

FLEET AIR ARM ASSOCIATION



Committee Meeting 6th April 2019

Best Western Hotel Royale Bournemouth

MINUTES

Attendees:

Committee

Brian Bingham –Chairman

Arnold Thompson – Membership Sec

Peter Murray – Secretary

Dave Fairley – Committee

Jim Moulson – Vice Chairman

Jeff Cook – Cenotaph & RBL

Terry Lowden - Committee

Mick Wyatt - Daedalus

Ben Worship – Treasurer

Alan Key – Committee

Mike Foote - Committee

Ray Day – Webmaster

Bob Ridout – Committee

No Agenda. Meeting to prep for AGM

The Chairman opened the meeting at 1000

1. Last Committee Meeting actions

Alan Key gave an update on marketing and recruitment at Yeovilton Air Day:

* A recruitment advertisement will appear in the Air Day Programme.

*Alan has arranged a free of charge (£250) pitch for our stand.

Alan will try to get the stand positioned in the hangar as this is the best place not requiring the tent.

Three members are needed to man the stand and **Bob Ridout** is confident that **Yeovil Branch** can provide them. Alan will arrange for them to be given free entry passes to the site.

Alan will liase with **Arnold** regarding the stand equipment.

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2. AOB

Brian Bingham advised that one of our members Stan Richardson will be 100 this year. The RBL will be holding a service on the Monday 11th November at the RBL East Preston.

Brian requested that our Standard be paraded. Ford Branch will cover the cost.

Brian expressed concern regarding the Motion 8 on the AGM Agenda.

It was pointed out that this has gone to the Branches for a vote and cannot at this time be changed.

There have been several donations made to good causes which had very tenuous links to benefit of the Members. These donations totalled approx. £16000 since receipt of the Dr Rotman bequest.

Motion 8 states that run down of funds is to be for the **benefit of Members**.

On the indication that Motion 8 will be accepted by the Branches at the AGM a discussion of how the funds could be best used followed.

A number of suggestions were put forward.

Taking in to account the wide disparity of Branch size, Daedalus being far the largest, if the funds are to benefit all Members, the most equitable way is subsidising the AGM/Reunion event. It is the most important thing the Association undertakes.

More detail of how this is done will be discussed at the October Committee meeting.

Ben advised that he had useful information from the last CONA meeting which he will hold over to the AGM.

He also advised that UK4U has been closed. We have donated £3250 since October 2009. A new organisation has been formed called Operation Christmas Box.

Jim said that if we are considering a charitable donation then we should visit the Charity Commission website to see if the charity is well run. There are charities with the people in charge of the operation also being trustees, this is not desirable.

The meeting congratulated and thanked Ray Day for running our excellent website. Ray told the meeting that the site had average 500 hits per day.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 1055

Date of Next Meeting. Due to the uncertainty of Hanworth RNA Club the date of the next meeting cannot be set. Fred has a meeting with the council in two weeks after which we will know if the club will be available. In any event we need to plan on October 6th or 13th. To be confirmed after Fred's council meeting.

Peter Murray
Secretary 10 April 2019