

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS  
ST ALBANS DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING HELD AT ESSENDON  
SATURDAY 18th OCTOBER 1997.**

It was agreed that John Ford should take the chair.

**1. Apologies For Absence**

Apologies were received from: Mary Lanyon; Philippa Munday; Richard Sales; Christopher Bradley and Gerald Penney.

**2. Minutes of The meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> July 1997**

The minutes of the previous quarterly meeting were read. The Barn Dance bands name should have read All Hands Around not Hands All Around and Vic Frost requested that his comments about handbell ringing be deleted from the minutes. With these alterations the minutes were signed as a true record.

**3. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising from the minutes that were not covered by the agenda.

**4. Election of New Members**

There were no new members to be elected but the Secretary drew the members attention to the tower election ratification at The Abbey evening meeting, on 20th September, of the belfry election of Christina D. A. Hassard-Jones.

**5. Kimpton Cup**

The Secretary read the order of the draw and the competition results which were as follows:

ORDER	BAND	POSITION	FAULTS
10	Hemel	1	12
7	Redbourne	2	13
11	Kimpton	3	17
6	Codicote	4	25
5	Ware	5	27
1	Bushey	6	31
8	St Albans St Michael	7	34
2	Watford	8	41
3	Baldock	9	53
4	Standon	10	71
9	Bishops Stortford	Did not Finish	

Judges Sheila and Peter Bruce from Wycombe

The Secretary thanked Joan Badger for the splendid manner in which South Mymms hosted the Kimpton Cup and asked her to pass on the members thanks to

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David and the other members of her team who provided the welcome refreshments and lunches.

**6. Learners' Outing**

Fran Shaw gave details of the towers and requested that those who intended to come and had not submitted their form to Gerald Penney should do so before 24th November. Fran congratulated Mary Lanyon, who only started ringing at the Abbey this year on her organisation of the towers and lunch arrangements. The members endorsed Fran's comments.

**7. Barn Dance**

Ben Duke gave details of the District Barn Dance to be held on 29th November, 7.30 for 7.45 p.m., at St Peter's church hall. Tickets at £6 each were available from Ben and Fran Shaw (01923 676734). The ticket included a choice of supper. Ben also provided a poster for each tower.

**8. Newsletter**

John Nicholson said the next edition was to be published in December and would welcome any articles or items for publication. Ben Duke responded immediately and supplied some material for the Newsletter.

**9. Any other Business**

Ben Duke announced that the October Surprise Practice would be held at St Michael's.

**10. Date and place of next meeting**

The Secretary said the next District Meeting was on the 15th November at Barnet in the evening and the meeting at Harpenden on the 20th December was the quarterly nominations meeting.

**11. Vote Of Thanks**

Nina Bradley proposed a vote of thanks to the Essendon Ringers for providing the tea, the Vicar for the service and use of the bells, and the organist for providing the music. This was carried by all those present.

*F. S. Canfield  
20th December 1997.*