



**THE ROYAL ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION**

**PATRON: HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN**

**SERVICE – NOT SELF**

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY BRANCH MEETING**  
**OF THE GRAVESEND & DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ENGINEERS**  
**ASSOCIATION**  
**HELD IN THE GRAVESHAM COURT ON TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> June 2017**

1. **Members present 12 - Meeting Opened at 1930 hrs**

**Branch Website, [www.gravesendsapper.uk](http://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: 4**

**Guest's : Emma Nugent RBLI  
Mr Adam Holloway MP**

**New Members: None**

3. **Apologies: Mr R Salmon Mr J Hoadley**

4. **Previous Minutes.**

**As emailed & displayed, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017. Be accepted as read.**

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

Carried

**Matters Arising From Previous Minutes - Nil**

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

- a. Accounts to date £ 1.985.84p**  
**b. Subs £22 Raffle £28**

Proposed by: Mr B James  
Seconded by: Mr D Allen

Carried

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

The Honorary Secretary spoke on the following points.

Card received from Bert James was read out :

“ Bert and Tina would like to thank you all for the messages of sympathy, cards, floral tributes and donations given in the remembrance of Ann.”

- a. Letters in : None
- b. Letters in : None
- c. Fly A Flag in Support of Armed Forces Day 19<sup>th</sup> June 12-30pm Community Square
- d. Michael Bishop Veterans Co-ordinator appointment to visit branch.
- e. REA Spider Dome tent found.
- f. New Assistant Controller REA, Geoff Jones Ex Royal Navy taken post.
- g. Armed Forces Day 24<sup>th</sup> June , Great Lines Heritage Park Gillingham. Programme starts at 11-00 am , Parade Muster 12-15pm, Parade commences 12-30pm & End of Day Ceremony 16-30pm .
- h. Gibraltar Branch REA weekend 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> May 2018.

Any comments from the floor: Nil

Proposed by: Mr B James

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:

Seconded by:

**Fund Raising. Bread Pudding £19**

9. **Chairman's Report.**

**REA Camper van available to hire from 39 Engr Regt , Tele 01309 616165  
Not in REA Management Minutes, question to be raised at SE Group Meeting.**

Proposed by: Mr R Finney  
Seconded by: Mr D Spurgeon

carried

10. **Proposals from the Floor. None**

Proposed by:  
Seconded by:

11. **Any other Business.**

**a. Website to continue for another 3 months**

Proposed by: Mr K Trevor  
Seconded by: Mr D Spurgeon

12. **Next Meeting**

**The next meeting 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

**Meeting closed 20-00 hrs**

13. Emma Nugent spoke to the Branch about the Royal British Legion Industries.

**Mr K Trevor was awarded the South East Group Directors Commendation , presented  
by Mr Adam Holloway Member of Parliament for Gravesham.**

MR R BARDSLEY  
(President)

Mr M DOBSON  
(Chairman)

MR R ELLIS  
(Honorary Secretary)

Mr D SPURGEON  
(Honorary Treasurer)