



Airborne Engineers Association



Aldershot Branch
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at
65 Westover Road Fleet
Sunday 22nd August 2010

President
Colonel D.M.R.Eagan

Meeting Opened at 11.30hrs

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Entertainments: John Smith. e-mail thesmith@sky.com Tele 01252 326100

Members Present

John Aldridge, John Barrie, Wally Clift, Harold Covington, Syd Dane, Col. Denis Eagan, Ted Ellis, John Ferry, Fred Gray, Gerry Hicks, John Lee, Tony Manley, John Mason, Roger Mockford, Rick Mogg, Peter Myatt AFC, Ralph Pedder BEM, John Pfiffner, Ken Roberts, Dave Rutter, Roy Sands, John Smith BEM, Steve Stephenson, Joe Stoddart MBE, Bob Sullivan MBE, Derek Taylor, and Bob Wardle.

Apologies

Colin Bond, Jack Braithwaite, Bob Chatterton, Ron Day, Don Doherty, Bob Ferguson, Bert Flatters, Dennis Healey, Bryn Hitchings, Mick Humphries, Roy King, Barry Ladlow, Mick Leather, Derek Leggett, Frank Menzies-Hearne, John Murphy, Dave Normington, Jim O'Hagan, Harold Padfield, Eric Rundle, Sir Donald Spiers CB TD, Phil Taverner, Tom Tuddenham, Maj Peter Wade.

The Branch President Colonel Denis Eagan opened the meeting at 1130hrs and welcomed all those present.

Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman said that as the previous meeting had only been held only three weeks earlier there would be very little to discuss so the meeting would be very short.

Minutes of the previous meeting

Proposed by John Barrie

Seconded by: Roger Mockford

That the minutes were a true record of the meeting

Carried

Matters Arising

There was no matters arising from the previous meeting

Treasurer's Report

A brief report by the treasurer, Dave Rutter, showed that the branch funds were in a good healthy state.

Proposed by: Bob Sullivan

Seconded by John Lee

That the treasurer's report be accepted as a true record subject to audit

Correspondence.

Other branch minutes were made available for members to read.

Branch Representative

As the branch rep had just recently reported on the Executive meeting held three weeks previously there was nothing further to report

It was proposed by John Mason that financial aid be given to the repair of the roof of what is considered to be the Airborne Forces church in Normandy. As the branch was already giving to various charities and also committed to the "shoe box" appeal when 23 Engineer Regiment (Air Assault) deploy to Afghanistan in September, members were asked to consider this proposal and to discuss it at the next meeting to be held in October.

Entertainments

John Smith informed those present that the proposed trip to Jersey for 2011 was still a possibility and contact had been made with Colin De St Croix and arrangements and costs are being looked in to. Further information will be made available ASP

There being no further business the meeting closed at 1.00pm

Next meeting will be on Sunday 17 October, 11.30am for 12.00pm followed by lunch for those who require it in the Potters restaurant. Please inform Fred Gray (01252 668339) at least one week in advance if you intend to have lunch.

BBQ.

Fifty -four members, family and friends attended the BBQ. It was a beautiful summers days and the food, prepared by Tony Manley was as usual excellent. It was a most enjoyable afternoon.