

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS

WESTERN DISTRICT

ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING

Saturday 10th February 2018 at St. Mary's Church Hall, Goring by Sea

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The meeting opened with a minute's silence for those who have died since the last ADM Peter Kidson, Ann Daughtry, Ken Knight, Reg Thompson, Barbara Salmons, also Myrtle Watts (supporter) and Pauline Burt (although previously mentioned at the last ADM)

1. Apologies for Absence.

Sue Gadd, Alison Everett, David Barlow, May Littleton, Carolyn Taylor, Ken Black, Caroline Jones, Kevin Pritchard

2. Minutes of the last meeting 11th February 2017 at Steyning.

These had been circulated in advance of the meeting and were agreed and signed as a true record.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes of the last ADM.

There were no matters arising.

4. The Michael Palmer Achievement Award and Certificates:

Nalon le Fornis was presented with the shield for this year having been nominated by David Hall from Arundel.

Certificates:

New Members Certificates were presented to the members attending the meeting Jim Pillow, Francesco Greenslade, and Luca Greenslade.

Long Service Certificates (50 years membership) were presented to Brenda Cox and David Kirkcaldy.

5. Reports:

The Secretary's Report was circulated and agreed to be inserted into the Association 2017/18 Handbook)

Bell Restoration Rep. Report

RW reported that he received no requested so far this year.

6. Money raised for Sussex Bell Restoration Fund by BRF Bell and Raffles:

It was reported by the Secretary that £422.53 has been raised during 2017 by the BRF Donation Bell put out at each of the West events and we should be able to receive Gift Aid on this money from the government amounting to £105.63. It was also reported that the amount raised by Raffles and donations from teas during the year for the BRF was £243.

7. Election West Committee Members:

Ringling Master – no nominations

Moya Hills - Secretary - proposed: Jayne Wilkinson, seconded: Jack Burton

Mandy Rogers – Publicity (Sally Forth) proposed: Jack Burton,

Hamish McNaughton - Publicity (Diary) seconded: Roger Watts

Christine Butterfield – Education - proposed: Liz Potter, seconded: Liz Beadle

David Hall - Events Organiser proposed: Elizabeth Butler,

seconded – Christine Butterfield

Roger Watts – West BRF Rep. - proposed: Christine Hounslow,

seconded: Hamish McNaughton

also volunteers to be on the committee were Janice Crawford, Sue Gadd

David Kirkaldy is West's Central Council Rep. until 2019

The Association had also asked for volunteers to be on the Teams:

Janice Crawford volunteered to be part of the Training and Recruitment Team, but no one came forward for the Communication and Events Team, however members can become part of these teams at any time during the year.

11. **Nominations of General Officers for Association:**

Association Master - None

General Secretary – Sandra Alford - nominated by Kathy Kirkaldy

Treasurer – Sue Gadd - nominated by Jack Burton

BRF Secretary – Graham Hills - nominated by Stella Bianco

Trustee - Margaret Sherwood - nominated by Mike Wake

Safeguarding Officer – Pat Aylward - nominated by Stella Bianco

12. **Any Other Business:**

- It was brought to members attention that we have Dewby's Bells (mini ring) at the South East Show at Ardingly as part of the Sanctuary. This is to raise our profile not necessarily to recruit. We have free passes for volunteers who can help man the mini ring and give demonstrations for half of the day: This would mean that the rest of the day would be free. Anyone willing to help should contact Alison Everett (publicity@scacr.org) or Marisa Hayes.
- Ringing Remembers – Nationwide campaign to recruit 1400 ringers by next Armistice Day which is the centenary of the end of WW1. This is receiving some government funding and there is already a Poster available on the CCCBR website to be displayed in church porches, or elsewhere to advertise this and more posters, leaflets, etc. are being produced and will be available soon. The CCCBR are keen to get people to sign up if they are a new ringer since last November on the "Ringing Remembers" page on the CCCBR web page. 'Big Ideas' is interested in stories from the learners about why they are learning and how they are getting on which has a link on the CCCBR web site.
- There is an inter-divisional event on May 19th, so for all Districts, to walk or cycle along the Downs Link Way from Tower to Tower and ringing at each church. You can also travel by car between Towers if preferred.
- It was asked how the Association will know if you want a 2017/2018 Report/Handbook as there was no provision on the e-mail subscription form to indicate this. MH said that she had been advised by the Association Secretary that the Tower correspondents will soon be getting an e-mail asking how many books they require for their Tower.
- Thanks was expressed to Graham Hills for his hard work as Association Master over the past 3 years.
- Thanks was also expressed to the tea ladies for providing tea.

13. **Date of next ADM.** - (9th February 2019, venue to be arranged).

Recorded by: Moya Hills
West District Secretary

Signed:

Association Master

Dated: