

Agenda

Location: Hybrid – in person at the Aquarium Cafeteria & on Zoom

Attending: Uma Mirani, Greg Hunter, Joy Marzolf , Beth Nerney, Vera Renaldi, Andrew Acevedo
Dan Sprague, Dave Cazpiga

Not Attending: Steven Whitford, Rick Rosa, Kristi Pike

1. New Members

- Jeremy – open water certification in September and was on the Cozumel trip
- Katie – was on the Cozumel trip
- Taylor – was on the Cozumel trip
- Sid- open water certification last year and doing advanced course next month
- Adam – has been diving since 1998
- Megan – got certified in 2024. Wants to get advanced certification this year
- Julia – has been diving in Cozumel and Bali

2. Who has been diving

- Dave – just came back from Cozumel – 16 dives
- Vera & Fabio – Nubble light and Old Garden

3. Officer Announcements

- Joy- March meeting will be on Freshwater fishes of Massachusetts
- Uma – If you want to submit an article for the newsletter deadline is March 8th
- Dave- Sign up for the shore dive list to find out about dives this winter. Also working on getting boat dives scheduled
- GOT drawing will be at the end of the meeting. Date is Sunday March 1st
- Dan – dry dive will be in April- date TBD
- Next Bahamas trip will be 10/10 through 10/17

4. Updates from Aquarium liaison Carmen

- Next week member evening on 2/25- lecture on larval fish propagation
- New moving coming out about Penguins
- 3/21 to 3/27 is member appreciation week
- 3/27 is the fin and tonic. Tickets do sell out so reserve in advance
- 18 mother and calf right whale pairs have been reported
- Sea turtle season has ended and Quincy had over 500 turtles

5. Main Speaker: Kim Molkowski spoke about diving and science at WHOI. She is the dive safety officer and has been diving for 33 years

Meeting adjourned: 7:40 pm