee Chairs are: Vanessa Peeden and Tracy Pennington

**International Cleanup Day September 21<sup>st</sup> 2009: Carrie West**

- This was a great success with 74 members participating and 1300+ lbs of rubbish collected.

**Live-a-board trip to Chuuk in October: Bob Green**

- A total of 12 club members will be heading to Chuuk on Saturday.

**SCUBA Cleaning Station at Small Boat Marina:**

- **October update:** The work order was turned in after the August approval, has gone through KRS final bidding processes and the actual work is to be scheduled soon.

**New Business:**

**Fiji trip in January: Mile Woundy**

- New Continental package deal and great monetary exchange rate.
- The trip will be 9-21 January.
- Cost is \$1746 via Honolulu. Includes hotel, airfare, and taxes.
- The accommodation is at the Sheraton resort, not on a live aboard.

**Compressor servicing: John Pennington**

All three compressors are due to be scheduled for servicing. The club needs to approve \$6,000 for: the parts/labor estimate of \$2,700 plus all travel expenses for the Hawaii based technician.

Motion to spend \$6,000 needed from the compressor budget by: Leonard Grandbois

Seconded by: Bob Greene

Voting: Yea (all) /Nay      Results: Motion Carried

**Pacific Club report: Ron Smith**

- The two air conditioners are dead. The fishing club spent over \$400 for KRS to repair them six months ago and they have died again with no warranty on the previous repairs. KRS sells 18,000BTU units for \$910.08 after cost loading. The Home Depot sells similar 18,000BTU units for \$500.
- A motion was made to spend \$1100 to replace the air conditioners by: Raoul Peeden

- Mike Malone made a counter-motion to spend up to \$1500 for the appropriate sized a/c unit needed to replace the air conditioners.
- Seconded by: Mike Woundy
- Voting: Yea (all) /Nay      Results: Motion Carried

**Open Forum:**

Dan Farnham: He is requesting some dive buddies. He is writing a feature on our atoll for WWII magazine. He will begin in November. Send him an email if you are interested.

**Next meeting:**

Wednesday, 18 November @ 6:30 p.m. at the Pacific Club.

Motion to adjourn by: Mike Woundy

Meeting adjourned at: 7:44