

MINUTES OF SAOC (East) AGM – SATURDAY, 01 DECEMBER, 2007.
Venue-Senior Rates' Mess, MOG 5

Meeting Called to Order at 1325: Attendance list not recorded.

Chairman: Welcomed Members stating that it was good to see many old faces. Reminded members: to check off on the attendance list; and not to forget the bartender. Members were then invited to rise to pause for a moment of reflection for our Brethern who have “Crossed the Bar”: Central member Ralph Bannister & Keith Vollar; Al Baillargeon; Al Barton; Peter DeVallee; Peter Dorrington; Yorkie Gowthorpe; Cliff Killiam; Bill Layden; John Hughes; Larry Schneider. Canadian Soldiers killed in Afghanistan (to date 73) and our ailing and less fortunate Comrades in their time of need.

Correspondence:

In: Nil

Out: Nil

Minutes of AGM 2006: Chairman asked of any errors or omissions? There being none, moved by Pierre Doutre, seconded by: Pony Moore that Minutes be adopted as tabled. Motion Carried.

**Annual
Reports:**

Vice-Chair: Stated that he had enjoyed this year on the executive, thanked the members for their understanding that due to business, he had to miss most meetings. He went on to report on the trip to Groton CT for the “Old Salts Pig Roast” which was attended by four members of our Association and the great reception we received.

Secretary: reported eight members paid their dues for 2008. The Association had two successful 50/50 Ticket sales at the Halifax Mooseheads Hockey games which put \$1000.00 in our account

Treasurer: The financial report was tabled by the Secretary as the Treasurer was on vacation in Australia. If there should be any queries, he would be available to answer any questions at the General Meeting, 30 Jan. 08.

Social: BBQ held this summer was a profitable success, 50/50 draws we had a very good response this year; Pot Luck went extremely well. The Social rep concluded his report by announcing a Wine and Cheese Party will be held in the JR's Mess MOG5 at 1900, 09 Feb. 08. Cost \$10 per person. He also indicated it was his intention to step down as Social Chair. Dependent on a relief, he would continue until beyond the Wine & Cheese social.

Health/Wellness & Slops: George Byzewski throughout the year, has procured a variety of new and appealing merchandise to be sold at cost price. Items are lightweight black nylon jackets with a variant submarine design and our logo, various colour golf shirts c/w ball hats and also new tee shirts. George also stated he would be opening shop in the wardroom on completion of the meeting. The members present voted on a design for the SAOC (East) License Plate. In order

that both serving and retired submariners would find the plate worth buying, the choice is the Canadian Dolphins surmounted with CANADA and WE COME UNSEEN below them.

Chairman:

Completed the annual reports: He stated of the success of the 3rd Annual Mess Dinner and planning has started for next year's, Mess Dinner scheduled Thursday 18 September 08

R.A.N. CMHV Report; (Occupational Hazards in Oberon Class Submarines): The Chairman, as a member of the Defence Committee of Royal Canadian Legion in Ottawa, recently tabled the report with the committee and military officials. The outcome was that it would be forwarded to the Legion's Dominion Executive Council, then to Director, Services Bureau and onward to Veterans Affairs. As a result, VAC has recognized the document and applications for disability would be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

SAOC (Central) Top Student Award : At (Central)'s request, (East) accept custodianship of the "Top Student Award" and assumes the preparation and attendance in presenting the award on behalf of SAOC nationally at BSQ Course graduations. As earlier agreed to, expenses (engraving) of the award shall be absorbed by (East), billing (Central) and (West) on a cost-share basis.

SAOC(East) Funeral Service/Procedure: With the recent death of member Bill Layden and the family request that we participate, it became evident of the need for a unique service be provided from the Association. This will be undertaken and brought together in short notice to assist grieving families at their request. The plan shall be put in motion.

Adapt By-Law Changes: Amendment submission: Member Ernie Marcoux. Amendment to By-Law **Section 6.00 Meetings, Article 6.02 Venues:**

I would propose the change to 6.01 to read " The Association shall normally meet on the last Wednesday of each month except in November and December, when Annual General Meetings will convene on the first Saturday of December and at the discretion of the Executive Committee to hold two meetings on the last Saturday of each month in lieu of the last Wednesday of each month. The location of these Saturday meetings to be voted by the members prior to being held."

After review by the Executive in preparation for the AGM, Ernie has since agreed to the following:

Amendment to Article 6.02 Venues. Insert word "Normal" between "The" and "venue". This shall allow for other meeting venues as moved and voted upon by the executive/membership while Article 6.01: Timings, currently provides flexibility of other dates, once so moved and voted upon. The amended para 6.02 would read:

6.02 Venues

The normal venue for meetings is coordinated with MOG 5 authorities and alternate monthly in the each of the Senior and Junior Rates' Messes in Building D168, H.M.C. Dockyard.

Review of Dues: At this time there is no need to increase dues; however, the secretary reported that the cost of handling the membership mail-out of the regular monthly minutes has become a concern due to the increase in cost of stamps and stationery. He asked if any of the members on the mailing list had access to e-mail to please let him know so he could include them on the e-mail list.

Old Business: There was no outstanding Business.

New Business: There was no New Business.

Set date for AGM 2008: To be held: 1300, Saturday, December 06, 2008.

Submariners Prayer:

50/50 Draw: winner and sum not recorded.

Motion to Adjourn: Moved and seconder not recorded. Motion Carried.

The Klaxon was sounded for "One All 'Round

Next Monthly Meeting: 1930, Wednesday, January 30, 2008. Venue: J R's Mess. MOG 5