

Difficulty was experienced in obtaining a District tower for afternoon ringing and we were very grateful to Mr. Clark and the Northaw ringers for helping us out at fairly short notice. Due to a long delay in the post, notice appeared in the Ringing World for one week only and hence attendance was low. However, with good support from the local ringers, good use was made of the bells from 3.0 - 4.30 p.m.

Tea was in the newly completed Friendship House in Hatfield and was provided by the Hatfield ringers and wives. Evening ringing was 7.0 - 8.30 p.m. at Hatfield.

Our President, MR. E. EDMONDSON, took the chair at the business meeting. 20 ringers were present, all from this District, and were from 6 towers.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. D. Major, Mr. and Mrs. P.M. Overfield, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Hardy and Mrs. M.A. Coburn.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed as correct. Arising from these, the Secretary apologised to Miss J. Clarke for the way singing stewards were appointed for the A.G.M. This was due to a misunderstanding in the Secretary's absence. The problems in organising this meeting were explained and a vote of thanks was passed to MR. EDMONDSON and MR. CLARK for helping out. Later, the ladies who provided tea were also thanked.

New Member

Non Resident Life member, MR. Gordon FIRMAN, ^{Prop.} London S.C.R. Mr. A.W.R. WILBY.

Social Activities

1. Darts match :- Played March 28th in R.A.F. V.R. club, St. Albans, 5 teams from the District. St. Michael (A) team won. 2 p. profit

was donated to Club funds. Thanks were given to the organisers, Mr G. PENNEY, to MESSAMES PENNEY, H. DODDS, CARTER for catering and to the R.A.F.V.R. Club committee for the use of their premises.

2. Football :- Played April 26th at E.A.C. Sports ground, St. Albans. Results, Northern District 8 - St. Albans District 0. Tea was provided by ladies of our District in the St. Albans London Road Residents Club. Thanks were given to the organiser, Mr E. EDMONDSON, and to the providers of tea and to the "London Road Residents".
3. The Eastern District has challenged us to a cricket match.
4. Mystery outing :- for June 5th. Names to Mr. R. E. HARVEY

Special Practices

1. A Surprise Minor practice is to be held at Radlett on a Thursday evening early in July.
2. The next Surprise Major practice would be arranged later in the year.

Annual General Meeting / Special Meeting 17th April.

Mr. K.J. WALPOLE reported that the new set of Rules, revised by Mr. D.L. GULLICK and approved by the General Committee had been accepted as a basis for possible future revision and replaces the present set of Rules. The St. Albans District resolution (see March 20th meeting) was lost by about 20 votes for to 30 against. Mr. G. PENNEY said that a lot more work on drafting amendments will have to be done and "Rules" should appear on our next agenda.

Next Meeting to be on June 19th. at Welwyn, with a combined service with the Combined Choir Festival of the R.S.C.M., Collects to be open for beginners during the afternoon.

- A. O. B.
1. Mr. K.J. WALPOLE nominated by Mr. G. PENNEY to fill a vacancy on the General Committee.
 2. 93p collection was voted to be donated to the Eastern District V.B.F.

E. Edmondson, 19.8.71.