

The Royal Marines Association North Wales Branch



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Minutes of the meeting of the North Wales Branch RMA held on Monday 19th March 2007 at 7.30, The Miners Arms, Meliden

Present: Alan Logan – Chairman (provisional)
Sue Logan – Secretary (provisional)
Chris Stallard – Treasurer (provisional)
Lawrence Reynolds – President (provisional)
Helen Stallard – Membership Secretary (provisional)
Colette Harrison
Eric Vaughan
Jeff Jones
Stephen Flanigan
Ted Evans
Mike O'Rourke
Martin Moyse
Doug Taylor
Leon Davies
Jed Dovey
Jim Oliver
Philip Williams Jones
Edward Macdonald Parry
Ian Flannery
David Drysdale
Garth Cobley

Apologies: Mervyn Jones

Alan welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologised for the fact that the speaker was unable to come along and talk to us this month. This will be arranged for a future meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting

These were accepted.

Chairman's report

- Tonight's raffle prizes donated by Lawrence and his wife, courtesy of Scottish and Newcastle Breweries.
- Lawrence has kindly offered to pay for the Branch Standard. Alan thanked him on behalf of the membership for this very generous gesture. Branch standard now to be ordered. Flan offered to be the standard bearer.
- We are applying for a grant from Awards for All for the trip to Lymington in September. Alan asked for a show of hands of members interested in attending. 16-18 members interested. Accommodation may have to be in the Torquay area as the application will take around 12 weeks to come back..
- Flag days – Sainsburys have offered us 8th September but Sue will try and get this changed as it clashes with the reunion weekend. Two other dates arranged – 14th July at Asda, Kinnel Bay and 1st September at Morrisons, Rhyl – volunteers requested please. Head Office are issuing tins, stickers, etc., to branches in April.
- Nomination of officers for election to the committee. The following members were nominated and duly elected as they were the only names put forward for these positions:

President – Lawrence Reynolds

Chairman – Alan Logan

Treasurer – Chris Stallard

Secretary – Sue Logan

Membership Secretary – Helen Stallard

Welfare Rep – Edward Macdonald Parry and Ian Flannery (jointly)

Cadet Rep – Martin Moyse and Doug Taylor (jointly)

Standard Bearer – Stephen Flanigan

Would all elected officer ensure that Sue has their telephone number and/or email. Next elections will be held at the meeting in April 2008. Nominations to be received by March 2008 meeting.

- Falklands 25th Anniversary commemorations. David Drysdale gave us a brief resume of his background and told us about the North Wales Veterans weekend on 14/15th July. David is organising the event on Sunday 15th in Llandudno – morning march with the RM Band and a concert at the North Wales Theatre in the evening including the Fron male voice choir. Concert tickets will be £10 for members and £15 to the general public. Numbers of tickets required by 9th April. He is hoping that local businesses will give veterans 25% discounts for the weekend.

- Falklands 25th Anniversary commemorations. Jed told the meeting about the proposed march on Sunday 8th July in Rhuddlan. Cadet reps to see whether their band may be available for this. Jed said he would put an advert in the paper nearer the time.
- Jeff agreed to set up a website for the branch. Sue to send details to him.

Secretary's report

- Sue to order standard.
- Sue to write to Sainsburys to change date of flag day
- Sue to send details for website to Jeff

Treasurer's report

- Statement of accounts as of today:

Raffle Money	£33.00
Subs	£22.00
Membership Money	£80.00
Total collected	£135.00

Already in bank account	£126.00
Interest Added	£ 0.24
Paid In	£135.00

Total **£261.24**

Monies taken on the night:

Raffle	£ 64.00
Subs	£ 19.00
Membership	£ 35.00
Donations	£120.00

Date of next meeting

Monday 16th April at 7.30 pm in the Miners Arms, Meliden

We are hoping to have a short meeting followed by a showing of the DVD "Return to Limbang" which features L coy 42 Commando in the 1962 Limbang raid. It is amazing and well worth seeing.