



Jacksonville Reef Research Team
March 2007 - Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order on Wednesday, 3/21/07, at 6:35pm, by Team Vice President Bill Lindholm.

President's Report:

Sue Wilcox was not present as she was in Fort Lauderdale. She forwarded a meeting agenda. The Team archives are being organized by Mike, Phil, and Genny. Sue is still working on the By-Laws/Safety Manual and it will eventually be available to the Team for review.

Vice President's/Dive Coordinator's Report:

The next scheduled Team dives are Saturday, April 14th and Sunday April 29th. Both dives are with Jax Scuba Center, departure time is 7:00 am. The dives are the Spring portion of the current grant and fish counts will be conducted. Sign-up sheets were passed around. Bill will email the dive plan to participating members the week prior to the dive.

Treasurer's Report:

Bill Lindholm presented the official financial report.

Secretary's Report:

Denise Hughes apologized for being tardy getting the February minutes to the Team for review.

Grant Administrators' Report:

Sue submitted a proposal for a 2007-2008 FWC grant on March 14th. The Team is requesting \$14k to monitor four locations (BR, EEF, MG, & NSS). These locations are farther off-shore than in the recent past and this will increase fuel expenses; this issue was discussed with the Jax Scuba Center and Atlantic Pro Dive before the proposal was submitted.

Safety Officer Report:

Jim Davis was not present, however he needs copies of all Team members' certifications.

Training Report:

Mike Barnes announced that the training class has two participants. The March 10th water skills module was postponed due to high winds. Invertebrate ID is the next scheduled module. Mike is working on a 20 species list for an invertebrate ID program.

The 2007 Expedition is scheduled for June 8-10, Dives-Dixie Divers/Lady Go Diver on the Sea Emperor, Lodging-Pompano Beach Hilton, Cost-\$200.00 + food; Team members are needed. Next training session starts September 2007.

Public Relations Report:

*Phil Harville said that the Team's packet for the Florida Sportsman show is missing. The issued "passes" and the Team booth location were in the packet. Members who are scheduled to man our booth will need to get passes at the front of the expo. As members arrive to relieve volunteers, the passes will be handed off to the fresh crew.

*There was also an additional cost of \$70.00 for electricity at the convention center. However, John Perkner has graciously offered to pay the balance.

*There will be a cash box that will have \$100.00 to make change for JaxSpots book sales.

*Newly printed JaxRRT information pamphlets were passed out to attending members who dutifully folded them for the expo.

*There are still a few openings for volunteers Sunday morning.

Webmasters Report:

Rob Bronson presented the long awaited results of his college project. He also announced that he has accepted an internship in Bermuda and will be out of the country for several months.

Old Business: No old business was discussed.

New Business: Earth Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 21st. Phil received the application and the cost of the table is \$15.00.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 18th, at the Southeast Branch Library at 6:30pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

