SAOC (East) MINUTES - MONTHLY MEETING 25 AUGUST 2010 SENIOR RATES MESS, MOG5

1930: Meeting called to order by the Chairman 23 members and one (1) Central Branch member present: Pierre Alarie; Sim Arruda; Art Bodden; Buster Brown; George Byzewski; Terry Chatham; John Clahane; Pierre Doutre; Keith Estabrooks; Jim Harris; Ian Hughes; Taff Jones; Keith Lavers; John Madison; John Meehan; Dusty Miller; Ian Mitchell; Pony Moore; Polly Parrott; Scot Parsons; Greg Pease; Bert Phillips & Willie Waugh. Chairman welcomed back Sim Arruda; Tony Fee (Central); Ian Hughes; John Meehan & Ian Mitchell, reminded everyone about the attendance list, don't forget the bartender. He then called for a **Moment of Silence** West member Len Gibbs, Our fallen in Afghanistan, (the crew of Kursk 12 August 2000). Our sick at home: Wayne Presley; Zeke Brower-Berkhoven, Paul Dube; Luc Rollin; Lee Ritchie.

Minutes of Meeting: Chairman asked if there were any errors or omissions from 28 July 2010 minutes. There being none. Moved by Taff Jones and Seconded by John Meehan minutes be accepted as tabled. *Motion Carried*.

Correspondence:

IN: Membership Renewals, Bank Statement

OUT: Nil

Reports: Chairman: Buster pointed out that this is an election year. As a Nominating Committee is required, Dusty Miller and George Byzewski volunteered for the assignment. Well Done Bazoo & Dusty. The Chairman talked briefly on standing down from meetings during July & August due to the possibility of low attendance. This however has not really been the case and the general consensus of all present is to remain with current policy.

Vice-Chair: nothing to report

Secretary: The secretary reminded those present that the AGM is fast approaching. IAW By-Law Article (10.01), Written submissions for amendments to the By-Laws are to be submitted NLT the 27 October monthly meeting. Also, this is an election year and all chairs are open so lets step-up and volunteer. Also, from the Social Chair all arrangements have been finalized and in order to break even we all need to participate, 100 people are required to break even. Members are encouraged to bring guests along and please forward their names to the Secretary NLT Tuesday 14 September 2010.

Treasurer: As of the 23 July statement our balance was \$1438.34. August's statement had not arrived in the mail at the time of the meeting. He also advised that our website guest book has been inactive through error recently and the problem is being addressed by webmaster Ted Hirtle. It was not looking good to have it up and running any time soon.

Health & Wellness/Slops: Gold Wire blazer and beret badges are available. Each for the price of \$20.00 and \$10.00 respectively. George said he would be ordering some more slops for the 17-19 September 2010 weekend.

Social:

SUMMER GET-TOGETHER: The cost is \$35.00/person.

PROGRAMME

Friday 17th Sept.: "Meet and Greet" in the Senior Rates Mess at the S/M Sqdn. All submariners are invited to attend past and present, tickets for the Dance/BBQ will be on sale at the 3 Day Event and all are most welcome. The Meet and Greet will commence at 1700.... until FINEX....time TBD.! Finger foods will be provided.

Saturday 18th Sept.: "Dance /BBQ": Tickets will be required for this event but some will be available at the door. See Brum. COMEX at around 1600. Bar opening 1200 onwards until 0100. The BBQ will start to feed around 1700 for an hour or so. The DJ will start to play 1900 ish and continue accordingly.

Sunday 19th Sept.: "Breakfast, Service and Rum Issue": S/M Sqdn. Breaky: 0900- 1030 (price included in ticket costs) followed by a short "God Bless us Amen" followed by "UP SPIRITS" Stand fast the HOLY GHOST.

......and of course there will be 50/50's at all 3 functions.

Transportation: If any one requires transport to & from monthly meetings, call Brum @ 902-883-9572

Old Business: Greg Pease spoke on the Pumpkin Regatta that is held in Windsor N.S. annually. The Association has been donated a pumpkin, it will be painted black, for the race and Keith Estabrooks has volunteered to man it in Patrol Routine. The organizing committee is hoping for a large Naval turn-out as this is the Centenary. The POC is Lt. (N) Fulmer.

New Business: Taff Jones apologised for giving out the incorrect date of the Memorial Service to be held at Veteran's Memorial Park in Bass River. He also spoke on the "Diesel Boat DTS" in August of 2011 in Devonport. He then proposed that a donation from SAOC (all branches) be made to the Alliance Appeal to assist financing with the refurbishment of submarine *Alliance*. After discussion Buster said he would contact West & Central and describe of the proposal. (it has since been confirmed by telephone that the proposal will be tabled at their next respective general meetings) Since this is not an urgent matter, time is on our side to determine a 3-way motion of vote.

A.O.B. Nil

50/50: A sum of \$45.00 was won by John Meehan. (we destroyed two sets of Playing Cards)

A Submariners Prayer: Offered by Jim Harris

Motion to Adjourn: Moved by Pierre Doutre, seconded by Dusty Miller Motion Carried

Next meetings: General 29 September 2010 in JR Mess MOG 5 Exec.: a date in the week following the 3 day bash