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THE ROYAL GREEN JACKETS ASSOCIATION SOUTH EAST KENT BRANCH
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (2017)
DOVER SEA ANGLING ASSOCIATION CLUBHOUSE
31st May 2018

Item 1: Presidents Welcome: Lt Col Rod Gray MBE

The President welcomed everyone to our Annual General Meeting and stressed that it was important that we all get involved in our association he went on to thank everyone for coming and praised the committee for their ongoing commitment and dedication and for all the hard work they have expended to make our events so successful, The President made apologies for the chairman stating that Glenn was on holiday up North.

Item 2: Prayers led by The Revd Kevin Garrett BA. Dip. Theol.

For the last time the Padre Kevin led us in prayer to open up the meeting and afterwards the President presented our Padre with a solid silver RGJ lapel (or ladies) badge, The padre then gave a speech thanking everyone and stating that he hopes he would be welcome to pop in from time to time, everyone gave him a round of applause

Item 3: Previous AGM Minutes were read out and agreed as an accurate record of the meeting, proposed by Chris Clifford and seconded Tommy love, Agreed

Item 4: Brief overview of 2017:

The Secretary talked about 2017 events including the Arboretum and church service and commented how well the committee have done all our events in 2017 and to thank the members for their attendance.

Item 5: Committee activities: - Not used as covered previously

Item 6: Treasurers Report:

RJGA - South East Branch - Financial Statement	
Bank Statement	£2,250.52
Cash in Hand	£111.28
Cheque to clear	£0.00
Debtors	£0.00
Reconciliation to Treasurer book	£2,361.80
Due to Charities monies received	-£435.00
Available Cash	£1,926.80
Deposit account	£2,062.20

Item 7: Membership Report

Members	72
Honorary	4
2019 paid	2
2020 Paid	2
unpaid	25

The drop in numbers of members is because as per last years AGM we decided to take action to contact and then remove those who did not attend or pay for two years, this has now just been completed this month so this members list is our active members although 25 have not paid yet.

Item 8: Election of Committee

The Elected members of the committee do not have to stand again until 2019 but there is a need for a treasurer, the Treasurer needs to be a competent person who has PC and numeracy skills and can use the Microsoft packages he/she does not have to have been an accountant, this person does not have to be a member and could be a wife of a member or a widower or even a friend of the association and of course if anyone wants to join the committee all are welcome.

PRESIDENT: Lt Col R. Gray. MBE

PADRE: The Revd Kevin Garrett BA. Dip. Theol (to be replaced by Padre Shaun Sheffield as agreed by the Bishop)

CHAIRMAN: Glenn Ternent. BEM

SECRETARY: Robert Newman

TREASURER: Robert Newman (supported by Babs)

ENTERTAINMENTS MANAGER: George Nash

Branch Representative to DDC for Memorials and Remembrance Tommy Love

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Heather Love, Tony Killelay, Chris Clifford, Dave Ivatt, James McMahon, Mo Docherty,

SSAFA Representative: Ray Seabrook

(New Committee members welcome always)

Stuart Outred one of our Riflemen who started as a Green Jacket and ended as a Rifles discussed that he would have a chat with his wife as to the treasurer's job, as she is extremely competent and qualified to carry out those duties.

Item 9: update / report on events

5th May Army v Navy Rugby at Twickenham

This event was cancelled due to only one member approaching the coach company

23rd June BBQ at the Cricketers

This is the fourth Saturday in the Month and will be at the cricketers, be aware that there is new management and this will be their first RGJ function, there will be Carlos our resident DJ a raffle and an auction Dave will carry on with his children's stalls ably assisted by Jimmy McMahan, food £5 per head and £1 will be donated back to the Association and £3 for under 14's, we will place cameras around the venue and three roaming camera's this year as Sue cannot attend, there will be four staff manning the internal bar, the bouncy castle can be used but Parents must supervise their children, Samantha Nash (no relation) is our face painter for the children, wheelchairs will be available if requested in advance,

Timings:

11:00 hours Committee & Volunteers meet to complete preparations

11:30 hours Bars open

12:00 hours Event open

12:30 hours food ready for purchase

18:00 hours Event finishes although you can stay

There will be a guess how much bottle of 5p coins, its £1 a guess and you can pay and play to your hearts content.

Thursday 20th September Thames River Cruise with Lunch

This cruise is free through a company supporting veteran's and will take place on a Thursday (TBA) but alas is limited to only 12 members, it includes transport (payed for by the Association) to the dock and we must be at the dock at 10:00 hours where we will board and cruise up the Thames with lunch aboard, timings to follow, dress I believe is Winchester Dress (TBC).

The following people have been selected to attend by the Branch:

Chris Clifford, Mo Doherty, Bob and Jackie Newman, Tommy and Heather Love, John and Sue Cowie, Jimmy and Maureen McMahan, Andy Redman and George Nash

11th November Remembrance Parade

The club will be open from 0900 hours' timings for the parade, A member (selection by ballot paper and hat) will lay our wreath and after the service we are back to the club where after a tifter we will parade at the India memorial at 1200 hours, poppies and crosses will be planted at the India memorial the evening before by George and Glenn, the service will be taken by our padre. A Free meal with a choice of either hot or cold buffets will be provided after the service at the club and again we will welcome other Regiments and dignitaries to the club after the parade.

There will only be a raffle at this event hoping to recover the costs of the meal £120 has been allocated for the food.

18th November Branch Church Service

This service in St Mary's in the Castle assisted by our Padre proved very popular last year so we are going to see if we can make this an annual event, to help remember the date it is the Sunday after the Remembrance parade, parade at the Castle Church car park by 10:00 hours Winchester dress or shirt and tie, then afterwards there will be refreshments taken at our HQ the Dover Sea Angling Society

24th November Christmas Party at the Town Hall Dover 1900 – 0030 hours

The format is known, and bookings made, tickets will be made available at the BBQ for £10 a ticket with the serial number being entered into a free draw, Jerry (07981 865873) will be doing the balloons again, Placemats will be printed & organised by George and the President has promised to laminate then (200), more details nearer the date

Branch Regimental Dinner

We need to decide the venue as the Sgts Mess Shorncliffe can be expensive and the option would be a buffet and we would need to sort out transport, so an alternative would be in a hotel in Dover dress "Winchester, we are looking to identify the venue George will be chatting to Jessica looking at the Marina, Bob will check out the Hythe restaurant on the seafront and we need to look at the town hall, There were 20 at the meeting and 18 indicated that they would attend such a dinner, more details to follow.

3 Day Normandy Landings tour taking in Pegasus Bridge

We are looking to host this in September 2019, so soon we will be looking at itineraries and overnight accommodations and price the tour it may well be that the tour is a weekday tour but you will be advised in plenty of time if you need to book days off work, if anyone has any personal interest in a particular landing site please get in touch or e-mail the details to see if we can include in our tour, more information will follow, and we can start a savings plan once we know the cost.

Free Wimbledon Tickets for end of June 2018

Wimbledon Centre court or No1 court tickets for Association members for possibly the end of June 2018, these tickets are donated to veterans and so dress would be Winchester or shirt and tie, this is a ticket only event and members would have to make their own way there and back.

The branch approved the following to attend: Lt Col Gray x3, Jim Barrett x2 Kevin Garrett x2

Haywood T Shirts: Fred is bringing a sample to the AGM for members to look at, "Chosen Women "required too? – have got the order listing will report back via Facebook on progress

Step Short – Branch not attending but if individuals want information then contact Bob

Drumhead 23rd September

The Branch voted overwhelmingly NOT to attend the Drumhead

Item 10: Brief Overview of RGJ Association: Secretary

The Secretary then gave a short report on the association stating that all is fine at Winchester and that we are encouraged to join the National association, if not then entry to the reunion will be £10 and of course there is a lot of new content on the revamped website that can only be read if you are a member.

Item 11: Proposals

No proposals

Item 12: AOB:

No AOB

Item 13 Closing Address: The President had to leave before the closing address so the Secretary thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting

Meeting Closed: 20:55 hours

Next AGM: TBC

Attendance: Lt Col R Gray, Bob Newman, Tommy Love, Heather Love, Chris Clifford, Mo Docherty, Norman Clark, George Nash, John Cowie, Fred Barrett, Stuart Stephenson, Jimmy McMahon, Danny Dowling, Phil Critchley, Stuart Outred, Kevin Goodwin, Andrew Redman

Apologies: Glenn Ternent