

DISTRICT MEETING @ N. MYMMS ON SATURDAY, 21 MAY 1988

Ringing took place on the 8 bells of North Mymms from 3.30 pm to 5.00 pm followed by service, tea and the business meeting, which was chaired by A.R. Patterson.

Apologies for absence were received from: L and Mrs A. Coburn
D and Mrs E. Drummond-Tyler
S. Saunders.

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

New members

The following new members were elected:

Graham Duke } from St. Peters, St. A, proposed by
Mrs Rosemary Duke } Rosemary Scott.

Mrs Penny Wiggs } from N. Mymms, proposed by T. Lock
Miss Anna Gawley }

Miss Claire Nicolson from Hatfield, proposed by Anne Saunders
from probationary to full member

Mary Poyner from Holt, Norfolk, proposed Bob Crocker
ratification of belfry election prior to a peal.

Reports on past events.

Mrs A. Saunders gave a report on the Association AGM.

Mrs S. Patterson told the meeting that the first surprise

practice had not been well supported by the District which she found disappointing. However, she was prepared to run the practice for another 2 months to see if more District members would attend.

Mrs S. Patterson reported that the last Instructor's seminar on teaching plain hunt, had been successful, and she was hoping to organise a further seminar later in the year.

Woolford Cup: The results were as follows:

- 1) Kimpton
- 2) St. Michael's
- 3) Hatfield
- 4) Welwyn.

Only 4 teams entered, which was a low number. There was some discussion as to whether this may have been because it was a different Saturday from usual, and A. Patterson suggested that this was discussed by the District committee.

Coburn Trophy, 8 bell competition:

Mrs S. Patterson reported that ^{the} St. Albans District had won making a touch of London Surprise major and she congratulated the team on their performance.

Future Events:

Miss N. Pownall reported that she had 17 names for the District outing to Whitechapel Bell Foundry on 11th June 1988. She hoped to go to Spitalfields (8), Aldgate (8) and Cornhill (12) in the afternoon and

asked for more ringers to support the afternoon ringing.

Date and place of next meeting and practices.

The next District meeting would be at St. Pauls Walden from 3.30 pm to 5.00 (or 5.30 pm if no service) followed by service (not confirmed), tea and meeting. Evening ringing would be at Kimpton from 7.30-9.00 pm.

The next Surprise practice would be at Kimpton on Wednesday, 1st June 1988, from 7.30-9.00 pm.

The next Learners practice would be at Radlett ~~on~~ on Saturday, 4th June 1988, from 10.00 to 12.00 midday.

Any other Business

P. Cox reported that a peal of Welwyn Surprise major conducted by G. Penney, had been rung at Welwyn on 17th April 1988, for the 50th anniversary of the bells. The profits from the tea, which followed the peal, was £21 which would go to the County Bell Fund. This was followed by a special service and he thanked everyone who had joined in the celebrations.

Miss T. Crowder reminded the meeting that she was the official Association Book Seller and that she had plenty of books for sale!

A. R. Patterson proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. J. Morris for the use of the bells and the service, to Miss T. Crowder for playing the organ and to the

ringers for the splendid tea.

Ringling continued at N. Myrmmis until 8.00pm.

The Voluntary Bell Fund raised £7.00

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