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for the second year running**



*The Bedfordshire team pictured in College Hall, Worcester immediately after the trophy presentation by Alan Hughes on Saturday, 5th July
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Front row L-R: Clarrie Scott (bell 2), Sammi Brett (bell 5), Alice Scott (treble), Melissa Nash (bell 3), Thomas Monks (reserve)*

(photo by the Editor)

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Fundraising for Christchurch, NZ

On the evening of Sunday, 20th February 2011 we assembled at the Cathedral for service ringing as usual. Being a bit short on numbers we were very pleased to welcome a couple of English ringers who were visiting Christchurch, New Zealand. We appreciated their help and finished with some well rung call changes for our service touch. Afterwards these visitors offered me a \$20 note for our funds and I asked them to post it in our 'hole in the wall' money box.

Now I don't suppose many of you remember one quite ordinary Sunday evening's ringing over three years ago, but, of course, it was only two days later that Christchurch was hit by an earthquake which destroyed the tower and brought the bells crashing down along with all our ringing belongings and the money box. As you can see from the photo below, the box was found amongst the rubble but there's never been a sign of the \$20 note!

So I'm starting our fundraising efforts by donating that \$20 (that's about £10 in English money).

After many delays the Christchurch Cathedral Ringers are really pleased to say that we have permission to build a transitional ringing facility next to the Transitional Cathedral in Latimer Square, Christchurch. Peter Whitehead's article (to follow shortly) gives full details of our plans and some background to our choice of building structures.

This is an exciting project to bring bells back to the central city and has been designed to fit in with the temporary but sturdy architecture springing up in the rebuilding process. It ensures the continuance of ringing in the city and enables us to train a new generation of ringers for the future. Most of us believe we will have reached the end of our ringing lives before the old cathedral has been replaced or rebuilt so it is very important that

we have something to keep things running in the meantime.

The ringers have been tasked with raising money to fund this project entirely themselves. Our target is £115,000. ANZAB have been most generous in their support with a sizeable donation to get us started and a promise of 50% match to any other donations. So for every £1 donated we get £1.50. We are most grateful for this support, largely made possible through the legacy of the late Jenny Murphy.

Many of our ringing friends have given to our cause already through the Central Council fund set up on our behalf back in 2011 and we are grateful for these donations which have allowed us to restore the bells and return them to Christchurch. However, we are asking for your help again now to build them a new home. The Central Council fund is still open at <http://cccbr.org.uk/bellrestoration/christchurch-nz/>. And, for those in New Zealand or Australia we would ask you at this stage to contact me at mandy.spearing@me.com to discuss the best way to donate.

To follow our progress keep an eye on our *Facebook* page <http://www.facebook.com/TransitionalRingingFacility>

MANDY SPEARING
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RR Ringing Roadshow

6th September 2014
Newbury Racecourse

*"Everything for the ringer you are
and the ringer you want to be"*

What's on at the Roadshow

Like Lord Reith's BBC, the seminars are designed to entertain, inform and educate – with the emphasis on entertain. They are absolutely free and will take place in two splendid seminar rooms, one of which – The Whitechapel Room – has been kindly sponsored by The Whitechapel Bell Foundry.

There's only a ten minute gap between seminars, so please arrive and leave swiftly.

The programme reflects all the feedback from earlier years together with recent requests, so if you've enjoyed a seminar before, you'll be OK here. And if you've never been before, you'll be bowled over by whatever you come to. And in case you're worried, the specialist seminars will be just as entertaining as the truly breath-taking handbell concerts – but you'll learn a lot too.

And if you're the right age for either the Young Ringers' Seminar or the Older Ringers' Seminar, please come and share your views and experiences. It's going to be a really great day!

The Concert Hall

11 a.m. "The Magic of Handbells" – A Demonstration of Different Tune Ringing Styles – The Superb Semi-Finalists from Britain's Got Talent – Aeolian Chimes – will perform while Alan Hartley explains

Noon "When it All Went Wrong" – a Romp through the Great Ringing Disasters of History – Steve Coleman and the Six First Class Readers: Mary Bone, Mike Trimm, Kath Johnson, Mike Winterbourne, Rachael Barber and Fred Bone

1 p.m. "The Lunchtime Handbell Concert"

The World famous South East Regional Bell Orchestra will be giving virtuoso performances of their most popular music on their extensive collection of handbells and handchimes

2 p.m. "Young in an Old Ringers World" – How to Deal with all the Problems and Prosper – A Discussion by Young Ringers for Young Ringers, led by Simon Edwards and five other teenage ringers from all over the country.

(N.B. Only ringers under the age of 25 may speak. Older ringers are very welcome indeed to attend, listen and learn – but not to speak! They had their turn at 1.00pm in The Whitechapel Room)

3 p.m. "The Matinee Handbell Concert"

The World famous South East Regional Bell Orchestra will again be giving virtuoso performances on their extensive collection of handbells and handchimes

The Whitechapel Room

11 a.m. "Making it Sound Better" – Top tips on improving your Listening and Striking painlessly (no matter how bad you are to start with) – James Blackburn and The Central Council Education Committee

Noon "Can I Play Conkers in the Belfry?" – The Truth about Ringing Health and Safety and All Your Questions Answered – Annette Hall a Health and Safety Officer, Alan Hughes, Managing Director of The Whitechapel Bell Foundry Ltd, and Kate Flavell the Insurance Professional

1 p.m. "Over Sixty, But So What?" – A Hundred Ways to Progress Despite No Longer Being Young – A Discussion by Older Ringers for Older Ringers, led by Mike Winterbourne of The Bradfield Course together with fellow bus pass holders, Margaret Glasgow, Elizabeth Johnson and Andrew Howes

(N.B. Only ringers over the age of 55 may speak. Younger ringers are very welcome to attend, listen and learn – but not to speak! They will get their turn at 2.00pm in The Concert Hall)

2 p.m. "Ringing Up and Down in Peal" – Coping in the real world and succeeding no matter what – Steve Coleman

3 p.m. "Teaching for the 21st Century" – A New Structure for New Ringers – Pip Penney and The Association of Ringing Teachers with their new system for now and for the future

Don't forget tickets are available to buy from the website www.ringingroadshow.co.uk

JACKIE ROBERTS
Roadshow Organiser

Editorial

Congratulations to the Bedfordshire team on a spectacular second win at the Ringing World National Youth Contest in Worcester on Saturday. Those of us who were privileged to listen to the contest ringing were hugely impressed with the overall standard this year and every team that participated can take pride in their efforts. They would have put many adult bands in the shade. Well done all! The weather was kind too - after a dull start, we had a fine day and were able to enjoy the evening Hog Roast on College Green basking in warm sunshine.

The local organisation at Worcester was absolutely fabulous and involved hard work and preparation by a large team of Cathedral ringers. Special thanks are due to their Ringing Master, Mark Regan, and to Alexandra Hajok, Jim Clatworthy and Bernard Taylor, plus two official photographers - Tom Miles and Chris Griggs. The *RW*'s organiser, Colin Parker, worked tirelessly throughout and was ably assisted by his fellow directors Adrian Udal and Claire Roulstone, with Ian and Margaret Oram overseeing registration. We are also grateful to Alan Hughes, Managing Director of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, for coming along for the whole day and presenting the Whitechapel trophy. Alan kindly loaned a set of handbells for use at the Workshop led by Tom Hinks in St. John's Chapel. Simon Linford ran a very successful 12-Bell Workshop at All Saints' Church. Nor must we forget our young Judges, Alistair Cherry, Edward Mack and Andrew Rawlinson, together with Chief Judge, David Pipe.

In due course we will have full reports on the contest from young ringers who were there on the day: see competition details on p.715. Next year's RWNYC will be hosted in the City of Oxford by the Oxford Society on Saturday, 11th July - so please put the date in your diary now. Further details will be announced as soon as they are finalised. In the meantime if you want to listen to this year's winning performance it will be broadcast on *Bells on Sunday* by BBC Radio 4 this Sunday.

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A new tenor for Wareham

by Graham Elmes



The tenor being cast on 20th March 2013 at the John Taylor Bell Foundry, Loughborough

Wareham was populated in pre-Roman times and is one of the nine old borough towns of Dorset. In the Saxon era it was an important port but over the years its status declined until today it is mainly a centre for tourism. In the 18th century Wareham was still quite an important borough being represented by two MPs and according to Shipway's *Campanologia* (1816), it was the only tower in Dorset with eight bells. In 1785 the five old bells of Lady St Mary's church (the old pre-reformation priory church) had been combined with three from Holy Trinity church (the old main parish church) and recast into a new peal of eight by William Mears of London. The tenor weighed 17-0-6 and for its time the octave was considered to be a good peal of bells.

By 1865, rusting cast-in crown-staples had cracked the 4th which was recast by G. Mears & Co. and by 1910, the 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th and tenor were all found to be similarly cracked. These bells were recast and the peal was rehung in a repaired frame by John Warner & Sons. However, as seemed to be typical for Warner's they achieved the same notes using considerably less metal so that the Warner's tenor (15-2-14) was 1½cwt lighter than the old Mears tenor (for full details see Dalton's *The Bells and Belfries of Dorset*, part III, 2005).



Tim Collins unloading



A snug fit ...



Phil Stephens bell mover

By 1959 the frame was in a poor state and the Warner 7th was cracked, so the band led by Chris Brown (obit *RW* 2013: 215), raised the money for the 7th to be recast and the bells rehung in a completely new cast iron and steel frame by John Taylor and Co. This remains in an excellent state of repair. When I



Wareham, Lady St Mary

was Tower Captain in the 1970s, I was offered two new trebles so in 1972 the band raised the money to suitably extend the frame to accommodate the new bells which were cast by John Taylor and Co., making Wareham the third ring of ten bells in Dorset. Since then, the bells have been well maintained and go easily and have been quite popular with visiting bands; since 1959 there have been about 140 peals on the bells.

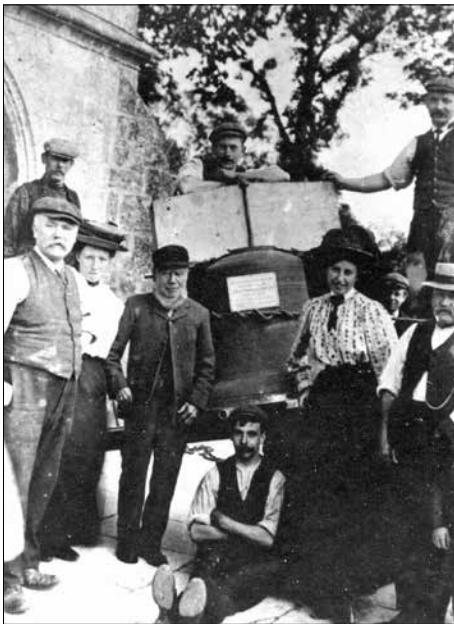
In the words of Chris Dalton "*The present ring consisting almost entirely of bells with old-style tuning, is pleasant enough. However, there is no doubt that a better tenor, to go alongside the strong toned 9th, would greatly improve it, as would some further attention to the echoey acoustics inside the tower.*" The local band acknowledged the negative comments of Dalton, especially as these had been reiterated by several well-known peal ringers with good musical ears (that excludes me). Some even went as far as saying that the tenor actually detracted from the overall quality of the ring. In addition bells 2-5 more or less hung in a straight line making rope-sight difficult, especially for learners ringing the front six.



Bishop Graham asking me for a name

For many years I hankered after making the peal into a twelve, there being enough room to have them all on the same level with a reasonable circle. The band discussed this possibility and had even started saving some money towards an augmentation but the majority of our ringers felt that there was no point considering an augmentation before the other criticisms of our ring had been rectified. These matters languished for about 20 years until Phil and Trish Stephens retired to Wareham from Writtle, where they had been involved in a major bell restoration project. Phil soon started work on a few outline plans for modifying the rope circle and improving the sound control. Then in 2013 a “fundraising gap” occurred when our marvellous new West window was completed, so the ringers jumped in and submitted plans for a new tenor bell and associated works to the PCC, who gave our project their full support provided the ringers took responsibility for all the fundraising.

The band elected a small steering committee comprising Phil Stephens (project manager), Tim Salter (Tower keeper) and myself (Captain). Taylors provided an estimated cost for a new tenor bell to complement their 1959



Arrival of the 1910 tenor

ninth. We formally launched the project in April 2013, with a direct appeal to Wareham townfolk. A large number, both active members of our church and otherwise, were invited to a gathering where they were plied with wine and cheese and suffered Phil and me giving presentations outlining the reasons for a new tenor bell and the other work we hoped to do. This was to be in two phases, 1) the casting and hanging of a new tenor by John Taylor & Co. with assistance from local labour and 2) work on the rope circle and sound balance in the tower to be mainly carried out by the local ringers. Phil carefully

budgeted both phases with a total cost in the region of £21k plus VAT taking account of the scrap value of the old bell.

At the launch, we emphasised that we were not seeking donations on that night, though we gave out information sheets that included forms for gift aided donations. The evening went very well and soon donations started rolling in ranging from £1,000 to £10, all were gratefully received and acknowledged. Before long we had more than £7k in the kitty.

The band organised the obligatory teddy bear parachute jump from the tower, mainly as a publicity exercise rather than for the funds it would raise on the day. It was a great hit with the young families of the town. The teddies were encouraged by the team Vicar, Revd Jackie Maw, the weather was sunny but the high winds had the rescue team recovering teddies from all sorts of places, increasing the entertainment. After this I got a call from the town Mayor offering to make our project one of the charities that he would sponsor during his year of office. The Dorset County Association and the Salisbury Diocesan Guild also made generous offers of support from their bell funds.

Wareham is within three miles of several landfill sites, one operated by Viridor. The landfill levy enables such companies to make grants towards community projects close to their operations. Viridor Credits has been very generous to the town in general and our church in particular. Recently, the Mayor of Wareham presented us with a cheque for more than £1k and welcome though the cash is, his support more importantly helped us demonstrate wider community interest in the project, a key requirement of the Viridor Credits scheme. The ringers were overjoyed when in the autumn of 2013, Viridor Credits offered us a net £14.4k, the lion’s share of the cost of the tenor bell excluding VAT.

So, only 6 months after the launch of the appeal we were able to place an order with Taylors secured by a deposit refundable if a faculty was not forthcoming. A faculty was granted by the Salisbury Dioceses in January 2014 and the order was confirmed.

The tenor was cast in April and a party of ringers and interested townspeople travelled to Loughborough to witness the event. Simon Adams and his staff made us most welcome



Jackie Maw – Team Vicar and compere



Steve Westerman

and everyone enjoyed the day out, many more parishioners wishing they had joined us when they heard the accounts and saw the photos.

Rehanging work could not start until the end of May because the daughter of Bill Day, one of our ringers and church choir master, was getting married and we wished to ring for that occasion. For PR reasons we decided we would like the new bell displayed in the church over Easter. Tim Collins, who had worked on the augmentation in 1972, collected the bell from Loughborough and supervised it being wheeled into the church after it had been unloaded by a helpful local farmer and his large tractor.

The new bell carries several inscriptions apart from Taylors name and logo. On one side is the name “Lady St. Mary” and on the other “Given by the people of Wareham assisted by Viridor Credits”. Also the headstock has a small inscription “C.T. Brown Wareham Ringer 1955 - 2003” commemorating Chris Brown who did such sterling work in 1959. On the morning of 30th April a peal of Bob Royal was rung, the last on the old tenor. That afternoon Steve Westerman, one of Taylors bell hangers arrived and preparatory work started in the bell chamber.

Then, at 5pm the Bishop of Sherborne, The Rt Revd Dr. Graham Kings, dedicated it in a short ceremony in the presence of the ringers, parishioners, interested townfolk and representatives of Viridor Credits and the Ringing associations. Bishop Graham asked me to give him a name for the bell which we called “Mary”.

The next day Steve lowered the old bell and hung the new one in the existing pit. Being significantly heavier (17-1-20) and longer than the old bell but slightly less in diameter, we

worried that the pit would be too small. However, Taylors had done their homework and it just fits snugly.

By Friday afternoon, Steve had finished and his band of local helpers had a well deserved rest until Monday when Paul Mason arrived to finish setting up the tenor and to supervise the swapping of pits for the 6th and 7th bells. Phil and Tim Salter had already replaced pullies and drawn the ropes of the front four bells, under direction from Taylors, this quite simple procedure greatly improved the rope sight on the front six. Swapping the 6th and 7th completed the task. However, this was a bit daunting for the locals as it necessitated moving a frame side by a few inches and reseating the pullies and hasting stay mechanisms. Paul did this successfully and he had completed his work by Tuesday afternoon. We rang the bells up and tried the tenor out. We were well pleased with the result and the new bell rung for its first service on Sunday 11th May.

The Wareham band is very pleased with the bell and is most grateful to all the Taylors staff, who worked with us on the various tasks. The locals were principally Phil Stephens and me, who was there the entire time. Sadly, I was only fit to be a passer of tools. Tim Salter and Geoff Browne of Wareham, and Phil Miles of the Swanage band, provided much needed agility and each gave several days of their time. I should also mention David Haysom of Swanage who came one day just to take a few photos and was press-ganged into moving large pieces of timber into the tower. All volunteers cheerfully did many awkward jobs under the direction of the bell-hangers, and managed to tread the treacherous line between using their initiatives and not telling the experts how to do their jobs!

Amazingly, the project was completed within twelve months of its launch and is more or less paid for. In fact, with the change in VAT rules concerning bells and listed churches, there is a good chance that we will get some VAT refunded. In which case, we will not need all of the grant offered by the ringing associations and may even have enough left in the kitty to buy the new set of ropes that we badly need. There only remains the tricky job of getting the sound balance right within the ringing room. All the necessary material, insulation board and timber etc., is bought and stored in the bell chamber. We are not rushing to do this last part of the job as it is very much a trial and error exercise, best done slowly. As soon as we are reasonably happy with this final phase, hopefully by the end of summer, we will ring the first peal on the new bell. I only wish that my old friend Chris Dalton was here to give his opinion on the new bell, a task he would have done without fear or favour.

GRAHAM ELMES
Tower Captain, Lady St Mary Wareham



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A Life Remembered – Philip Faulks of Warwick

SIR, – Bob and I were saddened to read the obituary for Philip Faulks on page 704, who was the last of the original band of older ringers at St Mary's, Warwick when we moved there in 1971. The others, Lilian Stain and John and Peggy Thornton have sadly passed on previously.

In the early 70s the ten bells were still on plain bearings and with the tower sway were quite a handful. Also at that time the parishes of St Nicholas' and St Mary's - which is, in effect, the 'county church' of Warwickshire - had not merged and their ringing bands were essentially separate. St Mary's had just recruited a fair number of teenagers and after Bob had been asked to be ringing master we older members plus Kate Moir set about teaching them to ring. The style of teaching in those days was that given in The Tutor's Handbook, a CC publication, whose maxim was 'create and then build on a solid foundation, but make haste slowly'. It was perhaps different from the style which often prevails today.

Philip was an essential member of the teaching team and within a few months we rang a quarter of Plain Bob Doubles on the front six, which was the first quarter by the local band for nearly 15 years. We came second to the St Nicholas' band in the Coventry DG's striking competition.

The team spent a number of years teaching the youngsters basic method ringing and good striking, with quarter after quarter of PBD, first on the treble and then first inside, with finally a peal for some. This culminated before we departed for Winchester in 1975 with a well-struck quarter of Plain Bob Triples by the home-grown band, which was quite a task on the bells at the time. Annual trips with the youngsters to The Hereford Course were

always eagerly awaited and great fun. Shortly following our departure the two parishes and bands combined.

Philip rang in most of the quarters, conducting one once, in Plain Bob up to Caters at St Mary's and other churches in Warwickshire and, as I note from my records, inside to a quarter of Grandsire Caters. Sadly we last sat with him at John Thornton's funeral a year or so ago.

The St Mary's band in the early 70s was also very kind to our daughter, Julia, then a toddler and made a crèche for her in the ringing chamber for use on Sundays. They were good days, and probably the most satisfying of our ringing career.

GAIL CATER

York

Laughter is the best medicine

SIR, – I could not let Jeremy Byers' letter of June 27th ('Healthy Handling', p 662) escape without at least one considered reply. As he states, there has been much discussion about the health-giving aspects of the use of statins recently. However, I must refer readers of *The Ringing World* to recent guidelines issued by NICE (The National Institute of the Change-ringing Exercise). Within these guidelines are some pertinent points. Firstly, rather like change ringers themselves giving up ringing, some 30% of statin-takers give up taking their treatment within one year of starting. There are numerous reasons for this including boredom, lack of progression and harsh words from the doctor (conductor).

However, it is thought that statins can prevent slow back strokes, such a common problem with U.K. ringers, and can be used as a reason for missing practice - "I'm on tablets, you know".

Some people consider that nearly everybody would benefit from taking statins - which could be a dire death knell for change ringing!

There is probably more mileage in the fact that, because you are ascending and descending a tricky tower at least once a week, exercise and a healthy lifestyle are more important than tablets.

Interestingly, stroking a pet animal (a form of back stroke) has definitely been found to decrease morbidity in humans. So, forget the tablets and get a cat.

DAVID TIMMINS

Rochford, Essex

John Murphy

SIR, – The letter about John Murphy in the current RW (p.692) reminded me that I have in my files a newspaper report of his death on 4 February 1879. An official announcement appeared the next day in *The Freeman's Journal*, together with a longer account, which gives a good pen-picture of his character.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN MURPHY,
BELL-FOUNDER.

Our obituary record to-day contains the announcement of the death of Mr. John Murphy, of Thomas-street, and of Williamstown, county Dublin. He died yesterday morning at his suburban residence in Williamstown, having attained to the good old age of nearly four-score of years. Mr. Murphy had acquired a large and a wide celebrity as one of the most eminent and successful bell-founders of our age, and had sent his name in the tuneful productions of his foundry to the most distant parts of the world. His melodious bells may be heard in nearly every corner of our own land, and in Dublin their tones are as familiar as they are sweet and welcome. He was one of the oldest of the citizens of Dublin, and he loved the City of his birth and of his work with a truly intense affection. He was for some time past in delicate health, and his illness was much increased by the death of his only son, a couple of weeks ago. Mr. Murphy was a true-hearted Irishman, a staunch Liberal, an earnest Catholic, and always ready to help in every way he could the advance of that religion and of those political principles to which he was a staunch adherent. In private life he was kindly and genial, and has left behind him a family and troops of friends who will miss and mourn his presence from amongst them.

The Freeman's Journal was founded in 1763 and the last issue was published on 19 December 1924. Although it varied over the years, it was mostly in the nationalist cause, refelected in the article

JOHN EISEL

Hereford

25 Years Ago

The Ringing World, 14 July, 1989
Selected by the Editor

Letters – Explicitly sexist

I write to register my disapproval of the publication of an explicitly sexist article in your journal, namely “The Duties and Responsibilities of the Tower Captain”, page 593.

There were no fewer than 10 incidences of the tower captain’s office being associated exclusively with men through use of the words he, himself, his, etc. This is not acceptable in an age when we should all be promoting equality of access and opportunity and creating the correct and proper attitudes. I appreciate that to some, my criticisms will seem pedantic but the language we use both in its spoken and written forms is so vitally important to our perception and understanding.

The duties and responsibilities of an editor are as onerous and complex as those of a tower captain, and both roles must accept that sexism has no place in the promotion and practice of bellringing.

T. CHITTENDEN

Billingshurst, W. Sussex

The article was of course the text of a lecture delivered 25 years ago when sexism was a less sensitive issue; however, we have noted T. Chittenden’s (sex not given) admonition. – Ed.



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The closing date for entries is midnight on **Thursday, 17th July**, so get writing now!



Old St Martin in the Cornmarket



Worcester Cathedral



Team registration in the Cathedral Chapter House on Saturday morning (Photos by the Editor)

Prolific Peal Ringers

by Bill Butler, consultant to CC Biographies Committee

No.20 Herbert E. Audsley (1900-1987)

Herbert Audsley, not quite the youngest of a very large family, was born at Crayford, Kent on 31st January, 1900, his forebears having lived in the locality for nearly two hundred years. He was taught to ring along with three of his brothers at Crayford by Edwin Barnett, Snr just before the beginning of the 1914-1918 War but made little headway till after he returned from Germany and the war in 1919. He then made rapid progress and rang his first peal, one of Grandsire Triples, on 10th January, 1920. His first as conductor was later the same year on 30th August, also at Crayford but this time the method was Kent Treble Bob Major.

At that period of time there were a number of excellent peal ringers in that part of Kent and in his early days he was closely associated with two of them, John Cheesman and Edwin Barnett, Snr.

In the 1930s *The Ringing World* carried a series of articles on the leading conductors of the day and, in describing Herbert, suggested that he was extremely capable of conducting peals but seldom sought to do so. Of the 709 peals he had rung at that time, John Cheesman and Edwin Barnett, Snr had conducted over 500 of them!

On 26th June, 1948 he married Miss Elsie Nolan, who was also well known as a ringer in Crayford. His best man was Harry Hoverd, a fellow ringer with whom he had rung several hundred peals.

He rang his 1,000th peal at Dartford, Kent on 18th April, 1955, by conducting one of Stedman Triples. Notable peals were 7,392 Cambridge Surprise Maximus at St Mary-le-Bow in 1925, which was the first long length in the method and the first peal of Cinques to be rung by the Devon Guild at Exeter in 1927. He was the twentieth person to ring 1,000 peals.

Here are a couple of other interesting facts. Although he rang peals all over the country, there were four towers in three adjoining towns in which his peal ringing was concentrated. He rang 222 peals at Crayford, 184 at St John's, Erith, 44 at Christ Church, Erith and 112 at Dartford, so over half his peals were at these four towers! He is believed to be the first ringer to ring more than 100 peals in three different towers.

He rarely became involved in administrative matters but he was elected Master of the Society of Cumberland Youths in 1956. He rang his last peal for this Society on 1st October, 1977, one of Cambridge Surprise Major at Crayford, Kent, conducted by Edwin A. Barnett.

Indifferent health kept him out of active ringing in his final years but he retained his interest to the end. He died on 10th August, 1987 at the age of 87. A large gathering of ringers supported his widow, family and

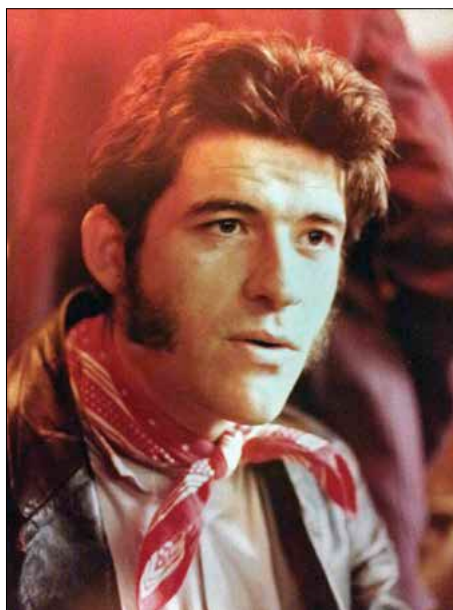


friends at the simple funeral which was a worthy tribute to this very remarkable man who had such a long and distinguished career.

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Roger Bailey remembered



Wild NorthWest Bailey

For many years Roger Bailey marked his own birthday with a peal attempt, the number of changes being significant. Whilst Stedman on higher numbers would have been an easy option to get the required length Roger choose

to stick to Major, and often at his home tower of Willesden, with some ingenious compositions including 5054 Cambridge Surprise, 5055 Grandsire, 5057 Double Norwich Court Bob, 5058 Bristol Surprise and 5059 Lessness Surprise. The conductors (as Roger did not call all of these peals himself) may not have appreciated the ingenuity when being presented with the composition just a few hours before the start, it having only been worked out in the small hours of the previous night.

Of the birthday peals the Grandsire Major is particularly memorable as the whole band enjoyed the novelty of the method when it was attempted on 25th June 2001. However, through a mis-calling towards the end, that attempt did not come round. The band duly assembled again in October and scored the peal but it was something of a chore this time.

Since Roger's death in January 2013 bands have continued to remember Roger with peals, quarter peals and general ringing. In January this year the University of London Society organised a day of ringing in memory of Roger. This received considerable notice through *BellBoard*, with the plain course of Stedman Caters at the Queen's Tower receiving over 900 views, more than 700 of them just because of the footnote, as initially the band was not listed.

At Willesden the local band (and supporters) have remembered Roger with quarter peals, the most recent of which, 1260 Grandsire Doubles, was scored on 25th June 2014. The submission of this to *BellBoard* also solicited much interest largely due to the attached photograph of Roger (which had only recently come to light) dating perhaps from his twenties or thirties when cowboys still provided fashion inspiration.

J.W.

Willesden, Middx. 25 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Susie Daniels 1, Linda Foddering 2, Margaret Pratt 3, James White (C) 4, David Wilson 5, Adrian Udal 6. Remembering Roger Bailey on the 68th anniversary of his birth.

MIDDLESEX C.A. & LONDON D.G.

ISLINGTON, Middx,
9G Highbury Crescent
Wed Jun 25 2014 2h30 (11)
5152 Spliced S Major
(4m: 1376 Superlative, 1312
Yorkshire, 1248 Lincolnshire, 1216
Cambridge; 116 com, atw)
Comp. Roger Bailey
1-2 Prudence Fay
3-4 Ruth Blackwell
5-6 Peter J Blight
7-8 David G Maynard (C)
Rung to mark the 68th
anniversary of the birth of
Roger Bailey.

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AMERSHAM GUILD

HUGHENDEN, Bucks, St Michael & All Angels
Thu Jun 26 2014 2h57 (15)
5024 Cryers Hill S Major
Comp. R Baldwin
1 David A Cornwall
2 J Alan Ainsworth
3 Roger Baldwin(C)
4 Gwen Rogers
5 Shirley E McGill
6 John B Keeler
7 Philip Rogers
8 Ian G Campbell
First peal in the method.
Criers Hill S Major:
a.38-56.14.56-58.36.12-14.58-16-58

BATH & WELLS D.A.

CHILCOMPTON, Som, St John the Baptist
Sun Jun 22 2014 3h13 (19)
5042 Pudsey S Maximus
Comp. Don Morrison
1 James A Hookin
2 Jody A Wood
3 Jane Hooker
4 Mervyn G Buckley
5 Raymond Haines
6 Jenny M A Astridge
7 Christopher R Field
8 Michael R Spencer
9 Joseph St J Beaumont (C)
10 Robert E Beck
11 Adrian P Beck
12 David C J Marshall
Rung for the festival of St John the Baptist.
1,550th peal: 6.

BRADFORD ON AVON, Wiltshire, Holy Trinity
Sat Jun 28 2014 3h40 (29)
5024 Yorkshire S Major
Comp. David Hull (No.2)
1 Julian J Hemper
2 Claire O'Mahony
3 Nicki J Lang
4 Christopher R Field
5 Robert Perry (C)
6 Robert E Beck
7 Andy Mead
8 Adrian P Beck
Birthday compliments to Aaron, No.1 son and Princess Emily.

CENTRAL EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION

DORDRECHT, The Netherlands, 't Kloekhuys
Thu May 29 2014 2h29 (2)
5088 Lessness S Major
Comp. S Jenner
1 Rodney A Yeates
2 Eric R Trumpler
3 Clive G Smith
4 Paul M de Kok
5 Brian P Diserens
6 Michael J Trimm
7 David C Ockwell
8 Harm Jan A de Kok (C)
First in the method: 2.

CHESTER D.G.

CHESTER, Cathedral Church of Christ & Blessed Virgin Mary
Mon Apr 21 2014 3h37 (25)
5056 Littleport LS Maximus
Comp. D F Morrison (No.6353)
1 Patrick W Deakin (C)
2 Paul B Hunter
3 David T G Jones
4 Ian W Taylor
5 Neil Bennett
6 Andrew J Rawlinson
7 Liam M Craddock
8 Duncan L C Hyde
9 Peter Wilkinson
10 Colin Woods
11 Lenard J Mitchell
12 Peter L Furniss
Rung in celebration of the 88th birthdays of HM Queen Elizabeth II and Agnes 'Nancy' Campbell (grandmother of 8) both on this day.
1st peal on 12 as conductor.

COVENTRY D.G.

KINETON, Warwicks, St Peter
Sun Jun 29 2014 2h38 (10)
5024 Rutland S Major
Comp. N Smith
1 Ian Butters
2 Richard Lewis-Skeath
3 Keith F Chambers
4 Graham Nabb
5 Karen M French
6 Bernard F L Groves
7 Susan E Marshall
8 Michael Chester (C)
Rung for the Patronal Festival.
100th peal: 3.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

BOW, Gtr London, E3, St Mary
Thu Jun 26 2014 2h59 (14)
5056 Tavistock S Major
Comp. Richard I Allton
1 Shirley E McGill
2 Joanna K Doring
3 Timothy R Forster
4 Ian G Campbell
5 Benjamin D Kipling
6 Alan Regin
7 Richard M Hobbs (C)
8 Russell A Brown

G. DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

CHILCOMPTON, Som, St John Bapt
Fri Jun 27 2014 3h16 (19)
5088 Lyddington S Maximus
Comp. R D S Brown
1 P Wynn Campbell
2 Adrian P Beck
3 Susan D Sparling
4 Raymond Haines
5 Richard H Johnston
6 Ian V J Smith
7 Thomas R Garrett
8 Ian L C Campbell
9 Peter G Brown
10 Nigel R Woodruff
11 Michael E C Mears
12 David Hird (C)
300th tower for a peal: 9.

THORVERTON, Devon, St Thomas of Canterbury
Thu Jun 26 2014 2h54 (15)
5024 London S Major
Comp. D F Morrison (No.1197)
1 Ian V J Smith
2 Alison C Waterson
3 Timothy M Bayton
4 Richard H Johnston
5 Peter L Bill
6 Pauline Champion
7 John R Martin
8 Michael E C Mears (C)

HUNTSHAM, Devon, All Saints
Thu Jun 26 2014 2h48 (8)
5029 No 5029 Nunney Castle S Major
Comp. Robert D S Brown
1 Graham W Elmes
2 Mervyn C Way
3 Jeffrey Knipe
4 Lesley A Knipe
5 Michael Hatchett
6 Richard A M Newman
7 Richard H Johnston
8 Robert D S Brown (C)
Remembering Great Western Castle Class Locomotive 5029 Nunney Castle Built May 1934. First shed allocations Old Oak Common. Last shed allocation Cardiff East Dock. Withdrawn December 1963. Acquired by Woodham's, Barry May 1964. Sold to Great Western Society and left as the 81st departure from Barry, May 1976. Now preserved.
First peal in the method.
No 5029 Nunney Castle S Major:
x3x4x5x6x2x3x45x6x2.7 le2 [b] fch BGac

EXETER, Devon, St Mark
Sat Jun 28 2014 2h57 (12)
5000 London No.3 S Royal
Comp. D C Brown
1 Roger King
2 Pauline Champion
3 Peter L Bill
4 Alison C Waterson
5 Ian V J Smith
6 Timothy M Bayton
7 John R Martin
8 David Hird
9 Richard Harrison
10 Michael E C Mears (C)
250th peal: 9.
100th of London: 5.

THORVERTON, Devon, St Thomas of Canterbury
Sat Jun 28 2014 2h49 (15)
5024 Spiced S Major
(8m: 672 London, Rutland; 640 Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative; 608 Bristol; 576 Cambridge, Yorkshire; 129 com, atw)
Comp. N R Aspland
1 Alison C Waterson
2 Timothy M Bayton
3 Roger King
4 Richard H Johnston
5 Pauline Champion
6 Ian V J Smith
7 David Hird
8 Michael E C Mears (C)

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DORSET C.A.

BERRY POMEROY, Devon, St Mary
Mon Jun 16 2014 3h12 (15)
5012 Ashcombe A Major
Comp. Robert D S Brown
1 Lesley A Knipe
2 Mervyn C Way
3 Michael Hatchett
4 Graham W Elmes
5 Richard H Johnston
6 Jeffrey Knipe
7 Robert D S Brown (C)
8 Timothy F Collins
1,500th peal: 6.
First peal in the method.
Ashcombe A Major:
x3x4x5x6x2x3x45x6x7 le 2 [b] fch BDC

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

NEWBURN ON TYNE, Tyne & Wear, St Michael & All Angels
Fri Jun 27 2014 2h48 (9)
5184 Spiced S Major
(4m: 1536 Cambridge; 1344 Yorkshire; 1152 each London, Rutland)
Comp. D F Morrison (No.849)
1 Barbara Davies
2 Alan M Barber
3 Anne E Davies
4 William Davidson
5 Andrew J Cairns
6 Howard E J Smith
7 Matthew D Hetherington
8 Jeremy R Housden (C)
A 21st birthday compliment to Rebekah Housden (24/06/2014).

FREEHOLD SOCIETY

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics, Bell Foundry Campanile
Mon Jun 23 2014 2h23 (7)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: London, Bourne, Surfleet, Norwich, Beverley, Ipswich, Cambridge)
1 Clive J Mobbs
2 Patricia A M Halls
3 Francis W Fisher
4 Raymond H Daw
5 Frank R Morton
6 Andrew F Aldrick (C)
After meeting short (due to administrative oversight) for Major, with thanks to Revd Reg Stretton for standing down.

HEREFORD D.G.

HOPE BOWDLER, Shrops, St Andrew
Fri May 9 2014 2h35 (9)
5040 Surprise Minor
(8m: (1) Allendale (2) Durham (3) Bourne (4) London (5) Norwich (6) Surfleet, Beverley (7) Cambridge)
1 Valerie M Roberts
2 Neil Bennett
3 Penny J Salisbury
4 Darran Ricks
5 Ashley C Fortey
6 Andrew L Mainwaring (C)
Rung on our Welsh Day Out.

ELMLEY LOVETT, Worcs, St Michael
Sat Jun 21 2014 2h50 (10)
5088 Cambridge S Major
Comp. Donald F Morrison (No.6662)
1 Simon J Ridley
2 Keith G Game
3 Alison R Williams
4 Andrew D Hodgson
5 C Martin Foster
6 Stephen J Bedford
7 Darran Ricks (C)
8 Andrew L Mainwaring

BROMYARD, Herefords, St Peter
Mon Apr 28 2014 2h48 (14)
5040 Grandshire Triples
Comp. J J Parker
1 Linda F Taylor
2 Jo A Hall
3 Karen Parker
4 Colin H Ward
5 David C Parker
6 Richard B Pullin
7 Andrew D Hodgson (C)
8 Daniel Jones
To celebrate the life and ministry of the Revd Walter Gould (1935-2014), Vicar of Bromyard 1973-2000, on the day of his funeral in Hereford Cathedral.
David Jenkins is associated with this peal.
1st peal as conductor.

NORTON CANON, Herefords, St Nicholas
Sat May 24 2014 2h24 (7)
5040 Doubles
(100v: (1) Somerville, Magdalen, St Deborah, St Werburgh (2) St Winifred, Cliff Hill, Smeeton Hill, Holloway Hill (3) St Ignatius, Churchill, St John Divine, Amersham (4) Winchester, Wykeham, Quinquagesima, Vectis (5) St Jude, St Laurence, St Stephen, St Austell (6) Southampton, Romsay, Ember, Hampshire (7) Eynsham, St Leonard, St John Baptist, St Ninian (8) St Wilfrid, St Oswald, Septuagesima, Sussex (9) Elford, Austrey, St Wenceslas, St Felix (10) St Katherine, St Magnus, Sexagesima, Kent (11) St Alban, St Paul, St John Evangelist, St Ambrose (12) Nuffield, Wadhams, Palmer, St Richard (13) Nest Hill, Durnford, Alternative, Delight (14) Chilton, Heyford, Dummer, Sarratt (15) Lyndhurst, Brockenhurst, Mottisfont, Uphill (16) St Crispin, St Mary, Laverstoke, St Cecilia (17) Hordle, St Nicolas, Bishops Sutton, Stoneham (18) St John, Lapley, Obediah, Horsley (19) Lockerley, Lonsdale, Rye, Over Wallop (20) St Miles, St Giles, Ezneih, Church Greasley (21) Campion (22) Inkpen (23) Royston (24) Aberteifi (25) St David (26) Alveley (27) Clifford's Pleasure (28) Salwarpe (29) Wychbold (30) Southrepps (31) Wychbold (32) Hudibras (33) St Agnes (34) May Day (35) St Saviour (36) Litchurch (37) Hilmoreton (38) April Day (39) Windrush (40) Dedworth (41) Kennington (42) Dedworth)

1 Andrew D Hodgson
2 John W Hope
3 C Martin Foster
4 Andrew L Mainwaring (C)
5 Daniel Jones
Rung in memory of Mrs Goodwin, who was the local lady at The Three Horseshoes, Norton Canon.
1,000th peal for the illustrious HDGB:4.
250th peal together: 4 & 5.

BURGHILL, Herefords, St Mary the Virgin
Thu Jun 5 2014 2h52 (10)
5152 Spiced S Major
(23m: 224 each Yorkshire, Uxbridge, Cornwall, Double Dublin, Bristol, Whalley, Watford, London, Tavistock, Glasgow, Cambridge, Cassiobury, Lindum, Superlative, Wembley, Rutland, Jersey, Preston, Ipswich, Cray, Ashstead, Lincolnshire, Pudsey; 160 com, atw)
Comp. Norman Smith
1 Jo Hall
2 Darran Ricks
3 James Clatworthy
4 Neil Bennett
5 C Martin Foster
6 Roman E Sadowski
7 Andrew L Mainwaring (C)
8 Ashley C Fortey

HEREFORD C.A.

ALDBURY, Hertfords, St John Bapt
Fri Mar 28 2014 2h33 (6)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: London, York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet, Norwich, Cambridge)
1 David A Cornwall
2 Keith D Waples
3 Peter G C Ellis
4 Robert J Crocker (C)
5 L Roy Woodruff
6 Colin M Turner

BUSHEY, Herts, St James the Apostle
Mon Jun 23 2014 2h37 (12)
5024 Bristol S Major
Comp. M B Davies
1 James W S Crawley
2 J Alan Ainsworth
3 Roger Baldwin (C)
4 Siân E Austin
5 David A Cornwall
6 David J Dearnley
7 Samuel M Austin
8 Paul N Mounsey

HAYNES, Beds, St Mary
Wed Jun 25 2014 2h30 (6)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: London, York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet, Norwich, Cambridge)
1 David A Cornwall
2 Keith D Waples
3 Robert J Crocker (C)
4 Janet E Menhinick
5 Colin M Turner
6 L Roy Woodruff

KENT C.A.

CHISLEHURST, Gtr London, Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mon Jun 23 2014 3h10 (19)
5024 Spiced S Major
(8m: 640 Bristol, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative; 608 Cambridge, London, Yorkshire; 156 com, atw)
Comp. G A C John
1 Gwen Rogers
2 Ronald F Diserens
3 Shirley E McGill
4 Jack P Gunning
5 John B Keeler
6 Michael A Birkbeck
7 David W Grimwood
8 Philip Rogers (C)
1,000th peal of Major: 5.

MAIDSTONE, Kent, All Saints
Tue Jun 24 2014 3h24 (32)
5200 Cambridge S Royal
Comp. P F Windley
& J A Ainsworth
1 Andrew J Corby
2 Susan L Apter
3 Philip H Larter
4 David E Rothera
5 Andrew M Hills
6 David Kirkcaldy
7 J Alan Ainsworth
8 David W Grimwood
9 John B Keeler (C)
10 Michael A Birkbeck
200th on bells: 10.
600th on bells: 9.

LANCASHIRE ASSN

FARNWORTH, Gtr Man, St John
Fri Jun 27 2014 2h50 (12)
5056 The University of York S Major
Comp. D G Hull
1 Ian Smith
2 James E Andrews
3 Anne C Orme
4 Raymond A Hutchings
5 Gail L Randall
6 Peter C Randall (C)
7 C Michael Orme
8 Peter G Bellamy-Knights

LINCOLN D.G.

BLANKNEY, Lincs, St Oswald
Fri Jun 27 2014 2h40 (9)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: Carlisle, Chester, Munden,
Alnwick, Newcastle, Northumberland,
Sandiacre)
1 Michael J Belcher
2 Andrew Blacklock
3 Ruth Curtis
4 Christopher C P Woodcock
5 Paul F Curtis
6 Graham J N Colborne (C)

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

TREDUNNOC, Mon, St Andrew
Mon Jun 23 2014 2h36 (9)
5040 Doubles
(3m: Rev Canterbury Pleasure Pl (14
exts, 8 callings); Grandsire (14 exts,
10 callings); Plain B (3 x 240 & 8 exts,
4 callings)
1 Jack A Long
2 Anne L Kleiser
3 John E Hopkins
4 Kenneth Phillips
5 Malcolm T Johns (C)
6 William J Ruck
In memory of Philip Weeks of
Ebbw Vale.
Birthday compliments to 2 & 3.
1st peal: 6.

**MIDDLESEX C.A.
& LONDON D.G.**

HESTON, Middx, St Leonard
Sat Apr 26 2014 3h (14)
5050 Triples & Major
(2880 Plain B Major, 2170 Plain B
Triples; 9 com)
Comp. Roger Bailey
1 Mary E Gow
2 Stephen J F Mitchell
3 Martin F Mitchell
4 Peter H Mackie
5 Edward J W Manley
6 Christopher P Giddins
7 James White (C)
8 William J Stungo
On Middlesex Association AGM
Day, remembering the composer.

**THE FELLOWSHIP OF
NARNIA YOUTHS**

GOSPORT, Hants,
Jack & Jill House Campanile
Sat Jun 21 2014 1h54 (11b)
5088 Ealing S Major
Comp. A G Reading
1 Edward P D Colliss (C)
2 Lizzie J Hough
3 James A Hodkin
4 David J Mattingley
5 Benjamin J Carey
6 Stephen S Russ
7 Roy LeMarechal
8 Malcolm M Powell
Rung as a Graduation
compliment to Alex Marchbank.
Circled the tower: 1, and as
conductor.

NON-ASSOCIATION

NEWCASTLE UNDER LYME,
Staffs, St Giles
Sat Jun 21 2014 3h9 (17)
5136 Bristol S Maximus
Comp. J H Potter
1 Ian P Hill
2 Lee Pinnington
3 Michael R Crockett
4 Pauline Champion
5 Paul McNutt
6 Andrew J Rawlinson
7 Graham M Bradshaw
8 Jonathan H Potter (C)
9 Peter L Furniss
10 Stuart C W Hutchieson
11 Nicholas D Brown
12 Paul J Tiebout

CITY OF LONDON, EC3,
St Magnus the Martyr
Sun Jun 29 2014 3h37 (27)
5136 Spliced S Maximus
(4m: 1344 Bristol; 1296 Zanussi; 1248
each Barford, Cambridge; 47 com, atw)
Comp. J H Potter
1 John P Loveless
2 David J Dearnley
3 Shirley E McGill
4 Lee Pinnington
5 Adam S Greenley
6 Ian R Fielding
7 Jonathan H Potter (C)
8 Benjamin D Constant
9 Alban D Forster
10 Paul J Tiebout
11 Oliver D Cross
12 Stephen A Coaker

N. STAFFORDSHIRE ASSN

KEELE, Staffs, Woodlands
Wed Jun 25 2014 2h8 (1031b)
5056 Spliced S Major
(5m: 1056 Yorkshire; 1024 Lincolnshire;
992 each Cambridge, Superlative; 960
Rutland; 120 com, atw)
Comp. T W Goodyer
& D F Morrison (No.59)
1 R Jean Nixon
2 Philip W Gay
3 Ian W Taylor
4 Brian V Mountjoy
5 Harold Dowler
6 Timothy C Hine
7 Raymond J Ballard
8 Timothy M Davis (C)

NORWICH D.A.

SOUTH WALSHAM, Norfolk,
St Mary
Sat Jun 28 2014 2h30 (8)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: London, Carlisle, York, Ipswich,
Bourne, Cambridge, Norwich)
1 David Cubitt
2 Neil M Thomas
3 Janet House
4 Peter J Sawyer
5 Faith J Pearce
6 Richard P J Carter (C)
Rung to mark the 60th birthday
of Rosie Carter (25/6/14).

OXFORD D.G.

SHIPLAKE, Oxon,
SS Peter & Paul
Sat Jun 21 2014 2h53 (9)
5152 Ealing S Major
Comp. Robert D S Brown
1 Timothy G Pett (C)
2 Mary C Friskney
3 James M Champion
4 Douglas J Beaumont
5 Stuart F Gibson
6 Stephen R Smith
7 Joanna E Knight
8 Robert A Partridge
Circled the tower to peals: 6.

CHALFONT ST GILES, Bucks,
St Giles
Fri Jun 27 2014 2h36 (8)
5152 Lincolnshire S Major
Comp. Donald F Morrison
(No.3560)
1 David A Cornwall
2 Brian C Watson
3 L Roy Woodruff
4 David Burbidge
5 Christopher W Hoare
6 John C Davidge
7 J Alan Ainsworth (C)
8 Stephen J Crawley
50th peal on the bells: 4.

SAFFRON WALDEN SOC.

SAFFRON WALDEN, Essex,
St Mary the Virgin
Sat Jun 21 2014 3h16 (23)
5016 Grandsire Cinques
1 D Graham Hall
2 Nicholas T Smith
3 Liz Griffith-Jones
4 John A Hall
5 Mary Bone
6 Fred J P Bone
7 June Mackay
8 Stephen C Wood
9 James J Watkins (C)
10 Alan D Forster
11 Brian G Meads
12 John D Hammond
Rung for Great Ringing Day
and to mark the centenary of
the augmentation to 12 bells.
First peal as conductor.
200th peal: 3.
300th peal: 6.
First of cinques: 5, 6, 9.
First on 12 at first attempt: 7, 10.

ST BLAISE SOCIETY

EAST ILSLEY, Berks, St Mary
Thu Jun 26 2014 2h31 (8)
5184 Huancayo D Major
Comp. Harry Poyner
1 Timothy G Pett
2 Lee Pinnington
3 Nicola J Turner (C)
4 Cynthia E Howell
5 Peter Bridle
6 John C Sheppard
7 Richard L Thurwood
8 Colin M Turner
1,000th peal together: 5 & 6.

NORTHMOOR, Oxon, St Denys
Sat Jun 28 2014 2h41 (11)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: London, Carlisle, York, Bourne,
Beverley, Cambridge, Norwich)
1 Cynthia E Howell
2 Nicola J Turner (C)
3 Helen J Piper
4 Timothy G Pett
5 Robert J Crocker
6 Colin M Turner

SHELLINGFORD, Oxon, St Faith
Sat Jun 28 2014 2h35 (6)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: London, York, Durham, Beverley,
Surfleet, Norwich, Cambridge)
1 Nicola J Turner
2 Helen J Piper
3 Cynthia E Howell
4 L Roy Woodruff
5 Colin M Turner
6 Robert J Crocker (C)

ST MARTIN'S GUILD

SHIRLEY, W Mids,
St James the Great
Sat Jun 21 2014 2h32 (6)
5088 Spliced S Major
(6m: 1088 Superlative; 960 Rutland;
928 Cambridge; 800 Lincolnshire; 672
Bristol; 640 Yorkshire; 65 com, atw)
Comp. P G K Davies
& D F Morrison
1 Christine Mills
2 Catherine R Taylor
3 Simon J L Linford (C)
4 Richard J Andrew
5 Andy D Clark
6 Stephen W Horton
7 Stephen M Jones
8 Paul Needham
First Spliced: 5.

ST MICHAEL'S SOCIETY

BRISTOL, SS Philip & Jacob
Sat Jun 21 2014 3h18 (19)
5024 Bristol S Major
Comp. A G Reading (No.13)
1 Robert C Beavis
2 Edward R Mack
3 Anthony M Bulteel
4 Christine R Hill
5 Simon A Percy
6 Peter W Hill
7 Alan G Reading (C)
8 Katharine A Hill
With best wishes and
congratulations to the tenor
ringer for her forthcoming
graduation and move to
Guildford to start work.

**S. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
SOCIETY**

GUERNSEY, CI,
St Marguerite de la Foret, Forest
Fri Jun 20 2014 2h45 (5)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: Hull, Cunecastre, Carlisle,
Barnborough, Westminster, Lightfoot,
Warkworth)
1 Simon L Edwards
2 Ruth Stokes
3 Andrew Haseldine
4 Julie A Haseldine
5 Richard A Horne
6 Christopher C Stokes (C)
38th Wedding Anniversary
compliment to Julie and
Andrew Haseldine.

GUERNSEY, CI, St Peter the
Apostle & Martyr, St Peter Port
Sat Jun 21 2014 3h6 (21)
5056 Cambridge S Major
Comp. James S Wilde
1 Julie A Haseldine
2 Ruth Stokes
3 Duncan Loweth
4 Simon L Edwards
5 Tim Wainwright
6 Christopher C Stokes
7 Richard A Horne
8 Andrew Haseldine (C)
First peal in the method: 3, 5.

**SOUTHWELL &
NOTTINGHAM D.G.**

BURY ST EDMUNDS, Suffolk,
Cathedral Church of St James
Sat Jun 28 2014 3h20 (27)
5040 Bristol S Maximus
Comp. Donald F Morrison
(No.743)
1 Ruth Curtis
2 Susan E Marshall
3 Ian Butters (C)
4 Lesley H M Boyle
5 Christopher N McCarthy
6 David E Rothera
7 Paul F Curtis
8 David G Maynard
9 Andrew Blacklock
10 Ian G Campbell
11 Brian G Meads
12 Andrew B Mills

SUFFOLK GUILD

OLD STOKE, Ipswich, Suffolk,
The Wolery
Wed Jun 25 2014 1h43 (91b)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: London, Nethersale, Beverley,
Bourne, Cambridge, Surfleet, Norwich)
1 Michael J Edwards
2 David G Salter (C)
3 Thomas G Scase
4 Clare L Veal
5 Mary E Dunbavin
6 Colin F Salter
A 16th birthday compliment to
Colin F Salter.

IPSWICH, Suffolk,
St Mary-le-Tower
Wed Jun 25 2014 2h54 (11)
5152 Spliced S Major
(10m: 672 each Rutland, Uxbridge,
Yorkshire; 448 each Ashted, Bristol,
Cambridge, Lincolnshire, London,
Pudsey, Superlative; atw 160 com –
7 part)
Comp. T G Pett
1 Brian E Whiting (C)
2 Joan Garrett
3 David E Rothera
4 Jed Flatters
5 Richard J Munnings
6 Margaret H Ross
7 George M Salter
8 David A Potts
With the band's best wishes to
Christine Knight who was to
have been in this peal; thinking
of you Christine.

SOUTHWOLD, Suffolk,
St Edmund King & Martyr
Sat Jun 28 2014 2h49 (11)
5024 Yorkshire S Major
Comp. Donald F Morrison
1 Brian E Whiting
2 Thomas G Scase
3 Peter W Harper
4 Michelle L Williams
5 Jed Flatters
6 Timothy M D Stanford
7 Paul A J Bray
8 Michael G Whitby (C)
Rung for the opening of
Southwold Arts Festival.
First of Surprise Major: 4, 6.

SURREY ASSOCIATION

NORTHCHAPEL, W Sussex,
St Michael & All Angels
Fri Jun 27 2014 2h8 (3)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: (1) York (2) Durham (3-4)
Beverley, Surfleet (5) Ipswich (6)
Cambridge (7) Norwich)
1 Christopher R McLean
2 George M Salter
3 Oliver H J Thompson
4 Colin F Salter
5 Roderic K Bickerton
6 David G Salter (C)

CHIDDINGFOLD, Surrey,
St Mary
Sat Jun 28 2014 2h48 (13)
5184 Quedgeley S Major
Gen. SABRE
1 Oliver H J Thompson
2 Ronald F Diserens
3 David Anthony
4 David G Salter (C)
5 Roderic K Bickerton
6 Christopher R McLean
7 Colin F Salter
8 George M Salter

**VALE OF EVESHAM
SOCIETY**

HANBURY, Worcs,
St Mary the Virgin
Tue Jun 3 2014 2h50 (12)
5088 Dorchester S Major
Gen. BYROC
1 Geoffrey W Randall (C)
2 Deborah M Talbott
3 Hilda C Ridley
4 Stuart P B Talbott
5 Richard J Hurst
6 Alan E M Bagworth
7 Andrew F Aldrick
8 Stephen J Bedford
The conductor's first peal on
these bells was rung on 31st
May 1964 – same bell and
method, conducted by Rod Pipe.

KIDDERMINSTER, Worcs,
St Mary & All Saints
Tue Jun 24 2014 3h12 (25)
5082 Cambridge S Royal
Comp. Donald F Morrison
(No.1234)
1 Geoffrey W Randall (C)
2 Michael J Seagrave
3 Hilda C Ridley
4 Stuart P B Talbott
5 Richard J Hurst
6 Stephen J Bedford
7 Alan E M Bagworth
8 Philip G Morgan
9 Darran Ricks
10 Andrew F Aldrick

**WINCHESTER &
PORTSMOUTH D.G.**

AWBRIDGE, Hants,
Clock House Bells
Fri Jun 27 2014 2h47 (3)
5081 Stedman Caters
Comp. J Pladdys,
arr R LeMarechal
1 Janet L Morris
2 Andrew G Craddock
3 Andrew D Barnsdale
4 John P Colliss
5 Roy LeMarechal (C)
6 Jennifer M Herriott
7 John A Dodd
8 Graham W Elmes
9 Richard M Thompson
10 William A Harris
The peal and length were
specially arranged to mark the
tenor ringer's 81st birthday
today.

ALTON, Hants, St Lawrence
Sat Jun 28 2014 3h7 (18)
5120 Bristol S Major
Comp. R Baldwin
1 John A Dodd
2 Roy LeMarechal (C)
3 Philip D Moysse
4 Colin J Butler
5 Daniel Graham
6 Kieran Downer
7 Kristian D Scudamore
8 Steve Castle
Circled tower to peals: 2.

**WORCESTERSHIRE &
DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**

CROOME D'ABITOT, Worcs,
St Mary Magdalene
Sun Jun 29 2014 2h56 (10)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: London, Norwich, Westminster,
York, Bourne, Ipswich, Cambridge)
1 Paul R Smith
2 Steve Bowley
3 Alison R Williams
4 Richard B Pullin (C)
5 Mark A Wilson
6 Robin J Walker
On St Peter's Day following the
Annual Service.
Marking the 251st anniversary
of the church's consecration
which took place on 29th June
1763.
1st 7 Surprise: 2.

YORKSHIRE ASSN

KIRBY HILL, N Yorks, All Saints
Mon Jun 30 2014 2h41 (8)
5040 Minor
(7m: Single Oxford B, Kent TB,
Double Oxford B, Oxford TB, St
Clement's College B, Cambridge S,
Plain B)
1 Ian Boocock
2 Jeffery P Cooper
3 Christopher K Cooper
4 Roger S Riley
5 Robert H Jordan
6 C Barrie Dove (C)

SHEFFIELD, S Yorks,
Christ Church, Dore
Wed Jun 25 2014 2h46 (11)
5152 Carl Wark D Major
Comp. R F Knights
1 Michael Sheeran
2 Richard F Knights (C)
3 Christopher M Bennett
4 Gail L Randall
5 Christopher P Wilton
6 Simon J Reading
7 Tim R Palmer
8 Peter C Randall
First peal in the method.
Carl Wark D Major:
-34-45-2.5-6-234-1-234-5 1h2
200th peal on the bells (first to achieve this total): 6.

DARTON, S Yorks, All Saints
Fri Jun 27 2014 2h48 (9)
5040 Treble Bob Minor
(7m: Kingston TB, London S, London Scholars TB, Ipswich S, Sandal TB, Cambridge S, Oxford TB)
1 Ruth Curtis
2 Barry F Peachey
3 Trevor C Ledger
4 Colin Aked
5 Paul F Curtis
6 C Barrie Dove (C)
Circled the tower, and as conductor, and 3,325th peal: 6.

WALKLEY, S Yorks, St Mary
Sat Jun 28 2014 2h43 (13)
5040 Cambridge S Minor
1 Peter W McCoy
2 Harriet S E Mather
3 Michael Sheeran
4 Philip A Hooles
5 Colin Aked
6 Malcolm S Turner (C)
Rung following the wedding of Andrew Thackeray and Susan Hammond.
First Cambridge S Minor: 2.4.

Handbell Peals

CHESTER D.G.

MIDDLEWICH, Ches,
78 Long Lane
Thu Jun 26 2014 2h16 (13)
5088 Kent TB Major
Comp. J Reeves
1-2 Ian W Taylor (C)
3-4 Colin Woods
5-6 Michael C E Hodge
7-8 C Paul Cheshire

DERBY D.A.

BARROW-ON-SOAR, Leics,
106 Beaumont Road
Wed Jun 25 2014 2h27 (11)
5152 Yorkshire S Major
Comp. J M Jelley (No.77a)
1-2 Simon C Melen
3-4 Simon Humphrey
5-6 John M Jelley (C)
7-8 David J Marshall

LEICESTER D.G.

LONG CLAWSON,
Leicestershire, Harwill House
Wed Jun 25 2014 1h49 (11)
5040 Surprise Minor
(8m: (1) Sandiacre (2) Norwich (3) Wells (4) Cambridge (5) Durham (6) Ipswich (7) Berwick, Beverley)
1-2 Garry W Mason
3-4 Emma J Southerington (C)
5-6 John Adcock

LINCOLN D.G.

LONDONTHORPE, Lincs,
Woodcote House
Tue Jun 24 2014 2h35 (12)
5040 Lincolnshire S Royal
Comp. Traditional
1-2 Susan A Faull
3-4 Emma J Southerington
5-6 John M Jelley
7-8 William S Croft (C)
9-10 Christopher J Sharp

MIDDLESEX C.A. & LONDON D.G.

ISLINGTON, London N5,
9G Highbury Crescent
Thu Jun 19 2014 2h17 (11)
5056 Spliced S Major
(10m: 608 each Ashtead, London, Rutland, Uxbridge; 448 each Bristol, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative; 416 each Cambridge, Yorkshire; 133 com, atw)
Comp. R I Allton
1-2 Peter J Blight
3-4 David G Maynard
5-6 Ruth Blackwell
7-8 Richard A Pearce (C)
100th peal of Spl S Major: 1-2.

ISLINGTON, Middx,
9G Highbury Crescent
Sun Jun 29 2014 2h15 (11)
5056 Spliced S Major
(3m: 1728 Lincolnshire; 1696 Cambridge; 1632 Yorkshire: 48 com, atw)
Comp. R D S Brown
1-2 Jill M Wigney
3-4 David G Maynard
5-6 Christopher D O'Mahony
7-8 Stephen J F Mitchell (C)

OXFORD D.G.

TILEHURST, Berks,
15 Lytham End
Thu Jun 26 2014 2h17 (14)
5184 Spliced S Major
(8m: 768 Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative; 576 Bristol, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, London, Yorkshire: 126 com.)
Comp. D F Morrison (No.3)
1-2 June D Wells
3-4 Graham A C John (C)
5-6 Christopher P Cole
7-8 E John Wells

SOCIETY OF STOWMARKET YOUTHS

BACTON, Suffolk,
2 Pretyma Avenue
Mon Jun 9 2014 1h42 (12)
5040 Doubles
(158m/v: (1) New B, Huntspill B, Blaisdon B, St Vedast B (2) Hendred, Radlett, Ludgershall, South Brewood (3) St Merryn, Hadham, Saville, Chippingham (4) St Samson, Oake, Queens Park, Stowey (5) St Clether, Braddan, Tring, Kelmars (6) Cliffe, St George, Barrowby, Highgate (7) Redcliffe, Burns, Stoke Abbott, Almondbury (8) Dale, St Wulfram, Claxby, Branton (9) Alvaston, Folkingham, Welby, Lindsey (10) Rev Union, Rev St Faith, St Owen, Rev St Julian (11) St Laud, Susanmead, Kirby Bellars, Wroughton (12) St Kenelm, Spindlebury, St Peter, Simpson (13) St Firmin, St Eadburga, Gonerby, Aspley (14) Westminster II, Blackburn PI, Dragon PI, St Hilary B

(15) Burton Joyce, Lillingstone, Skillington, Brightwell (16) Stoke Bardolph, Arnold, Sulgrave, Sandford (17) Epperstone, Sevalcliffe, Rousham, Standlake (18) Iffley, Ardingley, Darwin, West Hanney (19) Leadenham, Silky, Barkston, Stoke Rochford (20) Stoke Bardolph, Arnold, Sulgrave, Sandford (21) Belvoir, Navenby, Fulbeck, Lenton (22) Colstierworth, Waddington, Carlton Scroop, Asfordby (23) St Simon's B, St Martin's B, Eynesbury B, St Osmund B (24) St Alban, St Paul, St John the Evangelist, St Ambrose (25) Eynsham, St Leonard, St John the Baptist, St Ninian (26) Elford, Austrey, St Wenceslas, St Felix (27) St Jude, St Laurence, St Stephen, St Austell (28) St Ignatius, Churchill, St John the Divine, Ammersham (29) St Wilfrid, St Oswald, Septuagesima, Sussex (30) St Katherine, St Magnus, Sexagesima, Kent (31) Southampton, Romsey, Ember, Hampshire (32) Winchester, Wykeham, Quinquagesima, Vectis (33) St Giles, St Miles, Ezneih, Church Gresley (34) St Nicholas B, Winchendon PI, Huntley PI, St Remigius G (35) Lapley, St John, Odebiah, Horsley (36) St Mary, St Crispin, Laverstoke, St Cecilia (37) Heyford, Chiltern, Dummer, Sarratt (38) Lonsdale, Lakenham, Over Wallop, Rye (39) St Nicolas, Hordle, Bishop's Sutton, Stoneham (40) Brockenhurst, Lyndhurst, Mottisfont, Uphill (41) Southtrepps, (42) Rev Canterbury)
1-2 Cherril C Spiller
3-4 Jeremy W Spiller (C)
5-6 Winston S Girling

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH D.G.

CHANDLER'S FORD, Hants,
10 Wallington Drive
Thu Jun 26 2014 2h17 (12)
5100 Spliced Plain Major
(3m: 56 Little B; 84 Gainsborough Little B; 4960 Plain B; 4 com, atw)
Comp. Geoffrey Dodds
1-2 Maureen J Hanney
3-4 Ian M Redway
5-6 Andrew G Craddock
7-8 Richard M Thompson (C)
Length especially chosen to celebrate the 100th birthday of Mrs Jean Hall, Richard's Aunt.

MICHELDEVER, Hants,
37 Northbrook
Fri Jun 27 2014 2h7 (8)
5056 Plain Bob Major
Comp. C K Lewis
1-2 Maureen J Hanney
3-4 John S Croft
5-6 Frank R Morton (C)
7-8 Ian M Redway
Rung to celebrate the birth of Edward Anthony Hanney on 24th June, a grandson to Maureen.

YORKSHIRE ASSN

LEEDS, W Yorks,
11 St Chad's Drive, Headingley
Wed Jun 25 2014 1h57 (9)
5040 Cunecastro S Minor
1-2 Katharine M Thorley
3-4 James W Holdsworth (C)
5-6 Paul Brook
In memory of Roger Bailey, on his birthday.
200th peal on the bells.

Centenary Peal at Chelmsford Cathedral



The peal band in ringing order clockwise from front right

Last September we rang a peal to celebrate the centenary of the dedication of the 12 bells at Chelmsford in 1913. The first peal on the new 12 was not rung until May 1914, with a largely local band, so it seems likely that peals were not invited until after the locals had been successful. The local band, augmented by ringers from towers within the Borough of Chelmsford, regularly rang caters and had rung several peals of Grandsire on the old bells. After the new bells were installed, monthly open practices were instituted in addition to the normal weekly practice, to allow the band to practice on 12 with the support of other ringers from the Association – these seem to have been very popular with around 30 ringers attending the second practice. The locals were ringing touches of Grandsire Cinques within a few weeks and after two unsuccessful attempts scored the first peal on the bells, of Grandsire Cinques, on 16th May 1914, conducted by the Cathedral Guild Master Henry Cooper. The peal band comprised 11 Essex ringers from Chelmsford and the surrounding area, none of whom had rung a peal on 12, and one more experienced 12-bell ringer from Suffolk. When we researched the original peal we decided that we should mark the centenary and attempt a peal in the same method, though we decided not to use the same composition which kept the back bells fixed in the Tittums until the last course. Coincidentally this was also the 250th recorded peal in the tower.

COLIN CHAPMAN

Original peal:

ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (sic)

CHELMSFORD, Essex,
Cathedral
Sat 16 May 1914 3h50 (34)
5037 Grandsire Cinques
Comp. John Rogers
1 Alfred Whight
2 George F Margetson
3 Robert H Hayward
4 Frederick W Edwards
5 Arthur Edwards
6 William Lincoln
7 Harry Allen
8 Alfred E Acfield
9 Frederick G Gill
10 Harry Richell
11 Henry F Cooper (C)
12 John Wood
First peal on twelve bells by all except the ringer of the 3rd.
The ringer of the 2nd hails from Marlesford, 4th and 6th from Writtle, 5th and Tenor from Boreham, rest are members of the Cathedral band.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION

CHELMSFORD, Essex,
Cathedral Church of St Mary the Virgin, St Peter & St Cedd
Sun May 18 2014 3h25 (34)
5015 Grandsire Cinques
Comp. Thomas Hooley
1 James A Smith
2 Matthew E Rayner
3 Stephen J Nash
4 Nigel S D Taylor
5 David E Rothera
6 Vicki L Chapman
7 John G Harpole
8 Andrew R C Kelson
9 Colin F Chapman (C)
10 Stephen C Wood
11 Brian G Meads
12 Ian J Culham
Arranged and rung to mark the centenary of the first peal on the bells, in the same method, on 16 May 1914.
To celebrate the centenary of the formation of the Diocese of Chelmsford.
The 250th recorded peal in the tower.

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Llanfyllin Church Bells



The peal band (l-r): John Eddy, Alison Holliday, Jill Danby, David Raggett, Peter Furniss and Richard Danby

Around the year 1712 a new parish church was built in Llanfyllin, a small market town in the North of Montgomeryshire (now Powys). It replaced a small building, which probably had one bell in a bell cote. The new building included a plain 70-foot high tower with a peal of six bells. No documentary evidence remains to tell us anything about the rebuilding apart from the bells themselves. They bear the date 1714 and the name of their maker Abraham Rudhall.

In a period of very poor roads, transport costs were enormous. In 1684 Abraham Rudhall established a bell-founding business in Kings Square, Gloucester. From here he could use Gloucester docks to transport his bells by boat, which was a much cheaper means of transport. His son, also called Abraham, completed his apprenticeship in 1701 and took over the firm in 1718. It continued in the same family until 1828 when it was taken over by Whitechapel bell founders in London.

Bells cast by Rudhalls are in towers along the length of the river Severn, all around the coast of Britain and Ireland, as well as Jamaica and America.

Abraham Rudhall I became famous and his bells were said to be 'distinguished for their musical tone.' In 'The London Postman' of 8 Nov. 1709 he made the justifiable boast that he had made altogether eight or nine hundred bells 'to the satisfaction of them that understand music and good bells'. In 1715 Edward Southwell noted in his diary: 'Gloucester: at night, had Mr. Rudhall, the bell-founder. A foundation ringer is one that rings at sight; not many of them. He has prick'd a ream of changes, the bobs and common hunt. 7l. per cwt. his metal. Tin-glass necessary to make sharp trebles. He casts to half a note, which is mended by the hammer. He takes the notes of them all by a blow-pipe'. Abraham I died in 1736 and was buried in Gloucester Cathedral, where his tombstone states that he was 'famed for his great skill, beloved and esteemed for his singular good nature and integrity'.

Their known quality and cheaper transport made Abraham Rudhall the obvious choice to cast our bells. It seems likely that they would have been taken by boat to Pool Quay, the nearest landing point on the river Severn, and transferred to horse and cart for the last twelve miles to Llanfyllin. The bells, with the tenor weighing 8-2-26, have a lovely unified tone with a small amount of chip tuning, just as Edward Southwell noted in his diary.

In 2007 the bells were re-hung, by Taylors, using canon retaining headstocks in the original oak frame. Replacing the 1902 fittings made by Carrs of Smethwick. They are rung anti-clockwise, one of only 276 peals of bells to do so. Several of these, like Bath Abbey, are linked to Rudhalls but there does not seem to be a reason why this was done. However it is pleasantly confusing to visiting ringers!

According to Dove's statistics there are still 639 bells cast by Abraham Rudhall I in use today. Of these there seems to be six unaltered peals of six remaining, the others are at Worfield and Quatt in Shropshire, Willersey and Todenham in Gloucestershire and Charlbury in Oxfordshire. Some of these have had their canons removed; and the available information does not specify if any of them have been retuned.

The 300th anniversary was appropriately celebrated by the ringing of a peal on the afternoon of Sunday June 15th, the Patronal festival of St Myllin. It was the third peal on the bells, the previous two in 1975 and 2005 were rung by visiting teams. This was the first peal since the bells were rehung, the first in Llanfyllin by a North Wales Association team. The treble was rung by a Llanfyllin ringer, a personal first peal.

We had given the peal attempt lots of local publicity so that close neighbours could take evasive action. However we have been delighted by the support that the town has given us. On leaving the tower the ringers were greeted by applause from an appreciative crowd waiting outside!

JOHN EDDY



St Myllin's Church, Llanfyllin

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION

LLANFYLLIN, Powys, St Myllin
Sun Jun 15 2014 2h47 (8)

5040 Plain Bob Minor

- 1 John Eddy
- 2 Alison M Holliday
- 3 Jill Danby
- 4 David Raggett
- 5 Peter L Furniss
- 6 Richard J Danby

Rung in honour of the 300th anniversary of the casting of the bells in 1714.

First peal: 1.

The L Martin Daniels Peal Tour Mk 33

The 33rd Peal Tour took place in Suffolk again between 24th April and 5th May, when the base was the usual cottage at Elmswell. A basic core of residents stayed most of the week and these were supplemented as usual by local ringers and others who have joined us for odd peals over the years.

13 peals were scored. There were four losses, the most disappointing being that at Monewden, when a rope broke only two minutes from the end of the peal, during the last course! The other losses were at Helmingham, due to illness, and at Stradbroke and Tannington where the ringing was not deemed to be up to standard.

Last year we said it was the coldest peal tour ever – this year the problem was with the illness of two of the band and this led to a shortage of numbers later on the tour and the cancellation of two peals.

We thank all who so warmly received us and gave us permission to ring, especially to those who helped by being so flexible when towers and ringers had to be changed at short notice.

KEVIN M PRICE

LANCASHIRE ASSN

TOSTOCK, Suffolk, St Andrew
Thu Apr 24 2014 2h18 (5)

5040 Minor

(7m: Woodbine D, Cambridge, Primrose S, Kent, Oxford TB, St Clement's College, Plain B)

- 1 Rhona I H McEune
- 2 Cherril C Spiller
- 3 Jeremy W Spiller
- 4 Kevin M Price (C)
- 5 Julian Colman
- 6 Peter J Sawyer

500th peal: 6.
Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

IXWORTH, Suffolk, St Mary

Fri Apr 25 2014 2h51 (13)

5024 Double Norwich CB Major

Comp. Sir Arthur P Heywood

- 1 Andrew J Holland
- 2 David H Sansum
- 3 Cherril C Spiller
- 4 Susan E Marsden
- 5 John A Hickman
- 6 Roderic K Bickerton
- 7 Kevin M Price (C)
- 8 Peter J Waterfield

Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

BACTON, Suffolk, St Mary

Fri Apr 25 2014 2h30 (8)

5040 Minor

(7m: Cambridge S, Kent, Oxford TB, St Clement's College, College, Single Oxford, Plain B)

- 1 Jane Holland
- 2 Cherril C Spiller
- 3 John A Hickman
- 4 Roderic K Bickerton
- 5 Kevin M Price (C)
- 6 Jeremy W Spiller

Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

ASHBOCKING, Suffolk,

All Saints

Sat Apr 26 2014 2h42 (10)

5040 Minor

(5m: 1 ext each Cambridge S, Kent, Oxford TB, 2 exts each St Clement's College, Plain B)

- 1 Jane Holland
- 2 Rhona I H McEune
- 3 John A Hickman
- 4 Kevin M Price (C)
- 5 Roderic K Bickerton
- 6 Philip D Bailey

Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

IPSWICH, Suffolk, St Clement

Sat Apr 26 2014 2h48 (15)

5040 Plain Bob Minor

(7 diff exts)

- 1 Rhona I H McEune
- 2 John A Hickman
- 3 Andrew J Holland
- 4 Kevin M Price (C)
- 5 Roderic K Bickerton
- 6 Jeremy W Spiller

Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

WILBY, Suffolk, St Mary

Mon Apr 28 2014 2h53 (15)

5040 Grandshire Triples

Comp. J J Parker

(12 part, 7th obs)

- 1 Jane Holland
- 2 Rhona I H McEune
- 3 E Ann Williams
- 4 Andrew J Holland
- 5 Roderic K Bickerton
- 6 Kevin M Price (C)
- 7 L Martin Daniels
- 8 Ian J Culham

50th together: 2 & 6.
Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

CLOPTON, Suffolk, St Mary

Tue Apr 29 2014 2h45 (11)

5040 Minor

(7m: Cambridge S, Kent, Oxford TB, St Clement's College, College, Single Oxford, Plain B)

- 1 Rhona I H McEune
- 2 Andrew J Holland
- 3 Oliver H J Thompson
- 4 L Martin Daniels
- 5 Roderic K Bickerton
- 6 Kevin M Price (C)

Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

RUMBURGH, Suffolk,

St Michael & All Angels & St Felix

Wed Apr 30 2014 2h35 (7)

5040 Minor

(6m: 1 ext each Bourne, Hull, Cambridge, Primrose S, Kent TB; 2 exts Plain B)

- 1 Rhona I H McEune
- 2 Andrew J Holland
- 3 Oliver H J Thompson
- 4 L Martin Daniels
- 5 Kevin M Price (C)
- 6 Roderic K Bickerton

Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

RUMBURGH, Suffolk,
St Michael & All Angels & St Felix
Wed Apr 30 2014 2h36 (7)

5040 Plain B Minor

(7 diff exts)

- 1 Jane Holland
- 2 E Ann Williams
- 3 Rhona I H McEune
- 4 Oliver H J Thompson
- 5 Roderic K Bickerton
- 6 Kevin M Price (C)

25th together: 2 & 5.
Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

ASHBOCKING, Suffolk,

All Saints

Thu May 1 2014 2h33 (10)

5040 Minor

(7m: Calthness, Cambridge S, Kent, Oxford TB, St Clement's College, Single Oxford, Plain B)

- 1 E Ann Williams
- 2 David E Culham
- 3 Oliver H J Thompson
- 4 Andrew J Holland
- 5 Kevin M Price (C)
- 6 Ian J Culham

Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

POSILINGFORD, Suffolk,

St Mary

Fri May 2 2014 2h41 (10)

5040 Doubles

(5m/1v: 6 exts St Martins, Eynesbury, Winchendon PI, Huntley PI, Southrepps; 12 exts Rev Canterbury Pleasure)

- 1 Jane Holland
- 2 E Ann Williams
- 3 Roderic K Bickerton
- 4 Andrew J Holland
- 5 Kevin M Price (C)

Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

STANSFIELD, Suffolk, All Saints

Fri May 2 2014 2h40 (10)

5040 Rev Canterbury Pleasure PI Doubles

- 1 Rhona I H McEune
- 2 Andrew J Holland
- 3 Oliver H J Thompson
- 4 Kevin M Price (C)
- 5 Roderic K Bickerton

Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

SWAFFHAM PRIOR, Cambs,

St Cyriac & St Julitta

Tue May 13 2014 2h50 (10)

5040 Minor

(4m: 1 ext Bourne, Calthness, Hull S; 4 Plain B)

- 1 Oliver H J Thompson
- 2 Jane Holland
- 3 Andrew J Holland
- 4 Roderic K Bickerton
- 5 Kevin M Price (C)
- 6 Philip D Bailey

Martin Daniels Peal Tour.

50 Years Ago

The Ringing World, 10 July, 1964
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First quarter congratulations

Ashford-in-the-Water, Derbys. 25 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Clive Thrower 1, Alan Kirk 2, Peter Skinner 3, Esther Venables 4, Linda Pelc (C) 5, Lynn Jackson (1st Q) 6.

Beaudesert, Warks. 12 Jun, 1260 St Nicholas Doubles: Karen French 1, Sue Marshall (C) 2, John Gwynne 3, Becki Johnson 4, Graham Nabb 5, Freddie Williams (1st Q, age 15) 6.

Cumnor, Oxon. 18 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Victoria Tatham (1st Q) 1, Clare E F Dyer 2, Ged Ledger 3, Jenny A Dyer 4, Andrew J Dyer (C) 5, Chris Green (1st Q) 6. To celebrate 40 years' ringing at St Michael's Cumnor for 4.

Corfe Mullen, Dorset. 20 Jun, 1260 PB & Grandsire Doubles: Marisa Bartlett (1st att) 1, Susan Riley 2, Flick Warwick 3, John Riley 4, Graham Duke 5, David Warwick (C) 6.

Medbourne, Leics. 23 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Henry Jones (1st Q) 1, Rose Parker 2, Dot Parker 3, Steve Millington 4, Roland H Cook (C) 5, Arthur Rees 6.

Much Wenlock, Shrops. 25 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Elizabeth J Downes 1, Paul J Lewis 2, E Ann Williams 3, David M Lees 4, Valerie M Roberts (C) 5, Brian H Thomas (1st Q) 6. An 80th Birthday compliment, today, to 6.

Plymouth, Devon. (S Budeaux) 22 Jun, 1300 PB Doubles: Louise J E Beaven (1st Q) 1, Alena J Wardle 2, Harry J Andrews 3, Benjamin T G Smith 4, Owen J Borlase (C) 5, Sean A Beaven (1st Q) 6. First on the bells since rehanging by John Taylor & Co. Rung on Sea Sunday to conclude the 'Fun on the Green'. **£BD**

Wigton, Cumbria. 22 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Joanne Berry (1st Q) 1, Sally Walker 2, Kate Nye 3, David Horne 4, Duncan Walker (C) 5, Anne East 6. Congratulations to 1 on completing her teaching degree & getting a job which will keep her in Cumbria! **£3**

Workington, Cumbria. 22 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Eric Martin 1, Gillian Powell 2, Zoe Martin 3, Pat M Evans 4, M Gareth Evans (C) 5, Luke Collins (1st Q) 6, Richard Hartley (1st Q) 7, Paul Wetherell 8. Rung with 7-6-8 covering. To celebrate the significant Birthday of 4. **£4**

In Memoriam

Blankney, Lincs. 20 Apr, 1260 PB Minor: Robert H Harvey 1, Christopher C P Woodcock 2, Heather Blacklock 3, Eleanor H Maude 4, Colin P Ward (C) 5, Andrew Blacklock 6. Rung in fond memory of our friend Martin Pearson, ringer at St Giles Lincoln, who sadly passed away on 15 April 2014. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him, especially his dry sense of humour!

Blankney, Lincs. 5 May, 1260 Southrepps Doubles: Eleanor H Maude 1, Robert H Harvey 2, Yvonne A Woodcock 3, Christopher C P Woodcock (C) 4, Michael J Lawton 5, Andrew Blacklock 6. Rung remembering our friend Martin Pearson, ringer at St Giles Lincoln, on the eve of his funeral.

Burton Bradstock, Dorset. (S Mary) 20 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: William Regan 1, Pauline Champion 2, Mark Regan (C) 3, Mike Hansford 4, Mike Mears 5, Chris Pickford 6. Rung before the thanksgiving service for the life of Marion Moberly Surry. Remembering Alison Regan & John Surry.

Frodsham, Ches. 20 Jun, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Rachel M Anderson 1, Diana M Anderson 2, Carrie L Hyde 3, Andrew J Jobson 4, Peter D Storey 5, Geoffrey Parting 6, Duncan L C Hyde (C) 7, Andrew J Jobson 8. Dedicated to the memory of Noreen Barker-Brown.

Guildford. (Cathedral) 22 Jun, 1282 Cambridge S Royal: Jane Beadman 1, Matthew Pearson 2, Elizabeth Burton 3, Justina Buswell 4, Anne Anthony (C) 5, David Pearson 6, Christopher Ridley 7, Maurice Edwards 8, Christopher Rogers 9, David Beadman 10. In memory of the Very Revd Alex Wedderspoon, Dean of Guildford 1987-2001, died 10 June 2014, on the eve of his funeral. 1st Royal: 2. **£BD**

Harborne, Birmingham. 22 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Francesca L Cinderey 1, Emily Tamhne 2, Sarah C Jones 3, D Rose W Horton 4, Rebekah G W Horton 5, Michael Rigby 6, Stephen W Horton (C) 7, Tamsin Lane 8. To celebrate the life of Keith James Read. **£4**

Harbury, Warks. 23 Jun, 1280 Cambridge S Major: C F Mew (C) 1, Julie S Doyle 2, J W Gwynne 3, F Sage 4, R A Reeves 5, M Dane 6, J W Nicholls 7, O J F Quinn 8. Rung in memory of Jonathan Banham, ringer at St Peter Leamington prior to his funeral on 27 June.

Harmston, Lincs. 28 Mar, 1344 PB Triples: Robert H Harvey 1, David A Whetton 2, Kate Morgan 3, Tom L Blyth 4, Christine H Hasman 5, Rodney H French 6, Ian Hasman 7, Philip H Dawson 8. Conducted by Christopher C P Woodcock who sat out due to ill health. Rung half-muffled in memory of Clive S Montague immediately following his funeral. Clive was a member of the Harmston PCC & had a fondness & great affection for Harmston Church bells. 1st on eight away from cover: 1.

Iffley, Oxon. 22 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m/4v): Claire Malone-Lee 1, Susan King 2, Judy Kirby 3, Hugh Deam (C) 4, Stephen Davies (C) 5, Jonathan Jones 6. In memory of Roy Jones (1935-2014), a friend & ringer at Iffley tower. **£3**

Kempsey, Worcs. 23 Jun, 1264 PB Major: George Morris 1, Cynthia Palmer 2, Paul R Smith 3, Maureen Panton 4, Nigel Davis 5, Gerry Edwards 6, Howard Tarry 7, Ian Panton (C) 8. Following the funeral service of Noreen Barker-Brown, ringer & friend to many, which celebrated her life 11 May 1936 - 28 May 2014.

Knowle, W Mids. 15 Jun, 1272 Norwich S Minor: Ruth Shepherd 1, Bridget Osmond 2, Ann Smart 3, Rowena Shipley 4, A J Barnfield 5, Stephen Shipley (C) 6. For evening service & in memory of David Roe, former Churchwarden & Youth Leader, who died on Friday 13 June 2014 aged 85. **£BD**

Lincoln. (S Mary le Wigford) 6 May, 1272 PB Minimus: Robert H Harvey 1, Eleanor H Maude 2, Michael J Lawton 3, Christopher C P Woodcock (C) 4. Rung with the bells half-muffled in fond memory of our friend Martin Pearson, ringer at St Giles Lincoln, who sadly passed away on 15 April 2014 & whose funeral took place earlier today at St Giles. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. The band wish to associate Jean Williams with this Q. Martin's first & last Qs were rung on these bells & he also rang Qs on these bells for each of the Queen's Jubilee's: the 1977 Silver Jubilee, the 2002 Golden Jubilee & the 2012 Diamond Jubilee.

Lincoln. (S Mary le Wigford) 18 May, 1272 Single Court Pl & PB Minimus: Robert H Harvey 1, Michael J Lawton 2, Christopher C P Woodcock (C) 3, Sue L Waterfall 4. Specially arranged & rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of Walter Froggatt who sadly passed away last week. Walter was the former Tower Captain here at St Mary-le-Wigford for many years & it was down to his encouragement & determination that this tower had a thriving band, being the teaching tower for the city. Over the decades Walter taught many young ringers to ring on the four bells in this tower, with many of them ringing their first Q here. His contribution to ringing in the Lincoln area was recognised when he was made an Honorary Life Member of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild back in 2002. Walter's memory & legacy will live on with the bells at St Mary-le-Wigford which he so loved.

Lincoln. (S Mary le Wigford) 28 May, 1272 Single Court Pl Minimus: Yvonne A Woodcock 1, Michael J Lawton (C) 2, Robert H Harvey 3, Sue L Waterfall 4. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of Walter Froggatt whose funeral took place earlier today at Nettleham, Lincs. Walter was the former Tower Captain here at St Mary-le-Wigford for many years & it was down to his encouragement & determination that this tower had a thriving band, being the teaching tower for the City. Christopher Woodcock, the present Tower Captain at St Mary-le-Wigford, who was unable to ring in this Q due to being out of the country wishes to be associated with this Q.

Lincoln. (S Botolph-by-Bargate) 2 May, 1260 PB Minor: Robert H Harvey 1, Yvonne A Woodcock 2, Andrew Blacklock 3, Sue L Waterfall 4, Michael J Lawton 5, Christopher C P Woodcock (C) 6. Rung on practice night, remembering our friend Martin Pearson, ringer at St Giles Lincoln, whose funeral takes place early next week.

Lincoln. (S Botolph-by-Bargate) 6 May, 1360 St Giles Doubles: Christopher C P Woodcock (C) 1, Eleanor H Maude 2, Colin P Ward 3, Andrew Blacklock 4, Michael J Lawton 5, Robert H Harvey 6. Rung in fond memory of our friend Martin Pearson, ringer at St Giles Lincoln, who sadly passed away on 15 April 2014 & whose funeral took place earlier today at St Giles. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him, especially his dry sense of humour! The band wish to associate Sue Waterfall with this Q. First in v for all the band.

Lincoln. (S Botolph-by-Bargate) 9 May, 1320 St Martin's B Doubles: Robert H Harvey 1, Yvonne A Woodcock 2, Sue L Waterfall 3, Tom L Blyth 4, Christopher C P Woodcock (C) 5, James M Northway 6. Rung on practice night in fond memory of our friend Martin Pearson, ringer at St Giles Lincoln, who sadly passed away on 15 April 2014 & whose funeral took place earlier this week. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him, especially his dry sense of humour!

Lincoln. (S Botolph-by-Bargate) 15 May, 1320 Single Oxford B Minor: Michael E Stracey 1, Heather Blacklock 2, Sue L Waterfall 3, Betty F Stracey 4, Andrew Blacklock 5, Christopher C P Woodcock (C) 6. Specially arranged & rung in fond memory of our friend Martin Pearson, ringer at St Giles Lincoln, who sadly passed away on 15 April 2014 & whose funeral took place last week on Tuesday 6 May 2014. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him, especially his dry sense of humour! Single Oxford was specially chosen as this was Martin's favourite Minor method, which he would request to ring regularly when ever given the choice.

Messingham, Lincs. 15 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): Kathy Sargeant 1, Joy Till 2, David Whetton 3, Malcolm Sargeant 4, Ian Till (C) 5, Philip Scarf 6. Rung following a thanksgiving service for the life of Staff Sergeant Michael Lockwood. **£BD**

Nuneaton, Chivers Coton, Warks. 20 Jun, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Ruth M Border 1, R Joy Pluckrose 2, Eileen J Goodall 3, Raymon A Sheasby 4, Geoffrey Pratt 5, Geoffrey N Goodall 6, Ian D Thompson 7, Rodney A Swallow 8, Andrew F Alldrick (C) 9, Christopher H Ling 10. Rung half-muffled by fellow ringers, immediately following the funeral of John Bunn, sometime tower captain at this Church. During this time he taught the then Curate, now Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby, how to handle a bell.

Potterhanworth, Lincs. 22 Jun, 1320 PB Doubles: Christopher C P Woodcock (C) 1-2, Maureen Pike 3, John A Fry 4, Yvonne A Woodcock 5, Raymond A Cucksey 6. Rung by the local band with the bells half-muffled in memory of our dear friend & former local ringer Sue Scouler, who sadly passed away ten years ago on 17 June. The fourth bell in this tower was dedicated in memory of Sue in September 2004 after the re-hanging & augmentation of the bells, something which Sue was looking forward to but sadly never saw.

Powick, Worcs. 24 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: John Hubbard 1, Mary Ward 2, Roger Gurney 3, Sarah Tombs 4, Paul R Smith (C) 5, Nicki Badderley 6. Remembering Noreen Barker-Brown whose funeral was yesterday, across the River Severn, in our neighbouring Parish of Kempsey. Noreen & her family lived in Powick during the 1960s, '70s & '80s & rang with us for some of that time.

Rayleigh, Essex. 29 Jun, 1264 PB Major: Helen Harpole 1, Lydia Roberts 2, Cathryn Corns 3, Gordon Lucas 4, Jim Laken 5, John Harpole 6, Stephen Nash 7, Darren Osborne (C) 8. Rung & dedicated to the memory of Laura Jane Osborne, wife of 8, who passed away on 6 June 2014 aged 39, after a long battle with illness. Thank you to everyone for ringing this superb Q.

Reading, Berks. (S Giles) 22 Jun, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Steve Smith II 1, Diana McClure 2, Joyce Vernon 3, Helen Bennett 4, June Wells 5, John Wells 6, Peter Ellis (C) 7, Peter Bennett 8. 1st in m: 2. Rung in memory of W A K (Gus) Gray, a long-time ringer in this tower. **£1.60**

South Shields, Tyne & Wear. (D&N Miniring, S Hilda) 22 Jun, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Rob Criddle 1, Chris Crabtree 2, Ellen Crabtree 3, Richard Bimson 4, Alex Pym 5, Kris King (C) 6. In memory of Richard Bowditch who cast these bells.

Stoneleigh, Warks. 25 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Greg Reay 1, Janice Sheasby 2, Richard East 3, Robert Taylor 4, Raymon Sheasby (C) 5, Paul Reay 6. Rung in memory of David Marshall who died on this day in 2010, aged 51. 1st cover to Doubles: 6. **£2**

Tewkesbury, Glos. (Abbey) 25 Jun, 1260 Stedman Triples: Mark A Wilson 1, Paul Evans 2, Claire Redstone 3, Gregory Jones 4, Mike Seagrave 5, James Kinnerley 6, Robin J Walker (C) 7, Stuart D Piper 8. 1st in m: 4. Circled tower: 1. Rung in thanksgiving for the life of Ron Barlow.

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The following methods are believed to have been rung for the first time.

Claremont, W Australia. 10 Jun, 1440 Lloyd's got **Staanards S Minor:** Mike Thomson 1, Lloyd Cartwright 2, Joselyn Sloan 3, Adam Beer 4, Ian McCulloch 5, Thomas Perrins (C) 6. First Q in m. Lloyd's got **Staanards S:** X36.34.14X12X36X14X56-12. Compliment to Kelly Hoolihan (sister of 2) on the birth of her daughter, Amelia, also congratulations to 5 & 6 on their recent election as Vice-Presidents of ANZAB. Rung as part of the Black Cygnet 2014 Programme. **£BD**

Eastwood, NSW. (4 Spencer St) 22 Jun, 1440 **Nightingale TP Minor:** Esther Perrins 1-2, Thomas Perrins 3-4, Bill Perrins (C) 5-6. First round block in m. Nightingale TP: 34x34.16.34x34.16.34x34.16 le 12.

General quarters

Abbots Bromley, Staffs. 18 Apr, 1302 Grandsire Triples: David L Towell 1, Lance G Hill 2, Dawn Grundy 3, Peter W Olding 4, Elizabeth Hutchieson 5, Michael J Platt 6, Stuart C W Hutchieson (C) 7, P Roy Farrington 8. Rung half-muffled between Good Friday services. **£4**

Amersham, Bucks. 12 Jun, 1350 Grandsire Caters: J Alan Ainsworth 1, Christine M Nunn 2, Alison M Bayley 3, Deirdre R Watson 4, David A Cornwall 5, Janet Galloway 6, Nicholas J Balderson 7, Valerie J Simmonds 8, Charles M S Botting (C) 9, Brian C Watson 10.

Appleton, Oxon. (S Laurence) 6 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Sylvia M Harrison 1, Matthew Hall 2, Andrew J Dyer 3, Jenny A Dyer 4, Michael J Harrison (C) 5. For the D-Day Veterans, also remembering those who did not return.

Ash by Wrotham, Kent. 9 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Rupert Cheeseman (C) 1, Cathy L A Cheeseman 2, Rhian N Bagshaw 3, Brian Ashmore 4, Andrew Sinclair 5, Deryck Jones 6. Rung to recognise the hard work, dedication & commitment to ringing, over many years, of Gabrielle & John Stook, previous Tower Captain & Steeple Keeper respectively at Ash-by-Wrotham & to wish them good luck for their new life in Devon. **£3**

Aspenden, Herts. 11 Jun, 1344 Spl S Major (6m): John Rank 1, Liz Griffith-Jones 2, Vicky LeFèvre 3, Mary Bone 4, Ann Evans 5, Claire Nicholson 6, Alastair Stracey 7, Fred Bone (C) 8. A compliment from the rest of the band to 8 on his retirement after 12 years as a Director of The Ringing World. **£4**

Atlanta, Georgia. 29 May, 1282 Yorkshire S Royal: Michael O'Callaghan 1, Linda Rankin 2, Anne P Cook 3, Derek Wildsen 4, Janet E Menhinick 5, Chris M Carter 6, John J Ford 7, Derek E Sibson (C) 8, Peter Blight 9, Andrew W Gordon 10. SRCY North American meeting.

Atlanta, Georgia. 31 May, 1282 Yorkshire S Royal: Sawyer Gosnell 1, Linda D Rankin 2, Gregory T Woods 3, Anne P Cook 4, Christine M Carter 5, Charley Heilker 6, Cally Perry 7, Bruce N Butler 8, Peter J Blight 9, Andrew W Gordon (C) 10. SRCY North American Meeting. 1st in m: 5 & 8. 1st blows in m: 6.

Barnes, London SW13. 30 May, 1260 Single Oxford B Triples: Jackie Harrison 1, Edmund Hartley 2, Diane Pratt 3, Andrew Harvey 4, Phaedra Sawbridge 5, Linda Foddering 6, Mike Wigney (C) 7, Hugo Tracey 8.

Barrow upon Humber, Lincs. 8 Jun, 1296 PB Caters: Patricia A Donnelly 1, A Debbie Scarf 2, David E Hibbert 3, Rosina M Baxter 4, Peter A Limage 5, Ivan R Howitt 6, Barry F Peachey (C) 7, Heather L E Peachey 8, Barry K Baxter 9, Peter J Cook 10. Rung for the parish Gift Day & 'Better Barrow' event at Pentecost & for the 70th anniversary of D-Day memorial weekend.

Basingstoke, Hants. (S Michael) 16 Jun, 1310 Superlative S Major: Kate Flavell 1, Jill Leale 2, Jackie Roberts 3, Sheila Cheesman 4, Paul Flavell (C) 5, Linda Foddering 6, Robin Leale 7, Jeremy Cheesman 8.

Basingstoke, Hants. (S Michael) 8 Jun, 1264 Little B Minor: Steve Lutener 1, Lynne Jordan 2, Alison Smith 3, Peter Rowe 4, Jon Soar 5, Pete Jordan (C) 6. For Evensong. **£1.80**

Batheaston, Som. 5 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Fiona Hartley 1, Peter Giles 2, Susan Crennell 3, Benomy Tutchter 4, Alexander Haynes 5, Roger Haynes (C) 6. Rung in celebration of the Installation of Bishop Peter Hancock as Bishop of Bath & Wells, & to remember the D-day landings of WWII, 70 years ago.

Bath, Som. (S Michael) 8 Jun, 1440 Spl S Minor (14m): Matthew Skues 1, Jody A Wood 2, Robert D Bell 3, Michael W Day 4, Michael J Stubbs 5, David J Kelly (C) 6.

Bath, Som. (S Michael) 10 Jun, 1264 PB Major: Fiona A Hartley 1, Karen Tyler 2, Phill Butler 3, Maggie Willans 4, Mike Amphlett 5, Alex Haynes 6, Roger Haynes 7, William Willans (C) 8.

Bathwick, Som. 8 Jun, 1256 Little B Royal: Georgina Barratt 1, Thomas N Longridge 2, Molly S Waterson 3, Thomas GA Wareing 4, Matthew A Skues 5, Robert D Bell 6, Jody A Wood 7, Michael W Day 8, David R Ware 9, Michael J Stubbs (C) 10. For morning service & to welcome the Rt Revd Peter Hancock as the new Bishop of Bath & Wells.

Beaulesert, Warks. 5 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Graham Nabb 1, Albert Williams 2, Lucy Gwynne 3, John Gwynne 4, Sue Marshall (C) 5, Becki Johnson 6. 1st inside: 2, aged 12.

Bexhill on Sea, E Sussex. 10 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: John Powell 1, Frances Bradford 2, Louise Pink 3, Rosemary Cox 4, Peter Bradford 5, Judith Stiles 6, Roy Cox (C) 7, Bryan Forster 8.

Birchington, Kent. (All Saints) 8 Jun, 1260 Swallows' Nest Doubles: Liz Shearman 1, Tim Attride (C) 2, David Sheekey 3, Douglas Neve 4, Michael Little 5, Stuart Willmott 6. Rung to celebrate the Birthdays of Jenny Burgess & 5.

Birchington, Kent. (Quex Park) 7 Jun, 1280 PB Major: Flavia Faedo 1, Keith Simson 2, Cathryn Hills 3, Douglas Neve 4, Neil Pirie 5, Thomas Brett 6, Michael Little (C) 7, Philip Hills 8. Rung for the Birthday of 7.

Birchington, Kent. (Quex Park) 7 Jun, 1296 PB Caters: Flavia Faedo 1, Cathryn Hills 2, Brenda Davies 3, Keith Simpson 4, Leonard Huckstep 5, Josephine Horton 6, Douglas Neve 7, Philip Hills 8, Michael Little (C) 9, Thomas Brett 10. 1st on ten: 1 & 4. 1st inside on ten: 7. Rung for the Birthday of 9.

Bradoc, Cornwall. 9 Jun, 1272 Double Canterbury Minimus: Rachel M Mackonochie (C) 1, Imogen Holt 2, Cliff Allen 3, Andrew J Mackonochie 4, Marc R Dunkley 5.

Brailsford, Derbys. 6 Jun, 1296 Spl TD Minor (4m): Janet Foulds 1, Michael Foulds 2, Jane Boden 3, Sue Rainsbury 4, Richard Wolfgang 5, John Hawes (C) 6. **£BD**

Brampton, Cumbria. 7 Jun, 1260 Doubles (4m/v): John Hopkins 1, Teresa M Frost 2, Stephen J Hall 3, Timothy A Frost 4, Michael Hall (C) 5, Eric Griffiths 6. Rung by the local band immediately prior to the wedding of Andy Hadden & Anna Tulloch. 1st in more than one m: 2 & 4.

Bratton Fleming, Devon. 11 Jun, 1260 Double Brookhouse B Minor: Bryan G Williams 1, Valerie Stone 2, John West 3, Michael S Blissett 4, Giles R Morley 5, Martin J Blazey (C) 6. **£BD**

Brecon, Powys. (Cathedral) 8 Jun, 1296 PB Caters: David Childs 1, Kath Johnson 2, Liz Cruwys 3, Paul Johnson 4, Laura Childs 5, Josh Jones 6, Tim Hollinghurst 7, Keith Tompsett 8, Chris Tough (C) 9, Barbara Fewster 10. Rung for the Revd Geoffrey Marshal on his retirement as Dean of Brecon Cathedral after six years in the post & to celebrate the engagement of Margaret Tough & Derick Simpson.

Bredwardine, Herefords. 7 Jun, 1320 Doubles (4m/20v): Colin H Ward 1, E Ann Williams 2, Alison C Alcock 3, Colin A Lewis (C) 4, C Martin Foster 5, John W Hope 6. With gratitude to all who did their duty on D-Day.

Brightwell, Oxon. 10 Jun, 1250 Lincolnshire S Major: Susan E M Read 1, Mary C Friskney 2, Elizabeth A Smith 3, Richard H Youdale (C) 4, J Paul Coad 5, Peter J Heritage 6, Brian J Read 7, John G Pusey 8.

Brington, Cambs. 8 Jun, 1296 Double Court PI Minimus: Sally Mew 1, Owen Davis 2, Adam Safford 3, Iain Hayden (C) 4. 1st on four: 1, 3 & 4. First blows of Minimus in m by all. Rung for the start of Brington's Open Gardens event.

Bromborough, Wirral. 15 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Fiona Nuttall 1, Helen A Stansfield 2, Lisa K Nuttall 3, S David Speechley 4, Carl McCarthy 5, David T G Jones (C) 6. Rung to mark St Barnabastide Festival Outdoor Communion Service. The band would like to wish Bob Peers & George Philips a speedy return to health. **£3**

Bromyard, Herefords. 15 Jun, 1256 Little B Major: Andrew Hodgson 1, Lyn Wheeler 2, Karen Parker 3, Colin Ward 4, Linda Taylor 5, Richard Pullin (C) 6, Jim Wheeler 7, David Parker 8. Rung on Trinity Sunday. 1st in m: 2 & 7. 1st in m inside: 5. 1st blows in m: 4.

Butlers Marston, Warks. 7 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Lucy Gwynne 1, Matthew Arnold 2, Becki Johnson 3, Sue Marshall 4, Graham Nabb (C) 5, John Gwynne 6. Rung after the wedding of Tyson Nunneley & Ellena Swift.

Butleigh, Som. 12 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Jenny Alderson 1, Robert W Davis 2, Audrey Riley 3, Marylin Backhurst 4, Patrick Tucker 5, Paul A Reeves 6, Mervyn G Buckley (C) 7, Roland Backhurst 8. This completes 'circling the tower' in 50 Somerset churches for 2.

Caterham, Surrey. (S Mary) 15 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Anne Brownless 1, Noel Gibbin 2, Milica Reardon 3, David Hills 4, Ross Weddell (C) 5, Frances Clementi 6. With the bands best wishes to 5 on his imminent move to Saltburn-on-Sea. **£3**

Charles, Devon. 11 Jun, 1260 Single Oxford B Minor: Valerie Stone 1, John West 2, Bryan G Williams 3, Michael S Blissett 4, Martin J Blazey 5, Giles R Morley (C) 6. **£BD**

Charleston, South Carolina. (Grace Church) 8 Jun, 1320 Orpheus Doubles: Kit Matthew 1, Eve Gentieu 2, Steve Collins 3, Roy Smith 4, Noah Smith (C) 5, Karen Huntz 6. First in p for all & first in p with an all-local band. Rung in memory of all those who died protecting our freedom on D-Day.

Chedworth, Glos. 3 Jun, 1296 Beverley S Minor: Morley Bray 1, David W Hacker 2, Dave Orledge 3, Ian G Smith 4, Robert D Bell 5, Dave Kelly (C) 6.

Chesham, Bucks. 25 May, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Kate Yerby 1, Godfrey C Reynolds 2, Martin Whitaker 3, Neil Lynch 4, Timothy J Yates (C) 5, David Neale 6. **£3**

Chippenham, Wilts. (S Andrew) 15 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Carey 1, Lin Drummond-Harris 2, Jane M Ridgwell 3, Jenny Hancock 4, Andrew K Woolley (C) 5, Richard Heath 6, Nick Watts 7, Bob Mustow 8. Rung for Evensong & as a 68th Birthday compliment to John Heath, brother of 6. **£2.40**

City of London. (S Magnus M) 9 Jun, 1346 Yorkshire S Maximus: Janet Archibald 1, Elizabeth Hibbert 2, Sarah Taylor 3, Paul Caruana 4, Christopher Giddins 5, Mike Evans 6, Timothy Forster (C) 7, Jonathan Galloway 8, David Woodward 9, Benjamin Kipling 10, Benjamin Meyer 11, Lucinda Woodward 12. 1st in m: 6 & 8. First on twelve as C.

Clopton, Suffolk. 12 Apr, 1260 PB Doubles: Matt Newson 1, Tig Sweet 2, Rosemary Spreadbury 3, Eric Brown 4, Colin Spreadbury (C) 5, Phil Sweet 6. To mark the commissioning as Elders of the Church in the Carlford Benefice of Jane Woods, ringer & Doris Main, organiser of the refurbishment of the Clopton bells.

Clopton, Suffolk. 4 May, 1260 PB Doubles: Matt Newson 1, Rosemary Spreadbury 2, Tig Sweet 3, Chris Barker 4, Colin Spreadbury (C) 5, John Taylor 6. An 80th Birthday compliment to Jimmy Wightman.

Coleme, Wilts. 8 Jun, 1260 PB Triples: Fiona Hartley 1, Susan Crennell 2, Jacqui Bradburn 3, Peter Giles 4, Alexander Haynes 5, Benomy Tutchter 6, Roger Haynes (C) 7, Sam Haynes 8. Rung for Evensong on Pentecost. To commemorate the 70th anniversary of the D-day landings of WWII. Rung to celebrate the Ruby Wedding Anniversary of 3 & her husband John.

Compton Dando, Som. 8 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Sharon Bradley 1, Patrick C Bridges 2, Jonathan D Storey 3, Nicki J Lang 4, Alan J Coombs 5, Robert Perry (C) 6. For evening service & a Birthday compliment to Mervyn Cox (Tower Master) on his forthcoming 80th Birthday on Wednesday. Also 'Bon Voyage' to Emma, Tom & Eddie Cook as they leave for Australia.

Coseley, W Mids. 9 Jun, 1280 Oxford TB Major: John W Pollard 1, Clare Coleman 2, Wendy Daw 3, Raymond H Daw 4, Matthew D Hardy 5, Margaret Simpson 6, John P Burton 7, David C H Simpson (C) 8. **£BD**

Cotterham, Cambs. 18 May, 1260 PB Doubles: Matt Audsley 1, James Miller 2, Steve Howie 3, Gerald Walker 4, Andrew Snelson 5 (C), Simon Wilson 6. Rung prior to the morning parish communion service. In celebration of the birth of Toby Cribb, born 15 May 2014 to Frances (daughter of 4) & Troy. **£BD**

Croome D'Abitot, Worcs. 15 Jun, 1260 Single Canterbury B Minor: Kate Collingwood 1, Madeline Reeder 2, Sarah Tombs 3, Roy Williams 4, Steve Bowley 5, Paul R Smith (C) 6. Entertaining visitors to Croome Park & all fathers on their special day.

Darlington, Durham. (S Cuthbert) 8 Jun, 1260 PB Triples: Christine Ellsworth 1, Andrew Frost 2, Lesley Hall 3, Kate Millar 4, Anthea Enzor 5, Godfrey Hall 6, Karen P Maughan (C) 7, Jack Hanlon 8. 1st Triples: 1.

Derby. (Cathedral) 8 Jun, 1277 Grandsire Caters: Rachel Jopp 1, Paul Jopp 2, Sue Rainsbury 3, John Hawes 4, Jonathan Ratcliffe 5, Richard Wolfgang 6, Christian Peckham 7, Margaret Whiteley 8, Martin Whiteley (C) 9, John Heaton 10. 1st on ten: 1. Rung for Evensong.

Diss, Norfolk. 8 Jun, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Ann Webb 1, Katie Wright 2, Gudrun Warren 3, Betty Baines 4, David Webb 5, Adrian Edwards 6, Adrian Malton (C) 7, Jeremy Warren 8. For Evensong; also for the 70th anniversary of D-Day. **£4**

Donhead St Mary, Wilts. 8 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Paul Dewey 1, Robert Wellen 2, Hugh Walmesley White 3, Jonathan Maguire 4, Christopher Sykes (C) 5, Julie Gaskell Sykes 6. 1st away from tenor: 1. For Whitsun Evensong.

Dumbleton, Glos. 11 Jun, 1320 Stamford S Minor: Anna Bayley 1, Roy Williams (C) 2, Phill Butler 3, Simon Webb 4, David Matthews 5, Malcolm Evans 6.

Dunstable, Beds. 10 Jun, 1280 Moonstone S Major: Robert Tregillus 1, Alan M Shepherd 2, Ann Evans 3, Bjørn E Bradstock (C) 4, Richard Sales 5, Philip J Ellis 6, Claire C Nicholson 7, Richard A Horne 8. **£4**

Durleigh, Som. 8 Jun, 1260 Rev Canterbury Pleasure Pl Doubles: Gerald Brown 1, Valerie Stone 2, Derek Hurley 3, Bill Wilkinson 4, Charles Pipe-Wolferstan (C) 5, Carol Arscott 6. For Evensong. Also a compliment to 6 for her 60th Birthday on 5 June. 40th Q: 3.

East Brent, Som. 11 Jun, 1272 Wells S Minor: Mary Hannam 1, A Roy Shallish 2, Teresa J Humphrey 3, Tim Hawkings 4, Melvyn Freeman 5, Charles Pipe-Wolferstan (C) 6. Rung to welcome the new Bishop of Bath & Wells, Rt Revd Peter Hancock, installed at Wells Cathedral on 7 June.

East Peckham, Kent. 11 Jun, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Robin Leale 1, Jill Leale 2, Linda Foddering 3, Paul Flavell (C) 4, Richard Anthony 5, David Kirkcaldy 6.

Eastwood, Essex. 14 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Cathryn Corns 1, Gordon Lucas 2, John Woollard 3, Peter Knight 4, David Belcham 5, Stephen Halliwell (C) 6. 1st Minor: 3.

Edmond, Shrops. 19 May, 1280 Spl S Major (5m): Kathryn R Greaves 1, Chloe A Darby 2, Gail K Lawrence 3, William S Deason 4, Matthew Lawrence 5, Edric W Broom 6, Nicholas J Green (C) 7, Mark Adams 8. 1st Spl: 2. **£BD**

Elmore, Glos. 31 May, 1260 PB Minor: Sue Pouncey 1, Melanie Gibson 2, D Pouncey 3, K Durrant 4, S Burrage 5, E J Gibson (C) 6. Birthday compliment to 5. **£2.50**

Etwell, Derbys. 15 Jun, 1272 Bedford S Minor: Peter Marriott 1, Jack Chadwick 2, Francis Gilbert 3, Mike Redfern 4, Nick Daines 5, Alec Humphrey (C) 6. For Evensong. **£3**

Exeter, Devon. (64 Mount Pleasant Road) 10 Jun, 1280 Spl S Major (5m): Tim Bayton (C) 1-2, Lynne Hughes 3-4, Sue Sparling 5-6, Sue Sawyer 7-8. **£1.20**

Exeter, Devon. (Cathedral) 1 Jun, 1360 London No 3 S Royal: Ian L C Campbell 1, Susan M Sawyer 2, P Wendy Campbell 3, Richard H Johnston 4, John A Foster 5, Peter G Brown 6, John R Martin (C) 7, James Kirkcaldy 8, David Hird 9, Oliver Coldrick 10. Rung prior to Choral Eucharist. **£5**

Fairwarp, Sussex. 11 Jun, 1320 Norwich S Minor: Sandra M Titherly 1, Louise G Pink 2, Janet M Wilson 3, Richard A Hutchings 4, Alan R Baldock (C) 5, Alan D Pink 6. 25th on the bells & 25th in m: 5. 750th together: 2 & 5. With best wishes to Frances Bradford for a speedy recovery. **£BD**

Felsted, Essex. 4 May, 1260 Single Canterbury Pleasure B Minor: Kate Champness 1, David Learmonth 2, Di Carpenter 3, Peter G Smith 4, Vicky LeFèvre (C) 5, Ian Cresshull 6. For Evensong. 1st in m: 2, 3 & 4. **£3**

Felsted, Essex. 1 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: John Pearson 1, Kate Champness 2, Di Carpenter 3, Patricia Cresshull 4, Vicky LeFèvre (C) 5, Peter G Smith 6, Ian Cresshull 7, David Learmonth 8. For Evensong. **£4**

Felsted, Essex. 14 Jun, 1280 Spl S Major (4m): Liz Griffith-Jones 1, Mary Bone 2, Carol Wilkinson 3, Patricia Cresshull 4, Vicky LeFèvre 5, Ian Cresshull 6, Fred Bone 7, C John Warboys (C) 8. 2,000th Q: 1. **£4**

Filton, Glos. 27 May, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Phil Quartly 1, Susan Tomlinson 2, Simon J Tomlinson (C) 3, David C Haslam 4, Jennifer R Pick 5, John H Gilbert 6. Rung by current & former employees of the Bristol Aerospace Company (BAC) prior to the blessing of a new Remembrance Garden at the Factory. **£2**

Fitzhead, Som. 9 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m/3v): Bryan G Williams 1, Yvonne Criddle 2, Valerie Stone (C) 3, W John Parsons 4, Giles R Morley 5, Martin J Blazey 6. **£BD**

Fordingbridge, Hants. 4 Jun, 1264 PB Major: Elizabeth Davey 1, Jen Churchill 2, Patricia Davidson 3, Polly Osborne 4, Joy Scanlan 5, Judith Williamson 6, Christine Hill (C) 7, Teresa Brown 8. By members of the Ladies' Guild Southern District, to mark the 70th anniversary of the D-Day landings.

Frampton Cotterell, Glos. 17 May, 1260 PB Doubles: June Curry 1, Gill Greef 2, Brynley Shackleton 3, Chris Greef 4, Gary Crisp (C) 5, Richard Sleeman 6. Rung at the end of the St Peter's Frampton Cotterell Hymnathon which took place on 16 & 17 May. **£5**

Frodsham, Ches. 6 Jun, 1280 Foxhall S Major: William G Bibby 1, Carrie L Hyde 2, Helen S Mitchell 3, Andrew J Rawlinson 4, Diana M Anderson 5, Geoffrey Parting 6, Duncan L C Hyde (C) 7, Peter Wilkinson 8. To commemorate the 70th Anniversary of D-Day.

Fulbourn, Cambs. 16 Jun, 1504 Spl S Major (23m): Graham Hall (C) 1, Liz Griffith-Jones 2, Mary Bone 3, Mary Hall 4, June Mackay 5, Stephen Wood 6, Fred Bone 7, Peter Hinton 8. Most Spl S Major methods: 3, 5, 6 & 8. **£4**

Fulbourn, Cambs. 16 Jun, 1504 Spl S Major (23m): Graham Hall (C) 1, Liz Griffith-Jones 2, Mary Bone 3, Mary Hall 4, June Mackay 5, Stephen Wood 6, Fred Bone 7, Peter Hinton 8. Same day, same place, same band but not a duplication! **£4**

Gillingham, Dorset. 12 Jun, 1250 Pudsey S Major: Judith Williamson 1, Rosemary Duke 2, David Hacker 3, Robert Purnell 4, Bill Day 5, Robert Wellen 6, Tom Garrett 7, Graham Duke (C) 8. Rung on Robert's Birthday. 50th Major: 6. **£4**

Great Amwell, Herts. 6 Jun, 1296 Brampton S Minor: Roy Hornby 1, Bjørn E Bradstock 2, John J Ford 3, Claire C Nicholson (C) 4, David S Harris 5, Andrew F Case 6. **£3**

Great Finborough, Suffolk. 11 Jun, 1320 Ipswich S Minor: Lesley Steed 1, Josephine Beaver 2, Andrea Alderton 3, David Steed 4, Richard Brewster 5, Stephen Dawson (C) 6. 1st in m: 3. 250th Q: 5. **£1.80**

Guildford, Surrey. (Cathedral) 8 Jun, 1344 Bristol S Maximus: David J Tubbs 1, A Jane Beadman 2, Elizabeth A Burton 3, Justina M Buswell 4, Anne M Anthony 5, Christopher H Rogers 6, Richard H Burton (C) 7, Matthew C Webb 8, Maurice F Edwards 9, David R Beadman 10, Neil Buswell 11, Nicholas M W Haggatt 12.

Gulval, Cornwall. 9 Jun, 1280 Spl S Major (8m): Claire Sowden 1, Jane Hitchens 2, Neil Hitchens 3, Graham Baskerville 4, Carolyn Howell 5, Sam Nankervis 6, Chris Venn 7, Norman Mattingley (C) 8. 1st 8-Spl: 4.

Hailsham, Sussex. 8 Jun, 1320 Norwich S Minor: Pauline M Kennard 1, Anne E Franklin 2, Frances P Bradford 3, Sandra M Titherly 4, Peter M J Bradford 5, Alan R Baldock (C) 6. For Whit Sunday evening prayer. **£BD**

Haresfield, Glos. 2 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: A Stick 1, Melanie Gibson 2, Pam May 3, K Durrant 4, R Screen 5, E J Gibson (C) 6. **£2.50**

Hillfarrance, Som. 9 Jun, 1260 Dolphinholme B Minor: Yvonne Criddle 1, Valerie Stone 2, Bryan G Williams 3, W John Parsons 4, Martin J Blazey 5, Giles R Morley (C) 6. 600th together: 5 & 6. **£BD**

Holmer, Herefords. 10 Jun, 1272 Kent TB Minor: Karen M Powell 1, Martin J Kirk 2, Hayley Clarke 3, Nicholas C Fisher 4, David C Powell 5, David R Carter (C) 6. 1st in m: 3. Birthday compliment to 3 (9 June) & George Carter today. **£3£3**

Hooe, E Sussex. (Dewby's Bells) 8 Jun, 1312 Lubcloud S Major: Alan J Collings 1, Pauline M Kennard 2, Tim C Smith 3, Sandra M Titherly 4, Frances P Bradford 5, Peter M J Bradford 6, Louise G Pink 7, Alan D Pink (C) 8. First in m for all except 6 & 7.

Hornchurch, Essex. 15 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Paul J Bloomfield 1, Rebecca A Woolward 2, John W Stephenson 3, Gavin S Carpenter 4, Clive J Stephenson (C) 5, Macaulay J Crawford 6. For Evening Worship.

Hughenden, Bucks. 10 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: David A Cornwall 1, Francoise Allen (First Inside) 2, Valerie Clark 3, L Roy Woodruff (C) 4, Nigel Perrins 5, James Williams 6. **£BD**

Ilkley, W Yorks. 15 Jun, 1250 Spl S Major (8m): Alan Glover 1, Cindy Maude 2, Gillian Glover 3, Sue Green 4, Mike Pidd 5, David G Butler 6, Chris Turner (C) 7, Andy Sutherland 8. Congratulations to 4 on her 60th Birthday, on 13 June. **£4**

Keele, Woodlands, Staffs. 11 Jun, 1344 Bristol S Major: Philip W Gay 1, Harold Dowler 2, Ian W Taylor 3, Dennis Latham 4, Patricia A M Halls 5, Raymond J Ballard 6, Michael Wilshaw 7, Timothy M Davis (C) 8.

Kingston, Dorset. 30 May, 1260 PB Triples: Carole M Dean 1, Linda Hough 2, Mike Jasper 3, Eddie Dicken 4, Brian R Dean 5, Linda Jasper 6, Angie Jasper (C) 7, Mike Pitman 8. Rung to celebrate the May wedding anniversaries of Rachel & Danny McCarthy (2000) & Helen & Roger Brewer (2013).

Kington Magna, Dorset. 12 Jun, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Graham Duke 1, Robert Purnell 2, David Hacker 3, Robert Wellen 4, Tom Garrett (C) 5. Rung on Robert's Birthday. **£2.50**

Knottingley, W Yorks. 14 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Janet Laycock 1, Simon Crow 2, Katie Moreton 3, Catherine Marsden 4, Ralph Moreton (C) 5, Paul Hargrave 6. For the patronal festival. 1st inside: 2. First by a local band. **£3**

Lanchester, Durham. 3 Jun, 1280 Spl Yorkshire & London S Major: Megan Corless 1, Alexander Pym 2, James Morgan 3, Kris King 4, Rachel Wells 5, Robert Criddle 6, Andrew Enzor (C) 7, Matthew Jones (TDO) 8.

Langdon Hills, Essex. 13 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Gordon Lucas 1, Alan Gisby 2, Cathryn Corns 3, Andrew Martin 4, Stephen Nash (C) 5.

Langdon Hills, Essex. 15 Jun, 1272 Cambridge S Minor: Ros Skipper 1, Cathryn Corns 2, Gordon Lucas 3, David Belcham 4, Darren Osborne 5, Stephen Nash (C) 6. 1st treble bob: 1.

Laughton, E Sussex. 12 Jun, 1260 Doubles (11m): Mary Burr 1, Louise Pink 2, Pauline Kennard 3, Sandra Titherly 4, Anne Franklin 5, Stephen Beckingham (C) 6.

Leckhampton, Glos. 8 Jun, 1280 Spl S Major (4m): Harry Tomlinson 1, Barbara Pettit 2, Jacqui Hyde 3, Pat Hickey 4, Sue Drinkwater 5, Chris Hickey 6, Reg Hitchings 7, Stuart Tomlinson (C) 8.

Leytonstone, London E11. 7 Jun, 1280 London S Major: Phill A Butler 1, Louise G Pink 2, Alan D Pink 3, Claire C Nicholson (C) 4, Michael T Childs 5, Simon D G Webb 6, David A C Matthews 7, Samuel M Austin 8.

Lincoln. (Cathedral) 8 Jun, 1280 Spl S Major (3m): Christopher C P Woodcock 1, Dot Mason 2, Sandra Underwood 3, John F Underwood 4, Phillip A Mason 5, Graham J N Colbourne 6, David Fox 7, Andrew Blacklock (C) 8. **£BD**

Little Chart, Kent. 11 Jun, 1320 York S Minor: Frank R Wenham 1, Mary F Marshall 2, Owen C R Webster 3, Stephen J Davis 4, Alan C Bourner 5, Karen A Edwards (C) 6. To mark the 93rd Birthday of HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. **£BD**

Little Comberton, Worcs. 7 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Marianne Fisher 1, Alison R Williams 2, Jennie Kimberley 3, Roy Williams (C) 4, Steve Bowley 5, John Alexander 6. Rung following the marriage of Christopher Panton & Heidi Wagner.

Loddon, Norfolk. 10 Jun, 1320 Bourne S Minor: Joy Miller 1, Ollie Miller 2, Stephen Rabong 3, Ann-M Webb 4, Katie Wright 5, David Webb (C) 6. 1st blows in m: 2.

Lydney, Glos. 12 Jun, 1260 PB Royal: Steve Coleman 1, Jo Gifford 2, Will Ruck 3, Paul Bergdahl 4, John Hopkins 5, Matt Sim 6, Jack Long 7, Leighton Cooke 8, Sue Coleman 9, Cathy Baker (C) 10. 1st Royal: 3 & 5.

Maidstone, Kent. (All Saints) 7 Jun, 1282 Yorkshire S Royal: Darren W Elphick 1, Phillip R J Barnes 2, Diana R Wright 3, Jacqueline M Barlow 4, Graham D Heath 5, Elizabeth A Barnes 6, Kath E White 7, Richard J Barclay 8, Daniel W Brady (C) 9, Michael A Birbeck 10. Rung for the Civic Service & also to commemorate the 70th anniversary of D-Day.

Manuden, Essex. 9 Jun, 1272 Oxford TB Minor: Carol Wilkinson 1, Patricia Cresshull 2, Clive Moore 3, Gerald Pearson 4, Frank Warboys 5, Ian Cresshull (C) 6. **£3**

Marietta, Georgia. 30 May, 1250 Cambridge S Major: Lyn Barnett 1, Anne P Cook 2, Mary Platt 3, E Jane Sibson 4, Christine M Carter 5, Derek E Sibson (C) 6, Charley Heilker 7, Ted Clark 8. SRCY North American Meeting.

Marietta, Georgia. 30 May, 1472 Yorkshire S Major: E Jane Sibson 1, Eileen Joy Butler 2, Anne P Cook 3, Christine M Carter 4, Kathryn E Tucker 5, Derek E Sibson (C) 6, Ted Clark 7, Bruce N Butler 8. SRCY North American Meeting.

Marietta, Georgia. 31 May, 1280 Cassiobury S Major: Christian J Haller 1, Elaine M Hansen 2, E Jane Sibson 3, Cally D Perry 4, Kristine K Fowler 5, Derek E Sibson (C) 6, Janet E Menhinick 7, John J Ford 8. SRCY North American Meeting.

Marietta, Georgia. 1 Jun, 1280 Cassiobury S Major: John J Ford 1, Kristine K Fowler 2, Catherine P Brown 3, Cally D Perry 4, Ted Clark 5, Derek E Sibson (C) 6, Matthew C Brown 7, Peter J Blight 8. SRCY North American Meeting.

Marsworth, Bucks. 8 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Ruth Monks 1, Thomas Monks 2, Rose Nightingale (C) 3, Alison Bayley 4, Simon J O Head 5, Richard Booth 6. 1st inside: 2, completing his 'Learning the Ropes' Level 4, in less than 11 months since starting to ring.

Martley, Worcs. 11 Jun, 1260 St Martins Doubles: Chris Carter 1, Les Smith 2, Jason Fisher 3, Martin Curren 4, Gareth B R Jones (C) 5, Dave Cropp 6. 1st in m: 3. Belated 65th Birthday to 4.

Meldreth, Cambs. 7 Jun, 1288 Grandsire Triples: John Hinton 1, Lyn Clackson 2, Shirley Warbrick 3, Jackie Latham 4, Jon Warbrick 5, Sarah Hinton 6, Peter Hinton (C) 7, Angus Campbell 8. **£4**

Mentmore, Bucks. 6 Jun, 1260 St Martin's B Doubles: Thomas Monks 1, Rose Nightingale 2, Richard Booth (C) 3, Ruth Monks 4, Bob Tregillus 5. To celebrate the 70th anniversary of D-Day. The father of 3 parachuted into France early in the morning & was captured on the same day, remaining in France as a PoW until freed by the advancing Allied troops. First in m as C.

Mereworth, Kent. 11 Jun, 1296 Bedford S Minor: Robin Leale 1, Jill Leale 2, Richard Anthony 3, Linda Foddering 4, David Kirkcaldy 5, Paul Flavell (C) 6.

Milton Abbey, Dorset. 7 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Ellen R A Smith 1, Patricia M Garrett 2, Andrew G Smith 3, Peter M Dillistone 4, Beryl M Shuttleworth 5, Michael J Dillistone 6, Timothy F Collins (C) 7, Niall M Simpson 8. Rung for the Milton Abbey school summer fête. **£BD**

Milverton, Som. 12 Jun, 1280 Southwell S Major: Keith E Beale (C) 1, Joan M Hopwood 2, Rosemary K Tuhey 3, Michael S Blissett 4, Christopher J B Marshall 5, Giles R Morley 6, Jonathan G Rose 7, Andrew F Howard 8. 100th Birthday compliment to Muriel Pogmore of Stratford upon Avon. **£BD**

Mistley, Essex. 8 Jun, 1260 Doubles (5m): Anne V Turner 1, G Mary Coe 2, Pam Avis 3, Rhona I H McEune 4, Neil V Avis (C) 5, Martin C Jones 6. For Pentecost.

Mosman Park, W Australia. 7 Jun, 1282 Cambridge S Major: Lloyd Cartwright 1, Mary Townsend 2, Richard Offen (C) 3, Michael Thomson 4, Haddon Arrowsmith 5, Andrew Baxter 6, Michael Stone 7, Ian Harris 8. As part of the ANZAB Festival 2014.

Mosman Park, W Australia. 8 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Jayne Hodgkin 1, Harold Bartlett 2, Simon McMillan 3, Tony Godber 4, Ken Hodgkin 5, Mary Townsend (C) 6. Rung as part of the ANZAB Festival.

Motcombe, Dorset. 12 Jun, 1272 Wells S Minor: Rosemary Duke 1, Judith Williamson 2, Graham Duke 3, David Hacker 4, Robert Wellen 5, Robert Purnell (C) 6. Rung on Robert's Birthday. 1st in m: 5. **£3**

Naremburn, NSW. 1 Jun, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Mike Clayton 1, Tom Goodyer 2, Paul Cammiade 3, Chris Oldham 4, David Bath 5, Thomas Perrins (C) 6.

New Alesford, Hants. 11 May, 1260 PB Doubles: Susan Smith 1, Elizabeth Johnson 2, Robert Hatch 3, Ian Redway 4, Andrew Johnson (C) 5. For Evensong.

Newcastle upon Tyne. (Cathedral) 6 Jun, 1270 Stedman Triples: Anne Davies 1, Barbara Davies 2, Karen Dickinson 3, Stephen B Bell 4, Jeremy Housden 5, Kristopher King 6, Howard E J Smith (C) 7, Duncan Davis 8. A 1270 rung on the 70th anniversary of the D-Day landings starting the liberation of Europe. In memory of the dead from many nations.

Newport, Shrops. 7 Jun, 1296 Stedman Triples: William S Deason 1, Sue Buckingham 2, Jacqueline C Barden 3, Biff Patterson 4, Kathryn R Greaves 5, Mark Adams 6, Nicholas J Green (C) 7, Paul J Lewis 8. **£BD**

New York, NY. 23 Mar, 1440 Cambridge S Minor: Tina Hitchings 1, Amy Lam 2, Paul Windels III 3, Martha Partridge 4, J Chapman Knott 5, John Hitchings (C) 6.

New York, NY. 20 Apr, 1344 Grandsire Triples: Amy Lam 1, Tina Hitchings (C) 2, Elaine C Gosden 3, Mark R Gosden 4, John Mabe 5, John Hitchings 6, J Chapman Knott 7, David Henry 8. For Easter.

North Cave, E Yorks. 8 Jun, 1260 Grandsire & PB Doubles: Ian Wilson 1, Carolyn Bailey 2, Harvey Plows (C) 3, Simon Plows 4, William Lennox 5, Barry Jones 6. For Church Parade.

Northchurch, Herts. 9 Jun, 1504 Lincolnshire S Major: Alan M Shepherd 1, Carolyn J Crawley 2, Deborah A Crawley 3, Liz Middleton 4, Nicky J Smith 5, Brian Crawley 6, James W S Crawley 7, Stephen J Crawley (C) 8. 1st in m: 3.

Norwich, Norfolk. (S George) 15 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Rebekah Lerner 1, Mark Lerner 2, David Pearce 3, Dawn Pullen 4, Barbara Mesney 5, Steve Day (C) 6. **£3**

Nottingham. (S Mary) 8 Jun, 1277 Grandsire Caters: Corinna England 1, Tony Lees 2, Bob Metcalfe 3, Denise Harden 4, Phil Wild 5, Chris Birkby 6, Martyn Marriott 7, Peter Hawcock 8, Peter England (C) 9, Phil Jones 10. Rung for the 70th anniversary of the Normandy landings & for Evensong on Whitsunday. **£2.50**

Offton, Suffolk. 3 Jun, 1280 Spl S Major (8m): Ralph N Earey 1, Janet R Sheldrake 2, David A Potts 3, Stephen A Cheek 4, Gordon E Slack 5, David I Stanford 6, Doug R Perry 7, Brian E Whiting (C) 8. Should have been 9-Spl but the manager forgot to make the second half substitution.

Olveston, Glos. 3 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Edward Lovering 1, Canon David Sansum 2, Valerie Johnson 3, Thomas Bale 4, Matthew Johnson 5, Andrew Williams 6, David Matthews (C) 7, Philip Coward 8. Rung as a 80th Birthday compliment to June Robbins.

Perth, W Australia. (The Bell Tower) 12 Jun, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Richard Offen 1, Jayne Hodgkin 2, Debbie Hay 3, Mike Thomson 4, Michael Collinson 5, Tony Godber 6, Andrew Ling 7, Adam Beer 8, Ian Harris (C) 9, Stephen Bounds 10.

Pettistree, Suffolk. 11 Jun, 1440 Bourne S Minor: Mike Whitby (C) 1, Pippa Moss 2, Jane Harper 3, Mary Garner 4, Peter Harper 5, Richard Munnings 6. With the band's best wishes to Maggie Ross on her 40th Birthday.

Pillaton, Cornwall. 10 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Geoff Auckland 1, Kerry Anstee 2, Rachel Mackonochie 3, Andy Mackonochie 4, Kevan Borlase 5, Owen Borlase (C) 6, John Wheeley 7. 1st Minor: 1 & 3. 1st in m: 3. Rung on bells 1, 3-8 for absent friends on practice night.

Porthkerry, Glamorgan. 24 May, 1260 Doubles (11m): Marice Sherlock 1, Helen Williams 2, Barry D Morgan 3, David Bounds (C) 4, Mathew Williams 5, Jon Williams 6. Rung to celebrate the 20th Wedding Anniversary of the ringers Helen & John Williams who were married in this church.

Portsmouth, Hants. (Cathedral) 8 Jun, 1277 Stedman Cinques: Nigel Herriott (C) 1, Jennifer Herriott 2, Christine Saunders 3, Maureen Hanney 4, Patricia Spink 5, Pam Thompson 6, Richard Thompson 7, Christine Hill 8, Russell Jordan 9, Peter Hill 10, Katie Hill 11, Ken Warner 12. For Evensong & the 70th Anniversary of the D-Day Landings.

Preston, Dorset. 11 Jun, 1344 PB Triples: Thomas R Garrett 1, Patricia M Garrett 2, Alan N Frost 3, Christopher M White 4, William R H Haydock 5, Peter M Dillistone 6, Nigel R Woodruff (C) 7, Mike Pitman 8. Rung as a compliment to 3 on his 65th Birthday. 1st blows in m: 6. 1st in m: 2. **£4**

Radstock, Som. 10 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Robert Perry (C) 1, Sharon Bradley 2, Nicki J Lang 3, Barry Langan 4, John Murray 5, Steve Beck 6. A Birthday compliment to 4 on his forthcoming 60th Birthday on Friday.

Reading, Berks. (S Laurence) 10 Jun, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Colin Newman 1, June Wells 2, Gillian Carill 3, James Hibbert 4, Jack Page 5, Kelvin Britton (C) 6, John Wells 7.

Road, Northants. 5 Jun, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Harry E Curtis 1, Michael R Bennett 2, Alan C Cozens 3, Anthony G Osborne 4, Alan J Marks 5, Christopher C Stokes (C) 6. Rung to celebrate the 60th anniversary of their first peal: 1 & 4, both taught in this tower by 3.

Rochester, Kent. (Cathedral) 8 Jun, 1260 PB Royal: Tim Joiner 1, Darren Elphick 2, Helen Webb 3, Terri Horton 4, Roger Pocock 5, Ray Morgan 6, Rupert Cheeseman 7, Barry Roberts 8, Cathy Cheeseman 9, Neil Jones (C) 10. For Evensong on Pentecost Sunday. Also to mark the D-Day commemorations & with Birthday compliments to Carla Boys-Stones, Val Cooper, 6 & 8. **£BD**

Rock Ferry, Wirral. 11 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Peter Exley 1, Helen A Stansfield 2, Carl McCarthy 3, Peter F Humphreys 4, Randle T J Tinkler 5, Tony Fox (C) 6. First as C. Happy Birthday to Steven W Hughes from all the band.

Rockingham, W Australia. 7 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Ron Chapman 1, Mary Sluter 2, Robert Walters 3, Frank Sluter 4, Rachel Aland 5, Jayne Hodgkin 6, Thomas Perrins (C) 7, Ken Hodgkin 8. Rung as part of the 2014 ANZAB festival.

St Albans, Herts. (Cathedral) 5 Jun, 1346 Yorkshire S Maximus: Siân E Austin 1, Deirdre R Watson 2, Samuel M Austin (C) 3, Janet L Penney 4, Jonathan A Agg 5, Bjorn E Bradstock 6, Claire C Nicholson 7, John J Ford 8, Alan M Shepherd 9, Richard Sales 10, Brian C Watson 11, Stephen W Penney 12. Birthday compliment to Rosemary Sales.

St Albans, Herts. (S Peter) 12 Jun, 1282 Yffenni S Royal: Andrew F Case 1, Andrew M Reeve 2, Stephen W Penney 3, Ann Evans 4, Claire C Nicholson 5, Richard Sales 6, Alan M Shepherd 7, Bjorn E Bradstock (C) 8, Thomas B Mack 9, Richard A Horne 10. **£5**

St Buryan, Cornwall. 6 Jun, 1320 Unacceptable S Minor: Neil Hitchens 1, Carolyn Howell 2, Jane Hitchens 3, Graham Baskerville 4, Sam Nankervis 5, Chris Venn (C) 6. First blows in m for all. Rung to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the D-Day landings.

St Peter Port, Guernsey, Channel Is. (Town Church) 11 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: John David 1, Sue Park 2, David Hughes 3, Anne Dorey 4, Michael Bubb (C) 5, David Reeves 6. 1st in m: 4. Rung in celebration of the 70th Anniversary of D-Day & a belated Birthday compliment to HRH The Duke of Edinburgh.

Salford Priors, Warks. 2 Jun, 1288 June Alliance Major: Sandra Parker 1, P J F Quinn 2, J R L Ingham 3, Karen M French 4, R A Reeves 5, R Lewis-Skeath 6, J W Nicholls 7, C F Mew (C) 8. Rung to mark the forthcoming 70th Anniversary of the D-Day landings.

Sampford Brett, Som. 12 Jun, 1260 Doubles (2m): Charis Armstrong 1, Carol Eastaugh 2, Tom Mitchell 3, Liz McConnell 4, Martin Blazey (C) 5, Susan Mew 6. 1st on treble: 1. **£BD**

Sawbridgeworth, Herts. 15 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Mary Bone 1, Dorothy Morgan 2, Ro Kelsell 3, Clive Moore 4, Fred Bone 5, Gary Howard (C) 6. Rung for evening service on Father's Day. 300th Q & 1st as C: 6. **£3**

Shrewsbury, Shrops. (S Chad) 11 May, 1320 Erin Cinques: Sue Buckingham 1, Gillian R Glover 2, Biff Patterson 3, Jad Bienek 4, Madeline J Harris 5, Dawn V A Offen 6, Jacqueline C Barden 7, Brian S B Kear 8, Richard D Blagrove 9, Nicholas J Green (C) 10, Alan M Glover 11, Adrian G Roberts 12. 1st in m: 3. Rung prior to Evensong. **£BD**

Shrewsbury, Shrops. (S Chad) 18 May, 1280 Lincolnshire S Major: Dawn V A Offen 1, Madeline J Harris 2, Jad Bienek 3, Michael Carding 4, Alan M Glover 5, Brian S B Kear 6, Nicholas J Green (C) 7, Richard D Blagrove 8. 1st in m: 4. Rung prior to Evensong on the light eight. **£BD**

Shrewsbury, Shrops. (S Chad) 8 Jun, 1296 Little B Royal: Dawn V A Offen 1, Sue Buckingham 2, Jacqueline C Barden 3, Jad Bienek 4, Alan M Glover 5, Madeline J Harris 6, Amanda R Craig 7, Nicholas J Green (C) 8, Brian S B Kear 9, Gareth B R Jones 10. Rung on the light ten prior to Choral Evensong to mark the 70th anniversary of D-Day. **£BD**

Silk Willoughby, Lincs. 12 Jun, 1260 Single Court B Minor: Richard Short 1, Dot Mason 2, Sylvia Taylor 3, Jean Kay 4, Phil Mason 5, Alan Bird (C) 6.

Southgate, London N14. 7 Jun, 1280 Cambridge S Royal: Louise G Pink 1, Alan D Pink 2, Siân E Austin 3, David A C Matthews 4, Claire C Nicholson 5, Michael T Childs 6, Phill A Butler 7, Bjorn E Bradstock (C) 8, Simon D G Webb 9, Samuel M Austin 10. 70th Birthday compliment to Graham K Austin for 10 June 2014.

Southgate, London N14. 25 May, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Kate Giddens 1, John Thorp 2, Anselm Hartley 3, Janet Betham 4, Ron Giddens 5, Stephen Jakeman 6, Martin Sutcliffe (C) 7, Helen Porter 8. For Evensong. 1st in m: 4.

South Hackney, London E9. 11 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Sarah Frith 1, Stephen Jakeman (C) 2, Stephen Haigh 3, Louise Booth 4, Colin Friend 5, Hugh Jackson 6. 1st away from tenor: 1. First as cover. **£3**

South Wigston, Leics. 7 Jun, 1260 PB Triples: Charlie F Worgor 1, Bill Steward 2, Glenda Pike 3, Winifred M Warwick 4, Francis W Fisher 5, Nigel R H Robinson 6, Michael Angrave (C) 7, Mark S Robinson 8. Rung during the Summer Fete.

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Stapleford, Wilts. 6 Jun, 1260 St Simon's B Doubles: Kate Brice 1, Mike Jenkins 2, Christopher Smithies 3, Angie Jasper 4, Ross A Bradley (C) 5, Paul Tyson 6. For Hampreston QP Day & to commemorate the 70th anniversary of D-Day. 1st in m: 2.

Stoke on Trent, Staffs. (S Peter ad Vincula) 8 Jun, 1260 Doubles (7m/4v): B Margaret Burton 1, J Geoffrey Burton 2, Wendy Daw 3, Raymond H Daw (C) 4, Bernie Payne 5, Spencer J S Browning 6. **£BD**

Stonesfield, Oxon. 30 May, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Ron Burgess 1, Lindsey Thornton 2, Bernard Coggins 3, Michael Probert 4, Alison T Merryweather-Clarke (C) 5, Robert W Walton 6. Rung in celebration & thanksgiving after the wedding of Libby Osborne & Nigel Hanks to wish them a blessed & blissful marriage.

Surfleet, Lincs. 21 Apr, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Joseph E T Waters 1, David Collin 2, Valerie S Wild 3, Caitlin A Meyer 4, G John Collett 5, Philip R Wild 6, Daniel T Meyer 7, Benjamin J Meyer (C) 8. 1st Major: 1. Rung as a Birthday compliment to HM Elizabeth II, Daniel Meyer, Jennifer Year, Marie Watts & 21st Birthday compliment to James Collett who all celebrate their Birthday today.

Sutton, Cheshire. 8 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): Tony Greenham 1, Denise A Hughes 2, Frank Osbaldiston 3, Tim Hughes 4, Mark Jacot (C) 5. Run to mark the Ruby Wedding Anniversary of Tony & Judith Greenham.

Templecombe, Som. 11 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Pat Davidson 1, Robert Wellen 2, Judith Williamson 3, Malcolm Penney 4, Albert Spreadbury 5, Neil Skelton (C) 6. A Second Wednesday Group Q. **£3**

Tideswell, Derbys. 14 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Pauline Boyle 1, Paul Black 2, Geoff Goodall (C) 3, Eileen Goodall 4, Josh Eldridge 5, John Boyle 6. 1st inside: 3. **£1.80**

Trumpington, Cambs. 15 Jun, 1250 Superlative S Major: Christine Seaman 1, Philip Gorman 2, Sharon Stimpson 3, Samantha Gorman 4, Stephen Theobald (C) 5, Mark Norris 6, Stephen Burr 7, Robert Oakeshott 8. For Evensong on Fathers' Day & for the 50th Birthday of 5.

Tulloch, Highland. 14 Jun, 1346 Yorkshire S Maximus: Simon H Aves 1, Nicola A Marshall 2, Christopher J Frye 3, Mike Clay 4, Jennifer Tomkinson 5, Margaret Williams 6, Helen M McGregor 7, Susan E Bryce 8, Terry G Williams 9, Ruth M Marshall 10, Tina R Stoecklin 11, Simon J Gay (C) 12. 1st on twelve: 6. 1st S Maximus: 9. 1st in m: 5. SACR 12-bell training day. **£6**

Tulloch, Highland. 14 Jun, 1346 Yorkshire S Maximus: Tina R Stoecklin 1, Jennifer A Holden 2, Ian P Bell 3, Mike Clay 4, Barbara J Bell 5, Stephen A Elwell-Sutton 6, Colin P North 7, Ruth M Marshall 8, Susan E Bryce 9, Simon H Aves 10, Christopher J Frye 11, Simon J Gay (C) 12. 1st in m: 2, 5 & 10. SACR 12-bell training day. **£6**

Upton Magna, Shrops. 12 Jun, 1260 Grandsire & PB Doubles: Bill Price 1, John Blackall 2, E Ann Williams (C) 3, John L F Upton 4, Nicholas J Green 5, Steve J Evans 6. Arranged as an 87th Birthday compliment at Upton for 4 (5 June).

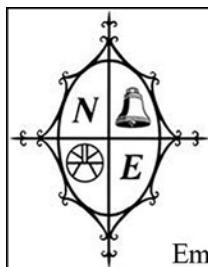
Vale, Guernsey, Channel Is. 8 Jun, 1260 Doubles (1p/5m/8v): Joe Allen 1, Nicky David 2, Peter Gallienne 3, Duncan Loweth 4, Michael Bubb (C) 5, Harry White 6. For Taize service on Pentecost. Birthday compliment to Amy Madden, Joe Allen & Helen Rolif.

Waddesdon, Bucks. 12 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Anne Pratt 1, Caroline Luxford 2, Jeremy Pratt 3, Julie Haseldine 4, Andrew Haseldine (C) 5, Sue Haines 6. Rung to celebrate the 21st Birthday of Charles Luxford, son of 2. 1st inside: 2. **£3**

Warwick. (S Mary) 8 Jun, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Jayne Pinder 1, Ruth Border 2, Jane Rogers 3, Lucy Gwynne 4, Karen French 5, John Gwynne 6, Charles Hayward 7, Chris Mew (C) 8, Simon Rogers 9, David Leafie 10.

Wellesbourne, Warks. 9 Jun, 1260 Stedman Triples: C F Mew (C) 1, M W Sayers 2, J R L Ingham 3, Karen M French 4, J W Nicholls 5, M Haynes 6, M Chester 7, P J F Quinn 8.

Wells, Som. (S Cuthbert) 7 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Alison Wickson 1, Janet Smith 2, Helen Brown 3, Brian Livings 4, Peter N Felton 5, Tim Phillips 6, Ken Brown (C) 7, Andrew P Deamer 8. Rung for the Installation of the Right Revd Peter Hancock as the 79th Bishop of Bath & Wells in Wells Cathedral earlier this afternoon.



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West Bridgford, Notts. 8 Jun, 1344 Chertsey S Major: Corinna England 1, Clare Ryder 2, Denise Harden 3, Derek Butterworth 4, Gary Harden 5, Martyn Marriott 6, Bob Metcalfe 7, Peter England (C) 8. Rung for the 70th anniversary of the Normandy landings & for Whitsunday. **£2**

Westbury on Severn, Glos. 31 Mar, 1320 Norwich S Minor: Philip Coward 1, Valerie Johnson 2, Andrew Williams 3, Matthew Johnson 4, Malco0lm Evans 5, David Matthews (C) 6. Birthday compliments to 3.

Wicken, Northants. 29 May, 1344 Superlative S Major: Raymond A Vickers 1, Alan C Cozens 2, Andrew Spencer 3, Sebastian Lucas 4, Barry Care 5, Ruth Stokes 6, Richard Haseldine 7, Christopher C Stokes (C) 8. For Ascension Day.

Wicken, Northants. 14 Jun, 1344 Yorkshire S Major: Ruth Stokes 1, Andrew Spencer 2, Lesley Belcher 3, B Douglas Hird 4, Tony Gray 5, Simon Head 6, Nick Gray 7, Christopher Stokes (C) 8. For Wicken village dog show.

Wilton, Wilts. 6 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Paul Tyson 1, Christopher Smithies 2, Ed Warren 3, Richard Picker 4, Mike Jasper 5, Ross A Bradley (C) 6. For Hampreston QP Day & to commemorate the 70th anniversary of D-Day. 1st in m: 4.

Windsor, Berks. (HM Free Chapel of S George) 10 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Vic Mitchell 1, Doreen Young 2, Mary Gow 3, Stephen Mitchell 4, James White 5, Vernon Bedford 6, Frank Blagrove (C) 7, Mark Harris 8. To celebrate the 93rd anniversary of the birth of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh.

Wiveliscombe, Som. 5 Jun, 1344 Spl S Major (5m): Keith E Beale (C) 1, Rosemary K Tuhey 2, Joan M Hopwood 3, Giles R Morley 4, Michael S Blissett 5, V John Lock 6, Christopher J B Marshall 7, Andrew F Howard 8. For the 70th anniversary of D-Day & to welcome back the Rector after his sabbatical. **£BD**

Woburn, Beds. 8 May, 1264 PB Major: Elizabeth Churchill 1, Raymond Watkin 2, Bob Churchill 3, Ruth Betts 4, Terry Page 5, Gary Reading 6, John Emmett 7, Brian Foley (C) 8. 1st in m: 6. **£4**

Wokingham, Berks. (S Paul) 8 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: David Creasy 1, Susan E Davenport 2, Geoffrey K Cook 3, Andrew Elliston 4, Alan K Barsby 5, Kenneth R Davenport (C) 6, John A Harrison 7, Peter J Davenport 8. For Civic Service.

Wolston, Warks. 9 Jun, 1280 Bristol S Major: David G Harrison 1, Lucy Gwynne 2, Keith A Chambers 3, Andrew M Russell-Laing 4, John Gwynne 5, Doug Kempton 6, Raymon A Sheasby 7, Andrew F Aldrick (C) 8.

Wool, Dorset. 8 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m/p): Brenda Edwards 1, Jane Wilkins 2, John Edwards 3, Anthony Burt 4, Phil Miles (C) 5, Alan Brown 6. For the 70th anniversary of D-Day.

Wormingford, Essex. 27 May, 1260 PB Doubles: Vicky De-Vries 1, Margaret Roberts 2, Lynda Lee 3, Evelyn Reeve 4, Valerie Banwell (C) 5, David Lee 6. First as C. **£3**

Writtle, Essex. 8 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Christina Brewster 1, Steven Turner 2, Phil Stephens 3, Jon Waters 4, Andrew Brewster (C) 5, Roger Bailey 6. For Pentecost. 1st inside: 2. **£BD**

Yorktown, Surrey. 15 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Kathy H Pearson 1, Andrew J Day 2, Anne L Daniels 3, David G Pearson 4, Matthew S Pearson (C) 5, Alan C Ingram 6, A David Leach 7, Gerald V Pearson 8. First Triples as C. Rung to celebrate the 80th Birthday of Keith Fisher, a longstanding ringer at Yorktown.

Ringing Milestone

Peter J Devrell of Bath Somerset was taught to ring in 1964 by the late George J Hawkins at the Church of St Michael with St Paul in Bath, and was elected a member of the Bath & Wells Diocesan Association of Change Ringers at Freshford on 27th June 1964 at the age of 16.

Last month was a special occasion for Pete when he celebrated 50 years of Association membership.

For many years he was a member of the Bath Abbey ringers and was also the Bath branch ringing master and an Association instructor teaching bands to ring at Dunkerton, Kelston, Wellow and Swainswick. He was also involved with the rehanging of Swainswick bells in the early 1970's.

Pete continues to enjoy his ringing and is now a member of the band of ringers at Beckington, Somerset.



Peter Devrell stands beneath the Tenor bell at St Michael with St Paul in Bath on 16th October 1970

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Isle of Wight 14-in-a-day challenge

Fourteen towers, fourteen quarter peals, in one day! That was the challenge on **Saturday 31st May** when ringers from the Isle of Wight, Southampton and Swindon came together to ring a quarter peal in all 14 towers of the Isle of Wight. This would be the first time that this was done. We'd been planning for months previously, but hard work paid off and the day went (almost!) without a hitch.

It wasn't going to be an easy task, being mentally and physically draining, and many of the Island's bells having their own challenges; nevertheless everyone was keen to give it a go. We decided to make our madness worthwhile by raising money for the **Brading Bell Restoration Appeal**. The attempt was advertised all over the ringing groups on Facebook and soon sponsorship money came flooding in from ringers everywhere and we were amazed at the level of support we received.

The main band, Daniel Graham, Kristian Scudamore, Philip Moyle, Simon Edwards and Kieran Downer, rang in all 14 quarter peals. Colin Butler rang in the first nine and Steve Castle replaced him by ringing in the last five. The mainland ringers came over on the Friday evening, ready for the early start on Saturday. Our first tower was Godshill, where the six of us met at 7am. After a prompt start, the ringing quickly settled and a well struck quarter made a good start to the day. The tower captain here (and at nearby Newchurch where we started at 8am) had very kindly let the local residents know a couple of weeks earlier that the bells would be ringing so early. After being treated to refreshments at Whitwell, kindly supplied by the locals, we arrived at Niton. The local warned us that the ropes on the 5th and tenor were near breaking point and might not last the quarter, but luckily they did and a good quarter was scored on this interesting ring of bells.

The quarters kept rolling by; the standard of ringing staying consistently good. Our late start at Freshwater meant we were going to be late for the rest of the remaining towers, but after a couple of quick phone calls all was sorted and we carried on.

We rang a variety of Doubles and Minor methods at the first eight 6-bell towers, for which we all shared the calling, before being joined by other ringers for Grandsire Caters at Carisbrooke. As we had scored all the quarters before, Simon was understandably nervous not to miscall it; we scored in fine style. With each quarter peal that was scored, the pressure mounted to score the next one. The Grandsire Cinques at Newport was the most taxing quarter peal. A relatively inexperienced 12-bell band, ringing on a 12 that are very indistinct in the ringing room and quite odd-struck, performed well on these bells. Thanks go to Steve Noyes for choosing an easy composition with lots of calls to keep everyone on track.

The biggest bells of the day were next at Ryde, which when rung well, have a good old-fashioned noise to them. A really enjoyable quarter of Grandsire Triples brought

out the best in them. The tricky little eight at Brading were next. The previous Thursday the tenor clapper almost came out, when one of the bolts for the baldrick worked loose and fell off, but thankfully everything survived on the day and with only two more quarters to score, we soon realised that we might just complete the challenge. The penultimate quarter was scored on the hard-going, infrequently rung eight at Shanklin and then the tired band arrived at Arreton for the last one at 9pm. A very fast quarter of Plain Bob Doubles was jointly conducted by all the band and when we finished, we were greeted by clapping and cheering from many Island ringers who had been listening intently inside the church. Coincidentally, Arreton is the final resting place of William Rayner who was the first to bring change-ringing to the Isle of Wight. And that was that, we'd done it. For the first time, all the Island's towers had been quartered in one day. A fantastic, but exhausting day had been enjoyed by all and the ringing was as good at the last towers as it was in the morning towers.

Thanks go to all the tower contacts and incumbents for being so accommodating, even when running so far behind schedule, were so enthusiastic for us to complete. To all the local ringers for ringing the bells up before we arrived and being able to stay and ring down afterwards and also to the extra ringers who made up the bands at the higher numbered towers.

The day has so far raised about £760 for the Brading Bell Restoration Appeal and people can still donate. Cheques can be made payable to 'Brading Bell Fund' and sent to Kieran Downer, 44 Landguard Road, Shanklin, Isle of Wight. PO37 7JX. Alternatively, if you'd like more details send me an email at downer1994@hotmail.co.uk.

Simon Edwards has uploaded a video to *YouTube*, showcasing all the ringing of the day, titled *The Isle of Wight 14-in-a-day Challenge* and can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zCsFUxNa1I>.

So, what's our next challenge? Well, let us recover from this first and then we'll think up some more mad schemes to do!

KIERAN DOWNER

All on 31 May:

Godshill, IoW. 1260 PB Minor: Kristian D Scudamore 1, Colin J Butler 2, Daniel Graham 3, Kieran Downer 4, Philip D Moyle 5, Simon W Edwards (C) 6. Here we go! 1/14

Newchurch, IoW. 1260 Doubles (2m): Simon W Edwards 1, Colin J Butler 2, Kieran Downer 3, Kristian D Scudamore 4, Daniel Graham (C) 5, Philip D Moyle 6. 50th quarter this year: 2. 2/14

Whitwell, IoW. 1260 St Clement's College B Minor: Daniel Graham 1, Kieran Downer 2, Philip D Moyle 3, Colin J Butler 4, Kristian D Scudamore 5, Simon W Edwards (C) 6. Birthday compliments to Nick Bowden. 3/14

Niton, IoW. 1260 Doubles (2m): Kieran Downer (C) 1, Simon W Edwards 2, Daniel Graham 3, Kristian D Scudamore 4, Philip D Moyle 5, Colin J Butler 6. 4/14

Chale, IoW. 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Colin J Butler 1, Daniel Graham 2, Simon W Edwards 3, Kristian D Scudamore 4, Kieran Downer 5, Philip D Moyle (C) 6. 5/14

Shorwell, IoW. 1260 Doubles (2m): Philip D Moyle 1, Kieran Downer 2, Colin J Butler 3, Kristian D Scudamore 4, Simon W Edwards (C) 5, Daniel Graham 6. 150th quarter peal as conductor. 6/14

Brighstone, IoW. 1260 PB Minor: Simon W Edwards 1, Philip D Moyle 2, Kristian D Scudamore 3, Colin J Butler 4, Daniel Graham 5, Kieran Downer (C) 6. 7/14 - halfway!

Freshwater, IoW. 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Philip D Moyle 1, Simon W Edwards 2, Kieran Downer 3, Daniel Graham (C) 4, Colin J Butler 5, Kristian D Scudamore 6. 8/14

Carisbrooke, IoW. 1259 Grandsire Caters: Viv Nobbs 1, Kieran Downer 2, Barry Downer 3, Margaret Downer 4, Colin J Butler 5, Simon W Edwards (C) 6. Philip D Moyle 7, Kristian D Scudamore 8, Daniel Graham 9, Mike Bubb 10. 9/14



Some of the band at Carisbrooke (from left): Kristian Scudamore, Daniel Graham, Simon Edwards, Colin Butler, Philip Moyle and Kieran Downer

Newport, IoW. 1342 Grandsire Cinques: Mike Bubb 1, Steve Castle 2, June Mitchell 3, Barry Downer 4, Philip D Moyle 5, Kristian D Scudamore 6, Graham Nobbs 7, Daniel Graham 8, Kieran Downer 9, Simon W Edwards 10, Steve Noyes (C) 11, Beccy Noyes 12. 1st on 12: 1. 10/14

Ryde, IoW. 1260 Grandsire Triples: Caroline May 1, Philip D Moyle 2, Steve Castle 3, Simon W Edwards 4, Kieran Downer 5, Daniel Graham 6, Kristian D Scudamore (C) 7, Barry Downer 8. 11/14

Brading, IoW. 1296 PB Major: June Mitchell 1, Barry Downer 2, Steve Castle 3, Daniel Graham 4, Philip D Moyle 5, Kristian D Scudamore 6, Simon W Edwards 7, Kieran Downer (C) 8. 12/14

Shanklin, IoW. 1288 Grandsire Triples: Caroline May 1, Philip D Moyle 2, Daniel Graham 3, Kristian D Scudamore 4, Steve Castle 5, Simon W Edwards (C) 6, Steve Noyes 7, Kieran Downer 8. Circled the tower (at last)! 8. 13/14

Arreton, IoW. 1260 PB Doubles: Steve Castle (C) 1, Simon W Edwards (C) 2, Kristian D Scudamore (C) 3, Daniel Graham (C) 4, Kieran Downer (C) 5, Philip D Moyle (C) 6. Jointly conducted to end a fantastic day. For the first time, every Isle of Wight tower has been quartered in one day. Arreton is the final resting place of William Rayner who brought change-ringing to the I.W. 14/14



The triumphant band at Arreton (from left): Kristian Scudamore, Daniel Graham, Simon Edwards, Kieran Downer, Philip Moyle and Steve Castle

W & P and Guildford Diocesan Guilds Ring for WWI Centenary

This year's service at Winchester Cathedral to honour the work of the County and District Councils was held 'To Mark the Centenary of the Outbreak of the First World War', and took place on 22nd June, just six days before the centenary of the assassination of the Archduke Franz Ferdinand. When Colin Cook, of the Cathedral band, spotted the up-coming service a couple of months ago, he thought there was an ideal opportunity for the Guild – or rather the present-day guilds corresponding to the old Winchester Guild in 1914 – to come together for a service quarter-peal. So, with the enthusiastic support and skilled arrangements of Nick Bucknall, Cathedral Tower Captain and Viv Nobbs, W&P Guild Master, a band was assembled from the W & P and Guildford guilds for a quarter of Grandsire cinques, ably conducted by Stephen Noyes of Brighstone, IoW. The touch was preceded by a short service led by the Canon Precentor, the Revd Sue Wallace, in the ringing room before the Guild's Memorial board listing 56 ringers from 36 churches across the Diocese who died in the Great War.

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Winchester, Hants. (Cathedral) 22 Jun, 1342 Grandsire Cinques: Toby Arkless (Bramshott) 1, David J Mattingley (Portsmouth Cathedral) 2, Janet E Menhinick (Farnborough) 3, Nicholas D Bucknall (Winchester Cathedral) 4, Kristian D Scudamore (Southampton St Barnabas) 5, Bruce S Purvis (Winchester Cathedral) 6, Kathryne R Arkless (Bramshott) 7, Tim Martin (Christchurch Priory) 8, Daniel Graham (Southampton St Barnabas) 9, Vernon B Bedford (Farnborough) 10, Stephen Noyes (Brighstone, IoW) (C) 11, Colin H Cook (Winchester Cathedral) 12. Rung before the Hampshire County Service to mark the Centenary of the outbreak of the First World War. The band comprised members of the Winchester and Portsmouth and Guildford Diocesan Guilds, successors to the Winchester Diocesan Guild in 1914.

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The band with Revd Canon Sue Wallace (Precentor) for the tower service before the quarter-peal (l-r): Kristian Scudamore, Daniel Graham, Janet Menhinick, Toby Arkless, Kathy Arkless, Vernon Bedford, Stephen Noyes, Revd Sue Wallace, David Mattingley, Colin Cook (kneeling), Tim Martin, Bruce Purvis and Nick Bucknall

Vigils on the centenary of Britain entering the First World War

In 2013 the Central Council PR Committee published an article informing ringers of the Government's plan to make the centenary of the First World War into a major series of events. It included the views of other organisations, notably the Church and the British Legion, and sought feedback from ringers.

The second article, published in October, summarised the feedback and concluded that the focus for ringing should be local events, with the possible exception of Armistice Day in 2018. This view was shared with the Department of Culture Media and Sport, which is responsible for co-ordinating the Government's programme.

Ringing to mark the start of the war was contentious, and it was felt that any local ringing should be sombre in nature. At the time of writing it was known that there would be a late night vigil in Westminster Abbey on 4th August without ringing but no other events were known.

Since the article was written, the Church of England has produced a form of service for a vigil on 3rd or 4th August. The flexibility of the date allows parishes that wish to hold a vigil to choose whether to do so on the Sunday (3rd) or on the Monday (4th). It is available on the Church website at: churchofengland.org/prayer-worship/worship/latest-updates/world-war-one-liturgy.aspx

Ringers should establish whether their church is planning to hold a vigil on either day and if so should discuss with their priest what role if any would be appropriate for bells before or during the vigil. Half muffled ringing before could be appropriate, and slow tolling a bell for a short period when each candle is extinguished might also be appropriate, but these are decisions to be made together with local clergy, not dictated centrally.

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BELL TOWERS AND BELL HANGING

The book upon bell towers and bell hanging, for which Sir Arthur Heywood made himself responsible, and which he promised the Central Council, when they met at Winchester, would be issued in the near future, has now been published, and while it is specially directed to architects, for whose information it has, from the outset, been primarily intended, we have found in its pages a great deal of information of service to the average ringer. It is impossible to touch in this one article upon the mass of matter with a direct bearing upon the construction of towers and the hanging of bells, in relation both to the effect of the strain of the bells upon the structure, and the sound of the bells upon the public, which it dealt with in the nearly 200 pages which the book covers. Certain it is, however, that nothing which has previously been published has dealt so exhaustively with the practical as well as the theoretical side of the subject, and, it is, we feel sure, bound to have far reaching effects.

Sir Arthur Heywood himself deals with the internal economy of a bell tower and the construction of bell frames, upon which subjects he brings to bear his great engineering talent as well as his almost lifelong experience as a ringer. A summary of Mr. E. H. Lewis's valuable experiments, recently explained to the Central Council, an able article by Mr. E. Alexander Young, A.R.I.B.A., upon the design and stability of bell towers, and useful contributions by Mr. J. H. B. Hesse (on "Bell Frames and the Architect") and the Rev. C. D. P. Davies (on "Towers for Bells") are included to complete the first portion of the book. An appendix is added which includes much other valuable information which has been published from time to time, such as Sir Arthur Heywood's paper to the Brighton Church Congress in 1901, and extracts from the report of a committee of the Central Council on the preservation and repair of bells, frames and fittings, issued in 1892.

This new book will act as a general introduction to a more strictly technical work which, it is hoped, in the course of a few months, the Council may be able to publish, and which will include Mr. Lewis's calculations in extenso, together with considerable detailed information which he is collecting as to the percentage of metal frames installed and the results of a detailed inquiry into all the alleged cases of damage caused to towers where these frames have been used. No doubt this further work will be of immense advantage to architects and bell hangers, but in the meantime there is a great deal of information of the highest value to be gained and used to the best advantage by the ordinary ringer, as well as by others connected with bells in any official capacity, if they will secure a copy of the new publication.

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Beside still waters ...

As I mentioned in my last article, the propensity of ringers to seek out good ale is shared by the followers of other traditional pastimes, including narrow boat enthusiasts. Since I have but recently returned from the annual ringing and boating trip on the NB *Intrepid*, it seems like a good idea to expand on this theme.

One of the best things about pottering along the waterways of England is that the pace of life slows down – to around three or four miles per hour to be precise. No-one is in a hurry and people have the time to be friendly and helpful, whether it's a nod and a cheery "Good morning" exchanged between drivers as they pass one another or the crew staying behind to set the lock for the next boat. And there is no shortage of good pubs where you can spend a pleasant hour between mooring for the night and dinner, or grab a quick pint in the middle of negotiating a long flight of locks.

And the beer is generally good for the reasons to which I've already alluded. Waterways are not for lager louts and shallow seekers of instant gratification but for folk with depth, prepared to take time to appreciate the beauties of nature, the tranquillity of a canal-side inn and the character of a good drop of ale.

Historically the story of canal-side pubs was not always a happy one, though. In the days of horse power, barges had to be "legged" through the tunnels by someone lying on the roof, while the bargee led the horse over the top of the hill, as there are no towpaths in the tunnels. Much of this work was done by professional "leggers", who were wont to while away the time between jobs by drinking. It was thus not unheard-of for a legless legger



A typical canal-side pub

to fall off, with the consequent risk of being crushed between the boat and the tunnel wall or drowning in shallow water beneath the hull.

Fortunately boating today is a relatively safe activity, even when you've had a few. So, for the benefit of anyone taking to the waterways this summer, here are a few good canal-side pubs I've visited in recent years:

Grand Union

Marsworth	Red Lion
Bugbrooke	Wharf
Whilton Locks	New Inn

Old Grand Union

Yelvertoft	Knightley Arms
Foxton	Black Horse

River Soar Navigation

Leicester	Black Horse*
Barrow upon Soar	Navigation
Normanton on Soar	Plough

Staffordshire & Worcestershire

Stourport	Bird in Hand
Kinver	Cross **
Compton (Tettenhall)	Swan
Penkridge	Cross Keys

Stratford Canal

Lapworth	Punchbowl
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Worcester & Birmingham

Alvechurch	Weighbridge
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* Not exactly canal-side but close (Braunstone Gate) and well worth a visit.

** Not canal-side but conveniently situated up the hill between the church and the canal.

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The Residents' Lounge

Tom: I can remember when this was all fields.

Dick: I can remember when it was ancient woodland, before they cleared the trees.

Harry: I can remember when it was just rock, before stuff started growing all over it. Have you got those hand-bells ready Tom?

Tom: Indeed I have.

[Residents assemble in the lounge, in eager anticipation]

[Tom, Dick and Harry ring a hand-bell peal of Bob Minor. Some of the residents try to sing along.]

[Later, in the office]

"I thought that they were going to play some nice tunes"

"I don't think that they are that type of ringer".

"I think that if they are going to do that again they should use one of their rooms, not the lounge"

"Ummm. OK, but I think we should keep an eye on them. I'll sort out the cocoa and have a little chat."

AJB

Intrepid 2014



The Intrepid 2014 group at Weedon (l-r): JJ, Andy, Colin, Penny, Louise, Mike (with Suki), Jill, Adrian, Judy and Helen

For the 15th successive year, we took JJ's narrowboat Intrepid on tour with 9 sardines and a dog on board. No bicycles this year. Good food as usual and some good ringing including a number of 'firsts', especially for Louise with 7 including her first three quarters in hand. And even some good weather. And Helen made a cake – no ordinary cake, but a model of the boat. At Wistow, we were saddened to hear that Sir Tim Brooks of Wistow Hall, former Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire, had died the previous week, and we were grateful to his family for their enthusiasm that we should still

ring and for taking the time to open up for us. Thanks as always to JJ for use of his boat, and to everyone who let us come to ring.

MIKE WIGNEY

Foxton, Leics. 6 May, 1320 Norwich S Minor: Mike Wigney 1, Gill Tomlinson 2, John Ford 3, Richard Holyland 4, Will Borman 5, Tony Nunn (C) 6.

Barrow-upon-Soar, Leics. 11 May, 1280 PB Major: Penelope Bradsell 1, Mike Wigney 2, Judy Sparling 3, Colin Friend 4, Louise Booth 5, Helen Udal 6, John Ford 7, Andrew P Sparling (C) 8.



JJ the chef at work

Mountsorrel, Leics. 11 May, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Mike Wigney (C) 1, John Ford 2, Helen Udal 3, Penelope Bradsell 4, Andrew P Sparling 5, Louise Booth 6, Colin Friend 7, Judy Sparling 8.



The cake



At Foxton locks



Andy at the helm



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Meeting on July 12

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Meetings on Saturday July 19

DUNSTER BRANCH. Practice on Saturday 19th July 2014 at Hawkridge from 3-5pm. The Special Method is Double Court, but there will be ringing for all abilities, rounds call changes etc. 3014

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. District Ringing: 15:00 Widford & 16:30 Much Hadham. 3016

KCACR. Rochester District. Quarterly Meeting at Frinsted (6). Ringing 3.30pm followed by tea, meeting and further ringing at Wormshill (6). Names for tea by Thursday 17th July to Malcolm Major, malcrita48@btinternet.com or 01622 884417. All welcome. 3017

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. West Lindsey Branch. Walk-ring-walk-ring-eat. Meet at Grasby 1.30pm for ringing then walk to Bigby for ringing 4pm. Return walk and meal 7pm at the Cross Keys, Grasby. Names & meal choices to Tracey secretary.wlb@gmail.com by 12 July. 3018

SOUTHWELL & NOTTINGHAM DIOCESAN GUILD. Newark District. Evening Meeting at Averham, Saturday 19th July. Tour of tower 6.30pm. Meeting 7pm. Ringing after meeting until 9pm. 3019

Meeting on Saturday July 26

LADIES' GUILD. South Eastern District. Afternoon Meeting. Sevenoaks, Kent (8) 3.15 to 4.15pm, Brasted (Kent) (8) 4.45 to 5.45pm, followed by a pub meal. Everyone welcome. Names for pub meal by previous Wednesday either to Helen Webb, (helenwebb93@hotmail.co.uk) or Isabel Pearce (work phone 01732 761199). 3020

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DOUBLES

None

MINOR

None

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Wistow Church

Wanlip, Leics. 12 May, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Andrew P Sparling 1, Mike Wigney 2, Judy Sparling 3, Penelope Bradsell 4, John Ford 5, Louise Booth (C) 6. First S as C.

Thurmaston, Leics. 12 May, 1260 PB Minor: Penelope Bradsell 1, Mike Wigney 2, Helen Udall 3, John Ford 4, Louise Booth 5, Colin Friend (C) 6.

Birstall, Leics. 12 May, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Colin Friend 1, Penelope Bradsell 2, Judy Sparling 3, Mike Wigney 4, Helen Udall 5, Louise Booth 6, Andrew P Sparling 7, John Ford (C) 8. 1st in m: 6.

Aylestone, Leics. 13 May, 1260 Stedman Triples: Judy Sparling 1, Penelope Bradsell 2, Helen Udall 3, Andrew P Sparling 4, Louise Booth 5, Mike Wigney (C) 6, John Ford 7, Colin Friend 8.

South Wigston, Leics. 13 May, 1288 Middlesex B Triples: Penelope Bradsell 1, Louise Booth 2, Helen Udall 3, Mike Wigney 4, Colin Friend 5, Andrew P Sparling 6, John Ford (C) 7, Judy Sparling 8. 1st in m: 2, 3, 5 & 7.

NB Intrepid, Leics. (Grand Union Canal, Wistow) 14 May, 1272 Spl S Minor (6m): Jill Wigney 1-2, Andrew P Sparling 3-4, Mike Wigney (C) 5-6. 1st Lightfoot 6 in hand: 3-4. In memory of Sir Timothy Gerald Martin Brooks KCVO, of Wistow.

Market Harborough, Leics. 14 May, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Jill Wigney 1, Penelope Bradsell 2, John Ford 3, Mike Wigney (C) 4, Richard Holyland 5, Helen Udall 6, Will Borman 7, Louise Booth 8, Andrew P Sparling 9, Colin Friend 10. In memory of Sir Timothy Gerald Martin Brooks KCVO, on the eve of his funeral.

Foxton, Leics. 15 May, 1320 Intrepid TP Doubles: Helen Udall 1, Mike Wigney (C) 2, Louise Booth 3, John Ford 4, Andrew P Sparling 5, Colin Friend 6. 1st in m: 3.

NB Intrepid, Leics. (Grand Union Canal Leicester Line) 15 May, 1260 PB Minor: Louise Booth 1-2, Jill Wigney 3-4, Mike Wigney (C) 5-6. 1st in hand: 1-2.

NB Intrepid, Northants. (Grand Union Canal Leicester line) 16 May, 1260 PB Minor: Louise Booth 1-2, Andrew P Sparling (C) 3-4, Mike Wigney 5-6.

Yelvertoft, Northants. 16 May, 1250 Cambridge S Minor: Mike Wigney 1, Penelope Bradsell 2, Louise Booth 3, Colin Friend 4, John Ford 5, Andrew P Sparling (C) 6.

NB Intrepid, Northants. (Grand Union Canal Leicester line - Watford locks) 16 May, 1280 PB Major: Jill Wigney 1-2, Andrew P Sparling (C) 3-4, Mike Wigney 5-6, Louise Booth 7-8. 1st on 8 handbells: 7-8. First on 8 handbells as C.

Weedon Bec, Northants. 17 May, 1280 Bristol S Major: Colin Friend 1, Jill Wigney 2, Judy Sparling 3, Mike Wigney 4, Adrian Udall 5, Louise Booth 6, John Ford 7, Andrew P Sparling (C) 8. 1st in m: 6.

£40



A swan with cygnets and eggs

Tail Ends

I have been asked where I get subjects for *Tail Ends*. There are three main sources. The first is something for which, as I grow older, I become increasingly grateful: I retain a good long-term memory. The second source is prompts: comments people make, what I read in books and newspapers that stimulate memory. Thirdly, there's my diary.

It is now fifty years since I started keeping a daily diary. It is not what one might call a journal, as it's a bellringer's diary. The 1964 *Bellringer's Diary and Notebook*, with a blue cover, was given to me by Enid Lloyd-Roberts. I believe the gift was intended to help me learn new methods, and also to learn a few simple callings for things such as Plain Bob Minor. Until then, where one put bobs and singles was largely a mystery reserved for more advanced ringers, written down on pieces of paper in codes I did not understand.

Coincidentally, a colleague at the advertising agency where I then worked was transferred from Sydney to a new office in Singapore. Soon after, reports came back saying that he was terribly homesick and lonely. Although I'd never had a close friendship with this fellow, in a moment of benign weakness I responded to a request from the boss to write to the expat. Soon I realized that, unless I kept some sort of record of what was happening in Sydney, I quickly would exhaust any worthwhile news or office gossip. I had never been a diligent correspondent—it would be fair to say I had never been anyone's penfriend, so this new commitment took some effort.

My new, treasured, bellringer's diary would be the repository of news. Readers with Ringing World diaries will appreciate that there's not much room each day for more than the briefest mention of events; indeed, it makes a Twitter entry seem like a Tolstoy novel. By writing very small I can just fit in five abbreviated lines.

My diaries record new towers grabbed in the days when I avidly sought to increase my total. Also peals and quarter peals rung. Quite ordinary events are included, not always associated with ringing. Indeed, the majority of entries are about routine activities such as when I travelled frequently from London to Manchester and Norwich on business. Any business-related expenses were noted, and how ridiculously puny most seem today: Tube one shilling, bus eightpence. Lunch with client £3. 2. 0 – such extravagance was extremely rare because my meagre entertaining allowance when I joined the firm had been reduced as part of an economy drive. I had to sign a declaration that I would not exceed the annual budgeted figure. I added a rider to the document 'provided the cost of loaves and fishes does not rise' which revealed to me the limits of upper-class British humour.

A single word or abbreviation in a diary entry can be sufficient to stimulate recollection of an event of long ago or even last week. All the peal and quarter peal attempts I lost. A visit to the Loughborough bellfoundry to see the carillon destined for Canberra. Visits to

Thought for the week

I have always considered it important that the clergy should know their ringers and be on good terms with them. It is good to see the Vicar or Curate in the tower from time to time and, perhaps, for him/her to have a say in the choice of Tower Captain via the Ringers' AGM. Equally important is it to have a ringer on the PCC if possible, so that the ringers can learn of any proposals which might affect them – such as changes in Sunday service times and any faculty applications in the pipeline. I know of one such where it was proposed to put a toilet in a corner of the ground floor ringing chamber, and the clergy and PCC did not realise that the bell ropes needed to fall vertically to be rung full circle!

Bell maintenance and bell restoration can be straightforward where clergy know their ringers and have confidence in them. It is an enormous problem to engender enthusiasm for restoration where bells are unringable and clergy and PCC have little or no knowledge of bells and bell ringing. Experience has taught me that the most successful fund raising for bell restoration requires at least one enthusiastic person to drive a project forward, and the leader needs good knowledge of the scheme.

This is one of the reasons why the project, proposed at the recent Central Council meeting, to bring people from parishes where bells are unringable to the forthcoming Ringing Roadshow, deserves to be successful. To my knowledge, this is the first time that such a major initiative has been undertaken. Let us hope that it will mark the start of pro-active bell restorations.

PETER NEWING

friends and relatives in the provinces. It all provides material for *Tail Ends*.

Recently I was reminded of the generosity that gave me my first ringer's diary. There was a television programme about the latest peal of bells in Sydney, S. Leonard's, Naremburn and the training of bellringers. Prominent among the teachers was Enid. Fifty years on she's still patiently teaching young learners, and still with a reassuring educated Wiltshire accent. She makes it all look so easy; that's the hallmark of an expert.

Thank you, Enid. Little did you think that giving me my first ringer's diary would form the basis for so much of what appears in an occasional column in *The Ringing World* all these years later.

WALTER KNIGHT

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Ringing World National Youth Contest – results

Sixteen teams came to Worcester on Saturday, 5th July to take part in the RWNYC. This year's venue was Old St Martin in the Cornmarket, with its new light ring of Taylor bells, which proved ideal for the contest. We were treated to some really first class ringing on them by our young contestants. The winner of the Gold medals for the Call Changes category and overall contest winner was **Team 14: Bedfordshire**. Winner of the gold medals for the Method category was **Team 11: Yorkshire Tykes**.



Old St Martin's - a drawing by Laura Davies

Call Changes category:

Place	Team	Grade
1st	Team 14: Bedfordshire	A*
2nd=	Team 6: Essex Young Eagles	B+
	Team 8: Young at Herts	B+
3rd	Team 5: 3 Spires	B
4th=	Team 15: Bath & Wells	B-
	Team 13: Lincolnshire Poachers	B-
5th=	Team 4: St Martin's Youths	C+
	Team 7: Ely D.A. Young Ringers	C+
6th	Team 2: Worcester Cathedral	C
7th	Team 3: Vectis Youths	C-

Method category:

Place	Team	Grade
1st	Team 11: Yorkshire Tykes	A
2nd=	Team 12: Oxford D.G.	A-
	Team 1: The G. & B.	A-
3rd	Team 16: Suffolk Young Ringers	B+
4th	Team 9: Sussex Young Ringers	B
5th	Team 10: Derbyshire Dingers	C

Judges: David Pipe (*Chief*), Alistair Cherry, Edward Mack and Andrew Rawlinson

All Saints Roos, East Yorkshire – another augmentation! (young ringers want a bell each)



The young ringers at All Saints Roos when Harry and James Wilkie were presented with their Level One Certificates in bell handling (l-r): Liam Ledger, Joshua Simpson, Harry Wilkie, Lloyd Ainley and James Wilkie

When we restored and augmented the ring of 5 (12-3-11) at Roos, East Yorkshire two years ago, there was much talk about perhaps adding another two trebles sometime in the future. At the time it seemed too much to contemplate ...

Since then, the local band has gone from strength to strength. The tower captain (Helen Audley) completed Module 1 of the ITTS course and has been teaching a group of children from Roos C of E Primary School and Withernsea High School. Roos Primary has recently been awarded 'Outstanding' status following a recent Church Schools inspection and the fact that children are learning to ring was cited in the report as an example of the strong links between the church and the school.

Thanks to private donations and a generous grant from the Beverley and District Ringing Society, what was to some, just speculation is about to happen. Whites of Appleton Ltd will be installing two new bells at the end of September. The bells are being cast by John Taylor and Co this month. Years 5 and 6 from Roos School will be travelling to Loughborough by coach to witness this exciting and historic event. We think it is important that the next generation take 'ownership' of their village heritage and feel part of what goes on in the church. The Archbishop of York's Mission Fund and the Ann Watson Trust have funded the cost of the trip. Who knows what seeds will be sown?

Currently, bells 1,2,4,5 and 6 are in the original 5-bell frame dating from 1911. The 3rd is on an upper tier, and the supporting

steel work put in by Whites in 2012 is more than adequate to support two more bells.

Four of our young ringers are ringing rounds unaided and have been presented with their Level One Certificates during Collective Worship at their school. Practice nights are busy and lively, and some experienced ringers are kept on their toes by the youngsters making constructive comments about deficiencies in their bell handling styles. Roos children tell it how it is ...

For the first time ever the bells will be rung by primary school children for their end of term service at the church in July.

Parental support has been a key factor – so much so that one mother decided to learn too.

When the new bells arrive in Roos it is planned that the entire school will walk down to the church to see them before they are hoisted up the tower.

Those of you who have rung at Roos may recall that the bells are rung from a small gallery at the back of the church. The ropes for the ring of 8 will form a very good and neat circle but will leave little space for observers. The PCC have an ambitious plan to create space in the church for a heritage centre. This will include extending the ringing gallery to provide a suitable space for teaching and observation.

The Beverley and District Ringing Society is hosting the Central Council Meeting in 2015. The Roos Ringers will be very proud to welcome members to ring on what promises to be a fine ring of eight. We are 15 miles east of Hull (City of Culture 2017) – yes there is life out here in Holderness.

HELEN AUDLEY