Airborne Engineers Association

Chatham Branch

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MINUTES OF 212th O.G.M IN THE KING CHARLES HOTEL GILLINGHAM SONDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2015

Committee Members

Chairman	~	Baz Bassett	*
Secretary	~	Nick Gibson	*
Treasurer	~	Peter Kershaw	*
Welfare	~	Mick Fisher	*
Membership	~	Tim van der Kraan	*

* These Committee Members were in attendance

a. Members Present

Bob Matthews	Frank Ryan	Bob Seaman
Mike Tindle	Bill Shield	Keith King
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b. Apologies

Jim :Leitch	Brian Cazaly	Sandy Sanderson

c. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of Previous Meeting ‘were accepted

d. Matters Arising

Nil

e. Chairman’s Report

a. Chairman welcomed all to the meeting. Mentioned the excellent work that Jim Leach did in getting the new posters put up on the RE Museum

f. Secretary’s Report

a. Received notification of the funerals of George Miller and John Mason which was circulated by email to members

g. Membership

a. Tim informed the membership that the coming year’s subs may now be paid by standing order.
b. Subscriptions will remain at £7.00 for 2015-2016

h. Welfare

a. NTR
b. Tim VdK will call Sandy Sanderson to see how he is getting on

i. Treasurer’s Report

As at 10th February 2015

Cash at bank	£1240.06
Un - Cashed Cheques	-£35.00
Petty Cash & Cheques in hand	£43.36
Funds available to Branch	£1,248.42

Proposed ~ Frank Ryan
Seconded ~ Bob Seaman Carried

a. Peter will pay £200 deposit for the John Rock Dinner and the Branch Christmas Lunch
b. Paid up membership for 2014-15 40 out of 44 on the books

j. Museums and Archives

c. Peter has a list of talks and lectures coming up at the museum – list is attached to these minutes

k. Branch Events

a. Branch Xmas lunch will be held on Sunday the 6th December at the King Charles Hotel. Cost and menu to be confirmed
b. Date for the John Rock Dinner is set for 13th June 2015

l. Any Other Business

a. Secretary has a call from a PRA branch who wish to organise an Op Varsity commemoration – he wishes to get in touch with the chairman of the Glider pilots Association 'Nick' Nicholson – and member in touch please pass details to the secretary
b. Frank Ryan reported that the Xmas Lunch was well received by several non-branch members.
c. Frank Ryan commented that the branch should provide more photographs from branch events for eg the AEA Journal
d. The branch welcomed Harry Herbert, Harry is a veteran of 10 Para Mortar's and an Arnhem Veteran.

m. Next Meeting

Next Meeting Monday 16th March 2015
As this is the Branch AGM please make every effort to attend
Would you please remember to bring a prize for the Raffle. Thank You.

n. Branch Diary

Branch OGM	**16th March 2015**	**King Charles Hotel**
Branch OGM	20th April 2015	King Charles Hotel
Branch OGM	18th May 2015	King Charles Hotel
John Rock Dinner	**13th June 2015**	**King Charles Hotel**
Branch OGM	15th June 2015	King Charles Hotel
Branch OGM	20th July 2015	King Charles Hotel
Branch OGM	17th August 2015	King Charles Hotel
Branch OGM	21st September 2015	King Charles Hotel
Branch OGM	19th October 2015	King Charles Hotel
Branch OGM	16th November 2015	King Charles Hotel
Branch Xmas Lunch	**6th December 2015**	**King Charles Hotel**

o. Notices