

USSVI BONEFISH BASE
(SS-223) and (SS-582)
Redlands California
January 22, 2022

OUR CREED:

Our organization's purpose is "To perpetuate the memory of our shipmates who gave their lives in the pursuit of their duties while serving their country. That their dedication, deeds and supreme sacrifice be a constant source of motivation toward greater accomplishments. Pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America and its Constitution.

In addition to perpetuating the memory of departed shipmates, we shall provide a way for all Submariners to gather for the mutual benefit and enjoyment. Our common heritage as Submariners shall be strengthened by camaraderie. We support a strong U.S. Submarine Force.

The organization will engage in various projects and deeds that will bring about the perpetual remembrance of those shipmates who have given the supreme sacrifice. The organization will also endeavor to educate all third parties it comes in contact with about the services our submarine brothers performed and how their sacrifices made possible the freedom and lifestyle we enjoy today."

1200 Hours:

At the sound of the klaxon, Commander Gene Adams convened the meeting of the Bonefish Base. Jay Sullivan, Karl Waterman and Chuck Orman read our creed. Commander Adams led members present in the Pledge of Allegiance and Frank Campbell gave the opening prayer.

Tolling of the Boats:

The following boats were lost during the month of January.

USS Scorpion (SS -278) Lost on January 5, 1944 with the loss of 77 officers and men in the East China Sea, on her 4th war patrol. It is assumed she was sunk by a mine.

USS Argonaut (SS-166)

Lost on January 10, 1943 with the loss of 102 officers and men off Rabaul while on her 3rd war patrol. While attacking a convoy, she torpedoed a Jap destroyer who along with 2 other destroyers depth charged her. As she tried to surface, the destroyers sunk her by gun fire.

USS Swordfish (SS-193)

Lost on January 12, 1945 with the loss of 89 officers and men somewhere near Okinawa while on her 13th war patrol. Probably was lost to a mine.

USS S-36 (SS-141)

Lost on January 20, 1942 with no loss of life on her 2nd war patrol. She ran hard aground on a reef and radioed for help. The entire crew was rescued by a Dutch ship after they scuttled her.

USS S-26 (SS-131)

Lost on January 24, 1942 with the loss of 46 officers and men in the Gulf of Panama during her second war patrol. She was rammed by the USS PC 460 and sunk within seconds. The CO, XO and one lookout on the bridge were the only survivors

Guest/Member Introductions:

Commander Adams introduced guests present and provided the opportunity for all Bonefish Base members present to introduce themselves and note the Submarine and year on which they had qualified.

Minutes:

Commander Adams informed members present that the Bonefish Base Meeting minutes of December 11, 2021 had been posted on the website. Hearing no concerns relative to additions, deletions, and/or corrections, Commander Adams declared the December 11, 2021 Bonefish Base Meeting minutes approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report:

Bonefish Base Treasurer, Everett Noyes was absent so the Treasurer's report will be presented in February.

Binnacle List:

- Jan Noyes
- Joe Cancholla
- Howard Hoyt
- Brick Noyes
- Bob Schive

Old Business:

Commander Adams recapped our December meeting, election of officers, and the desire of Trieste Base to hold another joint meeting this year at their base.

New Business:

Commander Adams indicated the need for someone to volunteer to be the Base Storekeeper. He also reminded everyone of the need for future program speakers, and the Western Region Roundup scheduled for April 25-19 in Reno.

District Commander Rocky Rockers, WD6, officially swore in the new officers of Bonefish Base.

- Commander – Gene Adams
- Senior Vice Commander – Dan Rowland
- Junior Vice Commander – Chuck Orman
- Secretary – Bill Hawkins
- Treasurer – Brick Noyes
- At Large Member – Karl Waterman

Sailing List:

Members		
Gene Adams	Izar Martinez	John Lucia
Daryl Brock	Jay Sullivan	Dan Rowland
Frank Campbell	Mike Williamson	Karl Waterman
Rocky Rockers	Chuck Orman	Felix Giles
Associate Members		
Honored Guests		
Marcia Campbell		

Adjournment:

Commander Adams adjourned the meeting at 12:50 PM. Shipmates in attendance subsequently enjoyed lunch together.

Respectfully submitted,

Daryl Brock
Acting Secretary

Meeting Dates:

The Bonefish Base (SS-223)/(SS-582) meets at 11:30 hours on the fourth Saturday of the month. Currently meetings are being held at The Zacatecas Café, 3767 Iowa Avenue, Riverside, California.