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Minutes of the Helston Branch of the Royal Branch Legion meeting held on 14th March 2023 at the Anson Bar, Inn & Still.

Meeting opened at

Present:

Name	Position
Tank Murray (TM)	President
Vikki Breen (VB)	Chairperson
Stu McDougall (SM)	Vice Chair
Paul Breen (PB)	Secretary/BCS
Neill Wilson (NW)	BCS
Baz Hendry	Treasurer
Craig Little (CL)	Committee Member

Total attendees: 14 (including the Branch officers mentioned above)

Apologies:

Name	Position
Stuart Harvey (SH)	Standard Bearer/ Poppy Appeal Co-Ordinator
Jenny Harvey (JH)	Poppy Appeal Co-Ordinator

Exhortation: The Chairman Held the Exhortation

Chair's Comments

1. General thanks to all for attending to support to the Branch and welcomed some new faces to the meeting.

Vice Chairs Comments

2. SM reiterated VB welcome and importance in getting the Branch active again in the local community and also supporting our Veterans.

Secretary Report / Correspondence from Central/ Regional RBL

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3. Paperwork is being submitted to transfer of the Branch Treasurer details. Held up due to miscommunication of paperwork required by the Bank. Not helped that nearest Lloyds Branch is now in Penzance.
4. Membership Officer appointment has been delayed and will still be covered by Kevin Jeffery until a replacement can be found.
5. BCS Update - NW and PB have completed the initial BCS induction. Online courses to be completed when login details are provided. Overview of emergency funding was provided for awareness.
6. Korean War 70th Anniversary – Discussion held over holding a ‘Mess Dinner’ to commemorate the end of the Korean War which was 27th July 1953.
7. Cenotaph Parade – Reminder Names required by the 14th April.

Key Dates:

25th April – Membership Town Hall (TBC)
 6th – 8th May – HM King Coronation
 19th – 21st May – Annual Conference
 21st May – Cottage Hospital Garden Party
 10th June – Trebah Garden Military Day
 24th June – Armed Forces Day
 15th July – RNAS Culdrose Summer Fete
 23rd Sep – AFBC ‘Big Breakfast’.

AOB

8. Festival of Remembrance – TM asked how to obtain tickets for the event. PB to investigate.
9. RBL Attendance at Festivals – It was asked if there was any scope to if there could be attendance at festivals for PR. PB to investigate further.
10. Social Dinner. Scope for the formal dinner was discussed, consensus was that an event combined to mark the end of the Korean War might be the best way forward.
11. Other Social Events – Other events were discussed such as a Quiz Night and a race Night to raise the profile of the branch. All present thought they were a good idea and will be considered further.
12. Social Media – Branch Web Page is currently being looked at by the VP. There is currently a Whats App Group for the Branch Officers.
13. VB proposed thanks again to the Inn and Still for their continued support.

Date of Next Meeting – 11th April

Agenda Meeting 11th March

- Opening of the Meeting
- Exhortation
- Apologies
- Chairman's Opening Remarks
- Secretary Report
- AOB
- Details of Next Meeting.