



Holland Club History (February 22, 2001) Rev 2012

The following information was compiled by William 'Bill' Britt.

"To the best of my knowledge and from information supplied from shipmates the Holland Club concept was originally proposed by Charlie Marin San Diego Base and Past National Commander 1994 - 1996.

The Holland Club was established in May 1994 and was adopted as part of the Constitution and bylaws that year to recognize those members

who had been qualified in Submarines 50 or more years. Just think, looking back from our founding in 1964 fifty years the Submarine force would only be 14 years old. Truly we are talking about the pioneers of our Submarine Navy.

The original Holland Club membership card was a paper membership card with the words "Holland Club" stamped on it. Later, about 1994, a newly designed card was introduced. This was a plastic card with the USSVI emblem and the words "Holland Club" and the members name embossed on it.

In 1996 the Perch Base submitted a Holland Club Patch designed by Frank Rumbaugh denoting the 50 years of service. This patch along with a Holland Club Membership card and Certificate is now presented to new Holland Club members.

The requirements for membership remained the same as originally adopted until 1998 when a change was voted to allow Sub Vets of W.W.II members who had been members in good standing for at least one year the opportunity to become Holland club members.

The first information I found concerning Holland Club was in the American Submariner January March 1996 issue where I found a Holland Club membership roster containing 68 names. To my knowledge these were the original plank owners and our commissioning crew.

This sailing list identifies our first Holland Club Commander Leroy Hoppe, Thresher Base, who qualified on USS S-39 in 1925.

Amongst the names listed were 4 Admirals and one Captain: Admiral B. L. Carr; Admiral Ignatius Joseph 'Pete' Galantin; Vice Admiral Phil Beshaney; Vice Admiral Eugene Fluckey (MOH); Rear Admiral John M. Barrett; and Captain Henry B. Sweitzer.

The earliest qualification date listed (Hoppe) is 1925, the latest was 1945. Some of these men qualified on such Boats as the O-4, R-4, SS-11, and SS-67."

Pride Runs Deep

William E 'Bill' Britt, Holland Club Commander 2000-2008
(Born Dec 25, 1927, On Eternal Patrol June 3, 2012)

Current NOVA BASE HOLLAND CLUB MEMBERS ARE:

	Name	Qual Year
Alvin Vincent	Anceravage	1944
Daniel James	Arquette	1963
Rodey	Batiza	1969
Arthur C.	Bivens	1957
Dan	Burke	1960
Henry G.	Chiles, Jr.	1964
David S.	Cooper	1967
John J.	Cunnally Jr.	1961
William L	Decker	1964
Samuel Strong	Dunlap	1964
Delbert	Ennis	1963
Edward R.	Ettner	1950
Frank J.	Fannan III	1961
Robert E.	Frick	1963
Charles Michael	Garverick	1966
Robert A.	Gilmore	1957
Robert Patrick	Glover	1964
Norman Earl	Griggs	1957
Ric	Guntang	1968
Dick	Hamly	1968
Michael L.	Harmody	1959
Steven Joseph	Jaeger	1970
James	Kraut	1968
Louis	Maruzo	1964
Edmund G.	Mattran	1968
Francis Terry	McNamara	1945
Robert R.	Miller	1957
Michael	Naughton	1967
Paul J	Nelson	1958
David R.	Oliver, Jr.	1967
Frank C.	Pasquinelli	1959
Willie G	Petry	1960
Joe	Phoenix	1964
Antonio	Poblete	1965
Arthur H.	Rosen	1954
Ross L	Sargent	1959

Gary T.	Smith	1964
George F.	Steeg	1948
William H	Truslow	1964
Lee O.	Turner	1962
Michael R.	Varone	1968
William J	Waylett, Jr	1969
Ronald A	Williams	1964
Lawrence	Woodworth	1958
Carl B	Wootten	1959