

USSVI BONEFISH BASE

(SS-223) and (SS-582)

Redlands California

September 28, 2019

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. Joe Canchola, Bill Hawkins and Karl Waterman read our creed. Michael Williamson lead members present in the Pledge of Allegiance and 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 24, 2019 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 24, 2019 Bonefish Base Meeting minutes approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report:

Bonefish Base Treasurer, Everett Noyes was unable to be in attendance at the meeting and in his absence Commander Brock presented the Treasurer's report for the month of August 2019.

Beginning Balance: **\$ 4,365.30**

Expenses:

Opportunity Draw won by by Frank and donated back 23 .00

Total Expenses: **\$ 23.00**

Income:

Opportunity Drawing	\$ 70.00
Base Dues new life member	40.00
Donations	25.00

Total Income: \$ 135.00

Ending Balance –August 31 2019 \$ 4,477.30

Bob Schive **moved** and Karl Watterman **seconded** the motion to approve the Treasurer’s report as presented. **The motion was unanimously approved.**

Binnacle List:

Alice Ables
Dennis Fuqua
Howard Hoyt
Allan Kilpatrick
Dave Norton
Everett Noyes
Chuck Orman
Fred Tredy
Michael Williamson

Old Business:

Commander Brock informed shipmates present that Bob Schive has had conversations with an individual who may be able to find storage space for Bonefish. Gene Adams is also contacting an individual who may be able to help locate storage space. In the meantime Bonefish is residing in Dan Rowland’s garage. However, this arrangement is not permanent.

New Business:

Commander Brock informed shipmates present of the following pending events.

Colony High School veterans event: Thursday, November 7, 2019 (8:00-12:00).

Riverside Salute to Veterans Parade: Saturday, November 9, 2019.

Redlands Veteranws Day Parade: Monday, November 11, 2019.

Holiday Party: December 14, 2019 (Regular meeting time).

Program:

Commander Brock declared the Program portion of the meeting as a working session. He informed shipmates present that the Riverside National Cemetery had approved the request from the Bonefish Base to hold a Remembrance and Memorial Service in the Veteran’s Amphitheater on December 7, 2019. Commander Brock subsequently distributed copies of the proposed Order of Service and a listing of individuals and groups to be invited to attend and requested a critical review. Shipmates present critically reviewed the proposed Order of Service and made clarification inquiries as well as suggested changes. A listing of the different tasks to be performed before and during the Remembrance and Memorial Service was distributed and shipmates present were given the opportunity to indicate their preference for participating.

Good of the Order:

Don Noyes announced that he and Bob Schive would be responsible for the Program portion of the meeting on October

Sailing List:

<i>Members</i>		
Gene Adams	Bill Hawkins	Bob Schive
Daryl Brockl	Izar Martinez	Jay Sullivan
Frank Campbell	Don Noyes	Karl Waterman
Joe Canchola	Rocky Rockers	Michael Williamson
Associate Members		
Honored Guests		
Marcia Campbell	Rita Hawkins	
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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.