



Maidstone District

The Kent County Association of Change Ringers

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Chairman: Elizabeth Barnes

Secretary: Terry Barnard

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Minutes

For the **Quarterly District Meeting** held on
Saturday 9th January 2016 at St John the Baptist, Harrietsham.

Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Adam Brady, Daniel Brady, Sallyann Barclay, Chris Bassett (all Staplehurst); Barry Evans (Mereworth); Jane Higgs (Marden); and Phil Barnes (Wrotham).

28 members signed the attendance book.

2016/QMA01 Minutes and any matters arising from previous meeting:

2015/ADM 10th October 2015. Sue Bassett presented the final accounts for 2015. She said a number of Towers had made donations from wedding fees for the spliced fund for BRF, but most had not. Also subs were now due for both KCACR and 120 Club membership. Both could be made though bank transfer, but please indicate what the payment was for. The accounts were accepted and the minutes were agreed and signed. There were no other matters arising.

2016/QMA02 Election of new members:

Sharon Wilcox (Lenham) was proposed by James Davis and seconded by Jack Velvick: Sonia Wright (Harrietsham) was proposed by John Betts and seconded by R Martin: Derek and Jeanette Hadlow (Broomfield) were proposed by Chris Saunders for Associate Membership. It was confirmed that both Sharon and Sonia could ring rounds and call changes and could lower a bell. Chris explained that Derek and Jeanette had donated the two bells to augment the ring at Broomfield. All were duly elected, and welcomed to the Association.

2016/QMA03 Forthcoming events.

The Secretary outlined the events in the next couple of months. These were:

1. County Surprise Practice at Leeds on Saturday 30 January from 10-12 noon.
2. District Practice at Mereworth on 13 February 10-12noon.
3. County Youth Practice at St Martin of Tours, Chelsfield on 20 February at 12noon.
4. District Ringing Competition at East Sutton on 12 March. Bells available from 9.30; draw at 9.45; competition at 10am.
5. County AGM at Tunstall (Rochester District) Easter Monday 29 March.
6. District Quarterly Meeting at Stansted on 9 April. Ringing 10-12.30 with short break for the business meeting at 11.00.

James Davis urged towers to consider entering the ringing competition on 12 March. Even the less experienced bands could take part in the call change competition. Marden had entered the last couple of competitions and although they had placed last found it was fun and ringing on different bells and with other

ringers helped to develop better control and striking. And they had won a trophy for the most improved band.

2016/QMA04 Any Other Business

Liz Barnes mentioned that Catherine Lewis had asked members to notify her of any businesses that might want to advertise in the forthcoming 2016 Handbook. It would cost £50 for a full page and £25 for a half page advert.

Chris Saunders, who is now the District Rep for KCACR clothing, had a flyer for each tower to display in their belfry.

The next edition of the Belfry would be published in the next week or so.

John Betts (Harrietsham) said he had a set of 8 handbells for sale. They were cast by Whitechapel and had been refurbished some while ago, but had very little use since.

Terry Barnard asked all members to keep Martin Pring in their thoughts and prayers as he was due to have a very serious operation on 11th January.

Liz Barnes proposed a vote of thanks to the Harrietsham ringers for the use of the bells and the excellent tea they provided.

There being no other business the meeting ended at 16.30.

Terry Barnard
District Secretary
11th January 2016

Signed as a true record by the Chairman
on

(Date)_____

KCACR MAIDSTONE DISTRICT



2015 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the period 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2015

presented to
MAIDSTONE DISTRICT QUARTERLY MEETING
Saturday 9th January 2016

EXPENDITURE

Administration	1.99
AGM Lunches	550.00
120 Club Annual Licence	20.00
120 Club Prizes	580.00
	<u>1,151.99</u>

PAID TO COUNTY

Brought forward at 01.01.2015	175.46
Surplus	3,593.71
Subscriptions to County	- 1,749.00
BRF donations to County (note 1)	- 1,846.70
	<u>173.47</u>

SPLICED FUND DONATIONS

Bearsted	357.00
Boxley	100.00
Chart Sutton	15.00
East Farleigh	40.00
East Malling	75.00
Ightham	50.00
Marden	40.00
Platt Campanile	5.00
Staplehurst	30.00
West Malling (2014&2015)	210.00
Yalding	50.00
	<u>972.00</u>

Note 1 Donations to the Belfry Repair Fund	1,846.70
Spliced Fund	972.00
County AGM Collection	106.15
District BBQ Profit	46.90
County Surprise Practice Wrotham	15.00
District Carol Service Broomfield	26.65
120 Club net profit	680.00

INCOME

Donations to Belfry Repair Fund	1,166.70
AGM Lunches	550.00
120 Club Subscriptions	1,280.00
KCACR Subscriptions	1,749.00
	<u>4,745.70</u>
SURPLUS	3,593.71

FUNDS IN HAND

District Bank Account	76.67
County Administration Float	96.80
	<u>173.47</u>

SUBSCRIPTIONS DETAIL

Adult	114	1,095.00
Senior	79	380.00
Junior	15	70.00
New Life Member	1	150.00
Life Members	18	0.00
25+ year members	26	0.00
Associate	4	4.00
East Sutton 2013&2014		50.00
	257	<u>1,749.00</u>

Sue Bassett, Honorary Treasurer
1st January 2016