

MEETING AT KIMPTON & SANDRIDGE. SAT. OCT. 21ST 1950.

Our meetings are not usually arranged for Kimpton & Sandridge as the two towers are rather far apart. In this instance a meeting had been arranged for Wheathamstead during the afternoon & Sandridge in the evening. At very short notice we were requested by the Rector of Wheathamstead to cancel the meeting there. As Sandridge bells were not available during the afternoon the Vicar of Kimpton gave permission to ring there instead & we are greatly indebted to him for the ~~help~~ assistance he gave in trying to find a room for us to hold a meeting & to arrange tea for us.

Ringling commenced at Kimpton at 3.0 pm. & tea & business meeting was held at Wells' café. The room was rather small for the number gathered but was the only room in the village obtainable.

19 ringers were at the business meeting, 15 of whom were district members - one of the best attended meetings held at Kimpton with the largest percentage of district members since May 29th 1948 when 12 out

of only 14 were members of the district - this includes 2 Annual Dist. meetings. During this time the actual figure of D. Members present was only exceeded 3 times - 21. 22 & 22 out of 40. 42 & 28. respectively, the first of these two being Annual D. Meetings.

The attendance was increased by 12 at Sandridge during the evening, of whom 10 were district members making a total of ~~30~~³¹ present of whom 25 were local - this must be an all time record for this district.

At the business meeting Mr R. W. Davill was elected Chairman & after the Secretary had given an explanation of the change of venue the minutes of the last meeting were read & accepted.

A short discussion then ensued upon the possibility of holding the district dinner proposed at Hatfield meeting. It was decided that the dist. committee should meet & discuss.

It was then decided that a dist. outing should be held in 1951. in May as was the 1950 outing but if possible on the usual Sat. of our meetings - the third Sat. in the month.

3 new members were elected:—

Miss Pearl Gardner of Kimpton

prop. B.C. Johnson sec: Mr Wells, as a ringing member.

Mr Jack Thornton of Harpenden

prop. T. J. Santhan sec: Miss Bailey, as a ringing member

Graham Longley of Harpenden

prop. T. J. Santhan sec. B.C. Johnson — as a probationary member

There was no other business, so with the usual vote of thanks the party adjourned to Sandridge.

The standard of ringing at neither tower was exceptionally good but on the whole a very good meeting was held.

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