

## Perch Base Minutes July 8, 2017

The monthly meeting of Perch Base was convened at Dillon's Restaurant, in Glendale, AZ at 1200 hours, 8 July 2017. The meeting was called to order by Richard Kunze, Base Commander.

Mike Olsen gave the invocation. Richard Kunze led the Pledge of Allegiance. Don Robertson read the USSVI Purpose. A moment of silence followed by the Tolling of the Boats lost in July.

Per the sailing list, the following attended the base meeting:

Richard Kunze	Wayne Clark	Bob Gilmore
Warner Howard Doyle Jr.	Rick Simmons	Dewey Reed
Dottie Reed	David Heighway	Steve Snyder
John Carpentier	Don Schafer	Don Unser
Marcia Unser	Dan Marks	Jack Patterson
Chuck Emmett	Herb Herman	Sam Mecham
Gary Cooper	Ray Marshall	Don Robertson
Glenn Posniack	Jerry McKay	Doug LaRock
Ray Marshall	Tim Moore	Dick Noreika
David Noreika	David Metje	Darell Keller
Jim Edwards	Jim Denzien	Davy Jones
Mike DeWayne Lober	Jim Andrews	Lou Reynolds
Edward Gonsowski	Mark Thompson	Mike Olsen
Bill Woolcott		

The first item of business was a call for approval of the June Base meeting minutes. A motion was made to approve the minutes, which was seconded and approved by voice vote.

The base welcomed new member Gary Cooper and guest David Noreika.

David Heighway read the Treasurer's report.

### **OFFICERS REPORTS**

#### **Communications Officer/Historian – Chuck Luna**

Chuck was not at the meeting.

#### **Vice Commander – Howard Doyle Jr.**

Howard reported that the Prescott Parade was well attended this year, and the picnic at Tom Warner's home was once again, very good. National Commander sent out letter regarding the National Convention in Orlando. Howard is going to send the Commander a letter to entertain a motion to have the convention every other year instead of every year.

**Chief Of The Boat – Carl Miner**

Carl was not at the meeting.

**Treasurer – Dave Heighway**

Dave had nothing more to report.

**Storekeeper – Herb Herman**

Herb reported that the new hats are in and that he has a volunteer, Jack Patterson, to take over the Storekeeper duties when he's not available.

**Webmaster – Dan Marks**

There have been no major updates to the website during the past month. Other routine updates during the past month included posting photos for the Prescott parade and the Perch Base Birthday, and posting a note about Dick Noreika and John Crane's presentation to the American Legion Riders convention in Carefree. The new MidWatch to the website and paper copies sent to 8 members. The birthdays for new members were added to the calendar and the Sailing Orders page were updated, the Sailing Orders were updated, Flash Traffics and meeting minutes uploaded, Lost Boat notices and Half Staff notices posted. Similar updates have been maintained on the Perch Base Facebook Group. During June, there were approximately 1,034 page views on the Perch Base website during 469 sessions by 310 users based on Google Analytics. These numbers are comparable to last month and seem to be typical. Approximately 84% of the sessions originated in the US, and the remaining 16% were widely scattered around the world. Approximately 49% of the sessions were from locations within Arizona. Another 13% were from locations in California. The Homepage accounted for the largest (46%) percentage of the page views this month, exceeding the Glossary (32%,) and the Eternal Patrol page (6%).

**Membership – Jim Andrews**

Jim had nothing to report.

**Events Coordinator – Don Unser**

Don reminded the members that all events are on the website.

Convention – August 31, 2017 – September 5, 2017 in Orlando, FL

Gudgeon Base Picnic – Sept. 16, 2017 – Prescott Valley

Anthem/Black Canyon Parades – Nov. 4, 2017.

Sierra Verde Elementary School – Nov. 9, 2017.

Phoenix Veterans Day Parade – Nov. 11, 2017.

**Past Commander – Chuck Emmett**

Chuck had nothing to report.

**Secretary – Marcia Unser**

Marcia had nothing to report.

**Chaplain – Mike Olsen**

Mike had nothing to report.

**Base Commander – Richard Kunze**

Richard also mentioned the turnout at the Prescott Parade was fantastic. It's the biggest parade in the country, and well attended.

**ASSM – Tim Moore**

Tim reported that they're half way to the goal for the memorial, but that he could use some more help from members with getting involved with the fund raising.

**Western Regional District Commander – Jim Denzien**

Jim also encouraged those that plan to attend the Convention in Orlando, to sign up now. He also mentioned that there is talk to have the National Convention every two years, and the Regional Conventions every year. He also stated that he's going to run for Western District 1 Commander.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Richard Kunze reported that he's received 2 applications for the Scholarship Program. The deadline for this is July 31, 2017. The scholarship will be awarded at the August meeting. He also encouraged members to sign up for the Convention, as there haven't been that many reserving rooms. They may have to eliminate some events if more people don't attend.

**NEW BUSINESS**

No new business at the meeting.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Glenn Posniack had a BBQ at his home over Memorial Day and raised money for the ASSM. He gave a check of \$250.00 to Tim Moore.

Jim Denzien reported that Perch/Gudgeon Base won the Walking Award at the Prescott Parade.

Davy Jones reminded members that he has Dex Armstrong books for sale, and all the proceeds go to the ASSM.

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Lou Reynolds won the raffle, which his share came to \$85.00.

**ADJOURMENT**

Benediction was led by Mike Olsen. Meeting adjourned at 1249 hrs.

Submitted:  
Marcia Unser  
Secretary Perch Base