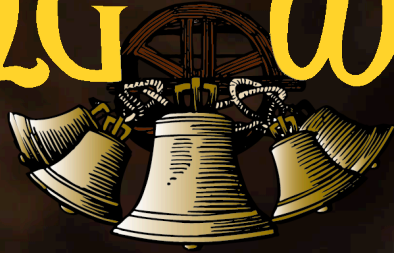


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Editorial

Our front cover this week is an unusually good shot of ringing in motion featuring just one of the two hundred young ringers in Exeter a few weeks ago. RWNYC is certainly my favourite day of the year to be a ringer and to be connected to the Ringing World – thanks to David Hull, Matt Hilling, Charlotte Boyce, John Martin and Paul Pascoe, and everyone who gave their time and energy to make it happen. As well as our winning teams, and a few thoughts from the judges, our enthusiastic reporters include a brand new youth team and a team who travelled over 350 miles to be there, which also both show the dedication of our many youth team leaders and organisers. It's just a shame none of our reporters remembered to mention ringing on sheep and horses!



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Front: *Jamie Watson, one of the Norfolk Young Ringers (photo James Wray)*

Left: *The competition towers of Exeter St Mark's and St David's; the southwest Cathedral tower (David Richards). Right, during the results ceremony (top photo James Wray, bottom photo David Richards).*

'The best weekend ever'

RWNYC Organiser's checklist:

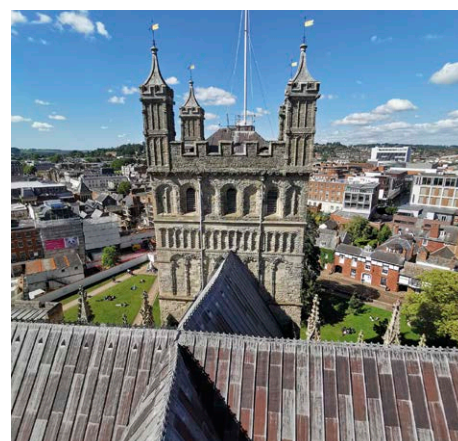
✓	A dedicated and hard-working local organising team
✓	A flagship tower that lots of people will find exciting
✓	Two towers with easy-going bells where there can be lots of contest ringing
✓	Plenty of other local towers for people to ring at
✓	An enthusiastic team of young judges
✓	A large space for mini-rings, stalls, handbells and the results
✓	Lots of volunteer stewards
✓	A good number of teams wanting to take part

All of the ingredients were in place for another Great Ringing World National Youth Contest, and Exeter delivered in spades. A bit of rain in the air could do nothing to dampen the spirits of around 200 young ringers alongside almost as many adult supporters. Teams converged on Exeter by plane, train and automobile, and concerns about traffic on the M5 or more train strikes luckily proved unfounded.

At the end of the successful 12-bell final at Exeter in 2019, I had approached one of the local ringers to see if they might consider hosting the RWNYC. Choosing a moment at the end of a long day when they were cleaning the toilets probably wasn't my best ever decision, but the seed was sewn, and the booking was soon in the diary.

The local organising team of Matt Hilling, Charlotte Boyce, John Martin and Paul Pascoe had pulled out all the stops to put on an unforgettable day. The headquarters was the gothic nave of Exeter cathedral, where participants could sample mini-rings, join the handbell workshops, led once again by the indefatigable Tom Hinks, and visit stands representing the RW, ART and YCRA.

The cathedral's magnificent 72cwt 12 was available for the best part of seven hours, under the watchful eyes of Simon Linford, Matt and Paul, and I witnessed a number of young ringers tackling the cathedral tenor with confidence, skill and fearlessness. The tenor clapper breaking just before 2pm was entirely unpredictable, and Matt, Paul, Matthew Higby and David Hird tried heroically to fix it, ultimately to no avail. Luckily, the remaining teams could ring the 40cwt minor 12. And, as one team leader put it, "the experience



RWNYC 2022 – Exeter



of ringing at Exeter Cathedral is something the young ringers will remember for ever”.

Contest ringing was at St David’s (call changes) and St Mark’s (methods), and the team of judges was led once again by Chief Judge Chris Poole. His Assistant Chief Judge this year was Annabelle Frost from Bristol, and they were assisted by RWNYC graduates Oliver Bates, Rebecca Kirby, Will Stafford and Jimmy Yeoman.

It’s always good to welcome new teams to the RWNYC, and this year we saw entries from Cornwall and Norfolk for the first time; Devon were able to return, having previously entered the inaugural contest in 2011. I hope you’ll all be able to enter again in 2023. Once again there was a choice between ringing six or eight, as squads continue to recover from the recruitment downturn caused by the pandemic. The standard of the test pieces was high, and a credit to all the participants and team leaders – well done! The youngest contestants this year were nine years old; Simon Lee, himself only nine and with a broken arm in plaster, rang one-handed in the ODG’s contest piece – remarkable!

The nave was packed for the results, with the now familiar air of excitement and anticipation. We were pleased to be welcomed by the Dean of Exeter, Jonathan Greener, before the judges delivered their verdicts from the pulpit. Medals – newly designed by Will Bosworth and sponsored by Talent Innovations – were presented to all the young ringers. Will presented the RW Editor’s Trophy for Excellence to the Essex Young Eagles, winners of the call changes contest, and the Sussex Young Ringers received the Whitechapel Trophy from Alan Hughes. Congratulations to the winners and to everyone for taking part. For those able to stay for the evening, there was pizza and merriment in the cathedral, led by YCRA, before either the long journey home or an overnight stay.

There are a lot of people involved in making the RWNYC a success, and I am very grateful to everyone who volunteers their time in any capacity, or who provides sponsorship of the event. Thank you – we couldn’t do it without you.

DAVID G HULL
RWNYC Organiser



Éxito en Exeter

By Samuel Canning, from the Sussex Young Ringers, winners of the Whitechapel Trophy in the method ringing contest



Michael Shaw, conductor of the Sussex Young Ringers band, lifts the Whitechapel trophy (photo Adrian Udal)

Every year, the Ringing World National Youth Contest is held to determine the greatest – actually, I’ll stop there, as we all know that the RWNYC is more of a festival of youth ringing than just a competition. Even so, it would be nice for Sussex to win at this year’s contest in Exeter, wouldn’t it ...?

In the weeks leading up to the competition, we had focused practices on Sunday afternoons to prepare. Unfortunately, this

was also the height of exam season, and this combined with illness meant that we only had one chance to practise together as a whole band. Despite this, our striking was good, and we knew that if we rang as well in Exeter as we had during practice, we could be proud of ourselves.

As the day of the contest approached, however, things didn’t seem so rosy. The day before we were due to set off, our team leader Marisa Hayes fell ill with Covid. Then, on the way there, our train from Clapham Junction to

“It is a privilege to be known as Team Leader for Sussex Young Ringers. In all honesty, I am the Facilitator – these young people know what they are doing, and they are an absolute pleasure to be around. My thanks go out to all the parents, grandparents and siblings who put up with random trips to practices, who adjust mealtimes, and who provide all the necessary support. And to Tania, who picked up the reins when Covid got the better of me: what can I say but, they made us proud!”

MARISA HAYES,
Sussex Team Leader

Exeter was delayed (and so crowded that most of us didn’t get a seat until after Salisbury!) and it was after 8 o’clock by the time we arrived at our university accommodation. Then we settled down to have a good night’s sleep – only for the fire alarm to go off in the middle of the night.

When I put it like this, it sounds like a lot went wrong; we didn’t let this dampen our spirits though. We set off down the hill from the university to the method ringing contest tower, St Mark (10, 12-1-19 in F#). We were drawn to ring third and overheard the Yorkshire Tykes ringing their test piece – it was very strong, which was slightly intimidating. In any case we went on to ring our 180 Grandsire Doubles, which was generally agreed to be a strong performance – although we didn’t know if it was good enough to net us the victory.

With the test piece behind us, we resolved to enjoy the rest of the day without thinking about the contest too much. Heavy rain began to fall as we walked to St Petrock’s (6, 5-0-0 in B). These are a light six with a long draught and pose quite a challenge. The stay on the second had been recently broken, and poor Simon Edwards spent all morning holding it



on the balance! Ringing the fifth is interesting as you have to avoid a pair of skulls (!) mounted on the wall.

We then made our way across to the Cathedral to peruse the mini-rings and stalls, with auspicious organisations such as The Ringing World, the Young Change Ringers Association and Matthew Higby and Co. in attendance. The mini-rings up for grabs were: The Frank Mack Garage Ring (6, 0-0-1 in F#), believed to be the first of its kind; The Maypole Ring (6), a compact dumbbell ring with disconcertingly slow swing times; and the Bowerdon Peal (6, 0-0-16 in E), the best of these rings in my opinion. Also available was the DenMisch Simulator Ring (10) at the Cathedral School, a ring of large dumbbells that handle like regular tower bells (albeit light ones).

Now was the most exciting part: it was time for us to ring at the Cathedral (12, 72-2-2 in Bb), the second heaviest change-ringing peal in the world. Contrary to our expectations, the people running the ringing were quite open to people ringing the back bells and a few of our party even rang the tenor. (I got as far round as the eighth, mainly because I appreciated the comedic value of being able to say I had rung a bell called ‘Doom.’) It turned out that we dodged a bullet here, as the tenor clapper fell out not long after we left!

We then joined the Oxford Ringers on a coach tour around the surrounding towers in the country: Heavtree (8, 25-3-2 in Eb), a delightful heavy eight in a stunning church rivaling the cathedral; Clyst Honiton (8, 18-2-11 in E), which had a unique charm in



Some of the Sussex Young ringers and friends ringing at St Petrock's

my opinion; Pinhoe (8, 10-0-19 in G#), which requires a long walk up a hill to access and are extremely quiet in the ringing chamber; and Exeter St Thomas (8, 14-3-8 in F#), a nice Gillett & Johnson eight with a rather cosy ringing chamber.

After all this grabbing, we returned to the Cathedral for the results. As the teams were read out, the suspense grew. All teams deserve credit for their efforts – particularly Essex for winning the Editor’s Trophy – but we were proud to hear the announcement that the Whitechapel Trophy would be going to ... us! We had come first, with a score of 9/10. The excitement in the air was palpable as Michael lifted the trophy.

We then enjoyed the YCRA event afterwards, with pizza, parachutes and an overabundance of toilet roll (don’t ask) before

it was back to the university for further celebrations including handbells, table tennis and the infamous card game UNO, which Ollie kept losing.

All told, we had an enjoyable day of fun and ringing, but winning the contest was the icing on the cake. No time to rest on our laurels, though – time to prepare for York!

“The youth contest is a great way to bring people together. In the space of a few short hours, I met my old friends, and made new ones. Memories were made that will stay with me forever – that is what ringing is all about.”

OLLIE WATSON

RWNYC 2023 – York, 8th July

It was so lovely to be back in the swing of big ringing events at Exeter last week. The organising team, local and national, can be very rightly proud of a fantastic day. The RWNYC has definitely grown over the years from being just a striking contest to being a significant ringing occasion for young people.

We are really looking forward to welcoming you to York next year. The glorious 59cwt bells at the Minster will be available for all young people to ring alongside a range of towers, mini-rings, handbell workshops and simulators. Once again we anticipate a popular evening event with food and games coordinated by YCRA.

York is a busy city and it can be expensive, so we suggest you book accommodation as soon as you are able. There is an ever increasing number of hotels/AirBnBs in York, and we will update the website with some choices over the next month. Please also note that the 8th July 2023 is due to be a Race Meeting in York, so the traffic will likely be busy too.

ALISON EDMONDS,
ELVA AINSWORTH
Local organising leads

From the judges

There are a few things worth getting up for at 5.30am on a Saturday and the RWNYC is most definitely one of them. After a few coffees, we made our way to our hideouts and tuned into a striking display of ringing talent. Several hours later (and after a quick pub deliberation) we arrived back at the cathedral to deliver the final results. The enthusiasm and anticipation inside was evident and the results were given with jangling medals and jubilant clappers!

An impressive sixteen teams entered the call changes competition at St David’s, including both 6- and 8-bell teams. A tremendous effort was made by all teams, especially ones still affected by the pandemic with last-minute changes. Overall, the teamwork on display was exceptional and we could imagine which teams had been fortunate enough to practise together more regularly. The top teams also had the most consistent leading; pushing in the backstroke leads would help many of the teams to improve the rhythm of their ringing.

A further seven teams entered the method ringing competition at St Mark’s. This is especially commendable for the youth competition as teams do not always benefit from the consistency of members that other competitions enjoy. The standard of ringing was superb and teams who navigated the slightly slow tenor came out on top.

Well done to all the teams involved in this year’s competition!

ANNABELLE FROST
Assistant Chief Judge

Far left – ready to ring at Exeter Cathedral (photo James Wray). Left – the judging team of Chris Poole, Annabelle Frost, Jimmy Yeoman, Rebecca Kirby, Oliver Bates and Will Stafford (photo Elva Ainsworth)



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United in conservatism?

SIR, – A few years ago I wrote a letter to *The Ringing World* entitled "A future for ringing with the church". The piece was a response to a letter by Michael Foulds suggesting that the art of ringing is purely secular and should be separated from Christianity and the beliefs and activities of the church. I posited the view that rather than separate ringing from the church, it would be more honest and realistic to face the question of obsolete supernaturalism as the cause of many unchurched ringers. I also hoped to stimulate debate leading to expressions of commonly held ideas as to why we do ringing and find it so enduring. Response came there none!

So I have to admit to inwardly groaning when reading the Prayer Book Society's 50th anniversary year in the 1st July issue. I can claim a familiarity and love of the language of the Book of Common Prayer dating from Sunday School and choir membership in early childhood. As a Franciscan novice over 50 years ago I knew Coverdale's Psalter intimately through daily recitation and plainsong rendering. As a piece of historical prose it is a beautiful thing, but to present it as a vehicle for faith in today's world seems fanciful at best. What worries me is the parallel which Iain Milne appears to draw between ringing and the BCP as some kind of uniting factor in the nation of the seventeenth century. Are the two things therefore united in small "c" conservatism and both in need of preservation societies to sustain them from immanent demise? In this very comforting article equating ringing with the BCP, theology is assumed despite the widespread collapse of traditional Christian belief – which should surely engage us if we are concerned to challenge the excessive materialism and vast overpopulation which

are threatening human survival. Lapsing into sixteenth-century churchmanship is frankly romantic and will not help us with today's big questions.

Recognising that churchgoing is still falling away means that non-attending ringers are not hounded by clergy as they were when I started ringing nearly 70 years ago. Our practice of ringing is increasingly recognised as a celebration of the gift of life, not necessarily an affirmation of traditional worship and belief, although offered in the same building. Long experience has shown me that the art and science of bellringing is enjoyable and fulfilling in itself as an element of spirituality or life-force. If it continues to identify itself largely with Christian belief, particularly as exemplified by the Book of Common Prayer, it is as good as dead in the water. It looks as if it may sustain itself however, irrespective of conservative religion, and I am very thankful for that.

ANDREW BECKWITH

Bowdsen, Berwick-upon-Tweed

Just popping out

SIR, – The letter from Robin Shipp who wonders if Roger Bugler sneaked away from his hospital bed to join the practice at Stockport reminded me of one occasion when we were ringing for the lunchtime service at Aldgate, where the tower shook each time a tube train went underneath. It was snowing and we were happily ringing when we were joined by a very well-known ringer in shirt sleeves with snow in his hair and a big smile, who had been working in an office nearby. Whether he wanted to join us because our striking was so good, or whether it was so poor we needed help, we never knew, but he was most welcome. Apparently he did not choose to don his hat and coat announcing, "I'm going ringing", but merely told his colleagues he was just popping out of the office.

ANGELA CLARK

Tonbridge, Kent

CORRECTION

In last week's letter from Rick Dirksen he remembered the 'Washington Guild' going on tour to London in 1977, whereas it should have been the **Whitechapel Guild**: the band of ringers at Washington's National Cathedral School for Girls. Founded in 1964, and so named when Douglas Hughes donated to the school the set of 10 handbells used by the Tower Dedication ringers, the Guild has a notable history of ringing accomplishments and distinguished alumnae, and continues today under the direction of Quilla Roth. The Editor apologises for his incorrect correction!



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First Peal Congratulations

Kirsten J Hawkins (Trumpington)

ANZAB

MANUKA, ACT,
St Paul
Sat 4 Jun 2022 2h52 (4)
5088 Yorkshire S Major
Comp. Arthur Craven
1 James D Heyes
2 Ian D Harris
3 Esther M Perrins
4 Andrew K Waddell
5 Christopher D O'Mahony
6 Scott P Jones
7 James W Perrins
8 Peter I Harrison (C)
For Pentecost and with best wishes to St Paul's Rector, The Revd Canon Dr Ben Edwards. £6

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

CITY OF LONDON,
St Giles, Cripplegate
Mon 30 May 2022 3h16 (34)
5063 Stedman Cinques
Comp. Stephen A Coaker
1 Henry D Coghill
2 Richard B Pullin
3 Adam A Brady
4 John P W Taylor
5 David F Perkins
6 David I Bassford
7 Stephen A Coaker (C)
8 Leigh D G Simpson
9 Alistair A F Smith
10 Colin F Salter
11 James C Marchbank
12 Colin G Newman
To welcome Fr Jack Noble as Rector and with best wishes to Katie Town and Rob Childs on their wedding.

STON EASTON, Som,
Blessed Virgin Mary
Sat 11 Jun 2022 2h20 (4)
5040 Surprise Minor
(10m: 1: Westminster, Allendale, Fryerning. 2: London. 3: WellS 4: Durham. 5: York. 6: Surfleet & Beverley. 7: Cambridge)
1 Josh D P Jones
2 Nicki J Lang
3 Barrie Hendry
4 Nicholas C Field
5 Adrian P Beck
6 Robert Perry (C)
First peal with the society: 1 & 4.
Most methods: 2 & 4.

BATH & WELLS D.A.

BACKWELL, Som,
St Andrew
Sat 23 Apr 2022 3h14 (17)
5183 Grandsire Caters
Comp. Arr NDJ from Q sets (No Originality Claimed)
1 Nicholas D Jones (C)
2 Helen Phillips
3 Jane C Spencer
4 Rebecca J Cox
5 Nicholas C Field
6 Michael R Spencer
7 Barrie Hendry
8 Anthony J Cox
9 Andrew J Phillips
10 Josh D P Jones
The first peal of Caters on the bells.

NORTH WOOTTON, Som,
Great Orchard Campanile
Thu 16 Jun 2022 2h15 (2)
5088 Spiced S Major
(6m: 960 Rutland, Cambridge 864 Lincolnshire 832 Superlative, 800 Yorkshire, 672 Bristol. 76 com & atw)
Comp. P G K Davies
1 Sam Shead
2 Andy Mead
3 Andrew H Ball
4 Nigel R Woodruff
5 Barrie Hendry
6 Ally Griesevon
7 Susan M Body
8 Joseph St J Beaumont (C)
25th peal together 1 & 5.
Birthday compliments to Jody Wood.

HOLCOMBE, Som,
The Potters Yard Ring
Thu 23 Jun 2022 2h32 (1)
5088 London S Major
Comp. H Dains
1 Barrie Hendry
2 Adrian P Beck
3 Susan M Body
4 Clifford R Nicholls
5 Josh D P Jones
6 Nicholas C Field
7 Joseph St J Beaumont (C)
8 Nigel R Woodruff
1st peal in the method and completes the standard 8: 5 & 6.

HUNTSHAM, Devon,
All Saints
Thu 30 Jun 2022 2h43 (8)
5088 Lincolnshire S Major
Comp. Simon Humphrey & Christopher P Starbuck
1 Michael Hatchett
2 Lesley A Knipe
3 Mary A Gardner
4 Richard H Johnston
5 Richard A M Newman
6 Revd Christopher Renyard
7 Michael C Hansford
8 James Kirkcaldy (C)
75th as conductor.

CAMBRIDGE UNIV. GUILD

TRUMPINGTON, Cambs,
St Mary & St Michael
Sat 18 Jun 2022 2h45 (10)
5040 Plain Bob Major
Comp. Monument (arr. Jadd Virji)
1 Catriona C Agg (Jesus)
2 Richard A Smith (Clare)
3 Kirsten J Hawkins (Downing)
4 Melissa F Nash (Emmanuel)
5 Christopher E J Kilgour (St John's)
6 Andrew M Roberts (Gonville & Caius)
7 Jadd Virji (Trinity) (C)
8 Jonathan A Agg (Emmanuel)
First peal: 3.
First peal in tower as conductor. £6

DEVONSHIRE SOCIETY

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, Devon,
St John the Evangelist
Thu 30 Jun 2022 3h11 (17)
5042 Cambridge S Maximus
Comp. Michael P A Wilby
1 Roger King
2 Ian V J Smith
3 Stephanie E Hills
4 Timothy M Bayton
5 Rebecca Kirby
6 Oliver C Bates (C)
7 Barrie Hendry
8 William M Regan
9 Jimmy L Yeoman
10 Luke G Groom
11 Michael E C Mears
12 David Hird
First on 12: 5.
Circled the tower: 2.

G. DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

HIGHWEEK, Devon,
All Saints
Fri 1 Jul 2022 2h49 (11)
5024 Spiced S Major
(8m: 672 London, Rutland; 640 Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative; 608 Bristol; 572 Cambridge, Yorkshire; 129 com; atw)
Comp. N R Aspland
1 Leslie E Boyce
2 Michael H Tompsett
3 James Kirkcaldy
4 Peter L Bill
5 Michael C Hansford
6 Ian V J Smith
7 David Hird
8 Michael E C Mears (C)
On the 50th anniversary of the conductor's first peal which was organised by the treble ringer. He has a lot to answer for.

GLOS. & BRISTOL D.A.

BARROW GURNEY, Som,
Blessed Virgin Mary & St Edward King & Martyr
Fri 24 Jun 2022 2h44 (11)
5056 Winford S Major
Comp. A G Reading
1 Helen C Mansley
2 Matthew D Dawson
3 Andrea B Beaumont
4 Joseph St J Beaumont
5 Alan G Reading (C)
6 Ian P Hill
7 Philip D Moyses
8 Rebecca J Cox
300th peal together: 5 & 6.

GUILDFORD D.G.

YORKTOWN, Surrey,
St Michael
Tue 28 Jun 2022 2h52 (11)
5088 Worthington S Major
Comp. Robert D S Brown
1 Christopher H Rogers
2 Beryl R Norris
3 Martin J Turner (C)
4 Janet E Menhinick
5 Jackie Roberts
6 Peter W Emery
7 David R Cox
8 Nigel A L Mellor
150th peal together: 2 & 7.
Circled the tower on the new bells: 3.
A treat for the conductor's forthcoming 70th birthday.
Rung to congratulate Matthew Pearson (who learnt to ring at this tower) on graduating (today) with a 1st class honours degree at Durham University.

LANCASHIRE ASSN

BURNLEY, Lancs,
St Peter
Sun 26 Jun 2022 3h6 (18)
5000 Bristol S Royal
Comp. Alan G Reading (No 1)
1 Simon D Woof
2 Daniel R Jarvis
3 Cameron A Waters
4 James E Hibbert
5 Adam J Bennett
6 Derek J Thomas
7 James E Andrews
8 Andrew D Sibson (C)
9 George H Campling
10 Paul J Tiebout
Rung prior to the "Summer Serenade" concert in the church, celebrating 900 years of Christian worship on this site.

OLDHAM, Manchester,
St Thomas, Moorside
Sat 2 Jul 2022 3h7 (11)
5150 Moorside S Major
Comp. D F Morrison (no. 8634)
1 Anne C Orme
2 Peter C Randall (C)
3 Gail L Randall
4 Nina E Brannan
5 Raymond A Hutchings
6 Derek J Thomas
7 Stephen R Aldridge
8 Jeffrey Brannan
Rung for the 150th anniversary of this Church and on the eve of the Feast of St Thomas the Apostle. £6

NORTHERN UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION

BASFORD, Notts,
St Leodegarius
Sat 18 Jun 2022 2h51 (14)
5056 Spiced S Major
(8m: 768 Cornwall; 736 Bristol; 640 each Cambridge, Superlative; 608 Cassiobury; 576 Lessness; 544 Glasgow, London; 124 com, atw)
Comp. A G Reading and M B Davies
1 William R Haynes
2 Alistair J Cherry
3 Christopher J Field
4 Estella J Haynes
5 Daniel J Page (C)
6 Emily E Hall
7 Jimmy L Yeoman
8 Jack E Page
Celebrating the end of Estella's four years in Nottingham, hopefully culminating in a degree.

PETERBOROUGH D G

ROTHWELL, Northants,
Holy Trinity
Sun 19 Jun 2022 3h2 (21)
5070 Stedman Caters
Comp. Richard I Allton
1 Murray A Coleman
2 Simon J Dixon
3 Robert M Wood
4 Julie A Tarling
5 James F Thorpe
6 Keith W Brown
7 Toby A Bence (C)
8 A John Stanworth
9 Richard I Allton
10 Paul M Mason
First Stedman as conductor: 7.
The Robert Kilby Memorial Peal 2022. £10

ELVEDEN, Suffolk,
Memorial Tower of St Patrick & St Andrew
Fri 24 Jun 2022 3h7 (17)
5024 Unthank S Major
Comp. Paul M Mason (No.81a)
1 Timothy F W Samson
2 Michael J Cowling
3 Nicholas R Wilson
4 June Mackay
5 Paul S Seaman
6 Alistair M Donaldson
7 Richard Sales
8 Paul M Mason (C)
With fond memories of Unthank Road, Norwich: 3.

EUSTON, Suffolk,
St Genevieve
Fri 24 Jun 2022 2h41 (8)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: 1 extent each York, Beverley, Ipswich, Annable's London, Bourne, Cambridge, Norwich; 7 callings)
1 Timothy F W Samson
2 Paul M Mason (C)
3 Nicholas R Wilson
4 Alistair M Donaldson
5 P Mark Ogden
6 Michael J Cowling

ROTHWELL, Northants,
Holy Trinity
Fri 1 Jul 2022 3h15 (21)
5080 Rothborough D Royal
Comp. Murray A Coleman
1 Alison J Molyneux
2 Julie A Tarling
3 Ian Butters (C)
4 Robert Dennis
5 Nicholas R Wilson
6 Michael J Dew
7 Murray A Coleman
8 Keith W Brown
9 Adrian P Sweeting
10 Paul M Mason
To celebrate the recent 80th birthdays of Murray & Mary Coleman. 100th peal for the Guild - 5. First peal in the method.
Rothborough Delight Royal: -30-14-50-16-12-30-14-10.78-78.90, Group B.

S. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SOC.

HAWKESBURY, Glos,
St Mary
Sat 2 Jul 2022 2h56 (11)
5088 Bowden D Major
Comp. R D S Brown & D F Morrison
1 Nicholas K Aillsopp
2 Roger H Hunt
3 Phill J Payne
4 Raymon A Sheasby
5 Neil J Garner
6 Robert Tregillus
7 Roderic K Bickerton
8 Michael Chester (C) £4

ST LAWRENCE SOCIETY OF RINGERS

TOWCESTER, Northants,
St Lawrence
Sun 26 Jun 2022 3h26 (23)
5040 Cambridge S Maximus
Comp. M P A Wilby
1 S Clarke Walters
2 Michael P A Wilby (C)
3 Victoria J M Wilby
4 Ann White
5 Joanne C Wilby
6 James Clatworthy
7 Brett C Masters
8 G Nigel Williams
9 Hannah L Taylor
10 Richard I Allton
11 A John Stanworth
12 John I White
In memory of the Very Revd James Atwell MA BD (1946-2020): Vicar of Towcester 1981-1995, first President of the St Lawrence Society of Ringers, Dean of St Edmundsbury 1995-2006, Dean of Winchester 2006-2016. Under his leadership the Parish Church was transformed with the restoration of the tower, the bells, the Vicarage and the Chantry House.

ST MARTIN'S GUILD

BIRMINGHAM, W Mids,
Cathedral Church of St Philip
Mon 27 Jun 2022 3h25 (31)
5088 Bristol S Maximus
Comp. D J Pipe
1 Paul J Tiebout
2 Simon C Melen
3 Oliver C Bates
4 Jimmy L Yeoman
5 Daniel R Jarvis
6 Paul E Bibilo
7 Alexander P Frye
8 James P Ramsbottom
9 Luke G Groom
10 A John Stanworth
11 Michael P A Wilby (C)
12 Colin M Lee
Wishing Gill Postill a very happy 80th birthday.

SUFFOLK GUILD

FRAMLINGHAM, Suffolk,
St Michael
Tue 21 Jun 2022 3h4 (16)
5184 Suffolk Day D Major
Comp. D F Morrison No 3871
1 Brian E Whiting (C)
2 Michael J Cowling
3 Andrew R Stone
4 Jed Flatters
5 Nigel F C Gale
6 David L Sparling
7 Rowan P Wilson
8 Alan P Mayle
First peal in the method -3-4-56-1-34-5-456-5, le 12.
Rung to celebrate Suffolk Day, with thanks to Mark Murphy of BBC Radio Suffolk for his promotion of Suffolk Day over the years.

TRENT VALLEY ASSOCIATION

DAYBROOK, Notts,
St Paul
Tue 31 May 2022 2h44 (9)
5088 Bristol S Major
Comp. B D Constant
1 Douglas S Vale
2 Daniel J Page (C)
3 Laura S Watt
4 Ruth Curtis
5 Estella J Haynes
6 Jack E Page
7 Jimmy L Yeoman
8 Paul F Curtis
First Surprise: 3.

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SALTBY, Leics,
St Peter
Tue 28 Jun 2022 2h57 (12)
5000 Gawthorpe D Royal
Comp. Ian Butters no 802
1 Murray A Coleman
2 Ruth Curtis
3 Christopher P Turner
4 Paul M Mason
5 Peter J England
6 Richard I Allton
7 Mark A Boylan
8 Adrian P Sweeting
9 Paul F Curtis
10 Ian Butters (C)
First peal in the method.
Gawthorpe Delight Royal; .
-30-14-12.50.16-12-10-14-
70.14-16.70, Group F.

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH D.G.

PORTSMOUTH, Hants,
St Agatha
Mon 20 Jun 2022 2h34 (3)
5300 Bristol S Major
Comp. A G Reading
1 John A Dodd
2 Sarah A Carey
3 Ewan Grant-Richardson
4 Graham A Nobbs
5 Malcolm M Powell
6 Janet L Morris
7 Edward P D Colliss (C)
8 Benjamin J Carey
300th peal on the bells.
200th peal on the bells and
600th for the Guild: 5.
With thanks to Sarah
for standing in at very
short notice.

YORKSHIRE ASSN

LEEDS, W Yorks,
St Matthias, Burley
Tue 28 Jun 2022 2h32 (7)
5088 Tidworth S Major
Comp. RDS Brown
1 Kevin M Price
2 Chris Bostock
3 Simon J Plackett
4 Gail L Randall
5 Nicholas D Soanes
6 C Barrie Dove (C)
7 Neil R Aspland
8 Paul Brook

£4

ELLOUGHTON, ER Yorks,
St Mary
Thu 30 Jun 2022 2h34 (6)
5040 Plain Bob Minor
(7 different extents)
1 Janine H Jones
2 Philip R Wild
3 Derek J Tysoe
4 William A Lennox
5 Simon Plows
6 C Barrie Dove (C)

£3

HARTHILL, S Yorks,
All Halls
Thu 30 Jun 2022 3h3 (18)
5024 Double Norwich Court Bob Major
Comp. Ian Butters no 807
1 Simon J Reading
2 Ruth Curtis
3 John M Thurman
4 Neil Donovan
5 Paul F Curtis
6 Stephen J Hall
7 George H Campling
8 Ian Butters (C)
1,000th peal together: 1 & 4.

BEVERLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY

KINGSTON UPON HULL,
33 Westbourne Avenue
Tue 28 Jun 2022 2h (13)
5040 Plain Minor
(2m: 3 x 720 St. Clement's College
Bob, and 4 x 720 Plain Bob Minor)
1-2 Rebecca M Legowski
3-4 Neil Donovan
5-6 Peter Church (C)
Registered Blind: 1-2.
A Hull Handbells
Project performance. £2.25

CHESTER D.G.

WILMSLOW, Ches,
9 Hawthorn Lane
Tue 28 Jun 2022 2h7 (8)
5040 Treble Dodging Minor
(4m: (1-2) Bourne S (3-4) Cambridge
S (5-6) Kent TB (7) Oxford TB)
1-2 Neil D Lomas
3-4 Daniel R Jarvis
5-6 Peter C Randall (C) £2.25

G. DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

WHIMPLE, Devon,
17 Bramley Gardens
Tue 14 Jun 2022 2h21 (15)
5056 Spiced S Major
(6m: 1216 Rutland; 960 Superlative;
768 Lincolnshire, Yorkshire; 704
Pudsey; 640 Cambridge; 137 oom)
Comp. D F Morrison (6702)
1-2 Jill M Wigney
3-4 Lynne P Hughes
5-6 Matthew J Hilling (C)
7-8 Michael J Wigney

SUSSEX C.A.

BOSHAM, W Sussex,
Little Creed Cottage,
Green Lane
Thu 16 Jun 2022 2h51 (13)
5040 Bristol S Royal
Comp. Thomas J Hinks
1-2 Margaret L Sherwood
3-4 Graham G Firman
5-6 Katharine J Firman
7-8 Ewan Grant-
Richardson (C)
9-10 Hamish M McNaughton

£3.75

THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE 2022

SALISBURY D.G.

COMPTON CHAMBERLAYNE, Wilts,
St Michael
Tue 28 Jun 2022 2h32 (6)
5040 Plain Bob Minor
(7 extents each called differently)
1 Judith J Williamson
2 Patricia M Davidson
3 Vicki L Rowse
4 Ruth R Beavin
5 David W Hacker
6 Robert J Purnell (C)
To celebrate the Platinum
Jubilee of H M Queen
Elizabeth II and to
congratulate Vicki Rowse on
becoming Master of the
Salisbury Diocesan Guild.
The band would like to
associate Andrew Howes with
this peal.

SHROPSHIRE ASSN

BARLASTON, Staffs,
St John the Baptist
Fri 1 Jul 2022 2h26 (5)
5040 Minor
(4m: 3 extents of Cambridge S, 1 of
Oxford TB, 1 of Single Oxford and 2
extents of Plain Bob)
1 E Ann Williams
2 Nicola J Galton
3 Trevor L Lock
4 Adrian G Roberts
5 Andrew W Gordon
6 Kevin M Price (C)
Rung to Celebrate The
Platinum Jubilee of HM The
Queen Elizabeth II.
1100th different tower to a
peal: 6.
75th peal: 2.

HORTON, Staffs,
St Michael & All Angels
Fri 1 Jul 2022 2h39 (8)
5040 Minor
(9m: 1 extent of Ipswich S,
Cambridge S, Oxford TB, St
Clements & Lakesend Bob, College
Bob & Wimbotsham Place Bob,
Single Oxford and Plain Bob)

1 Nicola J Galton
2 Trevor L Lock
3 Adrian G Roberts
4 Robert W Barcroft
5 Rev Kevin M Price (C)
6 Andrew W Gordon
Rung To Celebrate the
Platinum Jubilee of HM
The Queen. £4

KEELE, Staffs,
St John
Sat 2 Jul 2022 2h40 (8)
5040 Minor

(9m: 1 extent of Cambridge S,
Kent TB, Oxford TB, St Clements
& Lakesend Bob, College Bob &
Wimbotsham Place Bob, Single
Oxford and Plain Bob)
1 E Ann Williams
2 Nicola J Galton
3 Peter Neil
4 Trevor L Lock
5 Rev Kevin M Price (C)
6 Andrew W Gordon
Rung To Celebrate the
Platinum Jubilee of HM Queen
Elizabeth II.
Also In Memory of David Lees
From Much Wenlock.

PETERBOROUGH D G

SPALDWICK, Cambs,
St James
Sun 26 Jun 2022 3h3 (12)
5040 Treble Dodging Minor
(8m: (1) Surfleet S; (2) Primrose S;
(3) Annable's London S; (4) Durham
S; (5) Westminster S; (6) Ipswich S,
Cambridge S; (7) Kent TB; 7 callings)
1 Susan E Marsden
2 Paul McNutt
3 June Mackay
4 Nicholas A Elks
5 Nicholas R Wilson
6 Paul M Mason (C)
250th peal: 5.
Rung for the Platinum Jubilee
of HM Queen Elizabeth II, in
the centenary year of the first
peal on the bells.
An acrostic peal.

YORKSHIRE ASSN

CRESWELL, Derbys,
St Mary Magdalene
Mon 27 Jun 2022 2h54 (12)
5088 Zelah S Major
Comp. D F Morrison
1 Graham J N Colborne
2 Dinah M Donovan
3 Alison J Molyneux
4 Philip R Grover
5 Nicholas D Soanes
6 Trevor C Ledger
7 Neil Donovan (C)
8 Malcolm S Turner
For the Platinum Jubilee of
HM Queen Elizabeth II. £4

Cornwall Tour 2022

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

ST WINNOW, Corn,
St Winnow
Wed 6 Jul 2022 2h51 (3)
5055 Stedman Caters
Comp. John Pladdys
1 Adam R Crocker
2 Peter G C Ellis
3 Simon W Edwards
4 Robert J Crocker
5 John Pladdys (C)
6 Gwen Rogers
7 Philip Rogers
8 John H Napper
9 Jon Waters
10 William P Carew

MAWNAN, Corn,
St Mawnan
Thu 7 Jul 2022 2h19 (3)
5040 Stedman Doubles
(15 callings)
1 John Pladdys (C)
2 Robert J Crocker
3 Kathryne R Arkless
4 Toby Arkless
5 Peter G C Ellis
6 Jon Waters

GWINEAR, Corn,
St Gwinear
Fri 8 Jul 2022 2h45 (12)
5040 Stedman Doubles
(15 callings)
1 John Pladdys (C)
2 Kathryne R Arkless
3 Toby Arkless
4 Robert J Crocker
5 Peter G C Ellis
6 Jon Waters

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD

MANACCN, Corn,
St Manaccus & St Dunstan
Sat 2 Jul 2022 2h19 (7)
5040 Stedman Doubles
(15 callings)
1 John Pladdys (C)
2 Adam R Crocker
3 Robert J Crocker
4 Fergus M S Stracey
5 Peter G C Ellis
6 Michael E C Mears

PENZANCE, Corn,
St Mary the Virgin
Sat 2 Jul 2022 3h10 (23)
5040 Stedman Triples
Comp. Arr John Pladdys
(No 9)
1 John Pladdys (C)
2 Adam R Crocker
3 Robert J Crocker
4 Kathryne R Arkless
5 Robert J Perry
6 Peter G C Ellis
7 Fergus M S Stracey
8 Michael E C Mears

TOWEDNACK, Corn,
St Tewinock
Sun 3 Jul 2022 2h35 (7)
5040 Stedman Triples
Comp. Arr J Pladdys No 5
1 Simon W Edwards
2 Robert J Crocker
3 Peter G C Ellis
4 John Pladdys (C)
5 Toby Arkless
6 Jack Hanlon
7 Fergus M S Stracey
8 Adam R Crocker

CARBIS BAY, Corn,
St Anta & All Saints
Mon 4 Jul 2022 2h54 (9)
5007 Stedman Caters
Comp. John Pladdys
1 Peter G C Ellis
2 Adam R Crocker
3 Simon L Edwards
4 Robert J Crocker
5 John Pladdys (C)
6 John H Napper
7 Jack Hanlon
8 Jon Waters
9 Simon W Edwards
10 Michael E C Mears

ST ANTHONY IN MENEAGE,
Corn,
St Anthony
Mon 4 Jul 2022 2h46 (12)
5040 Stedman Triples
Comp. Arr J Pladdys No 1
1 John Pladdys (C)
2 Gwen Rogers
3 Simon W Edwards
4 Jack Hanlon
5 John H Napper
6 Robert J Crocker
7 Philip Rogers
8 Michael E C Mears

ST KEVERNE, Corn,
St Keverne
Tue 5 Jul 2022 3h19 (18)
5043 Stedman Caters
Comp. John Pladdys
1 Simon W Edwards
2 John Pladdys (C)
3 Gwen Rogers
4 Peter G C Ellis
5 John H Napper
6 Simon L Edwards
7 Adam R Crocker
8 Jon Waters
9 Fergus M S Stracey
10 Philip Rogers

ST STEPHEN IN BRANNEL, Corn
Tue 5 Jul 2022 2h55 (13)
5040 Stedman Triples
Comp. Arr J Pladdys No 1
1 John Pladdys (C)
2 Jack Hanlon
3 Adam R Crocker
4 Fergus M S Stracey
5 John H Napper
6 Jon Waters
7 Peter G C Ellis
8 Simon W Edwards

GORRAN, Corn,
St Goranus
Wed 6 Jul 2022 3h6 (24)
5031 Stedman Caters
Comp. John Pladdys
1 Simon W Edwards
2 John Pladdys (C)
3 Simon L Edwards
4 Robert J Perry
5 John H Napper
6 Jon Waters
7 Robert J Crocker
8 Peter G C Ellis
9 Adam R Crocker
10 William P Carew

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Down The Pub

“So, if you were stuck on an island...”
 “...Lundy?”
 “... if you like; what ten non-PPE methods would take with you?”
 “Do I have a good band and conductor with me?”
 “Of course.”
 “Well then:
Beer S: TV of Lessness, with a bit of wrong place.”
 “Have you picked that because of the name?”
 “Not really.”
 “Holiday memories?”
 “No.”
 “What else then?”
Burnopfield D: Uxbridge above, Turramurra type twiddle across the half lead thus combining two bits of magic.
Eleuthera S: A group j musical generator. Bit wrong place. Possible to get all the 5678s and 8765s front and back in a qp and you can’t say that very often.
Holbeach S: Good balance of musical possibilities front and back.
Jorvik S: Probably not named after a tennis player; something to do with York and the Vikings. Warwickshire above, which is a very decent above-work, playing a nice tune. A bit

wrong place below but not too difficult and it’s a group b with a familiar sort of look.

Knowle D: Norwich above and some nice pointy hunting off the front. Norwich S Maj is a bit rubbish below; this is a handy way of using the back work.

Pershore S: Warwickshire above and some Turramurra across the half lead. An easy group b method with opportunities below as well as above.

Settleemo S: I have not rung this but it looks worth a run out.”

“Like in cricket?”

“No. It’s Warwickshire above again but group c and some wrong place stuff below.

Taplow S: Another group j music generator with Bristol above but Brey below.

Whittlesey S: Group d. Needs a bit of a composition but will cough up runs. I haven’t rung this either. Perhaps one day.

Eleuthera is probably the best for music but if I could keep one it would be Jorvik.”

“Alas poor Jorvik; I knew it well.”

“Book?”

“The Core Seven and Beyond, obv’s.”

“Luxury?”

“Who needs luxury when blessed with ringing?”

“Pint?”

“Go on then.”

AJB

Wigston Magna Centenary Tea

A sunny afternoon at All Saints Church, Wigston Magna in Leicestershire on the 25th June witnessed a joyful occasion to mark the centenary of the recasting of the 16cwt Taylor eight and the installation of a new clock in 1922. The band, with some welcome support from neighbouring towers and further afield, rang touches of Stedman, Grandsire, and Plain Bob Minor before enjoying tea with parishioners, and a photographic display featuring local ringing personalities of the last hundred years created much interest during the refreshments in the Church Hall. Afterwards, some general open ringing rounded off a memorable day. Several descendants and relatives of the 1922 band rang during the afternoon and many friendships were renewed.

JAMES FRECKINGHAM



Standing (l-r): James Freckingham (Clockwinder) Stephen Hull, Nigel Robinson, Richard J. Carter (Tower Captain), Anne Ashton, Joy Pluckrose. Kneeling: Zack D’Mello, Jane Carter, Jean Whait and Simon Carter

The ‘Tenors of Worcestershire’ project

I’m not sure how it became a project, but for some years now I’ve been collecting quarters on the tenor bells of Worcestershire. Of the 103 rings of five or above, there’s quite a range of bells, from the mighty 48cwt tenor at the Cathedral right down to Chris Phillips’ miniature ring of 12 servant’s bells at Leigh Sinton, the tenor of which is just 23oz.

With the quarter on the 18½cwt “lump” at Severn Stoke on 14th June (see below) I’ve now rung a quarter peal on the tenors at all of the ringable towers in Worcestershire with five or more bells.

What is more, I’ve turned them all in except at Alvechurch, Claines and Middle Littleton (currently u/r).

Of the four unringable towers with five or more bells that I’ve not quartered, three of these are derelict, these being Grafton Flyford (5), Worcester S. Nicholas (6) and Church Honeybourne (5), and there is one where ringing is not permitted at Bengeworth (6). The 1872 Blews bells at Bengeworth are in a very poor condition, but were rung on rare occasions many years ago and thanks to Chris Povey, I was able to get a quick grab in 1992, but not a quarter.

For many years, I was fortunate to have been in a six-bell band known as “The Dream Team”, the members of which came from the extremities of Worcestershire, and we rang several hundred quarters all over the county in all sorts of minor methods, and with assistance, quarters on major and above.

The TOW project meant that sometimes I had to persuade people to visit some of the less desirable rings, such as Crowle where I called a 1344 of Pudsey in 1990. Needless to say, this is the one and only quarter I’ve rung there! Crowle bells are truly awful, being loud, harsh, out of tune, and more than a bit tricky to ring. Rather surprisingly, there have been 60 peals rung there, but if you want a laugh, then search for “Crowle bells” on YouTube.

As time went on, the TOW towers I needed became fewer as they were ticked off. Occasionally fresh ones needed to be done, for example Worcester Old St Martin and Barbourne which are both new installations, and Bredon where I helped get these long-unringable bells going in 2005 and turned in the tenor to the first known quarter.

To complete the job properly, I suppose I’ll have to quarter the two ringable fours at Spetchley and Eastham. As for any three-bell quarters, I’m not going to bother!

I must thank those all those over the years who have allowed me to undertake the TOW project, and especially to Chris Phillips who kindly arranged the final performance at Severn Stoke.

DAVID BAGLEY

Severn Stoke, Worcs. 14 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Christopher D Phillips 1, Michael G Clements 2, Matthew R T Higby 3, Benjamin D Kipling 4, David P Bagley (C) 5. The tenor ringer has now rung a Q on every tenor to a ring of 5 or more in Worcestershire. £5 Reprinted from p.630.

From the eagle eye

The Essex Young Eagles, winners of the call change competition, share their memories of the RWNYC



William (7th – Conductor)

I have been ringing with the Essex Young Ringers for six years and was pleased to be asked to captain the team again. Having won the South East competition in the spring, we were fairly confident that we would be able to manage the bells as it was the same team. Some of the ringers, including myself, had to travel overnight due to other commitments so it was a relief when we all arrived at the cathedral at our meet time. There was a collective agreement that the cathedral ringing was well organised this year – perhaps this was because the cathedral was available all day so there was less of a rush to give everybody a chance to ring.

The competition tower, St David’s, were a good weight though we were lucky to have a fairly old band with some reasonably experienced ringers so the back bells weren’t too much of a struggle. We did find, however, that some of the bells were oddstruck and some coaching was necessary to ensure that all ringers were striking as well as they could. After ringing, we thought we hadn’t rung well enough to win, which was a view shared by our supporters outside, so we were delighted when we discovered we had won.

We enjoyed the three towers that we rang at during the afternoon – I particularly enjoyed Heavitree – but we would have liked the opportunity to ring at more of the five available towers. Some of our band also took the opportunity to ring on the mini rings in the cathedral.

Thank you to the organising team for a great weekend and to the cathedral for hosting us. We look forward to next year.

Lucas (Treble)

The build up to the contest this year seemed more tense than previous years, mainly due to the fact that we came second in 2021 so the pressure was on! We had a couple of practices and a nice outing, with bells similar to those at the competition tower, and this really helped us to prepare for the day.

We started the day with ringing at Exeter Cathedral, which was an amazing experience. Thrilled to have rung the 72cwt tenor with Emily – what an experience!

We then stuck around at the cathedral and had a go on the mini rings – a nice way to relax a bit before our test piece!

I really enjoyed the open towers in the afternoon too, especially Heavitree which sound and go amazingly!

The build up to the results was one of the most tense I’ve experienced – it seemed like hours! We really didn’t expect to win and were all so thrilled when they announced us in first place! We all celebrated by going out for a lovely meal and a drink in the evening, which was a lovely way to round the day off.

I’m still so proud of all our team and couldn’t be happier with the outcome – well done everyone! Such a great day spent with some of my favourite people.



Sarah (3rd)

Wow, what an amazing experience Exeter has been for everyone this year. Riding down on the train, finally getting into the hotel, having a sleep before the big day, and actually experiencing the bells of Exeter was all so much fun and exciting. I really didn’t think we were going to win as all the competition pieces we heard were so good. I’m really happy for the team members who will be too old to compete next year, that they had this victory, and all the teams should be really proud of what they have done. Many lovely memories have been made.



Theo (6th)

What a way to start the day! Our first tower was Exeter Cathedral, they rang true to form, sounded amazing and were a delight to ring. It was also a great privilege to ring the tenor, being the second heaviest bell hung for change ringing. We got to enjoy the numerous stalls within the nave of the Cathedral and have a go at the multiple mini rings/dumbbells available which was a good experience. I especially enjoyed the Bowerdon Ring as they sounded pleasant and as I had never rung these bells before.

It was then time to get to our competition tower where we regrouped to ring our test piece. On discussing afterwards, we thought it had gone quite well, but only time would tell! We then headed off to our three afternoon towers of Heavitree, Pinhoe and Clyst Honiton, in which at the latter we got to see the Red Arrows take off from Exeter Airport right above our heads – an unbelievable sight!

It was time for us to head back to the Cathedral for the results of the competition. As the results were being announced, the anticipation grew as the numbers were being counted down to the last few until the realisation hit that we had won! The look on our whole teams’ faces was of disbelief that we had actually won!

I am incredibly proud to be a part of The Essex Young Eagles that Christina has organised and as this was my last year of being able to take part, what a high to finish on!

Ryan (Reserve)

We headed to Exeter on Friday afternoon by train. Our journey from Prittlewell to Exeter took five hours! But it was a lovely journey. As we were going along the tracks passing through all of these amazing places we were spotting church after church. It was truly wonderful. Halfway through the journey the food cart came around. However once it reached us the card machine stopped working, so they gave us some free food! Once we reached Exeter we were happy (but tired!). After we had put all of our belongings away we went on a little walk. As we started our walk we had to think of the best way to go – luckily there was a street sign which said “Avoiding steep hill!”. However when we started the walk we were shocked. The sign was wrong (At least for us Essex people) – the first thing we spot was a massive (STEEP) hill!

On the Saturday we started our day off early and headed to the cathedral. From the cathedral we still had an hour until it was our dedicated slot for our ring, so we had a walk along to St Petrock’s which in fact the Essex team didn’t have a slot for and got a quick ring before any of the other teams turned up. After we finished at St Petrock’s we headed back over to the cathedral which is a stunning church.

We were lucky enough to be one of the first teams to go up (with two other teams as well). Once we were up in the tower we all started to have some nice ringing. There was a queue to ring the tenor. I waited in the queue hoping to get a turn on the tenor which I did with Theo Johnson, which at that time I rang from the strap. However I was determined to ring it from the box and not from the strap which I was lucky enough to do with Lucas Bent. The cathedral ring was truly an amazing time and I was thrilled. Once we got back down to the bottom we all headed off to St David’s which was our competition tower. We listened to a few rings before it was our turn. The teams were ringing very well – we were up for a challenge. Once it was our turn we all headed up and the band went onto their dedicated bells, however I was a reserve. I sat there listening to our practice piece which I thought was astonishing. Then it got to the actual part. We had to be silent when the team started the test piece. I sat there listening to it all and once we had finished I thought we had done very well. It was very very tense during the test piece (even being a reserve).

Once we got down everyone started to clap, we all had tried our best and we were proud of how we had done. Once we finished we headed off to our mini-outing, our first tower being Heavitree. The bells here were lovely and the tower looked nice. We managed to ring a lot here. Once we were finished at Heavitree we headed off to Pinhoe. However this church wasn’t as easy. It was a lovely small ringing room and there were two other teams there with us so the ringing was a bit tight. We still managed to fit everyone in for a ring. Once we finished at Pinhoe we headed to our final tower, Clyst Honiton. The tower was massive however the bells were a little tricky. We still managed to get a lot done and some nice ringing down! While we were at



Top – the Kent Young Ringers and mascot line up for their band photo. Middle – parachute games in the evening (photo Hilary Child). Bottom – spot the YCRA founder member! (photo Emily Hall)

Clyst Honiton we had a lovely surprise from the Red Arrows which flew only a few metres above our heads, taking off from Exeter airport – this was lovely to see.

Once we finished all of our ringing we headed back to the cathedral for our results. This was the scariest part of it all! We found our dedicated area and all sat in one row while the adults had to stand. We waited for the results to start. Once they did everyone was silent – the suspense was building. They called out the teams in 10th place, 9th place, 8th place, and they still hadn’t called us out. We all started to look at each other and we were shocked. Then the worse part came along: 5th place, 4th place, and still not mentioned. The nerves started to hit everyone: we all wondered when we going to be called out. 3rd place, still not us. We all started to cheer internally for making it to top three, then it got down to the last two teams. Was it going to be us? When they called out 2nd place and it wasn’t us we all shouted in joy and happiness, giving each other high fives and hugs and cheering. We all stood up to go and collect our medals which were extraordinary – they were very well detailed



and were very nice (and heavy!). We had some team photos taken with our medals and our home-made certificate!

On the Sunday morning I rang at St David’s for the service ring as I hadn’t managed to ring there on the competition day. We rang some Devon-style call changes and some methods Devon-style. It sounded amazing – it was a real joy to do. We rang methods super-fast and call changes fast which sounded extraordinary. Once we had finished at St David’s we headed back home on the train, spotting more and more churches. The weekend was the best weekend ever, I truly enjoyed it.

Cornish Pasties enter the RWNYC for the first time

From Hayley

About three years ago, BC (before Covid), a small group of us from Cornwall had travelled up to Exeter to one of their open practices. David and Ewan Hull also happened to be there and I had no clue why. It was in the pub after, when seated with pints in hand, that David asked, “So, are there any youth in Cornwall then?”, to which we looked at each other and replied, “You’re looking at it” and then laughed ... (we were all over 40!)

The long journey home got me thinking and I vocalised my thoughts in the car: “Do you reckon we could enter a youth team? It’ll never be this close to us again ...” Everyone else in the car laughed at me and promptly declared that I was nuts (as usual!). But we

didn’t really know how many youths we would have to eke out of the woodwork and what they would have to ring, the challenge seemed too great, and I think we were all assuming that the competition, as previously, would be on at least eight bells and we didn’t know the age limit. We were running through a couple of possibles, but we really were clutching at straws.

Then we were all locked down anyway and couldn’t do much about it! But one night husband Jonathan returned home from a Kenwyn practice telling me that there was a new ringer, Claire, and she had been asking about youth. After looking fairly blankly at her, the rest of the band suggested that she got in touch with me ...

HAYLEY YOUNG



From Claire

I really enjoyed my three years in Young@Herts, so having just moved down to Cornwall in late 2021, and knowing the RWNYC would be in Exeter in 2022, I wondered if anyone in Cornwall knew the competition would be coming closer to them than ever before. I hadn’t seen many young ringers around and when I asked about it at my local tower no one had even heard of the Contest! After I briefly explained how it works, the general consensus was that it should be attempted, but they were doubtful I’d find enough ringers who were young enough and willing to go.

However, I’m delighted to say that after lots of emails, rumours of ‘I think there’s a youth at x tower’, driving round Cornwall trying to put names and faces to those rumours and with a lot of support from Hayley, we managed to cobble together six young ringers, some t-shirts and get them all on the train to Exeter! Other passengers must have thought it a bit odd seeing so many people in bright purple t-shirts, but finally the dream felt real and we managed not to lose any of them as we made our way up to St David’s for our contest ringing. There were a lot of nerves but they all did really well, especially as it was actually the first time they’d all rung together and between them they made, as far as we’re aware, the first Cornish youth band ever.

“George was enjoying the handbells so much that he forgot to eat any lunch ...”

Before it started to rain, we ferried them off to grab towers at Heavitree, St Petrock’s, the Cathedral and St Thomas. Most of them were a bit nervous about ringing at so many new towers, particularly the light bells at St Petrock’s, but with a bit of coaxing they all got stuck in



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and rose to the challenge. The activities outside the actual towers also proved very popular – our youngest member had been talking about mini rings all morning, so was delighted to get the chance to ring on two, and George, our conductor, was enjoying the handbells so much that he forgot to eat any lunch ... It was great to see them all try new things, whether it was their masterclass in the Cathedral or going from being a call changes only ringer to happily ringing plain hunt on handbells.

The mood was content but very tired on the train home (Jen, manager of Young@Herts, always said teenager herding was exhausting and now I see what she means!) but hopefully we've all recovered now, and we've heard lots of good feedback that the Cornish Pasties enjoyed their day, and that it's 'the best thing that's ever happened to the TDGR' – very high praise!

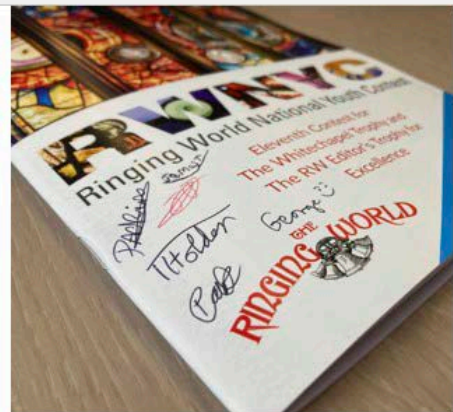
York feels a long way away, both in time and distance, so who knows at this point whether we'll be there but either way hopefully we've kickstarted a more active scene for the younger members of the TDGR. As we start thinking about what we can do to keep them entertained in the Autumn, it's really important to say a huge thank you to everyone involved in organising and running the RWNYC, as well as all the adult helpers who came with us, sometimes at short notice, and provided much needed moral support and teenager herding throughout the day. Between them all these volunteers made such an incredible day possible!

CLAIRE BELOW

And from George ...

It was amazing to learn of other young ringers in Cornwall, let alone to get to ring with them. A lot of the time we don't have access to our own transport and therefore it's really difficult to meet up at practice nights without dragging our parents out. It's only recently that I've been able to drive!

The best part of the day was handbell ringing at the cathedral – that was really fun – with Tom Hinks & David Maynard.




And now, I definitely am more determined to get out and about and ring quarter peals at places like Heavitree and I definitely want to go back to ring at Exeter Cathedral, I knew the tenor was heavy, but I didn't quite appreciate how big and slow the other eleven bells would be!

GEORGE STEVENS
Conductor, Cornish Pasties

Left – the Cornish Pasties ringing at Exeter Cathedral. Top left – Tegan Holden from St Buryan. Above – sampling the handbell workshop run by Tom Hinks (and a signed souvenir programme). Below – sustenance arrives for the Young Change Ringers Association's evening event (photo Charlotte Boyce)



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By plane and train: The Durham & Newcastle Young Ringers go to Exeter

I am glad to have again had the privilege of competing in the Ringing World National Youth Contest (RWNYC), this year held in Exeter. It is my third year competing, the first being Liverpool in 2019, then Worcester last year. My brother, Isaac, also competed with us, this year being his first in the band.

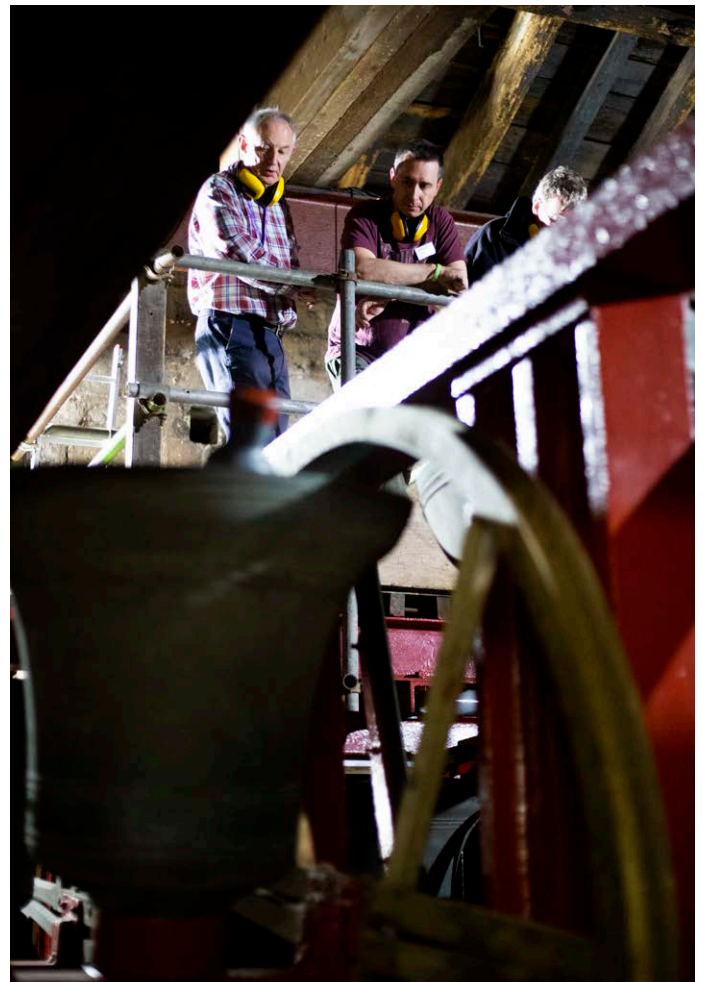
For the first time, I had the pleasure of conducting the Durham and Newcastle Association team. Our team consisted of ringers from across the country – Bethany and Paisley Cater from Cumbria as well as two ringers who joined us from the Worcester Young Ringers. I would like to say a big thank you to the band who all rang well, particularly the Worcester ringers who we'd never met before.

The challenge of getting the 366 miles to Exeter was solved in a number of different ways by our team: Jack Hanlon, the team leader, flew (is this a first for the youth contest?); the Caters travelled the long distance by train; and we split the journey by driving to our grandparents in Bromsgrove. Paisley said that it was worth taking the time off school on Friday afternoon to travel and spend time together as a team going round Exeter. Bethany agreed with the rest of the band that Heavitree were a particularly enjoyable ring, however, her forearms ached by the end of the day after all the opportunities to ring big bells.

I am particularly pleased to have rung the tenor at Exeter Cathedral, thank you to Julia Cater for strapping the tenor with me. Congratulations also to Bethany and all the other young ringers who got the chance to ring it. I was quite nervous, particularly as I was covering to Plain Hunt (not wanting to put others off by making mistakes). On the drive home from Worcester last year I was already planning how to get practice ringing heavy bells, through my GCSE exams. I got so far as turning the tenor in to a quarter of Plain Bob Minor at my local tower – a 22cwt ring of 6. I also went to practise at Newcastle Cathedral. The heaviest bell I'd rung prior to Exeter was the tenor at Worcester Cathedral which is 48cwt.

The ringing tour was very enjoyable. As well as the Cathedral, we grabbed St David's, the competition tower; Pinhoe; St Petrock's; Clyst Honiton; and Heavitree, before returning for the results. Thanks must go to Jack Hanlon for leading the team and encouraging us at practices. Also to our parents for organising and financing travel.

JOEL CAIRNS



*Some of the D&N ringers on the Bowerdon Ring;
Top – ringing round the back at Exeter Cathedral
Bottom – David Hird and Matthew Hilling
in the bell chamber (photo James Wray)*



QUARTER PEALS

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First quarters

Crondall, Hants. 2 Jul, 1260 PB Doubles: Philippa Taylor 1, Ros Fox (C) 2, Rebekah Aspinwall 3, Tony Walker 4, Kevin Fox 5, Chris Manetta 6. 1st at first attempt: 1. Rung prior to the ordination as priest of Revd Lucy Roose, Curate of Crondall & Ewshot & to welcome Chloe Amelia & Michael Zachary Fox, twin grandchildren of 2 & 5, who were born on 7 June 2022. **£5**

Milnthorpe, Cumbria. 26 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: William A James 1, Ellis Hollows 2, Matthew W Goodship 3, James C Turner 4, Jayden Milby (C) 5, Iwan Cotgreave 6. 1st Q: 1. The Lancashire Lads & Lasses RWNVC competition band at their last practise before the contest next Saturday in Exeter. **£4.50**

Stretton on Dunsmore, Warks. 26 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Samantha L Brett 1, Decos Devonish 2, Christine F Homer 3, Lyndsey B Brett 4, Nicholas H Brett (C) 5, Mark J Chaplin 6. Rung for Sunday Service. 1st Q: 2. **£4.50**

In Memoriam

Aughton, Lancs. (Christ Church) 29 Jun, 1280 PB Major: Chris Webster 1, Janet M Jones 2, Gillian S Caulfield-Pleavin 3, David S Speechley 4, William J Roberts 5, Andrew Jobson 6, Michael J Allen 7, Randle T J Tinkler (C) 8. Rung to celebrate the life of my niece, Tina Hankin (Nee Hodgson) 28/02/77 - 3/06/22. Tina grew up within the sound of these bells, was confirmed in this church & was a former pupil of the local Grammar School. Missed by family & friends. R.I.P. Tina. **£6**

Barnburgh, S Yorks. 30 Jun, 1260 Doubles (4m): Julie Wilkinson 1, Jay P Downes 2, Ruth Graham (C) 3, Michael King 4, Trevor C Ledger 5. Rung in memory of Neil Semley, father of Ruth & Tower Captain at Barnburgh for over 20 years, who sadly passed away on June 9th. **£2.50**

Barnsley, Glos. (S Mary) 27 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Robert J Clive 1, Sue Barrance 2, Peter J Harris 3, David Barrance 4, Peter G Holden (C) 5, John Barrance 6. Rung following the service of thanksgiving for the life of Paul Henri Le Bars. **£3**

Boxley, Kent. 27 Jun, 1300 Doubles (1p/4m): Rebecca L Winter 1, Jacqueline M Barlow 2, John H Wale 3, Christopher M Trafford 4, Douglas G Davis (C) 5, Robin J Hughes 6. Rung in celebration of the life of Gerald Sinfield, long-time ringer at Boxley, on the day of his funeral at this church. May he Rest in Peace & Rise in Glory. **£4.50**

Campton, Beds. 26 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Christine A Williams 1, Linda M Garton (C) 2, Russell A Brown 3, Henry G Francis 4, John P Loveless 5, Barrie Glenn 6. Rung to celebrate the life of Dennis Davis, a much loved friend & bellringer at this tower for many years until moving to Australia in 2011. Ros Keech & Anthony & Charlotte Smith would like to be associated with this Q. **£4.50**

Chalfont St Giles, Bucks. 24 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Caroline E Jackson 1, Robert H Newton 2, Siegfried G Bonhomme 3, Verity Nicholls 4, Janet Galloway 5, Patricia M Newton (C) 6, John C Davidge 7, Keith C Sugden 8. 1st on Treble: 1. 1st Q: 8. Rung in honour of the Queen's Jubilee & in memory of Diana Cooke, a long stading & valued member of the St Giles band, who died recently. **£5**

Esher, Surrey. 29 Jun, 1260 Doubles (1m/1v): Amanda Doyle 1, Morgan Rook 2, Jennifer Meade 3, Julian Ball 4, John G Young (C) 5, Jonathan Bell 6. Rung in loving memory of sisters Frances Wright (mother of treble) 1929 - 2019 & Joan Mallion (aunt of treble) 1932 - 2022, sadly missed. 1st multi-method Q: 1,2,4. **£10**

Harrogate, N Yorks. (S Wilfrid) 30 Jun, 1260 Doubles (4m): Matthew Curl 1, John S Leech (C) 2, Rosamund Moss 3, John T Burnup 4, William Todd 5. By the Wednesday Old Duffers (so confused by old age that we rang on a Thursday!) on the back 5. Remembering Allan Keen a one time St Wilfrid's ringer.

Jonathan Wilson, Penny Bell, Mike Woodall & Susan Hucknall wish to be associated with this ringing. R.I.P. **£3.75**

Havant, Hants. 2 Jul, 1260 PB Doubles: Bev Warrington 1, Bill Harris 2, Anne Tautz 3, Bob Wilson 4, Graham E Brown (C) 5, Gary Crockford 6. Rung by The Royal Naval Guild of Bellringers to celebrate the life of Terry Gooch a long serving member who crossed the bar 11th June 2022. **£5**

Kentchurch, Herefs. 29 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Dianne B Foster 1, Vicky Rees (C) 2, Nick Cooper-Tomkins 3, Lesley Meredith 4, Alan Simpson 5, Eddie Smith 6. Rung in memory of Roland Watkins of Kentchurch. Honorary member of the Hereford guild, former Tower Captain here & church warden for over 50 years. Rung by his friends from Kentchurch & Ewya Harold. **£5**

Kimpton, Herts. 28 Jun, 1372 PB Triples: Dianne E Crowder 1, Judith E Titmus 2, Mary E Goss 3, W Robert E T Goss 4, Alan G G Smith 5, Vivian Nutton 6, Robert J Crockier (C) 7, Ron E Titmus 8. Rung in memory of Susan J Newman, ringer at this tower for over 50 years, on the day of her funeral. **£5**

Lydiard Tregoze, Wilts. 28 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Simon W Edwards 1, Alex Hosking 2, Alwyn Brock 3, Jason L Carter (C) 4, Daniel P Knight 5, Jenny Moore 6. Rung half-muffled to celebrate the life of Ron Brock, father-in-law to 3. Ron was a dedicated member of this church. He served for many years in various roles including vergier, church warden & home group leader & generally supported the clergy of St Mary's in their pastoral duties. **£4.50**

Lyme Regis, Dorset. 29 Jun, 1250 Cambridge S Major: Niki Barker 1, Sue Barrance 2, Linda Nicholson 3, Sue Carter 4, Patricia Slade 5, Peter Simpson 6, David Barrance 7, John Horrocks (C) 8. Rung in memory of Allan Keen. 1st for 40 years & 1st S Major: 1. **£6**

Milton Regis, Kent. 26 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): Jay Ford 1, Alison Gerish 2, Richard Bushell 3, Tim Ford 4, Chris M Trafford (C) 5, Malwyn Williams 6. Rung in memory of John Tumber who passed away Saturday 18th June 2022. John was a regular ringer at the neighbouring tower of Bobbing where he was a member of the band there for sixty seven years. May he Rest in Peace. **£3**

Monk Bretton, S Yorks. 14 Jun, 1272 Oxford TB Minor: Michael Carbutt 1, Michael King 2, Michael Sheeran 3, Alan M Shelbourn 4, Trevor C Ledger (C) 5, Roger Tarbutt 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Ernest Harston, uncle of 1, immediately after his funeral service. **£3**

North Moreton, Oxon. 26 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Helen Aitkins 1, Gillian Loyd (C) 2, Christine Kowalcuk 3, Josie Irving 4, Richard Loyd 5, Rob Nickless 6. In memoriam Patrick Greene, who was Churchwarden for 24 years, on the 2nd anniversary of his death. Rung prior to a service of thanksgiving & memories. **£4.50**

Peterborough, Cambs. (S Mary) 26 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): Elaine Wilkinson 1, Gavin Simpson 2, David Banks (C) 3, Andrew Christie 4, Stuart Weston 5, Julian Burton 6. 1st Stedman: 2. Rung in memory of Carol Anne Simpson, Gavin's mum, who died in the first wave of the pandemic. Greatly missed by family & friends. This was the first opportunity for the band to come together, albeit at the third attempt due to Covid. **£4.50**

Ratcliffe on the Wreake, Leics. 20 Jun, 1260 Doubles (7m/v): Eliza I Lewis-Skeath 1, Michael P R H Woolley (C) 2, Robin E H Woolley 3, Maurice Kirk 4, Peter Brown 5, Annette Tudor-Brown 6. Rung in memory of Neville Sharpe who passed away recently. Eliza, Maurice, Peter & Annette being fellow members of The Society of Framland Ringers for whom Neville was a huge supporter. **£4.50**

Ringing Room, UK. 29 Jun, 1320 Annable's London S Minor: Alison T Merryweather-Clarke (North Leigh) 1, Barbara D Murray 2, Pauline M Kennard 3, Rosemary J Humphrey 4, Christine B J de Cordova 5, Joseph A Sharp (C) 6. Rung by The Bellerophons for the Feast of Saints Peter & Paul & in celebration of the life & legacy of Dame Deborah James (Check Your Pool). **£4.50**

Rodbourne Cheney, Wilts. 30 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): Sarah J Ockwell 1, Peter J Hampson 2, David C Ockwell (C) 3, Catherine E Hampson 4, Simon W Edwards 5, Mark Edwards 6. Commemorating the life of Joan R Ockwell. **£4.50**

Sandbach, Ches. 26 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: William L Hall 1, George T Basford (C) 2, Nicola J Basford 3, Tom Nestor 4, Steven Stoker 5, Steven Stoker 6, Ethan Tattersall 7, Carl D L Sproston 8. Remembering Stuart Hirst, local ringer & former member of the Guild, who died June 2022. Also rung for Tom & Nancy Nestor's 20th Wedding Anniversary today. **£5**

Skillington, Lincs. 27 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): Kevin A Carter 1, D Elizabeth Carter 2, Wendy Saywell 3, Andrew Shipman 4, David G Jones 5. Rung by Framland Society members in celebration of the life of their late friend & fellow member, J Neville Sharpe, former member of this church & tower. **£3.75**

Staindrop, Durham. 27 Jun, 1280 Spl S Major (4m): Anthea Enzor 1, Alex Pym 2, Helen Scott 3, John R Welch 4, Philip Park 5, Kate Millar 6, Chris Enzor (C) 7, Chris Mansfield 8. Rung in memory of William Kemp Trotter, 1929 - 2022, following a service of thanksgiving in celebration of his life. **£6**

Thorrington, Essex. 2 Jul, 1440 PB Minor: Martin Jones 1, Pam Avis 2, Steven Clarke 3, Paul V Stannard 4, Neil Avis (C) 5, Chris Lamb 6. In Thanksgiving for the life of Mrs Pauline Millat. Great friendship to all the ringers who have known Pauline a long time & great friend of the tower. **£3**

Darlington, Co Durham. (The Granary, 3 High Carlbury) 29 Jun, 1320 Kent TB Minor: Helen Scott 1-2, Anthea Enzor 3-4, Chris Enzor (C) 5-6. Rung on the Birthday of Mabel Louise Baker nee Hobbs (1904-1975), Helen's nan. **£2.25**

Staines, Middx. (44 Sidney Road) 26 Jun, 1280 Spl S Major (6m): Richard A Pearce (C) 1-2, Ruth Blackwell 3-4, Peter R King 5-6, Muffie King 7-8. Remembering Roger Bailey. **£3**

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Miscellaneous performances

Great Myton, Lancs. (All Hallows) 14 Nov, Rounds, Calls and Plain Hunt: Sarah Moore 1, Stuart Moore (C) 2, Alan J Birney 3. Bells 1,2,3 rung full circle, our back three bells being currently unringable. Half-muffled bells rung for the Service of Remembrance at All Hallows. **£1.50**

Speldhurst, Kent. 26 Jun, Plain Hunt, Call Changes, 100 PB Doubles and 100 Grandsire Doubles. Nina Bohane. Michael Bullett. Penny Gerrard. Anthony Leves. Eric Roughley. Crispin Saunders. Zena Seal. Emma Tamkin. For the 100th Birthday today of Audrey Stuart-Black, long time resident of Speldhurst, former church organist & choir leader & former editor of the village magazine. **£6**

Waddington, Lincs. (S Michael) 28 Jun, Call Changes PB Doubles: Keith C Butter, Jonathan Clark, Graham Colborne, Angela Holt, Alison Owens, Kevin Pridgen, Sue Stead, Sue Waterfall, Jean Williams. Rung, by a local band, prior to the Licensing of the Revd Simon Dean as Interim Priest in Charge of the benefice of Waddington by the Bishop of Grantham.

General quarters

Alton, Hants. (All Saints) 28 Jun, 1260 Doubles (6m): Alan Ford 1, Judy Sparling 2, Steven P Marriott 3, Matthew D Watts 4, Andrew P Sparling (C) 5, Jessica A Hornsby 6. Dedicated & rung in celebration of the Birthday of Alan Ford. **£4.50**

Ashford in the Water, Derbys. 28 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Cheryl van Burgh 1, Linda M Pelc 2, Pauline Boyle 3, Eileen Goodall 4, Ross J Finbow 5, John Thorpe (C) 6. 1st Minor: 1. Birthday celebration for Saturday: 6. **£4.50**

Awbridge, Hants. 1 Jul, 1280 Spl S Major (2m): James A Hodkin 1, John A Dodd 2, Colin J Butler 3, Caroline Daniels 4, Andrew J Nicol 5, Mary Kate Wells 6, John K Maddams 7, Martin J E Daniels (C) 8. 1st Spl S Major: 6. **£4**

Bath, Som. (Abbey Church of St Peter & St Paul) 25 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Hazel G L Spence 1, Maggie Willans 2, William Willans (C) 3, Karen Tyler 4, Ruth Beavin 5, Tim Hawkings 6, Ted Goater 7, Michael W Day 8. Rung after the Diocesan Ordination of Priests.

Brassington, Derbys. 29 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): Sally Smith 1, Frances E Haynes 2, Olav Bradstock 3, Hugo Lane 4, Roy A Meads (C) 5, Pam Stone 6. A 60th Birthday compliment to Toby Bennett. **£4.50**

Breadsall, Derbys. 29 Jun, 1260 Stedman Triples: Jane Boden 1, Moira Johnson 2, Gill Pearson 3, Alison Molyneux 4, Ruth Jopp 5, Phil Wild 6, John Hawes (C) 7, Fred Pearson 8. 1st touch of Stedman Triples: 2. **£6**

Brewood, Staffs. 27 Jun, 1288 Grandsire Triples: Christopher W Hoare 1, D Rose W Horton 2, Maurice Ingram 3, Stephen G Askew 4, Nicholas J Green 5, Stephen W Horton 6, Peter Neil (C) 7, Nicola J Galton 8. A SOD Q. **£6**

Bronllys, Powys. 28 Jun, 1380 PB Doubles: Libby Davis 1, Colin A Lewis 2, Alison C Alcock 3, Nick Chapman 4, Andrew J Williams (C) 5, Nick Cooper-Tomkins 6. 1st Q on the bells since 13 February 2020. 1st as C. 1st in Wales: 4. Thanks to Revd Alan Charters for opening the tower for us. **£6**

Burnsall, N Yorks. 30 Jun, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Jenny Robinson 1, Dale Barton 2, Sheila Bloomfield 3, Allan Gould 4, Andy Sutherland 5, Kevin Haseldine (C) 6. **£6**

Cambridge. (University Church of St Mary the Great) 19 Jun, 1344 Bristol S Maximus: Patrick L H Brooke (C) 1, Christine C L Seaman 2, Alison L Brooke 3, Elizabeth A Orme 4, Catriona C Agg 5, Frank H King 6, Lesley H M Boyle 7, Jonathan A Spencer 8, Jonathan D Shanklin 9, Christopher N McCarthy 10, Phillip M Orme 11, Jonathan A Agg 12. Rung for Mattins. **£9**

Cambridge. (S Andrew the Great) 30 Jun, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Catriona C Agg 1, Harriet J M A Dann 2, Greg P H Chu 3, Stella C Johnson 4, Jonathan A Agg (C) 5, James R A Dann 6, Jonathan J Nash 7, Luke T W Smith 8. A compliment to those graduating this week, including Greg & Jonathan. 1st S: 4. **£9**

Canterbury, Kent. (S Stephen, Hackington) 26 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Enid D Dixon 1, Jane Duckworth 2, Jane E Huxley 3, Andrew C Brett 4, Paul N Davis (C) 5, Cathryn M Hills 6. Prior to Morning Eucharist. 1st as C. **£3**

Chester. (Cathedral) 9 Jun, 1296 Erin Caters: Rosalind J Keech 1, Malcolm H Joyce 2, Rose-Anne Ninnas 3, David T G Jones 4, Helen S Mitchell 5, J David Adams 6, Peter Hooper 7, Peter W H Barker 8, Paul B Hunter (C) 9, Colin Mitchell 10. Rung, with the congratulations & best wishes of the band & Chester ringers, two days before the Blessing in Chester Cathedral of the Wedding of Brid Collins & Robert Adams (son of 6) of 30 October 2020. Rung on the Light Ten. Comhghairdeachas agus gach dea-ghuì do Brid agus Rob ar a là phósadh. **£7.50**

Chevening, Kent. 30 Jun, 1280 Superlative S Major: Janice Byrne 1, Caroline Stockmann 2, Jacqueline Barlow 3, Ann Jenner 4, Peter Richardson 5, Kath White 6, Ray Taylor 7, Stanley Jenner (C) 8. **£6**

City of London. (S Andrew, Holborn) 2 Jul, 1277 Stedman Triples: Stephanie J Pattenden 1, Lucinda J Woodward 2, Margaret E Oram 3, Shirley E McGill 4, Ian H Oram 5, Michael R Crockett (C) 6, Laurence P J Bourton 7, Joseph E T Waters 8. Rung prior to The Ordination of Deacons Solemn Pontifical Mass, celebrated by The Bishop of Fulham in the presence of The Bishop of London.

Coaley, Glos. 28 Jun, 1260 Doubles (25m/v): Carole O'Donnell 1, Pam May 2, Matthew Lorkin 3, Robin Screen 4, Terry Chivers (C) 5, David Rayner 6. Rung with 25m/v to celebrate the 25th wedding anniversary of the treble ringer. **£4.50**

Croome D'Abitot, Worcs. 19 Jun, 1260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: Martyn J Hills 1, Cynthia Palmer 2, Jennie Kimberley 3, Nigel Davis 4, Alison R Williams 5, Paul R Smith (C) 6. Entertaining the visitors to Croome Park on the 59th anniversary of Cynthia learning to ring at Burbage, Leicestershire.

Derby. (S Peter) 1 Jul, 1260 Spl Plain Minor (4m): Bernard Taylor 1, Lynda Greaves 2, Corinne Shelton 3, Lynne Newton 4, Steven W Harpham 5, Alan Rowe (C) 6. Rung on the front six using the simulator. **£3**

Derby. (S Peter) 2 Jul, 1272 Kent TB Minor: Alec Humphrey 1, Corinne Shelton 2, Mike Redfern 3, Bernard Taylor 4, Nick Daines 5, Alan Rowe (C) 6. 150th Q: 2. Rung on the pentatonic six (134678). To mark the ordination as priest of Nick Parish, curate at St Peter's, which took place at Derby Cathedral earlier today. **£3**

Eckington, Worcs. (Holy Trinity) 28 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Andrea Goodall 1, Kate Collingwood 2, Polly Goodall 3, Kath Cocks 4, Tony Cocks (C) 5, Alan Godfrey 6. 1st Grandsire Doubles inside: 3. 1st as cover: 6. **£4.50**

Eltham, London. 26 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Sue Cameron 1, Svetlana Sokolova 2, Rupert Cheeseman 3, David Holdridge 4, Nigel Pointer 5, Ian Mills (C) 6. To celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. **£4.50**

Exeter, Devon. (S Michael & All Angels, Pinhoe) 28 Jun, 1320 Kent TB Minor: Sue Sturdy 1, Thomas Selley-Steer 2, Wendy Campbell 3, Richard Shere 4, Ian Campbell 5, David Hird (C) 6. 1st TB inside: 2.

Frodsham, Ches. 1 Jul, 1280 Superlative S Major: Gabriele S Wagner 1, Helen S Mitchell 2, Jennifer M Christian 3, Simon Christian 4, Simon Taylor 5, Andrew J Jobson 6, Duncan L C Hyde (C) 7, Peter Wilkinson 8.

Gloucester. (Cathedral) 26 Jun, 1296 Grandsire Caters: Karen Whyatt 1, Derek Harbottle 2, Isabel Hitchings 3, Margaret Smith 4, John Gibson (C) 5, John Simms 6, Reg Hitchings 7, Mike Seagrave 8, Andrew D Evans 9, Rachel Coates 10. Rung for Evensong.

Gosforth, Tyne & Wear. (All Saints) 26 Jun, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Christopher J Teasdale 1, Kristopher King 2, Richard M Grainger 3, Joel A Cairns 4, J Michael Procter 5, Peter K D Dawson 6, Stephen B Bell 7, Andrew J Cairns (C) 8. Prior to the service of Licensing of the Revd Helen Lunn by Bishop Mark, Acting Bishop of Newcastle. Celebrating the end of GCSE exams: 4. **£6**

Goxhill, Lincs. 26 Jun, 1272 Treble Pl Minimus (2m): Peter J Cook 1, Patricia A Donnelly 2, Heather L E Peachey 3, Barry F Peachey (C) 4, Paul D Wilkinson 5. Rung for Goxhill Open Gardens event & as a 'Get Well' compliment to Zena Robertson who had to drop out of this Q due to illness. Thanks to Heather Peachey for standing in at short notice, after which we still met short!

Guildford, Surrey. (S Nicolas) 12 Jun, 1282 Yorkshire S Royal: Elizabeth A Burton 1, Martin J Turner 2, Christopher H Rogers 3, Anne M Anthony 4, Jonathan H B Deane 5, Mark E R Gill 6, Timothy M W Stansfeld 7, John G Hutchinson (C) 8, Mark E Taylor 9, Nicholas M W Haggett 10. **£7.50**

Hailsham, E Sussex. 26 Jun, 1260 Doubles (7m/v): Elizabeth M Munday 1, Hilary F Smith 2, Samuel P R Canning (C) 3, Alan D Pink 4, Sandra M Titherly 5, John G Canning 6. To celebrate the birth of Mason James Humphrey, step great grandson of Evelyn Evenden, born on 16th May. For Evening Communion Service. Most m/v as C. **£5**

Hampreston, Dorset. 22 Jun, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Richard Picker 1, Patricia Davidson 2, Thomas R Harris 3, Mike Jasper 4, Laurence H Turner (C) 5, Angie Jasper 6. 75th together: 1.4. 450th tower bell Q: 3. The band would like to associate Shirley Brown with this Q. Rung to celebrate Laurie & Margaret Turner's Diamond Wedding Anniversary. **£4.50**

Harborne, W Mids. 29 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth F M Wilby 1, Michael P A Wilby 2, Charlotte D Linford 3, Oliver C Bates (C) 4, Mark R Eccleston 5, Victoria J M Wilby 6, Jimmy L Yeoman 7, Eleanor J Linford 8. 1st on 8: 1.

Haworth, W Yorks. 26 Jun, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Carole Kirby (C) 1, Peter C Kirby 2, Lorraine Trebble 3, Alan M Trebble 4, Peter J Tiley 5, Edward Mallen 6. 1st Stedman as C. 1st Stedman Doubles: 5. Congratulations to Mia Stanley (Grand-daughter to 3,4) on completing her A Levels. **£4.50**

Henham, Essex. 13 Jun, 1320 D Minor (2m): Marion Robinson 1, Kit Kilgour 2, Liz Griffith-Jones 3, June Mackay 4, Richard Sales 5, Jadd Virji (C) 6. **£4.50**

Holborn, London. (S Andrew, Holborn) 25 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Peter Blight 1, Katherine P G Jennings 2, Rachel Billinge 3, Louise Booth 4, Joe Tiley 5, Toby C Hibbert 6, Stephanie Pattenden (C) 7, Luke Bradley 8. Rung Prior to the Ordination of Priests Service. **£6**

Hutton Rudby, N Yorks. 2 Jul, 1260 PB Doubles: Jean Hallett 1, John G Hallett 2, Alastair E Roberts 3, Kate I Roberts 4, Andrew M Roberts (C) 5, Brian Ramsden 6. In celebration of the Diamond Wedding Anniversary of Nick & Margaret Roberts. **£4.50**

Immingham, Lincs. 28 Jun, 1260 Doubles (1m): Sarah Newson 1, Angela Newson 2, Amy R Dixon 3, Richard Haywood 4, Mark Giddings (C) 5, Victor Pope 6. To mark 16 years to the day since the last peal on these bells. **£4.50**

Kingsbury Episcopi, Som. 1 Jul, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Patrick Rendell 1, A C John Davis 2, David P Hammonds 3, Oliver Crowle 4, Johan Nash-Smith 5, Patrick C Tucker (C) 6. Rung to celebrate the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Phil & Stephanie Shillito. **£3**

Kirkheaton, W Yorks. 26 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Gillian Davison 1, Helen Ahmad 2, Peter Lucas 3, William Weston 4, John Spencer (C) 5, Toseef Ahmad 6. Rung for Sunday service & to celebrate the ordination as a priest of the Revd Emma Walters, curate of the parish of Kirkheaton on 25 June 2022. **£4.50**

Knaresborough, N Yorks. 26 Jun, 1260 Doubles (5m): Sarah Mattocks 1, Rosamund Moss 2, Jeni Dodds 3, John S Leech 4, Angus Dodds (C) 5, Geoff Ward 6. Rung on the back 6 by members of the Sunday Service band, for Patronal Festival Evensong. **£4.50**

Knowle, W Mids. (S John Bapt, St Lawrence, & St Anne) 26 Jun, 1260 Stedman Triples: Philip J Sealey 1, Michael Dodson 2, Rowena Shipley 3, Lucy Gwynne 4, A J Barnfield 5, John Gwynne 6, Stephen Shipley (C) 7, Chris Fitter 8. For the evening service. With congratulations to Revd Emily Spencer on her ordination as priest at Birmingham Cathedral yesterday. Also with congratulations to A J & Alison Barnfield on their 40th Wedding Anniversary today. **£4**

Leckhampton, Glos. 26 Jun, 1320 Swindon Village S Minor: Reg Hitchings 1, Barbara Pettit 2, Mike Seagrave 3, Mike Hartley 4, Quentin Jackson 5, Stuart Tomlinson (C) 6. 1st in m for all. 100th Q this year: 3. **£3**

Lewes, E Sussex. 26 Jun, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: J Clare Cullen 1, Penny J Neal 2, Pat Aylward 3, Tom Reeves 4, John S Ashcroft 5, Phil Nancarrow 6, Richard C G Neal (C) 7, Nicholas A Cullen 8. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Adam Moore & Rebecca Cullen. **£6**

Little Horsted, E Sussex. 27 Jun, 1272 Burslem D Minor: Ann Jenner 1, Jacqueline Barlow 2, Margaret Oram 3, Ian Oram 4, Ray Taylor 5, Stanley Jenner (C) 6. **£6**

Long Crendon, Bucks. 26 Jun, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Kaye Mundy 1, James Mundy 2, Kay Bartholomew 3, Julie Haseldine 4, Marika Haseldine 5, James Haseldine 6, Chris Mundy (C) 7, Andrew Haseldine 8. 1st S Major: 2. **£6**

Longcot, Oxon. 17 Jun, 1344 St Clement's CB Major: Lisa Ryan 1, Joe Norton (C) 2, Daniel J Watson 3, David A J Endacott 4, Alison T Merryweather-Clarke 5, Julian T Watson 6, Lindsay Powell 7, Tony Crabtree 8. 1st St Clement's Major: 3,4,6. 1st St Clement's Major on tower bells: 5,7. **£4.50**

Longcot, Oxon. 23 Jun, 1284 Stedman Triples: Cheryl A Watson 1, Daniel J Watson 2, Sarah B Ewbank 3, Gordon L Belcher 4, Simon D G Webb 5, Matthew A Skues 6, Simon W Edwards (C) 7, Peter J Harris 8. 1st Stedman: 2. **£10**

Longcot, Oxon. 24 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Hannah Taylor 1, Lindsay Powell 2, Joe Norton (C) 3, Daniel J Watson 4, Julian T Watson 5, Julian Taylor 6. **£10**

Milford on Sea, Hants. 29 Jun, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Erin M E Ingram 1, Peta Steadman-Bee 2, Margaret A Cobb 3, Mary-Kate Wells 4, Frank R Morton 5, Andrew J B Ingram 6, John A Dodd 7, James A Hodkin (C) 8. **£4**

Milland, W Sussex. 30 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): Barry J Wateridge 1, Harry E Cane 2, Francesco P Greenslade 3, Graham A Cane 4, Luca G Greenslade (C) 5, Brian J Underwood 6. 1st as C at first attempt. Rung to celebrate Luca's Birthday earlier this month. Also as a Birthday compliment to our friend Noah, who is learning to ring at nearby Midhurst. **£3**

New Alresford, Hants. (The Stoney Hills Ring) 29 Jun, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Nicholas W Bowden 1, Roy LeMarechal 2, Colin M Turner 3, David A C Matthews 4, David J Kelly 5, Tim Jackson 6, David Hird 7, Graham Nabb (C) 8. **£6**

Norton Canes, Staffs. 27 Jun, 1344 Spl S Major (3m): David C H Simpson 1, Matthew D Hardy 2, Selwyn G Jones 3, Timothy C Hine 4, Raymond H Daw 5, John W Pollard 6, Tim Ward 7, Malcolm Quimby (C) 8. **£6**

Norwich, Norfolk. (S Peter Mancroft) 26 Jun, 1272 Norwich S Minor: Tom Roast 1, David R Carter 2, Barry D Mack 3, Steve J Day 4, Stephen V J Bounds 5, Faith Pearce (C) 6. With congratulations to Richard Turk following his ordination at Norwich Cathedral yesterday. **£6**

Offton, Suffolk. 14 Jun, 1296 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Abby L Antrobus 1, Janet R Sheldrake 2, David I Stanford 3, Rowan P Wilson 4, Mark Ingledew 5, Maurice J Rose 6, Doug R Perry 7, Brian E Whiting (C) 8. **£6**

Oswestry, Shrops. 26 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Andrew J Harris 1, Peter J Woollam 2, Nicola J Galton 3, Peter Neil (C) 4, Christopher W Hoare 5. For Choral Eucharist & to celebrate the christening of Margot Elodie Downes granddaughter of Sue & Colin Ganley. **£3.75**

Overton, Hants. (S Mary) 1 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Elizabeth A Lewis 1, Helen J Piper 2, Elaine Whitham 3, Christine Holmes 4, David A Holmes (C) 5, Adrian P Lewis 6. 1st in m: 3. **£6**

Oxton, Wirral. (S Saviour) 26 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: James T Bussey 1, Gillian S Caulfield-Pleavin 2, Jamie Moran 3, Randle T J Tinkler 4, Christopher W Neale 5, David J King-Hele (C) 6. 1st Minor: 1. Rung for Evensong & to congratulate Holly Torr, curate at St Saviour's who was ordained at Chester Cathedral on 18th June. **£4.50**

Pimlico, London. (S Saviour) 25 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Stephanie Pattenden (C) 1, James Belshaw 2, Ines Picchioni 3, Rachel Billinge 4, Louise Booth 5, Anna Natasha Andersen 6, Luke Bradley 7, Sammie Singlehurst 8. 1st on 8: 6,8. With Birthday Good Wishes for Robert Lewis for 24th June. **£6**

Rampton, Cambs. (All Saints) 17 Jun, 1320 Bourne S Minor: Marion Robinson 1, Sally Mew 2, Naomi Laredo 3, Vanessa E Webster 4, Janet Garnett (C) 5, Roderick Johnstone 6. **£3**

Sapcote, Leics. (All Saints) 28 Jun, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Alison M Harvey 1, Paul Standley 2, David M Brown 3, Anthony J Rowan 4, Neil W Harvey 5, Michael Angrave (C) 6. 1st S: 2. **£4.50**

Sharnbrook, Beds. 26 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Rosemary Drewery 1, Jennifer S Thompson 2, Pam M Bailey 3, Simon H Sweeney 4, Patrick J S Albon (C) 5, Paul J Bailey 6. For Evensong. **£3**

Sheffield, S Yorks. (Cathedral Church of St Marie, Hallam) 2 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): Tim Johnston 1, Philip Hoole 2, Erica Oram 3, Jeff Colbert 4, David Jackson 5, Maria Di Domenico 6. 70th Birthday compliment to 6. Rung on the front 6 of the 8. **£4.50**

Shiplake, Oxon. 30 Jun, 1280 Bristol S Major: Robert Partridge (C) 1, Jacquie Hazell 2, Mary Friskney 3, Lavinia Sullivan 4, Josie Irving 5, David Sullivan 6, Kelvin Britton 7, Doug Beaumont 8. **£5**

Shipley, W Sussex. (S Mary V) 26 Jun, 1260 Doubles (2m): Susan P Meyer 1, Gina French Larcombe 2, Claire Searle 3, Andrew D Meyer (C) 4, Simon S Meyer 5, Brian Wright 6. **£4.50**

Shipston on Stour, Warks. 25 Jun, 1440 Cambridge S Minor: Nicholas Allsopp (C) 1, Sarah Elliott 2, Jane Gilbert 3, Steve Bowley 4, Len Morley 5, Graham Nabb 6. 1st S Minor: 2. Rung as part of the closing ceremony for the Shipston Proms fortnight.

Shottesbrooke, Berks. 26 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Lesley S Cross 1, Jacqueline Hazell 2, Martha Hazell 3, Simon D Smith (C) 4, Vikki E M Bulbeck 5, Charley Smith 6. An Early Morning Q for Midsummer. **£4.50**

Shottesbrooke, Berks. 29 Jun, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Martha Hazell 1, Simon D Smith 2, Jacqueline Hazell 3, Vikki E M Bulbeck 4, Peter Jasper 5, Charles M S Botting (C) 6. **£4.50**

Somerby, Leics. 20 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3p/m): Annette Tudor-Brown 1, Sophia A M Stonehouse 2, Eliza I Lewis-Skeath 3, Michael P R H Woolley 4, Peter Brown (C) 5, Robin E H Woolley 6.

St Andrews, Fife. 27 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): Alex J Linton 1, Eunice A Wark 2, Rachel C Williamson 3, Al Rossin 4, Peter J Williamson (C) 5, Jason W Pollock 6. Rung following a graduation ceremony. Congratulations to the graduating class of 2021. **£3**

Stourbridge, W Mids. (S Thomas) 26 Jun, 1440 Cambridge S Minor: Katrina Emery 1, Diane J Awkati 2, James M Stanton 3, David B Flint 4, Alex J Parsons 5, Richard J Hurst (C) 6, Simon Beckett 7. Rung to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the ordination of the Revd Andrew Sillis, vicar of St Thomas's. **£6**

Sutterton, Lincs. 1 Jul, 1344 PB Triples: Anthony D Walker 1, Valerie S Wild 2, Joanne French 3, John B Bennett 4, Greg Harrison 5, Luke Tobin 6, P Barry Jones (C) 7, Robert J Ingamells 8. 90th Birthday compliment to Tom Freeston, former Eastern Branch President & tower captain of Boston. 80th Birthday compliment to Penny Fountain who learned to ring as a Millennium ringer at Sutterton. Both active members of the Kirton & Butterwick group. **£4**

Sydney, New South Wales, Australia. (S Philip's, Church Hill) 29 Jun, 1274 Grandsire Triples: Taihei Baker 1, Pam Brock 2, Elaine Lee 3, Robert T W Weatherby 4, Mary Symes 5, L L Rusty Bullivant-Walters 6, Andrew Davies (C) 7, Lindsay Small 8. 1st in Australia (& 2nd Q): 1. 1st on Treble: 1. June Gift Q, rung in June. [Au \$ = Sterling 0.57!]. **£4.55**

Teynham, Kent. 26 Jun, 1260 Rev Canterbury Pleasure PI Doubles: Jay Ford 1, Richard Bushell 2, Tim Ford 3, Graham Cuthbert 4, Barry Roberts (C) 5, Michael Eldrett 6. For Evensong. **£4.50**

Tilehurst, Berks. 26 Jun, 1272 Cambridge S Minor: Rosa Bardwell 1, Joanne P Druce 2, Colin R Cairns 3, Thomas R Sherwood 4, David R Bardwell 5, D Giles Winter (C) 6. Rung to celebrate the ordination of the Revd Tracy Watkins, Curate, into the Priesthood on 25th June & her first celebration of Communion at St Michael's on 26th June. **£3**

Tilton on the Hill, Leics. 20 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Rod Lloyd 1, R Ian Stonehouse 2, Eliza I Lewis-Skeath 3, Robin E H Woolley (C) 4, Michael P R H Woolley 5, Peter Brown 6.

Toft, Cambs. 15 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): Roy Mould 1, Caroline Louth 2, Ian Hamilton 3, Tom Ridgman 4, Janet Garnett (C) 5, Roderick Johnstone 6. 1st blows in Braywood & Welford Bob: 2,3,4. **£3**

Toft, Cambs. 15 Jun, 1320 Netherseale S Minor: Caroline Louth 1, Ian Hamilton 2, Roy Mould 3, Roderick Johnstone 4, Janet Garnett (C) 5, Tom Ridgman 6. **£3**

Tong, W Yorks. (S James) 26 Jun, 1260 PB Doubles: Anna Barker 1, Louise M Connacher 2, Anthony J Wilson 3, Neal Harris 4, Maurice Calvert (C) 5, Vic Gorny 6. For Evening Prayer & to celebrate the birth of Olivia Mae Colbeck. 1st PB Doubles: 4. **£4.50**

Trumpington, Cambs. 26 Jun, 1344 Spl S Major (4m): Elizabeth R Hopper 1, Carole J Kendall 2, Christine C L Seaman 3, Christopher N McCarthy 4, Sharon R Stimpson 5, Alison L Brooke 6, Greg J Pearce 7, Patrick L H Brooke (C) 8. **£6**

Tunstall, Kent. (S John Bapt) 26 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Mike Rannard 1, Roger Pocock 2, Gill Rannard 3, Richard Bushell 4, Stuart Cox 5, Brian Lawson 6. 1st Grandsire Doubles inside: 3. **£6**

Waltham St Lawrence, Berks. 29 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Lesley S Cross 1, Jacqueline Hazell 2, Martha Hazell 3, Kathryn Titford 4, Simon D Smith (C) 5, Rob Taylor-Ailes 6. Commemorating St Peter & St Paul. **£4.50**

Wellington, New Zealand. (The John David Ring) 2 Jul, 1260 PB Minor: Janet Grocott 1, Lex Harrison 2, Ruth Lightbourne 3, Philippa Bowron 4, Derek Williams 5, Christopher Jarman (C) 6. **£2**

West Quantoxhead, Som. 26 Jun, 1260 Double Oxford Bob Minor: Bryony Gray 1, Jan Swan 2, Guy Morgan 3, Mark Davies 4, Martin J Blazey 5, Mark Philipson (C) 6. 1st in m: 2,3,4. Rung before the Church Flower Festival Songs of Praise Service, celebrating the Platinum Jubilee of HM Queen Elizabeth II. **£5.20**

Westminster, London. (S Stephen) 26 Jun, 1260 Stedman Triples: Stephanie Pattenden 1, Rachel Billinge 2, James Belshaw (C) 3, Catherine Hampson 4, Peter Blight 5, Ruth Corney 6, Peter Emery 7, Samuel Cave 8. A retirement compliment to Alison Neilson, parish bursar. Rung prior to Evensong.

Wimborne Minster, Dorset. 26 Jun, 1346 Yorkshire S Maximus: Trish Hitchins 1, Rosemary Duke 2, David Warwick 3, Flick Warwick 4, Graham Duke 5, Alan Bentley 6, David Hilling 7, Philip Rioch 8, Max Knight 9, John Riley 10, Nigel Woodruff 11, Harry Blamire (C) 12. For Evensong. 1st S Maximus: 9. **£12**

Wokingham, Berks. (All Saints) 26 Jun, 1344 Superlative S Major: Stephen R Smith 1, Jane A Mellor 2, Nigel A L Mellor 3, Tom Blomley 4, Helen M Maynard 5, John A Harrison 6, Jon P Tutcher 7, David G Maynard (C) 8. Rung to celebrate the ordination the previous day of Revd Becky Medlicott, Assistant Curate & as a farewell to Chrispen Gumbs, Ordinand in Training. **£6**

Wokingham, Berks. (All Saints) 27 Jun, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Nigel A L Mellor 1, Jane A Mellor 2, Helen M Maynard 3, Alan K Barsby 4, David G Maynard 5, John A Harrison (C) 6. Rung on practice night. **£4.50**

Yatton, Som. 2 Jul, 1376 Cambridge S Major: Corinna England 1, Rebecca J Cox 2, Michael A Varney 3, Anthony J Cox (C) 4, Molly Waterston 5, Glenn A Taylor 6, Peter J England 7, D Paul Mason 8.

Abingdon, Oxon. (S Helen (Ringing Chamber)) 26 Jun, 1296 Spl S Minor (5m): Lindsay Powell 1-2, Craig M Robertson 3-4, David L Thomas (C) 5-6. 1st including Alnwick & Newcastle in hand for all.

Abingdon, Oxon. (S Helen (Ringing Chamber)) 26 Jun, 1272 S Minor (2m): Lindsay Powell 1-2, Craig M Robertson 3-4, David L Thomas (C) 5-6. 1st in these methods in hand for all.

Cambridge. (35B Grange Road) 4 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Greg P H Chu 1-2, Abby Timmel 3-4, Jadd Virji (C) 5-6. Rung in the 'slaughter room'. **£2.25**

Cambridge. (102 Mawson Road) 28 Jun, 1335 Stedman Caters: Alan T Winter (Christ's) (C) 1-2, Jonathan A Agg (Emmanuel) 3-4, Jadd Virji (Trinity) 5-6, Marjorie B Batchelor (Murray Edwards) 7-8, Barry R M Johnson (Jesus) 9-10. 1st Stedman in hand: 5-6. **£3.75**

Cumbernauld. (20 Kingshill Avenue) 27 Jun, 2144 Yorkshire S Major: Jonathan S Frye 1-2, Angela H Deakin 3-4, Simon J Gay 5-6, Tina R Stoecklin (C) 7-8. **£3**

Oxford. (40 Western Road) 14 Jun, 1260 Spl Triples and Major (2m): Lindsay Powell 1-2, Craig M Robertson 3-4, David L Thomas 5-6, Joe Norton (C) 7-8. 1st Triples & Major in hand for all. **£0.75**

Oxford. (40 Western Road) 21 Jun, 1296 Little Bob Royal: Alison T Merryweather-Clarke 1-2, Lindsay Powell 3-4, Ben White-Horne 5-6, John G Pusey 7-8, Joe Norton (C) 9-10. 1st in m on Trebles: 1-2. **£0.75**

Oxford. (40 Western Road) 25 Jun, 1264 PB Major: John G Pusey 1-2, Lindsay Powell 3-4, Lorna Curtis 5-6, Joe Norton (C) 7-8. 1st away from Trebles on 8: 5-6. **£2.75**

Oxford. (40 Western Road) 28 Jun, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Joe Norton 1-2, David L Thomas (C) 3-4, Lisa Ryan 5-6. **£3**

River Cam, Cambs. (The punt 'Lucky Time') 22 Apr, 1440 PB Minor: Lena I van Dongen 1-2, Abby Timmel 3-4, Jadd Virji (C) 5-6. With thanks to Alex Hackett for punting so smoothly. 1st on water for all. **£2.25**

Stanford in the Vale, Oxon. (4 St Denys Close) 24 Jun, 1260 PB Minor: Lindsay Powell 1-2, Zoë Williams 3-4, Joe Norton (C) 5-6. Birthday compliments to Clare Bray & Wendy Perry. **£0.75**

Timperley, Gtr Manchester. (26 Westwood Ave) 13 Jun, 1272 Kent TB Minor: Wendy M Lee 1-2, Dennis Latham 3-4, K George Lee (C) 5-6. 1st TB on an inside pair: 3-4. **£3**

Watford, Herts. (15 Harford Drive) 30 Jun, 1260 Minor (2m): S Kathleen M Baldwin 1-2, Nicky J Smith 3-4, Roger Baldwin (C) 5-6. **£2.25**

Wendover, Bucks. (92a Ellesborough Road) 26 Jun, 1282 Cambridge S Royal: Angela Darvill 1-2, Matthew R Johnson 3-4, Patricia Newton 5-6, Kenneth Darvill 7-8, Robert Newton (C) 9-10. Welcoming Angela & Ken to their new home. 1st blows in the house. **£2.50**

Weobley, Herefs. (The Bear, Broad St) 26 Jun, 1280 Spl S Major (5m): Abel 1-2-3-4-5-6, Andrew Watkins 7-8. **£1**

Weobley, Herefs. (The Bear, Broad St) 26 Jun, 1440 Spl Royal (4m): Abel 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8, Andrew Watkins 9-10. **£1**

Weobley, Herefs. (The Bear, Broad St) 27 Jun, 1344 Spl S Major (4m): Abel 1-2-3-4-5-6, Andrew Watkins 7-8. **£1**

Weobley, Herefs. (The Bear, Broad St) 30 Jun, 1280 Spl S Major (8m): Abel 1-2-3-4-5-6, Andrew Watkins 7-8. **£1**

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Oxford. (S Giles) 1 Aug 2021, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Mona Setje-Eilers 1, Jamie Allport 2, Kathy Xu 3, Andrew Spicer 4, John G Pusey (C) 5, Ella Bentina 6. 1st as cover: 6. Rung to celebrate the announcement on this day that Revd Daniel Walters, currently Associate Priest in the St Giles benefice, has been selected to become the new Vicar.

Distributed quarters

Ringling Room, Cheshire & Cornwall. 26 Jun, 1272 Whitley S Minor: William L hall (Sandbach) 1, Mervyn J Harrison (Holmes Chapel) 2, Christopher A Beckett (Mornick, Cornwall) 3, Caroline M Beckett (Mornick, Cornwall) 4, David G Farrar (Congleton) 5, John F Murfin (Holmes Chapel) (C) 6. 1st in m for all. **£4.50**



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Brian Telfer 1957 – 2022



Brian William Telfer was born in Hartlepool in 1957, where he and his brother Keith were brought up by their adopted parents. Brian left school when he was 15 to join the Junior Leaders Regiment, moving to the Army's training camp at Bovington in Dorset. When he was 17, he passed out and joined The First, the Queen's Dragoon Guards, in which he served for the next 20 years, rising to the rank of Regimental Sergeant Major. It wasn't long before he was stationed in Germany where he spent much of his time with the Army.

His family belonged to Stranton Church, where he was baptised and confirmed and sang in the choir, which inculcated in him a love of traditional church music. He also first learnt bellringing there under the instruction of Bill Maughan, an activity that, together with the excellent company that he found among Hartlepool's bell ringers, gave him enormous pleasure in the last few years of his life. Here he happily complained and opined about the issues of the day, including the (as he saw it) decline of church worship – he couldn't stand modern worship songs and "happy clappy" choruses.

From childhood he had two other particular skills. One was cooking and food – in fact he considered going to catering college before deciding on the Army. His other skill was music; Brian had perfect pitch. Starting with the cornet, he worked his way up to the B flat Bass (never to be referred to in his presence as a tuba!). There was no brass instrument he couldn't play. Recognizing this skill, the Army sent him to the Royal Military School of Music in Kneller Hall where he was drilled as a bandsman – mainly playing B flat Bass

or trombone but, occasionally, drums as well. Whilst at Kneller Hall in the late 1970s, Brian rang regularly at All Hallows, Twickenham, and St Mary's, Ealing. One memory of his time at Ealing was eagerly letting down the rope spider without permission, resulting in a firm 'talking to' by the tower captain. Stationed in Germany he became immersed in German culture, playing in oompah bands – the Burgdorf-Hänigsen music corps – and their Schuetzenfest that he first participated in in 1976 and then returned to and played in for many years even after he retired. He also spoke fluent German.

In fact he remained in Germany as a driver for around 18 months after he retired from the Army, before returning to live with his parents in Hartlepool. At first he found employment as a security guard but then he found out, via his brother and sister-in-law, that the Home Office was recruiting prison guards for the new prison at Holme House in Stockton on Tees. As he had picked up some relevant transferrable skills in the barrack room, he was in.

From his father he inherited a love of classical music and he had an almost encyclopedic knowledge, especially of the European composers of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. For him, listening to Mahler's Second Symphony, the Resurrection, was probably the nearest he came to heaven on earth. He had also learned to play the bagpipes; in later years he forsake the Scottish pipes for the Northumbrian ones with their more gentle lilt, much to the relief of his neighbours!

Two memories of Brian and the Durham & Newcastle Association sum him up well. One was going to the D&N Annual dinner dance and him agonizing over whether or not to pin his army medals to his jacket. It was so appropriate that he did in the end, because he was immensely proud of his Army career and it was fitting to link that with the activity he enjoyed so much in retirement. It was all so much *him*. The second memory is of a tower captain telling all the people who were ringing that evening that Brian was the best tenor ringer she knew. He visibly swelled with pride and demonstrated it by going on to ring with absolutely metronomic, military precision. Brian was a competent ringer and he loved doing it *right*.

On his return to ringing in 2015, Brian became engrossed in method ringing. Encouraged in particular by Jack Hanlon, he was soon ringing Cambridge and then moved on to other surprise methods, always enjoying their intricacy.

The other side of that was that he didn't always cope well when others didn't do it right. Brian could be curmudgeonly, especially as arthritis worsened and he struggled with the pain. He often bemoaned the decline in the Army after his glory days of massed military bands, and of the prison service after he left, and of politics and the world in general. He never held back with his opinion about what had gone wrong. But he was at heart a kindly man, intensely loyal to his friends, of whom he gathered many throughout his life; a tremendous raconteur, an eternal fount of interesting stories, always enjoyable company – just so long as you didn't take all of his opinions too seriously. We, his Hartlepool

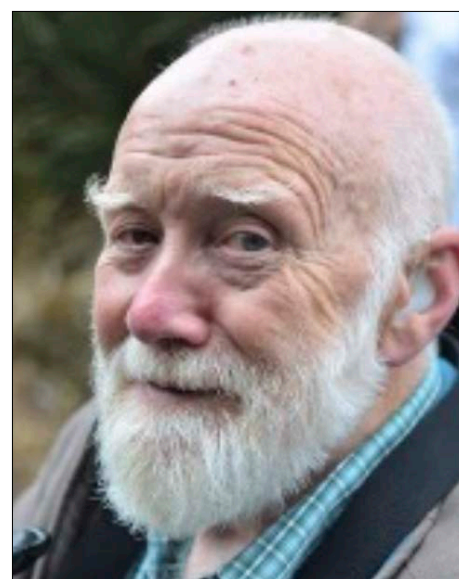
ringing colleagues, feel immense sadness as well as shock about the demise of such a friend.

ANDREW FROST

Houghton le Spring, Tyne & Wear. 24 Feb, 1504 Spl Major (6m): Jessica Durham 1, James Morgan 2, Oliver Rice 3, Matthew Durham (C) 4, Alexander Pym 5, Christopher Mansfield 6, Alex Riley 7, Matthew Hetherington 8. Rung in memory of Brian Telfer of Hartlepool who passed away today.

See also quarter peals at Darlington (The Granary) on 26th Feb (printed p.296), Hartlepool (St Oswald) on 6th March (printed p.296), Hartlepool (All Saints, Stranton) on 2nd April (printed p.364) and Stockton on Tees on 21st May (printed p.631).

Edmund White 1945 – 2022



It was with great sadness that the Hillsborough bellringers heard of the passing of Edmund White, and sympathised with his wife Heather and daughter Lauren. For the past decade Edmund had been ill with Parkinson's Disease, but had struggled up to the tower for short rings for as long as the condition allowed. Illness brought to an end a ringing career which stretched back to 1960 and robbed the ringers of a witty and reliable colleague.

Edmund's connection with bells actually began as a small child when his father was the sexton of Eglantine Parish Church outside Hillsborough. This church has a tiny chime of three bells hung in a bellcote and operated from what looks like a sentry box at the foot of the wall. Edmund and his father chimed these bells for service; when the family moved into Hillsborough, learning to ring at St Malachy's seemed the next logical step. It was a great boost for the tower when Edmund, his father George, brother Alan and sister Margaret all began ringing. When in the fullness of time Edmund's daughter, Lauren, learned how to ring, the White family had given Hillsborough three generations of ringers.

Edmund had a very observant and often cryptic sense of humour and for many years wrote articles in the Irish Bell News under the pseudonym of "Observer O'Hoolycan".

His observations humorously captured the essence of Hillsborough ringing in the 1960s when the team comprised some rather “frayed” older ringers and new inexperienced ringers. Thus Edmund’s writings introduced us to the infrequent “clash-free round” or mused over the difference between bad striking and good clashing! He even commented that there was often more clipping than a barber’s shop. When Hillsborough was augmented to ten, Edmund opined that the initial rounds on ten had the consistency of “wading through cold porridge”. This was the type of humour which at the time made the locals smile and still makes us smile in retrospect now that Edmund is gone.

Leaving Hillsborough in the late sixties to undertake theological training, Edmund continued his ringing in Christ Church Cathedral in Dublin, and it was here he was taught the rudiments of change-ringing, which would be very useful to future teams in Hillsborough. Moving into the prison service, Edmund worked in HMP Feltham, and along with some other prison staff rang at St Catherine’s in Feltham. This was shortly before the Victorian church building was demolished – except the tower – and the bells removed. Edmund was very interested to hear years later that the bells are still ringing in a new home in Guernsey.

Returning to Hillsborough and embarking on family life, Edmund threw himself afresh into ringing at St Malachy’s and enthusiastically participated in new achievements. The tower had traditionally been a call change tower but in the early 1990s the team worked hard to learn change-ringing. Although capable of more, Edmund loved to cover and so usually rang the tenor bell. Such was his covering skill that he was nicknamed “Steady Eddie”! He rang in numerous quarter peals and covered the first local quarter of triples, and in 2003 he rang the tenor to his only peal, which was Grandsire Doubles. Edmund rang the tenor to our competition teams which by the 1990s had abandoned (largely) the practice of “clash-free rounds” and he delighted in many wins, most particularly when we won the all-Ireland Murphy Cup for the first time. He also participated fully in the legendary celebrations which took place after this.

Edmund worked tirelessly for the tower as an unofficial public relations officer. He maintained the tower website, keeping it up to date with his wry observations, and it attracted many ringers – old and new – to the tower.

Edmund was a big man and loved ringing big bells – his particular recollection was ringing the 82cwt tenor bell at Liverpool Cathedral. This had a poignancy for him, as his mother – who died when he was a teenager – came from the city. At Edmund’s funeral his granddaughter commented that his family had always known how strong Edmund was physically, but it wasn’t until Parkinson’s Disease took its grip on him that they realised that he was stronger mentally. We saw this quiet acceptance and steely determination in the tower. With each setback, Edmund would be positive and tell us that if he couldn’t ring this week, he would endeavour to be there next week. And when he could, he made it up the stairs and rang. When this was no longer possible he said how much he missed his ringing.

Edmund died on 10th June and his funeral took place on the following Monday. Hillsborough tower was filled with a mixture of experienced ringers who had known Edmund a lifetime and new ringers who knew him only by reputation. We rang the bells open before and after the service with some of the best ringing we have had in a long time. Of recent times we have happily had an influx of new recruits and naturally there are times when the ringing is a bit unsteady. However, Edmund would have approved of our efforts and be pleased to see the tower so active. He frequently declared that in ringing the worst mistake was silence. Edmund always appreciated the history and continuity of ringing in Hillsborough and viewed himself – and us – as merely parts of a long thread. We won’t forget the contribution which he made to that thread.

SIMON WALKER

Hillsborough, Down. 13 Jun, Rounds and Call Changes: Daryl Jameson 1, Gary Patterson 2, Alistair Jameson / Colin Holliday 3, Stan Scott 4, Ian Stanfield / Liz Hughes 5, Carson McMullan / Paulene Hampton / Don McLean 6, Jonathan Houston / Robert Foulis 7, William Chapman / David Mercer 8, Canon Jonathan Barry / Simon Walker 9, Charles Kilpatrick 10. Unmuffled ringing before & after the funeral service of our friend Edmund White. Edmund had been a ringer since 1960. Most of his ringing career was here in his native Hillsborough, but he was also part of the team at St Catherine, Feltham in 1970s.

Alford ringers remember Bill Brotherton and Tracey Goldsmith

Two regular ringers at Alford, Lincolnshire sadly passed away during the Covid pandemic: Tracey Goldsmith and Bill Brotherton. Since the return to ringing, the local ringers have now had the chance to ring to celebrate their lives and in grateful thanks for all their support and help they gave to the band over the years.

Bill’s ringing and conducting supported many of the ringers to progress and he was key to Tracey learning to ring touches of Stedman Doubles, a method she successfully learned to ring.

William (Bill) Brotherton
22.08.45 – 16.04.2020

Bill moved to Lincolnshire in 2014 with his wife Helen, settling in the village of Chapel St Leonards. Bill and Helen’s home tower was Ingoldmells, but they were regular and valued ringers at Alford. The support, encouragement and help Bill support gave to the local ringers and the learners enabled to band to progress to ringing Stedman Doubles, and his conducting skills were relied upon. Bill, we will miss your sense of humour, your support and those little stories and quips that raised a smile.

Tracey Goldsmith
18.12.1964 – 28.01.2021

Tracey joined her mother and youngest son and learnt to ring at Alford 10 years ago. Not only was Tracey part of the ringing band, but she was also an integral part of the catering

crew who provided meals for events such as the Eastern Branch Guild fundraising events and ringers teas. Tracey was keen to push forward ringing at Alford, she took it upon herself to find simple methods for the band to learn and she also learned how to call simple touches of the methods. Tracey was keen to learn Stedman Doubles and prior to Covid lockdown she was mastering the singles. After a short but serious illness she passed away peacefully with her family around her. Tracey, we will miss your willingness to help, your enthusiasm to learn and your zest for life.

Many ringers stood along the driveway to the crematorium to pay their respects to both Bill and Tracey, and rounds on the Alford hand bells were rung by local members of the Alford Band as Tracey passed by.

Quarter peals were rung by the local ringers to thanks to Tracey and to Bill in thanks for all their support, enthusiasm and friendship.

CAITLIN MEYER
£40

Alford, Lincs. 29 Jan, 1260 PB Doubles: Jan J Clark 1, Sally J Sivil 2, Charles W J Macrorie 3, Richard D Willoughby 4, Caitlin A Meyer (C) 5, Philip W Ford 6. Rung in affectionate memory of Tracey Goldsmith, Daughter of Jan & Local ringer.

Alford, Lincs. 5 Feb, 1260 PB Doubles: Hannah E Watts 1, Helen M Brotherton 2, Charles W J Macrorie 3, Colin Simpson 4, Caitlin A Meyer (C) 5, Andrew Douglas 6. Rung in memory of Bill Brotherton & Tracey Goldsmith, local ringers at Alford. 1st Qs: 1 & 6.

Alford, Lincs. 12 Feb, 1260 PB Doubles: Hannah E Watts 1, Jill Day 2, Sally J Sivil 3, Charles W J Macrorie 4, Caitlin A Meyer (C) 5, Andrew Douglas 6. Rung in memory of Tracey Goldsmith & Bill Brotherton, local ringers & friends of the Alford Band.

Alford, Lincs. 20 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Sylvia M Bird 1, Victoria L Halford 2, Caitlin A Meyer 3, Daniel T Meyer 4, Alan D H Bird (C) 5, Richard D Willoughby 6. Rung in Memory of Tracey Goldsmith & Bill Brotherton.

Alford, Lincs. 2 Apr, 1260 PB Doubles: Andrew Douglas 1, Helen M Brotherton 2, Valerie S Wild 3, Charles W J Macrorie 4, Caitlin A Meyer (C) 5, Philip W Ford 6. Rung in affectionate memory of Bill Brotherton & Tracey Goldsmith. 1st Q on the treble: 1.

Alford, Lincs. 6 Feb, 120 Plain Courses Of PB Doubles: Caitlin A Meyer 1, Sally J Sivil 2, Jan J Clark 3, Richard D Willoughby 4, Andrew Douglas 5, Edward Vear 6. Rung by the Alford Sunday Service band, remembering Tracey Goldsmith & Bill Brotherton, regular ringers at Alford.

Alford, Lincs. 6 Feb, 90 Grandsire Doubles: Sally J Sivil 1, Andrew Douglas 2, Jan J Clark 3, Richard D Willoughby 4, Caitlin A Meyer 5, Edward Vear 6. Rung by the Alford Sunday Service band, remembering Tracey Goldsmith & Bill Brotherton, regular ringers at Alford.

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Death

GEORGE GOLDMAN – Aged 100, former Tower Captain at St Michaels', Yorktown, sadly passed away on Tuesday 5th July 2022, after a short illness. Funeral details to follow. 6058

ROGER BARNES (72), Tower Captain at St Bartholomew's, Ducklington and ringer at Christ Church, Oxford, died after a fall at home on Thursday 30th July. Funeral to be held at St Bartholomew's, 2.30pm on Monday 18th July. Family flowers only please. 6059

For Sale

ERNEST MORRIS Signed Books FOR SALE: Towers and Bells of Britain – Tintinnabula – Legends of the Bells – Bells of All Nations – The History and Art of Change Ringing. Offers Welcome. Contact ceciliakirkby@yahoo.co.uk 6060

Meeting on Saturday 23rd July

The Ladies' Guild (South Eastern District) will hold their next meeting on Saturday, 23rd July at Sedlescombe, Sussex (6) at 3.00 pm. Everyone is welcome. *The Ringing will be preceded by lunch at The Red Lion, Brede at 12.30 pm. If you wish to have the Pub Lunch, please notify Isabel Pearce via lizziebell14@hotmail.com by the previous Wednesday.* 3002

SOLUTION TO WORD PUZZLE BY NO MOCK HINTS (08.07.2022 Issue)

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- 3 Old + Hill = Old Hill
- 4 Ring + wood = Ringwood
- 5 Ro + chester = Rochester
- 6 We + ston = Weston

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LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITIES SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS

We will be holding our Summer Tour to Yorkshire (around Selby) on the weekend of the 3rd and 4th September 2022. Hopefully LUSCR members will have received an email from the General Secretary inviting you to this - if not please email Emma at gensec@luscr.org.uk to be added to the updated mailing list. 3004

SUDOKUNUNDRUM 5 BY ASHLEY SMITH (24.06.2022 Issue)

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Jubilee Prize Crossword

For Sebastian's Prize Crossword in the Jubilee double issue, we offered two prizes of £35. In the end there was only one completely correct entry received by the deadline – congratulations to David Stanford of Woodbridge, Suffolk, who wins £35. The other prize will roll over to a future puzzle competition!

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The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

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Executive

Notes of the meeting held on Wednesday 22 June 2022 at 8pm (BST) by video conference.

Present: Simon Linford (President), David Kirkcaldy (Deputy President), Fergus Stracey (Treasurer), Phillip Barnes, Alison Everett, David Smith and Clyde Whittaker. The Public Relations Officer, Vicki Chapman, also attended. The Secretary had submitted apologies for absence as she was away on holiday.

1. 2021 Accounts: the Treasurer advised that outstanding queries raised by Caroline Stockmann, Independent Examiner, had been resolved satisfactorily and the final IE letter would be received shortly.

2. The Executive considered items raised by workgroups in their last quarterly reports (item 11 of the 21 May note). These included the need for more members for the PR workgroup; the need for a clear retention and storage policy for documents and equipment owned by the Council; succession planning as initial terms of office came to an end; preparation of a Mission and key Activities statement by V&L; and options for the future of the Central Council Library.

3. The Deputy President updated members on arrangements for the Nottingham meeting on 3 September, social events and Roadshow on 4 September. Booking would go live shortly. Roadshow speakers will be advertised in *The Ringing World* (see p638 of 1 July issue). Workgroup leaders would be reminded of the deadline for reports for inclusion in the meeting papers booklet. A number of ringers had expressed interest in standing for election as Trustees and to the Executive although no formal nominations had yet been received.

4. Safeguarding: the Trustees agreed to appoint Helen Fuller-Whelan as a Safeguarding Officer.

5. Senior Stakeholder Liaison workgroup: a successor to Mark Regan was being sought. Anyone interested should contact the President (president@cccbr.org.uk) in the first instance.

6. The Executive discussed how to improve circulation of Central Council news to more ringers. The President will follow up a number of suggestions. They also discussed availability and use of online publications and requested statistics on the number of page views and unique visitors.

7. Governance review: the Trustees approved the report received in May. A motion will be prepared for the annual meeting. Discussion of any further necessary policies was deferred to July; a Code of Conduct and an Equality policy will be considered.

8. The next meeting will be held on Sunday 24 July.

SL/MB

03.07.2022

Cheating encouraged ...

From the Ringing World's Guildford 12-Bell Final Prize Quiz

This quiz was designed so that 'research' was difficult, and deserved its own kudos. Many of the answers were available somewhere, but knowing how to find them was the hard part. We're going through a few questions each week, and hopefully introducing you to a few new facts and ringing resources in the process. Why not play along and let us know your guesses, your reasoning or any stories about the people and places involved.

(was Q8.) Which towers held the record for the heaviest six at some point in the 20th century?

Answer: St Buryan, Cornwall; Queen Camel, Somerset; Wrington, Somerset.

What do we mean by the heaviest six? When ringers talk about the weight of a ring we normally use the tenor weight, so we describe St Buryan as a 37cwt six, based on the tenor weight, and not a 103cwt six, based on the total weight. By tenor weight, St Buryan is the heaviest six, and has been since 1994 when it was augmented with a new tenor. (We're ignoring the 48 cwt six in Arzignano, in the Italian province of Vicenza, as Veronese hanging is sufficiently different.)

Before St Buryan were augmented, the 36cwt six at Queen Camel were heaviest. With a total weight of 118 cwt, they still are **heaviest by total weight**, but this question uses tenor weight, so Queen Camel and St Buryan both held the record at some point in the 20th century. Were they the only two?

Martin Smith's website [greatringingdovevents.co.uk](http://www.greatringingdovevents.co.uk) is the place to go to find the answer, on 'The Heaviest Tenors by Number in Ring' page, though there was also an interesting article on the history of heavy sixes in *The Ringing World* on 22 July 1994 (p.732). Both sources agree that before Wrington was augmented from six to ten in 1911, it was the heaviest six, with a 38cwt tenor. (Two peals were rung on the old six at Wrington,

both of Grandsire Doubles with the tenor strapped.) Queen Camel and Wrington had switched places as the heaviest six several times over the previous half century, as they were retuned and had canons removed, but you have to go back to 1857 to find a different tower (Sherborne Abbey) as the heaviest six, so there are only three answers to this question: St Buryan (since 1994, when they were augmented by topping and tailing), Queen Camel (before 1908 when the tenor was retuned and lost a hundredweight, and between 1911 and 1994), and Wrington (between Queen Camel being retuned in 1908 and 1911 when Wrington were augmented).

Most people got the first two correct.

(was Q15.) Name three of the five churches which once held a ring of twelve or more with a tenor weighing more than two hundredweight, but no longer do.

Answer: Christchurch Cathedral, New Zealand; Christ Church, West Bromwich; St Bride, Fleet Street; St Peter, St Albans; and Christ Church, Spitalfields.

This question is best answered using Michael Wilby's *Rings of Twelve* website (<http://www.inspirewebdesign.com/ringsof12/>), which has a page listing Lost Rings. It lists eleven lost rings of twelve, but this includes three mini-rings and three where there is now a ring of more than twelve. The remaining five are: Christchurch Cathedral, New Zealand (destroyed in an earthquake in 2011); Christ Church, West Bromwich (de-augmented to eight in 1953 and destroyed by fire in 1979); St Bride, Fleet Street (lost during the Blitz in 1940); St Peter, St Albans (de-augmented to ten in 1882 to fund the recasting of two cracked bells, having never been pealed as a twelve); and Christ Church, Spitalfields (destroyed by fire in 1836).

Most people got Christchurch NZ and St Bride's, but many struggled to identify a third tower.

Next week:

(was Q6.) Which two English Church of England dioceses do not have a church containing a ring of twelve or more?

(was Q12.) Which is the northernmost ring of bells?

If you want to try the quiz yourself, you can download it from [rwld.uk/uqk9](http://www.rwld.uk/uqk9).

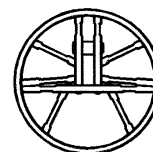


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Ringling World National Youth Contest

The 2022 teams

Photos in draw order. Photos by Linda Garton (St Mark's) and Kirsten Hawkins (St David's). Ringers are listed in ringing order clockwise from front right

Call changes (Contest ringing at St David's)



*Bath & Wells
Melissa Hunt (C),
Will Hooper,
Igi Waugaman Reed,
Davina Bakam,
Jack Higby,
Ronel Bakam*



*Devon Young Ringers
Theo Millard, Niamh Lister, Alfred Jones,
Fergus Kettleborough, Oliver Pring, Thomas Selley-Steer (C)*



*Coventry Spires
Harriet Ward, Zack Poulton (C), Henry Jones,
Noah Poulton, William Blizzard, Grace Heydon*



*Derbyshire Young Ringers
Jennifer Peckham, Katie Chamberlain (C), Toby Hughes,
Edward Cotton, Oliver Poulton, Dylan Smith*



*Brumdingers
Elizabeth Wilby, Charlie Linford (C), Max Earthquake,
Caoimhe Brophy, Sara Paulson, Orson Gee*



*Cornish Pasties
George Stevens (C), Thomas Card, James Taylor,
JJ Adkins, Tegan Holden, Peaches Adkins*



*Worcester Cathedral
Kelise Hamilton (joint C), Rachel Bagley (joint C), Anna Clayton, Hattie Clayton,
Christopher Hartley, Archie Haynes, Benjamin Hartley, James Thatcher*



*Gloucester and Bristol Team Concorde
Toby Hicks, Ada Thomas, Daisy Judson, Millie Judson,
Richard Usherwood, Zoe Bonnett (C), Ivan Barritt, Sam Spencer*



*Gloucester and Bristol Team Meteor
Andrew Woods, Evelyn Smith, Will Hunter,
William Roberts (C), Elliott Hardwick, Alexander Smith*



*Durham and Newcastle Young Ringers
Isaac Cairns, Paisley Cater, Lizzy Tennant,
Thomas Wedgwood Pound, Bethany Cater, Joel Cairns (C)*



*Kent Young Ringers
James Steele, Rebecca Steele, Sam Chard, Simon Austin,
Callum Clark, Edward Steele, Joe Aust, Ellen Jones (C)*



Essex Young Eagles
Lucas Bent, Hannah Brooks, Sarah Robbins, Emily Brooks, Emily Willson, Theo Johnson, William Beech (C), Hayden Musham



Bucks and Berks Young Ringers
Cordelia Thompson, Charley Smith, Sam Boughton, Lily Cassap (C), Holley Wakeling, Matthew Steele



Go Bellistic! (Salisbury D G)
Conni Cottingham, Ellana Dulson, Pippa Humphries-Smith, Abigail Miller, Robert McGrane, Ben van Alstede (C)



Norfolk Young Ringers
Jamie Watson (C), Morwenna Johns, Rebecca Shuttleworth, Ben Curtis, Edward Burrough, Pat Johns



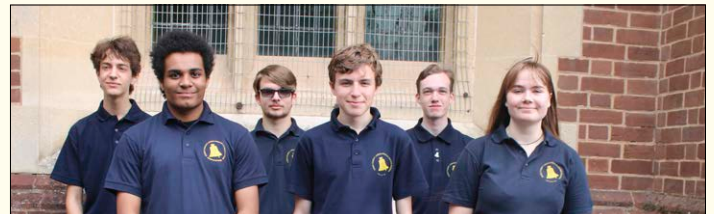
Surrey Strikers
Fred Mills, Patrick Hughes, Reuben Zebidiah Willoughby, Thomas Ashwin Siejkowski, Fraser Storie (C), Heavenleigh Angel Willoughby



Oxford Diocesan Guild (ringing Plain Bob Doubles)
Simon Lee, Daniel Watson, Benjamin Poole, Joe Gillett (C), Sara Jones, Jennifer Ellis



Yorkshire Tykes (ringing Plain Bob Doubles)
Finley Kemp, Harry Helyer, Francis Gilruth, Noah McDermott (C), Charlie Thorpe, Jayden Newton



Sussex Young Ringers (ringing Grandsire Doubles)
Katherine Quigley, Jonathan Martin, Samuel Canning, Francesco Greenslade, Michael Shaw (C), Kye Leaver



Lancashire Lads and Lasses (ringing Plain Bob Doubles)
Will James, Ellis Hollows, Matthew W Goodship, James C Turner, Jayden Milby (C), Iwan Cotgreave



Leicestershire Foundry Foxes (ringing Plain Hunt Doubles)
Dexter Deackes, Lewis Benfield (C), Eliza Lewis-Skeath, Tom Bullock, Morgan Williams, Joe Green



W&P Youths (Winchester & Portsmouth) (ringing Plain Bob Triples)
Charlotte Mossop, Ellen Barber, Emma Hornsby, Erin Ingram, Isla Ingram, Peter Maddams, Matt Dancy (C), Sam Marriott



Young@Herts (ringing Plain Bob Doubles)
Thomas Groves, Joe Edwards, Euan Thomas, Lucas Williams, Chris Gill (C), Tom Cubitt

Our image of the week by David Mattingley shows the next generation of RWNYC contestants! At a recent barbecue at the home of Lizzie and Edd Colliss in Gosport, Hampshire, who host the Jack and Jill House Campanile in their Wendy house, the children took some time away from their parents to have a grab!

The image of the week



(l-r) Corinne Hunnebeck-Wells, Fenn Tongue, Connie Tongue, Amelie Hunnebeck-Wells and Eva Tongue

Bisley wedding

The highlight of the Bisley Ringers' year occurred on Saturday 9 July when Connie Tongue married Ben Winchester at All Saints, Bisley, Gloucestershire. Connie learned to ring at Bisley before studying classics at Corpus Christi, Oxford where she also became Master of the the OUSCR. She and Ben met at Oxford when they both sang in the college choir.

A peal of Plain Bob Major was rung on the morning of the wedding. Ringing before and after the wedding ceremony was by the local band and Connie's first ringing as Mrs Winchester was when she conducted some call-changes with her bridesmaids and other Bisley ladies.

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GLOS. & BRISTOL D.A.

BISLEY, Glos,
All Saints
Sat 9 Jul 2022 3h7 (14)
5168 Plain Bob Major
Comp. A G Reading
1 Linnat R C Tutchet
2 Jonathan C Adkins
3 Ian D Bucknell
4 Michael J Woodward
5 Andrew A Ward
6 Peter G Holden
7 Philip F Pope
8 Julian O Howes (C)
Arranged and rung to celebrate the forthcoming marriage of Connie Tongue and Ben Winchester in this church this afternoon.
Connie learned to ring at Bisley and has rung with many members of this band over the years.

Thought for the week

Keep in Step

As I am 69 I can remember wind-up gramophones. At Primary School we had country dancing to music played on one. One teacher would always say "The music won't wait for you, keep in time and keep in step with it."

In one tower I rang at as a teenager there was a lady who would always argue with the conductor. In those days we were taught to follow their instructions. (Even now I think it is a good maxim.) Doreen would grab hold and we would start ringing, she would go wrong, and the conductor would try to put her right. "Dodge with me now, Doreen." "No!" "Dodge now, Doreen." "No!" It would end up firing out with the exasperated conductor saying "Stand!"

In Galatians chapter 5 verse 25 we read "Keep in step with the Spirit." The Holy Spirit leads us to Christ when we become Christians, and then leads us into all truth. (See John 16 verse 13.) In a sense He is like the Divine Heavenly Conductor, and when we follow Him and keep in step with Him, all goes well. When we follow our own way, then we get crashes and firing until we get back on track.

The earthly conductors may not always get it right, but I still try to do what I am asked. My Heavenly Conductor, the Holy Spirit, is never wrong. I try to follow Him every day. Sometimes I don't, but then God is forgiving and puts me back on track on the blue line ("the straight and narrow way").

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