



## Agenda

### Branch Meeting of the Barrow in Furness Branch - Submariners Association. December 3rd 2024, at 1930 at the Royal British Legion

1. **Chairman's welcome:** Chairman
2. **New Members:** None
3. **Visitors:** None
4. **Apologies:**  
Members: Martyn Hillier, Ben Britten, Dave Barlow, Ken Brumby, Bob Sherriff, R McMorris  
  
Associate Members: Sheila Sherriff, Sally Hambling.
5. **Attendees:** as per list.  
  
Associate Members: as per list.
6. **Crossed the Bar reported since the issue of the November 2024 Newsletter.**  
(Secretary to read out).

#### **Petty Officer Electrical Mechanician Paul J Dymond**

Reporting Branch Dolphin Branch

CTB May 2024 Age 84 O/N D061433J

**Submarine Service** from December 1967 to August 1974  
in GRAMPUS & ORACLE

#### **ME1 Edwin Wayne Farrelly**

Reporting Branch SM Association of Canada

CTB 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024 Age 77 O/N N/A

**Submarine Service** from January 1981 to 1985  
in ONONDAGA & OKANAGAN

#### **Lieutenant Commander RAN Kitson David Morgan**

Reporting Branch SM Association of Australia

CTB 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024 Age 72 O/N N/A

**Submarine Service** in DOLPHIN, OVENS (January 1973), OXLEY & ORION

#### **Petty Officer M(E) Gordon A Vasey**

Reporting Branch Nottingham Branch

CTB 30<sup>th</sup> October 2024 Age 89 O/N P/KX 920829

**Submarine Service** from March 1955 to October 1964 in ALLIANCE,  
AUROCHS, THOROUGH, TRESPASSER & TAPIR (on Commissioning on 27<sup>th</sup>  
January 1961)

**ME1 John Scott (Scotty) Brown**

Reporting Branch Northern Ireland Branch

CTB November 2024 Age 78 O/N P065904

**Submarine Service** from 1964 to 1975 in OBERON, ARTFUL, CACHALOT, RORQUAL & OLYMPUS

**Leading Radio Operator (SM) Paul A Donohoe**

Reporting Branch We Remember Submariners

CTB 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 Age TBA O/N TBA

**Submarine Service 26 years** including RENOWN, VANGUARD (P)

(1st Commission Crew) on 14th August 1993 & TIRELESS

(also served in Plymouth, Naples & Northwood)

**Warrant Officer ETC4 (SM) John Frederick Eugene (Fred) Fisher**

Reporting Branch We Remember Submariners & SM Association of Australia

CTB 5<sup>th</sup> November 2024 Age 79 O/N TBA

**Submarine Service** in DOLPHIN, GRAMPUS, OTUS & ODIN & RAN in OXLEY, OTWAY, OVENS, ONSLOW, ORION, OTAMA & COLLINS

**Leading Marine Engineering Mechanic (M) Stephen G Fox**

Reporting Branch We Remember Submariners

CTB 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 Age TBA O/N TBA

**Submarine Service** in SUPERB (1st Commission Crew) on 13th November 1976 & SPARTAN (1st Commission Crew on 22nd September 1979)

**Petty Officer Ordnance Electrician John Holland**

Reporting Branch Vectis Branch & We Remember Submariners

CTB 22<sup>th</sup> November 2024 Age 82 O/N M975875

**Submarine Service** from 1955 to 1977 in PORPOISE (twice), FINWHALE, CACHALOT, OPPORTUNE & ONYX

**CPO Weapons Engineering Artificer Christopher (Whiskey) Walker**

Reporting Branch West of Scotland Branch & We Remember Submariners

CTB 26<sup>th</sup> November 2024 Age 66 O/N D146912D

**Submarine Service** in in RESOLUTION, REPULSE & VICTORIOUS (S) (1st Commission Crew) on 7th January 1995)

**Stoker Mechanic Allan Birkby**

Reporting Branch Sheffield Branch

CTB November 2024 Age 94 O/N D/SKX 849350

**Submarine Service** from January 1951 to January 1955 in ALLIANCE (1951 to 1953), ALARIC (1953) & UPSTART (1954 to 1955)

**Toast to absent friends.**

7. **Minutes of November 2024 meeting:** Proposed: ???  
Seconded: ???

8. **Matter arising from the November Branch Meeting:** ???

9. **Secretary Report:** Les Hambling

I would like to welcome everyone here this evening; Christmas is fast approaching; please support the events our Social Secretary Alex has planned for us.

A committee meeting has been held and the results of that meeting have been circulated by email to the membership. I have a hard copy with me for anyone to peruse if they desire.

I would like to make a special mention at this point for **Johnney the Rum** from near Carlisle who passed away last Saturday. His family phoned our Treasurer with the sad news. As you all know he served us admirably for a number of years with our Navy Rum.

Now for a number parish notices.

I give notice that all proposals for the SAC National are to be with me by **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of December**. I need to pass them to SAC National before the Christmas break.

Our own **AGM will be in March or April 2025**.

All proposals, Committee nominations and changes to our R's and C's, if any are to be forwarded to me by the January meeting. This will allow the committee to review and put forward any ideas from the membership for inclusion in the AGM after scrutiny.

Finally; I have not received any update from the SAC regarding meetings and the financial situation at National Level. I will continue to ask questions and report back to the membership if the situation changes.

Thank you.

10. **Social Secretary's Report.** Alex Webb

Hi Everybody,

November saw us remembering all those that have fallen and all our absent friends, I represented the branch with the standard at Barrow railway station on the Saturday, Remembrance Sunday at the cenotaph and the Crane remembrance on the Monday. Lest We Forget.

Socials;

**December**, we have the Christmas party at the legion on **Saturday 21st Dec**, ticket price £6 with bring a plate of food, finger buffet only and no mince pies. Last year this event was mostly supported by those who use the legion and not the branch and it is looking to be very similar this year. I need your support if I am going to keep organising a Christmas party. Tickets are on sale now so please support the branch and me at this event I need 60 of you just to break even, Denis Horan is singing, raffle and generally a laugh.

DTS in Seaweed Corner on 1pm on **Saturday 28th** – Free drink, rum and chip butties, I put this on to thank all those who have supported the social events over the year. I need to have numbers so please tell me at the meetings or get in touch to say you are going to be there and I will ensure I bring enough rum and chips.

The members' draw was not won in November so stands at £25 for the December meeting.

I will be producing a social calendar for next year over December and will have it ready for January 2025.

If you cannot make any of the socials then let me be the first to wish you a Merry Christmas, and a Happy, Healthy (and if possible) Wealthy New Year.

Yours Aye

**Alex**

#### 11. **Treasurer's Report:** Richard Cambridge

Treasurer's Report: financial year 2024/2025. November 5<sup>th</sup> 2024 income and outgoings from sources verified to date.

Any other income or outgoings not mentioned will be checked and reconciled accordingly.

Income up to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Collection 50p's                      £TBA

K2B Run Donation                      £1,700 transferred to Current Account

Total      **Income**                      £1,700

Expenditure

Total      **Outgoing**                      £TBA

Summary

Cash in Float                              £TBA

Current Acc                                £4,437.86

Business Acc                               £0.00 Will be closed in due course.

Savings Acc                                £4,532.94

Total                                        £8,970.80

**Available**                                £4,437.86

#### 12. **Website Managers Report:**

13. **Newsletter Editor's Report:**
14. **Welfare & Sick Call:**
  - a. **Ken Brumby:** our thoughts are for him and Jean at this very trying time.
15. **AOB:**
  
16. The date of the Next Branch Meeting is **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 1930.**
17. **Meeting Shut at** ????
18. **Up Spirits & Loyal Toast:** The President gave the Loyal Toast.