

## Plan for 2024/25 SAOC(W) Meetings

### August: 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Canadian Submarines | Official Naming of HMC Dockyard building D-85 as the Lieutenant William McKinstry Maitland-Dougall Building

- Date: 2 August 2024
- Time: 10am
- Location: D-85, Dockyard
- Theme: Naming of D-85 in honour of the first Canadian submariner KIA

### September: Summer BBQ

- Date: Sunday, 15 September 2024
- Time: 1pm to 4pm
- Location: Admiral's Residence D-101, Dockyard
- Theme: Fellowship gathering.
- Coordinating Instructions: Bring your own drinks. Barbecue, snacks and light dessert will be provided. Access requirements for access to the dockyard will be promulgated in mid-August.

### September: Historical Speaker

- Date: Last Wednesday (25<sup>th</sup>)
- Time: 7pm to 8pm
- Location: C&POs Mess
- Theme: Ed Falstrom will discuss his experiences as first crew of HMCS *Rainbow* and last crew of HMCS *Grilse*.

### October: Subs & Suds

- Date: Last Wednesday (30<sup>th</sup>)
- Time: 2:30pm to 4pm
- Location: D-85, Dockyard
- Theme: *Subs & Suds* (Social gathering with food and drinks)
- Coordinating Instructions: Snacks provided. Cash bar will be open. Access requirements for access to the dockyard will be promulgated in mid-September.

### November: Tour

- Date: Last Wednesday (27<sup>th</sup>)
- Time: 2:30pm to 4pm
- Location: D-85, Dockyard
- Theme: Tour of HMCS *Corner Brook*
- Coordinating Instructions: Wear comfortable shoes and working clothes. Access requirements for access to the dockyard will be promulgated in mid-October.

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### December: Xmas Luncheon

- Date: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday (1<sup>st</sup>)
- Time: 1pm Cocktails, 2pm Luncheon
- Location: *4 Mile Pub*, 199 Island Highway

### January: Victoria-class Speaker

- Date: Last Wednesday of January (29<sup>th</sup>)
- Time: 7pm to 8pm
- Location: TBD but likely Collier Theatre, Work Point, 1094 Victoria View Road
- Theme: Update on the Canadian Patrol Submarine Project by the Senior Submariner
- Coordinating Instructions: Access requirements for access to Work Point will be promulgated in mid-November.

### February: Subs & Suds

- Date: Last Wednesday (26<sup>th</sup>)
- Time: 2:30pm to 4pm
- Location: C&POs Mess
- Theme: *Subs & Suds* (Social gathering with food and drinks)

### March: 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the SAOC(W)

- Date: Friday, 28 March 2024
- Time: Luncheon
- Location: Tentatively C&POs Mess
- Theme: Celebrate the 30 years of SAOCW name
- Coordinating Instructions: Will be more than “just” a luncheon so plan on coming for the day/evening!

### April: Annual General Meeting (AGM)

- Date: Last Wednesday of April (30<sup>th</sup>)
- Time: 6:30pm gather, 7pm to 8pm meeting (Hybrid Meeting on Zoom)
- Location: C&POs Mess
- Theme: AGM (business meeting)

### May: Qualicum Beach

- Date: Saturday, 17 May 2025 (Victoria Day Weekend)
- Time: 1pm
- Location: Qualicum Beach Legion, 180 Veterans Way
- Theme: Annual Qualicum Beach meeting

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### June: Victoria-class Speaker

- Date: Last Wednesday (25<sup>th</sup>)
- Time: 7pm to 8pm
- Location: Collier Theatre, Work Point, 1094 Victoria View Road
- Theme: Discuss *Corner Brook* between 2007 and 2009, where in addition to normal fleet duties, it deployed to the Canadian North for Operation *Nanook* and the Caribbean Sea to conduct a counter-drug patrol as part of Operation *Caribbe*. In recognition of its outstanding contribution to Canadian sovereignty, *Corner Brook* was awarded the Canadian Armed Forces Unit Commendation in 2008.
- Coordinating Instructions: Access requirements for access to Work Point will be promulgated in mid-May.

### Summer: CANSUBFOR Pig Roast

- Date: TBD
- Location: TBD

### Upcoming notable dates:

[2024 Milestone Event](#): 5 August 1914 is the Anniversary of the Canada's first submarine - 110 years in 2024

### [2025 Milestone Events](#):

January 1995 is the rebranding of the Submariners Old Comrades Association Canadian Pacific Branch to Submariners Association of Canada (West) – 30 years in 2025

3 September 2015 is the anniversary of the commissioning of HMCS *Chicoutimi* – 10 years in 2025

23 September 1965 is the anniversary of the commissioning of HMCS *Ojibwa* – 60 years in 2025

### [2026 Milestone Events](#):

16 January 1986 is the birth date of Submariners Old Comrades Association Canadian Pacific Branch – 40 years in 2026

22 April 1966 is the anniversary of the founding of the First Canadian Submarine Squadron – 60 years in 2026

11 May 1961 is the anniversary of the commissioning of HMCS *Grilse* – 65 years in 2026

5 July 2001 is the anniversary of the commissioning of HMCS *Windsor* – 25 years in 2026

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### 2027 Milestone Events:

22 June 1967 is the anniversary of the commissioning of HMCS *Onondaga* – 60 years in 2027

### 2028 Milestone Events:

2 Dec 1968 is the anniversary of the commissioning of HMCS *Rainbow* – 60 years in 2028

22 June 1968 is the anniversary of the commissioning of HMCS *Okanagan* – 60 years in 2028

29 June 2003 is the anniversary of the commissioning of HMCS *Corner Brook* – 25 years in 2028

### 2029 Milestone Events:

Nothing yet – historians amongst: any ideas?

### 2030 Milestone Events:

2 December 2000 is the anniversary of the commissioning of HMCS *Victoria* – 30 years in 2030

