

## SOUTHWEST ARM HISTORICAL SOCIETY Annual General Meeting Minutes Manday November 10, 2019

Monday, November 19, 2018 Random New Horizons 50 Plus Club, Hillview, NL

#	ITEM/DISCUSSION
1	Elaine Spurrell welcomed everyone, introduced the executive, and called meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m.
	In attendance Chairperson: Elaine Spurrell, Vice chair/Webmaster: Wanda Garrett, Treasurer: Andrew Peddle, Military Projects: Lester Green, Members at Large Morley Garrett, John Spurrell, Max Peddle, and Flo Peddle
	Regrets: Secretary and Storyboard Projects Peggy Hogan, Members at Large Sarah Sharpe and Valerie Johnson
2	Adoption of 2017 AGM Minutes  John Spurrell moved to accept the minutes of November 22, 2017, it was seconded by Max  Peddle. Motioned carried.
3	Treasurer's Report – Andrew Peddle Andrew Peddle presented his reported covering the period August 12, 2018 to November 19, 2018. Revenue: \$21,533.08 Expenses: \$8,649.87 Ledger Balance as of November 19: \$12,883.21
	Note: Some of this money was raised for the Southport storyboard which we hope to complete early 2019.
	Andrew moved the adopted of his treasures report and it was seconded by Morley Garrett. Motion carried.
4	Website Report – Wanda Garrett The website was launched on December 1, 2014 and currently has 1,456 pages with over 5,200 photos. It continues to grow. Every month Wanda emails a list of new items that were added to the website during the past month to member of SWA Historical Society.
	Currently Wanda is creating a separate page for each of our WWI veterans. She is placing all the information that we have collected on each veteran on his page to make it easy for all to locate.
	Also working on a few family years. The goal is to upload all of the family trees of SWA. Wanda suggested if anyone has already completed their family tree and would like to share,

we would be happy to upload it to the website. She also pointed out that we do not post information on living people for privacy reasons.

Everyone was encouraged to share items for the website – such as photos, stories, profiles/stories of ancestors, etc. Also, if anyone would like to help transcribe items for the website, their help would be greatly appreciated.

## 5 Storyboard Report

Heart's Ease Beach storyboard is completed. It is located behind the church in Gooseberry Cove at the top of the trail to Heart's Ease Beach.

Money for the Southport storyboard was raised from the ticket sale of the print "Pop Shed" (which was donated by the Stringer family). Lee Stringer has been working with our committee on the wording for the storyboard.

We have also received the commitment of funds for a story board for Long Beach from someone who has connections to Long Beach.

Our plan is to have a story board in every community. This will take some time as storyboards are costly and take time to develop and design.

## 6. Other Business

Elaine, Wanda and Lester have been invited to the House of Assembly on Thursday, November 22 to the Speaker's Gallery. MHA Colin Holloway will be making a Member's Statement on the work of the Southwest Arm Historical Society.

The Southwest Arm Historical Society is one of three award finalists for the Governor General's History Award for Excellence in Community Programming. We will be recognized for our work at the presentation of the awards on January 28, 2019 in Ottawa. Airfare and expenses will be paid for one member of our committee to attend – we hope to be able to send three members to the presentation.

Andrew read a letter the Society received from MP Seamus O'Regan congratulating us on our work "to honor, preserve and pay tribute to the 87 young men from Southwest Arm who enlisted and served in the Royal Naval Reserve from 1914-1918 during World War I."

## 7. Election of officers for 2019-2020

The following slate of officers for the Southwest Arm Historical Society was moved by Elaine and seconded by Wanda:

Chairperson: Elaine Spurrell

Vice chair/Webmaster: Wanda Garrett

Secretary: Peggy Hogan Treasurer: Andrew Peddle Military Projects: Lester Green

Members at Large Morley Garrett, John Spurrell, Max Peddle, and Flo Peddle, Valerie

Johnson, Sarah Sharpe

	Motion carried.
8.	Military Project Report – Lester Green
	Lester presented a slide show of the 87 banners of the Royal Naval Reservists from SWA. The background music was performed by the Southwest Arm Glee Club, Haley Peddle and Katie Kelly.
	Lester noted that he wrote 31stories on the men from SWA who served with the Royal Naval Reserve during WWI. He still has a number of articles to complete for The Packet to cover the reservists from Hodge's Cove and Gooseberry Cove. Also, the Downhome carried two articles and have agreed to carry a couple of other articles.
	The SWA Historical Society hope to raise enough money to honour all those who served from SWA with a monument. Lester stated that the money he has earned from writing these articles will go towards this commemorative monument – he currently has over \$7000.00 to be used for this monument.
9.	Max Peddle made a motion to adjourn.