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Dear Tower Captain

Association Affiliation

As we head towards the 85th Annual General Meeting of the Devon Association of Ringers, the committee has been looking at the future of call change ringing in Devon and how we can ensure that it continues to thrive.

For many years now, the Association has been able to offer the 'Devon Calls' magazine as part of the affiliation fee. We have also been able to offer support and advice to towers all over our county with training in different aspects of ringing including rising and lowering, splicing and maintenance, alongside our well-supported social events.

We believe that the affiliation fee has been good value for money, and an invaluable source of information for towers.

Additionally, one of the Association's primary aims is to support the Devon Bell Restoration Fund. Our popular annual draw has raised funds for this charity, which all towers can benefit from.

However, for our Association to thrive, we are looking for new people to join our committee and undertake positions such as secretary and treasurer. Without volunteers, the committee would be unable to run.

Do you affiliate? If not, why don't you?

Would you be interested in personal affiliation, rather than, or alongside our current tower affiliation?

If you do affiliate, what more can we offer?

Would you be willing to see an increase in the affiliation fee in order to pay for officers to undertake positions?

Without your input, we cannot ensure that the Association continues to meet the needs of its affiliated towers and garner additional support from those who currently do not.

It would be wonderful to have as many responses as possible, and I hope to see you at the Annual General Meeting. If you are unable to attend but would like to offer some thoughts, please contact me using the above contact details.

Kind regards

Rachel Avery - Hon. General Secretary