



**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS  
LEWISHAM DISTRICT**

Minutes of the Quarterly District Meeting held at Eynsford on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2009

19 people attended the meeting

**1. Election of Chair**

In the absence of the District Chairman Ross Hartley was elected to chair the meeting (Proposed: Dominic Meredith; Seconded: Lesley Barclay).

**2. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Brenda Barton (Dartford), Rupert and Cathy Cheeseman (Crayford), David Kingston (Bromley), Margaret Macey (Foods Cray), David Macey and Rhiannon Meredith (Beckenham),

**3. Minutes of the District Meeting at Dartford**

The minutes were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting (Proposed: Sue Allport; Seconded: Nick Wilkins).

**4. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

Ross reminded the meeting that Jim Hardy will be standing down as District Chairman at the AGM in October.

**5. Election of new members**

The following new members were elected:

<b>New Member</b>	<b>Tower</b>	<b>Proposed By</b>	<b>Seconded By</b>
Neville Wilding	Chislehurst St Nicholas	Peter Skinner	Ian Mills
Emma Wilding	Chislehurst St Nicholas	Peter Skinner	Ian Mills

**6. 120 Club Results**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Tower</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	56	Deryck Jones	Dartford
1 <sup>st</sup>	28	Marion Wansbury	Dartford
2 <sup>nd</sup>	16	Colin Senneck	Ash
2 <sup>nd</sup>	13	Jim Rooke	Chelsfield
3 <sup>rd</sup>	77	David Kingston	Bromley
3 <sup>rd</sup>	48	Tony Fisher	Eynsford

4th	111	David Holdridge	Eltham
4 <sup>th</sup>	115	120 Club	

## 7. KCACR Committee Meeting Report

- Brenda Barton couldn't attend the meeting but she sent her report in to be read out.
- AGM 13<sup>th</sup> April 2009:
  - The members at the meeting agreed not to increase subscriptions from the present rate. Division of money from subscriptions remains at 50% General Fund, 50% BRF.
  - The Handbook Editor reported some districts had not returned any information (presumably later than date circulated) so last year's details were printed in the handbook.
  - The new chairman is Peter Sims.
  - Lambeth Palace sent a letter thanking all members for their service.
  - David Manger has become a Vice President after nomination by the General Committee and voting by members present.
  - There has been a rule change to rule 7, line 4: After Treasurer insert 'elected Vice Presidents'.
  - Peal fees have increased to 50p per ringer.
  - The Essex Trophy (an inter county competition) is at Hythe this year on 12<sup>th</sup> September.
  - The Inter District 6 bell striking contest is at Lynsted on 26<sup>th</sup> September.
- General Committee Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2009:
  - The personal Accident Policy & Public Liability Policy (£1 million limit) has been renewed. Enquiries will proceed on whether it is necessary to increase this limit.
  - The Treasurer was granted the money to purchase a Sage package to help the accounts procedures.
  - New Child Protection legislation comes out in October. An Association policy may appear around that date.
  - The new publicity boards (seen in the district, last July, at the Dartford festival) can be loaned from Peter Dale but as they are popular they must be booked in advance.
  - Doris Colgate (Sevenoaks) was presented with a 75 year Association Certificate at a civic service in June.
  - I presented details of a `Ringing Around The Olympics` meeting which Rupert and I attended about setting up a ringing school with a 10 week course. This one for the completely new ringer and located around the Olympic site. It is not just for people in that area but for our area also. To that end I circulated a poster within the district .Did you find interesting places to display them?

- Please let me know as we desperately need to find ways of encouraging residents of Greenwich/Woolwich/Lewisham/Deptford to think about learning to ring as the area is so short of ringers.
- A short journey on the DLR and they could be embarking on the journey of a lifetime.

## **8. AOB**

- Brenda Barton passed on her congratulations to the Lewisham District Eight Bell Striking Competition Team, who narrowly missed out on the top spot to the home team.
- David Brown relayed the news of Margaret Macey's car accident. The meeting joined him in passing on their best wishes.
- David Brown also reminded the meeting that the next District Training Day was on the 15<sup>th</sup> August at Beckenham.
- David Brown also said that he was considering standing down as District Training Officer at the AGM in October.

## **9. Vote of Thanks**

- Nick Wilkins proposed a vote of thanks to the Eynsford band (especially Sylvia MacKenzie) for organising the tea, Frank Rogers for conducting the service and Hannah Barker for playing the organ (Seconded by Lesley Barclay).