

DISTRICT MEETING AT SANDRIDGE ON SATURDAY 15th AUGUST

A number of ringers turned up for the afternoon ringing at Sandridge from 3-30 to 5 pm and "methods" ranged from call changes and plain led to London minor. This was followed by a service and then tea in the garden of Alan Jeffs. The curate of Sandridge took the chair for the business meeting.

Apologies for Absence were received from Miss T. Crowder, J.S. Ford, Mrs V and G Humphreys, J. Beardwell, Mrs B. Cox, M. Cox and R. Cox.

The Minutes were read and signed as correct. It was confirmed that the Pub walk around Wheatthamstead did take place but that only ringers from Kilmington had taken part.

Electron of New Members

Sheila Porfit of Sandridge was proposed as a Full Member by Mrs J. Dodds, seconded by G. Dodds and duly elected.

Fund Raising for County Bell Fund.

S. H. Saunders circulated covenanting forms and details of what covenanting was all about.

Mrs R. J. Drummond-Tyler outlined the procedure for collecting money from towers wishing to donate a wedding fee to this cause.

Ringing Master and Instructor Seminar.

Mrs S. Patterson outlined how this seminar would be run on Friday 11th Sept at St Peter's Church Hall from 7-30 to 9-30 pm. A letter had been circulated to all Tower Captains but anybody else who was interested was welcome to attend.

District 1/4 Peal weekend.

The Secretary announced that G. Humphreys would shortly be sending out letters giving details of the next 1/4 Peal weekend. Each tower would be

asked to ring a quarter past during the weekend of October 10th, and any necessary support would be provided by the District.

District Social

Mrs A. Saunders stated that as the floor of Fessenden Hall was being renewed, we would be unable to hold the Social here. She asked the meeting if anybody knew of a suitable hall. Further details of the event would be available when a hall had been found.

Date and Place of next meetings.

The next District meeting would be on Saturday 19th September with ringing at St Stephens from 3-30 to 5 pm and Barnet from 7-15 to 8-45 pm.

The next learners' Practice would be at St Pauls Walden on Saturday September 5th from 10 till noon.

Any Other Business

Mr R. J. Drummond-Tyler proposed a vote of Thanks to the Curate for chairing the meeting and taking the service, to Mr J. Dodds for playing the organ, to the ringers of Sandridge for providing tea and for the use of the bells, to B. Jells for providing the venue for tea and meeting and to the ringers of Fessenden for the use of their bells.

The Curate thanked the meeting for inviting him and his wife.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed. Evening ringing took place at Fessenden.

The collection for the Voluntary Bell Fund raised £7.

John Cronin

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