



Airborne Engineers Association Scotland



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Chairman – **Frank Murray**

Secretary – **Gil Nicol**

Treasurer – **Mick Walker**

Minutes of the Meeting at The Royal British Legion , Rodney Street , Edinburgh at 1300hrs on Sunday 21 July 2013

1.0 Members Present ; Frank Murray , Mick Walker , Gil Nicol , Craig McQuade , Gordon Mc Leod , John Donaldson , Kenneth Wratten , Dougie Archibald , Ron McCartan , Jim Simpson , Kim Panton , Raymond Mannion , Brian Earl , Roy Kay and Alex McWhirter

2.0 Apologies ; Willie Grant , Hugh Mc Phee , Andy Paterson , Andy Mullen , David Brock Ronnie Drummond , Norrie Bishop and all overseas members

3.0 Welfare Report ; There was nothing to report

4.0 Chairman,s Welcome ; Frank welcomed all present and a minutes silence was observed in remembrance of all past members and those who have fallen in recent conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan.

“We will remember them”

5.0 Minutes of Last Meeting ; Gil Nicol informed the members that in the minutes of the last meeting he had recorded the parade on 27 July at Glenrothes as being on behalf of “Armed Forces Day” when it is actually “Airborne Forces Day”

The minutes of the last meeting were then proposed as being accurate by Kim Panton and seconded by Gordon Mc Leod

6.0 Matters Arising ;

(a)The members present were informed that some of the branch members had met up , on 19 June at The Guards Club in Edinburgh , for an intermeeting pint and a good time was had by all.

(b)The members were reminded of “Airborne Forces Day” on Saturday 27 July 2013 to be held at Glenrothes and details were issued regarding transport to and from the parade. A total of 9No members propose to attend.

(c)John Donaldson and Kim Panton reported that they delivered and handed over our donation of £100.00 to The Erskine Care Home , Edinburgh for ex service personnel.

(d) The date for our branch Xmas Lunch was agreed as 30 November 2013 and Gil Nicol will contact David Henderson with a view to booking, Approximately 22 –30 are interested in attending.

(e)The Golf Outing 2013 – Craig McQuade has offered to arrange that we have our outing at Newcastleton Golf Course on Sunday 22 September 2013 and he and his wife will provide food and refreshments after the competition

7.0 Secretary's Report ; Gil Nicol reminded members of the forthcoming “Double Hills Remembrance Ceremony” to be held on 1 September 2013. Full Details were available for members to peruse. Gil also gave members an update on our progress regarding our intended visit to “Arnhem 2014”

8.0 Treasurers Report ; Mick Walker reported that we are still in a healthy financial position and presented a statement to this effect. This report was proposed as being accurate by Jim Simpson and seconded by Craig McQuade

9.0 Website Report ; John Donaldson stated there was nothing to report but reminded us of the appeal for information regarding an ex colleague of Fred Carslake named as “Jock Fraser”, should anyone have information please contact Gil Nicol. A picture of Jock Fraser is on our website.

Mick Walker has passed on an Application Form to an ex member of 3Troop (300 Squadron) who contacted him after seeing our website presentation.

10.0 The Shoe box Appeal ; At the moment nothing is happening . It was proposed by Dougie Archibald and seconded by Brian Earl that this appeal may have run its course and that we should therefore run it down. We will however keep monitoring the situation

11.0 Future Meetings ; All future meetings will be held on the 3rd Sunday of the month , every 2nd month , starting from and including January 2013. Meetings will commence at 1300hrs.

12.0 A.O.CB.

(a) There will be **No** Bowls Outing this year

(b) Gordon McLeod reminded us that no one has volunteered to go hillwalking but the offer is still open

(c) The members attending The Cenotaph Parade in London in November 2013 will contact each other and make arrangements regarding travel and accommodation.. Craig McQuade will look at the Accommodation issue

(d) Frank Murray mentioned having a possible outing , like Waverley Trip or the Inchmurn Island Trip , but it was felt that our social calendar until the end of the year is pretty full and we leave a proposed trip until 2014.

The meeting was brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the chair

13.0 Date of Next Meeting ; Our next meeting will be on Sunday 15 September 2013 (1300hrs) at The Royal British Legion , Rodney Street , Edinburgh.

Proposed List of Events 27/7/13 until 31/12/13

- 27/07/2013 Airborne Forces Day 2013 --Glenrothes**
- 15/09/2013 AEA Meeting , Rodney Street , Edinburgh , 2013--1300hrs**
- 22/09/2013 Golf Outing , Newcastleton**
- 9 +10/11/13 The Cenotaph Parade London**
- 17/11/2013 AGM , Rodney Street , Edinburgh -1230hrs**
- 30/11/2013 Xmas Lunch , "The Pantry" ,Stockbridge , Edinburgh**
- 06/12/2013 PRA Xmas Dinner Dance , RBL , Rodney Street , Edinburgh --1900hrs**