

Dec 2002 Class Notes

I got the following note, and picture, from **Mark Yost**. **Dave Stirret** has been a director of security at Exxon-Mobile for quite some time and has recently relocated to London to be the head of security for Europe, the Russian republics, South Asia, the Middle East and Africa. If there is a spike in oil prices it won't be because the Class of 80 let down security at any oil derricks! Mark and Dave met for lunch at the Pimlico Tandoon which according to Mark has some inexpensive but excellent Indian food. Notice he went all the way to London and didn't eat British food, there's a reason for that. Mark was in London with an IRS Special Agent to interview witnesses for a DOJ money laundering investigation. Where was he during ENRON! **Rod Walker** sent in a note that he was part of the winning team of a Bid Whist card tournament winning \$2400. Looks like Rod is pretty involved in the world of card gaming and is preparing himself for the professional circuit once he doesn't have to work for a living. Here's a link with some more details: <http://sharksinc.com/atlanta2002/eastcoastresults.html>. Check it out as you will see he's advertising the Class of 80 with the lovely wind shirt we had for the 20th reunion. **Bill Zack** sent a note that he was in the Bay Area on a recruiting trip for UCLA and arranged for lunch with **Andy Mitchell**. I too saw Andy when I was in Alameda. Andy like some others of us are trying to figure out what we have to do now that we have to grow up, if anyone has any ideas send them to Mitch. **Tom Gilmore** sent the following: I've been a Navy civilian for over 19 years--the last 14 with the Submarine Maintenance Engineering, Planning and Procurement (SUBMEPP) Activity, in Kittery, Maine. We write the Submarine Maintenance Standards and the Work Packages for the depot-level maintenance and overhaul of the Navy's submarines/submersibles. Its a lot of paperwork, but it gets me out of the office regularly to the Navy's shipyards and sub bases. For the last two summers, I've gone on vacation to the Alaskan Arctic. This last June I spent three weeks in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. We backpacked in the Brooks Range mountains for nine days and then rafted down the Hulahula River north across the coastal plain to the Arctic Ocean. This area is so wild, beautiful and breathtaking, yet so very fragile, that it just can't be described in words. This trip convinced me to become more active in working to block any oil drilling in the Refuge. Congratulations and best of luck to all those who are sewing on the fourth stripe as well as those who are shopping for new civilian clothes. Except for Jim Culver, who's in the Comptroller Office at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, I rarely run across any classmates. Anyone passing through the Kittery/Portsmouth area is welcome to give me a call and I'll buy the first round: (207)438-6154 or GilmoreTP@submepp.navy.mil. I never knew that Tom was Grizzly Adams in disguise! **Bob Weil** checked in. Bob's been on Title 10 Active recall since 9/11 and has recently signed up for another year, until 09/03. He passed on that **Pat Barnes** had gotten an engineering job just down the street from the company Bob works for in Santa Rosa. He said that Pat was looking for new work as a result of the contraction of the telecommunications industry in the Bay Area. He heard this through contacts at ISC Alameda where Pat's wife, Olga, is secretary to the ISC CO. Bob suggested that Pat send in his resume to the company that Bob worked for, and Lo and behold he was hired and will be filling the job that Bob left behind to go on active duty. Sometimes it's a good thing to have slash mates out there! I was in Alameda for a CO's meeting and arranged an off-site with **Kevin Cavanaugh** and **Bob Day** at Poppy Ridge. The golf and old friends was pretty good. Both Cavs and Bob both came armed with some good excuses like they hadn't played in months and Bob's biggest excuse that he's blind in one eye, but outside of that they both counted all their strokes. I had dinner at Bob's and can report that all is well on the home front with both kids settling back into the school activities that they left three years ago. Cavs is living in the Novato area, not in Housing, but also reports all is well. While in Alameda I also ran into George Heintz. He's on the PACAREA staff, as are Bob and Cavs. He was buried in his office trying to figure out where aviation assets should be going. I recently had to go to the east coast for a meeting and was hosted by James Maes. I was unable to attend his pinning on ceremony for Capt but I did say I would make every effort to attend the wetting down.

