



Royal Military Police Association Hull & East Riding Branch



Minutes of the Branch Meeting Held 6th February 2012

- Members Present:** Fred Hemmerman (FH); Dave Mitchell (DM); Steve Woods (SW); Pete Watson (PW); Joe Matthews (JM); Bob Boreland (BB); Bob Hare (RobH); Frank Maunder (FM); Michael Sutton (MS); Ted Johnson (TJ) Steve Johnson (SJ); Brian Fenwick, Brian Petch (BP);
- Apologies:** Jon Wild (JW); Pat Howlett (PH); Tony Steventon (TS); Craig Hemmerman (CH); Darren Howlett (DH); Dave Emmerson (DE); Andy Jefferson (AJ); ; Derrick Garton (DG); Adrian Marshall (AM2); David Kennedy (DK); Andy Doyle (AD); Keith Hill (KH); Trevor Goodfellow (TG); Phil Newton (PN); Andy Murdoch (AM); Sandra Robinson (SR) Mike Walker (MW);.
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Agenda

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- 6.0 Communications Received
- 7.0 CESA Report
- 8.0 Website
- 9.0 Standard Bearer
- 10.0 Any Other Business:
- 11.0 Close of Meeting, and date of next meeting.

- 1.0 Remembrance – DM opened the meeting at 20.41 hrs. The Remembrance was observed by all members.
- 2.0 Members Present/Apologies Received – PW reported that he had received apologies from DG. TS was at a meeting. FH sent CH apologies. SW sent apologies from MW, who had been ill and is still recovering.
- 3.0 Absent Friends – Other than listed above, the Branch was reminded of the members currently suffering ill health.
- 4.0 Minutes Of The Last Meeting –Rob proposed that the minutes of the previous meeting where a true and accurate record, this was seconded by TJ, all members in favour.
- 5.0 Matters Arising – Annual Reunion and HM Tower of London – PW confirmed the date and arrangements for the London District Branch RMPA Church Parade at H.M. Tower of London. This will take place on Sunday 10th February 2013. Members are to form up outside of the Yeoman Warders Club at 10.30hrs for a 10.35hrs march off to the Chapel. After the service there will be a buffet in the Yeoman Warden's Mess, the cost of this will be £10.00 per head.

6.0 Communications – The Branch received the following communications in January:

6.1 An email was received from Maj. Allan Barley (NEC) as follows:

Dear all

I send this email for information and a request that you forward the email on the widest distribution to advise many of the RMPA members on your contact list. Firstly, may I advise that June and I will be absent from home for the period 15th February to 18th March 2013 as we will be visiting our Son and his family in Melbourne, Australia. To this end could I request that as many of your members and others who wish to apply for tickets for dinner at Huddersfield do so sooner rather than later.

Secondly, most of you will be aware that Colonel Jeremy Green has taken over as RMPA Regimental Secretary from Colonel John Baber effective from 1st January 2013.

Colonel Jeremy has not yet secure his release from the regular Army and will not do so until around late March and is working three days a week at RHQ by the grace of the Provost Marshal. The other two days are being covered by Major Brian Hudson, the Financial Officer and the difficulty of this is exacerbated by the fact that Charmaine, the loyal PS is leaving her appointment this Friday 25th January. All members are therefore requested to show patience if awaiting a response from RHQ regarding any matters but I am sure the Vice Chairman and I will be available to answer any problems you feel are critical.

Thank you for your understanding.

Kind regards.
Allan

7.0 CESA Report – No details of the last meeting as it was held on the same evening as the last RMPA Branch meeting.

8.0 Website - PW reported that the website has been completely resigned from scratch with a complete new interface. Basically, it is all brand new. Some of it is currently not working, but much of it is. It should be more user friendly . The last website had become a little piece meal and complicated to use and it was therefore thought that a revamp was in order. This work will take some considerable time to undertake especially as it is being completed as and when the PW has any spare time (which is quite infrequent!)

9.0 Standard Bearer – PW asked whether BF had been engaged during January which he had not.

10.0 Social Events

10.1 Events Committee: PW asked whether the events committee wanted to carry on in their current positions, RobH stated that he wanted to stand-down. SW stated that he would be the new Entertainments Committee Chairman, the existing members remain as JM and BB.

10.2 SW reported that the Duke of York in Sutton would be the venue for the next Ladies Night. Thursday the 28th March 2013. This is within the back room which will be for our sole use.

10.3 BF stated that he knows of a wine bar in Bridlington that will do us a bar-b-q and he had also spoke to the Captain of the Yorkshire Belle and that he could also arrange for a trip on that. The Bar-b-q would cost £5 per head and the boat trip £4 per head. The general consensus was that this would make quite a change and could be quite

enjoyable and if the prices are kept to a minimum then most people should be able to afford it. BF was asked to further look into it and report his findings to SW.

11.0 Any Other Business –

- 11.1 FH stated that the Yorkshire Regiment Association are organising a trip on the 12th September to the beeches of France, the trip will be £336, any members wanting to take this up should speak to FH in the first instance.
- 11.2 FH stated that on the 3rd May the NVA are going to Holland at the request of the Dutch Royal Family. The event is 3rd-8th of May and will be £370 including half board. Again, members wanting to attend should speak to FH in the first instance.
- 11.3 BP stated that he had been approached by the Frank Cleveland band to undertake a concert in aid of CESA to include a buffet etc. The event will be at 11th April at the Guildhall.
- 11.4 DM stated that he paid out £65.00 for items for Afghanistan but he still needed more both in terms of toiletries and 'small' shoe boxes.

12.0 The time being 20.50hrs and there being no further business, the meeting was closed by DM. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th March 2013 at 20.00hrs, at the Police Social Club, Inglemire Lane, Hull.

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