# **Bay State Council of Divers**

Meeting Minutes for September 12, 2012

Meeting held at the SSN's Clubhouse, Quincy, MA 7:40-9:20

#### **Attendees:**

Paul Adler ECD phadiver@gmail.com

John Blackadar SSN Al Bozza NEADC

Angelo Correnti SSN / BSC President

Theresa Czerepica SSN Ted Hotz SSN

Mary Howard NSF / BSC Secretary

MatthewLawrenceSBNMSTedManeySalem State UVictorMastoneMA BUAR

JimWalkerSSNCarlYngveSSN

## Clubs and organizations represented include:

**Boston Sea Rovers** 

Massachusetts Board of Underwater Archeological Resources (BUAR)

Massachusetts Division of Marine Fishers (MA DMF)

New England Aquarium Dive Club (NEADC)

North Shore Frogmen (NSF)

Old Colony Amphibians (OCA)

South Shore Neptunes (SSN)

Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary (SBNMS)

## **Dive flag poster:**

Available for distribution now. Still looking for \$\$ from some clubs.

#### **Treasure Hunt**

ECD Paul Adler will contact people for more prizes.

If you get any prizes, be sure to notify John and Victor. John expects to get a package from DAN.

Ted will be getting something from Undersea Divers.

Safety equipment is upstairs. Ted will take it tonight. John has to be away at a conference.

No one is preregistered yet.

Angelo is bringing 4 tables and a couple of chairs. One table will be for the prizes. Others are for display/information; but no sales!! Al will bring 3-4 tables also just in case.

Al will be in charge of official photos.

Day of the event: we won't get washers. Angelo brought red golf balls that will be for specific top prizes.

Victor has the liability forms. He will make copies of the RULES to hand out at the event.

Rules were amended and will be emailed out to all on the BSC distribution list tonight.

Meet at the beach at 8AM. Ask Richie Bowers if his boat will be available. Bring kayak??

#### **Diveheart:**

No news. The reason for the cost is that you get another certification to be an instructor. Still, why does it cost \$350 to be a buddy?

Other handicapped diving assisting

Paul Rollins from Portland, ME (HSA – Handicapped Scuba Association) said he would happy to be involved in a project of this type. We could pursue our own way to do that.

Salem State would jump on this.

If we do pursue this, John B would like to have the Council to be in charge. Suggest we stop trying to work with Diveheart and work on this separately ourselves. Should start working on the business model, then write something up and present it to the Clubs and shops. Would have to be done locally. Let Al talk to Paul Rollins and tell him what our interest is.

It was suggested that anyone with information should bring it to the next BSC meeting.

## **Diving in Race Point area for large lobsters**

Vin M did email out new regulations for info.

**Tropical Fish Rescue:** October 7. Joy volunteered to chair the committee; Al is no longer in charge.

**SBNMS:** Matthew Lawrence

Matthew has goodies from the Monitor National Marine Sanctuary off of NC, to commemorate the sinking of the monitor, and 4 posters of that sanctuary, which were distributed tonight.

Ocean Frontiers movie is available for loan to Clubs. SSN is taking it for the first round. Mary has reserved for after next meeting.

**East Coast Divers:** The woman record holder for freediving will be in to teach an intermediate course in free diving at ECD. It's on the website or call the store.

**SSN Flea Market** 9/29, rain date is following week. \$15 for a space. At the Building 19 ½ parking lot in Hanover, MA

#### **Action Items:**

- Ask Clubs to donate \$25 to pay for the costs of the new Dive Flag Poster.
- AI Mary will write amended up the "rules" for the treasure hunt. Email the list to all on distribution list. (done)

Next BSC meeting: November 14.