

## The Annual General Meeting of the B.U.S.C.R. 1961

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March.

The meeting was opened at 5.20 p.m.. Ten members were present.

The Annual General Meeting of 1960 minutes were read, approved and then signed by the Chairman Roderick Pipe. There were no matters arising.

### Chairman and Ringing Masters Report

Roderick Pipe said the year had been successful and the standard of ringing had improved. There had been a successful tour in June around Warwick and tower bell practices had been held at Shirley, Northfield, Edgbaston, Handsworth, Northfield and Erdington Abbey. Surprise major had been rung at most meetings. One peal had been rung, Cambridge surprise major. He reiterated his remarks in the previous A.G.M. by saying that striking was of utmost importance and it is better to ring the simple well than the complex badly. Finally he urged members to study the methods outside of the tower and not depend upon the tower as the sole place of learning. He concluded by thanking the members for their support and he especially thanked the secretary for his hard work during the year.

Roderick Pipe was thanked by Alan Collings on behalf of the Society.

### Secretary's Report

Alan Collings said that he had little to report. During the year he had arranged the tour and towers for practice meetings. For the past 15 weeks he had been busy in arranging a tour in Devon during the Easter Vacation.

### Treasurer's Report

Alan Collings said that the Society had made a profit of £1 5 3d on the previous year. However, he said that the next year would be hard going as £30 was required to pay for the new set of handbells for the Society. The Guild had offered the Society £10 towards the cost and the rest would have to be raised by the Society.

### Election of officers

#### President

The Rev. K. Wilkes was proposed by Paul Webb and seconded by David Atkinson. This was carried unanimously.

#### Chairman and Ringing Master

It was decided to combine these offices. Charles Webb was proposed by Geoff Davies and Geoff Davies proposed by Alan Collings. On a show of hands Geoff Davies was elected.

#### Secretary and Treasurer

Charles Webb was proposed by Roderick Pipe and seconded by Alan Collings. This was carried unanimously.

#### Any other business

The raising of £30. Alan Collings said that the Guild had offered £10 and the Society was to raise £20. Members had agreed to give 10/= each. This together with the Society's funds would amount to £10. The way of raising the other £10 was left to the treasurer.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 5.43 pm.

Members then rang the hand bells for the 1<sup>st</sup> time.

Signed  
Geoffrey Davies

Typed up by James Mundy, July 2023.