November Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the members of the Arizona Submarine Veterans – Perch Base was convened at the American Legion Post #62; Peoria, AZ at 1300 hours, 9 November 2002. The meeting was called to order by the Base Commander - Dave Harnish.

The members were led in the "pledge of allegiance"; followed by the dedication, moment of silence for our departed shipmates, "tolling of the boats" and the invocation by Base Chaplain, Howard Doyle.

There were 23 members and 1 guest attending the meeting according to the sailing list.

The members welcomed new member Charles Alaniva with a round of applause. Charles recently moved to the area and transferred his membership to Perch Base.

It was moved and the motion seconded that the minutes from the last meeting be approved as published in the Base Newsletter; "The MidWatch". The motion carried by voice vote of the members present.

Treasurer (Robert May) reported the Base's financial status as of the first day of November, 2002.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report as read. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

REPORTS BY OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIR-MEN

Vice Commander - Glenn Herold reported that a storage site had been located for the Perch Base parade float. Arrangements were made with the manager of a facility at the corner of Dobson and University in Phoenix. The storage is free, but, the Base is required to show evidence of insurance to protect the facility's owners. Glenn estimated that a policy with a face value or approximately \$3,000 would suffice.

Ray Samson reporting for the Membership Committee indicated that the annual letter for membership renewal will be out this week. He also invited everyone to log on and check out the updated Perch Base Website (www.perch-base.org) where more information and new links to other sites were added.

Newsletter editor - Chuck Emmett announced that the newsletter is now capable of being down loaded from the Perch Base Web Site. Everyone should down load the newsletter and let Chuck know if there are any problems with the process.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business brought to the floor.

NEW BUSINESS

Dave Harnish briefed the members on the schedule of events and arrangements for participation in the Phoenix Veteran's Day Parade to be held on November 11th.

Dave also briefed the membership on the efforts to establish the USS Razorback Memorial in the Port of Little Rock, Arkansas and encouraged members to send personal donations to the memorial to help get it set up and running.

Dave informed the members of the dates and arrangements necessary for attending the 2003 USSVI/USSV-WWII Combined Convention in Reno, Nevada. Recreation Vehicle owners are also being offered special rates in some of the Reno RV Parks for the convention. Those interested should contact Dave.

Once again, Dave asked the members to be supportive of the American Legion Post #62 in order to repay them for their hospitality and support of the Perch Base.

Ed Brooks, who was recently appointed to the US Submarine Veteran's Charitable Foundation, briefed the members on the ongoing efforts to raise funds and support the worthwhile causes sponsored by the Charitable Foundation.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

There were no issues brought to floor for the Good of the Order.

50/50 DRAWING

The 50/50 raffle was conducted and Royce Pettit was the winner. Royce exhibited his benevolence and contributed the winner's share back to the Base Treasury.

ADJOURNMENT

All the outstanding business being concluded, it was moved and seconded that the meeting of the Arizona Submarine Veterans - Perch Base be adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 1340 hours.

(Edgar T. Brooks – Base Secretary)