

**Perch Base Minutes**  
**October 2018**

The monthly meeting of Perch Base, USSVI, was held on the 13<sup>th</sup> of the month at Dillon's Restaurant, north 59<sup>th</sup> Ave., in Glendale Arizona. The Base Commander, Howard Doyle, presided and called the meeting to order at 12 noon. The invocation was given by the Base Chaplain, Governor Joy, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the reading of the purpose of the organization. The commander read the list of lost boats for the month of October accompanied by a slide presentation of each boat as they were read.

Howard asked for any new members or visitors were present and one member had a friend of his son present who, although not submarines, would be joining Naval Aviation soon. The list of members and guests present (sailing list) is as follows:

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| 1. Howard Doyle    | 13. Angel Santana  | 25. Vic Van Horn   |
| 2. Carl Miner      | 14. Jim Andrews    | 26. Janet Van Horn |
| 3. Jack Patterson  | 15. Chuck Emmett   | 27. Chuck Luna     |
| 4. Robert Denton   | 16. Don Schafer    | 28. Davy Jones     |
| 5. Dottie Reed     | 17. Don DeMarte    | 29. Mike Olson     |
| 6. Dewey Reed      | 18. Robert Wright  | 30. Herb Herman    |
| 7. Bill Woolcott   | 19. Jim Denzien    | 31. George Woods   |
| 8. Sherry Woolcott | 20. Dave Kleinz    | 32. Governor Joy   |
| 9. Mike Weeks      | 21. DeWayne Lober  | 33. Doug Newland   |
| 10. Dan Marks      | 22. Marcus Hensley | 34. Edward         |
| 11. Don Robertson  | 23. Steve Stanger  | Gonsowski          |
| 12. Bill Tippit    | 24. Tim Moore      |                    |

Approval was asked for and received, on the minutes of the previous Base meeting. The Base Treasurer, David Heighway was on personal business and not present, however the Commander asked if changes to the financial (information) report were required. None were.

Howard then asked for reports from the base officers. Jim Andrews, Membership, reminded the members that we were now into the annual membership renewal period. He went into details regarding renewal.

Chuck Emmett told the members that a new batch of the "who-we-are" business cards are in. These have a phone number for both events and membership added to the back for easy contact by any perspective. He stressed the point that these cards along with the Perch Base hats remain the most significant recruitment tool that we as ordinary members of USSVI have available to us and he encouraged every member to carry four or five of these business cards around with them at all times in case someone should ask about the organization.

**Old Business** - the Base Commander, assisted by the Boat Sponsorship Chairman. Vic Van Horn, explained the value of the boat sponsorship program and the economy that it allows to assist in recruiting new members right from the fleet. Members were encouraged to sign up then or to contact Vic to sponsor a boat.

Howard told the members that the Midwatch editor was always looking for articles to include in the newsletter. Fresh and different ideas are the lifeblood for increasing interest in both members and outsiders and enjoying reading the publication. In addition, the deadline for the next issue (the last one of the year) is December 21.

The Webmaster aided the Base Commander in and covering the upcoming events. Members were reminded that future events are always posted on the Perch Base website, but are showing the following:

↳ November 3 — Anthem/Daisy Mountain parade (Saturday.)

NOTE: NO NOVEMBER BASE MEETING — THE PARADE IN ANTHEM WILL CONSTITUTE A MONTHLY MEETING IN IT'S PLACE.

↳ November 12 — Phoenix Veteran's Day Parade (Monday.)

↳ January 19 — annual awards dinner (for calendar year 2018.)

**New business** – The commander reminded the members that the election for base commander will be held during the first part of next year. His opinion was that he hated to see a ballot with only one candidate for an office and most of the members agreed.

There had been a message that the base had received from National regarding a call for assistance (financial.) This money-request would support Groton Base's annual Thanksgiving dinner that they put on for a large group of active duty and veteran individuals. All bases were requested to assist since this is way beyond the scope of any one base to handle from a financial standpoint.

**Good of the Order** — Jim Denzien proposed that we join veterans from many veteran's groups at the Wesley Bolin Plaza for the unveiling and re-dedication of the restored World War I Veterans Memorial by the UAV and State of Arizona on the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Armistice Day (*the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month in 1918.*) Ceremony on Sunday, Nov. 11 at 11 a.m.

**50-50 drawing** — The total amount in the pot for the drawing was \$148. The winner was Dave Kleinz and he donated his share back to the base.

There being no further business, the chaplain gave the benediction and the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 PM

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