

2008 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The **ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Association will be held on May Day Bank Holiday, Monday 5th May 2008, and will be preceded by a service at 10.30 am in Chelmsford Cathedral.

The meeting will be held in the Cathedral to conclude not later than 1.00 pm. The Cathedral bells will be available from 9.15 to 10.15 am. when an invited band will ring a Service Touch. Afternoon and evening ringing will take place in the Northern District. Tickets for tea and details of further ringing arrangements to be obtained from the Secretary by Thursday 1st May.

AGENDA

1. To adopt Standing Orders.
2. To welcome visitors.
3. Apologies for absence.
4. Please sign the Roll.
5. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2007
 - a) to confirm.
 - b) matters arising.
6. Statement of Accounts 2007: To receive and adopt.
7. Annual Report 2007: To receive and if thought fit to approve and adopt.
8. Motions received: The following proposals for changes to the Rules have been received and approved by the Committee:-
 - (a) The purpose of this Motion is to amend Rule 6(i) so that ringing members on reaching the age of 65 continue to pay the Association's agreed annual subscription.

Members aged 65 or over

Amend the first sentence in parenthesis "Members aged 65 or over shall be free from subscription" by inserting between "...over" and "shall..." the phrase "on 5 May 2008 and elected prior to that date", viz.

Rule 6(i): ... retained in hand. (Members aged 65 or over on 5 May 2008 and elected prior to that date shall be free from subscription. Members aged under 18 ...)

Proposed: J Laken

Seconded: A Faulkner

- (b) Administrative changes to Rule 11 are proposed to recognise that the Treasurers now deal with membership lists, not the Secretaries.

Membership Rolls

In second sub-paragraph (The GENERAL SECRETARY..), delete "and maintain a Membership Roll".
In third sub-paragraph (The TREASURER..), after "...receive vouchers for monies passed", insert " , maintain a Membership Roll,".

In seventh sub-paragraph (The DISTRICT..), after "...shall collect subscriptions", insert " , maintain a District Membership Roll", viz.

*Rule 11: The **GENERAL SECRETARY** shall record the Minutes of General and Executive Committee meetings and carry out the decisions thereof.*

The **TREASURER** shall give and receive vouchers for monies passed, *maintain a Membership Roll*, keep proper books of account, ...

and the **DISTRICT TREASURERS** shall collect subscriptions, *maintain a District Membership Roll* and make payments within their Districts ...

Proposed: C F Chapman

Seconded: A C Taylor

9. Election of Honorary Officers: The following nominations have been received:-

Master

Brian Meads

Proposed D L Sparling, Seconded D E Rothera

Adrian Semken

Proposed Mrs A Nash, Seconded B W Fairhead

Secretary

Mrs V Chapman

Treasurer

A P Brewster

Property Trustees (3)

Mrs M Bone, C F Chapman, B W Fairhead

Independent Examiners (2)

M Green, R Dunhill

10. Election of Life Members: the following nomination has been received and approved by the Committee:-

Mrs Y Towler (Inworth)

Proposed: A P Brewster Seconded: C F Chapman

11. Association social events / Annual Dinner.

12. To name the Peals Secretary and other Appointed Officers and to announce changes in District Officers.

13. Any Other Business - time permitting.

14. Vote of thanks.