



Royal Military Police Association Hull & East Riding Branch



Minutes of the Branch Meeting Held on Wednesday 4th September 2024

Members Present: Peter Watson (PW); Brain Alddicott (BA) Alison Sayell (AS); Jon Wild (JW); David Kennedy (DK);

Apologies: Bob Hare (BH); Andy Nelson Plews (ANP); Bernie Robinson (BR); Phil Cohen (PC); Jason McCoubrey (JM); Jim Savage (JS); Fred Hemmerman (FH); Rachel Love (RL); Dan Joyce (DJ); Steve Johnson (SJ);

Not Present: Shane Harle (SH); James Nylan (JN); Paul DeLay (PD); Paul Clark (PC2); Paul Calderwood (PC3); Sandra Robinson (SR); Daz Young (DY);

Agenda for September 2024's Meeting

1. Remembrance
2. Members Present/Apologies Received
3. Minutes of the Previous Branch Meeting
4. Matters Arising
5. Communications
6. Reports
 - 6.1. CESA
 - 6.2. Standard Bearer
7. Social Events
8. Project 2025
9. Any Other Business
10. Close of Meeting & Date of Next Meeting

1. Meeting opened at 20.00hrs. PW gave an introduction and gave the act of remembrance and welcomed the members present. As both ANP and JM were not present, PW will Chair the meeting.
2. Members Present/Apologies Received – ANP thanked all who were in attendance, apologies received from JS, PC, BR, FH, .
3. Minutes of the previous meeting – DK proposed that the minutes where an accurate record of the meeting, AS seconded.
4. Matters arising –
 - 4.1 PW has been to the bank and has the necessary forms to be completed to change over signatories and get the online banking up and running.
 - 4.2 PW admitted that he had missed off both JN and NE from the attendees list for the August meeting. This has now been addressed.
5. Communications – All detailed in the attached.
6. Reports
 - 6.1 CESA – AS forwarded the minutes from the latest CESA meeting:

- 6.1.1 There is a trip being planned to visit the Imperial War Museum, details in Annex B.
- 6.1.2 REME Association is planning a dinner on 28th September 2024, details in Annex C.
- 6.3 Standard Bearer – ANP did not carry the Branch Standard during August.
7. Social Events –
- 7.1 October Social Event – 12th October 2024, This will be in Beverley, starting at the Dog & Duck, Dog & Duck Lane, Beverley from 13.00hrs.
- 7.2 Xmas details – PW reminded members that a provisional date of 30th November 2024 had been previously agreed and that BH had been asked to investigate the Springhead Golf Clubhouse. Other potential ideas included the Comedy Club and Napoleon’s Casino.
8. Project 2025 – 11th/12th/13th April.
- 8.1 PW to arrange a meeting with the Hotel ASAP, to confirm menu choices and room rates so that an offer can be sent out to all Branches.
- 8.2 It was agreed that the Church Service will take place in the Hotel. PW to ask JM if we could borrow some drums to create a drumhead service.
9. Any Other Business –
- 9.1 Eden Camp All Arms Parade – 8th September 2024 10.00hrs – 17.00hrs
- 9.2 Field of Remembrance Crosses. PW stated that we have received the order form for the crosses for the Field of Remembrance at Westminster Abbey. He proposed that we purchase a badged cross as we have been doing annually for very many years. AS seconded, all in favour.
- 9.3 Accounts: PW has checked on the balances for the Branch account and they are still in a good state. He acknowledged those members who had paid in their subs directly in particular Mark & Joanne Bateman, who live in Cumbria but continue to support the Branch. Thank you very much. For those of you who haven’t paid this years subs yet..... this is a gentle reminder!
- 9.4 AS said that the RBL Wreaths for this year will have H.M. The Kings Cap Badges on. AS volunteered to organise this years wreath for the Remembrance Parade.
- 9.5 PW asked if we still had a subscription for The Journal. AS stated that we did. PW asked where it went and it was believed that it was sent to FH.
10. The time being 20.38hrs and there being no further business, the meeting was closed by ANP. The next Branch Meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd October 2024 at 20.00hrs at the Manor Farm Public House, 194 Willerby Rd, Hull HU5 5JW. Members as usual, can meet up from 18.00hrs for food and drink.

Agenda for October’s Meeting

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Dates for diaries:-

SEP 8 Sun 2024	All Services Parade – Eden Camp @ Eden Camp Sep 8 @ 10:00 – 17:00	+
SEP 15 Sun 2024	RAFA Battle of Britain Parade and Service @ Hull War Memorial Sep 15 @ 10:30 – 11:30	+
OCT 2 Wed 2024	Branch Meeting @ Manor Farm Public House Oct 2 @ 18:00 – 21:00	+
NOV 2 Sat 2024	Veterans Dinner @ Middleton Barracks Nov 2 @ 19:00 – 23:45	+
NOV 6 Wed 2024	Branch Meeting @ Manor Farm Public House Nov 6 @ 18:00 – 21:00	+
NOV 8 Fri 2024	The Royal British Legion Festival of Remembrance @ Hull City Hall Nov 8 @ 19:30 – 22:00	+
NOV 10 Sun 2024	Hull Remembrance Sunday Parade @ Hull War Memorial Nov 10 @ 10:00 – 13:00	+
NOV 30 Sat 2024	Branch Christmas Event – Save the date! Nov 30 <small>all-day</small>	+
DEC 4 Wed 2024	Branch Meeting @ Manor Farm Public House Dec 4 @ 18:00 – 21:00	+

August Correspondence

1. Email received from NatSec as follows:

Good afternoon

Please find attached order forms for Poppy Crosses to be placed at the Corps / Association Plot - Westminster Abbey this year.

Return dates are tight I'm afraid mainly due to the Poppy Factory requiring an extend lead in again this year.

Kindly send the order forms back to Clare at RHQRMP. Please delete which ever is not appropriate in terms of how your branch made payment , if for any reason a Branch would like a Cross but feel they are unable to afford to purchase one then simply tell Clare that Our Association will fund that purchase for you and let me know.

Also attached is an image of the selection - we normally chose the "Badge Cross" as per this image



2. An email was received from the NatSec as follows:

Good morning all

As is now the customary order of things, the Remembrance events kick start with the official opening of the Field of Remembrance , this year on Thursday 7th November, that will be followed by the Corps and Association Act of Remembrance on Saturday 9th November and culminates with the National act of Remembrance and associated RBL Muster at Whitehall London.

Attendance at the opening of the FoR on the Thursday is strictly a ticketed event, attendees need to at Westminster Abbey by 10:00 hrs - there are always long queues to get in so a sense of humour is required. Those who attend are then permitted to stand behind their respective plot whilst the event is officially opened on behalf of the Nation, there then follows a period of waiting to see the the usually swift stroll past of a member of the Royal Household. Once the Royal has left the informal gathering disperses normally by about 1215 hrs.

It is my privilege to represent our Association at the event, I have applied for 8 tickets and have been granted I believe those 8 spaces - I have to reserve a couple of places for our serving cohort representative to be able to attend, if you and a partner would like to be considered for two of the remaining 6 spaces please do apply - however please note the date is THURSDAY 7th November, it is at Westminster Abbey London and is an all morning affair - why do I stipulate that? Simply because again last year as in previous years I had people apply and were allocated spaces only for them not to bother to turn up on the day, and then to tell me that they had not realised the date, or decided to go on holiday or turned up to late these are just a few of the reasons given to me for why we had blank spaces as it were.

So if you wish to be considered do please contact me via my email above - if you have attended previously, then your name will be held from any initial sift required. I will hold this open only until close of play FRIDAY 6th September.

Stewart

National Secretary RMPA

*** END OF COMMUNICATIONS ***

Imperial War Museum Manchester

Join us on a trip to the
Imperial War Museum North in
Manchester

On Friday 20 September

9am Hull Truck Theatre
Return approx 6/6.30pm

IWM North's architecture delivers an award-winning immersive experience. Walk through a timeline of history from the First World War to the present day. Explore over 2,000 objects and immerse yourself in the 360-degree cinematic Big Picture Show.

To book a place contact
Adele Stimpson or Martin Chadburn on 01482 534483
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*The Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers Association
Humberside Branch Annual Dinner 28th September 2024*

Dear Association Member.

The above function has been arranged for Saturday 28th September 2024. The venue is

The Masonic Hall, 69 Beverley Road, HU3 1XL

Attending members and their guests should arrive 1900hrs and be seated by 1930hrs

Dress Code Smart, Lounge suits, the cost of this function has been set at £25 per person

The menu choices are as follows.

Starter

The Chefs special Butternut squash and sweet potato soup, with roll & butter

Mellon Fan with wild berries and fruit coulis

Ardennes pâté with melba toast

Main course

Sea bass with creamy white wine and dill sauce.

Chicken chasseur.

Pork loin steaks with peppercorn sauce.

Mushroom stroganoff served on a bed of basmati rice (V)

Served with roast potatoes and buttered baby potatoes and seasonal vegetables

Dessert

This will take the format of the ever-popular dessert table, full of the chefs own cakes, puddings and a cheese board.

Coffee with after dinner mints. Port for the loyal toasts.

Please complete the attached proforma and send it to myself at the address above, or by email if paying by BACS, to minimise postage costs if you wish.

Nil returns would be appreciated by email please. **Returns in please no later than Saturday 21st September 2024**

Yours Sincerely

Brian

Brian Coulson
Entertainment Secretary