

# The Royal Green Jackets Regimental Association South East Kent Branch

**HQ: Dover Sea Angling Club** 

Meeting Date: 23rd March 2017

## **Branch Meeting Minutes**

Meeting open: 1930 hours

**Present:** : Bob Newman, Glenn Ternent. BEM, Heather Love, Tommy Love, Mo Docherty, Jim McMahon, Ray Seabrook, Peter Drew, Norman W Clark, George Nash, Reg Longhurst, John Clayton, Barb Barrett, Fred Barrett, John Cousins, Steve Milsom, Don Whitehead

Apologies: President Lt Col R Gray. MBE, Rev' K Garratt, Chris Clifford, Tony Killelay

Previous minutes read and agreed as an accurate record
Proposed George Nash Seconded Tommy Love

#### Matters arising from last meeting

1. Regimental Themed Cake for BBQ – Ray Seabrook – No price yet submitted

#### Treasurer's report

£3,982.57 available cash (including £795 held for donations to Charity)

#### Membership report

93 Members

4 Honorary

41 paid for 2017

9 Paid for 2018

#### **Update on events**

#### AGM June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Any Paid-up member who wishes to ask a question at the AGM or wishes to table a proposal should have the Question or proposal delivered to the Branch Secretary by the 8<sup>th</sup> of June so that the committee can research and reply fully to the Question or proposal, please remember only members with valid membership cards (or treasurers disposition) can vote or present at the AGM.

#### Branch BBQ on 24th June

1200 – 6pm, Dave volunteered to be Children's entertainment coordinator bringing a few active fun games for the children to play such as;

Tossing the Welly – Hook the Duck – Tossing the ball

Food Burger and Chips £5 adult (£1 back to branch) under 14's £3

2 staff manning outside bar for soft drinks from 1145 hors

Prices for beer £3.30 per pint with Cider at £3.30 too

3 staff inside

Raffle 10 prizes (£1 per Ticket) and Auction 3 items

Susan will be our photographer.

Face painting 12:30 – 16:00 hours Children only

Wet weather will be upstairs and under the brollies

**Dover Express Invited** 

#### Veterans Day (Winchester) 8<sup>th</sup> July

The Freedom of Winchester Parade: There will be 100 veterans marching amongst the regular forces and Jake Cheetham is the contingent commander for the parade. We have as a Branch booked and been accepted for 10 Marching Riflemen on the Freedom

of Winchester Parade,

Names are:

William Trotter, Ian Greenway, Mick Abraham, Terry Sidhu, Tony Kerwick, Derek Eagle, Gary Tingey, Martin Brooks, Steve Milsom

We have no one asked to be a reserve as yet.

#### Arboretum trip 2 – 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Conduct: A Coach will pick us up from outside the Club house at 10:00 hours Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup> September and transport us to the National Arboretum, the journey will take approximately 5 hours including a 45 minute rest stop getting us to the arboretum, at app 3 – 3:30pm, we will have a couple of hours at the arboretum before leaving for the hotel (TBA) we will have a dinner at the hotel and the next day leave the hotel (hopefully with packed lunches) at 09:30 for a short service of memoriam at the RGJ memorial, then a couple of hours to enjoy and explore the vast arboretum before leaving for Dover at 2pm arriving in Dover at app 7pm. We are still looking at hotels.

### Remembrance Parade Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November

Parade to follow set format and Bob to ask 1<sup>st</sup> Margate Scouts if they can make more poppies for India memorial for a donation of app £50. Food for 60 people at a cost of £120 curry and chilli.

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Church Service Provisional 19<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Details to follow nearer date

Christmas Party at the Town Hall Dover on 25<sup>th</sup> November 1900 – 0030 hours

Party to follow set format but decorations to reflect more that it is a Christmas party plus we are looking at a different menu – Chicken and Chips, Sausage and Chips, finger buffet would be £7 pp so cost about £1,400.

#### AOB

Ray updated the group that SSAFA has spent £1800 to help Riflemen in need and the Rifles has spent £900 from the Rifles Benevolent Society.

Tommy updated the branch on an excellent effort for Eddie Watsons Funeral.

Proposals

None

Meeting Closed – 2030 hours

Meeting dates

|       | Committee | Branch     |
|-------|-----------|------------|
| March |           | 23rd       |
| June. | 15th.     | 22nd (AGM) |
| Sept  | 21st.     | 28th       |
| Nov.  | 16th.     | 23rd       |