

# Royal Air Forces Association - BRANCH 1357 Benalmádena

## Minutes of Committee Meeting

Held at The British Legion Club, Avenida de Bonanza, Arroyo de la Miel at 20.00 on Wednesday 4th July 2007

Those present at the meeting were as follows:

### Members

Fred Briggs	Chairman
Reg Haywood	Treasurer
Corinne Mudie	Vice Chairman
Steve Mullis	Secretary
Derek Brown	Welfare
Cedric Sayce	Public Relations

### Associate Members

Patrick Sweeney	Social Events Coordinator
Alan Gibson	Auditor

1. **Apologies were received from:** Derek Brown.
2. **The minutes from the last meeting were signed and accepted.**
3. **Matters arising from the previous meeting:** -
  - 3.1. There were no matters arising.

### 4. Treasurers Report: -

Balance at 31st May 2007	<u>18,947.87€</u>
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#### Income During June 2007

Branch Subscriptions	84.00€
Wings Appeal	90.91€
Branch Overseas Account	63.28€
Social (Summer Ball)	667.50€
Welfare Payments	1,874.11€
RAF Band Tour (Torrevieja)	975.00€

Total	<u>3,754.80€</u>
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Balance at 31st May 2007	<u>19,663.74€</u>
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#### Outgoings during June 2007

Membership Renewals to CHQ	63.28€
Welfare Expenses	79.45€
Welfare Payments	753.50€
Bank Commission	15.80€
Social	57.00€
Postage	8.00€
Stationary	11.90€
RAF Band Tour	1,075.00€
RAF Band Tour (Torrevieja)	975.00€

Total	<u>3,038.93€</u>
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### 5. Welfare Officer's Report: -

- 5.1. No report forwarded to secretary.

### 6. Wings Appeal Report: -

- 6.1. Brian Martin reported that Charlie's Bar were the winners of the Povey Trophy for the first six months of 2007, with the runners up being Inchey's Bar, collecting 99.62€ and 50.15€ respectively. The trophies would be presented in due course.
- 6.2. A discussion was held concerning the merits of the "Brew for the Few" campaign being run by the RAFA Wings Appeal department. The Secretary stated he had passed on the relevant paperwork to Brian Martin concerning this.

## **7. Social Events Report: -**

- 7.1. Patrick Sweeney requested that the Lunch Club be suspended for the summer due a lack of numbers attending. It is hoped to restart this event during the winter months. The committee agreed.
- 7.2. Following the committee's decision last month on the location of the branches Christmas Dinner, Patrick was pleased to report that the cost for this years event would be 30.00€ per person. The entertainment would be "Flashback" who entertained us at last year's event. Tickets would be available in the near future. Menu details would appear in the next newsletter.
- 7.3. Brian Martin reported on the outstanding success of the Summer Ball, which showed a profit of nearly 700€. It was noted that a superb 710€ was taken on the raffle, good prizes make good raffles!!!!
- 7.4. Steve Mullis requested permission to purchase this year's Christmas Draw tickets from the same people we had purchased from in previous years. Reg Haywood pointed out that he now had a local printer that could do the job required for a similar price and that this would eliminate the need to pay in sterling. Steve stated he would liaise with Reg to facilitate the purchase of these tickets.

## **8. Any Other Reports: -**

- 8.1. Central Band visit report for Committee Meeting 04/06/07  
Reg reported that everything was running smoothly and that he was currently putting the final details in sorting out the evening meal for the band in Benalmádena for the Monday night. He stated of course there would be a cost to the Branch of transport for the evening. Brian Martin suggested that it might be better that they ate in the vicinity of the Hotel Ibis in Malaga as this would save some 300€. He stated that there were many restaurants in the area that were suitable. Reg and Brian were to look into this possibility.
- 8.2. Following the suggestion at last months meeting of an Autumn event involving the residents of Villa Jacaranda, it was decided to hold the event on Friday 28th September. Details to follow.

## **9. Other Notified Items: -**

- 9.1. No items notified.

## **10. Any Other Business: -**

- 10.1. The Hon Branch Secretary informed the committee that as from the beginning of September he would be moving to the Costa Blanca. Whilst this would obviously restrict his participation at future events of the branch, he had no intention of changing his membership to any other branch within RAFA. As a founder member of 1357 Branch his allegiance had always been and would always be with the Benalmádena Branch wherever he lived in the world.  
Steve also stated that he was prepared to honour his commitment to the positions he holds on the committee until the next AGM providing the Branch Chairman, Branch Committee and the members wish him to do so.
- 10.2. Cedric Sayce requested that in future ANY item that pertains to publicity for any branch event or indeed for the branch itself MUST be passed through him as it seemed pointless having different people contacting the various media to promote various events. The Committee agreed wholeheartedly.

## **11. Date of Next Meeting: - Wednesday 1st August 2007, at 20.00, The British Legion Club, Benalmádena**

Meeting closed at 21.32 hrs