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U.S.S. CAPITAIN (SS336)  
COMMANDER SUBMARINE  
PACIFIC FLEET  
ADMINISTRATION

c/o Fleet Post Office,  
San Francisco, California

9 October, 1945

From: Commanding Officer, U.S.S. CAPITAIN (SS336)  
To: Secretary Of Navy  
Subject: Ship's History, U.S.S. CAPITAIN (SS336)

1- PRE-COMMISSIONING AND COMMISSIONING DATA.

- (a) Construction started on 2, December, 1943 at Electric Boat Co., Groton, Connecticut.
- (b) Launched 1 October, 1944.
- (c) Sponsored by MRS. JULIA RONDONANSKI.
- (d) Commissioned on 26 January, 1945 at Submarine Base, New London, Connecticut.
- (e) Commanding Officer on commissioning- LT. COMDR. E.S. FRIEDRICK.

2- PRE-WAR PERIOD.

Reported for duty with Commander Submarines Atlantic Fleet on 26 January, 1945.

Training operations were conducted in the New London area from 5 February, to 6 March, 1945. Departed New London on 7 March, and arrived San Juan, Puerto Rico on 13 March. Departed San Juan the same day and arrived Canal Zone on 17 March. Training operations were conducted in the Balboa area from 18 March to 24 March. Departed Canal Zone and reported for duty with Commander Submarines Pacific Fleet on 29 March. Arrived Pearl Harbor on 15 April, 1945. Voyage repairs completed 29 April, commenced new construction training period. Completed training on 5 May, and departed Pearl on first war patrol on 6 May, 1945.

3- WAR NARRATIVE

Departed Pearl Harbor on 6 May, 1945 after voyage repairs and training period, and arrived at Saipan 18 May, 1945 for refueling. Departed Saipan 20 May, 1945 for patrol area. Reported to Commander Task Force 71 for duty. Arrived patrol area off Indo China Coast, 60 miles north of Saigon on 28 May, 1945. LT. COMDR. E.S. FRIEDRICK, USN, commanding.

On 16 June, 1945, recovered five Japanese survivors on a raft, from a torpedoed Japanese merchant ship. Arrived Subic Bay, Luzon for refueling on 19 June.

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Departed Subic Bay, 20 June, 1945 for patrol area in Java Sea. Arrived area on 27 June, 1945 patrolling south of Borneo. Conducted night gun attack in company with U.S.S. BAYA, on convoy of five small Japanese ships on 30 June, 1945. Attempted torpedo attack submerged at daylight 30 June, but targets had too shallow draft and escort contacted CAPITAINE and received one depth charge- employed evasive tactics. Sunk by gunfire small, abandoned, Japanese ship, an SCS-1 subchaser, which was damaged in previous night gun attack. Tonnage 100.

Departed patrol area on 8 July, 1945 after spending thirty-one (31) days on station, and proceeded to Fremantle, W. Australia. Arrived Fremantle on 13 July, 1945. Length of patrol, sixty-two (62) days.

Refit was completed by Submarine Division 302 on 27 July, 1945. Conducted training period from 28 July to 6 August, 1945 in Fremantle area. Departed Fremantle for patrol area on 7 August, 1945, LT. COMDR. E.S. FRIEDRICK, USN, commanding. Arrived patrol area on 12 August, 1945. On 15 August, 1945 proceeded to Subic Bay, Luzon. Arrived Subic Bay on 21 August, 1945.

NUMBER OF PATROLS-1-NUMBER AND TYPE  
OF SHIPS SUNK-1- SCS-1 SubchaserTONNAGE OF  
SHIPS SUNK100 tonsTotal for war-- --2--100 tons

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(a) Commanding Officer during war period:

Commander Ernest Southard FRIEDRICK, U.S. Navy.

(b) Home address:

11 Park Avenue, Baldwin,  
Long Island, New York.

2. No outstanding action has been performed on this vessel.

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On 18 January 1965, after the holiday leave and upkeep period, CAPITAINE recommenced operations in the San Diego operating areas. Services were provided to CRUESPAC, PHIBPAC, AIRPAC, and FMFPAC until June. During June, preparations were made for CAPITAINE's final deployment to the Western Pacific.

On 6 July 1965, CAPITAINE departed San Diego for a deployment under the Military Assistance Program. After a three day briefing in Pearl Harbor, CAPITAINE proceeded to Yokosuka, Japan for a short upkeep. Subsequent to that visit, she saw the ports of Chinhae and Pusan, Korea; Kaohsiung, Taiwan; Sasebo, Japan; Hong Kong; Bangkok, and Sattahib, Thailand; and Brisbane, Australia.

While in the Western Pacific, CAPITAINE provided services to the ASW forces of the countries of Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand. The port visit in Brisbane was a welcome and highly rewarding end to a good cruise and a highly productive career.

CAPITAINE returned to San Diego on 29 December 1965. After four weeks of leave and liberty, the ship departed for the San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard to prepare for transfer to the Italian Navy.

On 4 March 1966, CAPITAINE was decommissioned and transferred to CONTINELVE. On 5 March, CAPITAINE was transferred to the government of Italy and was renamed S.M.G. CAPOLINI.

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