





OUR CREED

USS Bonefish SS-223

USS Bonefish SS-582

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Hello Shipmates,

This month's boat is the USS Flying Fish (SS – 229). On her 12th and final war patrol, she was part of the Task Force, which successfully penetrated minefields to enter the Sea of Japan. At the end of the war, she was reassigned to New London, where she became the flagship for COMSUBLANT.

As I write this, our 4th of July parade in Corona is completed. As in the past, it was a very uplifting event for us. The crowd was both large and enthusiastic, and we were well received. We had Bob's great submarine audio disc blaring through the speakers on Brick's truck, followed by Andy riding shotgun in Frank McCoy's beautiful '56 Thunderbird, sounding the klaxon at frequent intervals. Meanwhile, upfront, members on foot were busy passing out "Thank You" cards to any Vets we spied on the sidelines. (As well as waving to all the pretty girls along the way.)

Speaking of Frank McCoy, our resident Submarine Encyclopedian will be giving us the hot skinny on his East Coast Museum Boat tour this past Spring. He even toured an S boat! (Or was it an R Boat? – he'll let us know...)

One final word of thanks is in order for shipmate Phil Jaskoviak. Phil's program was a great part of our June meeting. In addition to an overview of his book, "The Polack: Memoirs of Family Tragedy, Heroism and Cold War Submarine Adventure", Phil shared with us the story <u>behind</u> the book. While uniquely his, it was easy for many of us to identify with his journey. Interestingly, while waiting for the parade to start the other day, several of us had already finished reading the book and a lively discussion ensued. A couple of the Boomer sailors said it reminded them of their own experiences and brought back several memories. Everybody agreed it was a lively and interesting read. Phil, thanks for being open to your shipmates here in the Inland Empire, and feel free to join us again, Shipmate – you're always welcome.

Joining our binnacle list this month is Jan Noyes. By the time you read this, Jan will have undergone needed knee surgery. We wish the Jan a speedy recovery. She joins John Raplee and Lyn Schive, both of whom have had some setbacks this last month. On July 3rd, however, Lyn had a successful surgery to remove the colostomy bag. She is at home recuperating from the surgery and nursing her fractured back. Please keep the health of all our members in your prayers.

In other news, it turns out our September meeting will be on the regularly scheduled time – September 28th. Turns out the scheduling for Dean and Sally's just didn't work this time, so our September meeting will be at our regular location. We thank them, as always, for their hospitality and look forward to another Corona meeting at a future date.

Congratulations to Bob Bissonette – our new District Six Commander. And congratulations to each of you who responded to my request for participation-Bob received a total of 167 votes. Almost 10% of that total was represented by our own little Bonefish Base. What we may be lacking in size is more than compensated for in our Spirit. Thank you once again Bonefish.

Finally, this month's Nostalgia Note:

"Set your alarm clock to go off at random during the night. At the alarm, jump up and dress as fast as you can, making sure to button your top shirt button and tuck your pants into your socks. Run into the back yard, uncoil the garden hose and put out a simulated fire. Then go back to bed."

Mind your bubble, folks. I look forward to seeing you on the 27th.

Frank

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Frank Campbell

Base Commander
USS Bonefish Base USSVI





USS S-28 (SS-133)

Lost on July 4, 1944 with the loss of 49 crewmembers. She was conducting training exercises off Hawaii with the US Coast Guard Cutter Reliance. After S-28 dove for a practice torpedo approach, Reliance lost contact. No distress signal or explosion was heard. Two days later, an oil slick was found near where S-28 was operating. The exact cause of her loss remains a mystery.



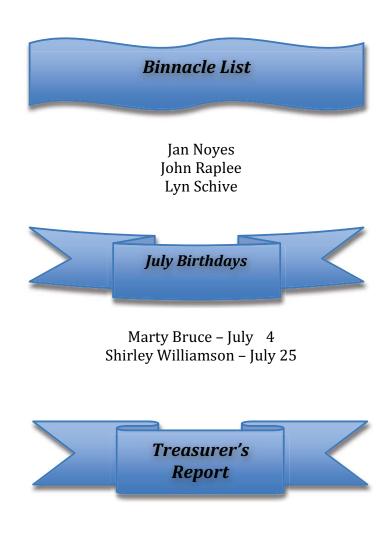
USS Robalo (SS-273)

Lost on July 26, 1944 with the loss of 81 crewmembers while on her third war patrol. She struck a mine about 2 miles off the coast of Palawan. Four men survived and swam ashore, then were imprisoned by the Japanese. Unfortunately, they were put on a Japanese destroyer and lost when that destroyer was sunk.



USS Grunion (SS-216)

Lost on July 30, 1942 with the lost of 70 crewmembers while on her first war patrol near Kiska Harbor. She radioed that she sank two sub-chasers and damaged a third, but was never heard from again. Grunion's mangled remains were found in the Bering Sea in 2006 off the Aleutian Island of Kiska.





USSVI BONEFISH BASE (SS-223) & (SS-582) Redlands, California

June 22, 2013

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1200 Hours:

At the sound of the klaxon, Commander Frank Campbell convened the meeting of the Bonefish Base. Mike Williamson led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. George Riolo, Phil Jaskoviak and Howard Hoyt read Our Creed. Mike Williamson led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Don Noyes gave the opening prayer. Don Noyes and Johnny Meyers then reported the boats lost in the month of January.

Tolling of the Boats:

The following boats were lost during the month of June:

USS Herring (SS-233)

Lost on June 1, 1944 with the loss of 83 men near Matsuwa Island. Herring was on her 8th war patrol and was conducting a surface attack when a shore battery spotted her and made 2 direct hits on her conning tower and causing her loss. Before being sunk, she had sank a freighter and a passenger-cargoman. Herring was the only US submarine sunk by a land battery.

USS R-12 (SS-89)

Lost on June 12, 1943 with the loss of 42 men near Key West, FL during a practice torpedo approach. The cause was probably due to flooding through a torpedo tube. The CO and 2 other men on the bridge survived, as did 18 crew members on liberty at the time of the accident.

USS Golet (SS-361)

Lost on June 14, 1944 with the loss of 82 men. On her 2nd war patrol, Golet was apparently lost in battle with antisubmarine forces north of Honshu.

USS Bonefish (SS-223)

Lost on June 19, 1945 with the loss of 85 men when sunk near Suzu Misaki. Winner of 3 Navy Unit Citations, Bonefish was on her 8th war patrol. After sinking a passenger-cargoman, Bonefish was subjected to a savage depth charge attack.

USS S-27 (SS-132)

Lost on June 19, 1942 when it grounded off Amchitka Island. She was on the surface in poor visibility, charging batteries and drifted into the shoals. When she could not be freed and started listing, the captain got the entire crew to shore (400 yards away) in relays using a 3-man rubber raft. The entire crew was subsequently rescued.

USS 0-9 (SS-70)

Lost on Jun 20, 1941 with the loss of 34 men when it foundered off Isle of Shoals, 15 miles from Portsmouth, NH.

USS Runner (SS-275)

Lost between June 26 and July 4th with the loss of 78 men. Runner was on her 3rd war patrol probably due to a mine. Prior to her loss, she reported sinking a freighter and a passenger-cargoman off the Kuriles. This boat's last known ship sunk happened on June 26th, so she probably hit that mine on or after that date but before July 4th, when she was scheduled back at Midway.

Tolling of the Boats was followed by a moment of silent prayer.

Those in attendance introduced themselves.

Sailing List:

Members		
Izar Martinez	Mike Williamson	Howard Hoyt
Frank Campbell	Don Noyes	Karl Waterman

George Riolo	Frank McCoy	Johnny Meyer
Marty Bruce	George O'Zanich	Daryl Brock
Associate Members		
Alyce Abels	Shirley Williamson	Jan Noyes
Honored Guests		
Pat McCoy	Marcia Campbell	Anna Hoyt
Phil Jaskoviak	Julia Thomas	Mary Martinez

Minutes:

May 25, 2013 minutes are posted on the website with copies available for review at the meeting. It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

Daryl Brock read the Treasurers Report for the month of June as follows:

	\$3,664.18
Raffle Marti won \$30	-\$30.00
	-\$30.00
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Raffle	\$95.00
Donations Marti donated back \$30	\$30.00
Mugs	\$16.00
	\$141.00
	Raffle Donations Marti donated back \$30

Ending Balance		\$3,775.18
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It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the treasurers report.

Binnacle List:

John Raplee, Lynn Schive

Old Business:

Birthdays for June are Johnny Meyer, Jerry Cornelison, Jim Hayes and Dean Van Leeuwen

We are trying to schedule Jeff Crumbaker as speaker for August (casting memorial plaque)

Anyone with photos to post should get them to Marty Bruce for the website.

July 4th Parade, Corona, CA

New Business:

Frank Campbell announced the appointment of Mike Williamson as Senior Vice Commander.

Frank McCoy will provide the program for July.

Frank Campbell introduced Phil Jaskoviak from the LA-Pasadena base to present our program. He provided a very interesting story on his book "Life Aboard the Crazy Polack", Memoirs of Family Tragedy, Heroism, and Cold War Submarine Adventure.

Adjournment:

The Base Commander adjourned the meeting at 13:10 for lunch after which the raffle was held.

Respectfully submitted,

Daryl E. Brock Secretary

Meeting Dates:

The Bonefish Base (SS-223)/(SS-582) meets at 1200 hours on the fourth Saturday of the month. Currently meetings are being held at The Old Spaghetti Factory, 1635 Industrial Park Avenue, Redlands. CA 92374



AS our Base Commander indicated in his BC Corner, Bonefish members participated in the Corona July 4th parade. This is the 3rd year we've participated, and again, we were the only veteran group to be there. I can't describe the amount of pride I feel and see on my fellow veteran's as we walk down the street and the viewers literally rise from their sitting positions to stand and say thank you for our service. I encourage more of our members to join us next year.



Marty Bruce, Base Storekeeper

46 - Bonefish Patches

5 - Large Submarine Veteran Shirts

21 - Extra Large Bonefish Base Shirts

3 - 2XX Bonefish Base Shirts

4 - 3XXX Bonefish Base Shirts



Karl Waterman, Librarian

Want to check out a book or DVD, just contact Karl at karlwaterman@verizon.net. You can view what is in the library on our website.



http://www.staynehoff.net/sub_stuff.htm

Good site. I believe it was originally shared by our shipmate, Karl. I thought it a good one to send out again.

http://store.submarinemuseum.com/index.htm

I found this site to offer items I couldn't find elsewhere.

http://navy.togetherweserved.com

Another site for looking up old shipmates.

Book Review

Book Read - "Unbroken" - This book was written by Laura Hillenbrand

This is a true story written about a World War II Vet named Louis Zamperini, who was a navigator on a B-24 in the Pacific theater. Louis spent 47 days adrift in a raft after his B-24 crashed, along with the pilot. The book covers his childhood, which he was what one would consider a problem child. His discovery of running gave him purpose, to where he qualified for the 1936 Olympics.

A large portion of the book covered the ordeal he and his friend Phil faced on the raft, and then their ordeal when captured by the Japanese and imprisoned at the prison camp Omori in Japan. The same camp that Captain's Richard O'Kane (USS Tang) and John Fitzgerald (USS Grenadier) were sent to when they were captured after their boats were lost.

I found the book very moving. I've read a number of books that included the treatment of our POW's at the hands of the Japanese, this book makes me really wonder how any survived. The title "Unbroken" spells it out.

I read another book titled "Running Critical", written by Patrick Tyler.

This book is written about Hyman Rickover, General Dynamics, and the games one played those days in getting submarines built. Specifically the 688 and Ohio class boats. I went through new construction in Pascagoula, Mississippi, on the USS Parche, just about the same time that some of the events were happening in Groton, CT and Newport News, VI. In reading this book, I thank God Parche was built in Pascagoula. To read the games that were played, and the shoddy workmanship that went into the boats specifically out of Groton at that time, I find it a wonder that we didn't lose any more boats.

I also found it appalling that Rickover pushed for the 688 class boat as the boat that could be better than what the Soviets were producing at the time. I didn't know it at the time, but the 688 might have been a little faster than the 637 class, but its test depth was only 950 feet, while the 637 was considerably deeper. The Soviets could go even deeper, as they had figured out how to work with titanium, while the United States was still struggling on making it work. To make the 688 class go faster, they sacrificed the pressure hull strength.

I recommend reading this book, but be prepared to read about corporate greed and the games that were played, and most likely are still played today.

Bob

Calendar of Events

Next E-Board meeting July 13th at Mimi's on Hospitality Way in San Bernardino at 8a.

Planning for a boat tour in October which would be the Saturday of our regular monthly meeting.

July's monthly meeting to be held at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Redlands on the 27th at 12 noon. Try to arrive early to order your lunch.

We are looking at participating in the Redlands Parade Honoring Veterans on Veteran's Day – November 11th.