

Royal Green Jackets Regimental Association

South East Kent Branch Annual General Meeting 25th March 2022



ADMIN

Meeting open: 1900hrs

Attendees: Dave Ivatt, Peter Thomson, George Nash, Tommy Love, Ian Clifford, Billy Field, M. McMahon, J. McMahon, J. Cleaves, S. Cleaves, J. Cowie, Tiny Tidnam, Kevin Arnell, Don Whitehead, Janet Coote, M. Pennock, E. Pennock

Apologies: Glenn Ternant

Previous minutes read and agreed as an accurate record. (AGM 19)

Proposed: Don

Seconded: Ian

Welcome for the Chairman

- This is your branch, the committee needs your feedback and support.

Regimental Collect - Reading by Tommy Love

The Branch Charter. Brief explanation about the Charter including the new voting in of the Committee at the beginning of the AGM.

The Committee Vote.

- Chairman - Dave Ivatt - Proposed Pete - Seconded Tommy - All in favor
- Secretary - Pete Thomson - Proposed Dave - Seconded George - All in favor
- Treasurer - Billy Field - Proposed Dave - Seconded Tommy - All in favor
- Entertainments - George Nash - Proposed Dave - Seconded Tiny - All in favor
- Remembrance - Tommy Love - Proposed Dave - Seconded Mac - All in favor
- Property - Chris Ian Clifford - Proposed Dave - Seconded George - All in favor

TREASURER'S REPORT - AS OF 18/03/22 - Billy field will plan to take the branch more electronic banking, looking at a card reader for easier payment method.

As of	Previous 21/01/22	Current 18/03/22
Cash at Bank	£3888.39	£4118.64
Cash in Hand	£246.43	£246.43
Creditors		
Debtors	£35	£35
Charities		
Total Cash Available	4169.82	£4400.07

- **Easyfunding update** - Encourage more members, family & friends to get on board.
 - o 6 Supporters
 - o Total raised £59.61

MEMBERSHIP. *(Pete Thomson)*

2021. As of 21/01/22

Unpaid: **65**
Paid: **41**
Honorary **2**
Associate **5**

Total Members: **108**

20 more than since January

Spouses of Members who have Passed. The branch will keep in touch, invites to event and Christmas cards.

COMMUNICATION. *(Pete Thomson)*

Website:

Content required: Pete to add Breakfast Club calendar
Email address: Available from Pete

Facebook:394 members

2 blocked from page due inappropriate behavior
Pete to add Breakfast Club calendar

ENTERTAINMENT. *(George Nash) & Dave Ivatt*

Last Year's Events. The chairman talked through last year's events and thanked the committee for their hard work in making them a success during such a difficult time.

BBQ 2022. date confirmed 11th June.

Xmas Part. 3rd December, Phoenix Club.
Price for members bar prices £50.

The Smoker 2022. 2nd - 4th Sept. Pete organising the event.
The branch will look to expand on the success of the Smoker 2021 this year and will try to source funding from RHQ.

MEMORIALS. *(Tommy Love)*

Church Service. Tommy to arrange dates with Sean closer to the time.

Remembrance Parade.

Will look to go to Shorncliffe again after the parade in Dover. Something the branch will continue in the future. Will see if we can get access to the bottom gate.

EVENTS. *(Dave Ivatt, Pete Thomson)*

Wimbledon Tennis. TBC, Dave trying to make contact with the Charity. If we are able to get tickets, members names will be drawn from a hat for the tickets.

RGJ Reunion Winchester. 9th July 2022

Numbers to be collected of those attending and passed to RHQ.

Letter received from RHQ about the future of the Reunion discussed & letter will be made available on the branch website & Facebook group page.

free curry lunch for those who are attending, names to Pete closer to the time. There will also be an RGJ number plate parade through Winchester.

Green stock: Next Year

Thames River Cruise. Once again, If we are able to get tickets members names will be drawn from a hat for the tickets.

Light Division Memorial, National Memorial Arboretum: 10th Sept, will start advertising

Sounding the Retreat - Horse Guards: date 8-9th June

Branch will look to provide a contribution to travel costs for those members attending.

Booking now <https://tickets.theriflesnetwork.co.uk/rifles-sounding-retreat/index.htm>.

Tickets are going fast. Pete will organise tickets for those wishing to attend.

The Massed Bands and Bugles of The Rifles

The English National Opera

The Band of the Brigade of Gurkhas

Quirinus Band and Bugle Corps from Germany

Cadet Bands and Bugles of The Rifles

The Bugle Branch The Rifleman's Association

Any other Business.

Battlefield Tour was discussed as a possible event in the future. Bearing in mind its ease for use as a branch to get across the channel. Day trip or possibly an over-nighter.

Pete will look into the viability. All agreed it would be well worth the effort.

Next Meetings.

AGM Members: 25th Mar 2022

Meeting closed: 20:42hrs