Royal British Legion

Falkland Islands Branch

Committee Meeting Minutes

18th October 2019

Agenda Item	Actions
Present: Chris Locke, Nancy Locke, Mark Brook, Keith Biles, Dave Lewis, Abby Poynter. **Apologies:** Richard Hyslop, Tamsin Harris, John and Sarah Maskell-Bott, Bob French, Maeve Daly-Llamosa	
Minutes of the last meeting: AP read the notes of the previous meeting. These were confirmed as a true and accurate account.	
Matters arising: - Accounts have been sent to the UK, CL to send email to AP - MB most of the Poppy items have arrived except overseas 2019 pins.	CHRIS LOCKE
Chairman's Report: CL thanked the committee for meeting the previous month in such poor weather and AP for taking the minutes in the absence of the secretary. CL reported an email had been received requesting the private laying of a wreath on a grave in Stanley cemetery of a 25yr old who died on passage on HMS Endurance, grave number has been provided. MB agreed to get Endurance centre and do liaison. (This is not through Overseas Wreaths HQ.) CL asked NL to give brief verbal update on Poppy Ball progress. CL explained that CBF would be attending the Quiz night	

with his wife Melody and ADC. CL asked the committee if they would be willing to stand at the AGM, all agreed.	
Vice Chairman's Report: MB explained that a further fundraising parcel was on its way. He thanked DL for putting out the Poppy collecting tins which was endorsed by the committee. MB explained the RIC have asked for 4 wreaths with Welsh Guards inserts which MB would arrange to have printed. A bill had been issued by Print Shop, believe this to be the tickets for the Poppy Ball. It was reported that CWO MPA as designated Overseas Wreath layer had received a number of requests but wasn't sure he has enough, MB to cover the allocation.	
Secretary's Report: NL gave a verbal update on progress for the Poppy Ball, it was agreed to have 2 bands if the playlists don't conflict. MB agreed to bring the candelabra in the absence of CWO who is on compassionate leave. MB also will march the standard at the ball providing he is fit, John Whitby to be put on standby if not.	CHRIS LOCKE
Membership Secretary's Report: Richard Hyslop has now left the islands to start his new job at FIGO, he has passed the membership secretary items to Maeve Daly-Llamosa. It was reported that two lots of people have expressed a desire to join the branch: Antonia and Stirling Harcus and Clare and Ian Faulds. They need to be given an up-to-date application form. NL to speak to Maeve to request.	NANCY LOCKE
Treasurer's Report: AP explained that the Treasurer RBL email account had failed and some bank statements were missing as a result, the email has now been restored. AP is away 12th November to 8th December and requested timely tin collection/counting as funds to be transferred to UK by 31/12/2019. At the same time money for wreaths must go across and MB was requested to provide this	DAVE LEWIS MARK BROOK

information. Account totals were read out. It was noted that the accounts had been submitted to HQ on 4th October, which was late but due to email issue. RBL HQ have confirmed receipt. Chair thanked AP for all her efforts with the accounts.	
Welfare Report: There have been no calls on the welfare team.	
Any Other Business: DL explained that all the Poppy collection tins apart from the Jetty Centre and the 3 for the West (Fox Bay, Port Howard and Hill Cove) had been delivered. He also asked the committee to let people know that pins are now available at Saddle Direct. KB confirmed that the Altar Poppies were on their way. CL suggested the opening time of the Poppy Inn on Remembrance Sunday be agreed, MB happy to open from 13.00 till 18.00 (i.e. after FIDF Hall). AP wanted to raise the email received from Head Office about training (however the meeting was interrupted by the arrival of CBF). CL please check this with AP	MARK BROOK CHRIS LOCKE
Date of the next meeting: The next meeting will be the AGM Monday 25th November 2019 at the Poppy Inn. Apologies in advance from AP, MB, CBF. NL to ensure AGM is advertised correctly and in a timely manner.	**CHRIS – CHECK WHO IS RUNNING BAR** NANCY LOCKE
Meeting closed: The meeting closed at 7.15pm	