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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE CHICHESTER CITY CLUB
ON WEDNESDAY 27TH JANUARY 2016**

The meeting started at 1930 hrs with a minute's silence for fallen and missing comrades.

Present were: Mick Bright, John Bailey, Eric Hensby, Eddie Drew, Allen Drew, Peter Edwards, Tony Booker, Dave Tilley, Stuart Ingrey.

Apologies: James Cooper, Bill Dixon, Barry Cobbold, Tony Tilley, Bob Keen, Bert Prangnell, Paul Daines, Dave Johnson, Dave George, Mike Humme, Graeme Maidment, Colonel David.

Chairman's Report: Dave Tilley opened the meeting by thanking all those who turned out for the Remembrance Day parade.

Dave said that everyone enjoyed the Christmas Lunch and thanked Eddie Drew for organising it. He also thanked Peter Alner and Macrina for running the raffle and Carol Daines for knitting the little booties, which all the Ladies appreciated very much.

Dave talked about the 20th anniversary dinner for the Branch at the City Club on the 4th April 2016. He suggested that we make two presentations: one to the City Council and the other to the Chichester City Club. This was proposed by Tony Booker. The motion was carried, and Eddie Drew was asked to purchase two "Beret and Boots" with Queens Badge.

The grants requested from the QRA for 2016/7 have been awarded.

Secretary's Report:

Don't forget to get your ticket for the AGM in London from the QRA Secretary Alasdair Goulden, as you need one to get in; even if you don't want the lunch you need a "non-paying" ticket.

Please remember your subscriptions are due in April.

I would like to say thank you to Eddie for the great Xmas Lunch, and I did win a raffle

prize.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report: Eddie Drew gave a full report of the accounts. Any member wishing to examine the accounts should arrange this with Eddie.

Xmas lunch raised £119.00 from the raffle and auction.

The menu for the 4th April will be roast beef and the cost will be £15.00 per person. Returns to Eddie by 20th March.

Welfare: Stuart Ingrey reported that Graeme Maidment was experiencing some issues. Stuart will report back.

Entertainment: Nil.

Any Other Business:

Trip to London to the QRA AGM: details of coach pick ups are Wick Parade 0745hrs, City Gate 0815hrs, Petworth 0845hrs.

Eric Hensby asked if there is any chance that the venue of the AGM could be elsewhere other than London. Paul Daines to check this out at the AGM on the day.

Names of those attending the Arboretum trip, coach timings, return journey - details at branch AGM 30th March.

Dave Tilley asked members what they would think of having our own padre to cover spiritual needs should the matter arise, views by branch AGM.

2016 Dates for your Diary:

Saturday 5th March – QRA AGM London

Wednesday 30th March – Branch AGM 1930hrs

Monday 4th April – Branch 20th Anniversary lunch in City Club 1130hrs for 1300hrs.

Saturday 7th May – Albuhera Dinner at Beachcroft Hotel.

Saturday 14th May – trip to Arboretum, QRA Memorial.

Wednesday 7th December – Christmas Lunch 1230hrs for 1300hrs.

Date and Time of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be a social meeting at 1930hrs on Wednesday 24th February 2016 at the City Club.

The next Formal meeting will be on Wednesday 30th March Chichester Branch AGM also at the City Club at 1930hrs; a buffet will be laid on.

The meeting closed at 2032 hrs.