

SUBMARINERS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
Minutes of Monthly General Meeting
April 30, 2014
SR's Mess, MOG5

1. The **Chair** brought the meeting to order at 19:30. The **Chair** bid a special welcome to **Gerry Bourgeois, Phil Webster, Randy Truscott, Barry Galbraith, Keith Estabrooks, Greg Pease, Peter Braun, Minky Alarie and Brian LaPierre** and then reminded the members to be generous at the bar.
2. In attendance; **Pierre Alarie, Art Bodden, Gerry Bourgeois, Peter Braun, Don Brown, George Byzewski, Terry Chatham, John Clahane, Bill Cleal, Ron Cooper, Keith Estabrooks, Rob Fraser, Barry Galbraith, Jim Gordon, Don Hood, Shane Irvine, Wynn Jones, Brian Lapierre, John Madison, James Miller, Mark Miller, Maurice Moore, Greg Pease, Boyd Thomas, Keith Tovey, Randy Truscott, Irv Watson, Willie Waugh and Phil Webster.** A moment of silence for our ailing members as well as our troops was held.
3. Moved by **Jim Gordon** and seconded by **Keith Estabrooks** the minutes for **March 26th, 2014 MGM** are accepted as read. **Motion carried.**
4. **Correspondence:** In: Tridents, Bank statements
Out: Calendars and Slops items.
5. **Reports:** **Vice Chair:** Nothing new to report
Treasurer: Regret
Secretary: The **Secretary** tabled latest Financial Statement dated 30 April, 2014. Secretary then stated he renewed the post office box for another year. Cost \$193.96 The Secretary then tabled examples of the Centenary E-Mail and general mail outs (enclosed) and reminded the meeting that Terry has block booked Juno Towers for the 2nd through 5th of October, 2014 at \$60.00 a day. **The reservation # is 204024. Contact Juno Towers 902-422-5645, email @ LN45Juno@forces.gc.ca.**
Health Wellness and Slops: George reported that **Gilles Doutre** had been experiencing medical problems and he wish Gilles well. **Wynn Jones and Lucky Gordon** updated the meeting on Gilles move from hospital to home care and that he was adjusting well. George went on to say he had Slops available for sale at the meeting and continues to ship Slops and calendar sales. George said he was waiting arrival of Blazer crests and lapel pins as well as a suggestions for future purchases.
Social: Nothing new to report.
Chair: Terry opened by wishing **James Dusty Miller a very Happy 85th Birthday** to a hearty round of applause. Terry then thanked the members for the excellent turnout. The **Chair** then went on to speak of the upcoming **Battle of Atlantic Sunday** and that **Don Brown** would lay the wreath on behalf of the **SAOC (E)**. The Chair then invited **Randy Truscott** to speak on the Synchrono shed naming. Randy stated June 13th would be the day and a Colour Party from SAOC was requested. Ceremony would start 10:30 and on completion a Meet and Greet would follow in MOG5. Dress would be Blazer with medals and Berets.
6. **Old Business:** The **Chair** spoke of the Centenary Rum project with Ironworks Distillery of Lunenburg, NS and the commitment for (250) 750ml bottles at \$35/ bottle. He stated an initial

order of 250 bottles has been increased to 300 due to demand and that an example of the label would soon be available for perusal. Terry tabled the Centenary agenda for Halifax as follows; **Thursday October 2nd, 2014 18:00 for 19:00 Fleet Club Registration Meet & Greet with finger foods and music. Friday October 3rd, 2014 day time free. Options for Bus Tour to Peggy's Cove, Harbour Hopper Tours and Golfing. 18:00 for 19:00 Meet & Greet with BBQ followed by music and dance Venue Fleet Club. Saturday October 4th, 2014 free day with options for Bus Tour, Golf T times and Harbour Hopper tours. 18:00 for 19:00 Buffet Dinner and followed by DJ Dance Venue Fleet Club. Sunday October 5th, 2014 Memorial Church Service at 10:00 Stad Chapel with Breakfast and Up Spirits and Farewells at the Fleet Club.** **Mark Dusty Miller** stood and stated members of MOG5 had an order for 140 bottles of the Centenary rum prepaid. Mark then went on to state the All Ranks Mess Dinner scheduled for June had been cancelled.

7. **New Business: The Chair** invited **Bill Cleal** to speak about hotel arrangements for the Oct Centennial celebration. Bill said he will contact 4 main venues and will report next meeting.

8. **AOB: Terry Chatham and Pierre Alarie** where heading for Groton, CT for May 1st to attend an **USSUBVETS** function. **Brian LaPierre** then spoke of his recent visit to Europe and especially Juno Beach. Brian said as he was touring the site he came upon a school group from Alberta singing Oh Canada and of how proud it made them all feel. **Keith Estabrooks** stood and announced there was going to be a BOA dinner at Peregrine Saturday night next. **Randy Truscott** then stated **HMCS Chicoutimi** would hold her Initial Commissioning ceremony in the near future time, date and venue TBA.

9. 50/50 won by **Don Hood** \$ 60.00.

10. The Submariners' Prayer read by **Rob Fraser**.

11. Moved by **Bill Cleal** seconded **Pierre Alarie** the meeting is adjourned. Carried.

Next meeting will be the MGM to be held May 28th, 2014 Mog 5 19:00 for 19:30 JR's Mess.