SAOC (East) MINUTES - MONTHLY MEETING 26 JULY, 2006 SENIOR RATES MESS, MOG5

1930: Meeting called to order there being 24 members & 1 guest. In attendance: Pierre Alarie; Art Bodden; "Buster" Brown; George Byzewski; Terry Chatham; Dave Clearwater; Pierre Doutre; Keith Estabrooks; Stu Hall; Steve Jenner; Bill Kamermans; Cliff Killam; Brian Lapierre; John Madison; Brian McEachern; Ian Mitchell; "Pony" Moore; Tex Ranger; Luc Rollin; Brian Smith; "Brum" Tovey; "Soapy" Watson; Willie Waugh; Mike Wigger. Guest: John Dykes (West)

1930: Call meeting to order: The Chairman welcomed members, West member John Dykes. A Moment's Silence with thoughts attributed to: Soldiers, Mounties, Air Crew, and 2 more soldiers at Kandahar. Cpl. Boneca; Cpl. Dinning; Bdr. Mansell; Cst.s Bourdages and Cameron; Sgt. Brazil; Cpl. McDavid; M/Cpl. Noel; Cpl's Gomez and Warren; Roger Dube's Mother, Jean and of course, our comrades who have crossed the bar.

Minutes of June Meeting: Chairman asked was there any errors or omissions. There being none. Proposed by: Pierre Alarie; Seconded by: Willie Waugh that minutes being accepted as tabled. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: IN electronic mail from Al Childs USS Maine Base (Subvets): Real Cyr Letter from Tom Sawyer

Out: Sympathy Card to Roger Dube & Family Letters of appreciation re: Mess Dinner

Reports:

Chair: Provided detail on the e-mail **"request for contacts" from USS Maine Base Subvets** regarding Holland Club inductee "Real Cyr". Real, a Canadian, is a former WW2 member of the RCN and a commando who ended up transferring into the USN and retiring as a submariner. The request has been taken to Marlant Public Affairs in order to have a senior Canadian representative present at the Induction, 15 October 06 in Augusta Maine.

Museum: Volunteers still required to go aboard Okanagan to get bits and pieces ashore. Brum offered to coordinate in conjunction with the Chairman. A letter waiving liability has gone to Chief of Staff. It is not sure if Musée de la Mer Rimouski has resolved the red tape issues with the Quebec government. Further reminder of **Central Annual AGM and BBQ** 25-27 August 06. **RCNA Digby reunion May 2007**: Brum Tovey provided several copies of registration applications which will be available at all future meetings. Doc Halliday RCNA National, informed that in the past. the hosts have recognized certain groups such as DEMS Gunners etc. and should enough submariners attend, they would like to do so with us with a reception as part of the events and activities. Concluded report with an e-mail invitation to purchase custom made silver or gold rings to our own design. Deferred to a later meeting until more information and prices are available.

V/Chair: Out of town on business

Secretary: Nothing to report

Treasurer/P.R.: Out of town on vacation. In lieu, Secretary reported June bank statement showed a balance of: **\$ 3,302.86.**

Social: Final report on **Mess Dinner costs**: \$2,704.96. **Summer BBQ 15 or 22 Sep 06** deferred to end August meeting due to low summer meetings attendance

Health & Wellness/ Slops: Miniature dolphins rep has a price on them which goes by the amount purchased, at present we want 100, Central 100, while West has yet to commit.

Way Ahead Committee: George Byzewski reported that the time for forwarding recommendations is fast approaching and to date, there has been zero input to the committee for Way Ahead ideas.

Tony Palmer did the survey and the results of that this will be tabled in August. Once again, if you have comments or suggestions email George subassnwayahead@hotmail.com or Phone: George at 902-826-9311 or Terry at 902-462-7667.

New Business: The Chairman asked for 2 volunteers to act as nominating committee for the AGM 2006 elections. There was nil response.

A.O.B. Terry Chatham suggested that members might like to form a group to go to USS Maine Base to take part in honouring Real Cyr. He had looked into the cost of hiring a coach capable of carrying 40 passengers also costs of hotels etc. he further suggested that the association cover some of the cost of the coach.

50/50 was then held, the winner of \$37.50 being Pierre Alarie.

Submariners Prayer: was led by Tex Ranger.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion by Terry Chatham Seconded by Mike Wigger. Motion Carried.

Future Meetings:

Executive: 1300, Wednesday, 23 August, 2006. Venue: C&PO's Mess, Stadacona

Monthly: 1930, August 30, 06. Venue: Junior Rates Mess, MOG5