



THE ROYAL ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION

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MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY BRANCH MEETING
OF THE GRAVESEND & DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ENGINEERS
ASSOCIATION
HELD IN THE GRAVESHAM COURT ON TUESDAY 3rd Jan 2017

1. **Members present 9 - Meeting Opened at 1940 hrs**

Branch Website, www.gravesendsapper.uk

Welcome to all Retired Sappers and Associate Members/Friends/Guests of the Association to the meeting of the Gravesend and District Branch of the REA,

Mr R Bardsley	President
Mr M Dobson	Branch Chairman
Mr D Spurgeon	Honorary Treasurer
Mr R Ellis	Honorary Secretary
Mr R Ellis	Standard Bearer
Mr K Trevor	Welfare

Friends of the Association: 3 Guest

New Members:

3. **Apologies: Mr M Dobson Mr B Salmon Mr J Hoadley Mr D Allen**

4. **Previous Minutes.**

As emailed & displayed, dated 1st Nov 2016. Be accepted as read.

Proposed by: Mr K Trevor
Seconded by: Mr B James

Carried

Matters Arising From Previous Minutes - Nil

5. **Honorary Treasurer's Report.**

- a. **Accounts to date £ 1,491.72**
Attached as Annex A Annual Financial Summary , Subject to Audit.
b. **Subs £18 Raffle £22**

Proposed by: Mr B Frost
Seconded by: Mr K D Ward

Carried

6. **Honorary Secretary's Report.**

The Honorary Secretary spoke on the following points.

- a. **Letters in : None**
- b. **Letters out : Branch Yearly Report to REA HQ**
- c. **Application for tickets for Major Generals Review**
- d. **Confirmation form Mayor's Parlour, that Mayor will attend Branch church service.**
- e. **Royal Navel Association has invited Branch members to their social functions.**
- f. **Civic Service Milton Church 8th Jan, 10 am .Blazers.**
- g. **General Gordon Service 20th Jan 1045am – 1130 am. Blazers Beret Medals.**
- h. **Milton church will be holding a social fundraising evening later in the year.**

Any comments from the floor: Nil

Proposed by: Mr D Spurgeon

Seconded by: Mr B Frost

That the Honorary Secretary's Report be accepted as read:

Carried.

7. **Welfare Report.**

The welfare Member spoke on the following

Any comments from the floor: Nil

Proposed by :

Seconded by:

That the Welfare Report be accepted as read:

Carried

8. **Entertainment Report - No Report**

Proposed by: Mr

Seconded by: Mr

Fund Raising.

Bread pudding £18

Raffle prizes required.

9. **Chairman's Report.**

a. **Made representations to the Ship Pub, re- parking, table layout Christmas function.**

Proposed by: Mr R Salmon

Seconded by: Mr S Dixon

Carried

10. **Proposals from the Floor.**

a. **That Branch members & wives/partners going on the SE Group outing to the NMA
Pay £10 towards the cost and Branch will subsidise the remainder.**

Proposed by: Mr R Ellis

Seconded by: Mr R Bardsley

Carried

11. **Any other Business.**

a. **The Branch President held and open floor question session.**

b. **If you attend an event on your own representing the branch and you wish it to be in
the newsletter, it is down to you to submit an article to the newsletter. If you have no
computer submit it on paper and hand to Mr Spurgeon .**

12. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting 7th Feb 2017

Meeting closed 20-20 hrs

MR R BARDSLEY
(President)

Mr M DOBSON
(Chairman)

MR R ELLIS
(Honorary Secretary)

Mr D SPURGEON
(Honorary Treasurer)