

DISTRICT MEETING AT NORTH MYMMS ON SATURDAY 21st MARCH 1987

A large crowd of ringers were present at N Mymms in the afternoon to ring on the 8 bells there. The vicar of N Mymms took the service with Miss T. Crowder playing the organ. This was followed by a splendid buffet tea provided by the N. Mymms ringers and the Business Meeting chaired by S. Saunders.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr and Mrs Edmondson.

The Minutes were read and signed as correct. There were no matters arising.

Election of New Members

The following new members were elected:-

R. Smith-Carrington prob to full member of S. Mymms proposed Miss T. Crowder seconded Mrs J. Badger

Mrs E. Lucas full member of the Abbey proposed Mrs S. Patterson seconded Mrs P. Pocock

K. Lucas full member of the Abbey proposed Mrs S. Patterson seconded Mrs P. Pocock

The ratification of the Belfry Election of C. Rees, full member from Essendon, proposed J. S. Ford seconded Mrs P. Marshall was carried.

Games Evening

S. Saunders commented that as yet he had no entrants for this event to be held on Maundy Thursday, 16th April, at the RAFA Club, St Albans from 7-4.5 pm. He urged towers to enter.

Date and Place of next meeting

The next District meeting would be the Woolford Cup on May 16th, as the 3rd Saturday in April falls in Holy Week. The contest is to be held at Lane Ford, starting at 4 pm. Tea, meeting and evening ringing would be at Wellwyn from about 6 pm onwards.

The next Leamers' Practice would be St Pauls Walden on Saturday 4th April from 10 till noon. It was hoped that the May Leamers' Practice would be

at Sandridge on 2nd May, however owing to the postal strike a reply was still awaited.

Any Other Business

S. Saunders announced that so far he had only 1 entry for the Woodford Cup and hoped that more towers would be responding. Miss T. Crowder asked that consideration be given to reducing the time for call changes from 10 to 7 minutes as this was about the time that 240 changes took at Lemsford. Mrs M. A. Coburn asked whether there would be provision made for towers with weddings. S. Saunders asked towers to note weddings on their entry forms but added that this would be less of a problem this year as the contest started at 4 pm with the draw ten minutes earlier.

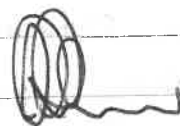
Mrs M. A. Coburn thanked the District for the cheque they had received from the Voluntary Bell Fund as a grant towards the repair of their clappers.

Mrs E. J. Drummond-Tyler urged towers to respond early, i.e. by May 1st, for the June $\frac{1}{4}$ pen weekend on 12th to 14th June. This event took a lot of organising and she would be away on holiday for 2 weeks during the latter part of May and hoped to have arranged most of the quarters before this.

Mrs E. J. Drummond-Tyler proposed a vote of thanks to the vicar of N. Myms for taking the service and for the use of the bells and to the N. Myms ringers for providing tea. Mrs M. A. Coburn proposed a vote of thanks to the press against - Miss T. Crowder.

There being no other business, the meeting was declared closed.

The Voluntary Bell Fund Collection raised £6.00



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