

ROYAL NAVAL ASSOCIATION – PORTLAND BRANCH
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD IN THE CONSERVATIVE CLUB ON
WEDNESDAY 3rd APRIL 2019

1. The meeting was opened by the Chairman at 2010. 50 members attended.
2. APOLOGIES – were received from 20 members.
3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
Nil Report.
4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING – were read and accepted. Proposed by S/M Jan Isaac seconded by S/M John Rowden. 46 for with 4 abstentions.
5. SECRETARIES REMARKS & CORRESPONDENCE
Homeport Magazine – Spring.
Thank you letter from Portland Sea Cadets.
Letter sent by Chairman to the Mayor of Portland Town Council.
6. ITEM DISCUSSED AT COMMITTEE MEETING
A proposal from S/M Charles H for a donation from the Branch to the Not Forgotten Association was discussed. A donation of £50 was proposed. This was put to the floor and carried. It will be given to S/M Mick Arnold at the Annual Dinner for presenting to the Not forgotten Association as a gift from the Branch.
7. CEREMONIAL REPORT
S/M Alf Larkin paraded the Ajax Standard at the Commonwealth Flag Raising Ceremony on Monday 11th March. S/M Tony Seal was Parade Marshal. There were three other Standards present. St George's Day Service at St Georges Church on Tuesday 23rd April at 1900.
Anzac Day 25th April at 1100 at Weymouth Sea Front.
8. FUND RAISING REPORT
Nil Report.
9. WELFARE REPORT
Keith Tubbs is still in hospital.
Pete Connor is out of hospital. Not very well.
Joan Stevenson has had a chest infection. Now on the mend.
Sue Harvey has had another fall.
Nice to see Steve Sandford here tonight.
10. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY
Nil Report.
11. AREA REPORT
Nil Report.
12. TREASURERS REPORT
The Branch Account stands at £3996-77. Proposed by S/M Karen Miller seconded by S/M Charles H Thompson. 48 for with 2 abstentions. There were no matters arising. The raffle raised £62-50 with donations of £14-50 to Branch funds.
The Treasurer gave details regarding changes that will now apply when making cheques out to the Branch.
13. WEBMASTERS REPORT
Nil Report.
14. SOCIAL REPORT
Annual Dinner Saturday 27th April 2019 at the Masonic Hall, Victoria Square. Entertainer – Paul Laming. 65 names on the list so far. The menu is on our Facebook page and on our web page. Please give your menu choices and money this evening. The cost is £20 per person.
Skittles evening at Dorchester on Friday 7th June with Dorchester and other Branches. We are hiring the ICA minibus which has only 11 seats. There are 17 on the list so some will be finding their own way. Sausage and chips will be provided for a nominal fee of £1.00.
Summer Social Saturday 15th June in the Jubilee Hall. Catering Hannah Barnwell and Bill Solo Entertainer. Cost £10.00 per person including buffet. List on noticeboard.
20/20 Cricket Friday 9th August at 1900 – Hants v Somerset at the Ageas Bowl. Cost £30 per person. Only eight on the list so far, so there is room for another eight. I will need £16.00 per person by our May Meeting, so that I can book early bird group tickets. The balance to cover minibus hire, fuel and parking will required on the day.
Away Weekend 2019 at the Barrowfield Hotel, Newquay from Friday 4th to Monday 7th October. 52 names on the list. Two couples dropped out but two more couples have replaced them. Interim deposit of £30 per person have all been paid. The balance is required in August. I will collect

whatever you want to pay at each month's meeting as usual. There is now one single room available. Trafalgar Night Dinner. Friday 18th October at the Masonic Hall, Victoria Square. Entertainer Mike Walker. S/M Arthur Copus suggested that we get the Dorset Wrecks to give us a short rendition of sea shanties after the dinner. I am waiting for a reply from them.

Xmas Social Saturday 21st December in the Jubilee Hall. Entertainer still to be booked.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Next meeting Wednesday 1st May 2019.

16. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2116.

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