

2023 Navy Submarine League Symposium



Submarine Force Update

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GRGB – Problem Solving to Improve Warfighting

Warfighting Advantage

"Embrace the Red"

Implement to All Echelons







- Problem Solving
- Prepare for Conflict

- Part of Submarine Culture
- Root Cause

- Deckplate Success
- Empower all levels of leaders

"Get Real – Get Better – "A Call to Action For Every Navy Leader"

ADM Mike Gilday, Chief of Naval Operations



Warfighting - SSBN

Next Gen Deterrence

Strategic Initiatives

Strategic Messaging







- DISTRICT of COLUMBIA
- D5LE2

- Increased SSBN OPTEMPO
- Increased SSBN readiness

- Assure allies and partners
- Visible deterrent

"The post-Cold War era is over and a competition is underway among major powers to shape the next chapter."

General Anthony Cotton, USSTRATCOM



Warfighting - SSN

Capability

Capacity

Readiness



- NANOOK
- ICE CAMP 2024

- AUKUS
- Submarine Industrial Base

- Wolfpack
- One Atlantic

"It is to the everlasting honor and glory of our submarine personnel that they never failed us in our days of peril."

ADM Chester Nimitz, Fleet Admiral



People

Integration

Leadership Development

Retaining the Best







- Expanding opportunities
- Speeding integration

- Junior Officer split tours
- Career Path Changes

- Accessions
- Retention and attrition

"We are building teams that are... always learning toward one goal — delivering warfighting advantage."

Admiral Franchetti, Acting Chief of Naval Operations



Safety

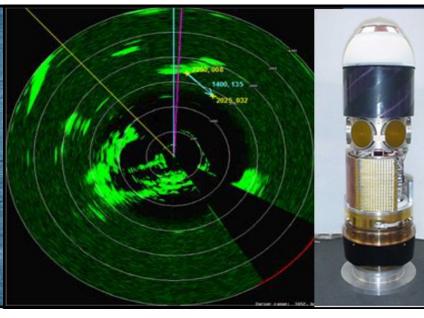
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Navigation Wholeness

Safety Highlights







- SSBN thermal event mitigation
- DC response/SCBA

- SOM changes
- ECDIS-N Updates

- SSBN periscope improvements
- HFA (SSN / SSBN)

"We are a force that's in very high demand...and our boats and our crews are stepping up to the challenge."

Admiral Frank Caldwell, Naval Reactors



Questions





Apex Predators!