

# SUGCR AGM Minutes – 2014/2015 Year

<b>DATE</b>	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April @ 20.30
<b>LOCATION</b>	Tap & Tankard Pub, Cambridge Street, Sheffield
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Gill Murray, Simon Reading, Emily Waters, Becky Holloway, Helen Wright, Sarah Taylor, Sam Chase, Alycia Dyke, Vicky Johnston.
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Alex Scase, Harriet and John Prebble (assumed apologies since they are on honeymoon).

## Current Topics

### Proposed Upcoming Events:

- June 2015: LUSCR + SUGCR joint tour to Somerset area (Emily Waters)
- June 2015: SUGCR Peal planned (James Blackburn)
- August 2015: Summer Tour to Birmingham area (Alycia Dyke)
- October 2015: Fresher's Tour to Liverpool (Sarah Taylor/Emily Waters)
- November 13-15<sup>th</sup> 2015: NUA, Leeds (Current Student Band)
- November 28<sup>th</sup> 2015: Quarter Peal and Pub Meal, Sheffield/Peaks area

### Advertising:

- Alycia to look into more Give It A Go sessions for 15/16 year
- Alycia to ensure we have a Fresher's fair stall booked and someone to stand on it.
- Emily and Sarah to plan posters and banners to be used at Fresher's Fairs.
- Twitter and Facebook accounts to be handed over to the new committee.
- It was decided that RW adverts were no longer suitable for advertising the guild to young people as social media and internet based adverts are more widely seen.

### Sunday Ringing:

- SUGCR will plan to target AT LEAST every first Sunday for evening ringing. Simon said he would try and encourage more local ringers to help with the numbers too. Twitter and Facebook to be used to remind people about Sunday ringing.
- We would also like to arrange a QP every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month. Both of SUGCR and also local ringers.

### Steeple Work:

- St Marie's have advised that work will be done on the steeple in coming weeks. This is expected to make the tower out of action for a few weeks. We do not have dates confirmed at this time.

## Master's Report:

This year we have really focussed on teaching. We were lucky to gain new members through the 'Give It A Go' session at Ranmoor in September 2014. Two of these new recruits were learners and two were at the stage of Call Changes/Plain Hunt. We were also joined by Becky and Alex who rang at the Anglican cathedral firstly but also join in SUGCR activities.

We continue to gain help from local ringers. Walkley band join us every first Monday for our practice. Local ringers from the Cathedral, Ranmoor and Walkley especially, always step in to help when needed for special events. Elaine and Peter Scott helped in hosting tied practice sessions at Ranmoor. SUGCR alumni and associate members; Alison Bennett, John and Harriet Prebble, and Peter Mainsbridge have been a huge help this year in their regular support of all Guild activities.

In December we arranged a Quarter Peal Day – and were successful in achieving five Quarters. Helen (our Chair) rang her first two Quarters on this day. We will hopefully arrange a similar event in 15/16 year.

## Chair's Report:

We gained six new members this academic year. Harriet Prebble and Alison Bennett were also voted in as Associate Members in recognition of their support and assistance throughout this year. Sadly in June 2014 we will see Emily, Helen and Sarah graduate and leave us as Sheffield Students. Emily however does plan to remain in Sheffield, and her younger brother Joe will be arriving as a Fresher in September and is also a ringer.

Full details of the events we arranged this year can be found in the newsletter.

Since the newsletter was written we have hosted the annual Dinner in March. The weekend was a great success. We had 63 attendees to the dinner and many members and their families joined us on Friday night, and Saturday daytime for ringing, lunch and drinks. Our guest speaker this year was Andrew Aspland, President of the Yorkshire Association. He delivered an excellent speech, during which he reminded our guests of our poor recent record in Peal Ringing. This hopefully will be rectified in June when we plan to ring an SUGCR peal, arranged by James Blackburn.

## Treasurer's Report:

### University Accounts:

**A Account: 0.00**

[This is money provided by a University grant which is provided once per year and to be used in specific circumstances, to promote the purpose of the guild]

**B Account: 1014.42**

[This is the funds from any events or activities we hold, or any fund raising we do. The Dinner generally does not make a profit, as the ticket price is based on a break even cost at 60 guests]

<b>Item</b>	<b>Incoming Money</b>	<b>Outgoing Money</b>
<i>Carried forward from 13/14</i>	1356.91	
<i>Ringling World Charge</i>		17.52
<i>NUA Travel Expenses*</i>		330.00
<i>Give It A Go payments</i>	2.03	
<i>Dinner 2015 Tickets</i>	1932.00	
<i>Ceilidh 2015 Dinner</i>		350.00
<i>Tapton Final Bill *</i>		1379.00 * (deposit paid 2014)
<i>Raffle Profits *</i>	100.00	

<i>Novotel Deposit *</i>		300.00
<b>TOTAL OUT</b>	<b>2376.52</b>	
<b>TOTAL IN</b>	<b>3390.94</b>	
<b>BALANCE LEFT</b>	<b>1014.42</b>	

\*Planned expenses which are still pending processing by University accounts team.

Notes: This leaves the B account with slightly less than last year. However we voted to use some of the balance in November 2014 to subsidise the travel costs to attend the NUA. This enabled all student members to attend for the first time in many years (attendees paid their own entrance tickets, team t-shirts, and accommodation costs for the weekend). The B account needs to retain a minimum of 500 to cover the deposit of the following year's annual Dinner.

#### **St Maries' Account:**

**Balance: 1935.00**

[This account is managed by Simon Reading and holds funds from weddings and visits. The account can be used for bell and tower maintenance. There are no current plans to spend this balance.]

### Election of New Officers:

<b>Post</b>	<b>Nomination</b>	<b>Nominated By</b>	<b>Seconded By</b>	<b>Voted In?</b>
<b>Chair</b>	<b>Sam Chase</b>	Emily Waters	Helen Wright	Yes
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Becky Holloway *</b>	Emily Waters	Helen Wright	Yes
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Alycia Dyke</b>	Emily Waters	Helen Wright	Yes
<b>Inclusion Officer</b>	<b>Sam Chase</b>	Emily Waters	Helen Wright	Yes
<b>Ringling Master</b>	<b>Alycia Dyke</b>	Emily Waters	Helen Wright	Yes
<b>Vice Ringling Master</b>	<b>N/A**</b>			
<b>Steeple Keeper</b>	<b>John Prebble</b>	Gill Murray	Emily Waters	Yes
<b>Tower Correspondent</b>	<b>Simon Reading</b>	Gill Murray	Emily Waters	Yes
<b>Web Master</b>	<b>Stu Wrigley</b>	Gill Murray	Emily Waters	Yes

Gill proposed a new role be created as 'Training Officer'. This member would have responsibility for teaching new members, be ITTS certified where possible and help co-ordinate special practices to increase the skills in the band.

<b>Training Officer</b>	<b>Emily Waters</b>	Gill Murray	Becky Holloway	Yes
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\*Becky is a University of Sheffield member and so will stand as Secretary – however in reality Vicky who is a Hallam University Student will hold the role. (as per University rules).

\*\*This role has not been filled as we are awaiting new members joining in September to vote on this post during an EGM meeting at the start of the 15/16 year.

### Any Other Business

None.

Meeting Closed 22.15.