

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS

LEWISHAM DISTRICT

Minutes of the Meeting held at St. Luke's, Bromley Common, on Saturday, 12th April 2003.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Sara Hardy of Beckenham, Mrs. Nancy Gay of Biggin Hill, Mr. David Kingston of Bromley, Mr. Jim Rooke of Chelsfield, Mr. Alex Britton and Mrs. Debra Say of Crayford, Mr. Len Dumper and Mr. David Holdridge of Eltham, Mrs. Carol Eastaugh of Christ Church, Erith, and Mrs. Margaret Macey of Foots Cray.

In the absence of the Chairman and on the proposition of Mr. James Hardy, seconded by Mr. Len Morley and with the approval of the members, Mr. Mark Jones was invited to take the chair, which he did and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting, which had been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposition of Mr. Jeremy Byers, seconded by Miss Freda Cannon.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

5. ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Mr. Bill Belsham of Sidcup, was re-elected on the proposition of Mrs. Yvonne Wright, seconded by Mrs. Ann Barnes, and the following were elected:

BROMLEY	Mr. Paul Kay (jnr.))	P. Miss Christine Webb
	Mr. Matthew Spencer (jnr.))	S. Mr. David Brown
FOOTS CRAY	Miss Janice Odell		P. Mrs. Margaret Macey S. Mrs. Jan Cass
SHOREHAM	Mr. David and Mrs. Yvonne Avery		P. Mr. Rupert Cheeseman S. Mr. Mark Jones

Members were pleased to learn that Mr. Frank Rogers was training a new band at Shoreham. The election of Mr. and Mrs. Avery brought that tower into union with the Association.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Annual General Meeting

Mr. Len Morley reminded members that the Association's Annual General Meeting was due to be held at Staplehurst on Easter Monday. He urged members to attend this meeting, particularly as the constitution of the General Committee, a matter which had been raised by the Lewisham District, would be on the agenda. Members were reminded that in essence this would lead to a smaller General Committee and more flexibility in its composition.

Handbell Ringers of Great Britain

Mr. Richard Bing reminded members about the concert at the Redhill Theatre by the Handbell Ringers of Great Britain. Details were available in the Newsletter.

Newsletter

Miss Freda Cannon enquired whether it would be possible to send the Newsletter out earlier. Mr. Rupert Cheeseman said there would be no difficulty about this if members were able to let him have their contributions earlier. Mr. Mark Jones took this opportunity to thank Mr. Rupert Cheeseman for another excellent Newsletter.

Simulator Sessions (County event)

Mr. Rupert Cheeseman informed the meeting that, due to lack of support, the simulator sessions had been cancelled.

District Website

Mr. James Hardy apologized for the lack of activity on the District's website. It would be up-dated as soon as possible.

Vote of Thanks

Miss Freda Cannon proposed a warm vote of thanks to the Vicar of Bromley Common, Canon Insley, for conducting the service and for the use of the bells, to Mr. Mark Jones for playing the organ and to the local ringers for an excellent tea.