

ARMY GUILD OF BELLRINGERS
MINUTES OF THE AGM ON SATURDAY 7th APRIL 2018

The 2018 AGM was held at St Peter's, Barford Warwickshire

Item 1 Welcome by the Secretary/Treasurer.

The Chairman (Ian Culham) was unable to be present due to his Army commitments. In his absence the Secretary & Treasurer (John Verity) welcomed the members, and thanked them for their attendance. John Davey was congratulated and thanked for organising a very good day of ringing; also the church service (with organist), and tea. Members all brought some food to share.

He also thanked the Reverend David Jessett, Rector of Barford, for conducting the Service, and Mr Chris Farr for playing the organ.

Item 2 Members present:

John Verity (Secretary & Treasurer)

John Davey, Peter Leigh, Ian Wiltshire

Other ringers *Paul Wotton (RNG), James Ingham (RNG);
Michael & Bridget White (RAFG),
John Haas (RAFG).
Alan Butler (friend of an attending member)*

Item 3 **Apologies received from:**

Ian Culham (Chairman) & Claire Culham; Nicola Roberts (Ringing Master), Ray Aldis, Peter & Sally Cates, Mike Cattell, Gail Farrow, Dave & Val Fox, Maggy Vince, Derek Knowles, Liz Davey, Andrew Frost.

Item 4: The Minutes of the 2017 AGM 1st April 2017 were circulated and passed as a true copy.

Item 5: Matters arising for last year's AGM: Nil.

Item 6: Reports: Chairman (absent); Ringing Master (absent)

Secretary:

This year has been a quiet one for the Secretary, but there are always addresses to be changed and e-mails to be kept up to date. If any member changes their abode or e-mail address, the Secretary earnestly requests notification. Members should ideally pay their annual membership fee of £3 by standing order, and this is due on April 1st every year.

Our thanks go to Andrew Frost, who maintains our web site, sends out correspondence and co-ordinates our annual fee to the web site provider (Speednames).

Treasurer:

It was agreed informally at a previous AGM, that the funds of the Guild should not ideally be above £500.

As you can see from the Summary of Accounts for 2017/8, ending 28th February 2018, expenditure was £38.80 more than our income, and our bank balance today is £583.95. Therefore members today were not required to contribute to the day's expenses. I hope that this meets with general approval.

Paid up members number: 30.

John Davey proposed that the Treasurer's report be accepted, and this was seconded by Ian Wiltshire.

Item 7: Retirement of members: Mary Coe

Item 8: Death of members: Ian Bland (one time member of the Guild)

Item 9: Election of Guild Officers:

The Chairman (Ian Culham); the Ringing Master (Nicola Roberts) and Secretary/Treasurer (John Verity) are all prepared to serve for another year.

John Davey proposed that the Officers of the Guild be elected 'en bloc', and this was seconded by Peter Leigh.

Item 10:

Diary 2018

RN Trafalgar Meeting	October 19th - 20th 2018
AGB Meeting	October 27th 2018
RAF BOB Meeting	September 20th - 22nd 2108 (Channel Islands)
Army Guild AGM	April 6 th 2019

Item 11 AOB.

A member of the RAFGB asked that members of the AGB be encouraged to join them for the Channel Islands meeting in September 2018. To this end the Secretary gave typed out details to all members present.

John Verity (Secretary)

In the absence of Ian Culham (Chairman)