

SUBMARINERS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA (East)

Minutes of Monthly General Meeting

May 28, 2014

JR's Mess, MOG5

1. The **Chair** brought the meeting to order at 19:33. The **Chair** commented on the turnout and welcomed **Andy Lovasi, Stephen Fyfe, Scott Parsons, Greg Pease, Bill Harris, Ray Hunt, Jim Northrup, Greg Hallonquist and Larry Hickey** and reminded the members to be generous at the bar.

2. In attendance; **Pierre Alarie, Art Bodden, Peter Braun, Don Brown, George Byzewski, Terry Chatham, John Clahane, Ron Cooper, Keith Estabrooks, Stephen Fyfe, Rob Fraser, Barry Galbraith, Greg Hallonquist, Billy Harris, Larry Hickey, Don Hood, Gary Hopkins, Ray Hunt, Shane Irvine, Andy Lovasi, Wynn Jones, John Meehan, James Miller, Jim Northrup, Scott Parsons, Greg Pease, Boyd Thomas, Keith Tovey, Irv Watson and Willie Waugh.** A moment of silence for our ailing members as well as our troops was held.

3. Moved by James “**Dusty**” **Miller** and seconded by **Keith Estabrooks** the minutes for **April 30th, 2014 MGM** are accepted as read. **Motion carried.**

4. **Correspondence:** In: Tridents, Bank statements
Out: Life member mail outs and Slops items.

5. **Reports:** **Vice Chair:** Nothing new to report
Treasurer: Tabled Monthly Financial Report to date 28th May, 2014
Secretary: The **Secretary** stated May to date has been a fairly quiet month with only a couple membership renewals and Life member mail outs. George went on to say he had heard from the Centenary Rum supplier may deliver the first order Friday May 30th, 2014.
Health Wellness and Slops: **George** reported that Willie Waugh updated the meeting on Gilles move from hospital to home care and that he was adjusting well. Willie said Pierre is under going dialysis weekly, has lost weight and is in good form. George then spoke on the Slops he has available for sale at the meeting and that he has Blazer crests, Beret Badges and lapel pins. George closed saying he will source T-shirts and Golf shirts with the Centenary Logo for delivery as soon as possible.

Social: **Keith** reminded the meeting of the **SAOC (E) Annual BBQ** to be held at **Paul and Helen Dubes’ July 5th commencing at 13:00.**

Chair: **Terry** presented the US SubVets booklet and the page the SAOC (E) paid for. Many in attendance commented on the quality of the publication. Terry credited the US SubVets in Groton for their graphics assistance with the SAOC (E) notices for the Oct 2 through 5th, 2014 Centenary function. **The Chair and Secretary** spoke of the **Centenary Rum project with Ironworks Distillery of Lunenburg, NS** and the initial delivery of 300-750ml bottles at \$35/ bottles possible Friday May 30. **Terry then spoke of the upcoming LG’s function June 11th, 2014 19:00 at Government House. Dress: Assn Blazer, Ties (Negative Berets and Medals).** Terry went on to speak of the **Shed Naming Ceremony June 13th, 2014, at 10:00** and that an **Escort Party of 6** from the SAOC was requested. **Ron Cooper, Rob Fraser, Art Bodden, Keith Estabrooks, Terry Chatham and George Byzewski** stepped up. **The Ceremony will start 10:00 and on completion a Meet and Greet would follow in MOG5. Dress: Assn Blazer, Tie and Beret.**

Negative Medals. Parking has been reserved across from the South Gate and for those unable to walk parking will be next to the Shed. Members are encouraged to give the SAOC (E) a strong representation at the Shed Naming Ceremony.

6. **Old Business:** Nil.

7. **New Business:** Nil

8. **AOB:** Stephen Fyfe stood and spoke of an opportunity to acquire custom made rings @ \$250.00 all included. Boat crests and inscriptions are available. Contact Stephen Fyfe for orders at sfyfe@hotmail.ca

Keith Estabrooks announced a pension benefits information session at RCNA Peregrine Friday afternoon May 30th.

Willie Waugh spoke of the June 7th, 2014 ceremony to be held at the Peace Keepers Park, Bass River for 10:00 and invited any and all to attend. Dress: Assn Blazer, Tie and Beret with medals. **Taff Jones** said he and his wife paid a visit to the park recently were he meet 2 retired submariners helping to maintain the grounds. **Willie** then mentioned he did “coffee” with **John Rogers** a fellow electrical guru from the 1957 era of Canadians in UK submarines. **Greg Pease** said he would like to join them in the future.

Terry Chatham then reminded the meeting of **Rob Fraser’s retirement June 12th, 2014 at MOG5 for 11:45.** Terry then asked **Jim Northrup** how he was doing and **Jim** reported he was now **Cancer free.** All showed their support with a round of applause.

9. 50/50 won by **Ron Cooper \$ 72.00. Ron donated \$40.00 to the General fund.**

10. The Submariners’ Prayer read by **Billy Harris.**

11. Moved by **Jim Northrup** seconded by **Don Brown** the meeting is adjourned. Carried.

Next meeting will be the MGM to be held June 25th, 2014 Mog 5 19:00 for 19:30 SR’s Mess.