

USSVI BONEFISH BASE

(SS-223) and (SS-582)

Redlands California

September 22, 2018

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 Daryl Brock convened the meeting of the Bonefish Base. Charles Orman, Jay Sullivan, and Karl Waterman read our creed. Gene Adams was asked to lead members present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chaplain Don Noyes gave the opening prayer.

Tolling of the Boats:

The following boats were lost during the month of September.

USS S-5 (SS-110)

Lost on September 1, 1920 when a practice dive went wrong and she sank bow-first, with her stern showing above the water. In a dramatic adventure, her exhausted crew was rescued during the next few days. Salvage attempts were unsuccessful. S-5 settled to the bottom and was abandoned.

USS Grayling (SS-209)

Lost on September 9, 1943 with the loss of 76 men near the Tablas Strait. Grayling was on her 8th war patrol and sank two ships before being lost.

USS Pompano (SS-181)

Pompano was sunk (between September 17 and October 5) with the loss of 77 men while on her 7th war patrol. Possibly lost on September 17, 1943. Japanese records show that a submarine was sunk in her patrol area on 17 September by air and depth charge attack off the Aomori Prefecture near Shiriya Zaki. Before being lost, she sank two enemy cargo ships. The exact cause of her loss remains unknown, but she probably was sunk by the air/sea attack above or fell victim to a mine on or after 9/25/1943. This boat's

last recorded ship (Taiko Maru) sunk happened on September 25th, so she probably hit a mine on or after that date but before October 5th, when she was scheduled back at Midway.

USS S-51 (SS-162)

Lost on September 25, 1925 with the loss of 33 men when it was sunk after collision with SS City of Rome off Block Island.

USS Cisco (SS-290)

Lost on September 28, 1943 on her first war patrol with the loss of 76 men in the Sulu Sea west of Mindinao.

Guest/Member Introductions:

Commander Brock 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 Brock informed members present that the Bonefish Base Meeting minutes of August 25, 2018 had been posted on the website and the Secretary had copies for anyone wishing to review them. Hearing no concerns relative to additions, deletions, and/or corrections, Commander Brock declared the August 25, 2018 Bonefish Base Meeting minutes approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report:

Bonefish Base Treasurer, Everett Noyes was not able to attend the meeting and Commander Brock presented the Treasurer's report for the month of August 2018.

Beginning Balance:

\$ 3,233.09

Expenses:

There were no expenses incurred during the month of August.

Income:

No income was received during the month of August.

Ending Balance –August 31, 2018
\$ 3,233.09

Commander Brock opened the floor for comments and/or concerns related to the Treasurer's Report. Hearing no comments relative to additions, deletions, and/or corrections, Commander Brock declared the Treasurer's Report for the month of August 2018 approved.

Binnacle List:

- Alice Ables
- Dennis Fuqua
- Howard Hoyt
- Allan Kilpatrick
- Everett Noyes
- Dan Rowland

Shirley Williamson

Old Business:

Commander Brock reminded shipmates present of the following events:

Flabob Airport – November 10th 8 AM to 4 PM.

Redlands’ Veterans Day Parade – November 11th with staging starting at 7:30 AM.

New Business:

Commander Brock reminded members present of the USSVI Elections and the importance of casing their votes.

Program:

The program for the meeting was dedicated to viewing the video “The Silent Service – USS Jack”.

Good of the Order:

Commander Brock informed members present that Colly O’Gorman has moved to Vista and will no longer diving. Members were provided with Colly’s cell phone number and encouraged to stay in contact with him.

Sailing List:

Members		
Gene Adams	Don Noyes	Jay Sullivan
Daryl Brock	Chuck Orman	Karl Waterman
Frank Campbell	Dan Rowland	Michael Williamson
Tim Martz		
Associate Members		
Jan Noyes		
Honored Guests		
Marcia Campbell	r	

Adjournment:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Izar A. Martinez
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.