



Minutes of the monthly meeting for January 2019.

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Friday 4th January at T/S Jamaica SCC unit HQ Hartsdown Park Margate, S/M Richard Hiller in the chair. There were 15 members present, with 3 apologies.

Chairman's Welcome.

S/M Richard welcomed all to the meeting wishing them all a happy new year, a silent tribute followed for those shipmates that had crossed the bar and remembering those in sickbay.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the December meeting were read, these were accepted and proposed by S/M Paula Taft and seconded by S/M Bill Nash. There were no matters arising.

Correspondence.

A visit from the late S/M Patrick O'Hare's daughter Josephine bearing 2 bottles of Pussers rum for the standard bearers who attended his funeral, she said she was well pleased. I took 1 bottle to S/M Ron Williams Ramsgate and S/M Richard has presented his back to the branch. Thank you, Richard.

Area 2 AGM is to be held at Sidcup followed by an evening fish and chip supper.

A copy of Warship magazine.

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No Semaphore Circular this month

Christmas Cards to the branch read.

The correspondence was proposed by S/M Alan Palin and seconded by S/M. Dave Emptage.

Treasurers Report.

The treasurer S/M Bernie Taft gave the financial report for December income was £23 raffle, expenditure £100 to T/S Jamaica leaving total branch assets at £1133-30. He stated he was waiting for the branch account from central office for pooled fares and standard insurance then he could make up the books for end of year audit. He also stated we need another auditor after

January minutes continued.

the death of S/M John Chapman, S/M John Sheldon offered his services, which were accepted. The report was accepted by S/M John Bell and seconded by S/M Bill Nash.

Social Report.

No report tonight but S/M Bernie gave a full report on his prostate cancer and treatment which seems to be going well with his last radiation session behind him.

Welfare Report.

S/M Alan reported no new cases, and he was able to attend the funeral of S/M Patrick. Shipmate's reported that both S/M's John Brown & Tony Sayer were poorly and unable to attend meetings anymore, as well as S/M Bernie Butten. It would be nice if shipmate could visit or keep the branch informed. S/m John Brown sends his best wishes to all.

Standard Bearers Report.

The chairman reported that the Standard was paraded at the funeral of S/M Patrick at Our Lady Star of the Sea Broadstairs on Friday 14th December.

T.S. Jamaica Sea Cadets.

S/M John Sheldon stated that the cadet's presentation evening went well and he presented the cheque for £100 which was gratefully received by their chairman.

Any Other Business.

The secretary reminded all that subs at £14 were due now.

S/M Sheila Howard appealed for a bugler for February 12th Channel Dash day.

The meeting closed at 20:30 with prayers and singing of the branch song.

"Up Spirits" Happy New Year.

Please note we will not be having a February meeting due to the cold here in the main deck and that the next meeting will be **Friday 1st March 2019 at T/S Jamaica.**