

Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers

Annual General Meeting 8th May 2021



Location: Zoom

Minutes

Minutes of the Association General Meeting held on Zoom. The President presided in the chair with 46 members present. The meeting opened at 10.15

1: President's welcome.

The President welcomed all members to the meeting & thanked the [REDACTED] for taking the Service prior to the meeting.

2: Minutes of the last meeting.

Proposed by [REDACTED] & Seconded by [REDACTED]
The minutes were passed as a true record.

3: Matters Arising.

None.

4: In Memoriam.

David Shaw - Skipton
Brian Haigh - Guiseley
Richard Gibson - Beverley St. Mary
Viv Williams - Wakefield Cathedral
Elizabeth Foster - Richmond
Ian Goldthorpe - Kirk Ella
Barbara Wadsworth – Beighton
Graham Smith – Sandal Magna
Philip G Clark – Sherburn in Elmet

A prayer was said by [REDACTED] and a short period of silence was held to their memory. The President thanked everyone who had put these obituaries together.

5: Election of Officers

Treasurer: [REDACTED]

Librarian: [REDACTED]

1 x CCCBR Rep: [REDACTED]

Election of other Officers.

i. Gift Aid and Tax Recovery Officer

ii. Custodian Trustees of the BRF
President, General Secretary,
Treasurer, [REDACTED]

iii. Secretary of the BRF

iv. BRF Trustees

v. Association Membership Manager

vi. Safeguarding Officer

vii. Quarter Peal Secretary

viii. Independent Examiners

ix. Public Relations Officer

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5b: The post of Report Editor remains vacant, the President asked the members to think about a possible candidate.

6: Election of New Members.

None.

7: Confirmation of Life Membership

away after the General Committee meeting in March but as a matter of correctness he has been included in the list above.

8: Proposal – For Ratification

Qualified and Associate Members of the Association who have paid their annual subscription by 31 December 2021 will not be required to pay a further annual subscription in 2022.

benefits that members get from their £12 subscription and also mentioned areas such as the BRF who would lose out from this proposal.

On online vote was taken and this proposal was defeated with 51% against and 42% in favour.

9: Presentation of the Annual Accounts for 2020

The Treasurer shared on the screen and proposed the 2020 accounts; these can be found on page 15 of the 2020 Annual Report. These were approved with all in favour.

10: Budget Proposals for 2021.

TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2021

proposed there be no change to the Schedule to the rules, and that the grant to the Young Ringers for 2021 be £250.

This was approved with all in favour.

11: Presentation of the Annual Report 2020

confirmed that the Reports have now been delivered to the Branches, please contact if you would like to know who has your report within your Branch.

work in producing the Report.

proposed the Report and this was approved with all in favour.

12: Correspondence.

The General Secretary had nothing to report.

13: Ringing Recovery & Tower Captain Questionnaire

The General Secretary mentioned that the feedback from the questionnaire was sparse with some Branches only having return one while others had returned around seventeen, early feedback from the Eastern Branch had suggest around 12% of their ringer may not return to ringing after the Covid lockdown. The problem is that without information from individual towers and Branches it is very difficult to put together a working plan.

The Secretary thanked all of the towers who had taken the time to complete and return the information

14: Yorkshire Day – 1st August 2021

██████████ confirmed that the Yorkshire Day Event will be going ahead as planned, ██████████ urged as many towers as possible to take part. We now have the backing of the Yorkshire Society who will promote our event on their web pages. A full list of partaking towers will also appear on the YACR web site.

A banner has been designed which can be made bespoke for each tower.

██████████ kindly offered her help in the production of flyers etc..

The President urged as many towers as possible to get behind this initiative

15: Education.

██████████ mentioned the following points.

- a) The online courses have been going well
- b) They are looking for a venue such as a school with separate rooms to hold a handbell day so if anyone has any suggestions could they please let ██████████ know.
- c) The online training weekend is planned for 16th-18th July 2021
- d) ██████████ mentioned ██████████ had resigned as the Treasurer of the Education Committee and thanked ██████████ for all of his hard work.

17: Future Events

- Online Summer School – 16th-18th July 2021
- Life Members Day – North Cave 21st August 2021- Ringing from 15:00-16:30 followed by Tea.
- Yorkshire Day – 1st August 2021
- General Meeting & Inter Branch Band Striking Competition – York Branch 18th September 2021
- Twelve bell practice – 25th September 2021
- Snowdon Lunch – 16th October 2021
- Quiz Night at North Cave – 30th October 2021
- 5th February 2022 – General Meeting, Central Branch

██████████ confirmed that the test piece for the Inter Branch Competition will be Grandsire Triples

18: Any Other Business

a: Safeguarding, ██████████ mentioned the new CofE training measures, all Branches have been informed and they must pass this onto their individual towers.

b: Clothing, ██████████ said that we have no current orders and that we need a minimum of twelve to place an order. More information can be found on our web site under shop and clothing.

c: ██████████ mentioned a course that is being hosted by the Scarborough Branch on 15th May entitled 'how to ring big bells' by ██████████. This is open to everyone so just contact the Scarborough Branch secretary to book your place.

d: ██████████ the President of the Beverley & District Ringing Society's spoke about its 75th anniversary celebrations on 11th September 2021.

e: ██████████ mentioned and went through some of the recommendations from the Survey which was issued on the 13th January 2021. A general discussion then followed on communication and web site. ██████████ suggested a review of the website. The President said that a report on the recommendation will be made at the September meeting.

Meeting Closed: 12:31