

# SCUBANAUTS NEWSLETTER

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#### Dates to remember

1/11 - Scubanauts meeting /
Athens Café
6:00 pm dinner
6:30 pm meeting
904.733.1199

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Photo contest entries are due at the January meeting Our speaker rescheduled for March's meeting, so we will have some videos of past events to show!

2/8 Scubanauts Meeting Athens Café 6:00 pm dinner 6:30 pm meeting 904.733.1199

#### Noteworthy Notes

We need trip leaders! If you are interested, please let your officers and board members know!

We need speakers! If you have any suggestion please see VP Nadine Norton.

## Rob's President's Message

Greetings Scubanauts,

Happy New Year! it was really fun to see all who could attend the 2016 Christmas party at Clark's in December. For those who missed it, well, hope to see you next year. Special thanks go out to Rusty and Phil for hosting the New Year's day gathering - great weather, and a good time was had there as well.

2016 certainly had its highs and lows, and among other things, the end of the year signifies the end of the 2016 photo contest period. I'll bet we have some serious contenders, so be sure to get your submissions in by the January club meeting. We'll be voting on the finalists in February.

We have a lot in store for 2017, starting, of course with the photo contest. We are working hard to get some speakers lined up for our meetings, and we are considering alternate meeting venues as well. Club trip plans include an exquisite jaunt to Central America for a week of lovely diving, and there are other more local trip plans in the works as well. I'll bet many of us have a new year's resolution to get in the water more, let's do it!

Roll tide.

-rob

#### Secretary's Report

There was a meeting and minutes were taken. Minutes will be on the website and available at the meeting.

#### Treasurer's Report

See Vicky Tyde for the 50/50 raffle and available Scubanauts T-shirts, hats etc!

## 2016—2017 Trips!

We need trip leaders for the 2016/17 dive season!

2017 Roatan trip— June 3-10th rates for Cabana and Bungalow are \$1621.40, Ocean Front is \$1567.94. This does include the room taxes but does not include airfare. Unlimited shore diving, 2 boat trips per day and all meals. Nitrox is extra.

Balance is due at the March 2017 meeting. Another \$50 deposit is due by the end of January and deposits become non-refundable at the end of January.

Airfare rates are now available so we should all be watching for deals!

Trip insurance is strongly suggested. Please see Nica for more details and www.cocoviewresort.com for great pictures and info about the resort.

We are planning for some local trips to WPB, Pompano, offshore Jax and maybe the keys. If you are interested in running a trip please see one of your board members.

#### Welcome Guests

Welcome to all guests! We hope to see you this month and the months to come!

#### **Door Prizes**

We have some great door prizes this year. We will be keeping a list this year of winners so that more people can win! One prize per person per year please!

### Copralite Award

WHO has the Copralite award?????

James Johnson is the current possessor of the Copralite award. He will be looking for any tales to be told so that he can pass it off! Anyone got any tall tales to tell??

Be sure to be at the meeting for any indiscretions that may be revealed!

## SCUBANAUTS ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST PHOTO CONTEST RULES

Only Scubanauts members in good standing are eligible to participate. Photos must have been taken by you.

There are two categories: Above water photos and underwater photos.

Above water photos must have been taken at a Scubanauts function (club meeting, a club trip, a club dive, a club party, etc.).

Underwater photos do not have to have been taken at a Scubanauts function. They can be from any dive or snorkeling expedition you've taken during the eligible period.

There is a maximum of 5 entries per category per person.

Entries must be in a digital format and taken between 1/1/2016 and 12/31/2016.

Each photo must be labeled with the location and date that it was taken.

Voting to determine the winners will be held at the February 2017 meeting.

Pictures to be given to the board by the January meeting!

We are looking forward to seeing all your award winning photographs!

## 2016 / 2017 Officers & Board Members

President Rob Hagan

Vice President Nadine Norton

Secretary Peggy Barnes

Treasurer Vicky Tyde

Website Bob Riddle

Past President Diane Schleissing

Newsletter Nica McAnany

Let's go Diving!



## Happy Birthday Scubanauts!

Let's wish a big
Happy Birthday
To the following
January Birthdays!

Gordy Schleissing Jan 14th Vicky Tyde Jan 14th

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