

SUBMARINERS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
(EAST) BRANCH
Minutes of the Monthly General Meeting
July 25, 2011
MOG5, Junior Rates Mess

1. The **Chair Terry Chatham** brought the meeting to order at 1930. Terry thanked the membership on the good turnout and welcomed Charlie Lonsdale from Manchester, UK in town visiting Paul and Helen Dube, Bob Evans, Newest Life member as well as wishing Art Bodden a very happy birthday. The Chair then went on to welcome CDR Randy Truscott to the meeting as a Guest speaker.

2. Members in attendance were Pierre (Minky) Alarie, Art Bodden, Don (Buster) Brown, (Immediate Past Chair), George (Bazoo) Byzewski, Terry (Chooch) Chatham, John Clahane, Ron Cooper, Keith (Beast) Estabrooks, Bob Evans, Larry Hickey, Gary Hopkins, Ray Hunt, Keith Lavers, Anthony "Charlie" Lonsdale, John Meehan, James Dusty Miller, Greg Pease, JJ Surette, Harry Suto, Keith "Brum" 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 June 27, 2011. It was moved by Larry Hickey and seconded by John Meehan that the minutes be accepted as tabled. All in attendance were in favour and the motion carried.

3. **Reports:**

The Secretary opened by encouraging members to renew their memberships. He then went on to speak of the Aug 11th BBQ at Paul and Helen Dube's. George stated plans were well underway and asked all who plan on attending to indicate by email of their intentions. The secretary went to announce that Ron Cooper had stepped up to act as Election Committee Chair with Dusty Miller assisting. The Secretary stated the present Executive was re-offering with the exception of the Vice Chair and nominations would be accepted up to Election Day from the floor. The Secretary then passed information from the floor that Brett Aubrey was feeling better and able walk more. The Secretary then passed to Ryan (Piglet) Conroy the memberships' best wishes. The Secretary closed by saying there was no Out going mail.

Social Keith (Brum) Tovey spoke of the planning for the Aug 11th BBQ. Brum stated food for the BBQ will be supplied by the SAOC (E). Brum encouraged all attending to bring chairs and their Liquid refreshments.

The Treasurer John Clahane reported that the Operating Fund contained \$1718.83 as of End June 26th 2012. GIC's have remained untouched and that Serge Bastian and Les Richards had paid dues.

The Vice Chair, Pierre (Minky) Alarie stated he was looking forward to the BBQ at the Dube's. Minky then went on to offer any member who wished to go to the BBQ and needed a ride to contact him. Minky then went on to say with regret he could not re-offer for this election due to time constraints.

The Chair invited Buster Brown to update the membership on the museum. Buster said the Museum group would be idle from August thru to mid September. He went on to say the aim of was to recognize all the 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. The Chair thanked Buster then went on to talk of the Queens's Diamond Jubilee Medal nominations and that they would close July 30th. Terry then stated Keith (Brum) Tovey would stand for the Centenary Committee and that Ray Hunt has offered

to Chair the Centenary for the SAOC (E).

4. **New Business**: No new business
5. **Any Other Business (AOB)**: Bob Evans offered to arrange for the Vets Outreach and Transition program to make a presentation to the SAOC (E) Monthly General meeting in September and Bob encouraged all to bring their wives. The Chair thanked Bob for his offer and said more information will be promulgated. Larry Hickey then spoke of George Sullivan's efforts to tally names of submariners who have passed due to cancer. Larry said he would follow up with George Sullivan.
6. The 50/50 draw of \$46.00 won by Charlie Lonsdale.
7. The Submariner's Prayer was read by Charlie Lonsdale.
8. **James "Dusty" Miller** moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by **John Meehan**. All in attendance were in favour and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

The next Monthly meeting will be held Aug 29, 2012, 19:00 for 19:30 SR Mess, Mog 5, and HMC DYKD.