

DISTRICT MEETING AT SOUTH MYHMS ON SATURDAY 18th FEBRUARY 1989

About 20 ringers were present for afternoon ringing at S. Myhms, which was followed by a service of Evensong. Tea was served at Miss T Conner's home and the Association President, G Fielding, chaired the Business Meeting.

Apologies for Absence were received from J M Drummond-Tyler, G and Miss M Godfrey, M and Mrs J Cox and Mrs S Spensbury.

The Minutes were read and, after an addition had been made, were signed as correct. There were no matters arising.

Election of New Members

The transfer from probationary to Full membership of Clave Nicholson from Hatfield was proposed by Mrs A Saunders and seconded by Mrs R Drummond-Tyler.

Ringing at Kings Walden

The secretary announced that A. Frost had declared the tower safe for ringing. She had been in touch with the secretary there, Mr Shalman, and had ascertained that they were in need of ropes and would like some assistance in teaching. The meeting was asked whether any fellows had old ropes that they could let Kings Walden have to be getting on with and offers came from Hooperden and Hatfield. The secretary said she would be getting in touch with Kings Walden again to discuss ways in which the District could assist in teaching. She had already mentioned that a grant from the District Voluntary Bell Fund towards new ropes was a possibility.

Date and Place of next meetings

The next District Meeting was on 18th March at St Michael's. There would be a hand bell workshop in the afternoon, where both method and tone ringing would be available and people would be welcomed at any stage of learning. Evensong ringing would be on the tower bells.

The next Leavers' Practice would be on 4th March at Radlett and experienced volunteers were identified.

The next Surprise practice would be on 1st March at Kington from 7-45 to 9-15 pm.

Any Other Business

The secretary announced that Essendon Hall had been booked for a Barn Dance on Saturday 25th November.

Cards detailing the year's meetings and practice were now available for all District members and towns were asked to take them.

Mrs M. A. Coburn proposed a vote of thanks to the local band for such a splendid tea and to the vicar for taking the service and playing the organ and to the clergy of both St. Mary's and Barnet for allowing us the use of their bells.

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

Evening singing continued at Barnet.

