

## **Minutes of The General Meeting Number 72**

Held at C&E Museum, Kingston Ont., Sunday 25 September 2005

### **Executive**

Cec Penney, President

Tom George, V/President

Ron Knapton, P/President

Bob Lent, Membership

Terry Murphy, Secretary/Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 1400 hours. There were 38 members present.

### **1. PRESIDENT'S OPENING COMMENTS**

The president welcomed members and guests to the meeting especially those who had traveled from afar. It was noted that Barney Barnsdale, Ottawa and Robert Charlebois, St Lambert were in attendance, well done guys. If you have e-mail and are not receiving notes from the club, please send us you e-mail address.

### **2. DECEASED MEMBERS, WIVES & OLD COMRADES**

The president directed attention to a copy of Annex A (Attached) deceased members, wives and old comrades to date. The President asked if there were any additions to the list. None were offered and the president called for a minute of silence in remembrance of our fallen comrades. **“At the going down of the Sun and in the Morning we will remember them”**.

### **3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The President stated that previous minutes were emailed and mailed and then asked for any errors or omissions. The President requested the minutes be adopted as issued. It was moved by Ed Peters and second by Bill Fallows. Carried.

### **4. SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The Secretary stated that the Club Membership as of this date stood at 725 and that Membership Status Sheets were avail.

### **5. TREASURER'S REPORT**

The treasurer distributed a copy of the Treasurers Report (Annex B).

Moved by Terry Murphy and seconded by Glen Parker that the Financial Report be accepted as presented. Carried

The president outlined the great work that the Treasurer was doing and asked for a round of applause for Terry.

## **6. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS ATTENDING FOR THE FIRST TIME**

The President asked if there were any member attending the meeting for the first time. Ken Nicholson visiting from Lake Cowichan B.C. was introduced to a round of applause.

## **7. SICK/HOSPITAL REPORT** As reported by Ron Knapton:

Jack Geggie was very sick at home. If anyone knows of a member or old comrade who is hospitalized, please pass the name on to Ron Knapton or to the Club e-mail address, so that we can inform members.

## **8. ENTERTAINMENT REPORT**

The President stressed that because we couldn't get a volunteer to chair the entertainment cmty that the Vice Tom George, the Executive and interested members were handling the Entertainment. The **Monthly Club Luncheons** held on the last Thursday of each month are very successful and will continue. The Army Navy Air Force, Gore Road in Kingston has a new cook and the Club is looking again at trying this venue.

The annual **Christmas Bingo** was very successful thanks to the hard work of Tom George and all his volunteers. Great prizes were available and a small profit was realized. The Bingo this year will be on the 11 Dec 05 at the Junior Ranks Club, check the flyer for the details.

The **Weekend of Memories** is a go and Bill Fallows spoke at length about the functions over the weekend and asked for volunteers to see him ref skits and a joke contest for Sat night. Bill and Terry have worked very hard on our behalf and deserve a big round of applause. Details will be provided with these minutes as well as email. Bob Lent was able to get Jim Keirstead to donate a hand painted tie, which Terry displayed at the meeting and was selling tickets. The profit from the Tie will be used as our contribution to the Museum Youth Program, if enough tickets are sold it will be drawn that weekend. Tickets for the Weekend are still available, see Terry.

## **9. OLD BUSINESS**

**Spring Cleanup at the Museum** – Tony Charters and a small crew of volunteers along with the crew from the Museum did an excellent job of sprucing up all the memorials around the front of the Museum. Tony was thanked and a round of applause followed.

**Museum Education Fund** – Last meeting we spoke on the education project and the Club pledged a donation of \$500.00 per year for the next three years. To assist with this donation one of our club members Jim Gratto donated a beautiful carved duck that was raffled off and ticket sales realized very close to the \$500 dollars. Whitey Martins from the Barry/Borden area won the duck. Not to be outdone the sister to the duck magically appeared thanks to Jim again and we will be holding another raffle in support of our Weekend of Memories. Jim Gratto was thanked and a round of applause followed.

**Year of the Veteran** – In addition to all the events organized by DVA/Legions and clubs, the Sigs Club organized a bus trip to the War Museum in Ottawa and by all accounts it was a great success, again many thanks to Terry. Free parking for vets displaying Vet plates in the City of Kingston was pursued and is still pending. Terry contacted DVA and obtained several Year of the Vet pins and mailed them to several of our members outside of Canada.

## **10. NEW BUSINESS**

**The Sigs Club Display Case** is now displayed in the Bell conference room of the Museum and we are still looking for suitable items for display. The Club is preparing a scroll listing the founding members of the Club and when completed it will be displayed in the case.

**The Signaller** – After eons, Ed Peters has retired as editor of our newsletter and the president thanked him, followed by a round of applause. The Club is looking for a new editor and the president requested any member interested to contact the executive.

**Museum Chairman's Ball** –The ball is being held on the 15 Oct 05 at the Days Inn, Kingston and tickets are avail at the Museum.

**C&E Branch Reunion** – An email was sent to the Branch requesting any information on a possible C&E Reunion in 2008. The reply was that it was under discussion. More to follow.

**Bruce Carruthers Grave Site Ceremony** - Members are encouraged to attend the Grave Site Services for Bruce Carruthers, at the Cataraqui Cemetery on **Friday 21 Oct 2005** at 1100hrs (arrive at 1030 hrs). The Signallers Club will be laying a Wreath along with the Joint Signal Regt during the hour ceremony.

**Remembrance Day** – 11 Nov 05. form up, 1030hrs Vimy Gate. Sigs Club will lay a wreath and all members and families are welcome.

## **12. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Ed Melanson advised the members that the flags flying at half-mast across the city were in honour of our fallen comrades, police, prison service and fire fighters. Thanks Ed.

The president advised the members that the Museum would be open Sat and Sun for the Weekend of Memories.

Jim Gratto advised the meeting that DVA were looking for nominal rolls of personnel serving in Camp Gagetown from 1954- 1967. This has to do with the Agent Orange debate.

Tony Charters informed the Club that our Bruce Carruthers was at one time Commodore of the Kingston Yacht Club and had donated a very impressive cup for yachting competitions.

**13. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be the Annual General meeting and will be held at **C&E Museum Sunday 23 April 2006 at 1400 hours.** Kit Shop will be open and refreshments available, hope to see you there.

**14. PRESIDENT'S CLOSING REMARKS**

The President thanked everyone for attending and reiterated the Carruthers Grave Site Ceremony, the Weekend of Memories and Nov 11<sup>th</sup>.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

The president made a motion for adjournment. Seconded by Ron Knapton. The meeting adjourned at 1505 hrs.

Minutes Prepared by: Terry Murphy (Secretary/Treasurer)

Cec Penney (President)

**DUES REMINDER:**

**For those who pay yearly dues, they are payable by 31 Dec 2005. Please send cheque or money order to The Signallers Club of Canada ,Box 1983, Kingston, On, K7L 5J8.**

**ANNEX A TO AGENDA # 72– GENERAL MEETING 25 SEP 05**

**MEMBERS**

Ed **Coombe**, LM 163, on 3 Aug 05, at Calgary, Ab  
Joseph **Hart**, LM 204 , on 6 Jul 05, at Oshawa ,On  
Robert **Conroy**, LM 306, on 1 Jun 05, at Kingston, On  
Cal **Heywood**, LM 501, on 19 Apr 05, at Purley, UK  
Stan **Jamieson**, LM 022, 8 Jan 02, at London ,On

**WIVES OF MEMBERS**

Eunice **Speirs**, wife of LM 395 John Speirs ,15 Sep 05, at Toronto, On  
Joan **Benke**, wife of LM 282 Denis Benke, 31 Jul 05, at Ottawa, On  
Marguerite **Brawn**, wife of LM 681 Don Brawn, 5 Mar 05, at Fredricton NB

**OLD COMRADES**

Edward **Hulbert**, 1 Sep 05, Markham ,On  
Peter **Stone**, 27 Jul 05, Coquitlam, BC  
Leonard **Simmons**, 27 Jul 05, Uxbridge, On  
Ron **Belleville**, 25 Jul 05, Ottawa, On  
Brian **Wilson**, 14 Jul 05, Halifax, NS  
Steve **Dorosh**, Jul 05, Calgary, AB  
Norman **McMullen**, 27 Jun 05, Ottawa, On  
Jackson **Bayne**, 16 Jun 05, Oakville ,On  
Ken **O'Toole**, 7 Jun 05, Ottawa, On  
Glen **Ritchie**, 6 Jun 05, Guelph, On  
Robert **Blizzard**, 23 May 05, Saint John, NB  
Bernard **Marriott**, 19 May 05, Medicine Hat, Ab  
Gordon **McConnell**, 13 May 05, White Rock ,BC  
Ken **Larson**, 11 Apr 05, Guelph, On  
Gordon **Knight**, 17 Apr 05, Seattle , Washington  
Roy **Ellerman**, 25 Apr 05, Vancouver, BC  
Don **Gibson**, 24 Apr 05  
Hugh **Murray**, 23 Apr 05, New Glasgow , NS  
William **Baygan**, 22 Apr 05, Kingston ,On  
Len **Juteau**, 15 Apr 05, Victoria , BC  
Albert (Sonny) **Evans**, 13 Apr 05, Kingston , On

**MAY THEY FOREVER REST IN PEACE**      **V V V**

**ANNEX B TO AGENDA # 72 – FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**GENERAL MEETING 25 SEP 2005**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Bank Accounts

SIGS CLUB CHEQUING

Ending Balance 6,577.11

plus: Cheques Payable 83.13

-----  
TOTAL SIGS CLUB CHEQUING 6,660.24

-----  
TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts 6,660.24

**Other Assets**

KCCU SHARES 150.73

-----  
**TOTAL Other Assets 150.73**

**Investments**

BNS 1 JUNE 07 8,904.93

BNS 29 -June 07 15,804.73

BNS 30 Jun 07 10,195.18

CO-OP TRUST-Dec 07 14,000.00

KCCU YEARLY-March 06 9,000.00

-----  
TOTAL Investments **57,904.84**

-----  
**TOTAL ASSETS 64,715.81**

**LIABILITIES**

Checks Payable 83.13

-----  
**TOTAL LIABILITIES 83.13**

-----  
**OVERALL TOTAL 64,632.68**



**The Signallers Club of Canada**

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER**  
**AND BINGO**  
**SUN 11 DEC 2005**

CFB KINGSTON JUNIOR RANKS CLUB Mc NAUGHTON BARRACKS

BINGO STARTS AT 1400 HRS - HAM AND TURKEY CERTIFICATES

MENU - TURKEY DINNER INCLUDING SALAD DRESSING, GRAVY,  
CRANBERRY SAUCE, MASHED POTATOES, VEGETABLES, RELISH  
& PICKLE TRAYS, BUNS, DESSERT TABLE, TEA AND COFFEE.

**COST - \$19.00 PP (INCLUDING ONE BINGO CARD)**

(NON PERISHABLE FOOD ITEM FOR THE CHRISTMAS BASKET WOULD BE  
APPRECIATED)

**Tickets must be reserved NLT 05 Dec 05**

We must have a firm commitment by 05 Dec, if you reserve a ticket you are  
expected to pay for it unless there are special circumstances that would  
prevent you from honouring your commitment.

Contact    - Cec Penney        - 613 - 634 - 0659 - [cecil.penney@sympatico.ca](mailto:cecil.penney@sympatico.ca)  
              - Terry Murphy      - 613 - 389 - 9546 - [va3trm@sympatico.ca](mailto:va3trm@sympatico.ca)  
              - Tom George        - 613 - 542 - 0611 - [tomgeorge@cogeco.ca](mailto:tomgeorge@cogeco.ca)

# WEEKEND OF MEMORIES

21/2223 OCT 2005

## “TENTATIVE” SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

<u>FRIDAY</u>	1530-1700	REGISTRATION
	1530-2200	MEET & GREET
	1730-1815	CHOICE OF STEAK OR CHICKEN BBQ
<u>SATURDAY</u>	AFTERNOON GATHERINGS BY GROUPS	
	1800-1900	PRE-DINNER DRINKS
	1900	SMORGASBORD DINNER (beef,ham,chicken and all the trimmings)
	2030	DANCING TO A DJ(50’S/60’S)
	2200	SKITS
	0030	BEDTIME(for some )
<u>SUNDAY</u>	1000	GATHER AT THE MUSEUM
	1025	FORM UP IN FRONT OF OUR ROCK
	1030	BRIEF SERVICE
	1115	BREAKFAST