

DISTRICT MEETING AT <sup>RADLETT</sup> ~~ELSTREE AND~~ ELSTREE ON 15 FEB. 1975

Ringing at Radlett was quite reasonable and attendance was good for the afternoon. Everyone made their own arrangements for tea. A business meeting was held in Elstree church, followed by ringing, attendance being very low. Mr RE Hardy took the chair for the meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs Mrs Pocock, Mr and Mrs Penney and Mr & Miss Forster.

MINUTES

These were read and signed as correct with no matters arising

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS

NRLM	G. Randall	}	G. Penney.	Deal at St Albans Abbey on 1 Feb 1975
"	J. Fielden			
"	Miss C. Jackson		P. Mackley	Miss D. Jackson.

MEETINGS AND PRACTICES

The secretary read out the provisional list for the year.

March - Welwyn	Aug - St Michaels	m
April - Sandridge / St Peters	Sept - M. Hadley / Barnet	m
May - St Pauls / K. Walden	Oct - Kimpton	m
June - Essendon / <del>Welwyn</del> Hatfield	Nov - S. Mymms / N. Mymms	m
July - St Stephens / Abbey	Dec - Harpenden	m

He told the meeting that if we went to Sandridge the hall would cost £4.50 i.e. 15p on the tea price for 30 people. Mrs Mackley proposed and Mr Mackley seconded a motion that if the cost of tea would be more than 30p then the extra should come from the District Fund. This was carried. At the Welwyn meeting, it is hoped to hold a question-time, organized by Mr Penney.

The R.M. read out the following list of practices:-

1 March - St Michaels - learning surprise	2 Aug - Sandridge - learning surprise
5 April - St Stephens - conducting	6 Sept - Harpenden - Plain & T.B.
7 June - S. Mymms - Plain & T.B.	1 Nov - Abbey or St Peters
5 Jul - N. Mymms - Surprise	6 Dec - Essendon - Plain & T.B.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

(i) Dinner - Mr Ford said this will be on 29th Nov. at Hatfield church hall with outside caterers at a cost of ~ £2. Mr Mackley is also helping to organize this

(ii) London outing - the meeting was told this is still on 31st May, by Mr Brown. It is to the Whitechapel Bell Foundry & will be arranging some ringing

(iii) Games Evening - this is on 27 March at the RAFA. Mr Penney & Mr Forster are the organizers. They require 6 teams of 6 for darts, dominoes & crib.

(iv) Outing - the secretary who is organizing this said it would be on 14 October.

(v) Woodford Cup - this year is at Kimpton on 3 May organized by Mr Forster, the wine & cheese party in the evening will be organized by ~~At~~ Mr Patterson.

(vi) Bowling - this will be ~~held~~ arranged on 6 Nov by Miss Apter at Hemel Hempstead.

#### PLACE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

15 March. The secretary said he hoped it would be at Welwyn

#### AGB

The secretary gave some news from the association committee meeting. The Bell Fund trustees want each district to hold a fund raising event so he asked everyone to think on this. On 22 November there will be a handbell day at St Michael's school. The chairman said that the treasurer Howard Collings is retiring at this year's AGM's. He would welcome donations for a presentation.

The secretary thought it would be courteous to leave a donation for Elstree & a collection was made totalling £1.10. He also said he would be transferring the VBF from savings certificates into more lucrative bonds.

After a vote of thanks to Elstree & Radlett from the chairman the meeting was closed

W.C. Hughes.

CHAIRMAN

#### DISTRICT MEETING AT WELWYN ON 15 MARCH 1975

##### Election of New Members

Prob - Miss S. Hurst Harpenden      Mrs M.A. Coburn      Mr G. Dodds

R - NRLM - Mr E Broom      "      "

Miss L. Fisher Essendon      Mr J. Ford      "

Mr P. Wombwell      "      "      " All elected.

Collection for Association Treas. The secretary said that Howard Collings is not seeking re-election at the AGM's as he has served for over 10 years we ought to give a good contribution towards a gift. It was proposed by Mr Hardy & seconded by Mrs Dodds that a collection be made after this meeting and made up to £5 from the District Fund. This was passed by the meeting. The sec. asked the meeting to think about making money for the charitable Bell Fund & about a district bookseller. After thanks from Mrs Coburn to the Vicar of Welwyn and the tea ladies the

# DISTRICT MEETING AT SANDRIDGE AND ST PETERS - 19 APRIL 1975

At Sandridge ringing took place from 3-4.30 with the learners well catered for. After a service conducted by the Rev. Handford a good tea was enjoyed at the village hall. The business meeting was ~~con~~ chaired by Bill Hughes. Evening ringing was at St Peters for all standards up to Cambridge Royal.

Apologies for Absence received from Mrs Mrs Penney & Mrs Mrs Patterson.

MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING These were read by the secretary & accepted ~~on a proposal from~~ without alteration. The sec. said the H. Collings collection realized £2-27 from the welwyn meeting & he had made this up to £5 from the District Fund.

<u>ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS</u>		<u>Tower</u>	<u>Prop</u>	<u>Sec</u>
Ringng	T. Grummitt	Sandridge	G. Dodds	Mrs J. Dodds
"	Mrs S. Foster	"	"	"
"	<del>Mrs</del> M. Foster	"	"	"
"	Miss T.F. Crowder	S. Mymms	"	"
Prob.	S.E.L. Turner	"	"	"
→ Full	Miss E. Beadman	St Michaels	P. Mackley	Mrs R. Mackley
Ringng	Miss J. Brown	"	"	"
"	Mr G. Miller	St Peters	I. Miller	C. Forster
Prob	Miss C. Cronshaw	"	"	"
NRLM	A.S. Braben.		C. Forster.	Real St Peters 15 March.

Upon a proposition from Mr Dodds, seconded by Mr Jelts these were elected en-bloc.

MEETINGS AND PRACTICES The sec. said we could not go to Hatfield in June & he would try to get Hertford for the evening. We also need a tower for Oct. At the May meeting there should be a talk on steeple-keeping.

The R.M. said on the 7 June there would be a Plain & B. practice at S. Mymms. In November we would go to the Abbey.

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

(i) London Outing Mr Brown said he would be asking for a 25p returnable deposit as only 25 people could go round the foundry

(ii) Woolford Cup - Mr Forster asked that entry forms be returned as soon as possible & the sec. asked everyone to return numbers for the wine & cheese to Mr Patterson.

(iii) COUNTY BELL FUND In response to the trustees appeal ~~from~~ for fund raising events to be held in the districts the committee had

Thought of 2 things - steepage & competitions at district events that Miss Apter had volunteered to organize. Regarding steepage Mr Hardy proposed that we implement this, on a voluntary basis, and Mrs Dodds seconded it. The proposal was carried.

PLACE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING 17 May at St Pauls & K: Walden.

AOB The secretary reminded the meeting that at the AGM next week a room had been reserved for evening drinking. He thanked Mr Penney & Mr Forster for the organization of the games evening. Mr Hardy told the meeting that John Mayne was recovering rapidly from his operation & it was requested to transmit the best wishes of the company. Mr Hardy thanked the girls for preparing the tea, the Rev Handford for the service & Mrs Dodds for playing the organ.

J. V. Frost. 21.6.75  
CHAIRMAN