



BASE SECRETARY'S DILIGENT DISCOURSE

MINUTES OF THE BASE'S MEETINGS

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EDITOR: WE HAD NO REGULAR MEETING IN MAY -- THAT WAS REPLACED BY THE PICNIC -- BUT TIM TOOK NOTES AND PRODUCED THE FOLLOWING. WHAT A SHIPMATE!!

Perch Base 2013 Annual Picnic Highlights

The 2013 Perch Base annual picnic was held at the White Tanks Recreational area on Saturday, 11 May 2013. The picnic commenced at about 1100 with prayer of invocation by Base Chaplain Steve Leon.

Chuck Emmett conducted a tolling ceremony for all boats on eternal patrol that were lost in the month of May.

It was reported that there were some 70 to 80 attendees at this year's picnic. In addition to Perch Base, we had representatives from Gudgeon Base in Prescott Valley, Tautog Base in Casa Grande and Tucson Base in Tucson. An enjoyable time was had by all. A special thanks to Stan Reinhold and his faithful crew for preparing the food which was excellent as usual.

We conducted a Holland Club ceremony for inductees from both the Gudgeon Base and Tautog Base. Tom Warner, Base Commander for Gudgeon Base inducted Norm Scott and William Pearce, and Denny Honodel, Base Commander for Tautog Base inducted Norm Scott. Congratulations to these shipmates who have been Qualified in Submarines for 50 years.

The "Traveling Dolphins" were up for a "Capturing the Dolphins" ceremony and were captured by Tautog Base. Base Commander Denny Honodel fulfilled the requirement of telling a "Sea Story" so Tautog Base could officially take possession of the "Traveling Dolphins". Denny announced that Tautog Base would not be conducting meetings in the months of June, July or August so it will be difficult to attempt a capture in that timeframe.

We conducted a 50/50 raffle and \$182 was collected with the winner's share being \$91.00. Rick Simmons held the winning ticket.

We also had a raffle for 1 "Of Course You Feel Inferior...." T-Shirt and Steve Leon had the winning ticket. He said he had never won anything in his life. His wife Beth mentioned that he probably would still be on his winless streak had she not purchased tickets for him. Steve said he would let Beth wear the T-Shirt to the store.

In addition the T-Shirt raffle, which netted \$26.00, we sold 13 shirts which brought in \$260.00 for a total of \$286.00 to the base treasury from our T-Shirt acquisition. We still have 23 shirts available for sale in Med, Lg, XL & XXL sizes. Tim Moore will bring them to the next meeting for distribution. These will be sold on a first come, first serve basis so if you wish to reserve yours in advance, contact Tim Moore after the 25th of May and one will be reserved for you. The shirts can be purchased for \$20.00 each.

The benediction was offered by Base Chaplain Steve Leon and the picnic ended at about 1400.

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