

## Sat Sept 18<sup>th</sup> 2021 – St Pierre du Bois

### Minutes

Jane welcomed everyone to the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary ADM and pointed out that this was the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive meeting without Jersey ☹ 32 members were present

- a) We stood in silence to remember 2 members who have died  
Barrie Linnecor Vale (13/3/2021) & Philip Maddocks Ay (2/6/2021)
  
- b). Apologies for absence: Jersey (impossible scheduled travel options), W&P Guild master – Pete Jordan. Paul Lawrence, John Lihou, Tim Wainwright. Logan Lord & Judy Hall
  
- c). Notification of matters for AOB please bear in mind Jersey can't get here. Mike & John gave notice of announcements and Helen said she would be seeking to have her matter resolved electronically
  
- d). Minutes of ADM 2020 – online at cibells.com. Matter arising  
Peter Gallienne added as a founder member
  
- e) New members  
Richard Uzell & Petra Beck (both St Anne's & both probationary), Lucy Brouard (Vale, probationary) TC/College – 13 new students. Proposed June Banister, seconded Jeremy Penrose-Stupart – unanimous
  
- f) Treasurer's report – online at cibells.com, taken as read. No qns John David wanted an explanation of why the account had been moved from Ay to Jsy to be minuted. Peter R had explained to the committee that apart from the nominal convenience of the bank account being in Jersey, the main driver for moving it was to get the account to a bank which permits two stage authorisation of electronic payments. Other than Barclays, none of the other banks do unless you go for their corporate systems with the associated charges. Nicky asked – are we going to be charged by bank? Jane replied – we will have to see how it goes. Proposed Jen Hill, seconded Donald Hughes.  
Unanimous
  
- g) Ringing Master's report. Summary – prosperous position – free to ring relative to UK & Jersey, now out of it we will move forward. Islands in good shape, good striking, all towers in Guernsey sent a team & Alderney sent 2. Key is to keep people ringing, don't allow them to give up through lack of opportunity. He was hopeful that we will see more recruits at next meeting – Duncan was proud of the efforts of both Guernsey & Alderney ringers

- h) Election of officers: Current officers are all willing to remain in post if that is the will of the meeting. Both Helen & Jane have indicated to the committee that this will be their last year in post. Nominations will be very welcome for Chairman & Secretary 2022 please. There were no nominations for alternative candidates for this coming year. Therefore current officers to remain. Proposed Stephen Rossiter & Donald Hughes seconded. Unanimous

### **AOB**

26<sup>th</sup> June 2021 was 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the invention of the Ellacombe apparatus – John David had arranged to get all working Channel Island apparatus rung. **Guernsey:** Town, Vale, Forest, St Saviour's, St Andrew's. Castel were invited but could not take part because of a wedding at the specified time. The last three are all 3-bell towers. **Jersey:** St Mark's also took part in the celebrations,

- i) Mike Bubb advised the meeting that the blank window in the baptistery at Vale will be a new stained glass Ringers Window. Barrie & Bev Linnecor had offered to donate a new stained glass window, it has taken a while to get approval but now the Deanery have approved & the matter has gone to planning,. The new window should be fitted later this year or early next year – we will be advised
- j) Today we are deferring any decision on whether Alderney youngsters now at college in Guernsey can ring for 2 Island Teams in 8 bell competition. This deferment is due to Jersey's absence. However the meeting resolved to deal with it electronically by Christmas. A proposal from committee (for & against) to be drafted and distributed for discussion in the towers, each towers views were to be circulated so everyone aware what everyone else is thinking, any questions answered & re-circulated then a vote to be taken across the District
- k) Update on transfer of the Channel Islands from a district of the Winchester & Portsmouth Guild of Church Bell Ringers to a branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers. Peter Routier had told the committee that their Rector is a vice -Dean of Jersey and that he'd been told that the necessary documents are now with The Queen for signature and that that will be achieved by the autumn. Mike Bubb was able to complete the picture for the Bailiwick of Guernsey: The canons have been drafted for the Deanery of Guernsey and it is hoped this will go to the Deanery Synod in December. Once the Synod has approved them they will need to be approved by the States of Guernsey, Alderney and Sark Chief Pleas. Once they are approved they will go to the Queen in Council for approval. This will most probably be achieved by early 2022. At the moment this is further complicated with the Bishop Salisbury retiring and one of the Suffragan Bishops is female, which in itself is not a problem, as the other

Suffragan is male. As we have no canons we cannot be under the oversight of a female bishop. This will be resolved once the Guernsey canons are in force.

- l) The competition piece for the inter-island 8 bell striking competition is to be a touch of Grandsire triples - PBPBPBPS x2
- m) Date and venue for Spring Meeting – Date Sat April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2022 set, St Anne or TC – venue to be decided by Dec 31<sup>st</sup> as if Jersey still can't come even if it is in Guernsey then the meeting resolved to have the competition in Alderney for a change of scenery
- n) Jane thanked the Revd Datta for the use of St Peter's bells, St Peter's ringers for looking after us, Revd Peter Graysmith for taking the service & Anne Dorey for playing the keyboard. Duncan Loweth was thanked for installing & setting up Hawkear at St Peter's and finding Rose Lee for umpire. Huge thanks also to Duncan for the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary cake

Meeting closed

**Results:** Duncan had enlisted the assistance of today's umpire Rose Lee – a p/t Business Studies tutor at Elizabeth College - her only prior bellringing experience was to play the Ellacombe at St Andrews when her father was Rector. Last Weds she rang mini-ring at Elizabeth College –he will certainly try to recruit her. 😊

Team 1 – Vale. Call changes – 3min 17 sec (peal time 2hr 35 min) – maintained steady pace – nice patch at end

Team 2 – Ay Blonde Hedgehogs 120 changes 4min 14 (peal time 2hr 53min), few rounds, nice patch at the end

Team 3 - Ay Puffins 3 mins 55 (peal time 2hrs 45) only a few rounds – consistent

Team 4 -TC Harold 3 mins 59 (peal time 2hr 47) nice patch beginning & end

Team 5 - Forest – 3 min 41 (peal time 2hrs 42) few rounds , nice patch at beginning

Team 6 - TC Priscilla 120 changes – 3 min 54 secs (peal time 2hrs 42) – lots rounds , good patch in middle

Team 7 - Youth Team 4 mins 2 sec (peal time 2 hrs 49 min), consistent ringing

Team 8 - EC 3 min 59 – (peal time 2 hrs 47)– nice patches beginning & end

Team 9 - St Peter 3 45sec (peal time 2 hrs 36). Consistent level ringing throughout

These scores represent millisecs of standard deviation:

9<sup>th</sup> place Vale 95.89, 8<sup>th</sup> TC Priscilla 94.18, 7<sup>th</sup> Youth Team– 93.10, 6<sup>th</sup> Ay Blonde Hedgehogs – 90.77, 5<sup>th</sup> EC 73.81, 4<sup>th</sup> St Peters 68.39, 3<sup>rd</sup> Forest 54.90, 2<sup>nd</sup> TC Harold 45.73, 1<sup>st</sup> Ay Puffins – 37.93

The meeting recognised that Heather Winder was in the team which won 40yrs ago & won again today – the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary - & so it was she who collected the Taylor Trophy on behalf of the winning Alderney Puffins

Duncan pointed out that the competition had involved many good young ringers, and that 7/9 teams had at least one youth

The committee were reminded to produce certificates for the top 3 places awarded in today's striking competition