



**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Saturday 20th October 2012
The Royal Court Hotel Coventry**

Item 1 - The National Standard was paraded into the meeting by Mike Weller, the Union Flag by Debbie Lots and accepted by Malcolm White National Vice Chairman.

Item 2 - The Homage was read by the National Vice Chairman Malcolm White who then said, "We remember also today those members of our Association who have departed since the last AGM. A two minute silence was observed:

Name		Branch	Name		Branch
David	Rigley	Ist Lincolnshire	Basil	Hewes	Overseas
Walter	Jonsen	1 st Lincolnshire	Arthur	Brothwell	Nottingham
Dillwyn	Morris	Bridgend	Donald	Gatford	Overseas
Dillwyn	Williams	Bridgend	Thomas	Tonkins	Overseas
Jack	Spackman	Bristol	Arthur	Lewis	Pontypridd
David Ifed	Williams	Carmarthen	David	Jones	Pontypridd
Royston	Lloyd	Carmarthen	Tom	Bowen	Pontypridd
Jean	Glover	Colchester	Anthony	Durmond	Postal North
Desmond	Pankhurst	Colchester	Michael	Tigue	Postal North
Peter	McManamon	Colchester	Tony	Potter	Postal North
Kenneth	Marr	Colchester	John	Wright	Postal North
Arthur	Ovington	Colchester	John	Ferris	Postal North
Thomas	Wright	Colchester	James	Adams	Postal North
Maurice	Humphrey	Doncaster	James	Gibbons	Postal North
Raymond	Taylor	Durham	John	Horton	Postal North
Ronald	Howes	Durham	Albert	Morpheth	Postal North
Elizabeth	Bell	Durham	Peter	Wilkie	Postal North
Jack	Boston	Grantham	Brig Tony	Hunter-Choat	Postal South
Raymond	Turner	North Kent	Christopher	Askew	Postal South
Ashley	Williams	North Kent	Clive	Butchers	Postal South
Leslie	Paddon	North Kent	John	Wilson-Brown	Postal South
Fred	Hallam	Nottingham	Jack	Martin	Postal South
Owen	Wheeldon	Nottingham	Peter	Walter	Postal South
Aneuryn	David (Nye)	Nottingham	Patrick	Jerrard	Southern

Item 3 - National Chairman: - Welcomed all members to the annual reunion and AGM

Item 4 - Apologies - Secretary Ted Williams: “I have had an enormous number of apologies, too many to list on the minutes, but I have recorded them if anyone would like a copy.”

Item 5 - Minutes of Meeting of the AGM held at the Royal Court Hotel 2010: Chairman took pages one at a time and the Minutes were accepted as a true record, after amendment subsequent to Item 5a below:

5a Matters arising that are not on the agenda:

(1). Grahame Bamford, Leicester Branch and a former National Treasurer of the Association asked for the resolution at Item 7a of the Minutes of the previous AGM to be corrected to read, “The un-audited account for 2010/11 was accepted without further comment.” Grahame explained that the reason for his request was that the Audit certificate for those accounts, received from the Auditor, said “We have prepared, without carrying out an audit, the accounts for the period ending 30 June 2011 from the accounting records of the business and from information and explanations given.” Grahame then asked if an audit report was still considered necessary. Chairman responded that when he assumed the Chair there was discontent abroad about our accounts and the decision was taken to have the accounts audited professionally. The terminology used by the Auditor is possibly relevant to small accounts but the Treasurer will inquire and confirm so that Members can be confident that the accounts are properly looked at by a qualified person. Item 7a of the Minutes of the previous meeting was duly amended as requested.

(2). Grahame Bamford, Leicester Branch, referring to Item 18 of the Previous meeting asked if we could look once more at the process of voting per se, not just postal voting. Chairman said that would fall to the remit of the next administration that assumes responsibility after this meeting.

Item 6 - National Chairman’s Report: A copy of the National Chairman’s Report to the 2012 AGM is distributed to Branches, [done on 23 October 2012]. It can also be found on the Association website at www.nmbva.co.uk and a précis will be included in the December Newsletter. Copies of the Report were also available to members at the Hotel Reception during the lunch break on the day of the AGM.

Matters arising after the Chairman delivered his Report:

6b John Crossley Leicester Branch: suggested that as Stuart Wakefield, our NEC man in KL departs to return to live in UK, if he is unable to discover a replacement perhaps we should ask Dato Pillay to accept the responsibility and become a satellite member of the NEC? Chairman said no doubt the new administration would follow-up the suggestion.

Item 7 - National Treasurers Report (Dick Richardson):

As the Treasurer started his report a suggestion came from the floor that we consider first the Notice of Motions at Items 16 and 17 of the Agenda in relation to increasing the Annual Subscription. Members agreed. After detailed discussion and consideration Mick Smith Nottingham Branch, Grahame Bamford and Owen Lawrence Leicester Branch said they supported the proposal by the National Treasurer for a £3 pa increase, starting from 1 July 2013, but Grahame asked that £1 per member, per year of this increase be ring-

fenced to the Memorial fund until such time as whatever improvements we agreed were paid for. There was general agreement throughout for this proposal.

Resolved: That the annual subscription is increased to £7 pa for all Members (no change for postal Members) from 1 July 2013 and that until such time that our National memorial improvements at the NMA are paid for, £1 pa of the subscription be ring-fenced to the Memorial Fund.

7a. Outturn Account 2011/12: The Treasurer then described every line of the Outturn account and announced the 'worth' of the Association fund which is not repeated in these Minutes which are displayed on our public website. Details of the Account will be included in the December Newsletter for the information of all Members. Members who wish to have copies of the account or to ask any questions at any time should contact the Treasurer in the first instance.

Matter arising: Grahame Bamford - Leicester Branch: "It is important that all claims are properly made and reflected in the accounts so that we are able to see the true cost of administration of the Association. If a member then wished not to collect the claim that can be shown as a donation." Chairman said he had repeatedly made this point to the Treasurer and this would continue to be the practice. He reminded Members of a comment he had made in his annual Report about the generosity of NEC members in general and the example of Michael Hawkins in particular who had donated all his expenses to the fund.

Resolved: The audited account for 2011/12 was accepted without further comment.

7b. Proposed Budget for 2013/14: The Treasurer discussed the draft budget that showed the proposed increase of £3 pa. He commented on savings that are being made to NEC meetings by reduced cost meeting venues and that the NEC was mindful of cost reductions at any and every opportunity. The budget anticipates an income in the revenue account for 2013/14 of £21.9k and expenditure of £16.2k. He accepted that in the light of the resolution above he would need to make a variation to the draft to reflect an additional expenditure of £1 per member per annum from the Revenue account to the Memorial Fund Account which would narrow the gap between income and expenditure.

Matters arising:

Chairman: said "every year we consider and vote on the rate of motor mileage allowance that compensates NEC members travelling to and from meetings. Where possible we share transport. It currently stands at 30p per mile."

Ted Pemberton - Nottingham Branch:

"The Inland Revenue pay 50p per mile and they say this still not sufficient. You have to cover wear and tear of the vehicle and the cost of fuel. If we do not agree a realistic figure then we are not identifying the true cost of running our Association. If claimants then want to donate it all or some part back to funds then so be it"

"I am not in favour of the Keris and Newsletter at this cost." John Crossley Leicester Branch differed with Ted and said he was totally in favour of continuing the publications in hard copy and reminded us that had been the outcome of a membership wide survey by the Vice Chairman of the Association during the past year.

Resolved: That the budget for 2013/14 be accepted subject to: inclusion of an expenditure entry that will show £1 per member per annum to the ring-fenced Memorial Fund until such time as memorial improvements are paid for; leaving the motor mileage rate at 30p per mile for the FY 2012/13; and budgeting for hard copy distribution of our Keris and Newsletter publications.

Chairman: Reminds Members that access to the Association accounts is available at any time and questions about the Association accounts and points of clarification should be raised by any Member with the National Treasurer in the first instance.

Item 8 - Potted History: The National Secretary said he was at the point when a draft copy can be sent to all Branches for comment. He was still short of some information from some Branches but those gaps will be shown in the draft.

Item 9 - NMBVA Memorial at Alrewas:

The Chairman addressed the AGM and spoke to his 'Options for Change' Paper which had been sent to all Branches and to Members attending the AGM and which is on the website at www.nmbva.co.uk. He supported his paper with a Power Point presentation. He explained he had visited the NMA again and met with the Curator on the day before the AGM (19 October 2012) to finally check his facts, agreements, and understandings. After much discussion, questioning and explanation it was proposed by Mick Smith Nottingham and Seconded by John Sandilands Pontypridd that we adopt Option 5 of the Paper. There was unanimous agreement to the arrangements shown below:

Resolved: That Option 5 is adopted and:

1. an order is placed with the Stonemason HL Perfitt Ltd soonest; [*Afternote: the order was placed on Monday morning 22 October 2012*];
2. that the stonemason be asked to prepare our application to the Trustees of the NMA and to be with the NMA by 3 December 2012; [*Afternote: Done*]
3. that we remain at our present site in the NMA Site 237¹;
4. that we remove the plinth and cross, restore the ground; and erect a granite stone memorial suitably inscribed;
5. that we etch our badge at the top of the stone;
6. that the words currently contained on our plinth are etched into the face of the stone beneath our badge
7. that the smooth face of the stone is the master face with the rough face at the rear;
8. that we etch a Keris in an appropriate place on the memorial as advised by the stonemason;
9. that we erect two granite seats facing the memorial stone on which to sit and contemplate, the reverse of the seats being inscribed with the words 'Malaya and Borneo Veterans' which will be seen from the road;
10. that we deposit with the NMA (when the project is completed) a sum that equals the annual maintenance cost x 20 years which starts immediately upon deposit and on the 21st year NMA assume responsibility for the maintenance of our site thereafter and forevermore;

¹ Chairman agreed with the Curator at NMA that a footpath may be constructed to give access over wet ground to the Memorial but that it should not form part of the application but be addressed separately later. This will form a part of further discussion with the Stonemason with a view to him undertaking the work on our behalf.

11. that we deposit with the NMA (when the project is completed) a sum that equals £10 per £1000 of the cost of the memorial which will add it to the NMA Insurance policy that insures against Fire, Theft, Terrorism, Vandalism. The NMA is a designated high risk site due to the variations of religious and international dedications within;
12. That the 'Tablets' currently contained on the Plinth and Cross that will become redundant be made available for 'redistribution'².
13. that though he will no longer be Chairman, Colonel Tex Pemberton was invited, and agreed, to see the Memorial project to conclusion;
14. that the agreed expenditure to achieve all this is:
 - a. £11,712 including VAT which includes clearance of the site and restoration of the ground; constructing a new foundation in accordance with British Standards and erecting a beige granite block and two granite seats;
 - b. £4,000 annual maintenance cost of £200 pa x 20 years;
 - c. £2,000 annual insurance premium of £100 pa x 20 years;
 - d. £500 contingency;
 - e. **TOTAL: £18,212**

The Chairman said that we can afford to place the order immediately but that he believed we should seek to make good the funds and handed to the National Treasurer his personal cheque for £100 to start the fund rolling. Immediate donations and pledges were then made by Terry Parkinson Grantham Branch (£200); David Neil Tyneside Branch (£100) Mike Weller National Standard Bearer (£100); Terry Clarke Chairman Tyneside Branch on behalf of the Branch (£200); Henry Rogers Chairman of Surrey Branch on behalf of the Branch an unspecified amount; Debbie Lofts Surrey Branch (£50) and Lord Touhig our Guest of Honour at dinner (£100). *[Afternote: A collection from the raffle at the annual dinner raised £681 and a retiring collection in aid of the memorial fund from the Sunday morning church service £178]*

In addition to this marvellous start to the Memorial fundraising, the Chairman said he would be pursuing with HMRC the return of VAT, certainly on the cost of the memorial which would recoup £2,342 if successful, and possibly on the annual maintenance and insurance costs if VAT is raised.

The Chairman said that he will aim to have our new memorial in place and ready for re-dedication by May 2013 but that a rededication event and timing will be determined by the new Association Chairman and NEC. He advised that he has already made initial contact with the Event organiser at NMA and will pass the details over.

And finally, the Chairman said that wishing to ensure absolute sensitivity to our site and considering the dedication service for the present memorials, at which many Members were present, he would take advice in relation to the need for deconsecrating. *[Afternote: The Reverend Roger Perry, our newly co-opted Association Padre, has subsequently advised that at the Arboretum, only the chapel is consecrated ground. The rest of the area is considered to be 'sanctified' to the memory of our fallen comrades. There is therefore no need to have any service of desanctification before the memorials, Plinth and Keris cross are removed, though their removal should be done in a dignified, respectful, and discreet manner].* Chairman has therefore instructed the selected Stonemason accordingly and Members wishing to make one last visit should do so soonest.

² The Stonemason advises that these tablets will not match with the granite block. It has been suggested to the Chairman that these Tablets might be incorporated, as part of the history of the site, into the footpath access to be constructed to the memorial from the road.

At 1300 - Pause for a lunch break to restart at 1345 hrs

Notices of Motion

Item 10 - Motion to Propose a Vice President of the NMBVA:

Proposed by Tex Pemberton, Seconded by Malcolm White that Fred Burden MBE be appointed Vice President for Life.

Resolved: The Motion was carried.

Item 11 - Motion to include an Officer Election process in the Constitution:

Proposed by Tex Pemberton, Seconded by Malcolm White that changes be made to the Constitution to include clear direction on a process for electing Officers of the NMBVA.

Tex Pemberton Tabled an amendment to the original proposal, that had been drafted at the NEC and Delegates meetings in March, having taken subsequent representation that the original proposal suggested a 'coronation' where there was only one single nomination, whereas 'election' was the preferred procedure. After much discussion primarily about the proposal to vote individually for Officers who were standing again, it was agreed that only new nominations should be elected in a procedure that required them to withdraw from the meeting room whilst Members considered their nomination. Those Members holding Office who stand again may be 'elected' in a less formal process albeit voting Members would have the opportunity to object to a continuance in Office if they so wished.

Resolved: That the Constitution be amended to include a new Rule 14 bringing together existing Rules 3B and 3E as shown below:

Election of Association Officers.

14. Officers of the Association, being the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary, Regalia Officer and Webmaster, and three committee members, shall be elected annually at the AGM, [but the NEC shall have the power to fill by co-option any vacancy that may occur or any new post that may be required during the NEC term of office, provided always that the selection in the first instance shall be made from those offering themselves for election at the AGM or by a volunteer. Such selection shall be made in order of voting and with the consent of any such Member being obtained before the appointment is made. The co-option shall cease at the next AGM]³.

A. [Nominations for election of these officers, signed by the Proposer, Secunder and Nominee shall be received by the National Secretary no later than ninety (90) days before the AGM. Proposers and Seconders may be required to submit written statements in support of their Nominee, who may decline or withdraw their nomination for any reason up to the time voting takes place]⁴. Nominations may be made by any member of the Association.

³ Text in square brackets [] and red text is a repeat of Rule 3B which will be deleted from the Constitution and subsequent rules re-numbered.

⁴ Text in square brackets [] and red text is a repeat of rule 3 E which will be deleted from the Constitution and subsequent Rules renumbered.

B. A nominee will submit to the National Secretary within the 90 day rule one A4 page biographical resume at font 11 size which will be distributed to all those attending the AGM.

C. At the time of the Election at the AGM: Nominees must be present; those who stand for election will withdraw one at a time, in the order determined by the Chairman, so that their election can be considered and voted upon. Before withdrawing, Nominees will be given the opportunity to give a 5-minute presentation, if they so wish, and answer questions put to them for not more than 5 minutes. Those who stand for re-election may be voted upon in a less formal manner and need not withdraw from the room unless that is the specific request of any voting member.

D. At the end of this process for each individual post, the AGM will vote in accordance with Rule 10 of the Constitution and the Chairman will call in the Nominee and announce the result though not numbers.

Item 12 - Motion to clarify the purpose of the AGM:

Proposed by Tex Pemberton, Seconded by Malcolm White that the purpose of the AGM contained in Rule 9B be further clarified.

This is the Rule, in black script below that currently enables Members to submit Motions for other Members consideration. A Motion is defined as 'a formal proposal put to a legislature or committee.' It is considered that a nomination for office is not a Motion and that whilst attendance of the nominee for office is considered necessary, the attendance of the Proposer and Secunder is not. Were attendance of these two persons ever to be made necessary it would disenfranchise the entire membership of the Association in the process of determining candidates for office and would limit very severely the choice of candidate. No part of the 15 October 2011 Constitution requires this attendance. It is however necessary to draft change to the constitution to ensure that nominees understand they are required to be in attendance at the time of the election for office and this has been addressed in the proposed Rule 14. It is proposed that **the text shown in red** should be inserted into Rule 9B.

Rule 9B - Meetings.

9B. The Association shall hold an AGM during the month of October primarily to afford Members the opportunity to **elect Officers to the NEC**, submit Motions for other Members consideration; hold a Reunion Dinner and Remembrance Service. The AGM is the Meeting for individual members of the Association, accordingly Remits submitted or Motions tabled on behalf of a Branch shall not be accepted.

Resolved: The Motion was agreed and the Constitution will be amended accordingly.

Item 13 - Motion to clarify attendance of Proposer and Secunder to table Notices of Motion:

Proposed by Tex Pemberton, Seconded by Malcolm White that Rule 10B be revised to make clear that either the Proposer of a Motion, or the Secunder, must be present at a meeting to table a Motion or it will be withdrawn.

It is necessary to clarify that Election of Officers is not a Notice of Motion therefore it is proposed to make change to Rule 10B as follows with the **new words shown in red** text, and **words to be deleted in blue**. Either the Proposer or the Secunder of a Motion must be present at the meeting to table, introduce and explain the Motion:

10B. Any matter to be discussed which requires a decision to be made by the Members, **other than election of Officers (see Rule 14)**, shall be tabled as a Motion. All remits, duly Proposed and Seconded shall be presented to the **Committee National Secretary** ninety (90) days before the AGM to enable consideration for tabling as Motions, all other matters shall be brought up in Any Other Business. **Motions to propose changes to the Constitution must give all Branches 3 months notice and so must be with the National Secretary at least 100 days before the AGM to enable distribution.** Remits not received by the due date shall not be thus read at the Meeting and if **both neither** Proposer **and** nor Secunder attend the meeting they shall have their Motions withdrawn.

Resolved: The Motion was approved and the Constitution will be changed accordingly.

Item 14 - Motion to define the true purpose of Rule 2B in the Aims of the Association:

Proposed by Michael Hawkins, Seconded by Ted Williams that the intention of Rule 2B should be better defined to clearly show what is meant by the aim 'To assist Members in their time of need.'

Mike Hawkins of the NEC Committee has raised a concern that Rule 2B, 'To assist Members in their time of need' should be defined to make clear exactly what we mean so that misinterpretation cannot leave us liable to ongoing financial demands for assistance, demands that we could not meet. Whilst every appeal for help is carefully considered, our effort in the main is in helping to bring assistance to the Member in the form of referral to SSAFA Field Officers, Regimental Associations, ABF The Soldiers Charity, Royal British Legion, Local Authority Departments and any other Agency that can assist the Member in need. In order to define this Aim more carefully, Mike Hawkins Proposes the following change to Rule 2B shown in Red:

2B. To assist Members in their time of need **by helping to bring to bear referral to and assistance from appropriate Regimental, Service, and Social and Caring Agencies.**

Resolved: The motion was carried and the Constitution, and our Home page of the website, will be amended accordingly.

Item 15 - Motion to make editorial amendments to the Constitution at Rule 8B:

Proposed by Dick Richardson National Treasurer and Seconded by Ian Williams National membership Secretary that the rate of incremental subscriptions in Rule 8B be revised as shown below.

Rule 8B - Branches [and subscriptions on joining].

The financial year of the Association is 1 July to 30th June. Where a member joins the Association part way through a year a subscription charge is made to take the member to

the end of the financial year so that he comes into line with the FY. There is a need to make change to Rule 8B to revise the payment date and incremental subscriptions to come into line with the recently revised financial year. There is also a need to remove reference to Postal Members under this heading of 'Branches.' There is also a belated need to take cognizance of the increase of £3 to the subscription at the meeting today, see Item 7, though the increase to £7 will not be effective until the FY starting 1 July 2013. It is proposed therefore to make the following changes deleted in blue insertion in red:

8B.Branches **and Postal members** will remain responsible for submitting the current annual subscription of **£4 £7 (from 1 July 2013) (£7 postal)** per registered member to the National Treasurer with members names who have paid, and are due prior to **1st September 1st July** annually. On joining the following Subscription rates apply: **Sep-Nov £4.00; Dec-Feb £3.00; Mar-May £2.00; June-Aug £1.00 Jul - Sep £4.00 £7.00; Oct-Dec £3.00 £5.00; Jan-Mar £2.00 £3.00; Mar-Jun £1.00 £2.00** plus the Joining Fee of £3.00

Resolved: The Motion was carried and the Constitution will be amended.

Item 16 - Motion to increase National Subscriptions by £1:

Proposed by Ron Blain (Treasurer Durham Branch) and seconded By Michael Marshall-Deane that the National Membership Subscription be increased from £4 to £5 per year This proposal was taken at the same time as Item 17.

Item 17 - Motion for a proposed increase in National subscriptions by £3:

Proposed by Dick Richardson the National Treasurer and Seconded by Ted Williams the National Secretary that the National Subscription be increased from £4 to £7.

Resolved: This Motion was discussed at Item 2 of the meeting and the proposed increase from £4 pa to £7 pa from 1 July 2013 was approved with attached condition that £1 per Member per annum be ring fenced to the Memorial Fund until such time as the monies expended on the memorial improvements have been fully restored.

Item 18 - Motion to propose a contribution to Standards Insurance:

Proposed by Mick Smith Nottingham Branch, Seconded by Terry Parkinson Grantham Branch that all Branches covered by the Standards Insurance should pay their portion of that Insurance, small Branches to pay 50%.

The National Secretary advised that the annual premium was in the Region of £1600 and rising. It contained insurance for the Standard and public liability for the Bearer and in response to John Crossley of Leicester Branch said he cannot at this time find a Company that provides liability and is cheaper though he will naturally continue to search.

Dennis Bowers North Yorkshire and Dales Branch proposed we should encourage voluntary contributions.

Resolved: That Branches are encouraged to make voluntary contributions to this Insurance policy that provides them with full protection.

Item 19 - Motion to transfer Scottish Members from Tyneside Branch to Postal members North:

Proposed by Peter Costello and Seconded by Robert Scott both of Tyneside Branch and both of whom live in Scotland that current members of Tyneside Branch who live in Scotland should be transferred to Postal members north.

The rationale for this proposal is determined by distance and economics. And is considered to be a logical step and could lead, after a proposed Scotland recruiting plan, to the formation of a stand-alone Scotland Branch.

Resolved: This Motion having prior agreement of Tyneside Branch and Scottish Members was agreed.

Item 20 – Motion to propose the Charity for 2012 Reunion:

Proposed by Ted Williams National Secretary, Seconded by Ian Williams National Membership Secretary that the monies collected from this year's annual reunion dinner raffle be donated to The NMBVA Memorial Fund. [*The raffle takings amounted to £681*].

Resolved: This proposal was agreed unanimously

Item 21 – Open Forum:

Ted Pemberton - Nottingham Branch: "Is the NEC monitoring non-payment by members?" Chairman responded that monitoring had reduced 600 non payers in spring 2012 to around 300 at the moment and activity to remind Members continues constantly.

Graham Bamford - Leicester Branch: asked us again to look at the Audit procedure. He said that one Audit in 5 years might be sufficient with accounts checked in the intervening years by another means. Chairman said the new administration will pick this up at their NEC meeting.

Mrs Pemberton - Nottingham Branch: Asked if it would be possible to put a copy of the Potted History into a Time Capsule to be buried below the new Memorial. Members thought this a splendid idea and the Chairman said he would explore with the Stonemason.

Association Padre: Chairman announced that our Padre, Ritchie Osborne would be standing down this week and his place will be taken by the cooption of Reverend Roger Perry, a member of Colchester Branch. [*Afternote: In the event Reverend Perry took the Service on Sunday morning due to the early departure of Ritchie for family reasons*]

Item 22 - Annual reunion and AGM 2013: After some discussion it was agreed that the annual reunion will once again be held at the Royal Court Hotel Coventry. The reunion weekend will be 4 - 7 October 2013 with the AGM on 5th October starting at 1000 hrs. A date for your diary!

Item 23 - AOB: It was during AOB that the generous donations to the Memorial Fund were made.

Election of Officers for 2012/2013: Officers assumed on the rising of the AGM.

The result of Voting of Officers for 2012/13 was:

National Chairman	David Neil Tyneside Branch elected
National Vice Chairman	Malcolm White returned unopposed
National Secretary	Ted Williams returned unopposed
National Treasurer	Dick Richardson returned unopposed
National Membership Secretary and Postal Members North Coordinator	Bob Roberts to fill both positions and returns to the NEC unopposed
Webmaster and Regalia Officer	Annie Burden returned unopposed
NEC Member Without	Clive Boyles MSM elected
NEC Member and Postal Members South Coordinator	Brian Roche returned Unopposed
NEC Committee Member Without	Valerie Nisbet

Non-Executive Officers:

International Liaison Officer	Ron Blain
NEC Resident representative in Kuala Lumpur	Stuart Wakefield
Cenotaph Organising Officer	Don Mott
Postal Coordinator Overseas	Ron Blain
National Standard Bearer	Mike Weller
Association Padre	Reverend Roger Perry

Item 24 - Reunion Dinner: The National Secretary announced: Dress Black Tie with miniatures; or lounge suit with miniature or Blazer with Medals. There will be a wine reception in the hotel foyer at 1830hrs, please be seated in the Dining by 1900hrs, ready to welcome our Guests of Honour Lord and Lady Touhig and our President General Sir Garry Johnston KCB, OBE MC.

Item 25 - Recovery of National Standard and Union Flag.

Item 26 - The Chairman Closed the meeting at 1508 hrs, wishing all members an enjoyable evening

Minutes approved by Chairman on 24 October 2012 at 0945 hrs.