

SUBMARINERS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
(EAST)
Minutes of the Monthly General Meeting
October 31, 2012
MOG5, Senior Rates Mess

1. The Chair brought the meeting to order at 1930. Terry thanked the membership on the turnout especially considering the weather and Halloween. The Chair noted it was good to see Jerry Bourgeois, Tex Ranger and Bill Cleal. Terry then thanked the bartender Mark Miller.

2. Members in attendance were Pierre (Minky) Alarie, Art Bodden, Jerry Bourgeois, George (Bazoo) Byzewski, Terry (Chooch) Chatham, Bill Cleal, Ron Cooper, Keith (Beast) Estabrooks, Jim Lucky Gordon, Jim Harris, Don Hood, James Dusty Miller, Pony Moore, Greg Pease, Tex Ranger, Harry Suto, Keith Tovey, Irv Watson, Willie Waugh, Phil Webster and Tim Wood. A moment of silence was observed for our fallen and wounded troops and our members ill or infirm at home or in hospital.

The Secretary tabled the minutes from the Monthly General Meeting of Sept 26, 2012. It was moved by Dusty Miller and seconded by Irv Watson that the minutes be accepted as tabled. All in attendance were in favour and the motion carried.

3. **Correspondence:** In: Financials, Tridents and membership renewals.

Out: Nil

4. **Reports:**

The Secretary opened by encouraging members to renew their memberships. He then went on to speak of the AGM Dec 1st, 2012 13:00 for 13:30 and that as it is a voting year there would not be a Pot Luck. George stated nominations for executive positions will be accepted up to the time of the elections. George stated the Vice Chair and Treasurer positions were vacant but that nominations for all positions would be welcomed. The secretary went to say that Ron Cooper assisted by Dusty Miller make up the Election Committee. The Secretary stated the present Executive was re-offering with the exception of the Vice Chair and Treasurer. The Secretary then said Terry Chatham, Lucky Gordon and he would be travelling from Halifax to attend Ojibwa's final move to Port Burwell and Tony Palmer and Scotty Parsons would attend from Montreal as well. George then went on to thank Dan and Judy Reid for their kind offer to host all of us and provide transport to and from the event. The Secretary then passed out the initial information pamphlet for the Australian Submarine Centenary to be held November 2014 in Western Australia. (Enclosure)

The Treasurer John Clahane regret. The Secretary reported that the Operating Fund contained \$1702.90 as of End of September, 2012. GIC's balance as of October 26, 2012 is 10856.38.

Social Keith (Brum) Tovey spoke of the Christmas function to be held Dec 22nd, 2012 at the Sackville Lions Club across from the Superstore. Brum said the price would be \$40.00 a couple and encouraged members to invited family and friends. The more the merrier. There will be a 3 course meal, bar and DJ following the meal. Keith asked for a show of hands of who intend to attend. Over half indicated their intention to attend. (Enclosure)

The vice Chair Minky Alarie expressed his regret but with job pressures he missed meetings and has to step down.

The Chair tabled the plans for Nov 11th, 2012. Terry said he would lay the wreath and asked for a volunteer to assist. 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

then tabled a photo of the proposed SAOC coin that Central is OPI. Terry asked for feed back from the floor and the remarks ranged from too busy, the kisbee ring removed, to the swords on the reverse not being nautical. Terry then went on to mention the plan to have a Centenary Coin with SAOC (W) OPI. More to follow as things firm up.

5. **New Business:** Two written amendments were read to the meeting. Submitted by James Dusty Miller the first proposed amendment read, **Section 5.04 Terms of Reference-Duties and Responsibilities.**

(1)a. **The Chairman**

Shall now read.

Assumes the duties and responsibilities in providing guidance, direction and leadership to the membership in pursuit of the objective of the constitution of the Submariners Association (East) the word branch to be deleted.

(3) a. **The Secretary**

Shall now read,

Maintains communications and liaison with secretaries of the SAOC(West) and (Central) The word branches to be deleted.

The second amendment submitted by Jim Harris read, Section 6.01 be changed to read **the second Saturday in December due to hunting season.**

These changes to the by-laws have been submitted by the Parliamentarian of the Submariners Association of Canada (East) James R. "Dusty" Miller to be dealt with at the sitting of the AGM of the SAOC(East)) on Saturday, December 1st, 2012.

6. **Old Business. Dusty Miller** arose to remind members that one can nominate themselves for an Executive position and encouraged all to do so if they desired.

7. **Any Other Business (AOB):** The Secretary note the passing of Roger Morgan a retired Naval Electrician from cancer. Willie Waugh commented on the passing of Roger Morgan and he encouraged all to keep notes and record information for Veteran's Affairs in case of a claim.

Jim Harris told the meeting he would be participating in Movember to raise funds for the Cancer Society and would welcome any and all donations. Those wishing to donate can contact Jim by email or phone or at www.camovember.com/ReginaldHarris Tax receipts will be issued.

The Secretary ruminated about the SAOC(C) and the SAOC(E) liaise with the goal of a combined Aug 2013 BBQ in Rimouski, PQ at the Onondaga site. The secretary said he would approach Central as to the practicality.

8. The 50/50 draw of \$40.00 won by Mark Miller who promptly paid his dues.

9. The Submariner's Prayer was read by **Jim Harris**.

10. Dusty Miller moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by **Jim Harris**. All in attendance were in favour and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

**The next meeting will be the AGM to be held Dec 1, 2012.
13:00 for 13:30 SR Mess, Mog 5, HMC DYKD.**

ENCLOSURE SOCIAL) Christmas Function

SAOC (E) Christmas Function

Date: December 22, 2012

Cost: \$20.00 per person. **YES JUST \$20 PER PERSON!** Members are encouraged to invite family and friends as the more the merrier.

Time: 1800 through 0100 Location: Sackville Lions Club, Beaver Bank Connector Road, Lower Sackville, NS (across from Sackville SuperStore).

Cash Bar: 1800-0100

Meal to commence at 1900

Menu: Red and White Wine on each Table
Rolls and Butter
Roast Beef or Turkey
Desert Tea and Coffee

DJ: Booked to commence 2000-2359

Members wishing to attend must indicate by no later than Thursday December the 12th, 2012 with cheque or cash and make known their meal choice. Feel free to contact any member of the Executive to make reservations or arrange for a ride if required.