

**SAOC (East) MINUTES - MONTHLY MEETING 27 February 2008**  
**JUNIOR RATES MESS, MOGS**

**1930:** Meeting called to order by the Chairman 21 members in attendance: “Buster” Brown; Art Bodden; George Byzewski; Terry Chatham; John Clahane; Brian Cooper; Dan Daly; Pierre Doutre; Steve Jenner; Bill Kammermans; Brian Lapierre; Dave Logan; John Madison; Pony Moore; Conrad Petrokowski; “Tex” Ranger; Brum Tovey; “Soapy” Watson; Willy Waugh; Peter Weis and Mike Wigger.

**Chairman** welcomed back Conrad, Brians Cooper & Lapierre as well as Dan Daly; 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: our troops in Afghanistan; ill at home: member Paul Dube; Ryan Conroy; Dusty Millar and any other ill and distressed Member.

**Minutes of Meeting 30 January 2008:** Chairman asked of any errors or omissions? There being one the date in the title. Moved by “Tex” Ranger and seconded by Brum Tovey that the amended minutes be accepted. *Motion Carried.*

**Correspondence: In:** Letter from Canadian Naval Centennial, E-mail from Plymouth SA re Buckwheat Harris Funeral.

**OUT:** Condolence Cards to “Sharky” Ward (wife Doris; Caroline Vigneault (husband Mike Frechette) & E-mail condolences to family of Buckwheat Harris.

**Reports:**

**Chairman:** The Chairman made note of the fact that this was an election year. A nominating committee had to be appointed in the May/June time frame to allow plenty of time to canvas the membership for volunteers to serve on the board. Buster has approached Harvey Waddell to have a look at our Funeral Service and act as our Minister for these occasions. He has looked at it and was duly impressed and has agreed to come onboard. The topic of a get-together around the annual Mess Dinner at the Fleet Club was investigated by John Maddison but unfortunately the weekend is booked. The Chairman said that if this was to come off a committee would be required. A lively discussion ensued, after which it was decided that this would be discussed at the next executive meeting and a proposal would be brought back to the membership.

**Vice Chairman:** Good to be back and able to attend a meeting and nothing to report.

**Treasurer:** As of 23 January 2008, we had a balance of \$3790.00 IAW the statement.

**Secretary:** The above correspondence and we should have another opportunity for a 50/50 draw at the Mooseheads Hockey Game during the play-offs.

**Health & Wellness/Slops:** Slops is slowly coming up to speed with what is held, George has a new supplier that will allow us to ***order on line and the shipping is paid.*** She will work through our web page. The artwork for the licence plates was flawed on the initial order and the supplier has quickly agreed to produce a new plate. George is working with the supplier to come to terms with mix-up that is agreeable to both parties. Photos of the items held in slops are being sent to John Clahane for posting on our web sight.

**Social:** Valentine's Wine & Cheese on 15 February 2008 was well attended and enjoyed by all.

**Museum:** Marilyn Gurney of the museum has made contact with rigging shop in the Dockyard and on both attempts the riggers were unable to remove the items for the OKANAGAN due to snowy weather and safety concerns.

**Old Business:** See upcoming events. **REMINDER: Membership dues for 2008 are now payable. Those members in the arrears since 2006 will be dropped from the mailing list if not paid up by 30 April 2008.**

**New Business:**

**Upcoming Events:** SAOC (West) is having a "Gathering" May 2, 3 & 4 2008 in Victoria BC. This celebration is for the 40<sup>th</sup> 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.** CDR Jenner will be donating pictures of the 1967 Fleet Review from his son-in law to the museum.

Peter Weis had a slide show of Mike Frechette's Funeral.

**50/50:** The sum of \$35.00 was won by Brian Lapierre

**A Submariners Prayer:** Offered by Dan Daly.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Motion made by Pony Moore and seconded by Conrad Petrokowski  
*Carried.*

**Next meetings: Regular:** 26 March 2008: MOG 5 SR. Mess @ 1930

**Exec.:** 19 March 2008 @1500 C&PO's Mess Stad