



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 2nd Oct 2016

1. **Members present 10 - Meeting Opened at 1928 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: Nil

3. **Apologies: Mr D Allen Mrs A Allen Mr J Morgan Mr R Finney**

4. **Previous Minutes.**

As emailed & displayed, dated 6th Sept 2016. Be accepted as read.

Proposed by: Mr J Hoadley
Seconded by: Mr B James

Carried

Matters Arising From Previous Minutes - Nil

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

a. Accounts to date £ 1661.49p
b. Subs £18 Raffle £22

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

Carried

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

The Honorary Secretary spoke on the following points.

- a. **Letters in : None**
- b. **Letters out : None**
- c. **Sapper Sunday 9th October , assemble at 10-15 am by chapel**
- d. **Base Camp Gravesend Woodville Halls 13th October 11-00am to 14-00 hrs.**
- e. **Poppy Breakfast All Saints Church Hall 15th October 09-30 am to 12-30 hrs.**
- f. **SE Group AGM & Sapper 300 Celebrations . 15TH October Mess opens at 12-00 hrs**
- g. **Tragfalger Day Service Milton Church 23rd October 1800 hrs for 1830 hrs.**

Any comments from the floor: Nil

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

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.

More raffle prizes required.

Bread pudding £16

9. **Chairman's Report.**

- a. **Congratulated branch members on attending various events in previous month.**
- b. **A brief outline of the minutes of the 69th Council Meeting**

Proposed by: Mr R Salmon
Seconded by: Mr J Hoadley

Carried

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

Proposed by:
Seconded by:

Carried

11. **Any other Business.**

- a. **Branch Christmas function, Pier Restaurant Gravesend and The Ship Southfleet suggested as possible venues. To be discussed further at next meeting.**
- b. **3 x Wreaths to be purchased for Remembrance Sunday at £18.50 each , total £55.50p**
- c. **New Gauntlets required for Standard Bearer.**

12. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting 1st Nov 2016

Meeting closed 20-15 hrs

MR R BARDSLEY
(President)

Mr M DOBSON
(Chairman)

MR R ELLIS
(Honorary Secretary)

Mr D SPURGEON
(Honorary Treasurer)