

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION



OF CHANGE RINGERS

LEWISHAM DISTRICT

Minutes of the Quarterly District Meeting held at Bromley Common on 8th January 2011

Minute's Silence

Before the meeting started a two minute silence was held for Elsa Sjovorr of Chelsfield

Election of Chairman

In the absence of the District Chairman Rupert Cheeseman was elected to chair the meeting. Proposed: Dominic Meredith, Seconded: Lesley Barclay.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Jim Hardy, Lizzie Duffey and Ross Hartley (Beckenham), Nick Wilkins (Chelsfield), Esther Correia (Dartford), Carol Eastaugh (Christchurch Erith), Sue Allport (Horton Kirby), Alex Britton and Karen Robinson (Unattached).

Minutes of the Annual District Meeting at Beckenham on 9th October 2010

The minutes were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting. Proposed: Rhiannon Meredith; Seconded: Cathy Cheeseman.

Election of new members

The following new members were elected:

New Member	Tower	Proposed By	Seconded By
Amelia Ellen Halford	Sidcup	Janis Roddy	Mark Backhouse
Francis Roddy	Sidcup	Janis Roddy	Mark Backhouse

120 Club Results

	Number	Name	Tower
1 st	52	Mick McDonnell	Horton Kirby
2 nd	56	Terry Elcock	Horton Kirby
3 rd	43	Tom Scarth	Christchurch Erith
4 th	47	John Chenery	Horton Kirby

KCACR Committee Meeting Report

Following the requests made for the appearance of postcodes in the handbook they will be included in this year's edition.

The Vice-President and the meeting congratulated Ian Mills and his team on coming second in the Essex Trophy, a far better result than Kent has achieved for many years.

'Ringing for England 2011' are advising that as St George's Day falls in Holy Week, ringing would take place on 2nd May 2011. The committee agreed that each tower should make their own decision as to whether they wish t participate.

The Treasurer reported that the decision taken at the AGM to transfer BRF funds into the General Fund was illegal; therefore it needs to be paid back. This leaves a big hole in the General Account. It is therefore likely that subs will rise in 2012.

Please note that reinstallations of bells will attract VAT at 20%.

Rule changes to come up at the AGM:

Practicing Members. The insurers insist our rules need a definition and competency level stated. This is possibly contentious so if you want to have your say or to vote please come to the AGM. Student Membership Subs will also be voted on at the AGM.

Forthcoming Events:

26th March: Ringing World Centenary celebrations

25th April: KCACR AGM, Speldhurst

29th April: Royal Wedding

2nd July: County Eight Bell Competition, Bromley 24th September: Inter District Six Bell, Hunton

KCACR Handbook Returns

The Secretary reminded everyone that the KCACR Handbook returns were now due. Some of the returns were handed out at the meeting and the rest will be distributed by post.

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Secretary

Lesley Barclay agreed to serve as an interim secretary until the end of the year, with the proviso that she was unavailable for the April meeting. She was duly elected. Proposed: Rupert Cheeseman, Seconded: Jim Rooke.

A G Hill Memorial Fund

The books provided by the A G Hill Memorial Fund money have been purchased and will be distributed on a first-com-first-served basis. The list of books will be distributed at the April meeting.

Ringing World Centenary

Various Lewisham District towers will be open for the Ringing World Centenary.

Call Change Competition

Rupert presented certificates for the Call Change competition. He also reported that the trophy is in the process of being refurbished.

Margaret Macey Educational Fund

Rhiannon Meredith reported that three applications were received for the fund and that all three were awarded bursaries.

Vote of Thanks

Rupert Cheeseman proposed a vote of thanks to Canon Michael Insley for conducting the service, to Francis Roddy for playing the organ and to the Bromley Common band for organising the tea.