

SUBMARINERS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
(EAST) BRANCH
Minutes of the Monthly General Meeting
October 28, 2011
MOG5, Senior Rates Mess

1. **The Chair Terry Chatham** brought the meeting to order at 1930. Terry thanked the membership on the turnout and welcomed new members **JJ Surette and Andre LaLancette**. The chair went on to welcome back **Dr. John Smith, Tex Ranger, Pony Moore, John Madison and Shane Irvine** to the meeting.

2. Members in attendance were **Pierre (Minky) Alarie, Art Bodden, Don (Buster) Brown, (Immediate Past Chair), George (Bazoo) Byzewski, Terry (Chooch) Chatham, John Clahane, Pierre (China) Doutre, Gary Hopkins, Shane Irvine, Andre (Monster) LaLancette, Brian Lapierre, John Madison, Pony Moore, Tex Ranger, Dr. John Smith, JJ Surette, Keith Tovey and Willie Waugh**. A moment of silence was observed for Our Troops in Afghanistan and members ill at home and in hospital.

The Secretary tabled the minutes from the Monthly General Meeting of Sept 28, 2011. It was moved by **Gary Hopkins and seconded by Tex Ranger** that the minutes be accepted as tabled. All in attendance were in favour and the motion carried.

3. **Reports:**

The Secretary read an E-mail received from **Anthony (Charles) Lonsdale** with his service history and the fact that he plans to visit NS in Aug next for a visit and plans on making the Old Salts Pig Roast in Groton, Ct. George then read an e-mail received from **Jim Northrup**. Jim passed along his new e-mail address and that he is back at work his unique sense of humour intact. The secretary then went on to read a letter WRT to CC1 and CC2 100th anniversary plans from the RCN. The secretary then went on to read a letter from HMCS Scotian on the Nov 11th service. (Enclosure) He then encouraged members to renew their memberships. George stated Slops items can be ordered by phone/ internet for mail delivery or pick up and at the AGM in Dec. The secretary finished by saying there was no Outgoing mail.

Social Keith (Brum) Tovey, spoke of his trip to Europe and of his visit to Vimy. Brum stated that the site is awe inspiring and that he presented a SAOC crest to the staff. Brum went on to speak of food for the Monthly General meetings and that due to the recent shifting of meeting sites food has not been made available. After a lively conversation from the floor Buster Brown moved and Willie Waugh seconded the motion that food no longer be served at Monthly General meetings. The motion passed. Keith went on to speak of the Christmas function to be held **Dec 16th, 2011 at the Sackville Lions Club**. (Enclosure) Brum said those wishing transport are invited to contact the executive for information.

The Treasurer John Clahane reported that the Operating Fund contained \$900.00 as of End of September, 2011. GIC's have remained untouched.

The Vice Chair Minky Alarie had no new items.

The Chair invited **Buster Brown** to update the membership on the museum. Buster said there had been a meeting 2 weeks ago and that 6 of the Museum group attended. The consensus of the group was to recognize the Five generations of submariners in Canada. Commencing with CC1 and CC2, then on

to the U-190 era moving on to the “First Block” in ’54 then on to the “O’s” and finishing with the Victoria Class. Buster stated there would be an emphasis on photos and displays. The Chair said the plan for Nov 11th would be himself and a serving member laying the wreath. Terry encouraged all to attend and stated the Dress of the Day would be warm Association Dress with head gear of your choice. The plan is to meet at 10:15 in the Lower parking lot of Point Pleasant Park. Terry went on to say that written submissions for the AGM are to be in NLT October 31, 2011.

4. **New Business:** **John Clahane** spoke of the **Tracey Kramble** funeral in Ottawa and the membership passed on their sympathies to Tim and his family. John then went on to speak of the fire in Olympus in the wrecker’s yard and the heat it generated. John also told the meeting that he had been contacted by W5 for comment on the Victoria Class boats. John said he told them he had no comment. Others at the meeting said they had been contacted too.

5. **Any Other Business (AOB):** It was suggested by the **Treasurer** that the membership may want to Google Aubrey Rice’s name for more information on his condition.

6. The 50/50 draw of **\$40.00** won by **Dave Mayo** the Barkeeper.

7. The Submariner's Prayer was read by **George Byzewski**.

8. **Pierre (China) Doutre** moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by **Brian Lapierre**. All in attendance were in favour and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.