

**Birmingham University Society of Change Ringers**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2008, Edgbaston Old Church**

The meeting was opened at 7.18pm by Canon Alison Joyce

**1. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Rebecca Sudgen, Jo Strong and Andy Clark

**2. Members Present**

Alison Joyce, James Forster, Helen Roberts, William Bosworth, Matthew Hardy. Robert Neal, Paul Chandler, Katie Lane, Emily Tamhne, Mike Strong, Helen Herriott, Tom Newman, Elizabeth Marsh. Rebecca Taylor, Eric Bumstead, Adam Slack, Alban Forster.

**3. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting**

The minutes from the previous AGM were nominated for approval by Mike Strong and seconded by Will Bosworth. Everyone was in agreement.

**4. Treasurer's Report**

**5. Master's Report**

**6. Election of Officers**

Paul Chandler mentioned that because during the time of Central Council AGM is during the middle of his final exams, he does not expect to attend this years meeting. however, would attend the two following years of the three years term. A discussion regarding this ensued and a vote was taken on it which was unanimously in support of Paul Chandler taking the office.

<b>Position</b>	<b>Nomination</b>	<b>Proposer</b>	<b>Seconder</b>
Master	Katie Lane	Paul Chandler	Matthew Hardy
Deputy Master	Helen Herriott	Paul Chandler	Rebecca Taylor
Secretary	Rebecca Taylor	Elizabeth Marsh	Matthew Franklin
Treasurer	Elizabeth Marsh	Katie Lane	Rebecca Taylor
Steeple Keeper	Katie Lane and Adam Slack	Helen Roberts	Paul Chandler
Social Secretary	Adam Slack	Katie Lane	Elizabeth Marsh
Life Member Secretary	Becky Sugden	Robert Neal	Matthew Hardy
Central Council Rep	Paul Chandler	Adam Slack	Robert Neal

**7. Summer Camping Trip 2008**

Adam Slack volunteered to organise the camping trip. Adam is looking to organise this trip in Derbyshire. Provisional dates were set for 4th, 5th, 6th July. This was passed with a vote.

**8. Any Other Business**

**Bells and Ropes**

Mike asked about the progress of the ropes being respliced. Katie said that due to the flooding in Tewksbury the work on the ropes has been delayed. However, Katie condition of the present ropes to be checked after the rope on the Tenor broke on the wants them to still do it due to them being comparatively cheap. Mike wants the previous Sunday.

The vicar enquired about the general state of the bells. Will said that on of the lights in the tower needed changing.

### **Guild**

Helen Roberts mention about the problems at the Guild of Students regarding its legal compliance after a change in the law. She mentioned the Guild is having a referendum on the matter with the possibility of going out of existence. As the Guild is provides a lot of financial support to the society Helen said that this is something about which we should be concerned.

### **Church Bell Fund**

Canon Joyce stated that \$40 pounds is now being placed in the Church Bell Fund every time there are bells for a wedding. With the healthy state of the fund Will raised the possibility of new ropes.

### **Sunday Ringing**

Due to the new Master's other commitments on Sunday it was proposed that organising Sunday ringing shall hence forth be organised by a rota, which was agreed. Several members of the society volunteered to be on the rota to organise the Sunday ringing.

**The meeting was closed at 7.48pm.**