Training Officer's Report for SDB Business Meeting - 19th Nov 2022

Plan from Branch meeting 20th March 2022

Organise Saturday am Elementary 2-3 hours practice Thursday 7th 11.30-1pm and/or Sat 9th April 10am Jane/Nigel (sat 9th April Completed)

Plan longer Elementary practice later in year Date TBA Nigel/Jane (this may well be a Christmas striking competition and social on last date of the year)

Organise evening or Saturday morning Middle Group consolidating of Major/Minor/Doubles and use the time to introduce some easy 5/6 bell methods from the Doubles and Minor Groupings. Jane to follow up Date TBA (not achieved)

Email/contact Tower Captains for interest in "support bomb" for their towers. Note towers and ask experienced ringers to take part. Date TBA but it'll be their practice night. (started but not complete but not accepted so far)

Email/contact Tower Captains to ascertain ringing level of band and training required. (started not complete)

Offer bob calling via virtual Ringing Room. Steve Wells Date TBC (not initiated)

Find out if the people who attended the M1 ART teaching would they like to do the M2. Jane to ask Jackie for names. Follow up. (complete)

Email/contact Tower Captains to ensure Safeguarding training information has been provided to their tower members. Jane (not required)

Over the last year ringing has recovered and progressed in certain areas.

The elementary element of ringing was identified as a gap in teaching. Monthly practices were started and were well received. Teaching for the elementary group was identified and resulted in an ART Module 2 Foundation course being held in October at Twyford. 9 members of our branch attended, and elementary practices have been increased to twice a month to cater for both learners and teachers. The goal is to gain accreditation for them all.

Smaller other branch training events have been achieved. Bell maintenance, rope splicing, specific handling 1:1's and an elementary theory to practice morning.

Considering the training needs of the branch various polls have been put out to members. The result is usually the same few people who reply so the needs across the branch are not demonstrated. What works is 1:1 discussion and focus on who turns up.

Planning ahead

Raising and Lowering in Peal for 1st Dec advertised. Simon Farrar leading.

1:1 raising and lowering TBC – Jane

Conducting is required – Simon Farrar also happy to lead.

As the twice a month elementary group progresses one of the weeks will become a doubles or minor night hence starting an intermediate group.

Current thinking about future training

What works is 1:1 discussion and focusing on who turns up then success will hopefully filtrate. Follow up with the ART teachers has been put on hold but will pick up again.