

Sidcup

# Newsletter

## KCACR

April 1995

# Lewisham District

### Whats on in the District

- 17th April - KCACR AGM Westgate - Canterbury District
- 22nd April - Handbell Concert Bexley
- 29th April - 10 Bell Practice - Greenwich 7-9 pm
- 8th May Car Treasure Hunt
- 20th May 8 Bell Practice Eynsford 7-9 pm
- 17th June Quarter Peal (s) (instead of practice)
- 24th June 8 Bell competition - Rochester District followed by social event.
- 8th July Quarterly Meeting - Bromley Common - service 4.30 pm

### From the Editor - Sally Gentry

Apologies for the late publication of this quarters newsletter. However following the birth of first child 'Charlotte' on 4th March, life has been rather busy. Hopefully things should settle down and the next newsletter should be out before the next quarterly meeting.

Last date for articles for the next newsletter - **20th June 1995.**

### Kent 10 Bell Trophy

The Ashford district have accepted the Lewisham districts challenge for the 10 Bell Trophy. This competition is due to take place at either Hythe or Ashford on the morning of 30th September.

### Quarter Peal Week - Anne Saunders

This year it is intended to hold a quarter peal 'week' from September 9th - 17th. It would be good to attempt a quarter at each tower in the district and also to see how many 'Firsts' we can score. Any tower needing extra ringers please let me know so that help can be arranged.

### Change of Address

David, Jacqui and George Mack moved to Hebden Bridge, West Yorkshire, at the end of November and their second child, Clare, 7lb 10oz (14 oz lighter than George) was born on 21st December. When Jacqui rang Mary Andrews on 21st January, she and Clare were both doing well. The Mack's new telephone number is 01422 843206.

## Car



## Treasure Hunt

### Monday May 8th 1995

### Start time 2.30 pm

### Meet at lay-by at top of Poll Hill

Entry forms are available from the Sidcup Ringers, they will also be available at the April quarterly meeting.

Patrick Braund - 01689 850397

Ruth Burston - 0181 308 0928

Rebecca Wright - 0181 300 7524

Entries are welcome from anyone (ringers or not) and the cost is £4.00 per car.

For the bellringers there will be ringing available at a mystery tower after tea (make your arrangements) from 6.00 pm to 7.30 pm.

Additional information.

Tickets may be purchased at District events.

The main event of the day is the 8-bell Striking Competition, which will be held at Cliffe. The test piece is a course of Rutland Surprise Major and the draw will be at 3.45 pm. Tea and cakes will be available at Cliffe in addition to a number of other attractions. There will be other towers open in the area during the afternoon - details later.

If there is sufficient interest, an Inter-District Rounders Competition will be arranged at White House Farm. There will also be a number of paper quizzes (with prizes!), a raffle, various side shows and so on.

The main events of the evening will be a pig roast and barbecue, and an outdoor barn dance with caller "Ralph the Rave". It is hoped to arrange a licensed bar selling Goachers ale, and other drinks at very reasonable prices.

Finally, Cathy Dixon (from whose letter this information has been extracted) points out that a day like this takes a lot of hard work and if anyone has suggestions for improvements, or wishes to offer help in setting up, clearing away, or in serving food and drinks, she would be pleased to hear from them on 01795 477172.

## Midsummer Madness

### 24th June 1995

## **Kilifi - Mary Andrews**

With reference to David Hilling's interesting article on the visit of the Kilifi ringers to the U.K last autumn, the Bexley Ringers have asked me to mention that they were also delighted to have the opportunity of a visit from the Kenyan ringers. St Mary's Bexley was, in fact the first tower on their itinerary and they, quite naturally, had some difficulty in adjusting to our 'heavy bells'. After visits from several local press photographers, we were pleased to be able to offer our guests a buffet lunch in our Church Hall and our Assistant Priest, the Rev. Gladys Atfield, took a number of photographs of our visitors for our church albums before they set off for their afternoon session at Addington. A photograph of the Kenyan ringers at Bexley also appeared on the front cover of "The Ringing World" in Paul Smith's article about their visit.

## **Striking Competition Results - Anne Saunders**

The annual 6 - bell change ringing competition took place on a sunny spring afternoon on 11th March at St John's, Penge. Bands, from Bexley, Erith, West Wickham, Eynsford and Beckenham entered and the ringing was of a good standard by all bands although the bells are not the easiest in the district to ring.

We were pleased to welcome back Frank and Catherine Lewis (Tonbridge district) to judge this years competition. Catherine gave general comments on each bands performance followed by the results.

1st Beckenham 25 faults  
2nd Bexley 71 faults  
3rd Erith 87 faults  
4th Eynsford 104 faults  
5th West Wickham 155 faults.

Congratulations to Beckenham on a convincing win, with what the judges called a professional piece of ringing. Beckenham now go on to represent the district in the county final on 30th September in the Tonbridge district.

I'm sure no one will dispute that Beckenham were the clear winners with a very good piece of ringing, however it is interesting to note that often the home band are the winners ( Bexley at Bexley, Crayford at Crayford and at county level Birchington at Birchington). Perhaps consideration should be given in future to try and hold the competition at a non - entering tower.

## **District Practices - Anne Saunders**

Practices have been held at Crayford and Lewisham with ringing ranging from rounds and call changes to surprise major. Many of those attending have said they have enjoyed and benefited from the practices. Everyone is welcome to come along and we try to satisfy everyone's ringing needs. If anyone has anything specific that they would like to ring at practices please let us know so that we can try and arrange this.

At Crayford Fiona Price kindly held a crèche in the bottom of the tower which was enjoyed by children and adults alike!!

At Lewisham it was good to see David Hollis back in action after a longish absence. David was a great help to us - calling a touch of Stedman Triples and also turning the tenor in.

As an experiment, for the June practice I intend this to take place in the form of a quarter peals. This will benefit anyone who needs a bit longer practice at a particular method. If you would like to ring in a quarter peal attempt on June 17th please let me know as soon as possible . (Tel 0181 301 3496)

### **Additional quarter peal not listed overpage.**

St John's Church, Sidcup  
Saturday 18th February, 1995  
1,260 Plain Bob Doubles

1 Rebecca Wright  
2 Ruth Burston  
3 Don Pointer  
4 Tony Lewis  
5 Patrick Braund (c)  
6 Roger Long

1st quarter - Rebecca Wright

## Docklands Ringing Course 1995

During a 'feedback' meeting on the 1994 3 day ringing course it was decided to change the 1995 course to a 2 day event and to follow this up with a consolidation day and perhaps quarter peal attempts a few months later. This would give ringers a goal to aim for.

This years course is being held on Friday 11th and Saturday 12th August with a follow up day on Saturday November 4th.

This event is very popular and worth attending . Anyone able to act as helpers on both or either days will be greatly appreciated.

## First Peal

Congratulations to Hannah Saunders and Philip Jarvis, both from Bexley, who rang their first peal at St Michaels, Maidstone on 18th March. This was a considerable achievement for Hannah as she is still only eleven years old. After the peal, in which she got no blisters Hannah was heard to say 'I would like to ring a peal every three months!' what it is to be young!!

Also worthy of a mention are Hannah's first quarter of treble bob, at Farningham, on 14th March and her first quarter of Bob Major inside at Eynsford on 19th March.

Maidstone, Kent St Michael and All Angels on Saturday 18th March 1995  
in 2hrs 41 minutes a peal of 5088 Plain Bob Major ( Roger Bailey's no 4)

- 1 Hannah M Saunders \*
- 2 Anne M Saunders
- 3 Thomas M Barlow
- 4 Philip R Jarvis \*
- 5 Martin E Luffman
- 6 Thomas Cullingham
- 7 Matthew J Hilling
- 8 Andrew M J Young (Cond)

\* 1st peal

## Club 200 Fundraising Activities

### - Derek Lamb

The 200 club is essentially a monthly lottery, and is used in St. Mary's Church, Bexley to provide a small income (max. £1680 per yr.) for repair work on the Church and buildings.

The club is registered with the local authority, from whom the relevant forms are obtained. It is necessary to reregister each year and to report income and expenditure on a quarterly basis. It is really no problem unless your annual income exceeds £20,000 in which case a higher level of registration is necessary. I will not pursue the official requirements as your local authority will provide these on your first contact, but I suggest that you have sight of "Lotteries & Amusements Acts 1976 - Guidance Notes For Societies Wishing to Promote Lotteries" and "Changes In The Law On Smaller Lotteries" obtainable from :- Home Office, D. Div, 50 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1 9AT Tel. 071 273 3108.

I took over the 200 Club some 20 months ago when it had been up and running for several years, so I was spared the teething trauma which inevitable come with a new system, it seems to work well, so I will attempt to describe here what I do, and why I do it.

The winning numbers (3 per month) are selected by a random number programme and the lucky members receive £35 or £15 or £10. Here is an alteration, the system originally had a bingo drum containing 200 numbered discs, random perhaps, but requiring frequent checks to ensure that it did in fact contain all 200 discs. The prize values may need to be altered from time to time as the total expenses, including prizes, must not exceed 50% of the takings. Our takings amount to £135 per month, £1 per head, so we are adequately within the requirements of the law.

Record keeping is an obvious requirement, and my principal record document is a Spreadsheet. The left-hand column contains the 200 lottery numbers in order, the next column contains the members names, subsequent columns form a grid representing months and years, in which monthly payments are recorded. I update this spreadsheet every 2 weeks or so and pay cheques and cash into the bank account at some convenient time. It is easy to detect non-payments and defaulters are reminded when they are 2 months in arrears, and 4 after months if necessary. I also manually record payments by cheque or cash in order to protect against computer faults, (credit transfer payments are automatically recorded on the bank statement) and of course keep an up to date back-up disc. In a separate note book I record winners names, lottery numbers and prize money paid. I also have a secondary spreadsheet in which the columns contain lottery numbers, names, addresses and telephone numbers. It is alphabetically sorted by members last names and is very useful when it is necessary to contact individual members. In the event of a complete computer failure (heaven forbid) it would be possible to extract any relevant information, but very tedious. If any potential 200 club manager is thinking of starting without a computer, (mine has, and needs 2 Mbyte of Ram) then I would say that it can be done but have a good look round, beg or borrow one or at least time on one, it will improve the quality of your life to some degree.

PEALS1994

29/12 CHISLEHURST Ann. 5056 Bristol Surprise Major  
 31/12 DEPTFORD 5152 Zirconium Surprise Major

1995

02/01 BECKENHAM 5040 Cambridge Surprise Royal

QUARTER PEALS1994

[1] 01/08 BECKENHAM 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 [2] 03/08 Sidcup (131 Wren Road) 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 [3] 06/08 BECKENHAM 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 [4] 06/08 BROMLEY 1260 Stedman Triples  
 [5] 11/08 BICKLEY 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
 [6] 15/08 Dartford (62 Chastilian Rd.) 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 [7] 26/08 FOOTS CRAY 1380 Doubles 6m.  
 [8] 01/12 LEWISHAM 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 [9] 11/12 BROMLEY 1280 Yorkshire Surprise Major  
 [10] 11/12 FARNINGHAM 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 [11] 18/12 EYNSFORD 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 [12] 27/12 DARTFORD 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
 [13] 27/12 PENGE 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
 [14] 27/12 SIDCUP 1260 Single Oxford Bob Minor

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[15] 01/01 HAYES 1260 April Day Doubles  
 [16] 08/01 CHELSFIELD 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 [17] 26/02 CHELSFIELD 1279 Grandsire Doubles

Congratulations to:-

Iris Parker and Tony Parker, first attempt [15]  
 D.W. Stoneham, first quarter [11]  
 Hannah Saunders, first minor inside [10]  
 Jeremy Clitheroe [1] and Martin Clitheroe [5], first on 8  
 Jeremy Clitheroe, first on 8 away from cover [5]  
 Jeremy Byers, first inside on 8 [5]  
 Mark Jones, most methods [7]  
 Matthew Hilling [2] and Nigel Pointer [6], first quarter in  
 hand  
 David Macey, 250th quarter [6]  
 Nigel Pointer and Mark Jones, 25th together [7]  
 Nigel Pointer and James Hardy, 150th together [1]  
 Rupert Cheeseman, circled tower [7]

Quarters [1] to [7] were all associated with the the wedding of Sara and James Hardy

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Jim Rooke

# KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS

## LEWISHAM DISTRICT

**Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held at Biggin Hill on Saturday, 14th January 1995.**

In the absence of the Secretary, Miss M. R. Andrews, who was attending the Enthronement of the Bishop of Rochester, and whose apologies were received, the minutes were taken by Miss S. A. Fisher.

The Chairman, Mr. A. J. Britton, welcomed everyone, especially newcomers, to the meeting.

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Miss A. M. Gilby of Bexley, Mr. M. Jones of St. Nicholas, Chislehurst, Mrs. C. Eastaugh and Mrs. D. M. Young from Christ Church Erith and Mr. C. Reeves of Greenwich. Mrs. M. Macey gave apologies for the remainder of the Foots Cray band.

### 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

**Page 2, item 6.** *Miss Saunders* was amended to read *Mrs. Saunders*.

**Page 2, item 4.** Mr. Hilling said that the minutes did not tell what the letter was about. Miss Cannon pointed out that Dr. Hollis had had a triple heart bypass. Mr. Hilling suggested that "concerning his health and ringing at Lewisham" should be added to the line in the minutes and this was seconded by Dr. Young and carried.

**Page 2, item 5.** Mr. Hilling pointed out that a District Representative's report was provided, but that none had been requested for the October meeting. Dr. Young clarified that, as there had been no General Committee Meeting to report on, no report had been required. Mr. Lanyon proposed that the line be deleted. This was seconded by Mr. Hilling. Dr. Young queried whether both District Representatives should put the proposal and was willing to second it if required. All were in favour of the proposal, except for one abstention.

The Chairman asked for a proposal that the minutes now be accepted. This was proposed by Dr. Young, seconded by Mr. Hilling, and carried unanimously.

### 3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

**Page 1, item 3, Annual General Meeting 1996**

Mr. Braund had made arrangements with the new incumbent for the A.G.M. to be held in the Church Hall at Sidcup on Easter Monday.

### 3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (CONTINUED)

#### Page 4, item 9, Handbell Concert at Bexley

The Handbell Concert had been re-arranged to be on Saturday, 22nd April at 7.30 p.m. due to the Church Hall not being available on the day of the Annual District Meeting. Further details would be circulated when all arrangements were confirmed.

#### Page 3, item 9, Programme for 1995

Since Foots Cray would be out of action for the April Quarterly Meeting, Mrs. Macey had made arrangements for the meeting to be held at St. Mary Cray instead.

#### Page 4, item 9, District Events 1994

**Quiz.** The Chairman thanked Dr. & Mrs. Young for their work on the Quiz, which raised £270, and the Bickley ringers for the catering.

**Cudham.** Mr. Braund pointed out that Cudham was not available for the July Quarterly Meeting. St. Luke's, Bromley Common, had agreed to host the meeting subject to there being no weddings on that day. They had agreed to confirm as soon as possible.

**Car Treasure Hunt.** Miss Cannon pointed out that this would be on Monday, 8th May, as the date of the Bank Holiday had been changed.

**Lewisham.** Mr. Hilling expressed concern that ringing at Lewisham might cease and asked if there were any developments. The Chairman said that this would be covered in "Correspondence".

**Quarterly Meetings.** Mr. Byers asked if the Committee could look into visiting less regularly visited towers for Quarterly Meetings and could a list be made of towers willing to host meetings, so that the situation of having to suggest and confirm venues could be cut out. The Chairman said that the Secretary did a lot of work on this behind the scenes. Miss Cannon said that it was not easy to arrange meetings and sometimes there was the problem of having no local member to do the catering. Mr. Hardy said that the District should make a point of inviting local ringers at visited towers to join in and get involved. Some ringers only ring at their own tower. Dr. Young said that he followed up training days six months later to ask why people were not coming to District events and practices. There was a general feeling of people not being interested. It was felt that people were not prepared to make a commitment and that this applied to many areas of life, not just to ringing. It was pointed out that some people ring for the glory of God and others ring more for the Association - there tended to be two distinct groups. The Chairman proposed that the Committee should look into the matter and report back.

### 4. REPORT ON THE GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT LEEDS ON 26TH NOVEMBER 1994

**100 Club.** Mr. Lanyon introduced this topic and explained what a 100 Club was. He, personally, found the idea distasteful. If one were organized it would probably be on a County rather than a District basis. Would people buy tickets? How much would people contribute?

#### 4. REPORT ON THE GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT LEEDS ON 26TH NOVEMBER 1994 (CONTINUED)

##### 100 Club (continued)

Dr. Young said that the sums of £10 per year/£10 per month had been suggested. There was the feeling that £10 per year would receive more support. The balance in the Bell Restoration Fund account was diminishing rapidly. The Fund was available for any tower to apply for a grant and it was the intention that it should make donations of one tenth of the total cost of any work with a ceiling of £6,000. Either grants would have to be cut or more money had to be raised. Another suggestion was that each tower should donate the fees from one wedding per year. How did people feel about gambling? How much would a 100 Club be likely to raise?

The Chairman pointed out that, by law, at least half of the income had to go in prizes. There was an initial licence fee of approximately £35 and an annual licence fee of approximately £17. He felt that people might be interested in the first year but, after that, it could tail off. Standing orders would be the most effective way of collecting contributions.

Mr. Gentry suggested that each tower should be canvassed by letter. The Chairman said that we had to report to the May General Committee Meeting. Only about half of the towers in the District were represented at the meeting and perhaps an article should go in the next Newsletter. Dr. Young commented that part of each subscription goes to the Bell Restoration Fund. Towers could only be encouraged, not forced, to donate. Mr. Hilling said that at the Eynsford and Farningham Annual General Meeting there had been unanimous support for the wedding fee option. The Chairman said that he would arrange for a specific article to appear in the next Newsletter, but might delegate the writing of it.

**The Year 2000.** Those present were asked to think about ideas for celebrating the millennium and report to the District Representatives.

**Belfry Survey.** A survey to record items of particular interest in belfries, e.g. peal boards, was being undertaken. Forms were available from Dr. Young.

#### 5. CORRESPONDENCE

##### Mr. D. G. Hollis - Lewisham

The Secretary had received a letter from Mr. Hollis and this was read out by the Chairman. Mr. Hollis said that he hoped to be able to take up ringing again in 1995. Mr. Jon Fox had taken over as Tower Secretary at Lewisham.

#### 6. ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS

The following new members were elected unanimously:

BECKENHAM	Mr. Andrew Holmes	) P. Mr. J. Byers
	Mr. Michael Trimm	) S. Mrs. M. Macey

## 6. ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS (CONTINUED)

BIGGIN HILL	Miss Hilary Gay (jnr.)	) P. Mrs. P. Campbell
	Miss Jennifer Gay (jnr.)	) S. Mr. S. Campbell
DARTFORD (Associate Member)	Mr. Jamie Tolputt	) P. Mr. A. J. Britton
		) S. Mrs. S. A. Gentry
HAYES	Mr. Tony Parker	)
	Mrs. Iris Parker	) P. Miss S. A. Fisher
	Mrs. Jean Thody	) S. Miss E. Harrison
	Mr. Maurice Thody	)

Only one of the new members was present. Miss Fisher of Hayes explained that the Parkers were expecting their first grandchild imminently and Mr. Thody was ill in hospital. The Chairman said that it was preferable to see new members present at the meeting at which they were elected.

## 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

### Subscriptions

Subscriptions were due on 1st January 1995 - £5 for adults, £2 for juniors and pensioners. Associate members subscription was least one tenth of the adult subscription.

### Handbook

The Handbook was again being compiled by Mr. Frank Lewis. Advertisements, £25 per page and £15 per half page, were required. Any amendments to tower details were to be sent to the Secretary as soon as possible, or could be sent direct to Mr. Lewis - deadline 24th February.

### District Carol Service

The Chairman apologized for omitting to thank Mrs. Macey for organizing the choir for the District Carol Service. The meeting applauded Mrs. Macey for her efforts.

### April and July Quarterly Meetings.

Members were asked whether they wanted to keep to the 1994 format, the old format, or something different. Mr. Braund felt that due to wedding commitments, the 1994 format was preferable. Since there were no further comments, it was proposed by Dr. Young, seconded by Mr. Braund, that the 1994 format should be adhered to. This was carried unanimously.

### Car Treasure Hunt

Mr. Braund said that the Sidcup band would be willing to organize the Car Treasure Hunt on Bank Holiday Monday, 8th May. He noted that this was V.E. Day and anticipated that questions might reflect this.



## **7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (CONTINUED)**

### **District Representatives**

Mr. Braund referred back to the discussion on reports at the A.D.M. and suggested that the District Representatives should report to the meeting on what had gone on over the past year. Mr. Lanyon said there was confusion as to the role of District Representatives. This had never been defined and he was not in a position to give a report on the activities of the K.C.A.C.R. as a whole over the year. He suggested that the role of the District Representatives should be clarified at the next Committee Meeting.

Dr. Young said that the office of District Representative went back to the days when transport was difficult and it was the role of the Representative to go round to each tower and report what was going on in the District/County. The Chairman said the job varied from District to District. In the Maidstone District, the representatives visited each tower at least once a year. Miss Vale said she felt it would be a good idea if Representatives visited the towers that were not in union.

### **Evening Practice at Greenwich**

Mrs. Macey referred to the April evening practice at Greenwich advertised in the Newsletter and asked for advice, before the next Quarterly Meeting, on where to park. Miss Cannon said that after 6.30 p.m. one could park on double yellow lines. Mrs. Macey also asked when the Quarter Peal Week would be. Mrs. Saunders agreed to look into this but thought that it would probably be in September.

### **Newsletter (Centenary Fund)**

Mrs. Hardy asked if Dr. Young could finish his words of wisdom on the front page of the Newsletter.

### **St. Paul's Cray**

Mr. Hardy enquired about the reference in the Newsletter to the K.C.A.C.R. B.R.F. Sub-Committee work at St. Paul's Cray. Dr. Young said that there were three bells hung for ringing at St. Paul's Cray. The church was redundant and the tower had been inspected. The situation was being watched carefully. Mr. Don Pointer said that the new Vicar of St. Mary's and St. Paul's Cray had been keen to put the redundant church to use. Mr. Pointer had raised the possibility of the bells from St. Paul's Cray being removed and stored for safekeeping at St. Mary Cray but Mr. Peter Romney felt that they would be safest left where they were.

### **Rev. John Ardley - Woolwich**

Mr. Lanyon said that the Rev. John Ardley, Vicar of Sydenham, was to be installed as a Canon of Southwark Cathedral the next day (15th January) and it was agreed that the Secretary should be asked to write and congratulate him.

## **7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (CONTINUED)**

### **Training**

Dr. Young said that a list of county training events had been given to each tower present. There would be bell handling workshops on 11th and 12th April, and "Bridging the Gap" on 28th October. At District level, a Training Day was being arranged for 25th March. There were to be two Bob Doubles groups and one Treble Bob Minor Group (mainly Kent). Each group would be limited to two treble ringers and four inside ringers. Helpers were needed. The day would be based around St. Mary Cray, packed lunch in St. Mary Cray Church Hall, a tower in the morning and in the afternoon, and possibly tutorial sessions at lunch time.

### **Six-Bell Striking Competition Rules**

Mr. Hilling queried the rules for the six-bell Striking Competition. Were they County rules?

The Chairman said that each District was empowered to set its own rules. Mr. Hilling disagreed with the number of changes being reduced from 240 to 120 on the day with no warning. Dr. Young agreed in principle but if there was a large entry it was difficult in practice. The neighbours must be thought of. The Chairman asked what the Penge residents were likely to think. Mrs. Hardy said that they were not used to hearing the bells but that they would have to put up with them for once. Dr. Young pointed out the need for bands to get organized so that the change-over could take place quickly and efficiently. Mr. Hilling proposed that the piece should be kept to 240 changes. This was seconded by Mrs. Saunders. This was put to the vote and was carried with one against and three abstentions.

### **Newsletter**

Mrs. Gentry asked for articles for the next Newsletter by 22nd March.

### **County Annual General Meeting**

Mr. Rooke pointed out that the County A.G.M. would be on Monday, 17th April, not 16th April as given in the Newsletter.

### **Complaints Survey**

Miss Cannon mentioned the Ringing World survey on complaints about bells and said that she had some of the forms. If any tower had received complaints about their bells, she urged them to take part in the survey.

### **Votes of Thanks**

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to Miss Fisher for taking the minutes and this was received with acclamation.

Miss Cannon proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Biggin Hill, the Rev. Eric Heselwood, to the Organist, Mrs. Juliet Allan, and to Mrs. Pam Campbell and her team for the excellent tea.