

Richmond Dive Club – Tuesday, June 13, 2023 Membership Meeting

Meeting held at O'Toole's Restaurant and Pub Forest Hill Ave. Richmond and via Zoom.

Club President, Larry Antonacci began the meeting at 7:00 pm. About 15 attendees in room; 6 online = about 21.

- **Sell of used gear:** Larry reminded members that they can bring used dive gear to try to sell; gear that is in good condition – to the 6:00 – 7:00 networking part of the meeting.
- **Next RDC Diver Days** is this weekend – Friday and Saturday; camp overnight. Register by this Wednesday so you can get on manifest for Lake Phoenix. We will have a night dive. We cover the entry cost for both days. Bring food; there is very little available to eat there.
 - After a member noted he was unable to register for future Diver Days, Brian Cohen, VP, explained that registration opens 3 weeks in advance and closes two days prior. Larry reminded everyone that the club covers the entry fees but that participants have to rent their own air from the Lake [unless they have their own tanks] and it is unlimited.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Tonya Langenstein, Treasurer, is out. We have 80 members now; Brian confirmed that 80 includes the 6 corporate sponsors.
- **Revised Proposed By-Law:** [Brian sent the revision out to members via email in advance to allow time for review and comments]. Larry reminded members that we revised our proposed addendum regarding speaker honorarium as follows:
 - 9.6 For an in-person presentation (as opposed to a remote presentation), the club will pay food and non-alcoholic beverage expenses for each in-person speaker at the meeting. In addition, the club will pay \$100 as an honorarium per in-person presentation, not per speaker.

Larry noted that we checked with the IRS and which advises that everything should be equal. Because we did not have a quorum of members in attendance we held off on the vote.

- **New Member Introductions** took place.
- **Member Dive Trip Sharing:** Larry welcomed members to share if they have been on a dive trip recently.
- **Speaker:** Brian introduced the speaker, Chrissy Watt, Lead Educator from The Turtle Hospital in Florida.
- **Raffle:** The 50/50 drawing was held and Kelly won the \$13 (half the pot) but donated back to the club.

Larry adjourned the meeting at 7:50.