



## Newton Abbot & District Branch Royal Engineers Association

### AGM Minutes for Meeting Dated Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2014

Branch Officials:	Mr Brian Cocker	Branch President
	Mr Tony Franklin	Branch Chairman
	Mr Roger Andrews	Branch Secretary
	Mr Dave Cairns	Branch Treasurer

Members Present: 10

Apologies:

Meeting Opened: 11:30hours

#### **1. Opening Address**

The exhortation was recited and the Chairman extended New Year's greetings to all members present.

#### **2. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Last AGM**

The Branch Secretary read the minutes of the last AGM and confirmed that, as far as was practical, all matters arising had been dealt with and that all annual reports for 2012 have been submitted to Rea HQ and SW Group REA.

Proposed By: Mr Richard Underhill

Seconded By: Mr Dave Cairns

That the minutes as presented be accepted

Vote: Carried

#### **3. Correspondence**

1. CO 22 Engr Regt RE; Farewell letter as Director SW Group REA
2. REA HQ: HQ Circular no. 146

*Please note:-*

1. All correspondence received is now published on the Branch Website [www.newtonabbot-rea.co.uk](http://www.newtonabbot-rea.co.uk) as soon as is possible after its receipt (sensitive items and information excepted).
2. Members may view the original hard copies of any or all incoming correspondence, at the branch meeting following its receipt, or by contacting the Branch Secretary and agreeing a mutually reasonable time.
3. Hard Copies of correspondence will be retained by the Secretary for three (3) months. A digital copy will be retained on file.

#### **4. Branch Treasurer's Report (Annual Return)**

The Branch Treasurer, Mr Keith Tapp, summarised and distributed copies of the Branch Annual Return confirming it had been completed as per HQ requirements. This was checked by the Branch President and Branch Chairman. It was confirmed that HQ would receive the form within the required time limit.

The Treasurer stated that as of 1 Jan 2014 the Branch funds stood at £1964.76 excluding any fixed assets. This represented a total fall in funds of £19.04 over the past year.

Proposed By: Mr Martin Jones

Seconded By: Mr Jason Downey

That the annual Treasurers report as presented be accepted

Vote: Carried

## **5. Election of Branch Officers**

At this point the incumbent Branch Officers & Committee Members stood down, and with Mr Tony Franklin temporarily taking the chair, the selection of Branch Officers and Committee Members took place

	<b>President</b>	<b>Chairman</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b><i>Elected Member:</i></b>	Mr Brian Cocker	Mr Tony Franklin	Mr Keith Tapp	Mr Roger Andrews
<b><i>Proposed By:</i></b>	Mr Richard Underhill	Mr Richard Underhill	Mr Tony Franklin	Mr Roy Cole
<b><i>Seconded By:</i></b>	Mr Dave Cairns	Mr Jason Downey	Mr Jason Downey	Mr Keith Tapp
<b><i>Vote:</i></b>	Carried	Carried	Carried	Carried

<b><i>New Committee:</i></b>	Welfare Committee Member Committee Member Committee Member Proposed By: Seconded By: Vote:	Mr Dave Cairns Mr Bob Herbert Mr Jason Downey Mr Martin Jones Mr Richard Underhill Mr Roy Cole Carried

## **6. Other Business**

1. Proposed by Mr Tony Franklin  
Seconded by Mr Roy Cole  
That a donation of £150.00 be made to The Newton Abbot RBL Club in thanks to their kindness in allowing this branch the use of its facilities over the past year.  
Vote: Carried
2. Mr Roy Cole thanked the committee and all involved in organising the Christmas Dinner and Grand draw, this was a sentiment echoed by all members present.
3. The Branch Secretary summarised the costing of the Christmas Dinner and Draw stating that after receipts from members and profits from the two draws were taken into account the whole event cost the branch a total of £19.33.
4. Mr Tony Franklin gave a short report on the Branches attendance at the recent Military funeral at Christow for Sapper Blight who was killed in a road accident at Tidworth early December.
5. Mr Roger Andrews spoke about a request he had had from SSAFA with reference to a 98 year old ex Royal Engineer, Mr Leslie Yelland, who is in a care home in Paignton (the only male resident) asking for possible visitors from the branch, Roger visited him just before Christmas and Leslie was most appreciative. More visits to follow.

## **7. Closing Address**

There being no further business the Branch Chairman reminded Members that the next Ordinary Branch Meeting would be on Sunday 23 February 2014 AGM Closed at: 12:15 hours

Original Signed 23 Feb 14

Signed: .....  
Mr A Franklin (Chairman)

Date: .....

Original Signed 23 Feb 14

Signed: .....  
Mr R Andrews (Secretary)

Date: .....