

Meeting at St Peters Saturday 22 April 1995

Ringings began at 3.30 and was followed by evening and tea. Apologies for absence were received from Mike & Sheila Foxler, John Freeman, Gerald, Janet and Stephen Penney, Geoff Fordham and John, Alan and Sheila Spreadbury.

The secretary read the minutes of the December Meeting and these were signed by the President Steve Crawley as correct. There were no matters arising except that the Secretary reported that the 1/4 peal for his Cranfield had taken place following which the prints of St Albans Towers ~~was~~ ^{were} presented to him who was very pleased with them.

The following new members were proposed by Roger Brown for Kimpton: Ron Titmus, Les Weeks, Elaine Evans, Sue Decrespigny, Jill Clark and ~~Ann~~ Annabel Clark. These were 2nd by C Powell. Noel Tuit (Hatfield) was proposed SA Saunders 2nd Anne Saunders. All these ~~members~~ were elected.

The Secretary reported on belfry elections made at St Michael's.

The Secretary reminded members about the Bells of Herts bask and SA Saunders announced details of various textual corrections to it.

The Secretary also reminded members of his new phone number and gave details of his Cranfield new address. There was no Debenham Bell Fund business to discuss.

In G Penney's absence the Secretary gave a brief account of the January Committee meeting. Referring to the discussion about the Kimpton Cup, R Brown said he

hoped that there was no intention to change the practice of visiting Kimpton every 3rd year. The Secretary responded that he did not believe that issue was likely to change. In fact, the District Committee had agreed that the Kimpton Cup format was all right as is and he had so written to the General Secretary.

The Secretary then gave details about the AGM and noted the proposed changes to the BRF Rules. Rosemary Scott described the arrangements for the Woolford Cup competition. These were now well in hand. She will be reminding the Judge about the date, time and location.

The date and place of the next learners practice was announced.

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Joan Badger drew attention to a musical evening being held at Ridge on 10 June. Tickets price £4.

Geoff Beynon invited members to the Lamorna Fete on May 8th. Opportunities for ringing were available.

Jane Coates announced that Welwyn road practice on Tuesdays.

Liz Barber spoke about the Barber Shield, a trophy hitherto presented by the Barber family for handbell ringing in the St Albans Music Festival. She said she wanted to present the trophy to the District if a use could be found for it in encouraging handbell ringing competition.

The Secretary thanked Liz for this kind offer and asked that the Committee be allowed to consider how best to arrange to put the Shield to good use.

The Secretary asked the Meeting for authority to spend up to £10. on a raffle prize for the AGM. This was agreed.

Amy Coburn proposed a vote of thanks to the vicar of St Peter, the organist and the ringers of St Peter for the excellent arrangements and tea. This was carried with acclamation.

The Meeting concluded, ringing resumed under the direction of G.A. Duke.

Marybeth Swan 28 Members Attended.
15/7/95.

Minutes of an election meeting at Knip Walden held 17 June 1995.

The following elections were carried :-

Full Members:

- Vanessa Spragg (Essendon) Prop JJ Ford 2nd Claire Nicholson
- John Freeman (Sandridge) " M Foster 2nd G Dodds

Probationers:

- Joyce Angel (Hatfield) " J Nicholson 2nd Claire Nicholson

Note taken by Secretary. 16 Members present!