

SUBMARINERS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA(EAST)
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) 06th Dec, 2014
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1. The Chair Terry Chatham brought the meeting to order at 13:32. The Chair welcomed ALL. Terry reminded members this was a voting AGM no Pot Luck would follow.
2. Members in attendance were Art Bodden, DH(Buster) Brown, George Byzewski, Terry Chatham, John Clahane, Bill Cleal, Ron Cooper, Keith Estabrooks, Robbie Fraser, Steve Fyfe, Greg Hallonquist, Gary Hopkins, Shane Irvine, Wynn Jones, Brian Lapierre, John Madison, John Meehan, Marc Miller, Ian Mitchell, Jim Northrup, Scott Parsons, Conrad Petrikowski, Sylvain Rouillard, Boyd Thomas, Keith Tovey, Irv Watson, Willie Waugh and Tim(Slinger)Wood.
3. The Chair thanked the members for making the effort to attend. The Chair reminded members not to forget the bartender. A moment of silence for our Brethren and their family members who have passed in 2014 including Andrew Webster, son of Phil, Stu Hall, Bob Bramwell, Paul Wroclawski, Donna Stoakley, wife of Chuck and ailing at home or in hospital and for our fallen and injured serving troops.
4. **Correspondence In:** Tridents, dues and cheques for rum and slops as well as Financial statements.
Out: Donation in honour of Donna Stoakley to the Annapolis Animal Shelter. (C.A.P)
5. **Minutes of AGM 2013:** The Chairman asked if there were any errors or omissions. There being none, it was moved by Keith Estabrooks and seconded by Bill Cleal that the Minutes be adopted as read. **Carried.**
6. **Annual Reports:**
7. **Vice-Chair:** Nothing to report
8. **Secretary:** George stated 2014 has been an interesting and busy year from attending the Groton Sub Vets anniversary and the “Old Salts” Pig Roast, Battle of the Atlantic, Nov 11th at Point Pleasant Park and Bass River as well as the impromptu service at the Grand Parade in Halifax for our fallen troops in PQ and at the War Memorial in Ottawa as well as the Submarine Centenary functions in Victoria, Ottawa and Halifax. OJ and Port Burwell Museum project received donations from SAOC(E) members. The Secretary thanked members for attending and wished all a Merry Christmas and all the best for 2015.
9. **Social:** Brum wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He raised the plans for having the annual summer BBQ at the Dube's and thanked Willie Waugh for offering his place as an alternative location. Brum encouraged members to purchase

their Christmas Dinner tickets for the event to be held Dec 12, 2014 at the Sackville Lions club. He encouraged members to invite guests to attend. Brum went on to say \$1000.00 has been approved to reduce the cost to \$20.00 per couple. Brum closed by stating the Centenary banners were donated to OJ and bid all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year in 2015.

10. Treasurer: The Financial Report was tabled and available for review. The meeting was informed that the SR's Mess, MOG5 had donated \$260.00 from their rum sales to the SAOC(E).

11. Health and Wellness: George informed the meeting that Sympathy Cards had been sent to families and in memorial donations made in honour of deceased members or their spouses. Visits were made throughout the year by the Chair and Secretary to members in hospital or at home.

12. Slops: **George told** members he has slops items and rum available for sale. Slops inventory was tabled to the meeting.

13. The Chair opened by thanking the Executive for the year of hard work and dedication. The Chair then spoke of the wreath laying for Nov 11th with Buster Brown as well as presenting Top Student Awards. Terry then talked of the SubVets, Groton, Ct 50 year anniversary, the B.O.A., Nov 11th, the SAOC Submarine Centenary celebrations held in Victoria, Ottawa and Halifax. Terry then expressed a big BZ to his centenary Committee for the success of the Oct 2nd through 5th function held in Halifax. Terry closed by thanking Robbie Fraser, Keith Estabrooks and James Miller for running with the election this AGM. Terry closed by wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

14. Amendments to the By-Laws: Nil

15. Election of Officers: The AGM was then turned over to Robbie Fraser and Keith Estabrooks for the election of Executive positions.

The Election committee asked if there were any nominations or volunteers. Sylvain Rouillard offered to stand for the position of Chair. There were no other nominations. Sylvain was Declared.

There were no nominations for Secretary. Robbie Fraser offered to stand for the position of Secretary. There were no other nominations. Robbie was Declared.

The Social Secretary offered to remain. Declared.

The Vice Chair offered to remain. Declared.

Keith Estabrooks offered for Health and Wellness. Declared.

Greg Hallonquist offered for Slops. Declared.

The Election Committee thanked the re-offering executive, the new Chair and Secretary as well as Slops and Health and Wellness then closed the nominations and declared the elections completed to a resounding round of applause.

- 16. Review of Dues:** It was reported by the treasurer that the SAOC (East) has approximately 106 members of which 58 are paid up, 46 Life and 2 Honourary Life. Treasurer declared there is no need for dues to increase. Buster Brown moved and Jim Northrup seconded that the dues remain at the current rate. Motion carried.
- 17.** The Chair then declared the next Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held Dec 7th, 2015.
- 18.** The 50/50 draw John Madison taking \$65.00.
- 19.** Motion to adjourn moved by Ian Mitchell and seconded by Boyd Thomas. Motion carried.