Report of the Management Committee Meeting, 16 September 2023

Please see below a summary of September's Management Committee meeting.

Belfry Repair Fund grant applications

The following grant applications were approved at 20% of estimated project costs.

- a) Hartpury, percentage grant awarded: £2,526.80
- b) Syston, percentage grant awarded: £1,474.68
- c) Stoke Bishop, percentage grant awarded: £662
- d) Windrush, percentage grant awarded: £481
- e) St Mary de Crypt, Gloucester, percentage grant awarded: £414.40
- f) St Briavels, percentage grant awarded: £102

Appointment of Belfry Advisers

The below belfry advisors have been appointed:

Malcolm Taylor, Gary Crisp, Bryan Hardwick, Matt Johnson, Jon Storey, Roy Williams and Daniel Knight

Appointment of Co-ordinating Belfry Adviser

Malcolm Taylor was re-appointed as the Co-ordinating Belfry Adviser.

Appointment of Youth Squad Leader

Ian Bucknell was re-appointed as the Youth Squad Leader.

Appointment of a representative on the Tewkesbury Shield Competition Committee

Gregory Jones was reappointed as Tewkesbury Shield Competition Committee Representative.

Proposed rule change to the striking competition rules from Ian Bucknell

The two main changes discussed were:

- 1. The increase to 240 changes in the 6 bell Croome trophy
- 2. Removing the requirement of having a maximum of 5 ringers from the same tower, in the 8 bell Penn trophy.

Jenni Judson will report back to Ian on the proposals, with a final decision made at the next MC meeting.

The 2023 Training Day Fees

Next year's Training Day fees will be £10.

Dates for Association events in 2024 and early 2025

a. M.C. Meetings

Saturday January 27th 2024

Saturday March 2nd 2024

Saturday September 21st 2024

b. Branch Officers' Meetings

Saturday March 2nd 2024

c. Training Days

Spring 2024 – Saturday March 9th 2024

f. AGMs

Saturday April 13th 2024 – Stroud Branch

Saturday April 5th 2025 - Gloucester Branch

The 2024 AGM and Competitions

The hall has been booked at Kings Stanley and the two ringing competitions will take place at Bisley and Leonard Stanley.

Any other business

Avon Ropes have approached the G&B Youth team to ask if they can sponsor the team's tshirts. This was discussed and was agreed in principle, but the design will need to be approved.

The Association's 150th Anniversary is in 2028. We are going to start thinking about what we can do as a celebration.

The offer of producing new service sheets for Branch use is still available from Gill Greef.