



United States Submarine Veterans Bremerton Base

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October 15, 2016

Base Commander Steve Corcoran called the Oct 15, 2016 meeting to order at 1000 hours.

Opening observances were conducted.

Past National vice Cmdr. Jim Foote and Asst. vice Cmdr. WD4 Jim DeMott were in attendance

Base Secretary Wayne Sieckowski talked about his research and feasibility about hosting the 2019 National Convention in Bremerton. Several ideas and opinions were presented. A decision will be made in the near future.

The minutes of the September, 2016 meeting were approved as submitted.

Base Treasurer Dennis Nardone reports we have a total of \$76,574.55 in various accounts. He also reports we have 256 members. The Treasurer's September 2016 report was approved as submitted.

Base Storekeeper Ralph Harris has many new items available for sale.

Puget Soundings Editor Dave Pittman reports the deadline for the upcoming edition is November 1.

Base Float Coordinator Sam Swenson reports he will need to get the Klaxon installed and get a way to keep the flaps from flapping before the Auburn Veterans Day Parade.

Base Scholarship and Parades Chairman John Gardner reports the Auburn Veterans Day Parade will be Saturday November 5 and the annual Veterans Day celebration will be on November 11 at the Fairgrounds.

Vice Cmdr. Doug McKay reports the annual Barbel/Darter DBF get together will be held at the Horse & Cow on October 29.

On Sunday, October 9th, Base Cmdr. Steve Corcoran and Senior Holland Club member Ralph Harris presented Dave Nielsen (CWO-4) USN (ret) with Holland Club certificate, patch, challenge coin, and membership card at his home. His wife Donna and his entire family were grateful and appreciated our visit. They also thanked the Bremerton Base Submarine Veterans for the food Dene Rogers delivered last week. Dave was in good spirits and showed his sense of humor, while suffering Stage 4 lung cancer.

Deterrent Park Coordinator and Gertrude - Check Webmaster Don Bassler is planning a brick installation at Deterrent Park on November 6.

Chief of the Boat Wayne Peterson will start selling ticket to the Christmas Party in October.

Next meeting will be November 19, 2016 Saturday at 1000 at the FRA.

Respectfully submitted

Wayne Sieckowski, Base Secretary