

USS Virginia Base
Meeting Minutes for the Month of August 2022
On 08/13/2022

- The meeting was held at Anna's Restaurant & Pizzeria
- Due to our low in-person attendance, Anna's has us ordering off the menu.
- 6 members and 2 Ladies were present. Three members on Zoom.
- Due to the low turnout of members the 50/50 was cancelled and the Base Commander ask for donations.
- The Ladies were excused.
- Base Commander John Williams called the meeting to order. A good hearty "DIVE, DIVE" from all of those in attendance as no diving horn was available.
 - Base Commander John Williams offered the invocation.
 - The opening ceremony was led by Base Commander John Williams.
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Reading of the USSVI Creed
 - Tolling of the Lost Boats for January
 - 5 Boats lost with the loss of 248 Souls
 - USS Bullhead (SS-332) 08/06/1945 All hands 84 crewmen
 - USS Flier (SS-250) 08/13/1944 Loss of 78 crewman
 - USS S-39 (SS-144) 08/13/1942 No loss of life
 - USS Harder (SS-257) 08/24/1944 Loss of 79 crewman
 - USS Cochino (SS-345) 08/26/1949 Loss of one civilian and 6 crewmembers of the USS Tusk
- Birthdays - Mickey Loses
- Binnacle List
 - Kenn McDermott
 - Doug Blaha
 - Tom Chaffee
 - John Lamsens
- Treasurer's report was presented by Chris Knaggs
- Base Commander stated the secretary's report was deferred as base secretary not present.
- Jim Lencalis reported that was not change in the status of Kaps for Kids still stagnant.
- Base Commander requested for a volunteer to be the Membership Chairman.

- Al Ptasznik announced that he was planning on having the annual picnic at his home at Lake Anna in October 1st, 8th, or 15th depending on how Mary Ann recovers from surgery. Email with date will be sent to all members when received from Al.
- Base Commander reminded all members present that volunteers were needed for Field Day of the Past, on September 16th, 17th and 18th and to contact Bill Anderson.
- Base Commander stated the collection of National and Base Dues would start shortly and that an email will be sent to all members who owe dues.
- Base Commander John Williams read the Submariner Benediction after which a motion was made to adjourn, motion seconded and approved. A joyful “SURFACE, SURFACE, SURFACE” was announced from all in attendance.
- Meeting was adjourned.