



Royal Military Police Association Hull & East Riding Branch

Minutes of the Branch Meeting Held 5th February 2014



Members Present:

Dave Mitchell; Steve Woods; Mike Walker; Bob Borland; Bob Hare; Brian Fenwick; Brian Petch; Craig Hemmerman; David Kennedy; Frank Maunder; Joe Matthews; Jon Wild; Michael Sutton; Pete Watson; Steve Johnson; Ted Johnson; Terry Scholes; Tony Steventon

Apologies Received:

Pete Westmorland

Absent:

Dave Emmerson; Sandra Robinson

Agenda

- 1.0 Remembrance
- 2.0 Members Present/Apologies Received
- 3.0 Absent Friends
- 4.0 Minutes of the Previous Meeting
- 5.0 Matters Arising
- 6.0 Communications Received
- 7.0 CESA Report
- 8.0 Website
- 9.0 Standard Bearer
- 10.0 Social Events
- 11.0 Any Other Business
- 12.0 Close of Meeting & Date of Next Meeting

1.0 Remembrance

Dave Mitchell opened the meeting at 20:00 hrs and the Remembrance was observed by all members.

2.0 Members Present/Apologies Received

Apologies received from Pete Westmorland

3.0 Absent Friends

Absent friends were recorded as listed in the apologies

4.0 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were not accepted as a true and accurate record, consequently an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) was called for.

Proposed by: Bob Hare
Seconded by: Bob Borland
Carried by the Branch Members

EGM will be held on Thursday 6th March 2014, see Attachments for agenda

5.0 Matters Arising

5.1 New Branch Meeting Venue

A discussion was held regarding new premises for the branch meetings.

Various premises were disregarded as they required a payment to cover insurances costs and room hire, these included local military messes, local lodges, other venues were too small or too far away.

The New Cleveland Social Club was proposed there were two options available

1. Hold the meeting on a the first Wednesday of the month, there would be no charge for the room, but there would be a charge to open the bar should we require it, presently the building is open on a Wednesday for other parties.
2. Hold the meeting on the first Thursday of the month, there would be no charge for the room or the bar, as the Club is open to the public.

It was proposed that the New Cleveland Social Club become the new venue for the branch meetings for the foreseeable future. The day of the meeting be changed to the first Thursday of each month and the start time to remain 20:00 hrs.

Proposed by: Frank Maunder
Seconded by: Bob Borland
Carried by the Branch Members

For directions see Attachments

6.0 Communications Received

6.1 Resignation of Fred Hemmerman

6.2 Notification of RMP Annual Church Service And Parade, Saturday, 7th June 2014. See forth coming events annex B for more information

7.0 CESA Report

There was no meeting in January.
The next meeting scheduled for Wednesday 12th February 2014

8.0 Website

8.1 The Secretary was asked by the members why there were no minutes recorded against the Website, the Secretary replied they had been excluded and he took full responsibility for that fact.

Peter Watson asked what had been excluded to which the Secretary replied, the Branch members had elected to deselect him as Web Master

Peter Watson commented he was not happy with that fact, nor with the way he has been treated by the branch as it was totally out of order and he wanted the minutes to reflect this. At no time had he indicated he would stand down as Web Master.

It was pointed out by Bob Hare that as an EGM had been called this was a mute subject and should be discussed at the next meeting at the relevant time.

This subject was closed, subject to further discussion at the EGM

9.0 Standard Bearer

No duties were undertaken by Craig

10.0 Social Events

10.1 It was proposed the New Cleveland Social Club, should be the venue for the Hull & East Riding Spring Dinner

Proposed by: Steve Woods
Seconded by: Frank Maunder
Carried by the Branch Members

Date: Friday 25th April 2014
Venue: New Cleveland Social Club
90 New Cleveland Street
Hull
East Yorkshire
HU8 7HE

Price: £5 per head, includes buffet and entertainment
Notes: Open to guests

11.0 Any Other Business

11.1 It was brought to the attention of the branch members Nora Orvis had passed away, her funeral was held on Friday 7th February. Our commiserations go out to family and friends.

11.2 Army Day 2014
Venue will be Queen Victoria Square, Hull
Date TBC

11.3 Dave Mitchell visited 150 Pro RMP where he presented a yard of ale glass
Representation was also made to 150 Pro Coy RMP for staff to assist at the Veterans Weekend in July

12.0 Close of Meeting & Date of Next Meeting

The time being 21:40 hrs and there being no further business the meeting was closed by Dave Mitchell.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 6th March at 20:00 hrs, New Cleveland Social Club, 90 New Cleveland Street, Hull, East Yorkshire, HU8 7HE

Attachments

- **Agenda For The Extraordinary General & Branch Meeting, Thursday 6th Febuary 2014**
- **Branch Rules**
- **Forthcoming Events**
- **Map of New Cleveland Club**

Agenda For The Extraordinary General & Branch Meeting 6th March 2014

1.0	Remembrance				Chairman
2.0	Members Present/Apologies Received				H. Secretary
3.0	Absent Friends				
4.0	Secretaries Report				H. Secretary
5.0	Treasurers Report				H. Treasurer
6.0	Retirement & Election of Officers				Vice Chairman
					Members
6.1	Chairman				
6.2	President/Vice President				
6.3	Vice Chairman				
6.4	Secretary				
6.5	Minutes Secretary				
6.6	Treasurer				
6.7	CENCO Rep (Central Committee (RMPA))				
6.8	CESA Rep (Council of Ex-service Association)				
6.9	Welfare Officer/PRO (Public Relations Officer)				
6.10	Standard Bearer				
6.11	Corps Journal Correspondent				
7.0	Minutes of The AGM 9 th January 2013				Chairman
7.1	Matters Arising				Members
8.0	Communications				H. Secretary
8.1	Reports				
	CESA				
	CENCO				
	Standard Bearer				
	Corps Journal Correspondent				
9.0	Social Events				H. Secretary
10.0	Any Other Business				Members
11.0	Close of Meeting & Date of Next Meeting				Chairman

The Rules of the Hull and East Riding Branch RMPA (updated 5th February 2014)

First adopted January 2005 as required by paragraph 6.4 of The Rules of The Royal Military Police Association (as revised April 2004).

ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE BRANCH

1. All Life Members of RMPA,
2. Election as an Honorary Member by unanimous vote of the Branch Committee. Such membership will normally be granted only to those prepared to take an active part in the branch and to pay an annual branch subscription. (The subscription may be waived in the first year up to the next AGM at the discretion of the Treasurer.)

Honorary Membership does not bestow voting rights, but it is the policy of the branch to allow all valid Members to vote on any matters not specifically excluded by the Rules of the RMPA or the Branch.

3. All wives, husbands or partners of branch members are automatically considered to be honorary members. They may not, however, attend meetings (except by prior arrangement) or vote, but it would be open to them to seek membership under rule 2 above.

Though it will consult with the membership in open meeting, the Committee alone has discretion to retain or to remove from branch membership the following categories:

- Those who, for valid reasons, are unable to continue in active membership. In cases of long-term illness or incapacity the annual subscription will be waived.
- Temporarily or permanently, any member deemed to have brought the branch into disrepute.
- Lapsed or inactive members not in subscription provided one form of reminder has been sent prior to the Branch Annual General Meeting.

BRANCH ADMINISTRATION

1. A branch must have a minimum of six Life Members. Its Committee must also comprise a minimum of six, all Life Members, elected by the membership. There has to be a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, It is branch policy also to elect a Deputy Chairman, stand-in Secretary and a Welfare Officer.
2. It is branch policy to choose a President and Vice-President. These honorary positions, which may be for life, are a mark of respect for noteworthy service. It is permissible to have more than one VP
3. The Committee will seek to appoint a representative to CENCO (the Central Committee of the RMPA), a PRO, an Archivist, a Standard Bearer, and a CESA Representative. Volunteers will ideally, but not necessarily be Life Members. Additionally, the Committee may seek the assistance of members, Life or Honorary, to help in branch activities.
4. Branch meetings are held on the first ¹Thursday in each month commencing with the AGM in January. The venue is the ²New Cleveland Social Club, 90 New Cleveland Street, Hull, from 19:00 hrs for a 20:00 hrs start. Five life members will constitute a quorum, whilst for & formal committee meeting it will be four. In the event of a tied vote, the Chairman has the casting vote, even if he or she has already voted.

The Committee will seek advice from RMPA RHQ should any dispute remain unresolved.

DATA PROTECTION

We do not have to register the branch, but we are governed by the Act. Anything issued or held on file - especially names and addresses - is for branch use only. It should be disposed of securely.

Since the rules may be amended at any Ordinary Meeting as well as at the Annual General Meeting, amendments will be recorded in the minutes. Please retain this copy for future reference and up-dating.

¹ Amended 5th February 2014. Previously meetings held 1st Wednesday in each month.

² Amended 5th February 2014. New Venue, previous venue Police Sports and Social Club Inglemire Lane, Hull.

Forthcoming Events

Annual "Snowdrop" Parade

Date: Wednesday 12th March 2014

Venue: National Memorial Arboretum Alrewas

Timings are:

- 10:30 hrs at the NMA for coffee.
- 11:30 hrs parade to the RAFPA memorial.
- 12:15 hrs parade to the RMPA memorial
- 13:15 hrs buffet at the RBL Alrewas price is £5 pp

Please advise Bob Eggleton National Vice Chairman (joybob@btopenworld.com), of numbers attending.

Hull & East Riding Spring Dinner

Date: Friday 25th April 2014

Venue: New Cleveland Social Club, 90 New Cleveland Street, Hull, East Yorkshire, HU8 7HE

Price: £5 per head, includes buffet and entertainment

Open to guests

Normandy Veterans, will be undertaking a trip to Holland

Date: Commencing Friday 2nd May 2014

Price: £467.00 per person

Contact: Fred Hemmerman

68th RMPA Annual Reunion Weekend

Date: 16-18 May 2014

Venue: Edinburgh

Contact: Mike Walker (Branch Secretary, secretary@westminster44.karoo.co.uk)

The closing date for application for tickets is Friday 2nd May 2014.

RMP Annual Church service and Parade

Date: Monday 7th June 2014

Venue: The National Memorial Arboretum Croxall Road, Alrewas, Staffordshire DE13 7AR

Tel No: 01283 792333

Contact: Mike Walker (Branch Secretary, secretary@westminster44.karoo.co.uk)

Hull Veterans Weekend

Date: Weekend of 26-27th July 2014, 10:00 hrs - 17:00 hrs

Venue: East Park, Holderness Road, Hull

Forthcoming Events - continued

RMPA North East Branch Annual Dinner

Date: Saturday 18th October 2014.

Venue: Masonic Hall, Gateshead

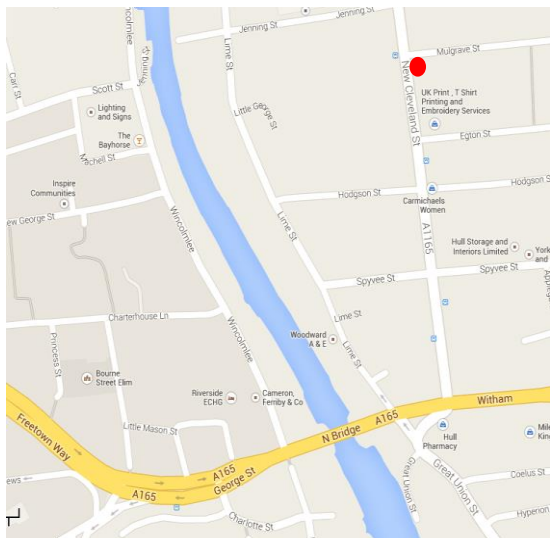
Hull & East Riding Annual Dinner

Date: Saturday 27th September 2014

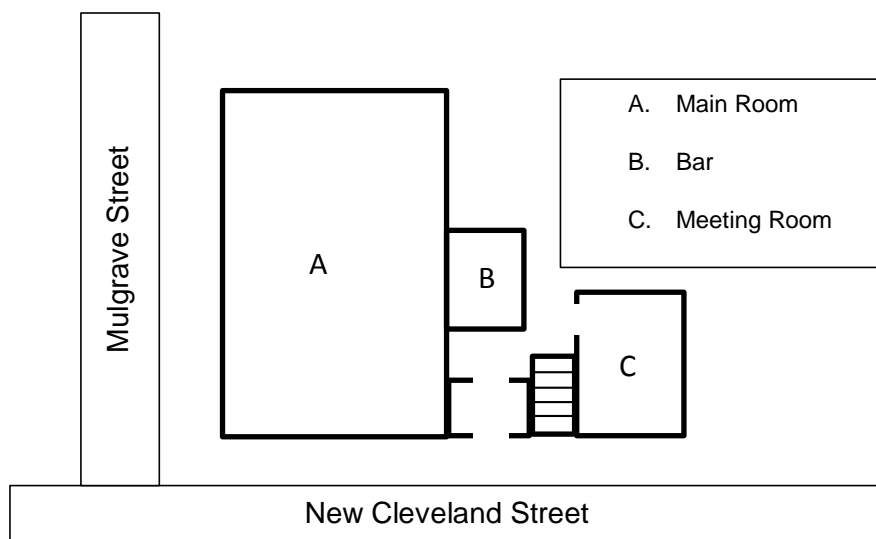
Venue: The Masonic Lodge, Dagger Lane (TBC)

Price: Price and Menu TBC, open to guests,

Map of New Cleveland Club



New Cleveland Social Club
 90 New Cleveland Street
 Hull
 East Yorkshire
 HU8 7HE



Parking is available on Mulgrave Street and New Cleveland Street

Note If the red doors are closed, just push them, they are open the management keeps them closed to keep the heat in