SUBMARINERS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

(EAST) BRANCH

Minutes of the Monthly General Meeting March 28, 2012 MOG5, Junior Rates Mess

1. **The Chair** brought the meeting to order at 1930.

The Chair thanked the members who turned out and welcomed Nicola Glover, daughter of Freddie Glover to the meeting. Nicola thanked the SAOC (E) for the invitation and then offered a toast to her dad who would have turned 70 years old tomorrow March 29. A glass was lifted in Fred's honour and Buster Brown spun a ditty concerning Fred and trains in Scotland much to the enjoyment of all.

The Chair then acknowledged Dan Reid visiting from Ontario and new member Jerry McGowan (Sonar) to the meeting. The Chair then reminded the meeting to tick the attendance list and thanked the bartender.

2. Members in attendance were Pierre (Minky) Alarie, Art Bodden, Don (Buster) Brown, (Immediate Past Chair), George (Bazoo) Byzewski, Terry Chatham, Robbie Fraser, Keith Lavers, Jerry MacGowan, James (Dusty) Miller, Tex Ranger, Dan Reid, Dave Russell, JJ Surette and Slinger Wood. A moment of silence was observed for our Troops in Afghanistan and members ill at home and in hospital.

The Chair tabled the minutes from the Monthly General Meeting of Feb 29, 2012. The chair asked if there were any errors or omissions from the Floor. There being none, it was **moved by Tex Ranger** and **seconded by Dusty Miller** that the minutes be accepted as read. All in attendance were in favour and the motion carried.

3. Correspondence: In: Financial Statement.

OUT: Get Well Cards to Jim Northrup and John Shields who were in hospital.

4. Reports:

Secretary: The secretary encouraged members to renew their memberships and to check the web page to ensure their personal information is current.

The secretary then reiterated that if a member hears of deaths or illnesses of fellow members or family members to please pass it to the secretary or any other member of the Executive Committee. George went on to speak of the possibility of an **August/Early September** Pig Roast or a BBQ with attending members bringing salads, breads, condiments and refreshments of choice. The locale would be the **Paul and Helen Dube Homestead.**

The Secretary then asked Keith Lavers for any information regarding Aubrey Rice. Keith said Aubrey was in remission after undergoing Stem Cell harvesting procedure followed by chemo and radiation and now it is wait and see.

The Social Secretary Keith (Brum) Tovey regrets.

The Treasurer John Clahane regrets. The Chair read the latest statement and reported that the Operating Fund contained \$1514.62 as of Feb 23, 2012. GIC's have remained untouched.

The vice Chair Minky Alarie No report.

The Chair asked for nominations in written form of 40 words or less for candidates deserving the **Queens Diamond Jubilee medal** and requested the nominations be in by the end of Dec 2012. Robbie Fraser said he will email a form and the secretary will distribute. Nominations to be sent to the secretary at gbazoo@hotmail.com.

The Chair then spoke of the need for a Chairman of the Centenary committee. Any one interested can contact the Chair by the end of May meeting.

The Chair then asked **Buster Brown** to speak of the Museum. Buster said Brian (LaPo) La Pierre has taken many photos and has catalogued more than 96 items. Buster went on to speak of locations such as the Cellar and the Anteroom and that they were waiting for items from D-40. Buster said the Museum will be up and running for the 2014 Centenary. The Chair thanked Buster for his efforts.

- **5.** Old Business: Robbie Fraser said he has more than 200 photos and that he is still looking for old photos and any stories members may have to aid with his calendar project.
- **6. New Business:** There was no New Business
- 7. Any Other Business (AOB): There was no AOB.
- 8. The 50/50 draw of \$30.00 won by Jerry MacGowan and he paid his dues.
- **9.** The Submariner's Prayer was read by George Byzewski.
- **10. Duster Miller** moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Don Buster **Brown.** All in attendance were in favour and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Next Monthly General Meeting will be held in JR's Mess, MOG5, and Wed April 25, 2012 19:00 for 19:30