

PROPOSAL TO SUPPORT THE NOMINATION OF ROBERT PERRY TO BE MASTER OF B&WDACR

Robert was taught to ring by Ron Smith at Farmborough when he was aged 11 years old. He was elected a Member of our Association in 1966 and has been a member ever since. He remained a member at Farmborough until he transferred to Midsomer Norton when he was aged 18. He subsequently moved to Marksbury in 1984/5 as Tower Captain, where he taught a band to ring. Here he remained for 30 years until the Bells became unringable due to long term structural problems with the tower.

Robert didn't waste his time, he went with some of the Marksbury ringers to join Newton St. Loe where he has helped to build a band.

With his enthusiastic zest there are now 18 Members of the band, of which 7 are under 16 years of age.

He has also enabled many new ringers to achieve their 1st quarter & peals.

Away from his local 6 bell tower he is a very capable ringer & conductor on the higher numbers, so has an affinity with all levels of ringing & ability.

In 1992/3 he became Bath Branch Deputy Branch Ringing master. At this time he established the 'Camping weekends' on his farm at Farmborough. This was mainly to promote younger ringers, and there were good results from this in advancing many young ringers.

The weekends continued for a period of 10 years. Without Robert's inspiration these events would not have taken place.

During this period he was elected to be the Association Bell Fund Officer charged with raising funds for the Association Bell Fund. He held this office for a period of 10 years.

Also at this time he served on the Committee of the Association. He was instrumental in making a CD of Somerset Bells the sale of which raised over £10,000 for the Association Bell Fund. This was the first time any Association had made a CD of their Bells.

Also to raise funds he also organised many quizzes held in Glastonbury Town Hall.

In 2002/3 he served as Deputy Master of our Association.

Last Year Robert was made both Ringing Master and Chairman of the Bath Branch. This was a massive undertaking, but gives him great experience in dealing with meetings and being responsible for the progress of the Branch.

Because of this experience, Robert is fully aware of the problems of running large AGMs and is known to have no time for waffle, but at the same time allow opinions to be heard. He is known to be very level headed in dealing with any problems that arise both with in or without our Association.

Robert is a qualified Teacher with ITTS and this enables him to further his already huge experience with learners, the basic resource of the Association.


To sum up, It can be seen that Robert has over the years gained a great deal of experience & enjoys great respect from the ringing fraternity in all aspects of ringing & behind the scenes running , organising & fund raising.

I feel that with his easy approachable manner he is an ideal candidate for the office of Master, he would have no difficulty in dealing with any problems that might be brought to his door, nor seeking advice & guidance from others or from higher authority if required.

Having known Robert for over 40 years, and he being Somerset born and bred, I know he is a man who tirelessly works for & promotes all aspects of ringing & our Association.

I am certain that with all of his vast experience he will take the Association forward and enable it to cope with all the issues & problems that the future may hold.

I therefore propose Robert Perry be our new Master

Signed 

David Purnell HLM

Date

18/1/16

I Second this Proposal



David Marshall.

Date 18/01/16