



Airborne Engineers Association

Chatham Branch



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MINUTES OF 156th O.G.M IN THE WO'S & SGT'S MESS BROMPTON BARRACKS 18th May 2009

Committee Members

Chairman	~	Bob Matthews	*
Secretary	~	Nick Gibson	*
Treasurer	~	Peter Kershaw	*
Welfare	~	Keith King	*

* These Committee Members were in attendance

1. Members Present

Bill Perry	Bill Shield	Eric Blenkinsop	Bob Seaman
John O'Conner	Jim Rogers	Charlie Peglar	

2. Apologies

John Elliott	Don Lay	Mick Fisher
Bob Woolley		

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Proposed ~ Peter Kershaw
Seconded ~ John O'Conner Carried

4. Matters Arising

Minutes of AGM were incomplete having omitted the chairmans report. Revised minutes will be attached to these minutes and should be considered correct subject to acceptance at the next AGM

5. Chairman's Report

Chairman informed the branch that the Association constitution was under review. He asked the branches opinion on para 3 concerning the condition of membership

ORDINARY MEMBERSHIP

Any person who has served on the posted strength of an Airborne Engineer unit, but the council reserves the power to veto an application for membership if it considers it is in the best interests of the AEA to do so Such applicant has no right of appeal

Members opinions were heard and will be taken forward to the next Executive committee meeting

6. Secretary's Report

Circulated other branch minutes.

Circulated correspondence received concerning the Charity run from Rhine Bks to Rock Bks by Billy Morris and Bob Chatterton

7. Treasurers Report

As at 18th May 2009

Cash at bank on 5 th May 2009	£957.39
Cash in Hand on 5 th May 2009	£11.74
Cash & Cheques in Hand	£471.00
Petty Cash	£2.27
Outgoings	£-3.91

Cash committed for John Rock Dinner £-871.00

Money available to Branch £ 567.49

Proposed ~ Jim Rogers

Seconded ~ Bob Seaman

Carried

8. Welfare Report

John Elliott is up and about

Uschi is recovering well

9. Museums and Archives

NTR.

10. Branch Events

- a. John Rock Dinner has should reach 60 hopefully.
- b. AEA Executive Committee meeting.Sunday 31st May in the Officers Mess, 36 Engineer Regiment. Names will be held in guardroom so there would be no formalities entering the Bks.

11. Any Other Business

- a. Reminder that branch yearly subscriptions are overdue. Price is £6.00
- b. Eric and Bob observed 23 Engr Regt at Royal Duties outside Buckingham Palace and reported that the look very impressive with excellent drill and turnout.
- c. Nick reported that the Army /Navy Rugby match was won by the Army 56-6, the ladies won 60-0 and the veterans 36-6, There were 5 sappers in the side and the corps was well represented.
- d. Double Hills Ceremony will be on 6th Sept

12. Next Meeting

Next meeting 15th June 2009

Branch Diary

AEA Executive Meeting	31 May 2009	Officers Mess Invicta Bks Maidstone
Branch OGM	15 June 2009	RE HQ WO's & Sgts Mess
John Rock Annual Dinner	20 June 2009	King Charles Hotel
Armed Forces/Veterans Day	27 June 2009	Chatham Dockyard/ Rock Bks
John Grosvenor Thanksgiving	14 July 2009	St Marks Church Broadwater Down
Branch OGM	20 July 2009	RE HQ WO's & Sgts Mess
Branch BBQ	02 August 2009	WO's & Sgts Mess Invicta Bks Maidstone
Branch OGM	17 August 2009	RE HQ WO's & Sgts Mess
Branch OGM	21 September 2009	RE HQ WO's & Sgts Mess
Branch OGM	19 October 2009	RE HQ WO's & Sgts Mess
Branch OGM	16 November 2009	RE HQ WO's & Sgts Mess
Branch Xmas Lunch	06 December 2009	King Charles Hotel