

SAOC (East) MINUTES - MONTHLY MEETING 29 SEPTEMBER 2010
RCNA PEREGRINE

1930: Meeting called to order by the Chairman. He explained that due to internal difficulties at MOG 5, with short notice, we arranged for RCNA Peregrine as our meeting venue through member, also Peregrine's Vice. Pres., Keith Estabrooks. Thank you, Keith and Floyd. 19 members present and one (1) S.A. guest Charlie Lonsdale from UK: Pierre Alarie; Art Bodden; Buster Brown; George Byzewski; Terry Chatham; John Clahane; Pierre Doutre; Keith Estabrooks; Lucky Gordon; Jim Harris; Ray Hunt; Taff Jones; Keith Lavers; John Madison; Polly Parrott; Greg Pease; Brum Tovey; Willie Waugh & Phil Wood. Chairman welcomed back Phil Wood; Ray Hunt & Lucky Gordon; reminded everyone about the attendance list, don't forget Floyd the bartender. He then called for a **Moment of Silence:** Our fallen in Afghanistan; Mother of Margret Parsons (Scott) Our sick at home: Wayne Presley; Zeke Brower-Berkhoven, Paul Dube; Luc Rollin; Lee Ritchie; Pony Moore; Dusty Miller....other family members and shipmates.

Minutes of Meeting: Chairman asked if there were any errors or omissions from 25 August 2010 minutes. There being none. Moved by Pierre Doutre and Seconded by Taff Jones minutes be accepted as tabled. *Motion Carried.*

Correspondence:

IN: "Open Invitation"/ Bank Statement 25 August
2010 / email from Marcom Museum

OUT: Nil

Reports: Chairman: Buster reported that he had received an email from the interim museum curator wrt moving our artefacts in and start getting it together. The Chairman replied by asking for a date and time to meet but nothing has been received. Let's all plan for Remembrance Day at Pt. Pleasant Pk. and try to have a good turn-out, not like "Battle of Atlantic". Pony, in his absence, has volunteered to arrange for the wreath as usual. Buster then spoke on an "Open Invitation" received. It will be conducted at The Bonaventure Memorial, Pt. Pleasant Park, Saturday 23 October 2010 for 0820. It started with a group of *Kootenay* survivors who annually, memorialize their shipmates who were less fortunate. The date and time correspond with the disaster that occurred on that morning in 1969. A low-key event, this year it is being expanded to include all sailors who perished in peace-time at-sea accidents including *Chicoutimi*. Dress is as you see fit and do what your heart tells you even though it's early on a Saturday morning. Following the brief service, all attendees are invited for breakfast at the Parkside Pub in High Field Park. Cost is \$5.00. **See the invitation below these Minutes:**

Vice-Chair: Echoed comments of the great time during 17-19 September Weekend. He also announced his absence from town until December.

Secretary: The secretary reminded that AGM 2010 (Saturday, 04 December) 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.*' As well, this is an **election year** and all chairs are open. To date, no nominations have been received, so let's **step-up and volunteer**. If you are interested offer your name or (nominee with their concurrence) to George at gbazoo@hotmail.com.

Treasurer: Due to the poor support of the membership for the weekend of 17-19 September we were **in the red \$1789.41** After all settlements are completed, the Association is still in the negative for **\$222.00**. However, the treasurer stated that we were OK money wise for now and the deficit may improve through annual dues and sale of slops inventory. He asked for a Motion **"That if so required, the executive is authorized a transfer of \$1500.00, from the large GIC**

to the Operating Account” Moved by Keith Lavers and Seconded by Keith Estabrooks. *Motion Carried*

Health & Wellness/Slops: Apart from a very good time and great food, George was the only one that could report on something positive out of the 3-day affair. He ordered \$1300.00 of new stock of which he reported \$1059.00 in sales. He also reported that there is **\$5190.00 of stock on inventory.**

Social: Brum expressed his disappointment in the membership for their lack of support after all the considerable effort that was put into organising the event. If it hadn't been for the support of Art Bodden and his family and the visiting American SUBVETS the weekend would have been a catastrophe instead of disappointing. On a brighter note he is going to try for just a one day get-together with a pre-registration commitment.

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

Old Business: Greg Pease reported that the invitation of participation from the overall navy and submarine *Windsor* for the Pumpkin Regatta had fallen through including our participation as an association.

Last meeting Taff Jones proposed that the SAOC as a whole might make a contribution to the Alliance Restoration Appeal in UK. Buster had then explained he would contact Central & West and get their feedback for a combined backing for a donation from all three branches which Taff agreed to. Since that meeting and as a result of contact, both Central & West on a motion of vote preferred to maintain their financial accounts for purposes of support to submarine museums & activities here in Canada.

New Business: None

A.O.B. None

50/50: A sum of \$38.00 was won by John Madison

A Submariners Prayer: Offered by Charlie Lonsdale

Motion to Adjourn: Moved by Taff Jones, seconded by Keith Lavers *Motion Carried*

Next meetings: General 27 October 2010 in SR Mess MOG 5

Exec.: TBD

AN OPEN INVITATION

The Bonaventure Monument situated in Point Pleasant Park, near the harbour, honours several former Canadian Navy sailors who were killed, while on duty during peacetime service.

This being the Centennial Year of the Canadian Navy, a group of former sailors has decided to conduct a memorial service at the Bonaventure Monument to pay homage to these sailors.

The event will be held at 08:20 on 23 October, 2010 coinciding with the date and time of the HMCS Kootenay explosion forty-one years ago in 1969. This is not just a tribute to the Kootenay sailors, but to all sailors who perished while serving in such HMC Ships as Bonaventure, Nipigon, Chicoutimi, Margaree, Micmac and others since 1945.

Anyone interested in attending this commemorative service is most welcome.

Arrangements have been made for convenient access to the Monument for the mobility impaired thanks to City Councillor Sue Uteck and MLA Leonard Preyra.

On completion of this brief service, all interested attendees will meet for breakfast (\$5.00 per person) at the Parkside Pub in Highfield Park, Dartmouth