

DISTRICT MEETING AT ELSTREE/RADLETT ON 17 FEB. 1973

Ringling commenced at Elstree and Radlett at 3 pm continuing until 4.30 pm when a service was held at Radlett followed by tea and meeting at which Association President Mr D. Carpenter took the chair

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Mrs MA Coburn, Miss R. Howard, Mr, ^{Mrs} Hardy and Mr Frost.

MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

These were read and signed as a correct record.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS

| | Proposed by | Seconded by |
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| Ringling member - David Brush - Radlett | B. McDougall | D. Major |
| Probationary - Rosemary Langford " | " | " |
| " - Stephen Williams " | " | " |
| Prob. → Full - Melanie Higgs " | " | " |
| → Ringling member - J. Rainforth St Albans Cath. | G. Penney | A.R. Carter |
| Ringling members - Andrew Scott Kimpton | S. Newman | J. Dodds |
| " " - Judith Scott " | " | " |
| Prob → Full - Ann Boddington " | " | " |

These elections were put to the meeting and carried.

MEETINGS AND PRACTICES

The proposed list of meetings for the year was read by the secretary as follows

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| March - St Pauls Walden/K. Walden or Kimpton | August - St Michaels |
| April - evening meeting at Sandridge on 14th. | September - Monken Hadley/Barnet |
| May - S Mymms / N Mymms | October - Essendon/Hatfield |
| June - St Peters | November - Welwyn/Wheatthampstead |
| July - St Stephens/Abbey | December - Harpenden |

The R.M. announced some of the years practices, a surprise practice at St Peters on 12 March, special methods being Cambridge, Yorkshire, London & Bristol and a possible learners practice at St Michaels on 27th April. He mentioned that Kimpton did not now need assisted practices.

The secretary read the following list of social activities

- (i) Dinner - 1 December, to be smaller this year if possible, organizers P. Mackley & S Newman.
 - (ii) Woolford Cup - to be held at St Michaels on 7 July, with Mr Carter organizing the competition and Mr Forster & Miss House arranging the evenings social
 - (iii) Outing - no decision has yet been taken on the date, the secretary is organizing it and cars will be used.
 - (iv) Others - Mr Penney asked for a good turnout for the Darts match with the Eastern Dist on 19 April at the RAFA club.
- A further list of suggested activities was read by the secretary including a wine & cheese party, questions & answer session at non-business meetings and the invitation of outside experts to teach us a particular skill.

RESOLUTIONS FOR THE A.G.M

The meeting was told about the Eastern district resolution to double the peal fee to 5p by Mr Penney. The chairman Mr Carpenter, gave some reasons for and against this and ~~told~~ advised the meeting to think carefully about ~~this~~ it.

The decision of the G. Committee to recommend the peal book writer should be paid 25p instead of 10p per peal was also reported to the meeting. The Chairman said that this & the previous resolution need not necessarily be linked closely, the peal fee need not be doubled to cover this.

Some discussion then followed, Mrs Newman said 5p seemed little to pay for 3 hours ringing, Mrs Mackley said peal ringers should pay more for peal publication in the Annual Report. The Chairman said it was the Association who decided that peals should be written up, Mr Carter thought that the finance sub-committee should decide if the ^{extra} money was needed.

The meeting was advised to accept the writing up fee as 25p per peal by Mr Penney who said it would cost about £1 done professionally. Mr Dodds said 3 peals took

2 hours to write up & the book cost £18 & held 2000 pears.

DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

To be at St Pauls Walden in the afternoon and K. Walden or Kimpton in the evening on March 17th. Mr Carter said he was organizing something to take place after tea

A.O.B

Mr Cochrane proposed a vote of thanks to Elstree & Radlett for the use of their bells, the vicar for taking the service, the ringers who made the tea and the chairman, Mr Carpenter, who he said had a difficult & busy ~~time~~ time attending district meetings. He also praised the younger ringers for their enthusiasm

£ 1.10½ p was donated to the V.B.F. by the meeting.

J. Southam
CHAIRMAN

ST PAULS WALDEN AND KINGS WALDEN, 17 MARCH 1973

Ringling at St Pauls Walden was from 3-4:30 pm with methods up to London and learners well catered for. There was then a service in the church and tea at the pub. The secretary made announcements about the forthcoming darts match and the surprise & learners practices. Ringling then took place from 7-8:30 pm at Kings Walden, everyone being pleased to return here after an absence of 2 years. Ringling up to spliced was ~~attempted~~ accomplished.

Ringlers at the tea made a donation of 83 p to the V.B.F.

J. Southam
CHAIRMAN