



**Royal Green Jacket Regimental Association  
South East Kent Branch**

**Channel Angling Club —Dover**

Meeting Date: 24<sup>th</sup> January 2013

**Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting open:** 19:20 hours

**Present.** Robert Newman. Tommy Love. Heather Love. George Nash.  
James Barrett. John Frackleton Martin Prime Andy Redman

**Apologies:** Brigadier James Plastow. CBE. Glenn Ternant. Steve Milson.  
Reg Longhurst. Gary Sayell

The Secretary asked all to be upstanding with glasses and we paid our respects to a chosen man arriving at the Green FRV. RIP Ken Ambrose.

**Previous minutes** from meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> December 2012

Martin proposed that the minutes were an accurate record of our last meeting seconded by George Nash, unanimous

**Matters arising from Last meeting Minutes**

- 1. Update on Bank Account status:** The secretary passed on the information from the Chairman that the association's bank account will be active no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> February.

**Treasurers report** – Due to house moves, atrocious weather and a family emergency the Accounts following the Christmas party have not been collated, the accounts will be updated by the 10<sup>th</sup> February latest and a copy sent out to all committee members.

**Web site managers' report:**

£39.99 paid for first year of hosting.

Website pages growing but need input to keep current or get people interested, the committee discussed and agreed that a front page change to make the web site more user friendly by change log in access to a member's page and just have personal data pages such as RGJRA database restricted.

Membership database 41

Wash and brush up for Christmas Party 2012:

The committee congratulated George, Tommy, Heather and Jim for an excellent event and then the committee discussed the pros and cons of our Christmas party, everyone agreed that it was well attended and enjoyed by everyone, Jim Barrett discussed how the management topped up the buffet when they saw it had all gone and there were a few hungry mouths to feed still, Jim also talked about the serving staff varying their price tariffs and that the manager Bob Duffield had been informed and that he had dealt with the staff who had been allegedly skimming. We all agreed to write down a couple of good and not so good things about the party so we can collate them and file them for future reference,

Tommy said that the next party would be hard to exceed the standards set; The Secretary reminded the committee that the aim should be to have an enjoyable function rather than trying to raise the bar so to speak. Especially as we are a fledgling association.

Planning for the year ahead:

Hog-roast Bring your own beer?  
Hog-roast at the Fox and Temple Ewell  
Medieval Night

We agreed that our summer event should be around the 1<sup>st</sup> September but not what it should be yet, if we could hold it in the Castle Grounds that would be good, especially if it was a medieval night in the tower.

### **Dover Remembrance Parade 2013 update from Martin:**

Martin gave the committee an excellent written report of his progress; these are attached to these minutes.

It was agreed by the committee that our priority for the remembrance parade should be to offer help and advice to the Dover Town Council to improve the parade rather than go it alone, the expertise and advice of our NE branch Parade Master plus our own experiences could help give Dover a more structured and respectful parade, where we would be an active part of it, to this end Martin has been tasked to look investigate this.

Drinks before and a curry after the parade at our HQ to be arranged.

Also the parade march to the Indian Memorial is a great idea but we feel not as a remembrance parade but as a separate function, perhaps as a RGJ parade, Martin will continue to look into this including additional costs such as road closures and insurance issues and also the use of the Air Cadets Band, Martin to ring Nigel to discuss. Jim to talk to Dover Patrol on closures and report back to Martin.

## **Christmas party 2013 update;**

Christmas Party 2013 on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December, need to pay £100 booking fee to Bluebirds if we are to hold it there again, George Nash to liaise with Bob Duffield reference bar prices and food tariffs, to see if we can reduce the costs.

If the costs are to remain high then we need to seek another venue.

Photographs and info from John: John talked about access to his personal array of photographs and how the photos he takes will be copyrighted, and that anyone can request a copy with a small donation to the association.

## **Proposals**

No Proposals

## **AOB**

George Nash, Mogg Cooke and Alan Grant from Aylesbury branch are looking to do a Normandy tour, George showed us the Rifleman tour brochure and gave a copy for the chairman. George and Gary to liaise and present to next Committee meeting.

George asked about status of membership cards: The reply from the Secretary was that after discussion with the Chairman Membership cards were put on hold until the branch found itself in a more fiscally stable position, we will be able to determine when we move forward with these once the accounts are up to date.

Tommy talked to the branch about support for Martin Wyness, if you know him then get in touch as he needs our support right now, this I know has been echoed across the Battalions and Associations.

Dover Sea Angling Club given dates for all meetings and have now booked us in, there may be a time when we have to share the room with Crib players but they will be in a far corner

Planned meetings:

Committee	Branch
March 21 <sup>st</sup>	March 28 <sup>th</sup>
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	June 27 <sup>th</sup>
Sept 19 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 26 <sup>th</sup>
Nov 21 <sup>st</sup>	Nov 28 <sup>th</sup>

**Next committee meeting:** March 21<sup>st</sup>

**Meeting closed** 20:40 hours

MARTIN

**REMEMBRANCE DAY ETC**

*Paul*

**Town War Memorial**

This is run by Dover Town Council – the contact is Alison Burton.

**Indian War Memorial by the Royal Cinque Ports Yacht Club**

General

This is generally looked after by Dover District Council (DDC) for the flowers only, whoever looks after the fabric of the monument – this is not known.

If we do hold an event here it might be worth talking to The Duke of York's School about the Band being on parade, also it is always helpful to invite Local Dignitaries ie: Local DDC/KCC Councillor, Town Mayor – they can grant money to us (which we would have to apply for).

Wreath Laying at the Memorial

We would have to fill in an Event Application Form (available from DDC). They will contact the other agencies (Police, Fire Brigade, Ambulance Service etc) they would also advise on Insurance and Public Liability and give general help with processing the Application Form for an event.

DO RGSRA HAVE THIS??

The Officer at DDC to contact is: Kirsty Ash (Events Officer) - ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Road Closures

This would involve a Traffic Management Plan done in conjunction with the Highway's Agency and could actually cost us money, due to the location of the War Memorial.

Jim to talk to Dover Patrol,  
Robert back to Martin.

NIGEL = AIR CADETS (BAND) - MARTIN HAS NUMBER