

DISTRICT MEETING AT ST PAULS WALDEN ON SATURDAY JUNE 15th 1985

Ringling took place on the six bells of St Pauls Walden from 3.30 to 5.30 pm with 11 ringers present. There was no service as the vicar was away at a conference and so tea followed in the Church Hall. J.J. Ford took the chair for the Business Meeting.

Apologies for Absence were received from C. Pocock, Miss T. Crowder, Miss N. Pasnall and Mrs A. Hughes.

The Minutes were read and signed as correct.

Matters Arising

The secretary announced that the Open Day had raised £152.40 for the St Albans District and £11.37 and £45.48 for the Epsom and Watford Districts respectively. She had also received a letter from Radlett thanking us for the £20 collected for Christian Aid in lieu of a cost being levied on the tea.

S. Saunders thanked the teams that had entered for the Woolford Cup. He hoped that more would enter next year else there was the possibility that the contest would be discontinued due to lack of interest. It was suggested by Mrs M.A. Coburn that some people were reluctant to ring in their tower's team as they were unable to devote the whole afternoon to this event. After some discussion Mrs F.S. Drummond-Tyler proposed and Mrs S. Patterson seconded that next year the draw for order of ringing be held before the day of the contest so that each team would know at what time they were to ring. This was agreed by the meeting.

Mrs S. Patterson said the 1/4 peal of Rutland Royal had been gained at the second attempt. She would be arranging 10 bell 1/4s at Hot Ford for the 25th June and 23rd July. A. Patterson said that he thought that this was a far more successful way of organising 10 bell ringing practice for the District.

Election of New Members.

The following new members were elected.

Peter Cox, probationary of Welwyn, proposed Mrs S. Patterson seconded S. Saunders

Rosemary Hodgson, NRCM, proposed by Miss J. Johnson seconded S. Saunders

The following helpful elections were ratified

Peter Ellis, NRCM, proposed Mrs M. A. Coburn seconded L. Coburn

Mrs Pat Newton, NRCM, proposed A. Patterson seconded R. Tibbatts

Dennis Green, NRCM, proposed K. Lewin seconded C. Pocock

Grant from the Voluntary Bell Fund to N. Myms

The secretary read a letter from the trustees of the Voluntary Bell Fund which suggested that the District donate at least £200 to N. Myms for the work that was being done on their bells. She added that the Fund stood at £641-80p. S. Saunders proposed and Mrs S. Patterson seconded that £250 be donated and this was carried by the meeting.

Car Treasure Hunt

Miss J. Johnson said that the route and questionnaire for the Car Treasure Hunt had been drawn up. It would be held on Saturday June 29th with an entry fee of 50p per car. It would start and end in Hart Field and should take about 2hrs to get round the route. Further details had been distributed to all towers.

London Outing

Mrs K. J. Drummond-Tyler said that the outing would be in the Richmond/Kew Gardens area of London on Saturday August 3rd. Final details of the towers would be given later when she had received confirmation from them. It would be a car outing, although it would not be impossible to carry out the tour using public transport.

Date and Place of next meetings

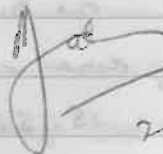
The next District meeting would be on Saturday July 20th. A Pknoon meeting was at homeford from 3-30 to 5pm followed by tea and meeting. Evening meeting was at Kissenon from 6-30 to 8pm. J. Dalton asked that names

rather than numbers for tea be given so that preference could be given to those who had ordered tea if more people arrived than had been catered for.

Any Other Business.

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs Valerie Hill for the splendid tea that she had produced for us. Votes of thanks were also given to Les Dennison for arranging the facilities at St Pauls Walden and to the vicars of St Pauls Walden and Welwyn for the use of their halls.

There being no other business, the meeting was declared closed. Evening singing took place at Welwyn from 7 to 8-30pm, with 20 singers present.


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