

**SALIENT POINTS FROM KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING ON  
26<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

- DRAFT GENERAL COMMITTEE MINUTES NOVEMBER 2022 – Four pages are available to read in full at <https://kcacr.org.uk/association/resources/> together with the adopted minutes for July.
- RINGING TEACHERS NEEDED – Doug Davis at Boxley (Maidstone District) is in the happy but over-whelming position of having more learners than he can cope with. After a successful publicity campaign a dozen people have come forward to learn to ring. Please contact him if you can already teach ringing and would like to help or would like to gain more experience in teaching others after doing the ART M1 course.
- ASSOCIATION 6-BELL CHANGE RINGING AND & CALL CHANGE RINGING COMPETITION – Unfortunately this event was ultimately cancelled this year due to lack of support. Members are encouraged to discuss with their District Representatives how to enable greater participation (for feedback to the General Committee in February). Perhaps two or three separate competitions e.g., Novice Call Changes, Elite Call Changes and Change Ringing?
- FESTIVAL OF RINGING & INTER-DISTRICT 8-BELL STRIKING COMPETITION – Ashford District is working on plans for this event to be held on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023, possibly at Lympe. Please note this date in your personal calendar/diary and support the efforts being made on your behalf. The 8-bell competition touch will be 224 changes of St. Clements Bob Major. WHWH.
- GRANT AWARDS – Grants from the Bell Restoration Fund have been awarded to Bethersden and Marden. A grant from the Training Fund has been agreed for Frittenden Simulator Project.
- VIDEO CONFERENCE EQUIPMENT – The General Committee agreed to purchase some digital equipment to enable hybrid meetings (in person and via zoom link). It is hoped that this will also be useful at the AGM and ADMs to include members unable to attend in person.
- MADAMS COURT MINI-RING – The bells were recently used in Rochester and are available for use by KCACR towers. Details of how to hire, transport and assemble the mini-ring will be available shortly on the website. Volunteers are needed to join a pool of ringers to assist assembly. Please contact Doug Davis to borrow the ring and/or volunteer to help others.
- DISTRICT OFFICER CONTACTS – Following the Annual District Meetings, many of the District Officers have now changed. Please go to the KCACR Website at [Kent County Association of Change Ringers \(kcacr.org.uk\)](https://Kent County Association of Change Ringers (kcacr.org.uk)) and click on the Districts tab for the most up to date information.
- PUBLICITY OFFICER VACANCY – Help is needed to promote the activities of KCACR. The Publicity Officer is not obliged to attend the four General Committee meetings a year, but can do so if they wish. Please contact the General Secretary to discuss how you can be of help.
- TRAINING OFFICER – The Training Officer, Rupert Cheeseman, intends to assess each District's training needs. Please contact him (through the website Who's Who page [KCACR Officers – Kent County Association of Change Ringers](https://Kent County Association of Change Ringers)) if you wish to advise him of your training needs. He intends to facilitate an ART M1 (teaching ringers to teach) in the Lewisham District soon.