

July 2012 General Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Arizona Submarine Veterans Perch Base was convened at Dillon's Restaurant at Arrowhead, in Glendale, AZ at 12:00 hours, 14 July, 2012. The meeting was called to order by Howard Doyle, Base Vice Commander.

The "Call to Order" was followed by a prayer of invocation by Walt Blomgren, Base Chaplain, the Pledge of Allegiance and the Reciting of our Purpose. The tolling ceremony was conducted for all boats lost in the month of July, a moment of silence was observed for our shipmates on eternal patrol, "Sailor's rest your oars".

Howard started the meeting by introducing new members and the guests present.

Steve Leon – Will be joining Perch Base.

According to the Sailing List there were 20 members and guest present. The complete sailing list included:

Howard Doyle	Bob Warner	Chuck Emmett	Richard Kunze
Rick Simmons	DeWayne Lober	Walt Blomgren	John Schlag
Richard Bernier	Davy Jones	Douglas M La Rock	Kelly Grissom
Herb Coulter	Steven Stanger	Jerry Pittman	Heather Diaz
Robb Roberts	Paul Miller	Bob Gilmore	Steve Leon

The, minutes from the June, 2012 regular meeting needed to be approved as published in the "Mid Watch". A motion was made and seconded. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Bob Warner read the Treasurer's Report for June, 2012. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Base Officers and Board of Directors Reports

Chief of the Boat – Richard Kunze mentioned that on August 4th that White Mountains Base in Snowflake was having a Charity Golf Tournament. Richard is trying to get information from Steve Day and will put it out as soon as he gets it.

Chaplain – Walt Blomgren – had called both Billy Grieves and Davy Jones check on them. He hadn't had any reply but Davy's here at the meeting so he is Ok. Walt had received an E-Mail reporting that Adrian Stuke was having some diagnostic work done and had been in the hospital. Howard added that Adrian had moved to Chino Valley so the listed address wasn't good. Adrian is going to the VA Hospital and has asked for no visitors. Adrian for those that don't know him is a long time member of Perch Base and we will try to keep members updated on his status.

Membership Chairman – Rick Simmons again encouraged everyone to access the National Website, get a password and update their profile. User Name is easy First Letter of first name as

Capital letter, First Letter of last name as Capital letter, followed by the rest of last name in lower case i.e. XYzzzzz it is not your E-Mail address. So get in there and help us out. If you don't have computer access call Rick at home, he will tell you what's there and he can update for you.

Communications Officer – Chuck Emmett reminded everyone that it was up to the waiter or waitress they may add a gratuity to the bill so you need to look at it. Chuck had sent out Flash Traffic on voting in National Election's. He got some responses and helped them out. If you need assistance let Chuck know he will try to help either on line or by phone. Howard added some comments and said that as of last Wednesday Perch Base with approximately 160 members and 124 eligible to vote only 15 had voted. There was further discussion about voting and discussion about National Convention and the site selection. Send comments to Chuck at Communications @ Perch Base.Com

Secretary – John Schlag had nothing to add.

Base Storekeeper – De Wayne Lober had Shirts, Turvis Tumbler, and the other items on display. Deal of the day Base Coffee Mugs.

Treasurer – Bob Warner had nothing to add.

Event Coordinator – Joe Varese was not present at today's meeting.

Vice Commander – Howard Doyle stated the only thing he had was the voting discussion and we have already covered that. He had talked with The Base Commander and he was in Wichita Kansas.

Old Business

The COB pulled the Float to Prescott for the Frontier Days Parade June 30th. Several members went up on Friday prior and Gudgeon Base sponsored a dinner Friday night. Eight of us went to the Rodeo Friday night, Howard's comment was Stock 29 Cowboys Nothing. We were in the parade the next day. Howard discussed the parade and commented that the reception we receive there is 2nd to none.

New Business

We discussed the Traveling Dolphins instituted by Gudgeon Base in Prescott. We'll make a field trip to Prescott to capture the Dolphins. July 21st Base Members are invited to attend. Jim would like to meet at the Rock Springs Café for Breakfast before going on to Prescott. Chuck will send a Flash Traffic.

Good of the Order

Steve Stanger described the Blessing of our float and also Tucson's by a member of the Navaho Nation.

Kap(SS)4Kid(SS) - Steve also discussed the Kap(SS)4Kid(SS) visit to Children's Hospital Thursday the 21st of June at 2:00 PM.

Walt is going to step down as Base Chaplin, so if anyone is interested in that position talk with Walt or see one of the Base Officers.

50/50 Drawing

The 50/50 drawing \$69 / \$35 was won by Bob Gilmore.

Benediction

The benediction was offered by Walt Blomgren.

Adjournment

All outstanding business having been concluded, it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 12:55.

John Schlag

Secretary, Perch Base USSVI