

This tale is required reading for A gangers

The question of how we A gangers came into being is as old as J.P. Hollands first submarine. It has been rumored that David Bushnells Turtle was manned by a revolutionary war outhouse builder who was used to making chicken salad out of chicken shit. The continental Navy brass had this new fangled thing a ma jig that was supposed to deliberately sink itself travel under the water attach a bomb to the enemy vessels hull then bag ass out of the area and return to the surface. No one really knew how to make it work enter the outhouse builder who's name was Aux Lary. Man. Aux Lary. Man made the dam thing work but the weapons designer's at BuOrd didn't take into account that the Limey's covered their ships hulls below the water line with copper thus he experienced the first Broach ever recorded by a submarine diving officer. Although he didn't blow up the Limey vessel he scared the living crap out of them causing them to haul ass out of New York harbor. When he returned to shore he grabbed a 1770's version of a crescent wrench (the weapon of choice for most A gangers) and went looking for the weaponeer who designed the system. Aux Lary Man headed down to one of his favorite taverns Ernies on the Thames for a few pints and to see his truelove Bea Tru Toyou a former Wave Smithy. They married and in between sea duty and a couple of tours of recruiting duty had a offspring Eng N. Man. The son grew up joined the Navy and was on the precom crews for the Alligator and the Hunley fortunately he never made any patrols and went on to serve on the Holland. The CO of the Holland had served with Eng N. Man's father when he was a young ensign and credited the elder Man for keeping his boats running. He wasn't great with names and always called the senior Man Auxillaryman. Rather than try and correct the CO the younger Man assumed the name Auxillaryman and to this day all decedents of this legendary Naval Hero have proudly kept the name Auxillaryman. And to quote an old Naval saying "This is a No Shitter".

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