

## July 2023 Activities

There was no Base meeting in July but we held two other outstanding activities.

On July 4<sup>th</sup>, we entered a unit in the Dale City Fourth of July Parade. This year we had six participants (Base CDR Brian Haller, Past Base CDR Chuck Martin, Base Secretary Steve Bishop, Base Treasurer Howard Chatham, Base Chief of the Boat (COB) Mike Varone, and Base Historian Woody Woodworth). Our Base VCDR, George Wallace, was also represented as we used his klaxon during the parade. The model of the USS Barbel was mounted atop Chuck's truck. This time we started out a long ways from the finish line and two of us were rather fatigued towards the end (temperatures in the high 80s (or more) with humidity to match).

A link to the video of the parade will be added here once Dale City uploads it to YouTube.



On July 8<sup>th</sup> we held our annual informal dining out at Kilroy's Restaurant in Springfield VA.



We had 20 folks attending (Jim Beavers and Nancy O'Brien, Steve and Debbie Bishop, Howard and Cathy Chatham, Bill and Linda Clement, Bob and Sue Glover, Brian and Pat Haller, Dick and Gloria Hamly, George and Penny Wallace, Tim Oliver and Ginger Haskell, Chuck Martin, and Woody Woodworth). A grand time was had by all.

