

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS

LEWISHAM DISTRICT

Minutes of the Annual District Meeting held via Zoom, Saturday 10th July 2021

9 people attended in total representing 3 towers

The meeting opened with Debra Say asking if there were any objections to the meeting being recorded to help with taking the minutes. No objections were raised.

1. Apologies for Absence

Received from Sue Cameron (Unattached), Philippa Rooke (Chelsfield), Tom Hinks (Bromley), Doug & Nancy Fisher (Chelsfield), Bernadette Katchoff (Chislehurst, St Nicholas).

2. In Memoriam

A minute's silence was held in memory of Esther Correia of Dartford and Mary Hill, a former ringer at Christ Church, Erith until she moved away sometime in the late 1990's.

3. Minutes of Last Meeting (24th April 2021 via Zoom)

Posted to the County website and circulated via email to the District e-group. Agreed as a correct and accurate record.

Proposed: Liz Brett, Seconded: Natalie Slator. Voted unanimously.

4. Matters Arising not Covered Elsewhere

Nil.

5. Election of New Members

There were no new members to elect.

6. KCACR General Committee

There has not been a General Committee meeting since our last District meeting but the following three items have been picked up from other County communications:

Festival of Ringing Celebration

This event which was planned for Saturday 25th September, potentially at Benenden, has been deferred/cancelled due to the extension of Covid restrictions to ringing, leaving too little time to arrange the festival.

Ringling Recovery

Philippa Rooke volunteered previously as our local Ringing Recovery Champion but she was unable to attend this District meeting and had not given any further details. She apologised and hopes to be much more involved within the District after August when she finishes with her university work.

Debra Say drew attention to the ART Newsletters published on the CCCBR website that contain various interesting articles on ringing recovery. These are published roughly once a month and details are circulated via the District e-group.

County 8-bell/6-bell Competitions

These were due to be held at the now postponed Festival of Ringing Celebration, so it seems likely these competitions will also be cancelled or postponed. We await further clarification from the County.

7. Event Updates

Virtual District Practices have continued to be held on the second Saturday in the month from 10am-12pm but the committee propose that a first in-person District Practice is held on Saturday 14th August, possibly at St Nicholas, Chislehurst. Those at the meeting were all keen to go ahead so there will be enough ringers to make it worthwhile. Debra to take this forward.

It is hoped the District Call Change Competition will go ahead as usual in November (20/11) but with the County 6-bell Competition cancelled/postponed, it might be best to wait until next year to hold the District event in-person. Alternatively, both the Call Change and Striking Competitions could potentially be held on the same day in November. Decision to be made at the ADM in October.

Training - Tom Hinks was unable to be at the meeting but sent an update confirming his intention to restart in-person training events in August/September, dependant on Covid restrictions being lifted. He hopes to hold a handbell session in the next few months.

It was mentioned that the talks given by Phil Barnes (KCACR Chairman) at the KCACR AGM in April 2021 had still not been put online. Natalie Slator was asked to bring this up at the next General Committee meeting in July.

8. 120 Club Draw

July is a double draw. Liz & Les Brett made the draw on screen as follows:

	PRIZE	NUMBER	NAME	TOWER
1st	£20	17	Liz Brett	Erith, Christ Church
1st	£20	32	Peter Morris	Crayford
2nd	£10	40	Unsold	BRF
2nd	£10	102	Unsold	BRF
3rd	£10	37	Unsold	BRF
3rd	£10	57	Ian Mills	Eltham
4th	£5	106	Unsold	BRF
4th	£5	39	Unsold	BRF

9. Any Other Business

Timing/format of quarterly meetings – This was discussed at the April meeting and the intention was for this to be discussed again in July, but all those attending today were also at the April meeting and had given their thoughts then. It was decided instead to bring this item to the ADM in October for a full discussion and for a decision to be made then in respect of the 2022 meetings.

The July newsletter has been delayed but should be finished shortly.

Between Rupert and Nick, most 2021 Handbooks have been distributed. If anyone is still waiting for theirs, please get in touch.

The meeting was then called to a close with everyone invited to join the District Tower in Ringing Room for some virtual ringing practice.

Date of next proposed meeting - Saturday 9th October

SIGNED as a true record

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