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LORSTA Yap

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Welcome to the new Reunion Hall format.

If you have any difficulties or problems with this new format, please [e-mail me](#).

Alert: Do you see an Era Table that should be removed? Please [e-mail me](#).

Table - 1940s

On 09/26/11 **Ray Rebmann** said:
HI GUYS I HAVE STARTED LORSTA YAP VETERANS GROUP AT
<http://community.coastguardchannel.com/group/lorsta-yap-veterans>

Table - 1950s

Table - 1960s

On 08/03/12 **Neil Tuchalski** said:
i would like to hear from some of my old shipmates from yap, ulithi, or cocos. years 1964 and 65. e-mail@\\ neilarvy@borderlandnet.net my name is Neil 'SKI' Tuchalski.

On 05/13/12 **Neil Tuchalski** said:
EN3 NEIL "SKI" TUCHALSKI I served on YAP in 64 i was sent there for a years tour. when i first arrived, i was a fuel truck driver along with robert dunno. i really loved YAP and had a wonderful time while i was there. the roads were so bad that most of the time the trucks were unable to haul the fuel from colonia. i then got transferred to lorsta ulithi, then to lorsta cocos. also spent a couple weeks on Saipan island. hello to all you fellow "PLANKOWNERS" i'm not on the picture, LT Powers sent me a certificate. I got out of the coast Guard and retired from the Wisconsin State Patrol.

On 01/21/12 **Johnpaul Keon** said:
I have a lot of pictures from the time I was on board. From the beach, planes, and parties we had. Even the Big Inspection when Chip Decker got to show off his medals from VietNam to Ltjg Marker. Sorry very few of the ladies who visited the station but several from the MitMit and other events. Also have info on some of the Peace Corps personnel during my

stay. Keep in touch yearly with some of them. Anyone have any contact with the CB's who fixed the road and our water system?

On 01/21/12 Johnpaul Keon said:

Bob Worsley read your post. I got my Ham license to operate KC6BY while there. Kept it up and now am AB4PP in NC. I left as SNEW and became an RM at Governors Island. Got out as RM2 on the list for RM1. Pursued another career and retired in 99 as a NC State Highway Patrolman.

On 01/21/12 Johnpaul Keon said:

Bob, I wrote the Purple Penis. That was for Magic Marker the CO mostly. Found WO Saunders, Rocky Calarco, Ron Woodcock and others. I was there 68 to 69

On 12/12/11 Bob Nejedlo said:

I served in 1968-69 under Ltjg Rutheford. What a great year. 1st Class Radioman Prophet, Chip Decker the best cook in the guard, Zastrow, Hictcock, Harris, Perry, Hunter, Gill, and others. A lot of snorkling, swimming, and beer. AC always worked! Love to hear from anyone from then. Who wrote that underground newspaper, (The Purple Penis)?

On 07/19/10 Bob Worsley said:

I served on Yap from April 1967 to May 1968 and while there was the only amature radio operator so spent a good part of the year providing phone patches home for any and all. While there survived two 'cyclones' or hurricanes, an earthquake, climbed the tower, and did a lot of snorkeling and motorcycling. Great year! Then off to Governor's Island to teach.

On 09/27/09 Emilio Garcia said:

Was there in 1961 while on the CGC Blackhaw WAGL 390...

On 09/22/09 Gid Cook said:

Served from March 67 to March 68. Tried to extend but HQ said no, needed on a bouy tender in Lake Michigan. Bummer. Worked with Phil Parsons and Bob Worsley. LTJG Rutherford was CO when I left. Had the best food in the entire Guard while 'Beecham' was there.

On 11/09/08 Ron Woodcock said: I served aboard during **1969** and ...

Rocco Calarco - Yes I am that Ron Woodcock, but sorry, don't remember you

On 07/01/08 Norman George said: I served aboard during **65-66** and ...

Betel nut, tupa and wild, wild women! What a life. There were also Loran watches, painting, and maintaining the washed out road. They told me I was going with the ugliest girl on the island. I never sobered up enough to know for sure. I was a kid, life was an adventure.

Table - 1970s

On 05/12/12 **George Smith** said:

Hello guys, I was on Yap 76-80...what a great time! Hey Chuck, Nate, Dave, Steve, Lee. I'm on Guam now, civilian Navy comms guys. Lee's here, CG, and Mr. Kilroy is here too, in the satellite business. I actually found this site looking for Tom Geheb...found this site, and very sorry to say also his obituary....he died last month. BJ Mcallister recently passed away here too. Both those guys were great guys. Anyway, happy to find this site, hope to chat with some of you guys if you're in the virtual neighborhood here, or on Guam let me know.

On 04/30/10 **David Pegram** said:

Hey, I was on Yap from June of 71 to June of 72. Recently got in touch with a couple of old coasties thru facebook. Climbed the tower with Mike Holland, played jungle rules volleyball. I have a bunch of pictures of Yap on fb, would like to hear from some of you guys.

On 04/05/10 **Chuck Hudson** said:

Just a few posts are up from the old timers. Was in Yap 77-78, 80-present. y'all get in touch now. Waiting to hear from you. Will pass on any info that I have. Chuck (ET3 Hudson)

On 07/13/09 **Albert (Woody) Wood** said:

I was on board early 71-72, Anyone rememer the EN3 that I replaced on station, Posty. I think his name was something like Tom Postal. I met him in Guam while waiting to fly out to Yap. Would like to correspond with Posty if anyone knows him. Thanks

On 03/20/09 **Nathan Walker** said: I served aboard during **1978** and ...

Hello Dave and Tom. How are you all? I will e-mail you guys soon. My Daughter helped me build a facebook page. I found it to be a great place to share pictures and stay connected to frends.

On 03/15/09 **David Larson** said: I served aboard during **1977-1978** and ...

I was at Yap Loran from September '77 to August '78. I married one of the Gagil village chief's grand-daughters. I know George Smith, but lost track of him. I have kept in touch with Steve Snell. Does anyone remember Terry Wagner, Chuck Hudson or Doug Minner? If you are a 77 -78 Yap Vet, please e-mail me.Thanks.

On 07/21/08 **Tom Geheb** said: I served aboard during **78-79** and ...

Loved every minute on Yap, served 2.5 years there(I asked to return). Looking to find George Smith, any one know where he might be?

On 07/17/08 **Don Asadoorian** said: I served aboard during **1974-75** and ...

Ringo here! Any vets out there from those years? Want to say hello!

Table - 1980s

On 05/13/12 **Jerry Jones** said:

Was BMC aboard 80-81, thought Yap was a great place but sort of sucky duty for a BM, no real reason for one to be there. Good crew with Ray Goble, Tony Smith, Dan Butts, Jeff Close, and a bunch of names that time has taken from my memory.

On 02/17/11 **Alec Kyle** said:

Hey Mike Schmitt, I still have the original dive card from '86. I've been diving from Yap, Guam, Rota, Hood Canal-WA State, Northern Cali to Costa Rica and still enjoying SCUBA, Thanks Mike. Hey Mike Ridler-had some good times on Yap.

On 05/19/10 **Michael Schmitt** said:

This is Mike Schmitt and I was the scuba instructor from Guam who went to LORSTA Yap in 1987 and taught many personnel diving. I made two trips to Yap and taught Coast Guard and Navy CB's as well as locals each time. I moved back to Yap for about a year to start the first dive shop there after my first 2 trips there. I hope some of my former students are on this web site and I can say hi to you all.

On 03/19/09 **Nathan Walker** said: I served aboard during **1978** and ...

hello all. remember the 8 on and 8 off rotation. that was a great way to learn a great deal of info in a short time. loved it all. how do you all like the new format?

On 10/12/08 **Eric Sloane** said: I served aboard during **1982 1983** and ...

I was there 82 to 83 did the resupply runs every other week and took care of the station dogs flee dips and took care of them feed the puppies food from the galley and getting old Oli drunk and Bear taking the steak of Umpalumpa's AKA Lt. Ellis plate and hightailing it with other doges in chase of him

On 08/01/08 **Michael Ridler** said: I served aboard during **1987** and ...

I was on Yap in 87 when it closed down, LT Hazel was CO and CWO Strahan was XO.

Table - 1990s

Table - 2000s

Table - Chat

' **On** 10/10/11 **Lee Putnam** said:

Tom, George is here on Guam. He is working for a comms contractor on the Navy base; sorry I'm not sure which one. If you need to get in touch with him I can help. My e-mail is Lee.S.Putnam@uscg.mil

On 08/01/08 **Michael Ridler** said:

Hi to all, I was on Yap when it closed down with Van, Alec, MKC Walt. Give me a shot if your still out there.

On 07/21/08 **Tom Geheb** said:

Hi just looking for George Smith