



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 21st Feb 2017

Congratulations to Mr M Dobson on his award of the REA Badge of Merit

1. **Members present 7 - Meeting Opened at 1930 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: 2

Guest

New Members:

3. **Apologies: Mr R Finney**

4. **Previous Minutes.**

As emailed & displayed, dated 3rd Jan 2017. Be accepted as read.

Proposed by: Mr K Trevor

Seconded by: Mr D Spurgeon

Carried

Matters Arising From Previous Minutes - Nil

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

- a. **Accounts to date £ 1,877.14**
- b. **Branch accounts submitted to RE HQ**
- c. **Subs £14 Raffle**

Proposed by: Mr M Dobson

Seconded by: Mr B James

Carried

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

The Honorary Secretary spoke on the following points.

- a. **Letters in : FoREM (Friends of Royal Engineers Museum) Newsletter 2017**
- b. **Letters out : None**
- c. **Branch Annual Church service, Hall opens 17-00 hrs. Service commences 18-30hrs**
- d. **1940's Themed Quiz Night at the Legion Rooms, Trinity Rd Gravesend. March 25th.**
- e. **REA Chilwell weekend 2017. June 23rd £25pp.**

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 £15

Chairman's Report.

- a. **Congratulated Mr D Spurgeon on the accounts being submitted to REA HQ**

Proposed by: Mr B James

Seconded by: Mr B Frost

Carried

10. **Proposals from the Floor.**

- a. **A sum not exceeding £70 to be made available for refreshments for church service.**

Proposed by: Mr M Dobson
Seconded by: Mr K Trevor

Carried

11. **Any other Business.**

- a. **Future talks and visits were discussed. Guide Dogs for the Blind & RBLI**
b. **Mrs Ellis & Mrs Trevor to purchase food for church service.**

12. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting 7th March 2017

Meeting closed 20-10 hrs

MR R BARDSLEY
(President)

Mr M DOBSON
(Chairman)

MR R ELLIS
(Honorary Secretary)

Mr D SPURGEON
(Honorary Treasurer)