

Perch Base Minutes January 12, 2019

The monthly meeting of Perch Base was convened at Dillon's Restaurant, in Glendale, AZ at 1200 hours, 12 January 2019. The meeting was called to order by Commander Howard Doyle Jr.

Mike Olsen gave the invocation. Howard Doyle Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance, Chuck Luna read the USSVI Purpose. A moment of silence followed by the Tolling of the Boats lost in January.

New members welcomed to the group are: Jim Mills, Bill Anderson and Wm. Montjar

Per the sailing list, the following attended the base meeting:

Carl Miner	Howard Doyle	Dan Marks
Jim Andrews	Marcia Unser	George Woods
Chuck Luna	David Heighway	Tim Moore
Chuck Emmett	Ken Meek	George Gillette
Don Schafer	Robert Wright	Dave Kleinz
John Carpentier	Vic Van Horn	Wayne Clark
Anthony Christianson	Doyle Egg	George Toft
Edward Gonsowski	Steven Stanger	Doug Newland
William Tippet	Henry Fernandez	Marcus Hensley
Steve Snyder	Rick Simmons	Bill Anderson
Jim Denzien	Mary Denzien	Jim Mills
Ann Mills	Lou Reynolds	Gary Staples
Doug LaRock	John Zaichkin	Richard Bernier
Herb Herman	Mike Hinderliter	Jim Tolsma
Elaine Tolsma	Jim Edwards	Mike Dahl
Mike Olsen	Wm. Montjar	

The first item of business was a call for approval of the December meeting minutes.

The December Treasurer report was read.

OFFICERS REPORTS

Communications Officer/Historian – Chuck Luna

Chuck had nothing to report.

Commander – Howard Doyle Jr.

Howard reported the following events:

Jan. 12, 2019 - Base Meeting

Jan. 19, 2019 - Awards Banquet

Feb. 2, 2019 - Laveen Parade

Feb. 9, 2019 - Base Meeting

March 9, 2019 – Base Meeting

March 25 -29, 2019 – Western Regional Roundup in Laughlin at the Riverside Hotel

April 13, 2019 – Annual picnic at White Tank Regional Park (Ramada 4F)

Chief of The Boat – Carl Miner

Carl had nothing to report.

Treasurer – Dave Heighway

Dave had nothing more to report.

Storekeeper – Marcus Hensley

Herb reported that he has a few more calendars available. He also passed around a hat that he can take special orders for, if any member is interested in purchasing.

Webmaster – Dan Marks

Minor improvements have been made to the website to eliminate pages, called “soft 404’s,” based on Search Engine Optimization feedback from the Google Webmaster Tools for some old events that have a Sailing List, but no photos. Routine updates during the past month included updating the Sailing Orders page, Flash Traffics and meeting minutes uploaded, Lost Boat notices and Half Staff notices posted and links updated.

Dan mentioned that some members might not be able to drive to the meetings and he suggested that anyone interested in helping, that they could contact him. He also had a slide that showed where most members lived, so it would be easy to link someone who needed a ride. He mentioned that he would be happy to link someone needing a ride

Membership – Jim Andrews

Jim reported that we now have 171 members. The total monies brought in are as follows:

USSVI = \$1585 (78%)

Perch Base = \$735.00 (79%)

Donations = \$3,877.00 (65%)

Events Coordinator – Don Unser

Don was not in attendance.

Past Commander – Chuck Emmett

Chuck had nothing new to report.

Secretary – Marcia Unser

Marcia had nothing to report.

Chaplain – Governor Joy

Governor Joy was not at the meeting.

Western Regional District Commander – Vic Van Horn

Vic reported that there were sign up sheets at the tables for the Awards Banquet and he also has forms for the Boat Sponsorship program.

Western Region Director – Jim Denzien

Jim reported that there will be a campaign to have the VA or any Military Hospital in the area, which provides a place for families, whose members are in the hospital. He offered help to anyone that wanted to submit a letter in support of this campaign. Perch Base will be supporting this effort.

He also announced that he has appointed Vic Van Horn as his replacement as the Western Region District One Commander.

OLD BUSINESS

Howard encouraged members to sponsor a boat, which costs \$30.00 (8.22 cents per day) a year. Vic Van Horn reported that there are 14 boats that don't have sponsors. Contact Vic Van Horn for more information. Vic Van Horn mentioned that he has patches for those who are fist time sponsors of these boats.

Midwatch deadline (03/14/19).

NEW BUSINESS

Howard announced that the position of Base Commander will be up for election this March and asked if there were any nominations. Carl Miner nominated Howard for this position, and Howard accepted the nomination. A special election will also be done in March 2019, for the remainder of the Vice Commander term. Howard nominated George Woods for this position, and he accepted. Nominations for both positions will be held until after the February meeting. The election will take place in March.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Lou Reynolds shared that he had met a 'bubble head' at the store and asked if he knew about Perch Base, which he said he did and had attended one of the meetings. His comment on the meeting was that we talked about parades and fund raising for scholarships.

Tim Moore reported on the progress of the ASSM. The Memorial has exceeded the goal of \$100,000. Tim reported that Dillon's has brought in over \$8,000.00 from their Silent Auction of items that have been on display.

There will be three items at the silent auction at the Awards Banquet. The items are: Stained glass piece, quilt and stainless-steel dolphins. The minimum bid on each item is \$100.00. He has forms for these items, if anyone is interested and won't be at the banquet.

Jim Denzien read a short email regarding WWII, where a teacher had introduced a WWII Veteran as a WW-Eleven veteran. It's sad that people don't know history any more.

BINNACLE LIST

No one is on the Binnacle list this month. Mike Olsen reported that his wife is doing better after having a couple operations.

Steve Hough had a heart valve operation.

Ray Marshall was not able to attend due to health issues.

50/50

Marcia Unser won the raffle, which totaled \$105.00.

ADJOURNMENT

Benediction was led by Mike Olsen. Meeting adjourned at 1250 hrs.

Submitted:
Marcia Unser
Secretary Perch Base