

July 2021 Activities

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

On July 3rd, we entered a unit in the Dale City Fourth of July Parade. We could muster only four participants (Base Vice CDR Brian Haller, Past Base CDR Howard Chatham, COB Mike Varone, and Tim Oliver – NSL Executive Director). Our Past VCDR, George Wallace, was represented too as we used his klaxon during the parade. We would have had five but the Base CDR was temporarily on the Binnacle List. The link to the Dale City Independence Day Parade video is located at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jkKzSBL5-x8> and is about 51 minutes long with our participation beginning at the 14-minute mark.



On the way back to port from Dale City, we encountered hurricane force winds (scaled to the size of the model) and we reenacted scenes from the movie “Gray Lady Down”. A significant overhaul will be required but the boat will be ready for “sea” again in time for the next parade.



On July 10th we held our annual informal dining out at Kilroy's Restaurant in Springfield VA. We had 15 folks attending (Bill Clement, Bob Glover, Brian and Pat Haller, Dick and Gloria Hamly, Chuck Martin, Paul and Terry Nelson, Joe and Marie Phoenix, Mike Varone, George and Penny Wallace, and Woody Woodworth). A grand time was had by all.

