

MINUTES OF AGM - 06 DECEMBER , 2003
SENIOR RATES, MESS MOG 5

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 1340:** 39 members/ 1 guest. Members in attendance: Minky Alarie, Roger Beaupre, Wiggy Bennett, Mike Bidinost, Lloyd Blagdon, Art Bodden, Buster Brown, George Byzewski, Ron Carrier, Chootch Chatham, John Clahane, Ron Cleavley; Ryan Conroy; Jerry Conway, J.J. Dietrich, Pierre Doutre, Beast Estabrooks, Bob Evans, Jim Harris, Donnie Hood, Ray Hunt, Romeo Jalbert, Steve Jenner, Taff Jones, Bill Kamermans, Shaun MacDougall, John Madison, Ernie Marcoux,, Dusty Miller, Pony Moore, Chester O'Connell, Roy Pepper, Bertie Phillips, Father Frank Ralph, Luc Rollin, Jerry Sigrist, Carey-Ann Stewart, Soapy Watson and Willie Waugh. Guest: webmaster Ted Hirtle

2. **Chairman:** Being the Annual General meeting for 2003, welcomed members asking to register in the Archives Guest Book. He then welcomed the SAOC (East) website manager Ted Hirtle, congratulating him for the great job that he is doing on our behalf. Ted was greeted with a well- deserved round of applause. He then announced that Billy K still had Christmas cards available and that Doreen Bodden had made a contribution of \$40.00 to the anniversary fund. She was thanked with a round of applause also. The anniversary and executive committees were informed that it was later intended to have photos taken for display on the website. In Memory, over the year we had lost members Tony McCabe and Alan Gillespie. Also members' loved ones Trudy McEachern, Eve Gordon, Marion Whitehead, Michael Ralph, Garnet Moore, mother of Taff Jones and wife Marilyn Sullivan (George) of Central. It was just learned that Tex Ranger would be absent to be with his brother in Ottawa who is seriously ailing. And that by being present, Jim Harris's son-in-law is undergoing treatment for which Jim in his display of support, had shaved his head. Of non-members who have also crossed the bar: Tony Poynter, Bob Downie, and Teeny, wife of JJ O'Reilly, an association supporter. At home, it was reported that Kay McVarnock is afflicted and suggested that phone calls to Tom would be appreciated. Members were asked to rise for a moment of silence and reflection

3. **Correspondence:** In: None.
Out:
 - (a) Letter to: C.O. Windsor, cc: MOG 5, recognizing Coxswain Roger Beaupre for laying wreath at Remembrance ceremonies on behalf of SAOC (East).
 - (b) Letter of congratulations to George Sullivan and Central Executive at annual election.
 - (c) Letter to Provincial Command RCL inviting donations to anniversary fund

4. **Adoption of AGM 2002 Minutes:** Moved by Dusty Miller, seconded by Pierre Doutre that minutes be adopted as read. Motion Carried

5. **Secretary:** Membership to date: (166) Regular 122, Life 40, Honourary Life 4
grandfathered Notes: 15 awarded 1st year free membership to retirees, 3 transferees from Central, 2 deceased, 2 resignations. 3 members are seriously behind in dues. Moved by: John Madison seconded by Jerry Conway: "That secretary's report be adopted as read." Motion Carried.

6. **Treasurer: Reminded members that 2004 dues are due. moving on to report:**

3 GIC's valued at:	\$ 3820.10.
Deposits: 21 October 02 to 21 November 03	\$ 6212.70
Debits: 21 October 02 to 21 November 03	\$ 7472.75
Bank Balance as of November 21,03	\$ 2581.03
There is an unaccounted discrepancy for sum of	\$ 2.84

The treasurer noted that we had high expenses during the year for Colours, the Ambush print, Commemorative plates and slop purchases. In keeping with the AGM agenda, the Treasurer recommended that there is no requirement to "Review Dues" for AGM 2003.

Moved by Minky Alarie, seconded by Pierre Doutre, "That Treasurer's report be accepted as tabled." Motion Carried.

7. **Social:** It was reported that the various social events had all been successful with a small profit raised each time. BBQ's had been rescheduled a couple of times for various reasons. A Wine and Cheese is planned for February 13, with a BBQ sometime in the spring possibly late May.

8. **Slops:** Sales are good. Christmas Cards, Blazer and Beret badges, License plates, Lapel pins, Jolly Roger pins, Decals and "Tee" Shirts are available.

9. **Amendments to By-Laws:**

- (a) Article 5.05 (Due to change from 1 to 2 years between elections) line 3: delete "his year of office", add "the term of office". Line 7 delete "course of a year", add "term"; and
(b) gender orientation where applicable.

There were 2 written submissions. The secretary submitted one item that had been deferred from January 2002 general meeting, "That day and time of meeting be changed". After lengthy discussion, it was determined that there shall always occasions or days when some members are unable to attend meetings. Motion by Dusty Miller, seconded by Billy Kamermans that "The day and time of meetings remain as are". Motion Carried.

Submission by Dusty Miller: (a) That "Executive committee members who do not intend to re-offer give 3-6 months notice". (b) That "Nominating committee be appointed with sufficient time to canvass candidates prior to election (ie: 3 - 6 months)". It was pointed out by Bob Evans that if submission (b) above was carried, item (a) above would be a moot point as the first order of business for the nominating committee would be to solicit the existing executive within the 3-6 month time-frame. This period coincides with the notice of time required in not re-offering. Motion by Ron Carrier that "Nominating committee be appointed 3-6 months prior to election". Seconded by Pony Moore. Motion Carried.

10. **Old Business:** None

11. **New Business:** "Revisit the vote on the purchase and raffle of the Ambush print". Motion was earlier carried "To purchase a copy for raffle with proceeds to Anniversary Fund" made by Taff Jones, seconded by Frank Ralph. Discussion: It was pointed out that as won by an individual, the opportunities of ever viewing the print in future would be minimal. Therefore it might be better utilized as being included as highlighting the collage of SM6 badges to be presented to the Victoria Class Submarine Training Center during Anniversary 2004. (when

school at Steady State) Motion by Taff Jones that “Previous vote be rescinded.”, seconded by Frank Ralph. Motion Carried. Substituted with the motion by Taff Jones that “The Ambush print be included with the collage of SM 6 Badges”. Seconded by Frank Ralph. Motion Carried.

Head Dress: George Byzewski noted that the By-Laws do not prescribe of any head dress with the wear of blazers for Ceremonial occasions. Moved by George Byzewski that “the black beret with association badge be adopted as head dress”. Seconded by Ron Carrier. Motion carried.

SAOC (Central) Top Student Award (Basic Submarine Course) MS Thibeault will receive the award on 18 December 2003. The chairman has asked that Willie Waugh present the award on behalf of Central. ***since the AGM, Willie Waugh has declined for family reasons and George Byzewski will substitute.*

12. Submariners Prayer and Christmas Blessing: led by Father Frank Ralph

13. 1440 Meeting Adjourned

14. Anniversary: Committee Chairman Jerry Sigrist gave an update on the progress of the Anniversary Committee and further plans reminding members that there is still a lot of work to be done. PR Chair Jerry Conway reported on responses to letters sent out to various businesses noting that to date, they are not very encouraging. Ways & Means Chair: Taff Jones briefed members on the various fund-raising efforts that he has underway including stone carvings and the Christmas Basket.

15. 50/50 Draw: won by Ryan Conroy-\$74.00

16. Next Meetings:

AGM: 1330, 4 December 2004. S. R’s Mess MOG 5

Monthly Meeting: 1930, 28 January 2004. J. R’s Mess MOG 5

Pot Luck refreshments and open bar then commenced as members joined the guests.