



**SM2 SUNSHINE SQUADRON 1909 - 2002**

## **2ND SUBMARINE SQUADRON**

### **17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 2018**

*Gents,*

I'm fast running out of superlatives with regards to you the attendees of the SM2 Sunshine Squadron annual reunion, this year we were dealt a piss poor hand weather wise, all ways in to Plymouth be it road, rail, air or sea had some monumental travel obstacles to overcome, but, being who and what you are, you made it, I had 111 names ticked off in my 'Blue Entry Address Book', there was 34 'newbies' that completed the S/M2 Reunion Pro-forma making it 145 persons present (that's the people who came through the main entrance), as ever, I seem to think that there was more than that present.

Give yourselves a huge pat on the back as this year, notwithstanding the adverse weather conditions; you collectively helped raise the bar *AGAIN* on most fronts.

The Main Raffle raised £600.

Micky Dunne donated a painting which was auctioned raising £110.

HMS/M Affray Memorial nick-nacks (Dolphins/cap tallies etc;) raised £46.12.

The Door Entry from food cheques was £68.00, add to that the Door Entry box of £326.00, then this comes to £394, divide this by £2.00 entry and it appears that the numbers present was nearer 197 than 145.

Total takings £1150.12

The All In-All Out raffle was slightly down but never the less, still a worthy raffle given back in the shape of 5 cash prizes, they being approximately £786 1<sup>st</sup> £393, 2<sup>nd</sup> £197, 3<sup>rd</sup> £97, 4<sup>th</sup> £65 and 5<sup>th</sup> £34.

Apart from the tips given to the bar staff when purchasing your drinks individually across the bar, a volunteer from the Plymouth Branch of Submariners (Graham) took the Bar Staff/Catering Staff 'Tips Bucket' round for any spare change, he collected a magnificent £256.07, this is split evenly between both groups and once again the Catering Staff as ever, donated their half to the Children's Hospice South West.

The food orders were 50 this year, a slight increase on last year, I blame Colin Groves Ha! Colin couldn't make it himself BUT, he sent a cheque to me covering four meals for the needy amongst us who were too late to order food in time. Thank you Colin, much appreciated, and there was food left over at the end which did what it said on your tin.

As you were informed by Grant Fox during the Main Raffle, I will be standing down as the Lead Organiser of the Reunion and my relief will be Keith Burt. Keith if you're not aware was the guy dishing out the rum when you came in having been ripped off at the raffle ticket desk. I'll still be involved over the coming years, probably on the food ordering side of things as I do with the Diesel Boat Reunion.

Expenses 2017/18	£
1. Free virtual Server (Easy Internet Solutions) Inv No 113344	8.39
2. Free virtual Server (Easy Internet Solutions) Inv No 113980	13.19
3. Glass Bric-a-brac Children's Hospice Plymouth PL1 INF	3.00
4. Glass Bric-a-bac & Carrier Bag British Heart Foundation LANA	4.04

5. Glass Bric-a-bac PDSA Help a vet Plymouth PL1 1NX	3.99
6. Plymouth Trophyman Engraving	75.00
7. Booker Plastic Tot Shot glasses	6 80
Total	114.41

Overspend of £14.41

£1150.12 breakdown :-

Suggested Chosen Charity      £900 TBC.

Overspend                              £14.41

Rum                                        £52.00

This leaves £183.71 to kick-start the 2019 Reunion.

Keith Burt Purchased 5 x 1.5ltr Btls of Rum @ £26 each (£130), 2 bottles used (£52) and Diesel Boat Reunion (Grant Fox to purchase these 3 remaining bottles (£78), £130 is Keiths

Thank you one and all for your generosity.

Stay well and stay safe.

B. Dob.