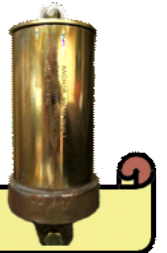




The DASH POT



The Official Newsletter of the Association of Minemen

From the President

MN1 Charles Humbard (ret)



Hi, hope you'll had a great Holiday Season.

My sincere condolences to the families of recently departed, shipmates, and family members. Those who are on the binnacle list or suffering from a medical

issue, but know that your shipmates are wishing you a speedy recovery. Each of you remain in our thoughts and prayers throughout your ordeal.

I would like to thank everyone who was able to attend the 51st AOM Reunion in Charleston SC. We had a great time despite the weather being a little cool and rainy. I would like to thank everyone who attended the picnic and auction, we had some unique items that raised big money for our scholarship fund.

Stay tuned for the location and dates for our 52nd reunion which are in the planning stages!

For the local Charleston Minemen there is a lunch the first Friday of every month at 11am. The lunch is held at the Stones Throw Brewing in Goose Creek. We have around 12 attendees on a regular basis.

Please pass the word about our AOM Scholarship Awards Program, we have awarded 240 scholarships totaling \$161,900.00. This is our way to help our families afford College. Also I would like to thank the Scholarship Chairman and committee for their hard work.

Remember our Shipmates and their families who may need help or just a phone call, text, or email now and then to lift their spirits or just to reminisce old times. We are still a close knit community that has always supported each other through the good times and bad times. Great job!

God bless and protect our Soldiers, Sailors, Airman, Marines, Space Force, and Coast Guard. God bless the USA.

Charles & Kim



Fleet News

Navy Munitions Command Pacific, East Asia Division, Unit Misawa, Japan



What a year it's been! Successfully passing our Field Calibration Assessment led by MN1 Timothy Tate to training from the ISEA and COMOMAG visit. So proud of all we've achieved and looking forward to even more success. Huge shout out to YN3 on reenlisting! Another 4 years of defending freedom – awesome! Congrats to our Sailor of the 4th Quarter winners: LS1 Fortunato Perezvences, MN2 Margarito Ramirez, and YN3 Trevor Thompson! Keep up the amazing work!



NMC PAC EAD Unit Guam

Congratulations and Welcome Aboard to LCDR Pate and family!



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From the Editor

MNC Dave Badger (ret)



Welcome,

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season.

As we enter into the winter time may those in cold areas keep warm, it's the time of little outside work unless you live in snow country. Time to relax and tend to hobbies.

Hopefully you don't get depressed or upset by world events. Things are happening that affect all the US citizen hopefully it will all turn out for the best. I think it will be just like past events and some people will overreact and some won't. There is a lot of misinformation out there, I find it is best to research an article or post before sharing it. This cuts down on the spread of bad info. Did you meet up with an old friend or shipmate last year? Try to keep in touch.

If you find out about the passing of a Mineman or one that should on the Binnacle list let me know at storboc@yahoo.com.

We are looking forward to the next reunion. Hope lots of people make it.

If you know a Mineman that is not a member please talk to them, we can use more younger minemen.

Til next time.



Secretary Treasurer Report- Oct. 2025

As mentioned in my last report, we dropped those 13 members who have not paid their dues since 2021. Sorry to see them go! As you know, keeping up with your dues helps the AOM stay in the black on printing and mailing the Dashpot. So please, take a look at the printed date just under your name in the address sticker. It will begin with OCT. and the year the dues are due. The other date on the right of your name is the Post Office mailing date. Do not confuse these dates! Remember, there are two ways you can send in your dues. 1) you can mail it to; Association of Minemen, P. O. Box 2180, Temple City CA, 91780 or 2) electronic transaction by going to <https://form.jotform.com/90215855401148>. Thank you for supporting our AOM!

Nate Miranda



Membership Committee Report

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US Navy sea drone demonstrates high-speed minehunting with helicopter sonar



Northrop Grumman has successfully demonstrated the integration of its AN/AQS-24 minehunting system with a Mine Countermeasures Unmanned Surface Vehicle, marking a step forward in the US Navy's effort to expand uncrewed solutions for detecting and clearing naval mines, the company said.

The demonstration took place during open-water testing in Panama City, Florida, and began just 45 days after Northrop Grumman signed a contract with the Navy.

The test showed that the helicopter-towed AN/AQS-24 system can be effectively paired with an unmanned surface platform, providing the Navy with a remotely operated, towed minehunting capability that reduces risk to sailors and crewed aircraft.

See full story at [MSN.COM/EN-US/News/Technology/us-navy-sea-drone-demonstrates-high-speed-minehunting-with-helicopter-sonar/ar-AA1TIMoy?ocid=BingNewsSerp](https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/technology/us-navy-sea-drone-demonstrates-high-speed-minehunting-with-helicopter-sonar/ar-AA1TIMoy?ocid=BingNewsSerp)

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

From The Desk of the AOM Scholarship Chairmen
The snowflakes are a thing of the past. The grass is starting to turn green and flowers are starting to bloom and Spring break is here. All this means is that the 2026 school year is coming to a close and it's time to start thinking about the 2027 school year and how your going to pay for some of your tuition and school supplies. The answer is the AOM Scholarship Fund. A scholarship is a good way to help with your school year's financial needs. An application for a AOM Scholarship can be found on the AOM Web Page. (minemen.org) A word of caution. The rules for completing the application must be strictly adhered to as they were written in the application instructions. The application must be submitted to the AOM secretary no later than July 1. (Association of Minemen, PO Box 2180, Temple City, CA. 91780). I would like to thank all the Minemen and their families for their most generous donations to the AOM scholarship fund.
Scholarship Chairmen

Ronald Glasen



By Steve Gooch

Mine Warfare Training Center

🇺🇸 Honoring History Through Action 🇺🇸

In remembrance of the anniversary of Pearl Harbor, the staff of Mine Warfare Training Center laced up and took part in a meaningful run to the USS Midway Museum in December, 2025.

This run was more than just miles—it was a moment to reflect on the sacrifices made on December 7, 1941, and to honor the legacy of those who answered the call to serve. Ending our run aboard the historic USS Midway served as a powerful reminder of our Navy’s enduring strength, resilience, and commitment to freedom.



🚢 Fair Winds and Following Seas, ET1 Phillips 🚢

MWTC recognizes and celebrates the outstanding Navy career of ET1 Phillips and his tremendous contributions during his service. Throughout his service, ET1 Phillips exemplified professionalism, technical expertise, and unwavering dedication to mission success.

During his tour at MWTC, ET1 Phillips played a vital role in sharing his knowledge and setting the standard for excellence in mine warfare.

As ET1 Phillips transitions to the next chapter, we thank him for his faithful service to the Navy, his commitment to MWTC, and the legacy he leaves behind. We wish him and his family continued success, happiness, and calm seas ahead.



NSWC PCD accelerates Naval mine warfare capabilities with new Quickstrike Extended Range Program, working group

Story by Jeremy Roman

Naval Surface Warfare Center Panama City Division

Imagine a hidden threat lurking beneath the waves: ultra-stealthy submarines, armed with advanced mines, operating in shallow, coastal waters previously considered safe. These mines can be deployed in critical international shipping lanes and strategic choke points to create dangerous situations where millions of dollars in resources don’t make it to their destinations and international economies could face potential shutdowns. How would the nation deter this type of aggression?

To help the U.S. Navy defend American interests around the globe and keep the seas open and free, the fleet is actively working to counter these types of threats through the Quickstrike Extended Range (QS-ER) Program, an initiative designed to rapidly develop and deploy advanced aerial mining capabilities. This program, which aims to increase mine countermeasures precision, range and versatility, is a direct response to what the military calls a Joint Emergent Operational Need – an urgent requirement identified by a combatant commander to prevent loss of life and ensure the success of critical operations.

See more at www.dvidshub.net/news



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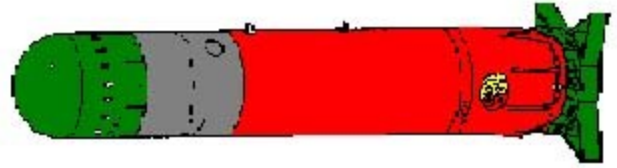
Navy Munitions Command Pacific CONUS West
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From CAPT Blaine Pitkin, Commander, Navy Munitions Command Pacific CONUS West Division:
As the holiday season arrives, I extend my warmest wishes for a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a prosperous New Year to all our dedicated Sailors, civilians, families, and partners across NMCPAC CWD and our units and detachments.
Your unwavering commitment to providing responsive ordnance support ensures our Fleet remains ready and lethal. Whether you're spending this time with loved ones or standing the watch, know that your service makes a profound difference.
Please celebrate responsibly, prioritize safety, and cherish these moments of peace and reflection.
We are looking forward to a great 2026!

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Historian Report: By Don Moody



Submarine Minelaying in World War 2

The waves slapped against the periscope standard, a monotonous rhythm in the vast, inky blackness of the Pacific. Inside the USS Tang, Ensign Miller, fresh out of submarine school and still tasting the salt of the sea, gripped the handles of the attack periscope. The air was thick with the scent of diesel, sweat, and the metallic tang of recycled oxygen. Commander O'Kane, a legend in the making, stood beside him, his gaze fixed on the quiet tension of the control room.

"Status, Ensign?" O'Kane's voice was a low growl.

"Bearing three-four-zero, sir. Range... holding at two thousand yards. Still no surface contact, but the sound man is picking up faint propeller noises, intermittent. Could be coastal traffic, or... them."

Miller's heart pounded, a frantic drum against his ribs. This wasn't a torpedo run, not the glory he'd read about in training manuals. Tonight, they were farmers of death, sowing silent destruction in the enemy's garden. They were on a minelaying mission, deep in the treacherous waters off the coast of Formosa, tasked with choking a vital Japanese shipping lane.

Earlier, the briefing had been grim. "Gentlemen," the intelligence officer had stated, a pointer tracing a red line on a chart, "this area is heavily patrolled. Depth charges are a certainty if you're detected. But if we can sow enough Mk 12 magnetic mines here, we cut their iron ore lifeline from Indochina. This is a choke point. A stranglehold."

The Mk 12 mine was a sinister marvel of engineering. Unlike the old contact mines, it didn't need to be struck. Its magnetic influence fused with a ship's hull, waiting for the perfect moment to detonate, often underneath the keel, breaking the ship's back. They had a dozen of them, each a squat, cylindrical steel egg, patiently waiting in the torpedo tubes alongside their conventional brethren.

"Down periscope!" O'Kane barked. The hydraulic hiss filled the compartment as the slender eye of the sub retracted.

"Sound, anything?"

"Still faint screws, sir. Very distant. Bearing shifting slightly."

The hours crawled by, a torturous dance of patience and precision. Miller imagined the Japanese freighters, fat with vital war materials, lumbering unsuspectingly toward this stretch of water. He thought of the young sailors on those ships, perhaps just as green as he was, dreaming of home. The thought was fleeting, replaced by the cold, hard logic of war. This was necessary. Finally, just before dawn, O'Kane gave the order. "All stop. Ten degrees down bubble. Rig for silent running."

The submarine settled like a leviathan taking its rest on the seabed. The silence was unnerving, broken only by the hum of the ventilation and the occasional creak of the hull. Miller stood by, watching the torpedo men, their faces grimly determined.

"Tube one, open outer door!" A distant clank echoed through the steel hull. "Tube one, fire!"

A gentle shudder ran through the boat. Not the violent jolt of a torpedo launch, but a softer push. The Mark 12 mine, an invisible predator, slipped out into the darkness, its internal clock now ticking, its magnetic sensors armed.

One by one, the mines were launched, each accompanied by that subtle tremor. Twelve times, the Tang delivered its deadly cargo, transforming an ordinary stretch of ocean into a silent, submerged minefield. With each launch, Miller felt a strange mix of accomplishment and a chilling awareness of the unseen destruction they had just unleashed.

As the last mine left its tube, O'Kane gave the order. "All ahead slow. Come to course zero-niner-zero. Let's get out of here."

The Tang slowly began its withdrawal, leaving behind a field of invisible death. Miller, exhausted but exhilarated, felt the weight of their mission. He knew that for every ship sunk by a torpedo, there would be unseen tragedies here, in the quiet, dark waters where their mines lay in wait. He hadn't seen a Japanese ship, hadn't fired a shot in anger, but he had participated in something equally, if not more, devastating. He had helped lay a silent trap, a testament to the submarine's unique and often overlooked role in the war – a role far beyond the flash and fury of direct combat, one that shaped the very arteries of the enemy's war machine.

Days later, news would filter back through Ultra intercepts of merchant losses in the Formosa Strait. No one would see the Tang, or know of Ensign Miller's silent vigil, but the impact of their clandestine mission would ripple through the Japanese war effort, one sunken freighter at a time.

This did not really happen, it is a story of what it might have been like. Hope you enjoyed it.

Photo submitted by Ron Glasen



York Town A-MN 9-57

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Al Gerchak, Tom Hoffman, Mr. Foster, Ron Glasen, Mr. Herman

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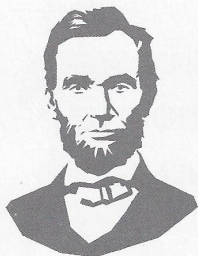
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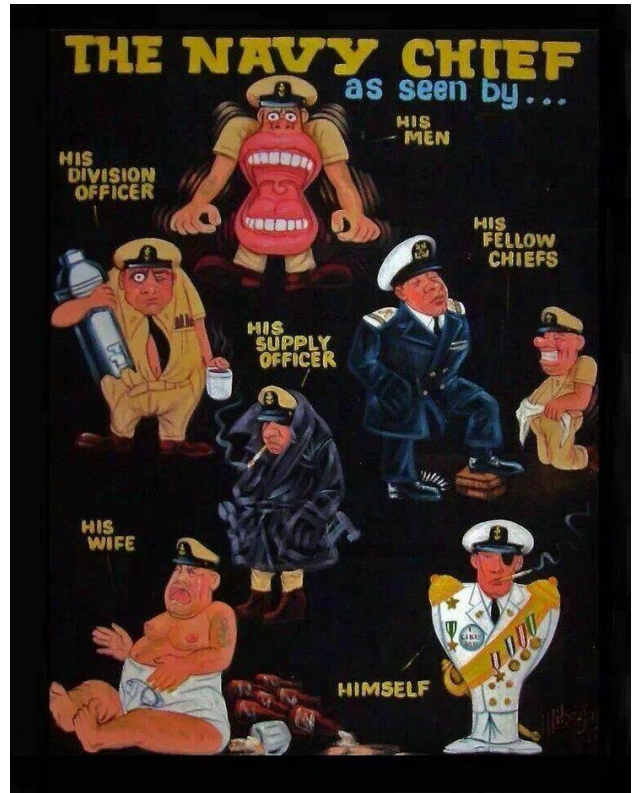
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Fair winds and following seas to MN1 Huddleston



Thank you MN1 Huddleston for your dedication, professionalism, and the countless hours of hard work you gave during your time at MWTC. Your commitment to excellence and support to the mission made a lasting impact on our team and the Sailors we train.



We wish you continued success in your next assignment and all the best to you and your family as you take on this new chapter. Once MWTC, always MWTC!

The Order of the Bushnell Keg





Please join us in congratulating MN1 (AW) Torres on her reenlistment. We are very proud and happy that you chose to [#StayNavy](#) and continue your career serving our country. MN1 was joined by her son, Lucas who was presented with a letter of appreciation and the CO's personal Challenge Coin.



In a first, Ukraine says it struck Russian submarine in Black Sea port with underwater drones

[Ukraine's](#) domestic security service, the SBU, said Monday that it had carried out an attack on a Russian submarine in the Black Sea port of Novorossiysk, causing critical damage to the vessel and effectively disabling it.

In a statement, the SBU said the operation, which used underwater "Sub Sea Baby" drones, was the first attack of its kind. Video shared by the SBU showed a large explosion at a port.

"As a result of the explosion, the submarine suffered critical damage and was effectively put out of action," the SBU said. CNN could not independently verify the claim.

Russia acknowledged the Ukrainian attack but said it failed and that no ships or submarines were damaged. "The enemy's attempt to carry out sabotage using an unmanned underwater vehicle failed to achieve its goals," state media quoted Alexei Rulev, head of the Black Sea Fleet press service, as saying. Rulev denied Ukrainian reports that a submarine was destroyed at the Novorossiysk naval base, Russian media reported. A comparison of satellite imagery before and after the



Ukrainian operation appears to show damage to the corner of a pier, suggesting the underwater drones could have detonated about two dozen meters from the stern of the vessel.

Though it is not possible to determine any damage to the propeller system, the submarine has not been moved since the attack. By contrast, other submarines previously docked nearby have been relocated within the harbor.

Russian television has broadcast what it says is video of the submarine after the attack which it says shows the vessel is undamaged - though the video does not show the boat's stern.

The Kilo-class submarine is used to launch Kalibr cruise missiles, firing up to four at a time, according to the SBU statement. Russia has used the missiles throughout the war to strike Ukraine.

The agency added that the submarine is known as a "Black Hole" because of the hull's ability to absorb sound and remain undetectable by sonar. It said that class of submarine costs around \$400 million. Due to international sanctions, which have hampered Russia's access to technological components, building a similar submarine could now cost up to \$500 million, the SBU said.

Dmytro Pletenchuk, spokesperson for Ukraine's Naval Forces, told Ukrainian television it was the second Russian submarine destroyed in the war, after another Kilo-class vessel, the Rostov-on-Don, was hit last year. Ukraine's success in attacking Russian ships in the Black Sea, which dates back to the sinking of the flagship Moskva, in April 2022, has forced the Kremlin to keep its naval fleet increasingly in port, he said. While this has reduced Russia's overall threat from the sea, hitting ships in port was still challenging.

"It is a protected facility ... This operation had many layers, from developing the strike weapon itself, to planning, excluding information leaks. Carrying out such an operation is a complex and rather difficult task," Pletenchuk said.

Satellite images taken before and after the attack show three large barges blocking the entrance to the port, highlighting why Ukraine used an underwater - rather than surface-level - vessel to carry out the strike.



Lloyd Sparks

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Lloyd Dwayne Sparks, 68 of Alexandria died November 4, 2025, in Community Hospital, Anderson after an extended illness while in the company of his family.

Dwayne was born on November 21, 1956, in Berea, KY. and was the son Gene Ed Sparks and Pasty Arnette

He served his country with United States Navy where he was mineman. He worked as a contractor building cell towers across Indiana.

Dwayne is survived by his three sons, Preston Sparks of TX, Trent Sparks of TX and Jason Sprarks of KY. His special friend and caretaker, Karen Snyder of Alexandria and her children, Kristy Whillite and Shawn Snyder. Also surviving are his seven grandchildren.



Nenita Segura Chvilicek

JULY 19, 1952 – NOVEMBER 25, 2025

Nenita Segura Chvilicek went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, November 25, 2025 in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Nenita was dearly loved by her family and friends, and also endearingly known as Honey, Mom, Lola, Neng, Tita Nita and Nitz.

Nenita was born in Iloilo Iloilo, Philippines on July 19, 1952 to Anastacio and Clara Segura.

After her schooling, her life took a surprising turn when she met Michael Chvilicek while he was deployed with the U.S. Navy. From their meeting, life expanded beyond the Philippines. Nenita moved across the Pacific Ocean, started her own family and became a U.S. citizen. She spent 43 years lovingly devoted to Michael and her two children, Debbie and Chris.



Lee Workman

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The Binnacle List



I'd like to request everyone show support and prayers for MN Brenda Lee VanDixon. She is currently going thru chemotherapy



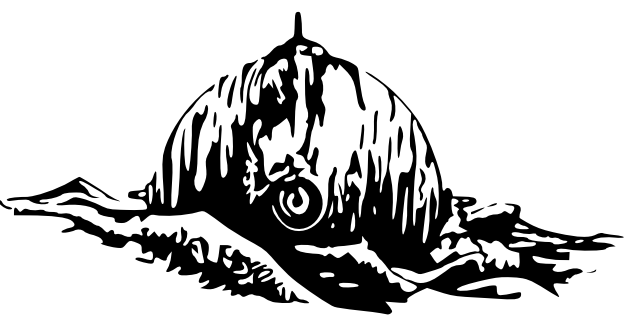
I'd like to request everyone show support and prayers for Estrella (Eva) Kropf, wife of Roger. She is currently finishing thru chemotherapy.



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