

**Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers
Winchester District**

Minutes of the Quarterly District Meeting held on Saturday 8th May 2010 at Broughton

Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman, John Palk, opened the meeting by thanking the Rev Ron Corne for taking the service and the use of the church and bells, and David Strong for playing the organ. He thanked Susan Smith for judging the striking competition, and the Broughton and Lockerley ringers for an excellent tea.

There were 16 members present.

Striking Competition Results

Susan Smith presented the results of the striking competition. As there were only 4 teams entered, each team rang twice.

Call change Competition.

1 st	Romsey Abbey	Call changes	25 faults
		60 Plain Hunt	14 faults
2 nd	Hursley	Call Changes	29 faults
		60 Plain Hunt	17 faults

Method Competition

1 st	Hursley	Plain Bob	7 faults
		Cambridge	14 faults
2 nd	Lockerley	Plain Bob	24 faults
		Plain Bob	20 faults

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Joyce & John Croft, the New Alresford band, Andrew Glover, Peter and Christine Hill and Jonathan and Elizabeth Hetherington.

Election of New Members

New Ringing Members

Winchester Cathedral

Ray Aldington proposed by Lucy Walpole, seconded by Michael Till.

King's Worthy

Lynda Fletcher proposed by Jonathan Smith, seconded by Ron White.

Confirmation of the election of Compounding Members

Owen Borlase and Fergus Strachey, proposed by Colin J Butler and seconded by John A Dodd prior to a peal at Sherborne, Dorset.

The members were elected unanimously en bloc.

Presentation of Certificates

A new members certificate was presented to Andy Green and certificates were taken for Diana Wilson, Sarah Bullen, Jack Lane and Elizabeth Kirk.

1st quarter peal certificate was taken for Michael Arthur.

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Acceptance proposed by Andrew Craddock, seconded by David Salter; passed unanimously.

Matters arising from minutes

John Palk has published the first edition of “The Winchester Rounds” and will publish the second edition shortly.

The suggestion of an email group has not been pursued.

Six towers (Bishopstoke, Crawley, Hursley, King’s Somborne, Lockerley, and Romsey) rang for England on April 23rd.

The Winchester Cathedral district practice is booked for Sept 1st.

Co-option of Officers

The co-option of Edmund Wratten and Lucy Walpole as ringing masters was confirmed; proposed by Jen Churchill and seconded by Mike Till.

There have been no nominations for secretary or treasurer and Rosemary Oakeshott will continue to fill both posts.

Future Events

These were listed on the agenda. It was noted that:

An education session on “Beyond Bob Doubles” is planned for May 22nd at Micheldever.

Aug14th QDM “Walk & Ring”: 9.52 train from Romsey to Dunbridge then walk back ringing at Mottisfont, Awbridge, & Romsey.

AOB

Edmund Wratten reported that Cheriton are practising only on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesdays.

John Palk reminded members about the Guild Sweat Shirts.

BRF Collection: raised £13.50.