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Crew Meetings & Activities 2015

2016

Jun 18 regular meeting
Jun 24-26 Summit at Odesa
Jul 16 regular meeting
Aug 20 regular meeting
Sept 17 regular meeting
Oct 15 regular meeting
Nov 19 regular meeting
Dec 17?

All above meeting are subject to change. Normally we meet at Shady Oaks BBQ at 3:00 p.m. on the dates above (unless otherwise mentioned.)

From the Ready Room

What an exciting time aboard the Regulator. We have added new members. Rob Dietrich and Kevin Liberty have joined us and both have taken the Officers test and been promoted to Ensign. Congrats to you both. Coming in July we will have the opening of the new Star Trek movie, Star Trek Beyond. Fingers crossed it will be good. We will be doing an away mission to do recruiting at a local theatre. More details as we get closer.

We have discussed getting cards made for the ship and I hope to finalize that process at our next meeting. Bring your designs and we will vote on it during the June meeting. We should also approve a new banner for events.

Thanks to Tank much progress had been made on reorganizing the ships command structure. He has posted the new articles on the ships Facebook page. Feel free to check it out and make suggestions at the next meeting. I think the new structure will make it easier for us to get things done and give more flexibility in planning away missions and other events.

I want to say thank you again for being such a dedicated and enthusiastic crew. We really are the pride of Starfleet. Look forward to seeing you all at Shady Oaks June 18th.

LLAP
Captain Michael Cross

XO

We had a great meeting in May. I was very pleased to present a finished copy of the USS Regulator Uniform Guidebook. At 91 pages, it was truly a labor ... I'm not sure if I can call it a "labor of love." I am hopeful that it will assist those of you who want to make sure your uniforms are, well, uniform.

May 2016

This is only for regular STARFLEET uniforms – use the SFMC's *Marine Force Manual* for Marine uniforms, and the *Guide to the Wear and Appearance of STARFLEET Special Operations Uniforms and Insignia for STARFLEET Special Operations uniforms*.

The Articles Committee (to review, revise, and re-write the Ship's Articles) met at Shady Oaks on 14 May, and we worked pretty hard on figuring out what changes we wanted to make. The current Ship's Articles (2015 edition) are available for download at the ship's website – as is the errata, the paragraph that was left out of the 2013 and 2015 editions on accident, as is the draft of the new, 2017 Articles. Please, download them and read them. Let us know your thoughts, and if you have an idea on the Articles, feel free to let us (the Captain or I) know, or join us at the next Committee meeting, on 13 Aug.

Respectfully,
Commodore Tank Clark, SFMD
First Officer, USS *Regulator*, NCC-2009

Communications



We have started a new fundraiser for the club. the article to be auctioned in the newsletter. It is a green afghan, 50 X 42 inches in size. We will have these events roughly 3 to 4 times a year. What money is raised will be going to whichever charity we all decide on for the year.

At the June meeting, we will hold the auction. This event has also been opened to the whole region to participate in. Normally this type of item would sell for \$50 to \$100 since it is handmade by me. We would like to start the bidding at \$10.

Liz Goulet, R.Admiral
Communications Officer, USS *Regulator*, NCC 2009

MEDICAL ALERT!! MEDICAL ALERT:

Date Night, April 23rd: Tank and I went into Decatur and watched *Batman vs. Superman: Dawn of Justice*. The next day we watched *Man of Steel*. Needless to say, I have found myself in a Superman frame of mind. I began reading a fabulous book entitled *The Superman Handbook: The Ultimate Guide to Saving the Day* by Scott Beatty. Not only is it hilarious but it is also quite informative and helpful.

You all know how much I love being helpful, so I thought I would share some tips from the handbook. I'll spread them out over the course of several articles. (See: helpful!)

The second tip I will share is How to Rescue a Flood Victim. Since we really don't have a Superman, it's always nice to know how to do things for yourself. And seeing as how we have all been inundated with rain and there are many places currently flooding, knowing how to pull someone to safety could come in handy.

First thing you do is to assess the situation to determine what you can do, and always call for help.

Second thing is to remember the current rescue worker's mantra: "reach, throw, row, go."

Reach. Don't listen to your instincts and jump into the water, with the strong currents and flowing debris you can easily find yourself in the same predicament. Try first to reach out with a pole, tree branch or other long object to snag your victim as they float by.

Throw. Throw your victim a life preserver or other buoyant object. Then move ahead of victim along shore and secure a rope to a tree and throw to victim. This will keep them floating and prevent them from going further downstream. Gently pull the victim to safety.

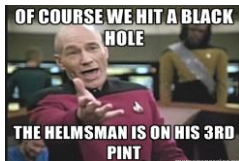
Row. If first two attempts fail, try and acquire a small watercraft and row out to the victim. A motorized vehicle is preferable to rowing as to not expend too much energy allowing you to rescue and get back to shore.

Go. If all prior attempts fail or are not possible, go for help. The sooner help arrives the better off the victim will be.

...and above all, don't put yourself in flooding situations. If the water starts rising, get to higher ground. If you are driving and the water is so you can't see the road; it is too deep to drive thru. Don't be that victim, you know.

Commander Tracy "Gleek" Clark, SFMD
Chief Medical Officer, USS *Regulator*, NCC-2009

HELM



"Mr. Sulu, you may... indulge yourself."

I am still looking for a Helm Department Assistant DH. We are a busy, busy ship, and it would be good to have someone help me in planning and research.

May was a busy month, despite not having a Landing Party for the ship. We had the Articles Committee Meeting as well as the regular Ship's crew meeting, Tracy and I did a recon trip to the Fort Worth Aviation Museum (see the Marine's article), and – on a personal note – I have a real-life, get-out-of-the-house-and-make-money job. (Yay!)

June is looking to be busy, as well, as the Region 3 Summit and Third Brigade Muster will be in Odessa on the 24th thru the 26th. The *Regulator* is sending a six-person team (three Goulets, two Clarks, and a Wilkerson) – but if you can, you should join us!

July is the month of the new Star Trek movie, *Star Trek Beyond*. Admiral Goulet is leading the charge on this adventure, and I hope you can all reserve at least part of that Saturday to help us introduce Star Trek fans to STARFLEET and the USS *Regulator*.

Stay tuned for more, but if you have suggestions for future Landing Parties, feel free to fire 'em at me!

Releasing the parking brake!
Commodore Tank Clark, SFMD
Helmsman, USS *Regulator*, NCC-2009

Navigation Department

"Second star to the right, and straight on 'till morning..."

We are looking for someone to take over Navigation as Sean and his wife Laura (with their new baby) are moving to Colorado. We will miss them but this slot is now open if anyone is interested talk to the CO or XO,

BOSUN (Chief in Charge)

ATTENTION!!! As of the May meeting, the flip-top contest will be over for this year. Please bring all the tops you have to the May 21 crew meeting or they will not count for this year's contest. If you don't get them in at the May meeting, you will have a good start for next year's contest.

Last year we collected over 6,646 and this year so far we have collected 20,938. I would like to brake that record next year. Good luck and thanks for all your help.

Alan Goulet, MCPO
USS *Regulator*

Special Note: Please put your name and what group you want your flip tops to be counted for on your bag with the tops. If you **do not** put your name on it, you won't get credit- I will.

BONUS: For those who recruit somebody whether you are an individual or family, they may assist you this year only in the flip top contest. This is to encourage you to get somebody to join the ship.

Alan Goulet, MCPO

From the Flight Deck: OIC, VMA-333 "Phoenix Squadron"



Take a knee, Marines.

It's time to jump into the WABAC Machine with Mr. Peabody, and check out the historical predecessor of our own STARFLEET Marine squadron.

For those of you who don't know, the SFMC has assigned the Marine Strike Group (MSG) in and of the USS *Regulator* the number 333. (Units in the Third Brigade are numbered between 300-349, inclusively.) Once upon a time, the 333rd MSG was a Mecha Branch unit, but when we became an Aerospace Squadron, we adopted a new nickname ("Phoenix Squadron") and started occasionally using standard USMC numbering for our unit number. V for "fixed wing squadron," M for "Marines", FA meaning we use Fighter/Attack aircraft (specifically, the F/A-55 LaMatya.) VMFA-333 has been on our web site, our Facebook site, and my signature, for years.

Recently, I learned about the USMC's VMFA-333, and saw an F-4 Phantom II that had been assigned to that squadron.

Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 333 (VMFA-333) was a United States Marine Corps fighter squadron consisting of [F/A-18 Hornets](#). Known as the "Fighting Shamrocks" and "Trip Trey", the squadron participated in action during WWII, the Vietnam conflict, and Operation Desert Storm. The squadron's aircraft were easily recognizable by the row of three shamrocks painted on the vertical stabilizers of their aircraft. The squadron was decommissioned on 31 March 1992.

World War II

Marine Scout Bombing Squadron 333 (VMSB-333) was activated 1 August 1943 at Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Cherry Point, NC. In April 1944, a

portion of the squadron was sent to Naval Air Station (NAS) Key West, FL for anti-submarine training and upon their return departed for San Diego, and three weeks after that, Hawaii. The squadron was transferred to Midway Island in July 1944 and began flying anti-submarine patrols in their [SBD Dauntless](#) bombers. They were re-designated Marine Fighter Bomber Squadron 333 (VMFB-333) on 14 October 1944 and transitioned to the [F4U Corsair](#).

The squadron reverted to VMSB-333 on 20 December 1944 and was transferred back to MCAS Ewa, Hawaii for the remainder of the war. They were deactivated on 1 November 1945.

1950s

On 1 August 1952, Marine Attack Squadron 333 (**VMA-333**) was reactivated at MCAS Miami, FL, and equipped with the [Grumman F6F Hellcat](#). The Hellcats were quickly replaced with Corsairs and they were in turn replaced with [A-1 Skyraiders](#). The Squadron was re-designated Marine Fighter Squadron 333 (**VMF-333**) on 28 January 1957 and again transitioned airframes, this time to the [FJ Fury](#). At this time the squadron also relocated to MCAS Beaufort, SC.

Three years later VMF-333 became the first Marine Corps squadron to receive the [F-8 Crusader](#). On 14 August 1962, the squadron performed a non-stop air refuelled deployment to NAS Roosevelt Roads Puerto Rico and Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Of the 22 aircraft in the squadron 4 were initially stationed at Gitmo as armed Hot Pad Alert aircraft. The rest of the reinforced squadron (parts of Marine Air Base Squadron 32 and Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 32 were attached) at Roosevelt Roads engaged in advanced tactics, gunnery and missile training while living in a tent city that served as a deployment test site. The squadron was already in position when the Cuban Missile Crisis erupted in October 1962 and the aircraft numbers at Gitmo were reinforced should the need have arisen to strike targets in Cuba. During the crisis, VMF-333 was joined by Marine Attack Squadron 331 and assumed tactical command over the Puerto Rico Air National Guard's F-86 aircraft as a combined Puerto Rico Air Defense Command. Trip Tree returned to MCAS Beaufort in December of that year after the crisis was resolved.

Vietnam War

On 1 February 1966, The squadron was again re-designated as Marine All Weather Fighter Squadron 333 (**VMF(AW)-333**) when they received new all-weather versions of the F-8 Crusader. The squadrons last name change came on June 20, 1966 when they became Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 333 (VMFA-333) as they transitioned to the [F-4 Phantom II](#). In June 1972, VMFA-333 deployed on board the [USS America \(CVA-66\)](#) and conducted mission over Vietnam.. It was during this deployment that the squadron got its only air-to-air kill when Major Lee T. Lasseter, USMC along with his RIO, Capt. John D. Cummings shot down a MiG-21 over North Vietnam near Hanoi. After the shoot down both aircraft were damaged by flak and an SA-2 SAM, which hit 5526 in the tail section. Close to running out of fuel and with 5526 on fire from the SAM hit, the pilots ejected just south of Haiphong Harbor. The incident was also the first and only all-Marine kill during the Vietnam War. Two other Marines shot down MiGs but they were on exchange with the Air Force.^[1] Until 1978 the squadron remained affiliated with Carrier Air Wing 8 and made a 1976 deployment aboard the USS Nimitz (CVN-68). Major Lee T. Lasseter later assumed command of VMFA-333 and was named Marine Aviator of the year for 1972.

1980s and 1990s

In 1980 VMFA-333 became the first Fighter Squadron to deploy West Pac with Women Marines. Sgt. Connie Gause and Col. John Sease were responsible for this change in Marine Corps policy. VMFA-333 was the last regular Marine squadron to operate the F-4 Phantom but finally transferred to the [F/A-18 Hornet](#) in October 1987. During their final deployment to the Persian Gulf in 1990-1991 as part of Operation Desert Storm, the Shamrocks flew more than seven hundred combat missions without loss and delivered more than two million pounds of ordnance against Iraqi forces. VMFA-333 was deactivated effective 31 March 1992.

2016

In September, Phoenix Squadron will be leading a Landing Party to the Fort Worth Aviation Museum, at 3300 Rose Ave, on the south side of Meacham Field in Fort Worth, where a F-4 Phantom in the colors of VMFA-333 is located in the "petting zoo."

Thank you all, and Carry on!

Brigadier General Tank Clark, SFMC, SFMD

Officer-in-Charge, VMFA-333, "Phoenix Squadron"

Never Give Up, Never Surrender!

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From the Deck 15 Horde: Known as the Klingon Krew

So, how did Klingons end up on the USS Regulator NCC-2009? Read these extracts from the log of the IKS Maelstrom for an inside look:

Captain's Log,

IKS Maelstrom, Stardate 9940.27

The *Maelstrom* continues our relentless patrol in the Beta Quadrant, near the border with the Federation. It is strange to see so many of our supply bases in this area "de-militarized." Ever since the Khitomer Accords, the Earthers send fewer of their ships to patrol their side of the border, and correspondingly, the Klingon Defense Force seems to send less of our ships here. Ten years ago, we would have squadrons of battleships where we now have single cruisers.

This may prove to be an interesting cruise, however. We have been ordered to rendezvous with the USS *Regulator*, NCC-2009, a Federation *Excelsior*-class battleship, to transfer a small contingent of our crew to serve on board the Earther ship. "A First in Interstellar Friendship," according to the Federation's propaganda. "An unparalleled chance to acquire technical data," is what our Propaganda and Information Officer says... and I tend to agree with him.

Captain's Log,

IKS Maelstrom, Stardate 9942.8

We are on the Federation side of the border and the Federation battleship *Regulator* is sitting quietly off our port bow, and we'll be transporting a platoon over. The agreement between our two militaries states that our warriors will be serving "Temporary Duty" on the *Regulator*, and we'll have a platoon of their troops here. *Regulator's* first officer, Commodore Clark, sent over a file on the people he's sending us. I'm surprised. In addition to five of their Starfleet Marines (one of whom is apparently a pilot), we're getting some engineers, a few of their science officers, several security troops, and a Caitian helmsman named Lieutenant (Junior Grade) M'rolnir. I've heard of Caitians – they are warriors of a stealthy nature. I find myself looking forward to pitting myself against this one.

Our troops have been informed that they must conduct themselves according to earther protocols: they are not supposed to kill anyone until ordered to do so by an earther officer, not even if the officer placed above them displays cowardice or another death-worthy offense.

Our orders, and those of the Regulator, state that we'll be rotating these crew exchanges on a regular basis – about every ninety to one-hundred days by our calendar – so our patrol areas will be close fairly often over the next few years. It will prove... interesting.

For the Empire!
Klark, son of Konald

Have Phaser, Will Travel!



It's time for the monthly reminder: You should, when and as soon as possible, be taking Ranger courses from STARFLEET Academy. You can get the lists of what you should take for each Grade (1 through 10) from the Publications page of the SFSO web site: <https://sfso.wordpress.com/publications/> There's a lot of stuff to learn, and it's fun. Do it! When you complete a grade, notify me, letting me know the dates you completed each course within the grade. I'll send it up through my chain of command, and get you certified. Easy-peasy. Completing Grade Two earns you the Major Hayes ribbon.

Now, on with the game stuff...

I started playing *Dungeons and Dragons*, and *Advanced Dungeons and Dragons*, as a child. In the Navy, it was one of the things that brought me to socialize with some of my new friends, and I continue to enjoy *D&D* and other Role Playing Games (RPGs). I started playing a blend of "Red Box" *D&D* and First Edition *AD&D*, then playing each separately, and – in 1989, moving into the newly-released *Second Edition Advanced Dungeons & Dragons*. 2nd Ed was a lot of fun – it fixed many of the things that needed to be fixed, while keeping the game loose and barely under control. Like many others, my gaming group moved into 3rd Edition – which dropped the "advanced" part of the title – and my days of 2nd Ed moved into the past.

Well, not entirely. As much as 3E, and later *D&D* 3.5 were entertaining – and as bad as Fourth Edition was – there were so many good things about the former (and so much effort on my part to make 4E worthwhile), I still enjoyed 2nd Ed. I was not alone.

There's a "movement" of people in RPGs who not only enjoy the "old school RPG" experience, but enjoy getting other people involved in the older style of gaming. Do a web search on "OSR RPG" sometime, and you'll see what I mean. It's not easy to find the older RPG books, although some of them are now being re-printed. Sometimes, one may find PDFs scanned from the old books, but these are usually not entirely legal.

However, there is an alternative. Point your browser to <http://drivethrurpg.com/product/156530/For-Gold-Glory>, and download the free PDF. This game is very similar – almost identical in most respects – to *AD&D* 2nd Ed. All the old-school fun, in an easy-to-use all-in-one product. It's a huge file, so it's probably not something you're going to want to print out, but it's ideal for loading onto your tablet for use at the game table. It's fully compatible with all of the old adventure modules.

If/when you decide you need a print copy, DriveThruRPG sells those, too, for less than \$20. That's cheaper than the cover price was on the original 2nd Ed Player's Handbook, Dungeon Master's Guide, and Monstrous Manual, even back in 1989.

Grab some dice, and let's start killin' some goblins...
Sum non Satis?

Commodore Tank Clark, SFMD
Team Leader, 33rd STARFLEET Rangers ("The Paladins")
"Have Phaser, Will Travel"

Ship's Services

June birthdays : Scott Cornatez Jun 19, Amanda Fralicks Jun 23 and Tracy Clark Jun 26

Renew Memberships with Fleet:

May: Glen Wilkerson, Michael Cross, Amanda Fralicks

June: Cynthia Crouch, Scott Cornatzer

Upcoming Movies:

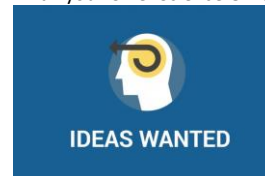
Passage to Mars May 31
Independence Day Rsurge June 24
Legend of Tarzan Jul 1
The BFG Jul
Ghostbusters Jul 15
Star Trek Beyond Jul 22
The Little Prince Aug 5
Pete's Dragon Aug 12
Ben Hur Aug 19
Kubo and the two Strings Aug 19
Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children Sept 30
Inferno Oct 28
Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them Nov 18

Engineering Department

Roone Machart, LTC
Chief of Engineering, *USS Regulator*, NCC 2009

Science Department

Email your Chief Science Officer at melissa@brulotte.us to share your ideas.



Melissa Brulotte, PO3
Science, *USS Regulator*, NCC 2009

SECURITY! SECURITY!!

Scott Cornatez, CDR
Security, *USS Regulator*, NCC 2009

Away Report – May 20 Rough Riders Baseball Game

I was asked by my father to go to the baseball game because they were showing their appreciation for our Military servicemen. My father's insurance company (they provide insurance for military people and their dependents) was sponsoring three suites for this event. They offered tickets, food/beverages, and free parking to their members and they could bring guests. This is why I had to skip the crew meeting this month. I could not turn down a date with my dad that included a ballgame, free food and free parking. Oh and my dad did the driving over to Frisco. The game was between the Frisco Rough Riders and San Antonio's team in the AA minor league.

"Alice through the Looking Glass"

If you have seen the first picture of "Alice in Wonderland" you have an idea of what this one is like. However, if you are basing these on the original Lewis Carroll book, forget it. The first movie crammed everything from the two books in to one film. This one answers questions from the first movie. Such as: Why did the Red Queen have such a big head? (Literally). And then we also find out what happened to the Mad Hatter's family. Of course Alice saves the day but it was close. I recommend it as a good forget everything and just enjoy a good movie.

JUST A NOTE

Reminder: I don't require much, a movie review, book report, tv review, an article you found interesting or even something you saw on the internet that you want to share. Just say hi and let us know you are still out there.

Thank you,
Communications Dept.

Advertisements

It has been suggested that we might help our fellow crew members by posting ads for their personal business. This day and age starting a business isn't easy and they can use all the free help we can give them.



Custom Vinyl Decals, Gifts, Apparel, Editable Printouts, etc.

Go to: www.etsy.com/shop/LauraWashburnDesigns



Meetings for the *USS Regulator* are held every month
at 1500hrs at Shady Oaks BBQ at Sand Shell &
Hwy 35. Usually on the third Saturday of every month.

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