



THE BIRMINGHAM BRANCH AIRBORNE ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION

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MINUTES OF THE BRANCH MEETING

Held at Chelmsley Wood British Legion

2nd September 09

1. **Meeting opened** at 20:15 hrs.
2. **Members Present:** Tom Carpenter, Bob Jones, Bunny Brown, Steve Brown, John Phillips, Harry Potter, Bob Potter, George Barrett, Pete Clarke, Dave Clarke, Dave Bowron, Kev Lambeth, George Hopkins, Tony Higgins, Brian Care, Eddie Fenwick, Jim Hurley, Gordon Page, Mike Holdsworth, Alan Parkes, Barrie Aitken, Chris Green and of course the Ladies.
3. **Apologies from:** Alf Manders, John Browning, Bob Dorrell, Brian Fosbury, Ron Mason and John Mason.
4. The Chair thanked all for attending.
5. **Minutes:** The minutes from the previous meeting were read and voted as correct and true. Proposed by, Bob Potter. Seconded, John Phillips. **Carried.**
6. **Welfare:** Harry Mennie is waiting for an operation. The branch sends its best wishes
7. **Treasurer's Report:** Funds are healthy at present. Thank you Elsie.
8. **Boots and Beer Club:** Next meeting will be on Sunday 6th September at 10:30 meeting at the Plough Inn, Shustoke.
9. **Shoe Box Parcels:** Brian Care and George Barrett reported that the sending of these boxes was suspended at present so that funds can be replenished and Regiments are changed around.
10. **Cromwell Lock.** The chairman has received a letter from the Les Nicholson, Newark branch, PRA informing the branch of timings and dates. Newark branch PRA will be attending Newark Cemetery on the 27th September 09 at 15:00 to commemorate the Airborne Airbridge and then moving on to Cromwell Lock to remember the lost sappers. Anyone wishing to attend the Cromwell Lock remembrance please meet with Bunny at the Chelmsley Wood British Legion at 13:00.
11. **AEA / AGM 2nd – 4th October 09.** The Chairman, Bunny Brown reminded the branch that not many members had booked for the AEA / AGM reunion, which is being organised by the Birmingham branch, in Nottingham from the 2nd to the 4th October 09 and asked members to book now to avoid disappointment.
12. **Branch Christmas Dinner 5th December 09.** The date has been arranged and this will be on the 5th December 09 at the Holiday Inn, Elmdon. Cost will be £27.50 per head. If you require overnight accommodation it will cost £49.50 for the room, including breakfast, for 2 people. Seating will be limited to 90, as the branch will be using a different room due to building work. Proforma below.
13. **Any Other Business:**

Elsie Barrett. Elsie has asked me to remind members that their membership subs are now **OVERDUE** and could you please pay them now.

Steve Brown. Steve raised the subject of the Draft 5 AEA Rules and that a copy was available for members to read.

John Phillips. John congratulated Barrie and Maureen Aitken on reaching their 40th Wedding Anniversary, Best Wishes from the Branch.

Dave Clarke. Dave congratulated Eddie and Lynn Fenwick who are also celebrating their 40th Wedding Anniversary, Best Wishes from the Branch

14. Branch Shop: Your support is needed to sell the remaining stock. Prices are;

Polo Shirt	£17.00
Baseball Cap	£10.00
White cotton dress shirt, short sleeve	£18.00
White cotton dress shirt, long sleeve	£20.00

14. Next Meeting: Wednesday 7th October 09 at the Royal British Legion, Chelmsley Wood, 1945Hrs

16. Deadline for the **DECEMBER 2009** edition of the **AEA JOURNAL** is Friday **20th NOVEMBER.**

W. Steve Brown
Secretary

Diary of Events

- 2nd – 4th October – 20th AEA / AGM Reunion, Nottingham
- 7th October 09 - Branch Meeting
- 4th November 09 - Branch Meeting
- 2nd December 09 - Branch Meeting
- 5th December 09 - Branch Christmas Dinner



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Gentlemen subs are now **OVERDUE**. If you still wish to receive the branch minutes please pay your subs to Elsie Barrett (0121 628 7578) 292 Brays Road, Sheldon, Birmingham B26 2PP, so that the mailing list can be kept up to date.

Name. _____

Telephone _____

Cheque / Cash £5.00 enclosed _____

Date _____

AIRBORNE ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION.

BIRMINGHAM BRANCH.

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

AT THE HOLIDAY INN HOTEL ELMDON.

5th DECEMBER 2009

REPLY PROFORMA

FROM: - (Please print name & address)

Number of tickets required ----- @ £27.50.00 per head.

Please find enclosed a cheque, made payable to **AIRBORNE ENGINEER ASSOCIATION (B'HAM BRANCH)**
FOR THE SUM OF £-----

Please send a list of your guest's names for the seating plan. And any request for vegetarian meals.

Return to Mrs E Barratt. 292 Brays Road, Sheldon, BIRMINGHAM. B26 2PP.
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Please REPLY ASAP.