

## MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD MAY 26, 2004

### VENUE "JOLLY ROGER" JUNIOR RATES MESS

**1930, Meeting Called To Order:** There being 34 members; 1 new member and 2 guests. In attendance were: Roger Beaupre; "Art" Bodden; "Buster" Brown; George Byzewski; "Chootch" Chatham; John Clahane; "Spud" Connolly; Ryan Conroy; "China" Doutre; "Beast" Estabrooks; "Chuck" Forrest; "Stu" Hall"; Don Hood; Ray Hunt; Steve Jenner; "Billy" Kamermans; "Dolphin 39" Madison; "Dusty" Miller; Ian Mitchell; "Pony" Moore; Bryan Noble; "Chester" O'Connell; Tony Palmer; Eric Parsons; "Elvis" Presley; Frank Ralph; Dave Robinson; "Jerry" Sigris; John Smith; Carey Ann Stewart; "Topsy" Turner; Soapy Watson; "Willie" Waugh. New Member: Alain Blondin. Guests: Jim Haynes; Mike McConaghy.

**The Chairman:** Welcomed the members and guests, reminded members to check off on the attendance list and to not forget the "Tip" glass for Jim Embury the bartender also thanking him for a job well done in laying the wreath on behalf of the members at the Battle of Atlantic Memorial Ceremony. He then informed them that Billy Harris and Harry Martin are undergoing or have undergone surgery; Paul Dube has made great strides since the last meeting, he can now talk and walk a little, he can be visited at the Halifax Infirmary, Section 73, Room 30, Bed 1. Wiggy Bennett and Robbie Welsh both in poor health. Members were invited to rise and take a moment of reflection with these and any other members or ones close to our hearts.

**Minutes of April Meeting:** Members were asked if there were any errors or omissions? There, being none. Motion by: Scotty Parsons; Seconded by Frank Ralph: That minutes be adopted as tabled. Motion Carried.

**Correspondence:** Requests for membership application by Pat Andrews and Don Jones; applications sent, both have since been completed and returned. Verbal request for: Associate Membership by Wilfred Nelson US Sub Vet (WWII Veteran). 2 change of address notices.

#### **Reports:**

**Chairman:** Inform members that a donation for the sum of £ 250 was received via Tony Palmer from HMCS Chicoutimi to support the anniversary. This was greeted with a well-deserved round of applause. He then gave a brief account of visit to US Sub Vet gathering by himself and John Madison where they dispensed a fair number of anniversary applications; Chairman stated he did not want to dwell on anniversary business but restated the need for member planning to attend too get their registrations in, these are needed in order to have the numbers for contracts with venue's such as Pier 22. If members know of anyone intending to attend who have not yet registered please pass the word to them.

**Secretary:** Reported that members who were delinquent on dues had been removed from attendance and mailing lists. New members: Ken Copeland; Ian Hughes; Ian Mitchell; Ron MacDonald (Retiree's). The previously mentioned: Pat Andrews and Don Jones also Alain Blondin joining at beginning of meeting. Transferred to SAOC West: Mike Egilsson; Pete Hagan and Rob Oylar.

**Treasurer:** Reported the operating account stands at: \$ 3362.28 this is not including the approximately \$3800 held in GIC's; there will be several bills coming in from the Slops Rep. For items that will be put on sale for the anniversary.

**Health/Wellness & Slops:** Has checked with Maritime Campus to have them supply "Tee" Shirts: DBF Badge that can be used on Ball Caps, jackets etc. Pins that have been ordered are beginning to come in, there is a slight delay with pin sets due to waiting for plastic cases. It is hoped to have them available by the June meeting.

**Social Rep:** Reported that 71 members and guests attended the "Spring Fling", once again, there were members who stated that they would be attending but were "No Shows" this was disappointing as others were turned down due to space availability in the mess; fortunately there were some who arrived without

having booked to take up the slack.

**Anniversary:** Chairman informed members that he had received a phone call from Cdr. Charlton (NS Tattoo) to inform him that the Tattoo will include slides of "Rainbow", the "O" Boats and Victoria's; 2 submarine songs by Stadacona band during the Naval Ladder Display Team performance which will be highlighted by HMCS Toronto in the Arabian Sea (Persian Gulf) and the Submarine Service 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The Ladies basket (which was won by Fran Anthony) raised \$ 563 in ticket sales not including tickets sold at the auction. This brings the total raised by the ladies baskets to between \$1300 and \$1400

**New Business:** Invariably there will be presentations made by other associations of their crest, we at SAOC and are ill prepared to reciprocate as we do not have crests available, we have an ability to correct this by having a metal mould made, John Clahane indicated that this could possibly be done at a cost in the region of \$200; with this we could produce our own crests. Member's opinions were invited on this. Moved by George Byzewski; Seconded by Ray Hunt: That John be given the go ahead to have this done. Motion Carried.

**A.O.B:** Comments and suggestions from the members were solicited; there were none.

**50/50 Draw:** Winner Jerry Sigrist; amount \$ 36.50

**Submariners' Prayer:** Led by Pierre Doutre

**Motion:** Made by; Dusty Miller; Seconded by Ryan Conroy: That meeting be adjourned at 2040. Motion Carried.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

**Executive:** 1300, 15 June 2004, Venue TBD

**Monthly:** 1930, 30 June 2004, Senior Rates Mess MOG 5

**Anniversary:** 1330, 19 June 2004, Venue TBD