

## **Sutton Royal British Legion Branch**

Minutes from the meeting dated Monday 1st December 2014 at 8pm  
The Chairman read the Act of Remembrance

### **Members Present**

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

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

### **Matters Arising**

- WW1 Centenary commemorations - Dave hasn't asked the Con Club yet about the Christmas truce matches. Colin said there is definitely significant interest from club members.
- Gordon attended Sutton War Memorial on Armistice Day.
- Dave has confirmed with Bryan Jones that there is no reason why we cannot have two Standard Bearers. We can get Public Liability Insurance independently for Gordon when he is no longer covered by the RBL. Dave will get a quote.

### **Treasurers Report**

- Accounts have a deficit of £1173 in 2013 and £1463 in 2014. This is a serious issue which must be investigated. We lost £860 for late payment of cards this year.

Balance of the Community account on 4th Nov - £10,071.85

Balance of the Business account on 4th Nov - £1,217.17

### **Secretary's Report**

- From 1st Nov Bryan Jones' job title changed to Membership Support Officer. He will continue to deal with County Secretary issues for the time being
- Details of local events, Branch correspondence & minutes continue to be forwarded to John for him to post on the website along with the minutes.

### **Poppy Appeal**

- 'Big Quiz' is on Fri 14th Nov raised £35, letters of thanks to be sent to Bill Prezlau and Dil Owen. £295 raised in the club, £23 from the hall, £115 from bingo and around £1600 from collection boxes. Dave thanked Jonathan & Hazel for collecting over £500 in their collection boxes.

### **Any Other Business**

- Johnathon has spoken to Stan Smith from Sutton PC - they would like to be involved in any WW1 commemorations.
- The next significant WW1 date is 25th April 2015 - date of the commencement of the Battle of Gallipoli.
- Colin proposed Phil Bambrick as new Membership Secretary - he is also membership secretary for Camra so has plenty of experience. All agreed.
- Colin brought up the fact there is a lack of military memorabilia in the club, a discussion was had as how to rectify this. We have scanned photos and Bob Mansfield has offered his collection of memorabilia to be displayed.
- Dave presented Gordon, Edna & Ron with RBL clocks and certificates honouring over 60 years of RBL service.

Next meeting arranged for Monday 9th February 2015 at 8pm

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

..... D.Lawrence (Chairman)