

Perch Base Minutes March 12, 2016

The monthly meeting of Perch Base was convened at Dillon's Restaurant, in Glendale, AZ at 1200 hours, 13 February, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Richard Kunze, Vice Commander.

Don Unser gave the invocation. Richard Kunze led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chuck Emmett read the USSVI Creed. A moment of silence followed by the Tolling of the Boats lost in March.

According to the sailing list the following attended the base meeting:

Richard Kunze	Robb Roberts	Jim Denzien
Jim Andrews	Steven Stanger	Sam Mecham
Jim Nelson	Chuck Emmett	Herb Herman
Dan Marks	Kelly Grissom	Mike Dahl
Nicholas Daley	Davy Jones	John Zaichkin
James Newman	Nathan Tippet	Edward Gonsowski
Sherry Woolcott	Ray Marshall	Doug LaRock
David Heighway	Tim Moore	Bill Woolcott
Don Unser	Don Schafer	Robert Wright
Marcia Unser	Chuck Luna	Robie Robinson
Rick Simmons	DeWayne Lober	Clancy DeGroot - Guest
William Tippet	David Metje	Ken Meeks
George Gillette	Dan Moss	David Fledderjohn
Dottie Reed	Mary Denzien	Pete Sattig
Don Robertson	Dewey Reed	Jim Trail – New Member
Harold Weber – Guest		

The first item of business was a call for approval of the last Base meeting minutes. It was approved by voice vote.

Dave Heighway read the Treasurer's report ending February 29, 2016.

OFFICERS REPORTS

Communications Officer/Historian – Chuck Luna

Chuck reminded the members that he needs articles for the newsletter. The deadline for the MidWatch is March 18, 2016.

Treasurer – Dave Heighway

Dave reported that the end of year report has been submitted to USSVI.

Storekeeper – Herb Herman

Herb has many items for sale in the back of the room.

Webmaster – Dan Marks

During February, there were approximately 1,346 page views on the Perch Base website during 638 sessions by 427 users based on Google Analytics. Approximately 83% of the visits originated in the US, 2% from the United Kingdom, 2% from Canada and the remaining 17% are not specified or widely scattered around the world. Approximately 42% of the visits were from locations within Arizona. The Homepage accounted for the largest (40%) percentage of the visits, exceeding the Glossary (28%), the Sailing Orders page (7%), and the Eternal Patrol page (3%).

Membership – Jim Andrews

We currently have a total of 164 members attached to the Perch Base and USSVI. Jim is still trying to get membership details in the USSVI and Perch Base database updated. He is also needing updates when there are changes in addresses, phone numbers, email addresses and if they're snowbirds, he needs their snowbird address.

Events Coordinator – Don Unser

Roger's Ranch School – No information, so will not be participating this year.

Paradise RV Park - March 17, 2016.

Navy Week – March 22, 2016. We will have a static display at this event.

Luke Air Force Days – April 2-3, 2016. No information available at this time.

Western Regional Roundup – May 1-6, 2016 in Laughlin.

Akimel A-al Middle School – May 9, 2016

Perch Base Picnic – May 14, 2016 at the White Tanks Park

Flagstaff Armed Forces - May 21, 2016.

Memorial Day at National Cemetery – May 30, 2016.

Prescott Parade – July 2, 2016.

National Convention in Reno, NV – August 15-20, 2016.

All events are available on the Website.

District Commander – Jim Denzien

Navy Ball – Oct. 8, 2016. He will have more information for anyone who wants to attend.

April 30, 2016 is the Submarine Ball in San Diego.

Jim announced that he's running for Western Region Director, and he asked for votes from the

base. All information is in the American Submariner.

Commander – Chuck Emmett

Chuck thanked Richard Kunze for taking over due to him being in the hospital this past week. American Submariner has now published rates for all ads in the magazine.

OLD BUSINESS

ASSM - Dan Moss reported that the fund raising is in full swing. Tim Moore announced the Spring Fling Raffle which is in effect now through April 30, encouraging members to purchase pavers. Davey Jones still has copies of Dex Armstrong's book for sale and all proceeds go to the ASSM.

NEW BUSINESS

National elections are now underway. Ballots will be in the next American Submariner magazine. Jim Denzien encouraged members to vote.

Base Elections – Chuck Emmett announced that Richard Kunze, by acclamation, has accepted the position of Vice Commander for the next two years. A motion was made and seconded by voice vote.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Jim Denzien mentioned that all of the base members should notify the Chaplain if they're aware of anyone that is sick or in the hospital. This is important so the Chaplain offer assistance.

Davy Jones announced that he still has more books for sale. He also mentioned that some have not paid for the books that they purchased earlier. The books are \$25.00 each.

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Jim Denzien won the raffle which came to \$93.00.

ADJOURMENT

Benediction was led by Don Unser. Meeting adjourned at 1300 hrs.

Submitted:
Marcia Unser
Secretary Perch Base