

Saturday November 18th 1967

Ringing commenced at 3.00 pm, & continued until 4.30. A course of London Royal was successfully rung during this time. A short service was then taken, conducted by the Vicar, Rev. Bradley, who spoke of team work in bellringing & other aspects of church life. Tea was in the Abbey Institute, & was followed by the business meeting, at which Mr. J. Lock was elected to the chair.

Apology for absence was received from Miss J. Briggs of Wheatthampton.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and after correction of an error concerning the Kington Cup were duly agreed & signed as a correct record. Arising from these, G. Dodds reported that the St. Alban, Music festival had taken place without any handbells being entered. It was felt that a district effort in this event would be a good thing, ~~the point is to~~ ~~to~~ to be discussed at a future meeting.

Election of New Members

Probationary Member — Miss Debbie Hodge of St Peter's proposed R.W. Davill, seconded Mrs J. Dodds

Transfer from Probationary to Full Members — Miss V. Paine & Mark Willis of St. Peter's, proposed R.W. Davill, seconded Mrs J. Dodds and Michael Donmall & Miss Lynn Woodward of Radlett, proposed R.W. M. Clouston, seconded Mrs J. Dodds.

The bellfry election of J.R. Booth as N.R.L. member prior to a peal at Harpenden was ratified.

These elections were carried unanimously.

Final details of this event were given. The acting Secretary said that he must receive all orders & unsold tickets by 25th Nov. Tickets were now available, & had already been distributed to a number of tower secretaries. Any ideas for entertainment would be gratefully received by J. Ewer, the M.C.

Forthcoming Events

Surprise Practice, St Peter's St Albans on 30th November at 7.30 pm. G. Penney said that Surprise Royal would be rung if people knew the methods which are Cambridge, Yorkshire, London & Albanian.

Special Practice - St. Paul's Walden on 6th Dec at 7.30 pm. The Acting Secretary especially asked for a good attendance at this.

Date & Place of Next Meeting

The Acting Secretary said that Hapenden, the prearranged tower, was now no longer available owing to gudgeon trouble. The alternative of Sandridge was suggested, & it was ~~suggested~~ proposed by ^{Mrs Coburn} ~~the~~, & seconded by J. Ewer that the arrangements be left with the acting secretary who would get Sandridge, or some other available tower. This was accepted by the meeting. Details to be announced in the R.W. notice.

A. O. B.

The Acting Secretary said he had for sale extra copies of the current R.W., which carries a front page picture of St. Helen's Wheatthampstead. It was pointed out that the Association had pledged itself to selling 50 extra copies of this

vine; also that we have bought the printing blocks.

An apology was made for the place of tea, which was due to an unfortunate prior booking at the St. Peter's Institute.

The Acting Secretary asked tower secretaries to submit details of their members as they expected to see them in the 1967 report, in order to minimize errors.

The Acting Secretary also reminded the meeting of the service held at ringing meetings, & said that the present & last meeting services had been poorly attended. This was somewhat discourteous to the local incumbent. Members were asked to bear the point in mind, & attend whenever possible.

G. Dodds said that a selection of cacti & succulent plants were on sale by courtesy of Mrs J. Dodds. The profits are to go to the C.C. Fund.

S. P. Davie offered the congratulations of the meeting to Stephanie Green & Michael Sherritt on their recent engagement. This was endorsed by the meeting.

Mrs Coburn proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar of St. Peter's & the organist & to those who had prepared the tea. This was carried by the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was closed.

Ringing continued at St. Peter's until 8.00 p., & a further course of London Royal was rung, along

with records & methods to suit all other requirements.

G Penney 16-12-67.
CHAIRMAN.

Note

C.C. Fund:-

Sale of plants

Profit from tea

Anon donation

	£	s	d
Sale of plants	-	15	-
Profit from tea	-	9	-
Anon donation		4	-
	<u>£</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>.4</u>

V. B. Fund

Anon donation

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