

## Perch Base Minutes March 10, 2018

The monthly meeting of Perch Base was convened at Dillon's Restaurant, in Glendale, AZ at 1200 hours, 10 March 2018. 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 March.

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

W. H. Doyle Jr.	Chuck Luna	Jack Patterson
Bill Larime	Rick Simmons	David Heighway
Bob Denton	Dewey Reed	Dottie Reid
Davy Jones	Bill Woolcott	Sherry Woolcott
Mike Olsen	Carl Miner	George Woods
Dan Burns	Chuck Emmett	John Carpentier
Marcia Unser	Don Unser	Jim Denzien
Mary Denzien	Matt Quinn	Mary Quinn
Ray Marshall	Doug LaRock	John Zaichkin
Glenn Posniack	Jim Edwards	Wayne Clark
Don Schafer	Ken Meeks	Lou Reynolds
Paul Miller	Robie Robinson	DeWayne Lober
Jim Andrews	Sam Mecham	Jim Tolsma
Elaine Tolsma	Dan Marks	Chris Urness
Dick Noreika	Larry Speight	David Metje
Michael Dahl	Vic Van Horn	Jan Van Horn
Edward Gonsowski	Kelly Grissom	Dennis Ottley

The first item of business was a call for approval of the February meeting minutes. A motion was made to approve the minutes, which was seconded and approved by voice vote.

David Heighway read the Treasurer's report.

The base welcomed new member Bob Denton and guests Dennis Ottley, Matt & Macy Quinn. Pending new member Dan Burns.

### **OFFICERS REPORTS**

#### **Communications Officer/Historian – Chuck Luna**

Chuck reminded members that the cutoff date for the MidWatch is March 16, 2018.

#### **Commander – Howard Doyle Jr.**

Howard passed out information on the Veterans Heritage Project and encouraged members to fill out the form and hand the information to Dick Noreika.

**Vice Commander – Glenn Posniack**

Glenn had nothing to report.

**Chief of The Boat – Carl Miner**

Carl had nothing to report.

**Treasurer – Dave Heighway**

Dave was acting as the storekeeper today and had a few Holland Club hats for sale.

**Storekeeper – Herb Herman**

Herb was not at the meeting.

**Webmaster – Dan Marks**

The only major activity with the website during the past month has been the payment of the domain renewal fee, as budgeted for 2018. Other 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. Similar updates have been maintained on the Perch Base Facebook Group.

During February, there were approximately 876 page views on the Perch Base website during 435 sessions by 322 users based on Google Analytics. These numbers are slightly lower than usual but is also a result of a shorter 28-day month. A new statistic shows that 16.5% of the traffic are returning visitors and the other 83.5 are new visitors to the website. Approximately 77% of the sessions originated in the US, 4% from China, 2% from Great Britain and the remainder were widely scattered around the world. Approximately 39% of the sessions were from locations in the Metro Phoenix area, which is assumed to come from our local membership.

**Membership – Jim Andrews**

Jim reported that since his last report in February, we added no new members to our ranks in Perch Base. National has reviewed our dues non-payment status and has dropped us down to 169 members. National dropped 10 members, but Perch Base added 6 new members in January.

**Events Coordinator – Don Unser**

Luke Days – March 17 & 18

2018 Western Regional Roundup – April 23 – 27, Sam's Town, Las Vegas

Annual Lunch Picnic Meeting – May 12, White Tanks Park, Ramada 4F

Flagstaff Armed Forces Day – May 19

Prescott Frontier Days – June 30

2018 Convention Cruise – Oct. 21 – 28, Departs from Ft. Lauderdale, FL

**Past Commander – Chuck Emmett**

Chuck reminded members that articles for the American Submariner need to be submitted by April 5, 2018.

**Secretary – Marcia Unser**

Marcia had nothing to report.

**Chaplain – Governor Joy**

Governor was not at the meeting.

**Western Regional District Commander – Jim Denzien**

Jim reminded members that he's running for Regional Director and to be sure and vote.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Marcia handed out the ballots for the election of Vice Commander. After counting all the ballots, Glenn Posniack was elected for this position.

Western Regional Roundup website can be reached from Perch Base Website.

Veterans Heritage Project 2018/2019 - Dick Noreika is the coordinator.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Dennis Ottley and Jim Denzien discussed having the 2020 convention site in Phoenix or Tucson. A Flash Traffic will come out explaining what was discussed today.

UAV – Jim Denzien reported that he was at the last Board meeting, then to Yuma for their birthday, which he participated in the ceremony.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Blue Angels will be at the Luke Days event on March 17 & 18. You can't park on site during this event, but parking will be available off site with shuttle service.

Vic Van Horn gave handouts regarding the Boat Sponsorship Program and urged members to participate. He also encouraged members to submit Perch Base for the Meritorious Award to National.

**BINNACLE LIST**

George Crider is at home and getting Hospice care.

**50/50**

John Zaichkin won the drawing, which came to \$121.00.

**ADJOURMENT**

Benediction was led by Mike Olsen. Meeting adjourned at 1309 hrs.

Submitted:  
Marcia Unser  
Secretary Perch Base