Maritime Archaeological Society Dive Brief

- Does everyone feel well enough to dive?
- Anyone taking medication that may prevent them from diving?
- Anyone planning to fly in the next 24 hours?
- All dives will be no decompression, non-penetration dives
- At least 1 topside person will maintain a visual watch of the dive location
- Topside personnel will maintain a watch for approaching boats and weather
- Diver recall will be the revving of the dive boats engines
- Listen for boat traffic and do not surface if boat is overhead
- Emergency Equipment
 - o Drift Line
 - o First Aid Kit
 - o Emergency O2 Kit
 - o VHF Radio
 - o Cell Phone
- Possible hazards include
 - Cold Water Temp
 - Strong Current and Surge
 - Hazardous Marine Life
- Medical emergencies,
 - o Call EMS on cell phone 911
 - o Contact Coast Guard, VHF Ch 16
 - o Call DAN 919-684-9111
- If you find yourself in a current far from the boat, do not exhaust yourself
 - o Pop a safety sausage and signal the boat
 - The boat will come to get you
- If problems are encountered STOP, BREATHE, THINK, and ACT
- Hand signals (demonstrate) Okay, distress or in trouble, out of air, share air, go up, go down, low on air, stop, danger, photo, video, measure with tape, circle search
- Avoid getting too cold, if you start to shiver, contact your dive buddy and both conduct a safe ascent
- Anyone may abort the dive or the trip if they feel an unsafe condition exists or they no longer wish to continue
- Any questions?