

## DISTRICT MEETING AT KIMPTON ON SATURDAY 20th MAY 1989

Afternoon ringing took place on the eight bells at Kimpton, with a very low attendance. This was followed by a service and tea in the Church Hall. J. J. Ford chaired the business meeting, having been proposed by Mrs M. A. Coburn. The meeting started with a vote of thanks to the organist who had to leave early.

Apologies for absence were received from J and Mrs J. Badger, Mrs J Cox and Mrs S. J. Drummond-Tyler.

The Minutes were read and signed as correct.

Matters Arising Mrs F. Lucas informed the meeting that the St Albans District had won the Coburn Trophy earlier that day.

### Election of New Members.

The belfry election of Michael T. Sprackling who had been proposed by J. Mayne and seconded by Miss D. Robotham prior to a peal of Brise at Aldenham on January 21st 1989 was ratified.

### Woolford Cup

P. J. Cox reported that currently 16 towers had entered for the Woolford Cup, with the possibility of a second team from the Abbey. About 8 towers had still to reply.

There were no requests for quarter peal attempts to be arranged.

### Date and Place of next meeting.

The next District meeting would be at St Pauls Walden on Saturday 17th June with a handball workshop in the afternoon and the Woolford Cup in the evening.

The next Learner's Practice would be on 3rd June from 10 till noon at Bessenden.

The next Surprise Practice would be on Wednesday 7th June at Kimpton from 7-45 to 9-45 pm.

#### Any Other Business

The meeting was informed that ringing at Kings Walden would have to finish at 7-50 pm as there was a concert in the Church at 8 pm.

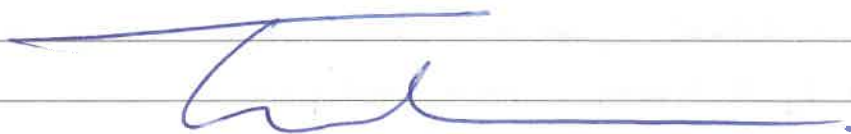
P. J. Cox proposed a vote of thanks to the clergy and ringers at both Kimpton and Kings Walden for their hospitality.

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

Evening ringing took place at Kings Walden, again with only a handful of ringers present.

\* Mrs M. A. Coburn mentioned that Harpenden were hoping to carry out major improvements to their bells including the recasting of the front bells and a new tenor. The PCC had approved the scheme but formal approval was still being sought and the proposed works had not yet been announced. They had already been offered 2½ bells.

Miss T. Crowder asked how one applied for a grant from the District Bell Fund as S. Nymms were thinking of installing sound control.



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