

**OLD Reunion Hall Table for:  
LORSTA Adak**

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**On 02/22/08 Dick Newcomb** said:

Hey Rich! How the heck are you doing? I saw your entry on Fred's Place. Been a long time! Write / Call me! [P.S. - your ATT Worldnet address did not work] Anything from any of the other crew? What are you doing now? I sure would like to chat about the old times. MKCM Dick Newcomb, USCG Retired (2001) [www.in-ovations.com](http://www.in-ovations.com) Email: [dnukem@comcast.net](mailto:dnukem@comcast.net) (410) 476-3207 Direct

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**On 10/23/06 tj** said:

I was at adak form march 65 to March 66. Was an ET3, Was anybody reading this thers at that time?

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**On 06/27/06 Dean Nimax, YN2 77-81** said:

I served at LORSTA Adak from Nov 1977 - Nov 1978. I was the acting yeoman there. The LORSTA was decomissioned in July 1979. I was asked to stay for another 6-months to close the station, but I couldn't put up with it after 12-months! Would like to hear from fellow shipmates.

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**On 02/04/05 walter smith** said:

I'm interested in knowing if the loran station is still there. Someday I want to return to see that old place again. I was stationed there 70 -71.

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**On 01/17/05 Russ Marvin** said:

I will be flying to Adak on May 15th of this year with a birding group. This will be my third trip to the Aleutians in recent years. I have a great fascination with that part of the world that dates from my tour of duty at the old Lorsta in 1966/67. There doesn't seem to be much activity on this message board, but if there are any lurkers out there, please e-mail me. There is nothing I enjoy more than talking about Adak and the Aleutian Islands.

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**On 12/03/04 Gene Mark** said:

Does anyone know a cook who went by 'Packy' in Adak around 1970? I can't remember his name, but ran around with him while we were in Governor's Island at Commissaryman's School. Thanks.

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**On 12/16/03 RM3 Ken Berg** said:

I served at Radsta Adak/NOX from 5/77 to 5/78. Great Tour of Duty. I worked for RMC Henderson/RMC Kruger, Would like to hear from anyone who served during that time. RM2 J Burke, Rm1 Jack Wright, Rm1 Dave Schrantz. Alot of good Navy Friends up there as well.

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**On 08/10/03 Bill Mennel** said:

I was stationed on Adak from June of 74 to June of 75. Remember the girl behind every tree saying. Couldn't find the trees except in the matine national forest there. Sure do remember the Tundra bunnies though. As isolated as it was, I was really glad to have been stationed there.

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**On 07/03/03 Frank Young, QM2** said:

Passed by LORSTA Adak April,1953 from oceab station Sugar...enroute Adak...not a sole in site..never saw a place so lonely...was on watch on the bridge..WDE 482 Ramsden...

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**On 07/03/03 Bob Burns** said:

SK3 '73 to '74, my last duty station. Thirteen of us lived out there 24/7. Five more guys lived on the Navy base. We got double leave and sea pay for being there. Horrendous weather, rain, snow, sleet, 50 knot winds, earthquakes - all on the same day! Startlingly beautiful on the rare clear day (there was maybe three clear days while I was there)-visibility must have been 50 miles. We drove surplus International pickup trucks from the AEC site on Amchitka. The main social activities were drinking and meeting the weekly plane from Anchorage, if one came. WWII junk everywhere, mile after mile of lava-dirt roads through mountain passes and empty, lonely tundra; no trees, endless, coursing wind, ocean. A strange, wild place. I have yet to meet in person anyone else who's been there.

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**On 06/05/03 Willard Johnson CS 2** said:

I was there from July 1960 to June 1961 right out of boot camp, 18 years old. I started out as CS striker, I had good time I thank I climbed every mountain on the island. I remember snow skiing down Mt Agdad and fishing for spikled trout in the fresh water lake. Had a dog named Jessy, Siberian Husky. I don't know what happened to that dog it just got bored and took off or maybe found a mate on the navy base. I left and went to the CGC Androscoggin in Miami, FL was on the Andy for 3 years as CS2 and got out. Was in the Army for 2 years.

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**On 11/27/02 James Maguire** said:

11/27/02 James Maguire I was station there in 61 we had a jerk for no other than that it might not have been bad.

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**On 05/10/02 Russ Marvin** said:

It doesn't appear that anyone else reads this message board, but I will continue post any new info as I get it. Thanks to Mark Burnham of the Naval Facilities office, I have found out that the Loran Station is not being demolished after all. They did remove a shack from the site recently (maybe the old Loran equipment building?), but the main structure remains, and there are no plans to take it down. Myself and 146 rats are happy. I shall return!

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**On 03/04/02 Russ Marvin** said:

The latest report from the Adak Restoration Advisory Board indicates that they are tentatively planning to demolish the old Loran Station in the summer of 2002. I had hoped to return to Adak before that happened, but I guess that is not in the cards. Please note my new email address.

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**On 01/13/01 Russ Marvin** said:

Pat - By all means do send those photos. My new website URL is: <http://www.aleutian-traveler.com> Also, be sure to check out Michael Gordon's Adak site. Under the 'Paul Roberts Collection' you will find some recent pics of the old LORSTA. <http://www.orneveien.org/adak>

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**On 01/09/01 Pat** said:

June 67 to June 68 - SA/SN - I have lots of pictures if anyone is interested - I will scan some of these and email them to Russ Marvin - he may wish to post a couple of the better ones.

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**On 03/07/00 Noah, Lewis** said:

On 66/67 Lewis Noah RM3, Good crew, do have some pictures which could be scanned if anyone is interested. Good duty, and good crew. Too bad we never found the meteorite Russ.

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**On 12/27/99 Dick Stanbery** said:

Sorry to hear the station is closed and looking bad. I was the EO (MK1) from Jan 72 to Jan 74 JW Filk was my MK2 Would like to hear from anyone who spent time there.

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**On 05/12/99 Russ Marvin** said:

I just swapped e-mails with a fellow who lives on Adak. He tells me that the old Loran Station has been abandoned for many years, and is in such a sorry state that it looks like one of the old WWII buildings. Believe it or not, I have signed up for a trip to Attu in June 2000. My website on Adak and Attu has been recently updated. Check it out.<http://members.aol.com/happyjazz/index.html>

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**On 01/07/99 DALE BROSKEY** said:

Onboard LORSTA from Mar 76 until Mar 78 as a YN3,2,1 under Pendergast and Schellenberg and just departed prior to the closing of LORSTA. Others aboard were ETC KELLY, SS1 James McGrath, SS1 Wagner, RMC Krueger, RMC Henderson with his 15 kids.

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**On 01/02/99 Russ Marvin** said:

I was an ET at Lorsta Adak from Aug. 1966 to Aug. 67. It was a place that you either loved or hated. I thought Adak was a fascinating place, wild, beautiful, and very unusual. I have some Adak photos at: <http://members.aol.com/happyjazzAlso>, check the pics at Michael Gordon's website:<http://www.orneveien.org/adak/index.htm> Although the Navy base is closed now, access to the island is still restricted while an environmental cleanup is taking place. Someday I hope to revisit Adak as a tourist.

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**On 04/04/98 CWO3(PERS) Ret Bill Wiggins** said:

Was assigned summer 1961 till about October 1961 as YN2. LTJG Burr was CO and CWO Joe Gimble was XO. Was lucky that personnel people forgot to get YN ordered to CGC CLOVER at Adak so I was assigned TAD and the district complied with my begging to be assigned CLOVER permanently. This station was definitely low point of my career.

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**On 11/12/97 Allen Knight** said:

I was stationed on LORSTA, Adak from Dec 1953-1954. Would love to talk with anyone stationed there during that period.

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**On 05/05/97 John Krueger** said:

Was storekeeper on Adak from 2/72 to 11/72, which was 8 months and 30 days too long. Mike Duvall, YN1, are you out there? Give me a holler if you're reading this. Would also like to hear from you other guys.

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**On 04/23/97 chet moore rmcs** said:

I was up there and operated the ham station kl7dzu(drunk zombies united) in 65-66. Don't miss it a bit

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**On 11/11/96 Victor Loher** said:

Was stationed at LORSTA ADAK from Dec 1954 until June 1956. Would like to hear from anyone who was there during that period.

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