

Newsletter - Triton's Call

NASJAX SCUBA DIVING CLUB

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President's Waves



Greetings, Divers!

At our November meeting we voted to install the new Executive Board for our club for 2020. The new President will be Craig Stoops, new Vice President will be Kathy Lawler, new Secretary will be Glen Akins, and I will remain on the board as our new Treasurer. Special thanks go to Venessa Wood for her service as my VP and to Evan Ball as our outgoing Treasurer.

My years as President of the club have gone by swiftly and I am honored to have had the privilege of coordinating the monthly meetings for you. In the past couple of years we have tried meeting on different nights (the Tuesday vs. Wednesday debate) and in different places (La Nopalera and Player's Grille). Wherever and whenever we gathered, we shared our experiences. The friendship and fellowship we have has provided me with many great memories, lots of good dive information, and quite a few laughs. I sincerely hope it has been as good for all of you as it has been for me.

This month we were thrilled with dive reports from Marshall Gross and Chet Tomlinson who both seem to have a thing for sharks!

Next month we will have no regular meeting but instead will have our annual Christmas/holiday party at NAS Jacksonville. Hope to see everyone there as we enjoy an evening together and ring in the holiday spirit.

Thanks to everyone for your support. I cherish the memories.

Monster Molyneux

Officer reports:

Treasurer – Evan Ball - We are still in great shape with \$1349 in the account.

Secretary – Craig Stoops - Please send your dive reports to include in the newsletter.

VP – Vanessa Wood – Eboard Meeting on November 20th at the Bob Evans on San Jose.

Web – Sharon Green – We continue to get a lot of visits to our website.

Safety – Chet Tomlinson – There was no safety report this month.

Upcoming Dive Trips and Events

Christmas Party – Wednesday December 11th – River Cove Catering and Conference Center on Naval Air Station Jacksonville. Tickets will be sold at our meeting on November 6th. Tickets are \$30.

Caribbean Cruise – December - Bill Davis and Kim Walther, Craig Stoops and Arvilla Scureman

Dive Reports

Bahamas

Chet Tomlinson did a four-day dive with Jim Abernathy's Scuba Adventure <https://scuba-adventures.com/> off the Shearwater out of West Palm. They did three types of dives. When they first arrived, visibility was poor but at times was quite good on later dives. They did a drift dive for the first dive just off Tiger Beach in a large shallow sandy area. It seems that after the Hurricane Dorian there was a layer of silt over the sand that when stirred up decreased visibility. Several sharks were seen surrounding the group. They did a night dive and the lemon sharks were laying on the bottom and were quite friendly. On one dive

several large Tiger Sharks arrived and provided a lot of entertaining encounters. At one point there were five Tiger Sharks around the group. The dive was in just over 40 feet of water. The group also got to release turtles that had been rehabilitated and there was a hummingbird that made a home on the dive boat way out in open water.

Dippy Diver Award - For minor diving offenses.

No nominations this month.

Coprolite Diver Award - For more serious diving infractions.

No nominations this month.

NEXT MEETING:

The next dive club meeting will be Wednesday December 11th – River Cove Catering and Conference Center on Naval Air Station Jacksonville.

