



**Base Meeting Minutes**  
**January 2013**  
**Herb Herman**  
**Secretary**

**Perch Base meeting minutes**  
**January 12 2013**

The January 2013 regular Perch Base meeting was called to order at 12 noon on Saturday January, 2013 by the base commander, Jim Denzien. The meeting was held at its usual location, Dillon's restaurant at 59th Ave. and the 101.

The invocation was given by the Base Chaplain, Steve Leon, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The purpose of the USSVI was read followed by the Tolling for the Boats ceremony was conducted for those ships lost during the month of January.

Denzien introduced a new member Frank Morris, and prospective new member Ted Moore, and guest Ms. Mac Brady a guest.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the December

Base meeting as published in the MidWatch. Motion was approved by voice vote.

Treasurer

Bob Warner read the Treasurers' report for December. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report as read. Motion was approved by voice vote.

**Base Commander's Board of Directors (BOD) Report**

The Commander

Next event the Base will attend is the Peoria Military Show at the Peoria Sports Complex on Jan. 26 and 27. (The 25th will be setup in the evening.)

Laveen Parade Feb 2 same day as Banquet but will not conflict with Awards Dinner.

Wickenburg "Gold Rush days" parade on the 9<sup>th</sup> of Feb. Same day as Base meeting. Some members will be at parade and miss the meeting.

Glendale has put on hold the Military history event, due to finance problems.

The Avondale/Goodyear "Tail of Two Cities" is a short parade with static display, February 16.

The Ira-Hayes, or Iwo Jima, parade in Sacaton on February 23.

Last event on the current calendar is Luke days March 15-17. We will probably be own entity on the application to eliminate past access problem. Friday is mainly for setup day and for the military.

Awards Dinner review.

It will be different than in the past. The event is a sit down full service meal with linen tax, gratuities and tip all inclusive. Location is at the Sun City Country Club, 107<sup>th</sup> just north of Cactus. There will be a quest speaker. Remember there will be a silent auction and so far there are some dandy donations, bring money.

Nothing new to report on the Arizona Veterans Group. Jim or Howard will continue to attend monthly meeting.

Picnic will be in May 11, the location is as in the past, White tank Mountain park and we will be seeking volunteers to help with cooking etc. Space has already been reserved.

Summary all Parades are every Saturday during Feb and some events extend to Sunday.

**Board Officer reports**

**Membership - Rick Simmons:**

Membership renewal rate is 85%, and there were 27 early bird renewals. A drawing will be held at the banquet for the free 2014 membership. The National average of drops was 8.4 we had 7.4.

**Vice Commander - Howard Doyle:**

Update on Adrian Stuke. To date, the base members have really stepped up \$ 3005 has been donated.

I encourage all to participate in the upcoming parades and events, you will get a great satisfaction by participating, and letting the public show their appreciation for your service.

**Secretary - Herb Herman:** Nothing to Report

**Storekeeper – DeWayne Lober:** Nothing to report.

**Event Coordinator - Walt Blomgren:**

Question on coordination for event towing etc. Jim will discuss with Walt.

Question regarding Motorcycle group traveling cross country support. Jim responded that we have not received any information regarding a request to participate, time etc.

Walt also relayed information from (Bill Woolcott) concerning an event. Jim, the event conflicts with Luke days but will be considered in the future as Luke days is every other year.

Walt also requested some "Sea Stories"

**Chief Of Boat - Richard Kuntz:** Nothing to report.

**Communications Officer - Chuck Emmett:**

Sea story request also for MidWatch. Make sure you review **Flash Traffic** for events.

Chuck reviewed the nomination for officer process. Elections in March, and only those listed in March newsletter. Must be present to vote. Associate members can vote and hold office.

**Save our Sail(SOS) Report; Summary:** Dan Moss, cost about 1.1 million, location at Indian school park. Sail not available until 2015 and an environmental study will then be done, especially on the coating of the sail. We do have the availability to ship the sail gratis by rail. The SOS committee met after city input, to analysis pros and cons of the sail and brainstorm alternatives, a consensus of those present at Perch Base Meeting was to not use the actual 702's Sail for the submarine memorial. Please if you have any information a sculpture let the committee know. Collected funds will be refunded to SOS contributors, if requested otherwise they will be used for the new memorial. A new location is being considered; Wesley Bolen Plaza.

**Nominations for officers**

Chuck Emmett nominated

Howard Doyle for the Commander position, accepted by Howard

Steve Stanger for vice-Commander, accepted by Steve

Howard Doyle nominated

Rick Simmons as vice-Commander, accepted by Rick

Having no other nominations, the nominees will be published in the MidWatch and nominations will close Feb. 15, 2013.

Jim repeated the Picnic information and request for volunteers.

Robert Link Award Plaque (2006) presented to Perch base from national was passed around.

**Binicle List**

Please keep the following crew members in your thought and prayers:

Adrian Stucke, In rehabilitation center, Mesa.

Walt Blomgren, returned to service. At meeting with DR's permission.

Joe Varese - Not doing well and undergoing chemo therapy.

Billy Grieves - Doing well but wife Murriel ill.

Steve introduced Mac Brady. She gave a little background and shared that she was trying to help Stuke family and anyone else that may need housing/mortgage help especially vets. The base appreciates her help. Please contact Ms Brady or the Chaplain for further information

**Good of Order:** Jim relayed a "fairy" joke.

**50/50 Drawing (\$101)**

Winner was Howard Doyle and he donated 1/2 his winnings to the SOS fund.

**Closing Benediction**

Moved to close and motion passed by voice vote.

Adjourned at 1321.

Heb Herman

Base Secretary

**SAILING LIST JAN 12 3013**

Richard Kuntz	Robert Warner	Rick Simmons
DeWayne Lober	Mike Hinderlite	Howard Doyle
Chuck Emmett	Edward Morris	Steve Leon
Don Unser	Herb Coulter	Walt Blomgren
Jim Denzien	Robert Wright	Dewy & Donna Reed
Mike Dahl	Bill Woolcott	Davey Jones
Tim Moore	Frank Morris(new)	Steve Stanger
Peter Tardiff	Doug LaRock	Ray Marshall
Dan DeMarte	Dan Moss	Herb Herman
Tom Clonts	John Zaichkin	Kelly Grissom
Chriss Urness	Layne Moss	

