

SAOC (East) MINUTES - MONTHLY MEETING 28 OCTOBER 2009
SENIOR RATES MESS, MOG5

1940: Meeting called to order by the Chairman 25 members present: Don Hood; Pierre Alarie; Buster Brown; George Byzewski; Terry Chatham; John Clahane; Pierre Doutre; Keith Estabrooks; Jim Gordon; Mike Gould; Jim Harris; Don Hood; Gary Hopkins; Bert Houde; Shane Irvine; Taff Jones; Keith Lavers; John Madison; Dusty Miller; Pony Moore; Polly Parrot; Greg Pease; “Brum” Tovey; Willy Waugh; Soapy Watson & Mike Wigger.
Regrets: Conrad Petrakowski; Carey-Ann Stewart; Scott Parsons.

Chairman invited the membership to rise for a **Moment’s Silence:** thoughts of recent and fallen troops in Afghanistan; departed members & family: our sick in hospital and at home: Paul Dube; Zeke Brower-Berkhoven; Ryan Conroy; Wayne Presley; Luc Rollin; Paul Renner; Lee Ritchie and other members and family afflicted.

Minutes of Meeting: Chairman asked of any errors or omissions re: Minutes of 30 September 2009 meeting. There being none, moved by Dusty Miller and seconded by Soapy Watson that the minutes be adopted as tabled. *Motion Carried.*

Correspondence:

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Reports:

Chairman: ‘CDR Jenner Award’: Prior to returning the Jenner Sword to the S/m School, Buster worked on the award display. With further research and with assistance from Pony Moore, a more detailed account of Stephen’s naval career now accompanies the sword along with a bust photo of Stephen in uniform as a naval Commander. His wartime exploits and several decorations include as a rare recipient, five (5) Campaign Stars. The Association will be remounting the medals and returned to the family who for the time being, are undecided as to what to do for the ongoing.

Museum: Unbeknownst to us, the air quality in the crypt has been in spec for some time, however there are further concerns regarding moisture ingress and use of the crypt. More to follow.

Storm Day Policy: After some discussion on how this would be handled i.e. a recall system. Keith Estabrooks has volunteered to set up this recall procedure.

Remembrance Day 1030 November 11 2009: All members are encouraged to attend at Pt. Pleasant Pk. We require a serving member to lay the wreath. *After the meeting Buster has since identified S/Lt Dave Clearwater (S/m school staff) in volunteering to do so. Dave is a CFR submariner.*

Vice-Chair: Nothing at this time.

Secretary:

Amendment Submissions for AGM: Today is the final opportunity for written submissions to the By-Laws for the 2009AGM. As such there has been none reminding that submissions from the floor at time of meeting are inappropriate and ruled “out of order”. C&BL Art. 10.01 Amendments refers.

The secretary attended to “Charleston Base Pig Roast” the weekend of October 23-25 in Charleston SC. It was held on a farm owned by one of the SUBVETS at the “After Battery”.

This building is a converted barn that acts as their unofficial clubhouse and contains all sorts of US Submarine Memorabilia and a galley. The hospitality shown was outstanding. I presented them with a crest of our Association and they in turn responded by honouring the entire SAOC (East) membership as associate members of US Subvets Charleston. Letter of acknowledgement to follow.

Treasurer: As of the bank statement for the 23 September 2009: \$2839.54 in Operating Account.

Health & Wellness/Slops: George reported that he plans on re-stocking the slops and will have a new supply for the AGM. The “At Home” in celebration of Paul & Helen Dube’s 50th Wedding Anniversary October 25th 2009 was well attended. There was a great turnout from the local community as well as SAOC (East) members Lucky Gordon, Chuck Stoakley, Willy Waugh, Gilles Poirier and Brum Tovey as well as Paul’s brother

Social: *Dine the Wives* date is looking like Valentine’s in February 2010 more to come in the following meetings, an earlier date was too difficult to work in especially with the AGM and pot luck on the near horizon. For the AGM there will be a Pot-Luck as well as some wine and cheese. All those interested in donating for the pot-luck are encouraged to do so and please coordinate your dishes through Brum Tovey at brumtovey@hotmail.com or 902-883-9572. There is also going to be another three (3) day event this summer (2010) similar to the one held in July of last year so stay tuned.

Old Business: “Rogues’ Gallery” on our Web Site is still on-going. Navy cutlass no further action has been taken. The secretary is still trying to make contact with the PMC of the inboard SRs Mess.

Transportation: For members requiring transport to Monthly Meetings, contact co-ordinator **Brum Tovey (1-902-883-9572)** he holds a list of volunteers from various locations. He will then contact a driver in your area to arrange for pick-up. He has a list of six (6) members and if anyone else would like to drive member(s) to and from meetings, contact Brum.

New Business:

Upcoming Events: As per Social report above: AGM Pot Luck meal, February /Valentine’s Dine the Wives and (3) day event in the summer.

A.O.B. Taff Jones spoke on the trip to the Diesel Boat Re-union that he and Polly Parrot attended in Plymouth on the first Saturday in August. While there a number of SA members expressed an interest in attending a similar event here next year. This would tie in with our planned event next summer with a possible return visit of our members in 2011.

50/50: A sum of \$50.00 was won by Buster, who generously “Pressed the Klaxon” 3 times.

A Submariners Prayer: Offered by Dusty Miller

Motion to Adjourn: Made by Pony Moore and seconded by Soapy Watson. *Motion Carried*

Next meetings: AGM: December 05 2009 at 1330 in SRs Mess in MOG 5.
Exec.: TBD