

SAOC (East) MINUTES - MONTHLY MEETING 29 AUGUST '07
SENIOR RATES MESS, MOG5

1938: Meeting called to order by the Chairman there being 21 members in attendance: Pierre Alarie; Art Bodden; Paul Bramwell; “Buster” Brown; Terry Chatham; John Clahane; Pierre Doutre; Keith Estabrooks; Don Hood; Ray Hunt; “Taff” Jones; John Madison; Dusty Miller; Pony Moore; Greg Pease; Roy Pepper; Bert Phillips; Boyd Thomas; “Soapy” Watson; Willie Waugh and Mike Wigger.

Chairman welcomed members, stated pleasure at seeing a few faces we hadn't seen in some time: Paul Bramwell; Ray Hunt & Boyd Thomas. Steve Jenner sent along his regrets. Reminded members to check off the attendance list & don't forget the bartender. Members were then invited to rise for A **Moment's Silence** with thoughts of: Central member Ralph Bannister and non-member John Hughes. thoughts of troops lost in Afghanistan: MWO Mario Mercier, MCPL Christain Duchesne & Pte. Simon Longtin. SA (UK) Members Pete Raithby, Ron Woodfield, Alistair McEwan, VAdm Sir. I.L.M. McGeoch KCB DSC DSO, Jimmy Evans, Ron Stonelake, Eric Taylor, Robin 'Lester' Piggot.
Ill at home: members Paul Dube and Lloyd Blagdon.

Minutes Meeting 25 July 2007: Chairman asked of any errors or omissions? There being none. Moved by: Dusty Miller & seconded by Pony Moore that the minutes be accepted as tabled.
Motion Carried.

Correspondence: In: Crossed the Bar SA. (UK) members (as above)

Out: Sympathy Card to Rolly Lanouette and family on the loss of their daughter

Reports:

Chairman: The Chairman broached the subject of holding meetings in July/August. The attendance during the summer months tends to drop off (July – 16 members; August – 21 members) and he was wondering if it might be better to finish in June and resume in September. After some discussion it was decided that the executive would look into it and report back to the membership. Buster reported that Jeff Morrison had completed making the mould for the smaller association crest and all that he required was reimbursement for his material costs. It was felt by the membership that we should do a little more for him. After some debate Pony Moore pointed out that the executive could spend up to \$500.00 at their discretion. ***Secretary Note: since the meeting, a \$100.00 gift certificate from Lee Valley has been included with the \$114.00 costs for materials and forwarded to Jeff Morrison with thanks.***

Vice Chairman: Absent

Treasurer: Reported that the Operating Account was \$ 6499.58 as 23 July 2007.

Secretary: The Secretary reported about the “Old Salts Pig Roast” and NY Yankee Ball Game of the SUBVETS in Groton CT from.03-05 August 2007. The outcome was an outstanding time and great camaraderie was enjoyed by all who attended. It was a very busy time with numerous events happening all weekend. Plenty of refreshments, of both types, being available. The Yankee Ball Game on Sunday was a sell-out. We wimped out because of the heat in NY City.

Health & Wellness/Slops: Absent

Social: The Summer BB-Q is planned for 28 September 2007.

Museum: Brum Tovey in U.K. Chairman was to visit with the Curator on progress with cranage, etc.

Old Business:

Top Student Award: WO Ken Doucette was awarded as Top Student on 19 July with Scott Parsons and Terry Chatham as our SAOC representatives

New Business: None

Upcoming Events: SAOC (E) Summer BBQ, Friday 28 September 07.

Peter Weis will make a presentation on Afghanistan at the 26 September 07 monthly Mtg. *SAOC(West)* is having a "Gathering" May 2, 3 & 4 2008 in Victoria BC. This celebration is for the 40th Anniversary of the Commissioning of OKANAGAN & Rainbow. More details are available on their web sight. <http://members.shaw.ca/saocwest/2008.htm>

A.O.B.: Taff Jones reported on the "Diesel Boat Reunion" in Plymouth that he Brum & Topsy attended. Taff presented a SAOC Crest to the organizers on behalf of the Association. It was well received and a "Canadian Wall" has been established in hope that Canadian OBERON memorabilia might be made available in the future.

Dusty Millar asked if the membership could purchase the small crests, at a cost to be determined, when some were made. A lot of interest in this came from the floor with more details to follow on the issue.

50/50: A sum of \$33.50 was won by Boyd Thomas.

A Submariners Prayer: Eloquently led by Bert Phillips

Motion to Adjourn: Motion made by Pony Moore; seconded by John Madison. *Carried.*

Next meetings: Monthly: 26 September -1930- Venue: MOG 5 JR. Mess
Exec.: 19 September 1500 C&PO's Mess Stad