



SUBMARINERS ASSOCIATION EAST KENT BRANCH



Report of the
Monthly Meeting
Sunday 15th April 2018

Open the meeting

The Chairman opened the meeting with a Toast to those in Sick Bay

Members present: Geoff Humphrey, Barry Harris, Chris Parrish, John Gowens, Roger Pay, Brian Calder, Dick Joy, Donny Donovan

Apologies: Bob Fleming, Russ Timpson, Peter Maxwell, David Surrige, George Spencer, John Wood, Willie Russan, Jim Hutton, Paul Swaby

Matters Arising: None

Correspondence / Secretary's Report

Newsletters: The Trade Journal; In Depth'

Email from Paul to say he was able to vote for the Branch at the Conference. Our thanks to Paul. Also, the Corp of Drums went down well. Voting went the way we had agreed at the February meeting.

A Union Flag veteran badge is now available at a cost of £4.50

RNBT invite applications to become a **resident** of the John Cornwell VC National Memorial Almshouse.

"Samuel Plimsoll Day" to be held on the date of his death in Folkestone - June 2nd; Standards welcome to attend.

Proposed outing from Staple RBL

Information requested from anyone serving on Aeneas in 1959 when it visited the USA

A report on the finding of AE1 after 103 years

Jim McMaster is compiling a list of surviving submariners from WW2

Unveiling of benches for the Affray memorial taking place on 15th April

British Normandy Memorial soon to be built in Ver-sur-Mer, Normandy. Final trawl for those not listed. You can find the Roll of Honour at www.normandymemorialtrust.org

Anyone who expressed an interest in the SM Watches should have received ordering instructions.

Centenary commemorations of the Zeebrugge Raid in Dover on 23rd April. There will be a service, a parade and the Zeebrugge Bell will be rung

Financial statement

Bank 1081.23 Subscriptions to come out of this total) Cash 38.588 £27 40 collected at the meeting (after first round expense)

THE TREASURERS REPORT WAS UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED BY THE MEETING

Standard Bearers Report:

No report this month

Welfare:

Hopefully, Big Jim had his Hip operation on Saturday 17th March

Any Other Business:

Blue Plaque Reminder. 12th May at Canterbury: **Post meeting Note: The Association has been invited to ring the Canterbury Bell in the Warriors' Chapel of the Cathedral at 1100 on this day. Standards and members requested to attend. Blue Plaque to be unveiled at 1400**

2019 order for diaries must be made by 30th June. Contact the Secretary to place order.

RNA Football Card – not completed

Army v Navy Rugby 5th May. Club open BBQ before and after game.

Armed Forces Day 30th June. Club open with entertainment, cold and hot buffet.

Deal Summer outing Sunday 1st July. Normal routine with curry.

Birthdays: John Wood (8th)

Apologies for next meeting: None

Date of next Meeting – **Sunday 20th May: At Ramsgate RNA**

Members please note: It is requested you arrive at the RNA for our meeting on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Turning up on the 4th Sunday will only put you in the Billy No Mates class as the Club will not open before 1200.