

ARMY GUILD OF BELLRINGERS

MINUTES OF THE AGM ON SATURDAY 2nd APRIL 2022

The 2022 AGM was held at St Stephen's, Clanfield (West Oxfordshire)

Item 1 Welcome by the Chairman (Ian Culham)

Item 2 Members and friends present:

Ian Culham (Chairman), John Verity (Secretary & Treasurer), Nicola Roberts (Ringing Master), Mike Cattell, Claire Culham, John & Elizabeth Davey, Elaine Farrow, Hedley French, Stephen Pocock, Adrian Roberts, Maggy Vince, Ian Wiltshire, Paul Wotton.

Item 3 **Apologies received from:**

Helen Bridgman, Nick Claypool, Michael Cornwall, David Culham, David & Val Fox, Peter Leigh, Rhona McEune, and the Rev Kevin Price.

Item 4: The Minutes of the 2019 AGM held on Saturday 6th April 2019 were circulated and passed as a true copy.

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

Item 6: **REPORTS:**

Chairman:

There is nothing major to report during this last year. I have some news about our October 2022 visit to Ypres, which will be discussed under Item 11.

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:

Two sets of accounts were circulated among the members present. 2020/1 & 2021/2.

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

As you can see from the Summary of Accounts for 2021/22, ending 28th February 2022, expenditure was £30.50 more than our income, and our bank balance at 28th Feb 2022 is £588.55. No tower fees were paid by members for this Meeting.

Copies of the Accounts for the year having been circulated; there were no queries, and the members unanimously accepted them.

Ringling Master:

There was nothing to report.

Item 7: Retirement of members: Over the last 2 years several members have not paid subscriptions for 3 years or longer, and were removed from the mailing list.

Death of members: None reported.

Item 8: Election of Guild Officers:

The Chairman (Ian Culham); the Ringling Master (Nicola Roberts) were willing to serve for a further year.

The Secretary & Treasurer (John Verity) wished to resign.

He was able to announce to members that Elaine Culham has agreed to serve as Secretary, and that Anne Bray has agreed to become Treasurer.

Item 10: Diary 2022/2023

RAF Summer Meeting June 11th, 2022 Forest of Dean

RAF BOB Meeting September 22nd - 24th 2022. Area TBD

RN Trafalgar Meeting October 14th - 15th Portsmouth area

AGB Autumn Meeting Oct 21/22/23 2022 Ypres

AGB Spring Meeting April 1st 2023

?North Norfolk (Rhona McEune)

Item 11: The Chairman, Ian Culham talked about our trip to Ypres, which is coming up in October. 15 or so members have signed up, and it is hoped to ring a quarter peal at St George's, Ypres.

Item 12: Nicola Roberts (Ringling Master) was thanked for organising the