

Notes from the Standing Committee meeting, 8th. July 2017

These are notes (by Annie Holland) not the Minutes.

This was a busy 3.5 hour meeting which started with 4 new members being welcomed namely, Jonathan Young (CD central district), Bill Willis (ND northern district), Ian Banbury (ED eastern district) and Sue Shadrick (ND who shares the role with Liz Gliddon).

Just running through the agenda : -

Matters Arising from previous Minutes

- the Guild library shelving is in use in the cathedral ringing room. I've seen it and it looks solid and fits in.
- Miss Alcock, a handbell ringer from N. Cornwall has left the Guild £11,111. Her family hope that we can use it for something specific in her memory so thinking hats on.
- Mary Jones accepted an invitation to join the Diocesan safeguarding committee and has attended the first meeting. Safeguarding remains high on the Diocesan agenda and therefore must be similarly important for us.
- War Memorial - Ian Self has done considerable work on this but is unable to continue. It was hoped to have it in place in the cathedral late September 2018. We need to decide upon the material from which it is to be made and the lettering, but may have found a replacement to take this all forward..

Reports from the treasurer, H&S, District reps

- Dave Ralls will be moving funds into interest bearing accounts and Ian Self has had a good result from chasing late payers who advertise in our report. Dave will be standing down at the next AGM and so the Guild needs a treasurer - volunteers to contact myself or Robert please or Dave for a chat about the role.
- Scouts and ringing in Cornwall is taking off with another 5 towers becoming involved. The mini ring is proving especially popular.
- Royal Cornwall was another successful high profile event. For 2018 the Guild will fund up to 5 adults and up to 10 children to attend to show what they have learnt.
- Royal Cornwall needs to be supported by the districts who need to take a day each to oversee the mini ring - District Secretaries please consider getting a team together.
- There was a lot of discussion about ringing styles and teaching. How ringing is taught depends on risk assessments to ensure ropes are not looping around joints. The number of incidents reported are a statistic derived from a calculation involving the national average and the number of towers in TDGR.
- CD ringing master, Phil Tremain has organised some ART teaching and 5 places are available - please contact Phil to take a place/more info. Robert Pearce is as always ready to teach teachers, contact him.

Bell Restoration Officer

- No grants awarded on this occasion, but one new application (Mullion) deferred pending receipt of further information

Guild Report

- WD acknowledged the enormity of the task and wondered whether there was any way that the number of errors could be reduced. Ian Self, Report Editor, had produced a list of tasks involved in producing the TDGR report and helpfully expanded on the difficulties and hours involved. He will be standing down at the next Guild AGM. Norman Mattingley, Carolyn Howell, Robert Perry and Jonathan Young will review how the report could be more easily produced – Ian was unable to take part in this work. If you have any ideas or wish to contribute to their deliberations please email them (preferably all 4 but expect your email to be shared between them).

CCCBR - Central Council of Church Bellringers - Central Council Meeting

- A major review of the structure of the CCCBR was undertaken in 2016. The resulting proposals were accepted by a majority at the CCCBR AGM recently. The CCCBR will change significantly from the next AGM. It won't be the CCCBR for starters! Do have a look at the CCCBR web site to update yourselves.

Motion for Guild AGM 2018

- This was open to the standing committee for discussion rather than decision as it is open to the membership at the next AGM. The proposal remains open and will be considered as part of the review proposed by myself.

Motion from the President

- I am to be working with Brian Wood and Mary Jones. We will try to report in full in November but will at least be able to update the standing committee with some proposals or recommendations for the PRO (public relations officer). We may come and talk to any one of you and would welcome your input on how communications work and can be improved across the Guild.

AOB

- Guild Quarter Peal week is October 14th to 22nd inclusive. Please let me know what you are ringing and when. I'm sure all sorts can be achieved but if there is something you want to ring and don't have a complete band then let me, your district officers or better still, your ringing masters know.
- Lelant are needing to raise £50,000 for their bell installation. There will be an open day on August 19th. Doreen (Sullivan) will be sending out more info via the TDGR list but please put it in your diary and turn out.
- 28th August - another date for your diaries this time ringing the new St Winnow bells, going for a ramble and generally having a great day out. More info via the TDGR list from Rob (Pearce) in due course.
- Last but not least, following on from AOB last time - please look out for your retired ringers who may appreciate you keeping in touch.

That's All!