

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD JUNE 25, 2003

VENUE "ESCAPE TOWER" SENIOR RATES MESS MOG 5

1. The Meeting Called To Order 19:30 there being 25 members, 3 guests and 1 returned member, in attendance were: "Art" Bodden; "Buster" Brown; "Chootch" Chatham; "Beast" Estabrooks; Bob Evans; "Stu" Hall; Don Hardy; Billy Harris; Don Hood; Steve Jenner; "Tail" Jones; Bill Kamermans; Cliff Killam; "Dolphin 39" Madison; Ernie Marcoux; Harry7 Martin; "Pony" Moore; "Dick" Newman; Rob Oyler; Greg Pease; Frank Ralph; Dave Robinson; "Jerry" Sigrist; "Soapy" Watson; "Willie" Waugh, and returned member Dan Daly.
Guests: Joe Laprade, Dime' Marvin and Danny Watts from submarine Victoria.
2. The Chairman: Welcomed members and guests, stating his pleasure at seeing "Dan" Daly after a long absence and commenting that if he paid back dues it would be equivalent to taking out life membership, also welcomed Danny Watts and Joe Laprade, then introduced Duncan Marvin as Victoria's new medic. Members were given a briefing on the D-Day Vets. Celebration held at the C & PO's Mess Windsor Park at which 12 members represented SAOC (East) It was reported that in lieu of a previous initiative to assist Ted Hirtle (our webmaster) obtain an electric wheelchair, a sum of \$100 had been donated from the memorial fund, Billy Harris informed the members that Ted had since obtained his chair. The chairman then informed members that Jerry Sigrist's daughter was in extreme poor health, that Rob Welsh had recently been a patient at the QE2 medical center. Also mention was made of Tony Poynter's rapidly deteriorating condition also Eve Gordon. Members were then invited to rise and observe a moment of reflection for those who are no longer with us and those suffering from various afflictions.
3. Minutes of May 28 meeting: The secretary reported that there were 2 errors in the minutes;
 - (a) in the chairman's address it slated his pleasure at seeing "Cdr. Harvey Waddell", should read Captain,
 - (b) in the treasurer's report it was reported that the cheque issued by Central to assist the start up of anniversary 2004 was to be returned if a profit was shown by the anniversary, this should read " a portion (to be determined), to be refunded to Central I fa profit is realized. There being no further errors or omissions, motion by Frank Ralph, seconded by Jerry Sigrist that the minutes be adopted. Motion Carried.
4. Reports: Anniversary7 2004, the anniversary chairman "Jerry" Sigrist reported that no meeting was held in May, he went on that he had spent time in Ontario where he met with members of Central who are very keen on this and as mentioned previously had forwarded a cheque for \$ 1,000 to assist in start up, we have considerable other money starting to come in from raffles etc, we also have 3 registrations which is encouraging seeing that it is still over a year away. The applications are ready, they are available from Jerry also online. Jerry thanked "Taff" Jones who is doing a stellar job running raffles etc. and has already raised quite a sum of money, it was stated that any monies raised from sources other than registration would be going to entertainment; therefore all are encouraged to buy tickets for the various fund raising endeavors. We are anticipation a letter from MOG 5 outlining their participation, as soon as this is received the Chairman and Anniversary Chairman will be setting up an appointment with Admiral Davidson to give him our "want list" Jerry Conway is working on an information booklet and "drumming up" sponsors through advertising in this booklet, any member who has ideas as to who could be approached please contact Jerry Conway or Jerry Sigrist. There will be no meeting held over the summer months due to commitments of the various people concerned, however the anniversary chairman will be in touch with various committee members during that time. A full meeting of the anniversary committee will be called in September, hopefully the ladies committee will be meeting also, a number of the ladies are working on various projects at this time. The Anniversary Chairman asked for a volunteer to act as back up for himself in case of unforeseen circumstances, "Chootch" Chatham offered to do this. Taff Jones gave a brief update on the various items including another Inuit carving, it was also reported that the 10/49 had been won and that a new one would start on Saturday July 29th. It was pointed out that the tickets for this have been changed, please use the revised tickets.

5. Old Business:

(a) The reason for the BBQ that had been planned for the 20th being postponed was reiterated, and the suggestion made that the July meeting be scheduled for July 26, 2003 with wives and girlfriends in attendance as was done for the August meeting last year, to be followed by the BBQ, this met with the approval of the members. Therefore, the July meeting will be at 14:00 Saturday July 26. (Bar open at 13:00) If you have paid to attend but are unable to on this date, "Beast" will refund your money, cheerfully?

(b) New School opening to take place June 26, 2003. Members were informed that the school is to be named "Victoria Submarine Training Center" and that a memorial honouring Canadian Submariners who died while on duty, 2 of whom were Newfoundlander's at the time of their deaths, would be instituted highlighted by the McLeod Memorial; along with this would be a SAOC Central initiative of a "Top Student" award, and "historic picture album" compiled by John Madison on behalf of SAOC (East). It was stated that the number of members invited to attend the opening was limited to 5, however Joe Laprade informed the members that in fact many invited persons had not replied, therefore all would be able to attend that so desired.

(c) Upholder commemorative plates purchased for presentation to the senior and junior rates messes MOG 5 were available for viewing; John Madison agreed to mount them in "shadow" boxes for presentation at a date to be determined

6. New Business: Around the room.

(a) Steve Jenner asked if anyone can tell him, where the term "Scratcher" for the 2nd Coxswain originated?

(b) Rob Oyler stated that Victoria will be sailing for the west coast 2000 Sunday 29 June. Invitation extended to say farewell at 1730, Harbour Stations 1930.

(c) Joe Laprade stated how humble he felt at being a part of a new generation of Submariners continuing a proud tradition

7. 50/ 50: The Sum of: \$39.50 was won by Jerry Sigrist.

8. A Submariners' Prayer: was led by Father Frank Ralph

9. Motion to Adjourn: Proposed by Frank Ralph, Seconded by Don Hardy. Motion Carried
Next Meeting:

Monthly Meeting: 1400 Saturday 26 July 26, 03. Senior Rates Mess MOG5.
Exec. Meeting: 1300 Tuesday 15 July, 03. RCNA "Peregrine"