

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING - 29 January , 2003

Venue: Junior Rates' Mess - MOG 5

1. **The Meeting** was called to order at 1930, there being 35 members and 1 guest. In attendance were: "Minky" Alarie; Ray Beaudin; "Wiggy" Bennett; "Art" Bodden; Jerry Bourgeois; Paul Bramwell; "Buster" Brown; "Bazoo" Byzewski; "Scuzz" Cleavly; Ryan Conroy; Jerry Conway; "Yetti" Dorrington; "China" Doutré; "Beast" Estabrooks; Bob Evans; "Hammy" Hamilton; "Taff" Jones; Bill Kamermans; Cliff Killam; John Madison; Harry Martin; "Dusty" Miller; "Pony" Moore; "Tom" Pepper; Rev. Father Frank Ralph; "Tex" Ranger; Jerry Sigrist; Boyd Thomas; "Soapy" Watson; "Willie" Waugh; "Tramp" Yemen. New members: Ed Farrelly; Bill Harris; John O'Dwyer. Guest: "Becky" Clahane.
2. **The Chairman** welcomed everyone, expressing his pleasure at the great attendance and how gratifying it was to see faces that hadn't been seen for a while. "Willy" Waugh; Jerry Bourgeois, etc. It was then announced that we are now graced with an Association (East) Chaplain in member Reverend Father Frank Ralph. This was greeted most warmly by the members. He then went on to bring attention to the new standard, explaining that Father Frank had blessed it at the Memorial service for the late Tony McCabe. It was warmly appreciated by Tony's family. The Chairman then informed the members that he would be in Ottawa at the date of the next meeting and that the meeting would be chaired by the Secretary. Members were then invited to rise for a moment of reflection, led in prayer by Father Frank, for those who have crossed the bar and for those suffering from affliction. Father Frank then thanked the members for the kind message of condolence at the recent passing away of his Father.
3. **The Secretary** reminded members that the minutes of the October meeting had been submitted with the latest newsletter, asking if there were any errors or omissions? There being none; the motion was made by: Dusty Miller, seconded by: Tex Ranger that the minutes be adopted; Motion Carried.
4. **Correspondence**
 - a) Email from Lillian Collins (wife of Ken Collins, Chair Barrow branch) regarding 2004.
 - b) Reply to Mrs. Collins.
 - c) Email from Ken Collins: previous emails to his wife had not been received due his being off work for 6 months, apologizing for lack of correspondence from Barrow.
 - d) Email from Derek Vincent, with regret canceling his membership, lives in the US, is a frequent visitor to the UK. He has joined the Merseyside branch of SA (UK) where he feels he can participate more often.
 - e) Message of condolence sent to the family of Bob Downie.
5. **Treasurer** reported expenses of: secretary for supplies \$ 42; gratuity to Chef for efforts on association behalf at AGM 2002 \$10; total for Standard, staff, staff cap, braid and two bases \$725; flowers to Tony McCabe \$41.40; Maritime Campus for supplies (slops) \$ 7124.21. Operating account has a balance of \$ 3623.30 as of January 25th, 2003, G. I. C's \$ 3700.
6. **Health/Wellness & Slops** reported that he now had "Jolly Roger" ball caps available at \$12 also association ball caps, blazer badges and beret badges available. Design ideas for car window decals and license plates were displayed for comments. Members were also reminded that Maritime Campus can place the association badge on members own items of clothing.
7. **P.R. Rep.** reported update on progress of *Victoria*. Reported that work on *Windsor* was expected to speed up once *Victoria* was completed. *Corner Brook* had sailed but communications gear was shaky and was returning alongside to get sorted out. *Chicoutimi* still progressing with no idea how long to departure. Working on diesel exhaust valves.

8. **The Chairman** reminded members of the items added additions to the Constitutions and By-Laws approved and accepted at the 2002 AGM. They were to be endorsed by the executive, to date 29 January, 2003.
9. **Social Rep.** Reminded members that a Wine and Cheese evening was to be held at 2000, Friday 14 February. \$ 8 per head. Minimum of 30 attendees required to be financially feasible. Those wishing to attend please inform him at the end of the meeting.
10. **Stand Easy** was called to allow members to replenish and deal with other necessities while now that facilities in MOG5 are labeled smoke-free, the former welding shop (exh. fan attached) was bursting at the seams.
11. **Out Pipes:** Meeting resumed.
12. **50/50 Winning** ticket drawn by Rebecca Clahane. Winner: \$33 to the “Beast”. \$33 to the Hospitality Fund, and 5 to the Fund. Total: \$71.
13. **From the Floor:** items for discussion were solicited from the floor, none were forthcoming.
14. **New Business:**
 - a) A discussion was held on changing the day of meetings to enable members who have difficulty in attending on Wednesday evenings. Much more debate is inevitably required on this one. It was then pointed out by Parliamentarian Dusty Miller: “Any change of meeting day would require amendment to the By-Laws.” Matter deferred to next AGM.
 - b) It was reported that ‘web guy’ Ernie Marcoux had established our web site. Due to his work and frequently out of town, volunteers were solicited. None were forthcoming but John Clahane stated that he knew of a person, a non-member, who might be willing to help. He would investigate.
 - c) A discussion regarding changing the head on standard staffs be changed to a ‘lone dolphin’. After much discussion it was pointed out that the new standard, having been blessed and the old standard, having been donated by the McCabe family, any change would be inappropriate. Moved by George Byzewski seconded by Bill Kamermans that no change be made. Motion Carried.
 - d) SAOC Anniversary 2004: The chairman explained that a letter has been drafted to MOG5 that would be mailed upon agreement of the planning committee. This was to be. The content of the letter well illustrates our intentions while anticipating a response to agreement from MOG5 very soon. Planning Chair, Jerry Sigrist announced the dates as 19-22 August 2004 and reiterated on the purpose and desired itinerary of the anniversary. He then reviewed the outcome of the second start-up meeting held 18 January by his committee. (Minutes attached) It was stressed that the various sub-committee chairmen will need more Volunteers and continued enthusiasm as events unfold.
15. **A Submariners’ Prayer** was eloquently led by Merril (Willie) Waugh.
16. **20:45 Motion to Adjourn:** made by Bob Evans; seconded by Wynn (Taff) Jones. Motion Carried.
17. **Socialize**
18. **Next Meeting:** 1930, 26 February ’03 – MOG5 Senior Rates’ Mess.
19. **Exec. Meeting:** 1330 11 February ’03 - Centennial Legion, Westphal.