

**NOTES OF THE BIRMINGHAM MEDAL SOCIETY MEETING HELD IN THE GARDEN HOUSE**  
**THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015**

The President opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Apologies were received from Roy Painter, Paul Murray, Mick Atkinson & Reg Cook.

Paul Handford reported that Reg Cook was not too well. Best wishes were conveyed for a speedy recovery.

Research question were responded to and John Scott circulated a list of new medals that had been authorised during 2015 for members information.

The President advised of a Heritage Open Day in Hereford on 12<sup>th</sup> September, and of the BMS mini-convention on Saturday 4 Jun 16 in Knowle at the RBL.

The President then introduced the subject for the evening by giving a brief history of the Drummond Lecture. John Scot then introduced Steve Lewis the guest speak who spoke on the subject: Mannerheim – Marshal of Finland.

Steve gave a fascinating talk on Carl Gustaf Emil Mannerheim in the form of a biography, part history of Finland and its role in WWII and after. A really very interesting talk.