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 Newsletter of Charleston Base, United States Submarine Veterans, Inc.



USSVI Creed

"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 Government"



Base web page: www.ussvich.org
 National web page: www.ussvi.org

Base Meeting:

Thursday, October 12, 2006
 Social hour & Board of Directors meeting at 1800
 General meeting at 1900

Location:

7FW Post 3433, 10154 Bellwright Rd.
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Phone Number

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Chaplain	Bill "Friar Tuck" Kennedy	843-875-3109
Membership	Carl Chinn	843-875-3098
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Little David Project	Rick Wise	843-875-5559
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	Carl Chinn	843-875-3098
Storekeeper	Paul Viering	843-797-2623

Minutes of the September 2006 meeting

Opening Ceremony: Base Commander called to order. Quorum was present and the meeting was commenced at 1900.

Introductions: Two new persons were introduced; Don Detwiler and Cecil "Sonny" Rash. Welcome aboard.

Treasurer: George Lisle was not present. Financial report was given by Carl Chinn.

Secretary: Ronnie Kerstetter asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from last month. A motion was made and seconded; no discussion. Minutes approved.

Storekeeper: Paul Viering said, "If you ordered anything, pick it up".

Chaplain: Bill Kennedy was present and reported that there were no illness or other wellness concerns for the month. Contact either Bill Kennedy or Marty Sessler for chaplain support.

Public Affairs: Richard Cleeve has added more pictures of the convention to the website.

Sub Vets WWII: Barnwell Chaplin and Lee Allison were both present. Lee presented a check donated by the Swane family to the Scholarship program. This was in recognition for Sub Vet support at the July 9th funeral at Santee. The associate member's copies of the Polaris magazine mailing list were late. Also a few associate members have not paid their dues.

By Maybie, the newly elected Swamp Fox resident, was present and reported that 17 turned out for their last meeting, with many at the Sub Vets National Convention. The next Swamp Fox Chapter WWII Sub Vet's meeting will be held October 19th (the third Thursday in October) at the Summerville Ryan's at noon. Would like some new members; see Barney to join.

Veteran's Affairs: John Nichols was not present. Carl Chinn gave the following report: Exercise "Solid Curtain 2006" will be held on all Naval bases from Sept. 18-22, 2006.

Membership: Carl Chinn reported that several new members were in the wings. The new National JSSVI website sailing list has been updated for the Charleston Base. You will need to establish a username and password to access. You can find contact information for any shipmate from any base. Each Base has a separate announcement section. Charleston Base currently has 231 members. We are the fifth largest USSVI base in number of members and growing.

Chief of the Boat: Hog Roast on Saturday October 21st. Cost is Five Dollars a person. Your kids under 18 are free. We will start about 1300. Bring a covered dish (this can include anything that you wish to bring) RSVP the COB by phone or e-mail.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to buy a 1200-watt generator for the parade float. Cost will be \$136. Social nights at the After Battery will now be held every Wednesday night. The Charleston Veterans' Parade will be Sunday, November 5th, 2006. Details to follow. Veterans' Day Ceremony at the Summerville County Building on 11 November. Set-up time is 0930.

Base Commander: Buddha attended the Base Commander's breakfast at the National Convention and presented his three rules for increasing meeting attendance at the local base meetings:

- #1 Have fun
- #2 Drink Beer
- #3 Allow no women at the base meetings

We have quarterly family functions, but the monthly base meetings are for the men.

Old Business: Christmas Party

Carl Chinn and Paul Viering have been working on Christmas Party planning. Plans are to have everything catered. No one has to work; no one has to bring a dessert, or set up or anything. Saturday December 2nd is the date of the party. Social hour will start at 1700; dinner will be served at 1830. We can stay as long as we like up to midnight. This will be held in downtown Dorchester at a place called Gatherings. It will hold up to 300 people. Food is traditional Christmas fare. Please plan ahead, there will be no ticket sales at the door and no one admitted without a ticket. The deadline for purchasing tickets is November 9th. **Please** get your tickets early. Contact Carl Chinn or Paul Viering for more information and tickets.

New Business: None.

Good Of The Order: International Sub Vet lifetime memberships are currently \$25. Prices will increase to \$50 at end of month. See Bill Kennedy for more information.

Downtown Charleston Veterans Parade will be held on Sunday afternoon November 5th

The Summerville Veterans Day Ceremony will be on Saturday, November 11th

The depth charge drawing was held. The winner was Dave Menefee.

Renew Base decal and get ID cards at the Air Base Charleston Club on Saturday 30 September form 9-1.

The Base Commander adjourned meeting at 2000.

**** End of the minutes for September 2006 ****

Nuclear Historian: Ed Simokat, II was present and entertained the members with his humor.

Scholarship: No report.

Fleet Reserve News: No report.

From the Base Commander



would like to know if anyone has access to any hard brass tubing. The requirements are:
 1. 1/2" to 2" in diameter with a wall thickness of 1/16" or less. I need 5 pieces, each 4 to 6 feet long.
 Desire free or REALLY CHEAP!

****October Happenings!****

October 19 – Sub Vets WWII meeting, Ryan's in Summerville, 1200

October 21 – Hog Roast at 1300 hours at the "After Battery"



Alfano	Alkire	W. Bailey	Barber
Gnodle	Griggs	Harden	Holzel
Hostetter	E. Johnson	Lindberg	Lisle
Lookabill	Lord	Nathan	Peters
Roup	Skorepa	B. Wilson	

Membership and Dues Information:

We're up to **231** members! Keep on recruitin'!
 Time to start thinking about your 2007 dues. If you are unsure of what you owe (regular national or base) please ask me! See me at the meeting, e-mail or call.

Dues are payable **no later than** January 1, 2007.

Pay early and don't get on the dink list! Annual dues are \$20 for National and \$15 for Charleston Base.

If you have any changes to your membership info (address, phone, e-mail, etc.) you can now make those changes directly on-line in the Sub Vets national database. If you make changes, please let me know at hasbasemembernews@sc.rr.com or carlc@sc.rr.com or call 875-3098. This is so we can keep our local information current and accurate. If you want, I can make the changes for

October Submarines Lost:

USS S 44	SS 155	October
USS Wahoo	SS 238	October
USS Dorado	SS 248	October
USS Seawolf	SS 197	October
USS Escobar	SS 294	October
USS Darter	SS 227	October
USS Shark II	SS 314	October
USS Tang	SS 306	October
USS O-5	SS 66	October

The Final Patrol

Lord, this departed shipmate with dolphins on his part of an outfit known as the best.

Make him welcome and take him by the hand.

find without a doubt he was the best in all the

So, heavenly Father add his name to the roll of departed shipmates still on patrol.

Let them know that we who survive will always keep memories alive.



From the Storekeeper

If you have ordered anything, check with me to come in and then pay for and pick it up.

you...just let me know.

Carl

Terminology Trivia

Binnacle List

Many novice Sailors, confusing the words "binnacle" and "barnacle," have wondered what their illnesses had to do with rusty growths found on the hull of a ship. Their confusion is understandable.

Binnacle is defined as the stand or housing for the ship's compass located on the bridge. The term binnacle list, in lieu of sick list, originated years ago when ships' corpsmen used to place a list of the sick on the binnacle each morning to inform the Captain about the crew's health. After long practice, it came to be called the Binnacle List.

Bamboozle

In today's Navy, when you intentionally deceive someone, usually as a joke, you are said to have bamboozled them. The word was used in the days of sail also, but the intent was not hilarity. Bamboozle meant to deceive a passing vessel as to your ship's origin or nationality by flying an ensign other than your own -- a common practice of pirates.

Ultramodern Diesel Submarine To Be Tested In Russia

From Russia-ic.com, 21 Sep 06

Tests of the unique advanced submarine "Saint Petersburg" soon start in the Baltic sea. The ultramodern diesel submarine was designed for Russian Navy and doesn't have any analogues. The submarine is notable for its high combat capacities, fair speed and cruising range. "Saint Petersburg" is able to stay underwater without refueling for 45 days.

Moreover, the submarine has low noise level and is equipped with unique systems of environmental security. All mentioned systems would be tested in a naval cruise.

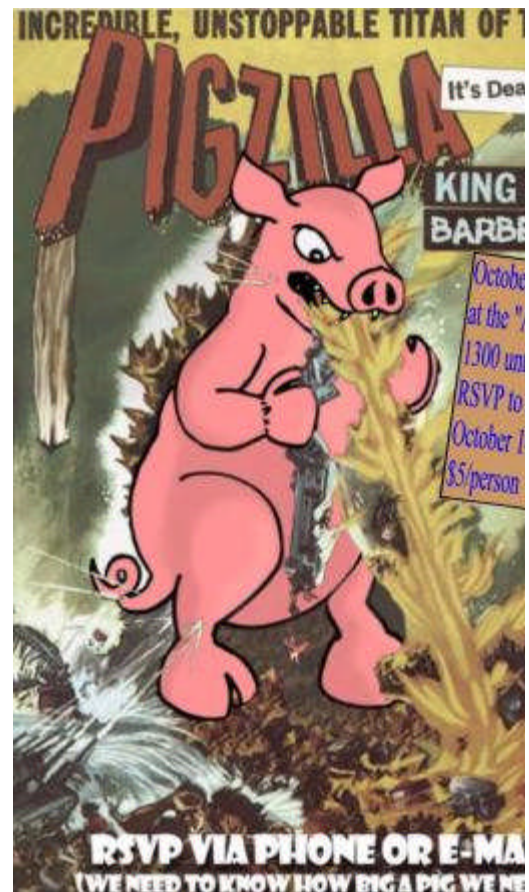
Submarine clean-up

By Jane Morgan, Dive Magazine (UK), 20 Sep 06

The Navy's first submarine has been revealed in all its glory after survey divers succeeded in cutting away lines and netting that had swathed the wreck. Divers from the Nautical Archaeological Society have been working with submarine historian and diver James McCartney to clear the wreck of the Holland V sub, which lies at 30-36m, six miles southeast of the Royal Sovereign Lighthouse, Eastbourne.

A protected wreck, it is believed to be the most intact example of the Holland series designed by John Philip Holland and regarded as the basis for all submarine design since its commissioning in 1903. The wreck is almost entirely intact and sits upright - it sank while under tow in 1912, possibly as a result of water flooding in through a torpedo hatch. McCartney is the wreck's current licensee, with a permit to survey and record the wreck and act as the government's representative in looking after the vessel.

Working with the Nautical Archaeological Society (NAS), McCartney has been able to allow groups of divers to visit the



Hog Roast

Saturday, October 21, 2006

1300 hours at the "After Battery"

R.S.V.P. to the COB no later than October 14, 2006

***** New Rules For RSVP *****

RSVP the COB no later than October 14, 2006 by email. I need to know how many adults (\$5.00 /Head ticket) and how many children 18 and under (\$2.00 /Head ticket) I also want to know the children's ages so I can give some door prizes and games for the kids. If you don't then you owe me for the number of adult tickets requested and you will pay at the gate. You will need an envelope there with your name on it and the amount requested.

Remember...

the deadline for RSVP is October 14, 2006

This is a gentlemen's agreement between us that you will show even if you don't show. If you tell me you had a car accident and couldn't show I will take you at your word and not charge you. If you don't have Orange RSVP tickets reserved then you will pay \$10.00/Head (yellow ticket) if you want to attend. Everything is pay at the gate. If you don't RSVP then it will cost you \$10.00. Children are admitted free. We won't punish them because they failed to RSVP. Bottom line is it will *behoove* you to show. I need a good head count so we don't run short on adult beverages.

wreck on the Spartacat dive boat, including a recent party from Crawley BSAC. 'Historically, the Holland V is incredibly important,' McCartney told DIVE. 'It was the first submarine accepted into service by the Royal Navy, and brought together a balance of technologies that make it the basis of all submarine design since. John Philip Holland is pretty much the Oswald Wright of submarines.'

McCartney first visited the wreck in 2000, when it was unprotected, and is now tasked with monitoring its protection for English Heritage. 'I've spent a good ten hours hacking away nets and the full glory of the 63ft [20m] long wreck can now be appreciated.'

To take part in survey work on the submarine, divers are encouraged to carry out two-day courses with the NAS, as there are plans for future 'public' dives on the Holland V. For more details email project manager Mark Beattie-Edwards on mark@nassportsmouth.org.uk or phone 023 9281 8419.

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Navy contractor pleads guilty to sabotage

Associated Press (Daily Press), 20 Sep 06

NORFOLK, Va. -- A contractor pleaded guilty Wednesday to sabotaging Navy computers that track locations of submarines and ships because his company didn't win another government contract. Richard F. Sylvestre, 43, of Boylston, Mass., pleaded guilty in federal court to one count of damaging protected computers.

Sylvestre owns computer company Ares Systems International, which held a contract to provide computer maintenance for the Navy's European Planning and Operations Command Center in Naples, Italy.

Sylvestre told Navy criminal investigators that he programmed malicious software codes into computers at the European Command center in May because he was upset that his company's bid on a project at the center was passed over, according to court records.

The sabotage could have caused Navy ships to collide with commercial vessels, but was caught after two computers crashed, the U.S. Attorney's Office said.

Sylvestre faces up to 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine when he is sentenced January 18.

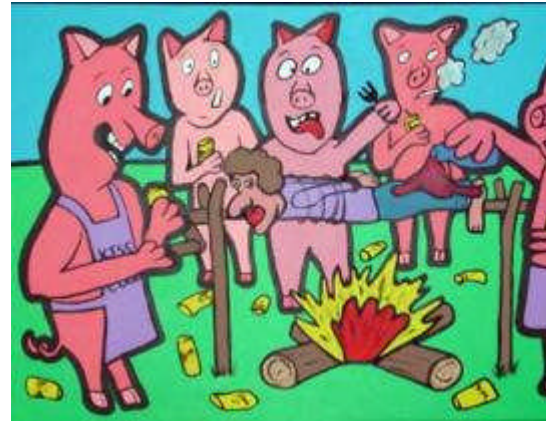
Free to good home...

One case of Duraflame man-made fireplace logs.

Come pick them up.

Contact Bill Roberts

What you need to bring: A chair to sit in and a container for either dessert or casserole to feed 6 people.



We save aluminum cans please dispose of them in a recycling container.



Christmas Party 2006

When: December 2nd.

Place: Gatherings in Dorchester, SC

Time: 1700 Cocktails, 1830 Dinner

Dress: Casual

Cost: \$5 each for Charleston Base member (wife, girlfriend, etc.)

\$10 each for any other non-member guests

Catered meal	Soft drinks, beer, assorted li
Door Prizes	Depth Charge drawing
Ample parking	Beautiful country setting

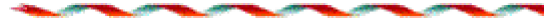
Tickets are available from either Paul Viering or [unclear]
Ticket purchase deadline is the November 9th me

all possible, buy tickets before the deadline.

**There will be
No Ticket Sales After Novemb**

You MUST have a ticket to attend. PLEASE pl;
buy your tickets early!

Don't lose your tickets...tickets are required fo
will also be used for the door prize drawings.



What the....???

