

Sutton Royal British Legion Branch

Minutes from the meeting dated Monday 30th June 2014 at 8pm

The Chairman read the Act of Remembrance

Members Present

Dave Lawrence, Sara Lawrence, Gordon Godfrey, Edna Bryant, John Wells, Ron Slough, Yvonne Alger, Judy Kemp, Colin Kemp and Johnathon Cawthorn. Also present, Vicky Evans.

Apologies from Marion Hough,

The minutes from the last meeting were read out and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

- Bryan Jones came to an informal meeting & clarified that we claim the 50ps back from the British Legion and NOT from the club. He also informed us that our BFI is frozen whilst there is in investigation into how it is managed - this could be for a year.
- WW1 Centenary commemorations - Colin suggested that Sutton RBL challenge another RBL for the Christmas truce matches.

Treasurer's Report

Judy explained that as she cannot be an officer on both Branch and Club she has to step down as our Treasurer. But she will stay as a Branch committee member.

Balance of the Community account on 30th Jun 2014 was £13,276.95

Balance of the Business account on 4th Jun 2014 was £1,217.01

Secretary's Report

- Mrs Evans looks after the War Memorial, Sara has been approached by her for some reimbursement for her costs. All agreed £60 for the year was ok. Judy handed over a cheque which will be passed to Mrs Evans.
- Royal Albert Hall Remembrance Service - an application will be made for the evening tickets. If successful it was agreed they will be raffled as there is a lot of interest and a maximum of 4 tickets per Branch. Other tickets are available & these details were shared.
- Various details of local events were shared - posters will be displayed. Information will be passed to John for him to post on the website.
- SkyLark Garden Centre's Maize Maze opens on 18th July with a WW1 poppies theme (with profits being donated to RBL) - Gordon may attend the opening.
- The 'Lights out Initiative' for Aug 4th was discussed with ideas for both the War Memorial & the club - Dave will speak to the vicar as any events would be from 10 till 11pm

Poppy Appeal

- Colin informed us that Dodgy Bob are still without a drummer but would be happy to do an acoustic set in the club. Dates were discussed and Nov 8th was agreed Judy will speak to them and see if they are available.
- Katie is not available for Aug Bank Holiday weekend.
- Johnathon now has the poppy seed money which he and dave will count after the meeting. There is a possibility that some seeds were stolen, this will become apparent when the money has been counted.
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Any Other Business

- Dave introduced Vicky Evans as our new Treasurer and committee member.
- Dave asked Colin to remind Jeanette about not missing the membership deadline as it cost the Branch £800

Next meeting arranged for Monday 8th September 2014

Meeting closed at 8.55pm

..... D.Lawrence (Chairman)