



# Airborne Engineers Association

## Chatham Branch



Branch President Lt. Col. (Retd) Brian Awford RE  
Secretary ~ Nick Gibson, 48 Phoenix Road, Lords Wood, Chatham, Kent, ME5 8TA.  
Tel 01634 862389 E-Mail [n.d.gibson@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:n.d.gibson@blueyonder.co.uk)

### MINUTES OF 176<sup>th</sup> O.G.M IN THE WO'S & SGT'S MESS BROMPTON BARRACKS 20<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2011

#### Committee Members

Chairman	~	Baz Bassett	
Secretary	~	Nick Gibson	
Treasurer	~	Peter Kershaw	*
Welfare	~	Mick Fisher	*

\* These Committee Members were in attendance

#### 1. Members Present

Bill Shield	Bob Matthews	Jim Rogers
Bob Seaman	Eric Blenkinsop	Keith King
Tim VanderKraan		

#### 2. Apologies

John Elliott	Jon O'Connor	Bill Perry
Bob Woolley	Baz Bassett	

#### 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Proposed ~ Jim Rogers	
Seconded ~ Bill Shield	Carried

#### 4. Matters Arising

Nil

#### 5. Chairman's Report

Jim Rogers took the chair – Thanked the Branch and all concerned on behalf of the WW2 veterans for making the John Rock Dinner an outstanding success

#### 6. Secretary's Report

Nil

#### 7. Treasurers Report

Treasurers report was unavailable due to the accounts for the John Rock Dinner being unfinished

As at 16<sup>th</sup> May 2011

Cash at bank	£1073.35
Petty Cash & Cheques in hand	£72
John Rock dinner	-£702.35
Outgoings	-£0.00
Cash available to Branch	£ 443.00

#### 8. Welfare Report

Ray Colemans partner is not well Eric Blenkinsop is in contact and will report back

#### 9. Museums and Archives

Nil.

### 10. Branch Events

- a. Armed forces day 25<sup>th</sup> June in Chatham Dockyard with parade through Chatham
- b. Airborne Forces Weekend at Rock Barracks will be on the weekend of 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> August
- c. Branch Christmas Lunch in King Charles Hotel confirmed for Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2011

### 11. Any Other Business

- a. Major John Mason thanked the branch for the proceeds of the Raffle, £25 to be contributed to the Ranville Church Restoration Fund
- b. Detail of the WW2 veteran's attending the dinner along with pictures will be published in the Journal

### 12. Next Meeting

**Next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> July 2011 at the RE WOs and Sgts Mess, Brompton Bks**

### 13. Post Scriptum

**Nil**

### 14. Branch Diary

Branch OGM	20 <sup>th</sup> July 2011	RE HQ WO's & Sgts Mess
Airborne Weekend	2 <sup>nd</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> August 2011	Rock Barracks - Woodbridge
<b>NB</b>	<b>No branch Meeting in August</b>	
Branch OGM	19 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	RE HQ WO's & Sgts Mess
Branch OGM	17 <sup>th</sup> October 2011	RE HQ WO's & Sgts Mess
Branch OGM	21 <sup>st</sup> November 2011	RE HQ WO's & Sgts Mess
Branch Xmas Lunch	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2011	King Charles HotelMajor John Mason

### 15. Notices

Nil