

**Birmingham University Society of Change Ringers**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2011, Edgbaston Old Church**

**1. Apologies for absence**

Marc Eccleston, Andy [], Catt S, Alan Reading, Adam Slack, Matt Hardy, Craig Holloway.

No apologies from Richard Hartwell.

**2. Members Present**

Eric, James F, Alison J, EKM, ET, HMR, RCT, MDF, AAB, Louis, Georgie, Jenny

**3. Minutes of AGM + EGM**

AGM – Proposed by Emily – Seconded by Helen

EGM – Proposed by [] – Seconded by Helen

**4. Treasurer's report**

EKM asked if we will make a loss on dinner. Georgie said minor if any. EKM clarified QP + P donations must go in as donations to the Guild for VAT purposes.

AJ-bell account 1680.34 – same amount as last year!

5 weddings in – 200 in and out! Stays, ropes!

**5. Master's Report**

A5 handout.

**6. Election of Officers**

Proposers spoke for LPHS + AAB.

CC Rep – MDF questioned the point

JAF wonders if [] makes people nervous about standing.

CM Sec proposed by ET, seconded by RCT. MDF questioned whether they were elected on a yearly basis

**7. The Mayday tour**

ET offered to organise. No idea where. JAF Shropshire would be nice.

**8. The summer camping trip**

Louis offered to organise in Suffolk. Dates 2-3 Jul were mentioned.

**9. Matters arising?**

Ropes – AS [] read by WTB. EKM questioned if it was two years since [].

RW – no progress

Peal board – WTB will send [] a sign. She will laminate it. EWB.

### **11. Any other business**

Trap-door. Church happy to pay.  
WTN to alert AGR this is to be dealt with.  
MDF – is it weather tight?

ET. How much are Peal + QP fees. We should donate something for bell maintenance.  
HMR – student society. WTB elucidated tradition.

AAB – we are hosting NUA which will need organising.  
Date traditionally 3<sup>rd</sup> W/E (18-20) Nov. Organise venue. Catering, beer? MDF yes.  
Organise tower. Could we have a working committee?

Emily + ERM offered help. AAB will organise working party.

MDT – How much does AJ/church feel about using big hall? AJ – we have some bookings.  
Welcome to it if free – [] as church priority. Sat mornings is usually used – bad.  
ERM – we could move [] morning.

Noise? AJ [] neighbours. Need to set curfew. Lease with Lee Spencer. WH booking secretary.

Please email AJ with details. Heating payment.

AJ – Thanks for ringing for induction.  
WB returned thanks + congratulations.

The meeting was closed at 7.58 pm.

## Treasurer's Report

This time year, the BUSCR accounts were handed over to an inexperienced treasurer and someone who does not profess to have any understanding of maths! However, even I could see that the previous committee had left a healthy-looking balance, and so with the guidance of several former committee members, I undertook to keep them that way.

My first major task was to write the grant application to the Guild, the result being an allocation of £162 which although slightly lower than the previous year, still covered our main expenses.

£60 was allocated to term 1 for publicity and NUA transport £12.38 was claimed for publicity, but the rest remained unclaimed and so was transferred to our current account.

The remaining £102 was classed as 'other spends' for central council and Ringing World subscription.

The current account's main income is from membership, which is down on last year and I believe some members may still owe theirs! There were a number of quarter and peal donations made last term, which have come up as various things on the balance sheet due to the Guild trying to establish what exactly they were for!

Our expenditures which appear on the balance sheet are £41.79 to Mayola music for handbell insurance, and the publicity which was refunded from the grant account.

Due to the Guild taking forever to process transactions, the balance sheet is as of December 26<sup>th</sup> 2010, but I can circulate the final dinner figures once they have been processed.