



## The bells of Liverpool's bombed-out church



*St Luke's Church, Liverpool as it stands today*

As the commemorative peals and quarters for the anniversary of V.E. Day drew to a close last May, one could not help but think poignantly of those bells destroyed by enemy action during the war and unable to celebrate fifty years of peace . . . St. Bride Fleet Street, Clifton Parish Church, St. Sidwell Exeter, Charles Church Plymouth, Holy Rood Southampton . . . The list is a Roll of Honour and few ports escape mention. Here in Liverpool, nestling in the shadow of Gilbert Scott's mighty Cathedral, St. Luke's, has remained a burnt-out shell since May 1941. Known locally as 'The Bombed-Out Church', this silent and melancholy ruin has both haunted and fascinated generations of Merseyside ringers since its destruction over half a century ago . . .

### Twenty years to complete

Rising above a graceful flight of stone steps at the junction of four major thoroughfares, St. Luke's Church is one of the noblest buildings in the city of Liverpool. It is a well-known landmark, and its commanding tower provides a distinguished focal point east of the city centre.

The church was designed by John Foster who was the Corporation Architect and Surveyor and construction began in 1811. Due to several legal wrangles concerning land ownership, the building took twenty years to complete and was finally opened for public worship on 12th

January, 1831, it became known as "The Doctors' Church", due not only to the associations of its patron saint but also to the high proportion of surgeons resident within its parish.

Early in 1829, a ring of eight bells was installed in the newly-built tower. Their details and inscriptions were as follows.

Treble PEACE AND GOOD NEIGHBOURS  
(29 in diam.) 5-1-15 in F

2. THE LORD TO PRAISE MY VOICE I'LL RAISE  
(30 in diam.) 5-2-23 in E

3. WILLIAM DOBSON FECIT 1818  
(32 in diam.) 5-2-27 in D

4. O GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD FOR HE IS GRACIOUS  
(33 in diam.) 6-0-22 in C

5 FEAR GOD HONOUR THE KING  
(34 in diam.) 6-3-19 in B flat

6. WILLIAM DOBSON DOWNHAM NORFOLK FOUNDER 1818  
(37 in diam.) 9-1-8 in A

7. THESE EIGHT BELLS WERE CAST BY WILLIAM DOBSON ANNO DOMINI 1818  
(40 in diam.) 11-0-16 in G

Tenor I TO THE CHURCH THE LIVING CALL AND TO THE GRAVE DO SUMMON ALL. W. DOBSON FECIT 1818.

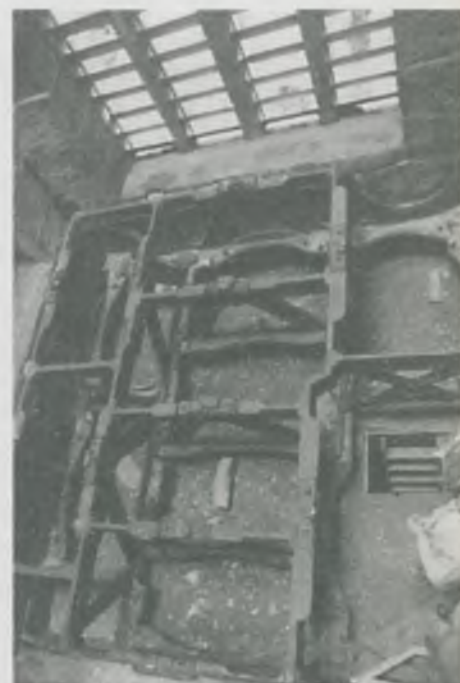
(46 in diam.) 16-2-16 in F

### Bells intended for Newton Heath

The bells had been cast in 1818 by William Dobson of Downham Market, for the church of



*All Saints Church, Newton Heath, Manchester*



*George Gillebrand's historic bellframe*

All Saints, Newton Heath, Manchester. They cost £645, but on arrival were deemed too heavy for Newton's rather squat church tower. A period of indecision followed, during which various schemes were suggested for strengthening the tower. In the meantime the bells lay abandoned for some considerable time on a nearby canal wharf. They were finally taken to the Huddersfield Canal Warehouse in Piccadilly, Manchester, where they remained in storage for a number of years.

Eventually, the trustees of Newton Heath Church placed a series of advertisements in *Wheeler's Manchester Chronicle*, and the bells, together with their fittings, were auctioned at The Bridgewater Arms, Manchester, on 23rd March, 1825. They were apparently purchased for the sum of £397 by one Frederick Fincham, a local bleaching-powder manufacturer who later sold them on to the Corporation of Liverpool. The Newton trustees purchased a bell from Oldham Parish Church for their own tower in 1824, and a chime of eight Harrington tubular bells was also installed later in the century. None of these bells now remain in Newton Heath tower, only an 11½ cwt Mears bell of 1854.

### Earliest metal bell frame

The bells were transported to Liverpool via canal, probably during the first half of 1828 and

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**LIVERPOOL CHURCH - continued**

were installed in St. Luke's belfry later that year. They were hung by a local bellhanger called George Gillebrand on what is believed to have been the first metal bell frame ever constructed. Gillebrand's frame is of remarkable design and it survives today in the gutted belfry, having withstood a German incendiary device in 1941. Its construction anticipated technology not generally adopted by English bell hangers until the 1870s and there is evidence to suggest that Gillebrand had been considering the use of cast iron for bell frames, as early as 1824.

**Bells too loud**

The bells were rung for the first time on St. George's Day, 23rd April, 1829, and the first peal (5056 Kent Treble Bob Major) was rung on 6th July that year. Although there was a reasonably proficient band of changers in Liverpool at this time, the peal was rung by the ringers of Manchester Collegiate Church. The composition used was later discovered to have been false, but in the meantime the noise level outside the tower was rapidly proving unpopular with local residents. Tense debate was aroused in the local newspapers and the Corporation Surveyor investigated the possibility of rehanging the bells in the tower of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Vauxhall, a far less salubrious parish, some 1½ miles to the north of St. Luke's, where, in the words of a contemporary reporter, "their noise would annoy plebeian ears only".

Eventually, the southern louvre openings, overlooking housing immediately below the belfry, were partially boarded up and the matter appears to have been dropped. In 1835, a very fine clock was installed in the tower by James Condliff of Fraser Street, Liverpool. It struck the hours on the tenor bell and told the time of the four carved stone dials which had always been a design feature of the tower.

**Seldom rung**

Despite indications that a St. Luke's ringing society had been formally constituted, it would appear that the bells were seldom rung after 1829 and had remained entirely silent from 1836 until 22nd September, 1844, when they were reopened for regular ringing at the expense of the Corporation.

Ringing continued throughout the remainder of the nineteenth century, interspersed with significant periods of silence. A brief renaissance took place during the final decades of the century when a number of peals were rung, although the bell fittings were showing signs of deterioration by this stage. Ringing took place only infrequently after the turn of the century and the bells were generally sounded with an Ellacombe chiming apparatus which had been installed in 1876.

The belfry was inspected by John Taylor & Co, of Loughborough in July 1922, and a report and estimate for rehanging was submitted to the church authorities. The recommended work was never carried out, although Ronald Edwards of Bidston became interested in the bells and undertook a vast amount of repair work to the installation. Ringing became possible once more and a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was rung on 19th October, 1931. This was the forty-fourth and final peal to be rung in the tower.

**The belfry**

A visit to the belfry at this time would have begun beneath the tower, in the choir vestry with its plaster-vaulted dome. From here, the south-eastern vice led via 48 steps to the ringing chamber. This was a spacious and lofty apartment, illuminated by three great windows,



*Detail of the frame at St Luke's*

Large wooden settles were recessed into each window-opening and the bare wooden floorboards were uncarpeted. A small, square opening in the eastern wall gave access to the nave roof space and two iron lamp brackets provided further illumination. The rope circle was excellent and also quite large, although the unguided draft was rather long. Four peal boards adorned the bare stone walls and the Ellacombe chiming apparatus was probably mounted on the eastern wall. A wooden shaft ran down each of the two western corners, containing the clock weights which fell to the chamber at the back of the gallery below. The spiral staircase also gave access to the clock chamber after which the bell chamber and tower roof were reached by a rather precarious system of ladders.

The very last time that the bells were rung is not known, although it was probably some time towards the end of 1938. Despite the apparent problems with the installation, the 'go' of the bells is recorded as having been surprisingly good and they are said to have been a pleasant, mellow tone.

**Unringable**

On 29th November, 1938, Taylors wrote to the churchwardens, offering to carry out a free inspection of the bells when they were next in Liverpool and submit a report and estimate for their rehanging. Exactly what happened next is unclear, although further deterioration may have resulted in some significant damage to the bell installation, for the bells were recorded as being unringable in the Lancashire Association's 1938-39 Annual Report. They were to remain completely silent for the brief remainder of their existence.

**Church completely gutted**

Like most large ports, Liverpool suffered great damage during the second world war and much of the city-centre was devastated during the Blitz of May 1941. On Tuesday, 6th May, St. Luke's received a direct hit some time between 00.20 and 04.15 am. The church was completely gutted during the ensuing blaze although the bell frame remained intact. Three of the bells were badly cracked and broken whilst the remaining five fell to the tower floor and were smashed to pieces.

On 26th May, the Vicar, Rev. Capt. Hedley Ballance, wrote to Taylors with the following request.

*In consultation with my Warden I am instructed to ask that you be good enough to undertake the work of salvage and storage of our bells at your early convenience. At the moment the smaller broken pieces are at the mercy of the looter.*

In the meantime, no attempt was made to protect the broken bells and when Taylors collected them in mid June, almost 12 cwt. of metal had gone missing. The surviving metal was stored at Loughborough until March, 1965,

when it was eventually sold to the foundry for scrap, the decision having finally been taken not to rebuild the church nor reinstate a ring of bells in its tower.

**Gaunt shell**

Thus St. Luke's stands today, a gaunt shell without roof or glazing. Shards of stained-glass still cling to the empty tracery of the window openings and there remains an air of abandonment about the place, like some great, stone *Mary Celeste*. A metal grille guards the west doorway and a heavily padlocked, rusty iron door defends the entrance to the tower stairs.

The staircase itself is in excellent condition but there is no longer any floor to the former ringing chamber. A loosely-boarded opening off the spiral staircase reveals a scorched wooden settle clinging precariously to the north wall, with a menacing drop to the stone floor some thirty feet below. A wooden ceiling has been erected above to support the replacement clock which was installed by the City Council in 1974 and a further ceiling above the clock protects it from the weather and also acts as a floor to the bell chamber.

The massive cast iron bell frame installed by George Gillebrand remains intact in the roofless belfry, although the timber beams which once supported it perished in 1941. The frame remains in remarkably good condition despite over half a century's exposure to the Liverpool weather. In view of it being the earliest recorded example of a cast iron bell frame and also the quality of workmanship, it remains a monument to its creator and to the Industrial Revolution.

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**Post Script**

Some fifteen years ago, members of the Liverpool Branch of the Lancashire Association of Change Ringers, helped remove the long unringable octave from St. Paul's Widnes. These bells have been in store ever since, awaiting a suitable home. The recently constituted Merseyside Bell Restoration Group is seeking to purchase these bells and in conjunction with Liverpool City Council, hopes to install them in St. Luke's tower using Gillebrand's restored bell frame. If this scheme goes ahead, a Ringing Centre will be established in the tower, to serve the North-West. An appeal will be launched in the near future and further details of the project will be available shortly. Watch this space!

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*Overheard during an Open Towers Day, in a church where a beautiful and imaginative Flower Festival was being held:*

*1st Lady Visitor:* "Last year there was a concert, but they've got the bells ringing this time."

*2nd Lady Visitor:* "Pity, I would have enjoyed the music."

I.W.





## Bellfounders' Gift Page



### Conductors - loud and clear

With the recent passing of Charles Kippin we have, as his obituarist said, lost one of the really outstanding ringers of his generation. Like many others I have fond memories of Charlie and was often grateful for his help and encouragement.

Amongst those memories of Charlie is of his ringing instructions across the room from the end of his rope. They were clear, practically useful and invariably right, but no one could say they were softly spoken. It would not be unfair to say that some learners found them intimidating in the volume and pitch at which they were issued.

For his generation Charlie was by no means unusual in conducting *fortissimo*. Older readers will be able to name a number who were well renowned both for the loudness of their conducting and the antics they got up to on the end of their ropes.

There were other habits of conductors of that generation: the handbell conductors who leant across and physically restrained your arms until they allowed you to sound your bell. Then there were the 'growlers'; not so noisy and not so helpful either. I remember one who had cultivated a deep throaty growl from which all consonants had been expelled. You had not an earthly idea of what he was saying; you merely got the message that he thought very little of the way you were ringing.

Maybe I move in the wrong circles now but the present generation of conductors seem to have turned the volume down a lot, possibly because they are more conscious of the risk of hurting others' feelings. Now conductors mutter confidentially to themselves and are barely audible, let alone intelligible, to the ringer on the next rope. There are the body language conductors who rock their heads and gyrate their torsos to convey some message; it is peaceful but not usually very helpful. I have not heard a conductor at full volume going beserk at his band for quite some time now!

Of course, no one likes being shouted at and I suppose that has often been a cause of learners giving up. People react differently; some will walk out in a passion and some will stiffen their resolve not to make mistakes and get shouted at. Some take being shouted at personally, but I really cannot think of ever having witnessed an instance when the shouting conductor meant it personally. Conducting at low audibility for fear of hurting someone's feelings is not really much help. If you take up conducting you soon know that instructions have to be got out crisply and accurately in a very short time indeed and if they sound abrupt, they have to be. If the conductor sounds irritated at the band going wrong repeatedly it is probably because he is irritated but he, or she, might just ask themselves whether they asked too much of their band at that time.

Dare we shout anymore? Surely there are some Charlie Kippins still around in our belfries! Charlie was a great ringer and conductor and the method certainly worked for him - and he was clear, practically useful and invariably right.

PHILIP GRAY

### Well done, Essex

Following the request by the Ministry of Defence earlier this year that as many bells as possible be rung simultaneously on August 20th as part of the VJ Day commemorations, it was decided to see just how many Essex bells we could get ringing at the same time.

We knew it wasn't going to be easy, for the simple reason that there are more bells than ringers and, being the middle of the holiday season, some of these were likely to be away, relaxing on some beach somewhere. However, we are not ones to shrink from a challenge and a plan was immediately put into action to increase the number of ringers available. Posters were distributed, radio interviews were given, newspaper reports were printed - all trying to encourage lapsed ringers to come forward and help. I'm sure we all know many people who have been taught to ring but, for one reason or another, have not kept it up. The response was encouraging. A total of sixteen ringers contacted me - most having moved from the area where they used to ring and not renewing their contact with ringing in their new location. (There must be something we can do about this - perhaps a transfer/introduction card?) Some of these people are now firmly established with their new towers and I hope will be made members of the Association soon. Others feel that they are not able, at the moment, to make a regular commitment to ringing but are willing to be approached for special occasions, weddings etc. when they will help if they can. I hope that

contact will be maintained so that in the future ... well, one never knows.

The local radio station maintained an interest in what we were doing throughout and a joint television and radio interview was broadcast two weeks before the day when both some young learners and an older ringer who had served in the war, were interviewed. A further radio broadcast was made on Sunday 13th on the radio's religious programme when details of many other VJ events were publicised.

The telephone was red hot during the week prior to the 20th with tower captains from all over Essex ringing in to tell me what their ringing arrangements were. The map on the wall next to the 'phone soon became very colourful as each tower that intended to ring especially for VJ Day was highlighted in one colour, those that intended ringing at 12 o'clock in another colour and those that were unable to ring in yet another.

The only churches that I was unable to record were the growing number of churches with bells hung for chiming who asked if they could join in. The chiming four at Elsenham, chimed by George Powell, the three at Rainham, one at Tiptree and many others made this a very 'Essex' event and most of us felt we were part of a small piece of history.

On the day over 100 churches had tower bells ringing, many of these ringing quarter peals and some peals, which will be recorded later and of these, there were at least seventy which rang at 12 o'clock. Many, many thanks to you all. It was a great achievement. And for those people in Essex who live near a church which was unable to ring, BBC Essex Radio went to the church of St. Peter & St. Paul, Grays to broadcast the bells at 12 o'clock for all to hear. I can't confirm that this actually happened, for like most other ringers in Essex, I, too was on the end of a bellrope ringing with two of the lapsed ringers we had encouraged to come and help. Well done, Essex.

JANET EDWARDS



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# Letters

## The right atmosphere

I have been following with interest the correspondence in your columns regarding advantages offered by different methods of teaching, i.e. bell up or down, backstroke, handstroke, etc.

The debate has raised many useful points. However, it covers only half the subject and it is surely equally important to say something regarding the atmosphere in which learners are taught.

As someone who, through university and a demanding professional career, has suffered many of life's stresses and strains, I have found learning to ring as a mature student one of the most challenging of all enterprises. Not all of these challenges were probably really necessary, so from a learner's point of view may I therefore offer the following advice to teachers/tower captains (often one and the same person).

These observations have been formed over recent years whilst attending a number of practices in local towers all of which have emerging bands; they are *not* confined to one teacher or one tower. (I am not sure if this is good or bad).

1. Do make your learners feel welcome when they arrive. Do not grunt, ignore them or look dismissively the other way. After all, you rely on them for service ringing.
2. Do not, at the start of practice or service ringing, immediately call for the most complicated touch of which the band is capable, and then get cross if it goes wrong. This establishes an uneasy atmosphere for the rest of the session. Try ringing something straight-forward first of all. Remember that people do ring better when they are relaxed and confident.
3. Do not assume, when ringing something which a learner has newly mastered, that it is invariably his/her fault if it goes wrong, and lay blame accordingly. Many times it is someone more experienced who has made the mistake.
4. Do resist the desire to ceaselessly call every touch yourself. In particular, teach and encourage the learners to call whenever possible.
5. If, on a practice night, a stronger than usual band is present, this offers an excellent opportunity for everybody. Include the learners in this, asking if there is anything they have been studying that they may wish to ring or call. If a learner does make a request, do not refuse him/her loudly in a disparaging and dismissive way. Be supportive. If you don't want them to ring or call, explain why.
6. If a learner advises that he/she is having trouble "getting their brain around something", do not exercise razor-sharp wit by flashing back "what brain?". Learners can be sensitive and deserve encouragement.
7. If planning to call a touch on a method previously rung by the band to plain courses only, warn everyone that calls will come this time, and ensure that they have

refreshed their memories on what the work will be. Do not make the calls unexpectedly and then get annoyed if it is not rung correctly. This is demoralizing to the learners.

8. If you know of at least 4 or 5 beginners/learners who no longer ring at your tower, don't assume they have all given up because they are bored with ringing. Examine your methods, and the atmosphere existing in the tower.
9. Do consider holding an election to tower captain at least every two years. Stand down alternately. Maybe you are the most fitted candidate for the title, but you may find that different people respond to different atmospheres. After all, you can always stand again next time.
10. Finally, and above all, remember the words of Wilf Moreton in his excellent talk during the 1994 Hereford Ringing Course.

*"If you upset your learner by what you say, you defeat the whole purpose of the exercise. Boost morale, be constructive, give the right sort of criticism!"*

There have of course also been some positive experiences, and obviously a friendly and supportive mood within the tower will do as much, if not more, to encourage ringing as the right method of teaching it. Are there many out there who agree with me?

I have asked, for self-evident reasons, for my name and address to be withheld.

## Ringing courses

As a supporter of you, Mr Editor, in the most sparing use of the blue pencil, I hope you agree there have to be certain bounds to kindly editorial restraint!

May I suggest it is time to put a peg in the ground and excise the term "attendees" from copy submitted by those who advertise and run ringing courses? Not only is there no such word in the language but its form does not match the root word's meaning.

The admirably broad-minded readership of *The Ringing World* may accept such terms as "pupils", "learners", "helpers", "students", "trainees", "tutors" or "participants". One or two extremely liberal readers may allow, albeit grudgingly, "attenders" – but use of the non-word "attendees" is surely beyond any reasonable limit?

JIM TAYLOR

Backwell, Somerset

## Omega doubles

I noticed on page 772 of Issue 4395 a list of new Doubles Variations. One of these, 180u/om, has been named Omega, this being Antelope using a Wallflower Bob and an Omega Single as the calls.

Immediately under the "new" variation is a note: *141f is Huntley with its own singles*. Whilst I appreciate that Huntley with a Wallflower single is now called Huntley, as in the Central Council Doubles Collection of 1980, I am sure I am not alone, in the Doubles field, as having rung 141f and called it Omega for at least the last 25 years, long before the CC considered a Wallflower Single to be the call for Huntley.

I would ask Mr Jones, or the relevant CC Committee, to consider an alternative name for 180u/om to avoid any confusion with 141f now or in the future, the latter probably appearing in many peals and quarters as the original Omega.

MELVYN J. HILLER

## Horton in Ribblesdale – ringers needed

In 1989 an appeal committee was formed with the responsibility to raise in excess of £68,000 for the restoration of St. Oswald's Church built 850 years ago.

This project entailed the replacement of the roof and the supporting timbers, major repairs to the tower, installing a new heating system and repairs to the organ and bells.

I am glad to say the task is nearly completed. The only work left to be carried out is the reinstallation of the bells, which have been away for repairs. This is due to be done in August or early September. Although we only have three bells we are installing a bellframe for six so that if in some future time extra bells become available they can be accommodated with minimal expense.

The present bells are: a treble cast by George Dalton, York, approx. 6 cwt; second bell also cast by George Dalton of York in 1776, weight approx 8 cwt; third bell is the tenor bell by William Oldfield of York cast in 1614, weight approx. 10 cwt and sounds note G sharp.

We are now in the process of making the final arrangements for closing the appeal which are as follows:

1. Saturday October 21st: a Theme Night in Horton School which will take the form of a Disco and Fancy Dress Party with the theme Beaux and Belles (Bells). There will be a bar. Tickets will be available at the door. 8pm to midnight. To which all are welcome.

2. Shrove Tuesday, February 20th 1996: Closing of the Appeal with a Church Service. This will be seven years since the appeal was formed with a Pancake Party in the School and might be closed with a similar event.

As we need to train a team of bell ringers, will anyone interested in campanology please contact Mr. David Perry, Bridge House, Horton in Ribblesdale, Settle, N. Yorks BD24 0EY?

After so many people have put in to the appeal and all the hard work it is going to be a memorable occasion when we hear the church bells ring out again after being silent for so long.

G. M. PARRINGTON.

## Tower finances – the future

Much has been written in your excellent publication in recent times over tower finances and this has prompted me to share a few thoughts with you.

It costs an increasing amount of money to maintain our belfries in tip-top condition and as visitors, we are always pleased to ring in a new tower where the ringers obviously care about their hobby and keep their bells, fittings and surroundings to a high standard. Here in Jersey, we are no different. One of the traditional ways in which we have always raised funds is ringing for weddings – an average of ten or so a year in the 1980's meant that we did not have to worry about where money for the next rope was coming from. Alas, in the 1990's, the traditional British wedding seems to be going out of fashion and certainly in Jersey, much needed revenue from this source has all but dried up. Worse still is that there is no sign of a reverse in this disappointing trend. We therefore have to look elsewhere for our funds, as I know do a lot of mainland towers.

Earlier this year, we welcomed to Jersey a very nice band from the West Country. There were twelve ringers and they rang at St. Mark's for an hour, clearly enjoying the bells. They left



a donation of £5.00. They then went on to our other island tower, St. John's, where they again rang for an hour. Here they left nothing for the tower. This equates to less than 42p per person for two hours of ringing. This is an insult. Secondly, we welcomed two groups of ringers to the island who were on an organised festival which had been arranged by a travel agent. This non-ringing agent had said nothing about tower fees and when asked politely if each ringer would like to make a £1.00 donation, I must say that most were quite happy to donate, but to those who obviously disapproved, I politely explained that although they may have believed that tower fees were included in their package fee, unfortunately they were not and having brought this to their attention, I felt they should be pleased to donate, after all, how many of us miss a pound these days?

It really is time that we moved into the 1990's as far as tower donations are concerned. We have a fabulous hobby and it doesn't cost the earth – we must all pull together and help each other to help ourselves. It is our regret that due to the attitude of a few – and I stress that it is a few – we have decided that we will make a minimum charge of £10.00 per tower for visiting bands to ring at both of Jersey's towers. In most cases, this will be less than £2.00 a head. As a benchmark, I believe that all ringers should be looking to donate at least £1.00 per head per tower when they are visiting churches. Even on the busy tower grab days when ten towers are rung, the cost per head would only equate to a good meal, a couple of average rounds down the boozer or a night at the local theatre. Towers should be encouraged to consider fixed fees for visiting bands, whether they be ringing peals, quarters or just general ringing. We've got to keep this great art going and although it gives me no pleasure to talk about money in this way, sometimes needs must.

COLIN BELSEY

Tower Captain, St. Mark's, Jersey

## Striking on the Underground

Will Willans' letter (RW 4398 p.830) concerning a quarter peal at Margaretting reminded me of a peal which I and some friends rang on the Northern Line a few years back. The agreed footnote, if successful, was to be "first peal in the method by all, rung on the London Underground without bells". There was some discussion on the use of the word "rung" since it might be argued later that there had been no sound. However it was thought that if the ringers of the ten, eleven and twelve sounded "Bing Bang, Bong" at each course end then this would be sufficient.

The plan was that the twelve of us met at Morden Station for an 07.00 start to ring Northern Line Surprise Maximus No 2 (City Branch) between Morden and High Barnet and return. Soon after the start we settled into a steady rhythm with only minor variations in speed during the station stops although the conductor had commented on the shortness of the straps. One of the umpires had inadvertently got into the wrong carriage, but by the time he had made his way to the ringing carriage we were all in full swing. When we reached Kennington we were half way into the first quarter. Image our consternation when we found ourselves at Waterloo Station and on the Charing Cross Branch. The conductor rapidly re-arranged the composition and called us to be ready for the "Charing Cross Bob Single" which alters the method to Northern Line Surprise Maximus No 1 (CX Branch).

Thereafter the peal proceeded with a few lapses of concentration, particularly when passing through Euston where it is so easy to forget which line you are on, and also by the proximity of numerous visitors who were prone to ask questions during the peal. The peal came round on arrival at Clapham Common on the return journey in 3 hours and 15 minutes and we all congratulated ourselves in achieving the aim although we were somewhat disappointed when the conductor and umpires said they would not be sending the peal up to *The Ringing World* as the striking had not been good enough for a peal in a new method.

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## Margaretting

I must commend Mr Willans (p.830) for adding an imaginative and much needed new piece of terminology to the ringing vocabulary. May I propose that the verb "to margaret", meaning to ring changes on a greater number of bells than the number physically in use, be adopted by the Exercise forthwith (notwithstanding any violent objections by ladies of that name, who may feel that the term reflects unfavourably on their attendance in the tower or implies doubts about their sanity).

It seems to me, though, that there are different categories of margaretting. Given a number of real bells, *r*, and a number of imaginary bells, *i*, these are:

<i>simple</i> margaretting	( <i>i</i> =1),
<i>compound</i> margaretting	( <i>i</i> >1),
<i>complex</i> margaretting	( <i>i</i> > <i>r</i> ) and
<i>virtual</i> margaretting	( <i>r</i> =0).

Then there is a further classification into *manual*, *automatic* or *abstract* margaretting, depending on whether a missing bell is replaced by a gesticulating ringer, a computer or nothing at all. Indeed, we must allow the possibility of *hybrid* margaretting, where a mixture of substitutes may be used (e.g. an arm-waving treble ringer, a simulated working bell and an absent tenor cover).

Thus, the use of a single bell with a simulator to represent the rest of the band can now be defined as automatic-complex margaretting, while the practice of ringing "handbells" on thumbs becomes manual-virtual margaretting. However, the Central Council must be firm and declare abstract-virtual margaretting illegal, otherwise you, Sir, may be inundated with hoax peals claiming to be legitimate performances.

TONY NUNN.

Streatham Hill, London

## A healthy local band required

I read Andrew Anderson's article (p. 833) with interest. While agreeing fully with all he says I am very worried by what he omits.

As he notes, a restored window, clock or weathercock should retain as much original material as possible. They will function quite adequately.

A restored bell installation should also function well. It should function as well as any modern installation unless it is being restored specially as a museum-piece. I couldn't help thinking of Staunton Harold in this respect.

I think most ringers would accept that bells are there to be rung regularly on Sundays. A healthy local band is the best way to achieve this. In general, a local band is most likely to thrive if the bells go well and are easily maintained.

Anyone planning a restoration must ask themselves if they want an historic monument or

a viable going-concern on which the art of change ringing will prosper?

Mr Anderson only addresses the issue of "are the old fittings *strong* enough?" and thus I fear he is tending towards the former option. We all love to see ancient bell frames and enterprising ringers love to visit towers full of real "benders". They make a good challenge to a strong band of visitors, but what chance a local band?

If the exercise is to prosper without losing its heritage of ancient technology, then the options which Mr Anderson bemoans at the start of his letter seem to be the best compromise. The old frames etc are preserved and the bells have their best chance of attracting a healthy local band for years to come.

TONY CRABTREE

Shrivenham

## 'Maintaining the integrity ...'

A.J.B.'s comment (p.876) on the note by the architect Andrew Anderson (p.833) speaks on behalf of all bellringers. Why should parish churches, or cathedrals for that matter, be called on to act as museums, giving free-of-charge house-room to obsolescent bell installations? Mr. Anderson seems unaware that historic objects take up space. If he wishes to see a vintage Rolls Royce complete with engine, he would go to the Beaulieu Motor Museum, not to a crowded supermarket car park or a car showroom. There already exists somewhere in the country a redundant church used for storing historic bell frames. If Mr. Anderson considers it so important that our descendants should know what drive-in gudgeon pins and nailed sheerbands were used for, let him found and fund a museum for the storage of headstocks, bell wheels and fittings. Mr Anderson's note confirms my view that professional Architects are the most unrealistic of all professional groups.

PEGGY STANIER.

Cambridge

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Recently I was reading a report in the *Daily Telegraph* no less, of an Association Football match between the Celtic club of Glasgow and Newcastle United. The report was mainly concerned with the prowess of Newcastle's new centre forward, a Mr Les Ferdinand.

In the report the journalist wrote: "Rising smoothly like an accomplished bell-ringer, Ferdinand powered home a trademark header..."

This puzzles me because I have been ringing for longer than Mr Ferdinand has been alive and I generally try to keep my feet firmly on the ringing chamber floor. Leaving aside technicalities, however, I am now wondering if some vast new source of income has opened up to the exercise. You see Newcastle United are said to have had to pay some £6.4m to Queens Park Rangers in order to secure Mr Ferdinand's services. Never mind buying a couple of new trebles to augment your peal, with that sort of money some churches could buy a whole new tower.

Anyway the point is this. Although it will be a terrible wrench after all this time I think my duty to my tower demands that I put myself up for transfer so that we at least get the Ringing Chamber decorated. All offers should be made to the Vicar – and don't think you can take advantage of him to get me cheap – he is a qualified chartered accountant.

EDWARD SPEAREY

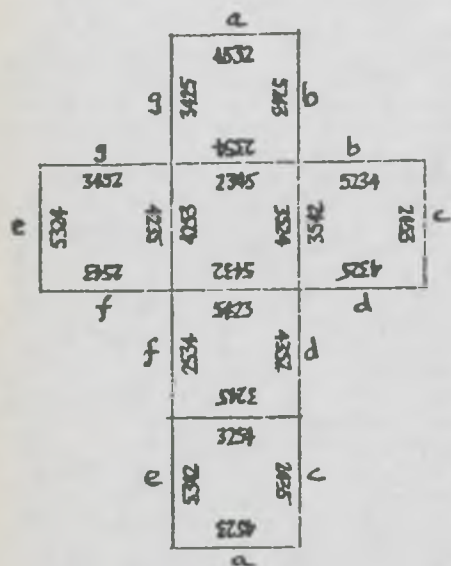


## Taking the 'plain' out of Plain Bob Doubles

Quarter peals and Peals of Plain Bob Doubles do have the reputation for being boring for those more experienced ringers taking part. This is mostly due to the limited possibilities for calling extents of the method. I hope that the following will expand those callings thus adding some spice to the proceedings, especially for the conductor.

A couple of years ago the Revd John Morgan, then vicar of Mangotsfield, produced an article for this august journal on the subject of Bob Doubles. I believe that the article was never published, but a copy recently came into the hands of the present Tower Captain at Mangotsfield, Ryan Price who is also Branch Ringing Master, and he showed it to other members of the Branch. John's ideas seemed to us quite novel.

His approach was to produce a 'Bob Doubles Cube' with lead ends of Bob Doubles written against each edge thus:

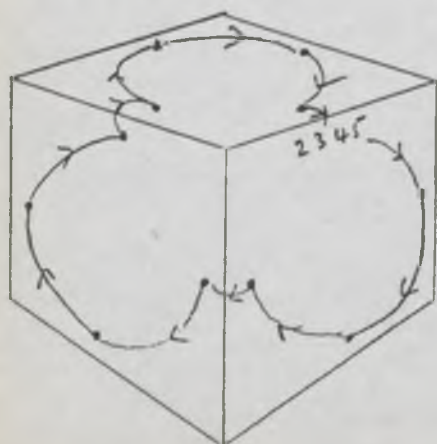


There are two rules for movement:

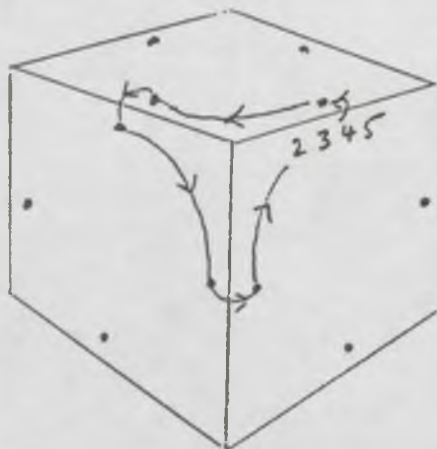
1. One place clockwise around a face represents a plain lead, e.g. from rounds 2345, a plain lead takes you to 3524, the next plain lead takes you to 5432 etc.

2. Stepping over the edge onto the next face represents a 'Bob' e.g. from rounds 2345 a bob lead takes you to 2354.

Every conceivable touch of Bob Doubles (true or false) can be seen as an excursion over the face of the cube so that, for example, an extent of 120 with 5th's observation can be shown as follows: (pppbppbpbppb).



Again, here is a 60: (bpbpbp).



If the cube is examined, it will be apparent that all changes occur twice, once at hand and once at back. The pairs occur on opposite faces of the cube, so tracing a path that involves opposite faces is probably - but not necessarily - false.

John had tried to see if a 240 similar to Morris's 240 of Grandsire could be produced, i.e. all changes to occur twice, once at handstroke and once at backstroke.

In order to do this it is necessary to visit each edge (and thus each possible lead end) once, and once only. John had been able to show that this is not possible using 'bobs', and thus a 'Morris's' type 240 was unattainable.

At the time that he wrote the article it appears that John did not consider the use of the 'single' in Bob Doubles. On his cube a 'single' takes one across to the far side of the cube, and so it opens up the possibility of many more paths and therefore many more touches, and even the 240.

Examination of the cube (combined with much head scratching) eventually came up with a calling to achieve this. It was:

ppbpbpspbps repeated.

Investigation of this sequence shows that it works wherever in the sequence you start, thus giving 12 different callings, (e.g. spbpbpspbps repeated). It also works if called in reverse order (e.g. spbpbpspbps), so there are a further 12 callings there. This means that there are 24 different 240's available. Pick any 21 of them and you have a peal composition which is far from 'Plain', and should keep the average conductor wide awake! For a Quarter pick five of them and try a different 60 e.g. bpbpspbps.

'Morgan's Cube' has shown itself to be a useful tool for visualising what happens during a touch of Bob Doubles, and it almost certainly can be used with many other doubles methods. The only criterion would appear to be that a bob call is reversible, i.e. from whichever face you call the bob you arrive at the adjacent face. (This is not true of Reverse Canterbury for example).

ref. *Circling the Plain Bob Doubles Cube* an unpublished article by Revd John W. M. Morgan. Frenchay

ALAN FREKE.  
Frenchay, Bristol. (St John Baptist). 29 May, 1260 changes of Plain Bob Doubles, comprising a sixty and five different 240's of Bob Doubles. Believed to be the first such Quarter Peal rung: Eileen Price 1, Gill Greef 2, Alan Freke 3, Chris Greef 4, John Payton (C) 5, A Ryan Price 6. A farewell compliment to Revd David Cawley, honorary member of this tower, on his departure from Bristol, and with thanks for all his help as Diocesan Bells Adviser in this area. £3

## Desperately seeking JP II

The Swanmore (Hampshire) ringers would be grateful if the following appeal for the return of a rare and valued tower artefact could be made through your columns. The item in question was given to the tower by a pilgrim from Rome and is thought to be a unique example of the Pontiff's keen interest in, and understanding of, the art of change ringing. It takes the form of a beautifully crafted representation of His Holiness beneficently invoking ringers to pay attention to rhythm in the ringing of methods. The item, which has become something of an icon at Swanmore (where devotees have started their own society: the Rhythmicruxions), is about the size of an English postcard and was enshrined upon the tower wall by means of a specially adapted rope-clamp.

Imagine our distress upon finding this treasure to have disappeared. We suspect that our Pride-and-Joy may have inadvertently fallen into the possession of a band of ringers who visited us late on 15th July. We are certain that the icon was present before their arrival as the Keymaster General (second-in-command of the Rhythmicruxions) remembers offering the obligatory genuflection before the shrine when opening the tower. Alas, about twelve hours later when we arrived to ring for Sunday service we found it had gone. Upon overcoming our distress we hypothesised that the severe vibration from our newly rehung 6cwt six might have caused the rope-clamp screws to loosen and the icon to fall, unobserved, into the unattended pocket of a concentrating ringer.

We would be much obliged, therefore, if our visitors could check to see whether the 'Swanmore Treasure' has secreted itself about their persons and, if so, to return it as soon as possible.

THE SWANMORE RHYTHMICRUXIONS.

The first quarter on the new ten at Brecon Cathedral (Plain Bob Caters) was rung on Sunday 20th August.

Alan Freke's 240s of Plain Bob Doubles are round blocks in which each of the different rows occurs the same number of times and, in accordance with Central Council Decision (D)B.1(b), may be used in a peal. To the best of my knowledge, his 240s have not been published previously and they certainly have not appeared in *The Ringing World*.

I confirm that it is not possible to produce a 240 of Plain Bob Doubles having each row once at hand stroke and once at back stroke using only standard bobs or only standard singles. Although an extent of Plain Bob Doubles using standard singles appeared (under another name) in Duckworth's *Tintinnalogia* in 1668, it was only in 1977 at Derby that the Council recognised the single as a standard call for the method. The standard calls for the 177 Doubles methods were given in *Plain Doubles Methods and Variations* published in 1980 and singles for Doubles methods have only been shown in *The Ringing World Diary* since 1992. This may explain why the Revd. John Morgan did not consider using singles.

Excluding rotations, there are 16 different 240s of Plain Bob Doubles having each row once at hand stroke and once at back stroke. When rotations are taken into account, there are 328 such 240s, compared with only 32 for Grandsire Doubles (Morris's, Price's and their rotations).

ANTHONY P SMITH  
Chairman, Methods Committee





Clare and Bob Pruden

### A match made in Hereford

The Hereford Ringing Centre Course achieves far more than the improvement of a great number of students' ringing.

On 29th May this year, a windy, but for the most part dry, Spring Bank Holiday Monday, Bob Pruden (helper Hereford 1994, and student and helper for a good many years before that) was married to Clare Denison (student 1994) at St. Martin of Tours Church, Chelsfield, Kent; where Bob is Tower Captain. A number of other regular Hereford helpers were among the friends and relatives who helped Bob and Clare to celebrate their great day.

Bride and groom were among the band for a successful pre-wedding peal on the Chelsfield bells two days before the ceremony. Unfortunately, a quarter peal attempt by bride and groom, bride's parents, an usher and the best man's wife, on the following day, came to grief close to the end when bride and groom swapped over!

The marriage service was conducted by Clare's father, Canon Keith Denison. This meant that her brother, Frank, was able to achieve one of his life's ambitions in giving his sister away! The Rector of St. Martin's, Canon Leslie Virgo, preached a moving sermon. Clare's dress was a magnificent creation, much admired by all present. It was made, along with those of the two bridesmaids, by Frances Marshall. The duties of the best man were ably carried out by Frances' husband, David.

Clare was determined to ring at her own wedding, so following the signing of the registers a small party ascended the freshly-swept tower stairs; and, somewhat hampered by their wedding finery, Clare and Bob, together with Clare's parents and two St. Martin's ringers rang rounds.

Many of the pupils in Clare's infant class from a nearby school were present at the service, and were able to see 'Miss' ringing, as the ringing chamber is open to the church above the north side of the nave.

Ringers among the guests joined St. Martin's ringers before and after the ceremony, and gave the ringing their all - Chelsfield tower has rarely been so crowded!

A relaxed and happy reception followed at Knockholt Village Hall. The honeymoon was spent in Paris.

The following weekend a post-wedding peal was rung by Clare's parents and friends at her home tower of St. Mary's, Nash, Gwent.

SHEILA DENISON

## George Massey's thousand peals - a very pedestrian effort!

It has taken George Massey 55 years 1½ months to ring 1,000 peals - is this a record for slowness? His first peal at Beddington on 6 April 1940 was of Cambridge Royal conducted by the late Charles Kippin, but, apart from several handbell peals of Bob Minor in 1941/42 called by Eddie Rapley, he rang no more peals until 1950. Thirty years service in the Royal Air Force also sometimes interfered with peal ringing opportunities, although it did provide a very productive period in Lincolnshire.

This is not to say that George has been idle during all those years. His career in the RAF was followed by a further career with the Inland Revenue. As a dedicated churchman, his 'spare time' has been spent in serving his Parish Church of St John's in various capacities apart from that of Tower Captain, serving on Synods and Diocesan Committees, including the Diocesan Advisory Committee as Bell and Clock Adviser. He has served the Bath & Wells as Peal Secretary, General Secretary and continues as Central Council Representative and the Frome Branch as Chairman and Deputy Chairman. George is well known for his work on the Central Council, serving on the Towers and Belfries for a number of years, he is currently Chairman of the redundant Bells Committee. Any other free times has been spent researching 'Church Bells of Somerset' which is nearing completion and helping his wife Hilda with her work at the town museum and other activities.

George's contribution to ringing in the Bath & Wells, where he continues to be the 'elder



George Massey

statesman', cannot be over emphasised. In addition to his 'official' work, he has been responsible for encouraging large numbers of ringers towards peal ringing and along with his son, David, has seen many ringers through their first peal, helping them to develop both their ability and their repertoire. I, for one, am grateful to have fallen under their influence.

His thousand peals have involved 943 other ringers, 411 for only one peal each, in 345 towers for 34 societies (and regrettably one non-association peal!). Seven ringers have taken part in over a hundred of the peals:

David Massey	353
Reg McKenzie	271
David Buckley	216
Peter Hardwick	195
Anna Piechna	189
Donald Carter	117
Lis Bowden	102

A further 51 ringers have contributed to 25 or more peals.

Conducting has been shared by 138 ringers, the leaders being:

George Massey	199.5
David Massey	170
Reg McKenzie	127
David Buckley	45
Donald Carter	40
Ron Noon	37

The leading societies have been:

Bath & Wells	600
Salisbury	134
Lincoln	90

The peals can be summarised as follows:

Doubles:		11	(8.5)
Minor:	Plain/TB/Delight	26	(3)
	2-14 methods	29	(4)
	Surprise methods	46	(6)
	3-41 methods	87	(11)
	Spliced Surprise, (3-52 methods)	62 (14)	250 (38)
Triples:		38	(13)
Major:	Plain/TB/Del/Allnce	42	(9)
	Surprise methods	428	(100)
	Spliced Surprise, (2-23 methods)	81 (7)	551 (116)
Caters:		34	(16)
Royal:		90	(6)
Cinques:		9	(1)
Maximus:		17	(8.5)
Grand Total		1,000	(199.5)

The above totals include 5 peals of Minor, 1 peal of Major and 1 of Caters rung on handbells. The '5' was a peal of Doubles where the conducting was shared.

DAVID J. BUCKLEY

The following article appeared recently in *The New Zealand Herald* a morning paper published in Auckland:

### Six-tonne Bell for War Memorial

One of the last four bells ordered to complete the War Memorial Carillon has rolled through the main entrance of the National War Memorial in Wellington.

The six-tonne, NZD175,000 Dutch made bronze bell, named Grace, will be dedicated officially by the Prime Minister, Mr Bolger, on Tuesday (15th August), the first of many events to mark the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.

Three more bells, weighing 7, 8 and 12 tonnes will be installed later this year. The NZD1.2 million project will complete the set of 65 bells.

When finished the carillon will be the third largest in the world, both by number and weight of bells. Only the carillons of Riverside Church in New York and the Rockefeller Chapel in Chicago are larger.

From my own records, I would like to quote the following about this Carillon. It is quoted from a handbook about the Carillon.

The Carillon was dedicated on Anzac Day, 25th August 1932 and was supplied by Messrs Gillett and Johnston Ltd, of Croydon, England.

The first recital was given at the Croydon Bell Foundry on 10th April 1929, and, pending the erection of the National War Memorial Tower in Wellington to house the bells, the carillon was loaned to the Newcastle-on-Tyne Exhibition, and to the authorities of Hyde Park, London, where in 1929 and 1930 respectively, it delighted hundreds of thousands of listeners and became the most famous and popular carillon in the British Isles.

(Our thanks to John Dunn who sent us the above article).



## Lies, Damn Lies and Statistics ...

On page 718 of the *Ringing World*, it was reported that the Peal Compositions Committee attracted a degree of flak at the Central Council meeting in Salisbury for alleged inactivity. The Chair (a mild-mannered piece of furniture which always shrinks from controversy) was caught on the hop and graciously ate humble pie before its critics.

Meanwhile, over at the Foundation for the Replacement of Sticks by Carrots, the alarm bells rang and we set our researchers to work compiling hard statistics to support or refute the criticisms. The initial source of our data was Tony Smith's admirable *An Index to Compositions in the Ringing World (1941-1992)*, updated for the years 1992-95 by the Foundation's own researchers. The results of our work are summarised in the histogram.

Each black bar represents the number of compositions (over 5,000 changes) published in the *Ringing World* in each Council year (actually from page 501 to page 500 of the following year). This data revealed startlingly uneven publication rates for all Committees over the 19-year period examined, so we tried to smooth out transitory effects (membership change, publication latency) by showing (as grey bars) a rolling 3-year average of the number published (i.e. each grey bar is the average of the current and previous two black bars). As expected, the variation was reduced, but a 6-year cycle in peal numbers remained clearly visible. Finally, the horizontal dashed line represents the all-time average number published (since 1941). This has remained remarkably constant at 83 for each year of the period examined, and is probably the best yardstick to judge a Committee's performance in any individual year.

Whilst the Foundation has no theory to explain the 6-year cycle, it cannot interpret the present Committee's performance as anything other than supremely average. Naturally we do not subscribe to Disraeli's view of statistics, and are quite convinced that some people at the Council meeting simply got their Fax wrong.

## Loose talk

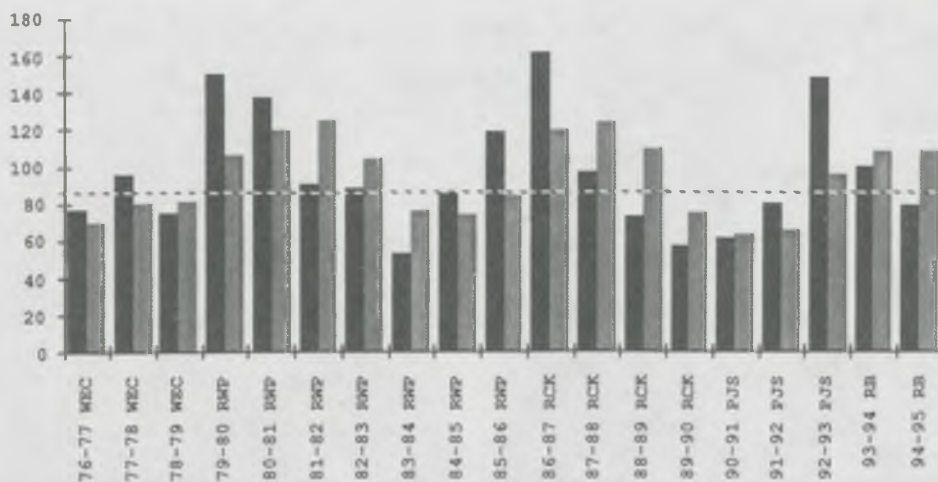
I think Frank Lufkin mistaken (RW 25th August, p.900) when he says there are only 5040 changes of triples. I have never found more than 20, (4 triple changes, 10 double changes and 6 single changes). Grandsire only makes use of 4 of them (IXXX, XXXI, XIXX and IIIXX) but there are many compositions that allow all 5040 possible rows to be obtained using these 4 changes.

Of course, as a man of the world, I am aware that people loosely talk about changes when they mean rows. It does not harm, but loose talk should not be mixed with fine arguments.

I hope Frank is not right and I wrong. If he were I would have to amend my peal records all of which currently (and perhaps misguidedly) show lengths of over 5000 odd. If Frank's logic is correct, my peals of minor should each be replaced by 7 consecutive peals of 720 each, while each doubles peal would become a staggering 42 consecutive peals of 120 each. I have never been an avid peal ringer, but this would add over 350 to my otherwise very modest total.

JOHN HARRISON

Wokingham



## Composition Corner

I was intrigued by the little conundrum on page 827 of the *Ringing World*. It would appear that a regular 5-part based on Middleton's 5,600 with the methods C, S, Y, N, and P is not possible. However, since it is always rung in its shortened form, the contraction does then permit a solution.

### 5,056 (5,152) 5-Spliced Surprise Major arranged by David W Beard

23456	M	W	H	Methods
43652	-	-	-	YSS•CNCN
56234	-	-	-	SY•S•YYS
23564	-	-	-	NN <sup>1</sup> NP•SSY•
52364	-	-	-	CPCYPCP•
35264	-	-	-	PN <sup>2</sup> PNCPC•

5-part, calling one part as follows:

23456	B	H	Methods
23564	-	-	YS•SY•
52364	-	-	CPCYPNP•
35264	-	-	PNPNCPC•

and substituting C for N<sup>2</sup> in the preceding part (taken cyclically). Contains 1,088 Pudsey, 1,056 Cambridge, 992 Yorkshire and 960 each Lincolnshire (N) and Superlative with 127 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

The alternative shortening to 5,152 is also possible; call one part as follows:

23456	M	W	H	Methods
43652	-	-	-	YSS•CNCN
56234	-	-	-	SY•S•YYS
35264	-	-	-	NNNP•SSY

and substitute C for N<sup>1</sup> in the following part (taken cyclically). Contains 1,120 Superlative, 1,088 Yorkshire, 1,056 Lincolnshire (N), 960 Cambridge, and 928 Pudsey with 125(6) changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

## Composition Review

### 5,184 10-Spliced Surprise Major by Glenn A A Taylor

23456	B	M	W	H	Methods
25463	-	-	-	-	RLL•SRG•CL
23564	2	-	-	-	CYN•PSGC•SR•
53462	-	-	-	-	R•RS
52364	-	-	-	-	PG•FFF•R•
36524	-	-	-	-	BRLRRR•SLPSRP•
23645	-	2	-	-	FFFF•CG•B•
62345	-	-	-	-	PSYNYC•
(32546)	-	-	-	-	R•
32465	-	-	-	-	BBB•BFR•
43265	-	-	-	-	LCPYP•
24365	-	-	-	-	YPSRG•
24653	-	-	-	-	RLR•FFBB•
52436	-	2	-	-	CLCGB•GPYR•B•
42635	-	-	-	-	L•NR
42356	2	2	-	-	R•YSYRG•P•B•R•
32654	-	-	-	-	R•CL
25346	-	-	-	-	NS•CS
54263	-	-	-	-	PN•YN
54632	-	-	-	-	GGN•BBL•
64235	-	-	-	-	SCLCGB•BN
64352	-	-	-	-	PG•PY•
35642	-	-	-	-	PNYN•PNN•
(43652)	-	-	-	-	BC•
56234	-	-	-	-	GN•S•L
52643	2	-	-	-	CP•RP•BSY•G•FB•
65243	-	-	-	-	PSSLS•
23456	-	-	2	-	R•Y•NSC•B•

Contains 768 Rutland, 608 Bristol, 576 each Pudsey and Superlative, 480 Cambridge and Yorkshire, 448 Glasgow, Lincolnshire (N) and London and 352 Belfast (F) with 138 changes of method, all the work of each method for every bell and 75 combination rollups.

The belated appearance of this peal (extracted from the fabled "Composition Black Hole" in apparent violation of the laws of physics; sorry Glenn) doubles the number of tenors-together compositions in these methods (the other is Graham John's 1985 peal (RW page 424). But how much can rarity value compensate for a twofold excess of Rutland over Belfast? And is 75 combination rollups more or less than we should expect by chance? On the positive side, we have more than double the Bristol content of Graham's peal with only small reduction in Glasgow and no singles either. All in all, Glenn has contributed another worthwhile and challenging addition to the spliced repertoire.

Old Bailey

## PEAL COMPOSITIONS

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# Peal Reports

## Somerset, Wilts and Dorset Peal Week XIX

Although the weather was the hottest I can remember it being throughout the whole week, the ringing conditions did not seem to be as difficult this year during the afternoons. This year, the well known muffle maker from near Guildford, had the correct dates in his diary and was able to join us for four attempts. Paul Williamson was able to join us this year and helped to ease the numbers situation. This year reverted to the familiar pattern of days in Devon, Dorset and Wiltshire, although the distance from Thorverton to Lyme Regis was much further than local knowledge would have us believe (not Bill Ford). The success rate was quite good this year - twelve out of fourteen. An extra hand found its way on to George Massey's rope at Wilton, bringing the bell down, just after halfway and I missed a bob after two hours at Bishop's Cannings on the Saturday.

Notable landmarks reached during the week included George Massey's 1,000 Peal (600th for the B & W) and Donald Carter's 1,000th of Surprise. Others included 25th and 75th for the B & W (and Donald Carter's 100th for the B & W on Peal Week), 25th, 50th and 100th together and 25th and 75th together on Peal Week. George Massey recorded his 550th of Major and Donald Carter his 50th of 8-Spliced Surprise Major and 50th of Surprise Major as conductor.

£21.60

D.J.B.

### BATH & WELLS D.A.

WELLS, Som, S Cuthbert  
Sat Jul 15 1995 3h22 (27)  
**5024 Superlative S. Major**  
Comp. Thomas B Worsley  
(CC p15 no 64)

1 Elisabeth A G Bowden  
2 William E Thompson  
3 Sheila C Matthews  
4 George W Massey  
5 Barrie Hendry  
6 Jill M Hansford  
7 Donald B Carter  
8 David J Buckley (C)  
To mark the conductor's 25 years' membership of the Bath & Wells. Also a wedding day compliment to Stuart A Aitken and Anne Price, married at Warwick during the ringing of this peal.

THORVERTON, Devon  
S Thomas of Canterbury  
Tue Jul 18 1995 2h49 (15)  
**5040 Spliced S. Royal**  
(4m: 1440 Yorkshire, Cambridge; 1080 Lincolnshire, Rutland: 13 com. atw.)  
Comp. Michael Maughan  
(500 p65)

1 Ian P Hastilow  
2 Elisabeth A G Bowden  
3 George W Massey  
4 Timothy E Barnaby  
5 Christopher Ricketts  
6 William E Thompson  
7 David J Buckley  
8 Stephen J Nash  
9 Barrie Hendry  
10 Donald B Carter (C)  
25th together on the Peal Week: 1 & 10. 25th together: 3 & 4. 25th of Royal on the Peal Week: 10.

### WOOLAVINGTON, Som.

S Mary the Virgin  
Thu Jul 20 1995 3h9 (11)  
**5024 Spliced S. Major**  
(10m: 896 Rutland; 768 Bristol; 672 Cambridge, Lincolnshire; 448 Pudsey, Yorkshire, Superlative; 224 London, Uxbridge, Ashted: 127 com. atw.)  
Comp. R J Parker  
Arr. W T Perrins (500 p45)  
1 Sheila C Matthews  
2 Elisabeth A G Bowden  
3 George W Massey  
4 William E Thompson  
5 Barrie Hendry  
6 Stephen J Nash  
7 Richard L Thumwood  
8 Donald B Carter (C)  
550th of major: 3. 25th together, 100th for the Bath & Wells D.A. on the Peal Week, 25th peal this year: 4 & 6.

### DRAYTON, Som.

S Catherine  
Fri Jul 21 1995 3h9 (16)  
**5152 Spliced S. Major**  
(14m: 448 Bristol, Cambridge, Cassiobury, Ipswich, Lincolnshire, London, Uxbridge, Rutland, Yorkshire; 224 Ashted, Cornwall, Lindum, Pudsey, Superlative: 139 com. atw.)  
Comp. Norman Smith (500 p45)  
1 David G Massey  
2 George W Massey  
3 Jill M Hupman  
4 William E Thompson  
5 Jill M Hansford  
6 David J Buckley  
7 Barrie Hendry  
8 Donald B Carter (C)  
1,000th peal and 600th for the Bath & Wells: 2. Most Major methods: 5.

EAST COKER, Som.  
S Michael & All Angels  
Mon Jul 17 1995 2h58 (13)  
**5056 Spliced S. Major**  
(8m: 1120 Rutland; 896 Yorkshire; 672 Cambridge, Lincolnshire; 576 Bristol; 448 Pudsey, Superlative; 224 London: 108 com. atw.)  
Comp. R J Parker (500 p45)  
1 Jill M Hupman  
2 Elisabeth A G Bowden  
3 David J Buckley  
4 Ian P Hastilow  
5 George W Massey  
6 William E Thompson  
7 Barrie Hendry  
8 Donald B Carter (C)  
25th together on Peal Week: 5, 7, & 8. 50th of 8-spliced Surprise Major as conductor.

CHARMINSTER, Dorset  
S Mary the Virgin  
Wed Jul 19 1995 2h48 (15)  
**5040 Quedgeley S. Royal**  
Comp. Trad (500 p62)

1 William E Thompson  
2 Michael C Hansford  
3 Elisabeth A G Bowden  
4 Jill M Hupman  
5 George W Massey  
6 Brian V Mountjoy  
7 Stephen J Nash  
8 David J Buckley  
9 Barrie Hendry  
10 Donald B Carter (C)  
100th together: 3 & 5. 75th together on the Peal Week: 8 & 10. 50th on a tenor on the Peal Week: 10. First of Royal in method by all.

BATH, Som.  
S Mary the Virgin, Bathwick  
Sat Jul 15 1995 3h16 (19)  
**5040 Cambridge S. Royal**  
Comp. P Border (500 p54 (top))  
1 Barrie Hendry  
2 Elisabeth A G Bowden  
3 Jacqueline Warnecke  
4 George W Massey  
5 Jennifer M Bunyan  
6 Jill M Hansford  
7 Peter Tombs  
8 Michael C Hansford  
9 David B Massey  
10 Donald B Carter (C)

MIDSOMER NORTON, Som.  
S John the Baptist  
Thu Jul 20 1995 3h12 (22)  
**5042 Yorkshire S. Maximus**  
Comp. Anon. (10 & 12 no129)

1 Michael C Hansford  
2 Donald B Carter  
3 Elisabeth A G Bowden  
4 Paul K Williamson  
5 Richard L Thumwood  
6 Jill M Hupman  
7 Edward J Chivers  
8 Robert E Beck  
9 Stephen J Nash  
10 Matthew R T Higby  
11 Barrie Hendry  
12 David J Buckley (C)  
50th together: 2 & 9. 1,000th peal of Surprise & circled tower: 2. 25th for Bath & Wells: 9.

CURRY RIVEL, Som.  
S Andrew  
Fri Jul 21 1995 3h4 (18)  
**5088 MI S. Major**  
Comp. James W Washbrook  
(CC no 95)  
1 Jill M Hupman  
2 George W Massey  
3 Sheila C Matthews  
4 Paul K Williamson  
5 Jill M Hansford  
6 William E Thompson  
7 Michael C Hansford  
8 Barrie Hendry (C)  
Mith (1001th) peal: 2.  
First peal in the method.  
**MI S. Major.**  
-38-14-1258-16-34-38.12.36.12.58 LH12

MELKSHAM, Wilts.  
S Michael & All Angels  
Sat Jul 22 1995 2h58 (18)  
**5120 Spliced S. Major**  
(4m: 1440 Yorkshire; 1280 Cambridge, Lincolnshire; 1120 Rutland: 69 com. atw.)  
Comp. P G K Davies (CC p44)  
1 William E Thompson  
2 Sheila C Matthews  
3 Kate C Walker  
4 George W Massey  
5 Jill M Hansford  
6 Barrie Hendry  
7 Matthew R T Higby  
8 Donald B Carter (C)  
75th peal for Bath & Wells and first of Spliced S. Major:  
2. First of Spliced: 2. 50th together: 4 & 6. 75th together on the Peal Week: 4 & 8. 25th tower to a peal this year: 8.

CATTISTOCK, Dorset  
SS Peter & Paul  
Wed Jul 19 1995 2h55 (14)  
**5056 Yarty S. Major**  
Comp. Murray A Coleman  
1 Sheila C Matthews  
2 R Ann Agnew  
3 Elisabeth A G Bowden  
4 George W Massey  
5 Paul K Williamson  
6 Jill M Hupman  
7 Stephen J Nash  
8 Barrie Hendry (C)  
First peal in the method.  
**Yarty S. Major**  
-38-14-58.12.36.14-14.38.1256-56.78 LH 12

### SALISBURY D.G.

LYME REGIS, Dorset  
S Michael the Archangel  
Tue Jul 18 1995 2h57 (11)  
**5040 Yorkshire S. Royal**  
Comp. Charles W Roberts  
(10 & 12 p69)  
1 Elisabeth A G Bowden  
2 Barrie Hendry  
3 Timothy E Barnaby  
4 Christopher Ricketts  
5 Sheila C Matthews  
6 Ian P Hastilow  
7 Michael C Hansford  
8 Jill M Hupman  
9 Stephen J Nash  
10 David J Buckley (C)



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**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSN.****CARDINGTON, Beds.**

S Mary

Sat Aug 5 1995 3h14 (19)

**5056 Superlative S. Major**

Comp. A J Cox

- 1 Charlotte M Smith
- 2 Philippa M Whittington
- 3 John G Gipson
- 4 Anthony H Smith
- 5 Thomas W Griffiths
- 6 Frank W Rivett
- 7 George E Bonham (C)
- 8 Phillip S George

150th peal: 5. A compliment to Christopher and Valerie Hall immediately following their wedding.

**CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD****LEWKINOR, Oxon.**

S Margaret

Sat Jul 22 1995 3h1 (14)

**5040 Spliced S. Minor**

(10m: (1) Carlisle, Chester; (2) Canterbury; (3) Lincoln; (4) Norwich; (5) Newcastle; (6) London, Wells; (7) York, Durham)

Cond. by R O Hall

- 1 A E Holroyd (Queen's)
- 2 P J Agg (Magdalene)
- 3 P A B Saddleton (Trinity)
- 4 D R Love (St John's)
- 5 R O Hall (Sidney Sussex)
- 6 B H Taylor (Trinity)

This peal was rung to celebrate the centenary this day of the birth of Ronald Owen Hall (1895-1975), Bishop of Hong Kong (1932-1966) and pioneer of women's ordination, who lived in Lewknor and whose ashes are interred in the sanctuary of this church.

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS****WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, Devon, S John the Evangelist**

Thu Jun 22 1995 3h1 (17)

**5040 Hampstead S. Royal**

Comp. M Coleman

- 1 Ian W Avery
- 2 Brian V Mountjoy
- 3 Peter L Bill
- 4 Timothy E Barnaby
- 5 John Hill
- 6 James Grant
- 7 John A Foster
- 8 Frank D Mack
- 9 D John Hunt
- 10 Michael E C Mears (C)

**WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, Devon, S John the Evangelist**

Thu Jul 13 1995 2h47 (17)

**5040 Cambridge S. Royal**

Comp. M Coleman

- 1 Ian W Avery
- 2 Frank D Mack
- 3 Timothy E Barnaby
- 4 Richard C Shere
- 5 Peter L Bill
- 6 Brian V Mountjoy
- 7 Michael R Rose
- 8 Philip Stevens
- 9 John A Foster
- 10 Michael E C Mears (C)

**LYME REGIS, Dorset**

S Michael the Archangel

Sat Jul 15 1995 2h46 (11)

**5039 Grandsire Caters**

Comp. A J Pitman

- 1 Fr Lester J Yeo
- 2 Timothy F Collins
- 3 Lesley A Knipe
- 4 Frank D Mack
- 5 Richard C Shere
- 6 Jeffrey Knipe
- 7 Timothy E Barnaby
- 8 Andrew P Nicholson
- 9 Michael E C Mears
- 10 Kenneth A Furzey

First peal on the bells since tower restoration. For the birth of Sarah Elizabeth Nicholson.

**THORVERTON, Devon**

S Thomas

Thu Jul 20 1995 2h52 (15)

**5056 Runnymede S. Major**

Comp. A G Driver

- 1 Frank D Mack
  - 2 Mervyn C Way
  - 3 Timothy E Barnaby
  - 4 E William Ford
  - 5 Matthew H Weighell
  - 6 John Hill
  - 7 Philip Stevens
  - 8 Michael E C Mears (C)
- In memory of Ralph Wright (tenor man for Down St Mary) ringer for 62 years in the Cadbury Deanery.

**KINGSTEIGNTON, Devon**

S Michael

Tue Jul 25 1995 3h (17)

**5024 Spliced S. Major**

(8m: 640 Superlative, Pudsey, Bristol, Rutland, Yorkshire; 608 London, Cambridge, Lincolnshire; 120 com. atw.)

Comp. N J Diserens

- 1 Ian W Avery
- 2 Michael J Hobbs
- 3 Jacqueline A Hobbs
- 4 Timothy E Barnaby
- 5 Frank D Mack
- 6 Charles P Quartley
- 7 Ralph G Edwards
- 8 Michael E C Mears (C)

**THORVERTON, Devon**

S Thomas

Thu Jul 27 1995 2h44 (15)

**5024 Spliced S. Major**

(8m: 640 Superlative, Pudsey, Bristol, Rutland, Yorkshire; 608 London, Cambridge, Lincolnshire; 120 com. atw.)

Comp. N J Diserens

- 1 E William Ford
  - 2 Brian V Mountjoy
  - 3 Howard W Egglestone
  - 4 Frank D Mack
  - 5 Fr Lester J Yeo
  - 6 Michael R Rose
  - 7 Peter J Sawyer
  - 8 Michael E C Mears (C)
- To celebrate the 40th birthday of Lester Yeo.

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**KINGSKERSWELL, Devon**

S Mary

Tue Jul 18 1995 2h45 (8)

**5040 Surprise Minor**

(11m: (1) London, Wells; (2) Carlisle; (3) York, Durham; (4) Annable's London; (5) Beverley, Surfleet; (6) Norwich; (7) Cambridge, Ipswich)

- 1 Mervyn C Way
- 2 Frank D Mack
- 3 Richard C Shere
- 4 James Grant
- 5 Philip Stevens
- 6 Michael E C Mears (C)

**DERBY D.A.****DERBY, Derbys.**

All Saints Cathedral

Sun Jul 30 1995 3h11 (19)

**5040 Lincolnshire S. Royal**

Comp. F E Darby

- 1 Jane E Boden
  - 2 Patricia A M Halls
  - 3 Brian A Tomlinson
  - 4 Pamela J Timms
  - 5 Rosemary R A Ross
  - 6 Philip J H Hudson
  - 7 Cheryl L Dodge (C)
  - 8 Canon Frederick Ross
  - 9 Richard J Hamby
  - 10 Christian M Peckham
- Rung to mark the retirement of the Rt. Revd. Peter Dawes, Bishop of Derby.

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE D.A.****SUNDERLAND, Tyne & Wear**

S Michael

Sat Aug 5 1995 2h44 (12)

**5088 Puffin S. Major**

Comp. R Bailey

- 1 Raymond A Hutchings
- 2 John E Anderson
- 3 Barbara M Wheeler
- 4 Ian Tilling
- 5 George S Deas
- 6 Kristopher King
- 7 Stephen B Bell
- 8 David Hird (C)

First in method for all and the Association.

**ELY D.A.****EATON SOCON, Cambs.**

S Mary

Sat Jul 8 1995 2h53 (14)

**5088 Superlative S. Major**

Comp. N J Pitstow

- 1 D Graham Hall
  - 2 Susan J Spencer
  - 3 Penny J Durrant
  - 4 Elizabeth Lane
  - 5 Michael J Matthews
  - 6 Wendy Piercy
  - 7 Eric T Lane
  - 8 Michael R Spencer (C)
- 100th peal: 1. First in method: 5. First in method as conductor. By the local band for the church's annual summer fete. (Association assumed, none given).

**EAST GRINSTEAD & DISTRICT GUILD****WITHYHAM, E Sussex**

S Michael &amp; All Angels

Sat Aug 5 1995 3h9 (15)

**5152 Yorkshire S. Major**

Comp. C Kenneth Lewis (Comp 500 p34)

- 1 Margaret A Large
  - 2 Deborah L Blagden
  - 3 Keith J Matthews
  - 4 Ernest J Ladd
  - 5 Eric Roughley
  - 6 Brian E Jeffrey
  - 7 Keith R Wakefield
  - 8 D Paul Smith (C)
- 89th birthday compliment for Ernie Ladd.

**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL D.A.****STRATTON ST MARGARET, Wilts, S Margaret of Antioch**

Fri Aug 4 1995 2h45 (8)

**5184 Oddington S. Major**

Comp. Anthony R Peake

- 1 Nicola J Crichton
- 2 Anita D Sherriff
- 3 Brian Bladon
- 4 Cynthia E Howell
- 5 Cyril A Wratten
- 6 Desmond L Jones
- 7 Anthony R Peake (C)
- 8 Colin M Turner

500th peal of Surprise: 2. First in the method by all and for the Association.

**EAST ILSLEY, Berks, S Mary**

Sat Aug 5 1995 2h45 (9)

**5120 Cricklade S. Major**

Comp. D W Beard

- 1 Katrina A Lenton
- 2 Dorothea M Robotham
- 3 Cynthia E Howell
- 4 Anita D Sherriff
- 5 Desmond L Jones
- 6 Ian J Carey
- 7 Anthony R Peake
- 8 John R Mayne (C)

375th peal: 3. First peal in the method.

**Cricklade S. Major.**

-56-14-56-38-34-58.36-14.78.

8ths place i.e. 17856342.

4th place bobs.

Falseness group N.

**GUILDFORD D.G.****EPSOM COMMON, Surrey**

Christ Church

Sat Jul 15 1995 2h43 (8)

**5120 Superlative S. Major**

Comp. Anthony J Cox

- 1 Lee M McCormack
  - 2 Keith J Matthews
  - 3 D Mark Hodgson
  - 4 Alison McCormack
  - 5 Kate Cameron
  - 6 Anne M Anthony
  - 7 Paul H Beeken (C)
  - 8 Roger M Heyworth
- First in method: 5.7. First as conductor: Paul H Beeken. Circled the tower on the new bells: 8.

**EVERSLEY, Hants, S Mary**

Sat Aug 5 1995 2h42 (5)

**5040 Plain Bob Minor**

(7 different extents)

- 1 Andrew McAnulla
- 2 Jennifer Ingham
- 3 Russ McAnulla
- 4 John Young
- 5 David Latter
- 6 Ellis Thomas (C)

First inside: 2.

95th birthday compliment to HM The Queen Mother 50th birthday compliment to Ross McAnulla. £1

**HERTFORD C.A.****NORTH LUFFENHAM, Rutland, S John the Baptist**

Mon Aug 7 1995 2h55 (11)

**5040 Spliced S. Minor**

(30m: (1) Carlisle, Northumberland, Sandiacre; (2) Chester, Munden, Alnwick, Newcastle, Sandiacre; (3) London, Wells, Cunecastre; (4) Westminster, Allendale; (5) Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Rossendale, Stamford, Netherseale, Annable's London (6) York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham (7) Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull)

- 1 Frank C Price
- 2 Dorothea M Robotham
- 3 Andrew J W Tibbetts
- 4 Richard J W Tibbetts
- 5 Murray A Coleman
- 6 John R Mayne (C)

**KENT C.A.****HUNTON, Kent, S Mary**

Sat Jul 28 1995 2h43 (11)

**5040 Minor**

(4m: 720 St Clements College Bob; 1440 Single Oxford, Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob)

- 1 Reggie Gillard
- 2 Darren Williams
- 3 Malwyn Williams
- 4 Thomas Cullingworth
- 5 Richard W Young
- 6 Michael A Birkbeck (C)

**LEICESTER D.G.****SALTBY, Leics, S Peter**

Mon Jul 31 1995 2h48 (12)

**5040 Spliced S. Royal**

(4m: 1440 Yorkshire, Cambridge; 1080 Rutland, Lincolnshire; 13 com. atw.)

- Comp. Michael Maughan
- 1 Brian G Warwick (C)
- 2 Elizabeth A Betts
- 3 Rosemary R A Ross
- 4 Patricia A M Halls
- 5 Brian S Chapman
- 6 Timothy Wylie
- 7 Revd David H Sansum
- 8 Brian E Mozley
- 9 Philip J H Hudson
- 10 Canon Frederick Ross

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**BIRSTALL, Leics.**

S James the Great  
Sat Jul 29 1995 2h37 (10)  
**5056 St James-the-Great D. Major**

Comp. Albert J Pitman  
1 Rosemary R A Ross  
2 Elizabeth A Betts  
3 Ruth A Stretton  
4 Brian G Warwick (C)  
5 Brian S Chapman  
6 Clive J Mobbs  
7 Canon Frederick Ross  
8 David Kingman

The conductor has circled the tower (the 21st in Leics). Rung within the octave of the Patronal Festival.

The first peal in the method.  
**St James-the-Great D. Major.**  
-38-14-1258-1236-14-18-12.56.  
78 le12 1573 F.C.E.s B D O a.

**LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics.**

Bell Foundry Campanile  
Tue Aug 1 1995 2h29 (6)  
**5120 Packington S. Major**  
Comp. Stanley Jenner  
1 Richard C L Brown (C)  
2 Ruth A Stretton  
3 Colin Lord  
4 Robert C Graves  
5 Frank Chambers  
6 Revd Reginald J Stretton  
7 Stephen H Stanford  
8 E Alan Jacques

**LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics.**

Bell Foundry Campanile  
Wed Aug 2 1995 2h28 (6)  
**5040 Willowbrook S. Royal**  
Comp. Gabriel Lindoff  
1 Brian G Warwick (C)  
2 Elizabeth A Betts  
3 Gail L Wade  
4 Ian N Robinson  
5 Timothy Wylie  
6 Burley P Morris  
7 Frank E Coales  
8 Brian E Mozley  
9 Roland W Morant  
10 David Kingman  
Birthday compliment to Timothy Wylie. The first peal in the method.  
**Willowbrook S. Major.**  
-30-1450-56-36-14-30-16-  
3470.12.58-90 le12 1573  
F.C.E.s c.p.s. (In) B E C d (Out)

**LONDON C.A.**

SHOREDITCH, London E1  
S Leonard  
Sun Jul 30 1995 3h24 (25)  
**5040 Yorkshire S. Maximus**  
Comp. R B Smith  
1 Linda J Etherington  
2 Alison McCormack  
3 Shirley E McGill  
4 Ann Smith  
5 James W Belshaw  
6 John E Hawes (C)  
7 Duncan G Walker  
8 Revd David A Gibbons  
9 Lucinda J C Reeve  
10 Dennis A Hewitt  
11 Ian V J Smith  
12 Thomas M Barlow  
100th together: 4 & 6.

**LICHFIELD  
ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY**

MAVESYN RIDWARE,  
Staffs, S Nicholas  
Thu Jul 20 1995 2h43 (9)  
**5040 Plain Bob Minor**  
(7 different extents)  
1 Andrew C Ogden  
2 Zoe A P Rook  
3 Robert W Smith  
4 Andrew E Else  
5 Gail K Baggott  
6 Clive M Smith (C)  
First peal 'inside' and on six bells: 3.

**NON-ASSOCIATION**

DITCHLING, E Sussex  
S Margaret  
Thu Aug 3 1995 2h25 (8)  
**5056 Spliced S. Major**  
(8m: 768 London, Rutland;  
640 Bristol; 576 Cambridge,  
Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Super-  
lative, Yorkshire: 142 com.)  
Comp. N Smith  
1 John E Hawes (C)  
2 Oliver D Cross  
3 Duncan G Walker  
4 Ann Smith  
5 G Jessica Davies  
6 Alan R Baldock  
7 Ian V J Smith  
8 Ronald R Warford

**NORTH STAFFS. ASSN.**

BROUGHTON, Staffs.  
S Peter  
Fri Jul 21 1995 2h49 (15)  
**5088 Ealing S. Major**  
Comp. J W Washbrook  
1 Margaret Jones  
2 David J Baskerville  
3 Raymond H Daw  
4 David H James  
5 Geoffrey A Edwards  
6 Ralph B Mitchell  
7 Selwyn G Jones (C)  
8 Andrew W Gordon

**NORWICH D.A.**

GREAT YARMOUTH,  
Norfolk, S Nicholas  
Sat Jul 1 1995 3h9 (30)  
**5021 Grandsire Caters**  
Comp. A M Tyler (No 2)  
1 Stephen Smith  
2 Catherine Sturgess  
3 Harry Poyner  
4 Rachael Eagle  
5 Neil Jones  
6 Michael Stokes  
7 Barbara Caffyn (C)  
8 Stephen Day  
9 Jeffrey Fox  
10 Gilbert Larter  
First Peal of Caters:2.  
First of Caters as conductor.  
In celebration of the life of H  
William Barrett who died  
24/6/95.

WROXHAM, Norfolk  
S Mary the Virgin  
Sat Jul 20 1995 2h31 (9)  
**5040 Spliced S. Minor**  
(14m: (1) Hull, Cranford; (2)  
Bourne, Caithness; (3)  
Durham, York; (4) London,  
Wells; (5) Cambridge,  
Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk,  
Hull, Bourne; (6) Beverley,  
Surfleet; (7) Cambridge,  
Ipswich)  
1 Jeremy W Spiller (C)  
2 Shirley M Drew  
3 Raymond Balls  
4 David R McLean  
5 Jeremy W Warren  
6 David Kingman

LOWESTOFT, Suffolk  
S Margaret  
Sat Aug 5 1995 2h51 (14)  
**5184 Plain Bob Major**  
Comp. L Bailey  
1 E Sybil McLean  
2 Rachel M Allen  
3 Judith A Allen  
4 Elizabeth A Allen  
5 Raymond Rivers  
6 Andrew E Crowe  
7 Gilbert E Larter  
8 David R McLean (C)  
First of Major: 2 & 4. Rung  
on the 75th anniversary of  
the first peal on the bells  
and also for the 95th  
birthday of H M Queen  
Elizabeth the Queen Mother  
(4th August).

**NORWICH SOCIETY**

PASTON, Norfolk  
S Margaret  
Sat Jul 29 1995 2h46 (12)  
**5040 Surprise Minor**  
(7m: 1 extent each Carlisle,  
Chester, Munden, Beverley,  
Bourne, Cambridge, Norwich)  
1 Gillian H Knox  
2 Ian Butters  
3 Christopher N McCarthy  
4 Brian G Meads  
5 Richard P J Carter (C)  
6 J Michael Roberts  
In memory of H William  
(Bill) Barrett, Loddon  
Norfolk, 1905-1995.

**OXFORD D.G.**

READING, Berks, S Mary  
Sun Aug 6 1995 3h16 (25)  
**5040 Differential T.B. Triples**  
Comp. V Bedford  
1 Katrina A Lenton  
2 John R Martin  
3 Anthony J Cox  
4 Richard J W Tibbetts  
5 Frank W Rivett  
6 Marc Hart  
7 Martin J Whiteley (C)  
8 Joseph St J Beaumont  
First in method: 3,4,5,7.  
Rung as a pre-wedding  
compliment to Naomi Lewis  
and Rupert Burgess.

**PETERBOROUGH D.G.**

TWYWELL, Northants.  
S Nicholas  
Tue Aug 1 1995 2h37 (7)  
**5040 Minor**  
(5m: 1 extent each Double  
Oxford, St Clements C.B.,  
Kent T.B.; 1 x 1440 Cambridge  
S.; 2 extents Plain Bob)  
1 Frank E Coales  
2 Andrew R Wignell  
3 Elizabeth A Betts  
4 E Raymond Berryman  
5 David Kingman  
6 Paul M Mason (C)  
Most methods to a peal of  
minor: 2,4. Circled tower to  
peals in 6 attempts: 6. Most  
methods as conductor.  
Birthday compliment to 6.

STOWE, Bucks, Assumption  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Sat Aug 5 1995 2h51 (10)  
**5040 Surprise Minor**  
(7m: York, Beverley, Wells,  
Surfleet, London,  
Cambridge, Norwich)  
1 James Linnell  
2 Lynn M Walters  
3 Richard S Stanworth  
4 George E Green  
5 Richard W Yates (C)  
6 G Nigel Williams  
A compliment to William A  
Yates on his 75th birthday.

HARPOLE, Northants.  
All Saints  
Mon Aug 7 1995 2h45 (12)  
**5040 Stedman Doubles**  
(15 callings)  
1 William H Hulme  
2 M J 'Bill' Blowfield  
3 David P Westerman  
4 Andrew W Gordon  
5 Peter M Fleckney (C)  
Last peal on the bells prior  
to augmentation. A silver  
wedding compliment to  
Graham and Bridget Paul  
(August 8th).

**SALISBURY D.G.**

WAREHAM, Dorset  
Lady S Mary  
Fri Aug 4 1995 2h43 (7)  
**5040 Doubles**  
(6m: 480 Stedman; 720  
Grandsire; 960 St Simon's,  
St Martin's, Reverse  
Canterbury, Plain Bob)  
1 June M Brown  
2 Hilary J Child  
3 Felicity S Warwick  
4 Susan P E Legge  
5 Judith A Robertson (C)  
6 H Mary Garrard  
Most Doubles methods to a  
peal: 2, 3. First peal of  
Doubles on the front 6.  
Rung as a 95th birthday  
compliment to Queen  
Elizabeth, the Queen  
Mother, by East Dorset  
Branch Ladies. £1.20

**ST JAMES' GUILD**

SPITALFIELDS, London E  
Christ Church  
Mon Aug 7 1995 3h9 (17)  
**5024 Spliced S. Major**  
(6m: 1120 Rutland; 960  
Cambridge; 864 Superlative;  
768 London; 736 Brighton;  
576 Bristol: 135 com. atw.)  
Comp. R G Crosland  
1 Mark Regan  
2 Ann Jenner  
3 Joan Summerhayes  
4 David C Brown  
5 Alison K Regan  
6 David J Dearnley  
7 Alan Regin  
8 Stanley Jenner (C)

**SOUTHWELL D.G.**

TUXFORD, Notts  
S Nicholas  
Wed Jul 12 1995 2h38 (12)  
**5152 Cancer S. Major**  
Middleton's rearranged.  
1 Colin Aled  
2 Mandy K Freeman  
3 Robert C Graves  
4 Brynley A Richards  
5 Nicholas J Parkes  
6 J Stuart Brown  
7 Christopher B Richards  
8 R Philip Graves (C)

STAVELEY, Derbys.  
S John the Baptist  
Thu Jul 27 1995 2h58 (18)  
**5024 Leo S. Major**  
Comp. A M Barber  
1 Robert C Graves  
2 Mandy K Freeman  
3 Colin Aled  
4 Brynley A Richards  
5 J Stuart Brown  
6 Nicholas J Parkes  
7 Christopher B Richards  
8 R Philip Graves (C)  
900th peal: 1. 100th peal: 2.  
50th together: 1 & 5.

WARSOP, Notts.  
SS Peter & Paul  
Wed Aug 2 1995 2h48 (15)  
**5024 Belfast S. Major**  
Comp. D W Beard  
1 Robert C Graves  
2 Colin Aled  
3 J Stuart Brown  
4 Mandy K Freeman  
5 Brynley A Richards  
6 Christopher B Richards  
7 Nicholas J Parkes  
8 R Philip Graves (C)  
First in the method: 2, 4.  
50th together: 1 & 5.

OVERSEALE, Derbys.  
S Matthew  
Thu Aug 3 1995 2h30 (10)  
**5088 Roma S. Major**  
Comp. Stanley Jenner  
1 Margaret A Edwards  
2 Sally A Mason  
3 Nicola J Crichton  
4 R Brian Mills  
5 Maurice F Edwards  
6 Richard C L Brown  
7 Colin M Turner  
8 R Kingsley Mason (C)  
18th birthday compliment  
to Fiona Edwards (2/8/95)  
and 20th birthday  
compliment to Anthea  
Edwards (4/8/95).

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**CRESWELL, Derbys.**  
S Mary Magdalene  
Wed Jul 19 1995 2h42 (13)  
**5152 Spliced S. Major**  
(10m: 672 Ashted,  
Uxbridge, Yorkshire; 448  
Bristol, Cambridge,  
Lincolnshire, London,  
Pudsey, Rutland,  
Superlative: 146 com. atw.)  
Comp. R P Graves  
1 Matthew R Yeomans  
2 Walter Davis  
3 Brynley A Richards  
4 J Stuart Brown  
5 Robert C Graves  
6 Christopher B Richards  
7 Nicholas J Parkes  
8 R Philip Graves (C)  
First of 10-spliced: 2. 100th  
together: 4 & 7.

#### SURREY ASSN.

**BERMONDSEY, Surrey**  
S James  
Sat Aug 5 1995 2h42 (14)  
**5088 Spliced S. Major**  
(5m: 928 Superlative; 896  
Cambridge; 960 Yorkshire,  
Lincolnshire; 1344 Rutland:  
104 com. atw.)  
Comp. P G K Davies  
1 Stanley Ruddlesden  
2 C Martin Foster  
3 Lee M McCormack  
4 Alison McCormack  
5 Shirley E McGill  
6 D Mark Hodgson  
7 Stephen A Wheeler (C)  
8 Mark E R Gill

#### SUSSEX C.A.

**CHAILEY, E Sussex, S Peter**  
Tue Jul 25 1995 2h34 (7)  
**5040 Surprise Minor**  
(8m: 1 extent Beverley,  
Surfleet; 1 extent each  
Cambridge, Durham,  
London, Norwich, Wells,  
York)  
1 Jacqueline M Hunter  
2 Linda J Etherington  
3 Vanessa V Mitchell  
4 Ann Smith  
5 John E Hawes (C)  
6 Ian V J Smith

**EDENBRIDGE, Kent**  
SS Peter & Paul  
Sat Aug 5 1995 2h54 (14)  
**5120 Montgomery S. Major**  
Comp. R J W Tibbetts  
1 Betty Green  
2 Ann Smith  
3 Ann Jenner  
4 Jennifer A Smith  
5 David D Smith  
6 Ian H Oram  
7 Ian V J Smith  
8 Stanley Jenner (C)

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**PADWORTH, Berks.**  
S John the Baptist  
Wed Aug 2 1995 2h31 (7)  
**5040 Minor**  
(7m: (1) Double Oxford C.B.;  
(2) St Clements C.B.; (3)  
Buxton C.B.; (4) Childwall  
Bob; (5) Kent T.B.; (6)  
Cambridge S.; (7) Plain Bob)  
1 Philip M Saunders  
2 Malcolm T Johns  
3 Kathleen M Johnson  
4 Douglas G Davison  
5 Paul C Johnson  
6 J Robert Johnson (C)  
£1.20

#### TRURO D.G.

**PILLATON, Cornwall**  
S Odolph  
Sat Jul 8 1995 2h40 (12)  
**5040 Surprise Minor**  
(Wells, London, York, Durham,  
Beverley, Surfleet, Cambridge:  
7 different extents)  
1 James W Yates  
2 Robert J Perry  
3 Robert W Brown  
4 David J Buckley  
5 Fergus M S Stracey  
6 Donald B Carter (C)  
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##### LEICESTER D.G.

**BARROW-ON-SOAR, Leics.**  
106, Beaumont Road  
Mon Aug 7 1995 2h20 (15)  
**5056 Tungsten S. Major**  
Comp. J M Jelley (No 39)  
1-2 Rupert A Clarke  
3-4 Paul Jopp  
5-6 John M Jelley (C)  
7-8 Robert B Smith

##### WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH D.G.

**WINCHESTER, Hants.**  
32, Cheriton Road  
Tue Jul 18 1995 2h30 (15)  
**5120 Spliced S. Major**  
(4m: 1440 Yorkshire; 1280  
Cambridge, Lincolnshire;  
1120 Rutland: 69 com. atw.)  
Comp. P G K Davies  
1-2 Andrew G Craddock  
3-4 Brian J Woodruffe  
5-6 John E Spice  
7-8 Peter D Niblett (C)

##### NORWICH D.A.

**HINGHAM, Norfolk**  
6, Hallmoor Road  
Mon Jul 24 1995 1h4 (12)  
**5040 Surprise Minor**  
(3m: (1,3,6,7) Bourne; (2)  
Bourne, Caithness; (4,5)  
Cambridge)  
1-2 Shirley M Drew  
3-4 Jeremy W Spiller  
5-6 Geoffrey R Drew

**SWARDESTON, Norfolk**  
31, Main Road  
Fri Jul 28 1995 1h44 (12)  
**5040 Surprise Minor**  
(2m: (1,3,5,7) Cambridge;  
(2,4,6) Bourne)  
1-2 Shirley M Drew  
3-4 Jeremy W Spiller  
5-6 Geoffrey R Drew

**SWARDESTON, Norfolk**  
31, Main Road  
Sat Aug 5 1995 1h41 (12)  
**5040 Minor**  
(6m: (1) Cambridge; (2)  
Bourne; (3) Oxford T.B.; (4)  
Kent T.B.; (5) St Clements;  
(6,7) Plain Bob)  
1-2 Shirley M Drew  
3-4 Jeremy W Spiller  
5-6 Geoffrey R Drew  
60th wedding anniversary  
compliment to Mr & Mrs  
Drew, parents of 5-6.

##### HERTFORD C.A.

**BOREHAMWOOD, Herts.**  
10, Red Lodge  
Sun Aug 6 1995 1h59 (13)  
**5040 Spliced S. Minor**  
(15m: (1) York, Durham,  
Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick,  
Hexham; (2) Cambridge,  
Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk,  
Bourne, Hull; (3) Cambridge,  
Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk,  
Netherseale, Annable's  
London; (4) Norwich; (5)  
Primrose; (6) Ipswich; (7)  
Cambridge)  
1-2 Richard J Tibbetts  
3-4 John R Mayne (C)  
5-6 Dorothea M Robotham

## Quarter Peals

### First Quarter Congratulations

The following quarter peals have been specially  
sorted for early publication as they contain  
details of those ringers who have rung or  
conducted their first quarter peal.  
Our congratulations to them.

**Aberdeen, Grampian.** 6 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles  
(as per ms.): Clare Brotherton 1, Mike Capocci 2,  
Peter Shipton 3, Alastair Lyndon (1st inside) 4,  
Robert Oakeshott 5, Christine Payne (1st Q.) 6, Liz  
Smart 7, Elizabeth Stott 8. For the Aberdeen  
International Youth Festival Service; also as a  
farewell compliment to Alastair leaving soon for  
Edinburgh.

**Addington, Surrey.** 12 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Ian  
Wiltshire 1, George Perrin (1st Q.) 2, Martin  
Foster 3, Jo Hobson 4, John Perrin 5, Eric  
Godfrey (C) 6. £1

**Auckland, New Zealand.** 18 Jul, 1260 P B  
Doubles: Jan Marshall (1st Q.) 1, Sally Green 2,  
Julian Stone (C) 3, Eleanor Carr 4, Dennis Green 5,  
John Dunn 6. £3

**Bath, Avon.** (St Saviour, Larkhall). 6 Aug, 1260  
PB Doubles: Doreen Bletso (1st Q.) 1, Carol  
Wilkinson 2, Janet Leach 3, Tim Leach 4, David  
Kelly (C) 5, Keith Wilkinson 6. To welcome Terry  
Staples and his family as he joins us as curate;  
also as a welcome into the world of Rosie Grace  
Leach, daughter of Tim and Debbie Leach,  
born 30/7/95. £3

**Birling, Kent.** 21 Jun, 1260 P B Doubles (768  
covering): J R Gilbert 1, D W Elphick 2, Debbie  
Elphick 3, M N Pring 4, Shona Colebrook (C) 5,  
Elizabeth Arden (1st Q.) 6, Tracy Weekes (1st Q.)  
7, Sue Wallis 8. A birthday compliment to the  
treble ringer. 50p

**Brecon, Brecknock.** (S David). 16 Jul, 1260 P B  
Doubles: William Kleiser (1st Q.) 1, Mary Richards  
2, Anne Kleiser (C) 3, Geoffrey Miles 4, Malcolm  
John 5, John Trimm 6. Prior to the Powys  
C.C. Civic Service. 60p

**Colsterworth, Lincs.** 18 Aug, 1260 PB Doubles:  
Verity Pearce (1st Q.) 1, Faith Pearce 2, D A Frith  
3, Pandey Pearce 4, A M Farmer (C) 5. 50p

**East Drayton, Notts.** 2 Jul, 1260 P B Minor:  
Diane Moore (1st Q.) 1, Paul Blatherwick 2,  
Andrew Hall 3, Ernest Preston 4, Brian Freeman  
5, David Holland (C) 6. Half-muffled in memory of  
Vera Small. £1

**Exeter, Devon.** (S Mark). 17 Jul, 1260 P B  
Doubles: Pam Miller (1st Q.) 1, Wendy Campbell  
2, Janet Coles 3, Tony Osborne 4, Ian  
Campbell (C) 5, Rosemary Smith 6. £1

**Farmborough, Avon.** 6 Aug, 1260 Doubles  
(3m): Sophie K Didcott (1st Q. aged 10) 1, P C  
Bridges 2, Jenny Burton 3, P G Neil 4, M J  
Horseman (C) 5, E Jane Didcott 6. For Evening  
Service. 60p

**Harston, Leics.** 3 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles:  
John Anderson (1st Q.) 1, D Braunton 2, T  
Wylie 3, M W Townsend (C) 4, J Greenhough 5.  
A 60th birthday compliment to the treble  
ringer. 50p

**Hawkey, Hants.** 6 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles:  
Doug Johnson 1, Doris Barber 2, Rachael  
Seamons 3, Di Hart 4, Roger Barber (C) 5, Dave  
Hart 6. 1st Q. after only 3+ months of ringing,  
aged 14: 1. 60p

**Kington, Herefs.** 13 Aug, 1260 Stedman  
Doubles: Isobel Thompson (1st Q. aged 12) 1,  
Sandra Payne (1st inside) 2, J W Hope 3, C A  
Lewis 4, M Thompson (1st as C.) 5, A Payne 6.  
Prior to the farewell Service for Revd Graham  
Sykes, curate. £1

**Knapton, Norfolk.** 10 Aug, 1260 Doubles (5m):  
Eddie Lubbock (1st Q.) 1, Joan Larter 2, Andrew  
Lubbock 3, Gilbert Larter (C) 4, Derek Grey 5, Bill  
Stubley (1st Q.) 6. To commemorate the 50th  
anniversary of VJ-Day. £1

**Old Brampton, Derbys.** 30 Jul, 1440 London  
Scholars T B & Norwich S Minor: George Watson  
(1st Q.) 1, A Hall 2, T Swift 3, T Fisher 4, Sue Hall  
5, M P Phipps (C) 6. For Evensong. £1

**Orlbury, Northants.** 6 Aug, 1260 Doubles  
(5m): Audrie Samson 1, Victoria Samson 2, Alison  
Willgress 3, Timothy Samson 4, Ian Willgress (C) 5,  
Keith Webb (1st Q.) 6. For Evensong. £1.20

**Prospect, S Australia.** (S Cuthbert). 18 Jun, 1260  
Stedman Doubles: Suzanne Biddles 1, Anne  
Haskard 2, Amanda Harris 3, Matthew Ball (C) 4,  
Ian Harris 5, Heather Phillips (1st Q.) 6. Annual  
£1

**Pulford, Cheshire.** 30 Jul, 1440 PB Doubles:  
Jenny Cole (1st on treble) 1, Chris Roberts 2, David  
Stockton 3, Graham Carter (1st as C.) 4, Derek  
Venables 5, David Russell 6. For Evening Service to  
mark 1st anniversary of St. Mary's Society. £1

**Slinfold, W Sussex.** 21 Jul, 1260 PB Doubles: Diana  
Chatwin 1, Christine Thomason 2, Mandy Shenwin-  
Smith (1st Q.) 3, Prue Duncan 4, David Poole (C) 5,  
Harold Collyer 6. For the wedding of Christine  
Thomason to Mark Feltham on 22/7/95. £5

**Stoke Canon, Devon.** 12 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m):  
J M Levin 1, A V Edwards 2, W E Dunn 3, A F Lee (C)  
4, B G Williams 5, W H Blake (1st Q.) 6. £1

**Thakeham, W Sussex.** 13 Aug, 1260 PB Doubles:  
Graham Heath 1, Kevin Pritchard 2, Erica Pritchard  
3, Barbara Harbut 4, Linda Etherington (C) 5, Bill  
Hutchinson (1st Q.) 6. A 75th birthday compliment  
to Bill Hutchinson. £1.20

**Thurmaston, Leics.** 8 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles:  
Jayne Hallam (1st Q.) 1, Angela Hallam 2, Gill  
Loveridge 3, M R A Kirk 4, C J Mobbs (C) 5, A  
Buckenham 6. In memory of Mrs Barbara  
Browning d.31/7/95. £3

**Vancouver, B.C. Canada.** (Holy Rosary Cathedral).  
11 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Francesca Barone 1,  
Barbara Vogl 2, Dick Waterman (1st Q.) 3, Roger  
Dancey 4, David Forsyth 5, Graham Walters (C) 6.  
For the installation of Archbishop Peter Mallon,  
former rector of Holy Rosary Cathedral, as  
Archbishop of Regina on this date; also for the  
wedding anniversary of Dick Waterman. £3



**Ware, Herts.** 16 Jul, 1260 PB Doubles: Heather Lloyd 1, Richard Wilsher 2, Nich Wilson 3, Ian Munro (1st as C.) 4, Toy Hornby 5, Bernard Barnaby 6. In celebration of the birth of James Munro. £1

**Wellingborough, Northants.** 12 May, 1260 PB Minor: Jenny Ball (1st Q.) 1, Bob Addie 2, Richard Johnson 3, Ian Willgess 4, John Vintiner(C) 5, Len Gates 6. A belated VE-Day Q. £2

**Whipsnade, Beds.** 13 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Pauline S Kettley (1st on treble) 1, L E Randall 2, Pamela J Ward 3, Marguerite E Smith (1st inside) 4, R I Kendrick(C) 5, Isobel B Randall (1st Q.) 6. To celebrate the silver wedding anniversary on 15/8/95 of Isobel & Les Randall. 60p

**Enfield, Middx.** (S Andrew). 23 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: Tom Foard 1, Stephen Jakeman(C) 2, Angela McC 3, Barry Chick 4, Stephen Coley 5, Tracey Coley 6. (Full name of 3rd ringer not given) For Evensong and wedding compliment to Craig Ward, tower captain, and Catherine Stiles, married here 22/7/95. £3

**Escrick, Yorks.** (S Helen). 10 Jun, 1260 P B Minor (with cover): Anne Bush 1, C Witeley 2, Linda Beard 3, Katy Tang 4, J Hollingshurst 5, R D C Richards(C) 6, Sue Kirkman 7. To celebrate the marriage of Ruth Isabel Dowsell to Robert Emil Lafrance. All those who ring at Escrick offer this tribute to the bride's father Simon Dowsell for all his help in securing the new bells, (which we now expect to arrive in March 1996) and extend their best wishes to his daughter. £1

**Evercreech, Som.** 24 Jul, 1296 Grandsire Caters: David Reeves (1st on 10) 1, Sarah Reeves 2, Audrey Riley 3, Jenny Alderson 4, Mark Harris (Arr. & C) 5, Yvonne Nicholls 6, Derek Beaufoy 7, Paul Reeves 8, David Purnell 9, Stuart Reeves 10. To celebrate the birth of Honor Florence Reeves on 3/6/95. £2

**Farndon, Ches.** 15 Jul, 1504 P B Major: Zoe Roberts 1, Anne Daines 2, Janet Pratt 3, David Stockton 4, Simon McNulty 5, John Maddams 6, Andy Borrill 7, Chris Roberts(C) 8. For the Rush Bearing Festival. £2

**Flamstead, Herts.** 14 Jul, 1440 S Minor (4m): George Reading 1, Loz Middleton 2, Len Luck 3, Chris Tough 4, John Ewer 5, Brian Watson 6. £1.75

**Framdsen, Suffolk.** 24 Jun, 1260 St Martins B Triples: Katharine J Salter 1, Michelle W Chapman 2, Mary Mitchell 3, F C J Arnold 4, J R Slack 5, D G Salter(C) 6, R H French 7, B Pipe 8. On Street Fair day, with special thanks to Bernard for standing in at very short notice. £2

**Graffham, W Sussex.** 15 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Joan Peel 1, G D Heath 2, D A Smith 3, Val Clay 4, G H Lee 5, R M Cox(C) 6. 50p

**Great Bardfield, Essex.** 22 Jul, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Marion Wood 1, C Moore 2, R Burbury 3, D Heath 4, R Butt 5, J Warboys 6, D Ellisdon(C) 7, C Newman 8. £1.60

**Great Casterton, Leics.** 20 Jul, 1320 Kent T B Minor: Bryony Dorrington 1, Ann Blessett (1st in m) 2, Shirley Harris 3, Sue Hobson 4, Peter Boreham 5, Brian Harris(C) 6. £1

**Great Totham, Essex.** 16 Jul, 1260 Doubles (3m): Roger Clark 1, Patrick Saltmarsh 2, Vicky Joel 3, David Barclay 4, Edwin Parsons(C) 5, Bernard Taplin 6. For Evensong. £1

**Gt. Finborough, Suffolk.** 25 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Sue Ashton-Jones 1, Hannah Kidger 2, Carol Girling 3, Marie Carson 4, Josephine Beever 5, Winston Girling(C) 6. To welcome Revd. Nigel Hartley as vicar of the Gt. Finborough group of Parishes, and rung immediately before his Induction Service. £1.20

**Guernsey, C.I.** ("Town Church" St Peter Port). 7 May, 1260 Doubles (5m - 1,2 leading): Maureen Nicholson 1, Ian Nicholson 2, Isabel Woodward 3, Edward Woodward 4, Daniel Shaw 5, Phil Lenfestey 6, Colin Nicholson(C) 7, Paul Jinks 8. 1st Q outside England; 3, 4. As a farewell to Cate & Martin Simons. Also: on 20 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles (6, 8 cover): Ruth Collins 1, John Lihou (1st inside) 2, Denis Pitstow 3, Jeremy Eggleston 4, Colin Nicholson(C) 5, Paul Jinks 6, Jeremy Nicholson 8. With special thanks to the ringers of 3 & 4 for taking part with no notice at all in lieu of Thursday practice. £4

**Hailsham, Sussex.** 26 Jun, 1260 Spl. Stedman & Grandsire Triples: Evelyn Evenden 1, Sandra Titherly 2, Jill Bramley (1st spl. triples) 3, Alan

Baldock(C) 4, Shirley Slade 5, Christine Baldock 6, Christopher Slade 7, Sam Tyler 8. For the Mothers Union Deanery Service. 80p

**Hamilton, NZ.** 22 Jul, 1288 L B Major: Sally Green 1, Wendy Fallon (1st blows in m) 2, Robert Bennett 3, Ross McAdam 4, David Kennett 5, Dennis Green 6, Julian Stone 7, Mark Gilthorpe(C) 8. For the Christening of Anthony Frans McAdam - 23/7/95 a son of Ross, ringer of 4.

**Hanbury, Worcs.** 16 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Phillip Saunders 1, Rosemary Clive 2, Alma Grazebrook 3, Eric Styler 4, Martin Clive 5, Laurence Nicholas 6, Martin G Powell(C) 7, Paul Platt 8. For the morning Service, and also for the Baptism of James John Price which took place at Bradley Green. £1.50

**Harrogate, Yorks.** (S Peter). 2 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: Judith Walker 1, Jean Hopper 2, Gary Andrews (1st inside) 3, James MacDonald 4, Hannah Beck(C) 5, David Mann (1st as cover) 6. To celebrate the ordination of Lee Wassell (curate at this church) & the birthday of 2 & the 18th birthday of the daughter of 5.

**Harrogate, Yorks.** (S Wilfrid). 16 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: Sue Cox 1, Alistair Cox 2, James MacDonald 3, Malcolm Cox 4, Andrew Yardley(C) 5, Gary Andrews 6. To celebrate the ordination of Fr. Damian Feeney to the priesthood, on this day at this church at which he is curate.

**Heathfield, Sussex.** (Reynards). 16 Jul, 1260 P B Royal: Ann Smith 1-2, Louise G Pink 3-4, P M J Bradford 5-6, A D Pink 7-8, I V D Smith(C) 9-10. 80p

**Histon, Cambs.** 23 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Chris Clare 1, Mavis L Driver 2, Janet F Coleby 3, D A Upchurch 4, R F Walker(C) 5, T J English 6. For Evensong. Silver Wedding congratulations to Meredith & Robert Walker. £1

**Horham, Suffolk.** (S Mary). 19 Jun, 1280 Ullesthorpe S Major: Katharine J Salter 1, Hannah M Kidger 2, Mary Allum 3, Josephine M Beever 4, Michelle W Chapman 5, D C Price 6, R D Allum 7, D G Salter(C) 8. 1st in the m by all except 8. Birthday compliment to Ron Beever and David Sparling. £1

**Horsham, W Sussex.** 16 Jul, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Rebecca Sherwood 1, Brenda Jones 2, Diane E Willis 3, T Madigan (1st of ceters in m) 4, Catherine Sherwood (1st ceters) 5, Clare Hodnett 6, Margaret L Sherwood 7, M J Wake 8, R M Cox(C) 9, Patricia Wake 10. 1st on 10; 1, 6. For Evensong & as a 104th birthday compliment to Lily Read, great-grandmother of Michael Wake. £1

**Horton, Staffs.** 15 Jul, 1260 Doubles (5m/v): Michael Helm (1st doubles) 1, Helen Matheson 2, Christina Pearson 3, Shelia Allen (jnr.) 4, Jeff Pearson(C) 5, Anna-Marie Worthington 6. 1st multi doubles; 2, 4. For Flower Festival at Horton. 60p

**Huish Champflower, Som.** 6 Jul, 1260 Rhossili College B Minor: Jane F Beveridge (750th Q) 1, Sally K Wheeler 2, W E Dunn 3, B G Williams 4, A F Lee 5, J M Levin(C) 6. 500th Q together; 5 & 6. 1st in m by all the band. £1.10

**Islington, London N1.** (S James, Prebend St). 23 Jul, 1260 Single Oxford B Minor: Nigel Stone 1, John Adams 2, Jo Barton 3, Prudence Fay 4, Debbie Malin 5, Stephen Jakeman(C) 6. 1st in m by all. 1st minor; 1. For Patronal Festival. £3

**Jesmond, Tyne & Wear.** 23 Jul, 1260 P B Triples: Lucy Armstrong 1, Gill Thompson 2, Anne-Marie Dunford 3, Helen Murray 4, Jeg Gray 5, Richard Grainger 6, Elizabeth Dunford(C) 7, David Dunford 8. Farewell to the Dunford's moving to Nottingham. £2

**Kendal, Cumbria.** 25 Jun, 1260 P B Royal: Diana Handley 1, Eileen Jackson 2, Lucie Mitchell 3, Julie Mayfield 4, Richard Mitchell (1st B royal) 5, Norman Chaddock 6, Lawrence Clement 7, Brian Inglesfield 8, Peter Gardner 9, Kevin Mayfield(C) 10. As a farewell to Revd. Richard Mitchell, curate here for the last 4 years, his wife Lucie & children Peter & Robert, moving to Kirkby Lonsdale to join the team ministry. £2

**Kingsclere, Hants.** 13 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Helen Piper 1, Susan Reynolds 2, Gillian Gardner 3, Colin Hares 4, Catherine Gardner(C) 5, Keith Reynolds 6. In memory of Arthur George Newman on his 78th birthday. Sponsored in aid of Kingsclere Bell Restoration and Maintenance Fund. Also: on 19 Jul, 1260 P B Triples: Susan Reynolds 1, Helen Piper 2, Catherine Gardner 3,

Jonathan Waller 4, Miriam Holdsworth 5, Richard Coxhead 6, Graham Hedges(C) 7, Keith Reynolds 8. To celebrate the departure of Chris, Andrew and Eve on their African Adventure. Sponsored in aid of Kingsclere Bell Restoration and Maintenance Fund. £1.60

**Langford Budville, Som.** 27 Jun, 1260 Doubles (11m/v): Anne S Stenning 1, Jane F Beveridge 2, J M Levin 3, Sally K Wheeler 4, A F Lee(C) 5, B G Williams 6. In memoriam Revd. Howard Bowen, Vicar 1974 - 1980. £1.10

**Launcells, Cornwall.** 16 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Helen Barnes 1, R Corney 2, C E Taylor(C) 3, W H Trewin 4, N Cann 5, D Pearce 6. For Patronal Festival. 95p

**Laxton, Notts.** 22 Jul, 1274 S Minor (Norwich & Cambridge): Richard Marshall 1, Brian Freeman 2, Mandy Freeman 3, Fred Flint 4, Bryan Birkett 5, Nick Parkes(C) 6. During the visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury. £1.20

**Leigh-on-Mendip, Som.** 18 Jul, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Awen Kimmis 1, Carol Hardwick 2, John Ball 3, Marcus Barton 4, Dave Turner (1st S inside) 5, Peter Hardwick(C) 6. £2

**Liss, Hants.** (S Mary). 23 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Joy Martin 1, Di Hart (1st Grandsire triples) 2, D M Hughes 3, R A Routh 4, A T Collins 5, J E Cripps 6, S E Wood(C) 7, D Hart 8. For Evensong, also 40th birthday compliment to Jo Green. 80p

**London, London EC.** (S Vedast, Foster Lane). 16 Jul, 1260 Double Oxford Minor: Catherine Clapham 1, Ruth Harrison 2, Lucy Reeve 3, Rachel Billinge 4, D Holdridge 5, Stephanie Pattenden 6. (C not given). £1.80

**Lullington, Derbys.** 21 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Richard Dingley 1, Bill Riley 2, Russell Thornley (1st inside) 3, Steve Sheldon 4, Andrew Else 5, Richard Chantler(C) 6. For the opening of Lullington's "Gardens Open" weekend. £1

**Lydd, Kent.** 24 Jul, 1260 All Saints Doubles: Ann Pilcher 1, Lydia Terry 2, Brenda Davies 3, Nick Davies(C) 4, Susan Pilcher 5, Gordon Gaunt 6. 1st in m by all. For practice and to welcome the safe arrival of Kedar, infant son of Judi & Tom Friis-Lawrence. £1

**Lymington, Hants.** 22 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Eileen Bartlett 1, Dennis Chapman 2, Stephen Gregory 3, Anthony Webster 4, Lawrence Bartlett 5, Alan Elsmore 6, Rex Corke(C) 7, Peter Hadaway 8. 35th Wedding Anniversary compliment to 1 & 5. Also: on 23 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Alison Hyde 1, Lynda Smith 2, Stephen Gregory(C) 3, Philip Hyde (1st inside) 4, Rex Corke 5. 50p

**Lyng, Norfolk.** (Merlins, Hammond Place). 8 Jul, 1272 P B Minimus: D R Love 1-2, A E Holroyd 3-4. Joint C. Birthday compliment to Hannah Woor and Andrew Johnson.

**Macclesfield, Ches.** (S Michael & AA). 20 Jul, 1263 Stedman Caters: Ivor Nichols(C) 1, Helen Foster 2, Clive Caltan 3, Melanie Daw 4, Peter Maddocks 5, Rosemary Maddocks 6, Kevin Rogers 7, Frank Osbaldiston 8, Richard Starkie 9, William Dowse 10. £1

**Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts.** 9 Jul, 1274 Cambridge S Minor: Les Parker 1, Joan Crosby 2, Mandy Freeman 3, Fred Flint 4, Colin Aled 5, Nick Parkes(C) 6. For Flower Festival Service. £1.20

**Marsham, Norfolk.** 14 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Iris Golden 1, D Phillips 2, K Shaw 3, D Woor 4, S T Smith 5, D Pardon 6, J R Smith(C) 7, Geraldine Shreeve 8. To celebrate the 80th birthday of the treble ringer. £1

**Martley, Worcs.** 23 Jul, (no. of changes not given) All Saints Doubles: Anne B Speed 1, Monica Wood 2, C Brook 3, R F B Speed 4, M Curran(C) 5, D Cropp 6. For Evensong. 1st in m for all. £1.20

**Mayfield, E Sussex.** 21 Jul, 1259 Grandsire Triples: Evelyn M Evenden 1, Helen Tappenden 2, Margaret C Ellis 3, Pauline M Kennard 4, Shirley H Slade 5, C E Slade 6, H F Pettifer(C) 7, S F J Tyler 8. With good wishes from BTE Travellers to Chris & Shirley Slade, moving to Worcs. £1.60

**Melbourn, Cambs.** 23 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Marion Perryman 1, Maggie Paget-Wilkes 2, David Hawkins 3, John Gipson 4, David Coleman 5, Richard Fletcher 6, Geoffrey Perryman(C) 7, John Coppendale 8. For Evensong. £1.60



**Meopham, Kent.** 22 Jul, 1250 Ashstead S Major: Peter Beresford 1, Josephine Horton 2, Simon Dixon 3, Rhian Bagshaw 4, John Cooper 5, Phillip Barnes 6, Andrew Young 7, Neil Jones(C) 8. £1.60

**Midhurst, W Sussex.** 2 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: John Etherington 1, Joy Davies 2, Marcus Davies 3, Mary Gilbert 4, John Maybrey 5, Jim West 6. For Miss Lyn Hallett, former bellringer of this parish, ordination took place Durham Cathedral 2/7/95, now priest in charge in the village of Crook, Co. Durham. £3

**Mortlake, London SW14.** 9 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Leslie Greeman 1, Francis Ring Davies 2, Patricia Chapman 3, Liz Stanley 4, J Nicholas Ley 5, Edmund Hartley(C) 6, Adrian Udall 7, Bill Griffiths 8. To mark the third centenary of the bells. £1.60

**New Romney, Kent.** 21 Jul, 1260 P B Triples: Arthur King 1, Eileen Butler 2, Brenda Davies 3, Rosemary Coney 4, Chris Cooper 5, Bruce Butler 6, Nick Davies(C) 7, Charlotte Edmond 8. To welcome Bruce & Eileen Butler from Philadelphia, USA, and a compliment to Helen Ward on gaining her PGCE from Ripon College and her first teaching post. £2

**Newcastle upon Tyne, Tyne & Wear.** (S John). 13 Jul, 1344 P B Major: Barbara Wheeler 1, Jack Anderson 2, Tanya Wheeler 3, Pat Younger (1st major) 4, Iris Anderson 5, Christine Richardson 6, Elizabeth Dunford(C) 7, Rachael Dyson 8. £1.60

**North Stoneham, Hants.** 12 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Mark Watts 1, Peter Giles (1st minor) 2, John Hallett 3, Robert Ryder 4, Philip Watts 5, Graham Wright(C) 6. For Evensong and to mark the Baptism of Louise Rachel, daughter of Malcolm (churchwarden) and Rachel Harper. Possibly the first time ever that an infant child of a serving Church Warden has been baptised in this church. £2.50

**Overton, Hants.** (The Campanile). 22 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Helen J Piper 1, R A Walsh 2, Christine Holmes 3, A P Lewis 4, D A Holmes(C) 5, B D Constant 6. £1

**Peasmarsh, Sussex.** 19 Jul, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Louise G Pink 1, S L Brown 2, A Pink(C) 3, Catherine S Nevin 4, J Rumball 5, D J Mence 6. 60p

**Peckleton, Leics.** 21 Jul, 1272 London S Minor: M Angrave 1, R A Sheasby 2, B P Morris 3, C N Sheasby 4, R J Angrave 5, M E Brown(C) 6. For the opening of Peckleton Festival. 60p

**Perth, W Australia.** 23 Jul, 1280 P B Major: Devana Haggis 1, Mary Lewin 2, Suzanne Biddles 3, Laura Ivey 4, Jean Pollard 5, Glyn Geen 6, David Knewstub 7, Eric S White(C) 8. For Evensong and Jean Pollard's visit. Also: on 25 Jul, 1260 P B Triples: Willah Edmonds (1st triples) 1, Laura Ivey 2, Suzanne Biddles 3, Devana Haggis 4, Glyn Geen 5, David Knewstub 6, Eric S White(C) 7, Timothy Dean 8. For Ordination. Annual

**Peterborough, Cambs.** (S Mary). 9 Jul, 1250 Cambridge S Major: G Davis 1, Susan E Parker 2, M Bell 3, Joan Parker 4, A M H Christie 5, M A Parker 6, W A Dobbs 7, A J Parker(C) 8. For ordination of Revd. Christopher Mason (Priest) and Revd. Jan Gould (Deacon) both of St Marys. £1.60

**Petworth, W Sussex.** 9 Jul, 1280 Rutland S Major: J E Cripps 1, Joan Peel 2, G Poyntz 3, C Etherington 4, A Rix 5, F R Verrall 6, G C Rix 7, R M Cox (C) 8. For Petworth Festival Choral Evensong. £1

**Preston, Dorset.** 23 Jul, 1320 Kent T B Minor: Christopher Garrett 1, Nicholas Garrett (1st in m) 2, Thomas Garrett 3, Peter Bartrip 4, Michael Foggon 5, David Cull(C) 6. For Evensong. £1.20

**Quainton, Bucks.** 22 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Diana Day 1, Mary Bliss 2, Angela Newing 3, Sheila Cheesman 4, Peter Sloman 5, Michael Powell 6, Alan Baldock(C) 7, Bob Tilt 8. By members of the Magistrates' Association to mark the 75th Anniversary of the association. £1.60

**Rothwell, Northants.** 16 Jul, 1272 London S Minor: C N Stephenson 1, Elizabeth Betts 2, Alison Willgress 3, M A Coleman(C) 4, W J Riley 5, D Kingman 6. For Evensong. Also: on 23 Jul, 1296 Spl. S Minor (5m): Delia Smith 1, Elizabeth Betts 2, M A Coleman(C) 3, M J Hawkins 4, F E Coales 5, D Kingman 6. For Evensong. £1.40

**Ruislip, Middx.** 9 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Andrea Blake 1, Mary Gage 2, Audrey Andrews 3, Roger Gage 4, David Fyfield 5, Ian Blake(C) 6. To congratulate ringer of 5 on his selection for promotion to Captain R.N. £1

**Rushden, Northants.** 16 Jul, 1250 Spl. S Major (CYNRS): Matthew Whitworth 1, Pam Bailey 2, Sarah Hedgecock 3, Brenda Dixon 4, Jim Hedgecock 5, Bob Whitworth (1st spl.) 6, James Bence 7, Alan Marks(C) 8. For Evensong, also for the 16th Wedding Anniversary of the 2nd. Also: on 23 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Meg Boatright 1, Pam Bailey 2, Brenda Dixon 3, Sarah Hedgecock 4, Jim Hedgecock 5, Bob Whitworth 6, Robert Dennis(C) 7, Alan Marks 8. For Evensong. £1.60

**Sandhurst, Berks.** (S Michael). 2 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: W H Mills 1, D Palmer 2, S Paterson (1st in m) 3, W R Hillary 4, M Paterson 5, Janet Menhinick 6. To commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the United Nations. £2

**Sapcote, Leics.** 15 Jul, 1280 Bristol S Major: M J Pendery 1, Gail L Wade 2, M Angrave 3, Caroline J Carter 4, R P Hartley 5, C M Rudge 6, R J Angrave(C) 7, M A Boylan 8. 80p

**Sapcote, Leics.** (Harecroft Portable Mini Ring). 16 Jul, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Kathleen M Brown 1, Mary Hale 2, S Hale 3, C Lord 4, R A Sheasby 5, M E Brown(C) 6. 60p

**Shrawley, Worcs.** 20 Jul, 1299 Grandsire Doubles: Mary Westwood 1, C Lewis 2, Monica Wood 3, D Wood 4, D H Mountford 5, M Bendall 6. To celebrate the Diamond Wedding Anniversary of Mr & Mrs Bill Turford of Shrawley. Bill was for many years a local ringer. £1.20

**Slough, Berks.** 13 Jul, 1280 Cambridge S Royal: Reginald Gillard 1, Alison Turner(C) 2, Ian Blake 3, Brian Watson 4, Rebecca Bruce 5, Clive Buswell 6, David Moore 7, Peter Mackie 8, Andrew Ellis 9, Lloyd Cartwright 10. 1st royal as C; 2. £1

**South Kirkby, Pontefract, W Yorks.** 16 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Jeff Ladd(C) 1, Alan Ladd 2, Robert Cooper 3, Glynn Evans 4, Catherine Marsden 5, Catherine Ladd 6. For the Induction and Institution of Fr. Timothy Kaye as Vicar of All Saints, South Kirkby. Prior to his first Parish Mass. £1

**Southrepps, Norfolk.** 25 Jul, 1320 Doubles (2m): Joan Larter 1, Robert Goodliffe (1st inside) 2, Andrew Lubbock 3, Derek Grey 4, Gilbert Larter(C) 5, George Riseborough 6. To welcome Harry Robert George Gunn, born 22/7/95 (nephew of 2nd). £1

**St Leonards on Sea, Sussex.** (23 Albany Road). 7 Jul, 1320 Old Oxford D Minor: Louise G Pink 1-2, P M J Bradford 3-4, A D Pink(C) 5-6. Also: on 15 Jul, 1320 Bourne S Minor: Louise G Pink 1-2, P M J Bradford 3-4, A D Pink(C) 5-6. 50p

**Stebbing, Essex.** 22 Jul, 1296 Single Oxford B Minor: C Moore 1, R Burberry 2, R Butt 3, D Heath (1st in m) 4, D Ellisdon (1st in m) 5, C Newman (250th Q as C) 6. £1.20

**Steepe, Hants.** 16 Jul, 1320 London S Minor: Val Williams 1, Andrew Routh 2, Antony Townsend 3, Hugh Routh 4, Simon Longlands (100th Q & 1st in m) 5, Terry Collins(C) 6. For Choral Evensong. £2

**Stithians, Cornwall.** 8 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): Heather Selvey-Willars 1, D Pope 2, C Jose 3, G Wilson 4, I Selvey-Willars(C) 5, L Barter 6. A compliment to Len Barter on his ordination as Deacon. £1

**Tanworth in Arden, Warwicks.** 19 Jul, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Francis Sreeves 1, Jayne MacKay 2, Matthew Sreeves 3, Stephen Shipley 4, A J Barnfield(C) 5, Ann Smart 6. £2

**Tillington, W Sussex.** 15 Jul, 1260 Doubles (7m/v): G H Lee 1, G D Heath 2, Val Clay 3, Joan Peel 4, R M Cox(C) 5. 50p

**Tiverton, Devon.** (S Peter). 21 Jul, 1260 Middlesex B Triples: A V Edwards 1, Sheila Scofield 2, B Horrell 3, W E Dunn(C) 4, B G Williams 5, A F Lee 6, M Weighell 7, N Williams 8. 49th Wedding Anniversary of Phyllis & Wilf Dunn. £1.60

**Val, Guernsey, C.I.** 23 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Susie Bean 1, Nicky David 2, David Ely 3, John David 4, Michael Bubb(C) 5, Harry White 6. A wedding compliment to Lisa Richardson and Timothy Lowe married here yesterday. £1.20

**Watton-at-Stone, Herts.** 21 Jul, 1260 Stedman Triples: Alban Forster (1st inside) 1, Alan Patterson 2, Heather Lloyd 3, Alan Jackson 4, Roy Hornby 5, Shane Saunders 6, Chris Forster(C) 7, John Ford 8. £2

**Welshpool, Powys.** 23 Jul, 1250 Cambridge S Major: Lynda Dabinett 1, Ann Bennett 2, Wendy Gough 3, David Gough 4, David Carpenter 5, Leonard Colley 6, Paul Bennett 7, Neil Bennett(C) 8. Before Morning Service, attended by HRH The Prince of Wales during a private visit to the town. £1

**West Tarring, W Sussex.** 2 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): Natalie Romsey 1, Brenda I Cox 2, M P Spencer 3, D A Smith 4, R M Cox(C) 5, G A Plater 6. For Communion. Also: on 16 Jul, 1260 Doubles (3m): Natalie Romsey 1, Brenda I Cox 2, R M Cox(C) 3, M P Spencer 4, D A Smith 5, G A Plater 6. £1

**Westbury on Severn, Glos.** 16 Jul, 1260 Doubles (4m/v): Mary Fear 1, Victor Gibson 2, Debby Lane 3, Brian Lewis 4, John Gibson(C) 5, Steve Lewis 6. £1

**Westerleigh, Avon.** 12 Jul, 1260 Doubles (4m): C Musty 1, B Angell 2, B A Hardwick 3, M Blanchard 4, H T Ferris(C) 5, A Fox 6. In loving memory of Jack Ferris, born 11/7/95. £1.20

**Weston-in-Gordano, Avon.** 16 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): E Simmons (1st on treble) 1, B J North(C) 2, Anne Harris 3, Margaret Reed 4, R J Ballam 5, M Baker 6. £2

**Whitehaven, Cumbria.** 23 Jul, 1272 P B Major: Caroline Tyson 1, T H Naylor (1st major) 2, Sally Thomas 3, Sandra Heddle 4, M J Smith 5, S Hutchinson 6, J H McTear 7, J Whitelock(C) 8. As a farewell to Caroline Tyson who is leaving to go to Leicester. £1

**Withyham, Sussex.** 17 Jul, 1260 Stedman Triples: Caroline Harris 1, Jacqueline Hunter 2, Nicola Dawkins 3, John Palmer 4, Mark Dawkins 5, Keith Player 6, Robert Harris(C) 7, John Stevenson 8. To say farewell and thankyou to the Revd. Arthur and Hazel Harris on their last service before retiring to Salisbury. £2

**Wiveliscombe, Som.** 16 Jul, 1280 Spl. S Major (CYNPR): A F Lee 1, Sally K Wheeler 2, M C Hansford 3, K E Beale 4, Jill M Hansford 5, Preb. C J B Marshall 6, J Hill 7, D B Carter(C) 8. The C's 300th on a Sunday, 25th as C on the bells and 25th of S this year. £1.60

**Worle, Avon.** 2 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: H C A Button 1, J F S Lambard 2, J G Cook 3, B G Williams 4, D Hawkings(C) 5. For Family Service. Also: on 9 Jul, 1260 Doubles (11m): J G Cook 1, J F S Lambard 2, C A Swatton 3, M Endicott 4, D Hawkings(C) 5, J H Widgey 6. For Morning Service. Also: on 16 Jul, 1260 Doubles (11m): Jennifer Spence 1, J G Cook 2, C A Swatton 3, P J Spence (1st in m for 9 new m's) 4, J S Boorman(C, 350th Q) 5, B G Williams 6. For Morning Service. Also: on 23 Jul, 1260 Doubles (11m): J F S Lambard 1, Joanne M Spence 2, J G Cook 3, C A Swatton 4, D Hawkings(C) 5, P J Spence 6. For Morning Service. £4.80

**Yardley, Birmingham.** (S Edburghal). 20 Jul, 1250 Rutland S Major: Paul Smith 1, Simon Adams (1st in m) 2, Catherine Taylor 3, Christopher Lees 4, Jeffrey Webb 5, Nicholas Green 6, Alan Hartley 7, Martin Powell(C) 8. £1.50

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### 1955 A Vintage Year

Several years ago it was realised that six friends, Sue Sawyer, Alan Sinden, Graham and Lesley Tucker, Patricia and Lester Yeo, all being Devon Guild resident members had been born in 1955.

This was marked by all six ringing a date touch of 1955 Doubles and Minor. The "odd" composition of Original Doubles was provided by Tony Crabtree, who it turned out was also a resident 1955er. After reading the report of the date touch in "The Ringing World" Peter Bazley from Tavistock let it be known that he was also a resident 1955er.

This resulted in all eight ringing a date touch of 1955 Yorkshire Surprise Major composed and conducted by Alan Sinden.

Over the ensuing years it was suggested that we should mark 1995, when we would all be celebrating our 40th birthdays, by ringing a date touch on ten. Lester Yeo kindly organised a suitable ten by adding two bells to the ring in his parish at Thorverton. Also a suitable composition of Stedman had been kindly supplied by William Willans.

Unfortunately during those years no additional resident 1955ers had been found and Tony Crabtree had moved away, some people will do anything to avoid ringing Stedman! However various friends, spouses and family members were found to allow us to attempt the date touch.

The first attempt on 30th June was unfortunately unsuccessful. However, the next attempt, appropriately for Lester Yeo's birthday was successful.

**Thorverton, Devon.** 26 Jul, 1955 Stedman Caters: Lester Yeo 1, Wendy Campbell 2, Patricia Yeo 3, Susan Sawyer 4, Lesley Tucker 5, Alan Sinden (C) 6, Graham Tucker 7, Ian Campbell 8, Peter Sawyer 9, Peter Bazley 10. 40th Birthday Compliment to Lester Yeo from his fellow 1955er's and friends.

Donation: £1.10

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### Quarters in the D & N

**West Hartlepool, Cleveland** (St Oswald). 2 Apr, 1260 P.B. Minor: James Dodds 1, C A Cooper 2, C A Leese 3, K Appleby 4, Joanne M Gardner 5, M J L Durham (C) 6. Also 30 Apr, 1428 P.B. Minor: Joanathon Dodds (1st on 6) 1, K Appleby 2, R Turner 3, C A Leese 4, Joanne Gardner 5, C A Cooper (C) 6. Also 7 May, 1280 P.B. Major: Jean M Woodward 1, R A M Turner 2, M B Gilby 3, A F Bokma 4, Joanne M Gardner 5, P R Ellis 6, K Appleby 7, M J L Durham (C) 8.

**Durham** (St Oswald). 2 Apr, 1260 P.B. Doubles: K Appleby 1, Fleur Coppock 2, Cathy Thompson 3, E Cheesman 4, Joanne M Gardner (1st as C) 5, D Butler 6. Also 7 Apr, 1272 Cambridge S. & St Clements Minor: Jean M Woodward 1, Joanne M Gardner 2, R A M Turner 3, C A Cooper 4, K Appleby 5, M Durham (C) 6. Before the Shincliffe Annual Dinner. Also 9 Apr, 1260 P.B. Triples: Cathy Thompson 1, Heather Greenan (1st on 8) 2, Jean M Woodward 3, Sarah Smith 4, Joanne M Gardner 5, C A Cooper 6, K Appleby (C) 7, E R Cheesman 8. Before Evensong on Palm Sunday. Also 24 Apr, 1280 Lincolnshire S. Major: Joanne M Gardner 1, M Durham 2, Jean M Woodward (1st Lincolnshire) 3, K Appleby 4, J R Hind 5, S J C Corley 6, P R Ellis 7, C A Cooper (C) 8. Also 30 Apr, 1320 P.B. & Cambridge S. Minor: A Bokma 1, E Cheesman 2, Joanne Gardner 3, P R Ellis 4, C A Cooper 5, K Appleby (C) 6. Also 1 May, 1282 Spl. S. Major (CYNR): Joanne Gardner 1, D G Walker 2, J R Hind 3, K Appleby 4, P R Ellis 5, S Corley 6, M Durham 7, C A Cooper (C) 8. Most Spliced: 5.6. Also 3 May, 1280 Spl. S. Major (CYNR): Joanne Gardner 1, C A Cooper (C) 2, K King 3, E Alyson Kerr 4, R A M Turner 5, S J C Corley 6, D G Walker 7, K Appleby 8.

**Shincliffe, Durham.** 5 May, 1274 Norwich S. Minor: R A M Turner 1, Joanne M Gardner (1st blows in m) 2, K Appleby 3, K Hayton 4, C A Cooper 5, M J L Durham (C) 6. Also 15 May, 1296 P.B. Minor: Joan Ives (1st on 6) 1, C A Cooper 2, Jean Woodward 3, Joanne Gardner 4, A F Bokma 5, K Appleby (C) 6.

**Tanfield, Durham.** 10 May, 1280 Belfast S. Major: Joanne M Gardner 1, M J L Durham (C) 2, Anne Davies 3, K Appleby 4, R A M Turner 5, K King 6, J R Hind 7, C Moon 8. 1st Belfast: 3.6. Also 10 May, 1280 Cambridge S. Major: Joanne M Gardner 1, Anne Davies 2, Gillian King 3, M J L Durham 4, K Appleby 5, R A M Turner 6, K King 7, C Moon (C) 8.

**Roker, Tyne & Wear.** 17 May, 1260 P.B. Royal: G S Deas 1, A Bokma 2, Joanne M Gardner (1st Royal) 3, K Hayton 4, R A M Turner 5, J R Hind 6, K Appleby 7, S J C Corley 8, K King 9, S B Bell (C) 10.

**Shincliffe, Durham.** 21 May, 1260 P.B. Minor: K Hayton 1, Marianne Quayle (1st Minor) 2, Jean M Woodward 3, E R Cheesman 4, R A M Turner 5, M J L Durham (C) 6.

**Heworth, Tyne & Wear.** 26 May, 1260 P.B. Doubles: M B Gilby 1, R A M Turner 2, Joanne M Gardner (50th Q this year) 3, K King (C) 4, K Appleby 5, B Rogers (1st Q) 6.

### AJS Tours - Lundy

A party of 22 adult "tourists" had what could only be described as an interesting crossing to the island of Lundy. Only four of the party were not ill or didn't feel decidedly dodgy. However a full recovery was made so that all the "tourists" could "score" the island.

Some "tourists" are never happy and on the journey home commented that it was probably the most expensive and only one tower quarter peal tour they had been on!

**Lundy Island, Devon.** 29 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Anne Jones 1, Julie Sinden 2, Celia Deem 3, Wendy Campbell 4, Alan Sinden (C) 5, Neil Deem 6, Ian Campbell 7, Ian Hill 8. Compelte Devon 8s to Qs: 5. Also 1280 Yorkshire S. Major: Nicola Pullan 1, Clare Pipe-Wolferstan 2, Lesley

Tucker 3, Richard Shere 4, Graham Tucker 5, Anthony Pullan 6, Edward Goater 7, Charles Pipe-Wolferstan (C) 8. Completed Devon 8s to Qs: 5. Also 1280 Bristol S. Major: Neil Deem 1, Wendy Campbell 2, Susan Sawyer 3, Graham Sparey 4, Elaine Grant 5, Ian Hill 6, Peter Sawyer 7, James Grant (C) 8.

Donation: £2.40

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### Southwell Diocesan Guild Mansfield District Quarter Peal Day

The annual Mansfield District Quarter Peal Day was held on Saturday 24th June; this was earlier in the year than usual due to the Guild half yearly meeting taking place in the District in October.

The objective of the day was to ring a quarter peal in each tower in the district with five or more bells. This goal failed at the organisation stage as Mansfield itself was not available on the day. However a surrogate tower was introduced in Ault Hucknall which is only just over the border into Derbyshire.

Fourteen quarters were attempted of which eleven were successful. Failed quarters were attempted at Mansfield Woodhouse, Selston and Eastwood. A total of 33 ringers took part in the day and a number of first were scored. The event raised £33 for the bell repair fund.

I should like to thank all the ringers who took part in the day and all the incumbents of the towers involved for allowing us to use the bells. Donation: £10 CBR

**Warsop, Notts.** 24 Jun, 1312 Yorkshire S. Major: Anna Webb (1st T.B. Major) 1, Anne England 2, D Butterworth (C) 3, W Davis 4, F Flint 5, C Aled 6, P England 7, D Holland 8.

**Teversal, Notts.** 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Mandy Freeman 1, C Aled 2, Janet Webb 3, D Holland 4, N J Parkes (C) 5.

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**Sutton in Ashfield, Notts.** 1260 Grandsire Triples: M Baker 1, Anna Webb 2, Janet Webb 3, Mandy K Freeman 4, Margaret Reed 5, O Butterworth 6, N J Parkes (C) 7.

**Budworth, Notts.** 1272 Norwich S. Minor: R Marshall 1, F Flint 2, Jenny Coxston 3, C B Richards 4, C Aked 5, D Holland (C) 6.

**Farnsfield, Notts.** 1260 P.B. Doubles: Laura Shephard 1, Nicola Eves (C) 2, Janet Webb 3, A Densham (1st inside) 4, M Robertson 5, K Smith 6. 1st Q: 1,5.

**Cuckney, Notts.** 1260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: M Baker 1, R Hind 2, Margaret Reed 3, Mandy K Freeman 4, D Beach 5, N J Parkes (C) 6.

**Kirkby in Ashfield, Notts.** 1296 Cambridge S. Minor: R Hind 1, Jenny Loxston 2, P Loxston 3, B Hinchcliffe 4, D Butterworth 5, C B Richards (C) 6.

**Ault Hucknall, Derbys.** 1280 P.B. Major: D Beach 1, Anna Hebb 2, R M Laine 3, Anne England 4, Margaret Reed 5, M Baker 6, F Flint 7, P England (C) 8.

**Edwinstowe, Notts.** 1260 P.B. Minor: M Lunnon (1st Q) 1, G Howbrook 2, Anne England 3, R Hind 4, Hazel Lunnon 5, P England (C) 6.

**Hucknall, Notts.** 24 Jun, 1280 D.N.C.B. Major: M Baker 1, P Loxston 2, C Aked 3, Margaret Reed 4, D Butterworth 5, B Hinchcliffe (1st in m) 6, N J Parkes 7, C B Richards (C) 8.

**Greasley, Notts.** 24 Jun, 1280 Spl. S. Major (Std 8): Anna Webb 1, F Flint 2, Mandy K Freeman 3, C Aked 4, C B Richards 5, D Holland 6, N J Parkes 7, D Butterworth (C) 8.

### An Articulated Complaint

Quarter peals are rare at Pipe-cum-Lyde near Hereford, in fact ringing there is far from a regular activity. When Phil Morgan enquired about ringing there, he had only Pipe-cum-Lyde and the new ring at Preston-on-Wye to complete Herefordshire; I suggested a quarter peal.

We duly gathered together a band for Cambridge Minor (another rarity for Hereford!). If successful it would have been Ashley's first of treble bob and Sarah's 100th quarter. Off we went and quickly settled into a good rhythm on these difficult bells.

After twenty minutes we were disturbed by banging on the door. We looked at each other, had a slight hiccup with the rhythm and carried on. The banging stopped. Then started again. Then stopped. Started. Stopped. The end of the 720 came out. We stood and went to investigate.

We were met by a lorry driver. "Could you move your cars please? I can't get my lorry round."

Now the lane passing the church is scarcely a motorway. It is in fact a lane. Our Yorkie-chomping friend was in charge of a very large articulated lorry and had attempted to swing out of a yard adjacent to the church and was requiring the use of the adjacent grass verge to complete the manoeuvre.

We were less than pleased and made our views plain as we moved our cars out of the way of the over-sized vehicle.

Still, the 720 was good - can we please record it for posterity?

**Pipe-cum-Lyde, Herefords.** 25 Jul, 720 Cambridge S. Minor: Ashley Fortey (1st 720 T.B. Minor) 1, Mandy James 2, Jo Hall 3, Sarah Morgan 4, Phil Morgan 5, David Carter (C) 6. Quarter sabotaged by lorry driver!

Donation: £2 DAVID CARTER

### In celebratory mood

The first day of the school Summer Holiday is a day to be especially savoured by those of us in education. The 24.7.95 also happened to be the wedding anniversaries of the Wrights and the Larters. Therefore, in celebratory mood, in glorious hot weather, this band comprising mainly Kent ringers spent an enjoyable and successful quarter peal day in Surrey. It was incidental that the initial of each place rung at formed the word GRAB. The first target of the day was to ring Ashtead at Ashtead. This successful quarter was "first blows" in Ashtead for four of the band. Bristol at Betchworth was followed by a leisurely lunch. The quarter of

Rutland at Redhill produced the best, rhythmical striking of the day. Rutland was the set method for the KCACR 8 bell Inter-District Striking Competition this summer, so this method has been much practised recently by the Kent ringers in this band. The concluding quarter of this first day of the summer holiday was Superlative at Godstone.

We should like to thank everyone who gave up their time on a Monday to meet us at the towers. We were met promptly and warmly welcomed at each tower. Our thanks also to the respective incumbents for the use of their bells.

Donation: £8 D.R.W.

**Ashtead, Surrey.** 24 Jul, 1250 Ashtead S. Major: Philip Larter 1, Graham Heath 2, Janet Yeo 3, Diana Wraight 4, Rhian Bagshaw 5, Timothy Wraight 6, Michael Birkbeck 7, Neil Jones (C) 8. 1st blows in m: 2,3,4,6. 30th Wedding Anniversary compliment to Diana and Tim Wraight 24.7.95; 2nd Wedding Anniversary compliment to Clare and Philip Larter 24.7.95.

**Betchworth, Surrey.** 1282 Bristol S. Major: Graham Heath 1, Diana Wraight 2, Janet Yeo 3, Michael Birkbeck 4, Timothy Wraight 5, Philip Larter 6, Rhian Bagshaw 7, Neil Jones (C) 8.

**Redhill, Surrey.** 1280 Rutland S. Major: Neil Jones 1, Graham Heath (1st in m) 2, Diana Wraight (C) 3, Janet Yeo 4, Timothy Wraight 5, Rhian Bagshaw 6, Philip Larter 7, Michael Birkbeck 8. In celebration of the Summer Holidays.

**Godstone, Surrey.** 1250 Superlative S. Major: Janet Yeo 1, Diana Wraight 2, Graham Heath (1st in m) 3, Philip Larter 4, Timothy Wraight 5, Rhian Bagshaw 6, Neil Jones 7, Michael Birkbeck (C) 8.

### Barnes in the West

Barnes ringers' weekend in the west was slightly different this year.

The date had to be changed quite late in the planning process and the number attending reflected this. With fewer towers, fewer quarter peal attempts but just as much food and drink, those who came expected an easier time. Friday was set aside for a trip to Lundy Island and when this was weathered off even more relaxation was anticipated by some. However Mike Brady was able to organise two towers for us at very short notice and with a full schedule on Saturday and Sunday it was not particularly relaxing after all!

We rang at ten "new" towers and also revisited some old favourites, the majority of our quarter peal attempts were successful but for some obscure reason this year it was some of the Grandsire Doubles that evaded us! Baby Sam Gosden, our newest recruit managed to visit most of the towers and hostelries, but at seven weeks old he was left out of all the quarter peal attempts which was more than anyone else got away with!

We are again grateful to Colin Yandle for welcoming us to his Bampton Cottage (our headquarters) and to all those who helped with the catering, particularly Jill.

Donation: £15 E.J.R.H.

**Huish Episcopi.** 13 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Adrian Udall 1, Liz Stanley 2, Brian Price 3, Ian Church 4, Edmund Hartley (C) 5, Francis Ring-Davies 6.

**Morebath, Devon.** 13 Jul, 1260 P.B. Minor: Edmund Hartley 1, Ian Church 2, Liz Stanley 3, Francis Ring-Davies 4, Adrian Udall 5, Brian Price (C) 6.

**Winkleigh, Devon.** 14 Jul, 1260 Stedman Triples: George Doughty 1, Michael Brady 2, Jill Hupman 3, Ian Church 4, Edmund Hartley 5, Adrian Udall 6, Mike Wigney (C) 7, Brian Price 8.

**North Tawton, Devon.** 14 Jul, 1264 P.B. Major: Edmund Hartley 1, Ian Church 2, Liz Stanley 3, Francis Ring-Davies 4, George Doughty 5, Michael Brady 6, Jill Hupman 7, Mike Wigney (C) 8.

**Minehead, Som.** 15 Jul, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Jill Hupman 1, Ian Church 2, Elaine Gosden 3, Liz Stanley 4, Edmund Hartley 5, Nicholas Ley 6, Mike Wigney (C) 7, Francis Ring-Davies 8, Adrian Udall 9. For the St Michael's, Minehead Flower Festival.

**Timberscombe, Som.** 15 Jul, 1280 Superlative S. Major: Nicholas Ley 1, Mark Gosden 2, Ian Church 3, Michael Brady 4, Edmund Hartley 5, Brian Price 6, Michael Wigney 7, Jill Hupman (C) 8. In celebration of the wedding of Judith Ley to Robert Farnon at Notgrove on 1st July.

**Bampton, Devon.** 16 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Victoria Camp (1st Q on a working bell) 1, Francis Ring-Davies 2, Liz Stanley 3, Brian Price 4, George Doughty (C) 5, Colin Yandle 6. For Morning Service.

**Brushford, Som.** 16 Jul, 1296 Cambridge S. Minor: Nicholas Ley 1, Mike Wigney 2, Ian Church 3, Elaine Gosden 4, Edmund Hartley 5, Jill Hupman (C) 6. For Morning Service.

**Ash Priors, Som.** 16 Jul, 1320 Kent T.B. Minor: Francis Ring-Davies 1, Ian Church 2, Liz Stanley 3, Adrian Udall 4, Brian Price 5, Jill Hupman (C) 6.

**Bishop's Lydeard, Som.** 16 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Edmund Hartley 1, Elaine Gosden 2, Nicholas Ley 3, Brian Price 4, Jill Hupman 5, Ian Church 6, Michael Wigney (C) 7, Adrian Udall 8.

### Outing with a Difference

Our three local towers are quite close as the crow flies, but one is the other side of the river Teme, making the journey by road a considerable distance.

The energetic and enterprising captain of the tower on the "wrong" side of the river decided to ignore the water barrier. He arranged a magnificent day outing ringing at all three towers and walking between them through beautiful countryside and woodland.

We started with ringing at Suckley and then walked down to the river opposite Broadwas church. To get down to the river we had to go through hop fields and have our shoes duly anointed with disinfectant against the hop wilt virus. We then carried a small boat through the hop fields and down a very steep river bank to the Teme.

A line had been thrown across the river the night before and we hauled ourselves across one by one amidst great hilarity. We then had lunch and liquid refreshment at the local pub before some good ringing at Broadwas. We then re-crossed the river, more practised this time, and walked to Lye in beautiful sunshine.

At the end of the day everyone was very tired having walked about eight miles. As there were only six ringers in the company they were extra tired having to do all the ringing, ringing all the bells both up and down. Consequently a relaxed barbecue in the evening was greatly appreciated both for its excellence and its appropriateness.

Well done, Ivor!

ANNE BURGE

**Acton, Middx.** 2 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: R Maddalena (1st minor) 1, Gill How 2, Jennifer M Bunyan 3, E J R Hartley 4, M J Wigney (C) 5, A R Udall 6. To mark the ordination of the Revd. Margaret Joachim; also her 25th Wedding Anniversary. Also: on 30 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: R Maddalena 1, E J R Hartley 2, Jill M Hupman 3, M J Wigney (C) 4, Maryanne Roach 5. On the back 5 for Morning Service. £2.20

**Aldbury, Herts.** 2 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: Jenny Lewis 1, Caroline Craufurd 2, Sonja Morris 3, David Moore (C) 4, S Wooler 5, Leslie Lewis 6. For Morning Service. Also: on 9 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: Stephanie Wooler (1st on treble) 1, S Wooler 2, D Moore 3, P Denwood 4, M Ridgway (C) 5, Nita Foulds 6. For Evening Service. Also: on 16 Jul, 1260 Rev. Canterbury Pl. B Minor: L Haines (C) 1, Leslie Lewis 2, P Denwood 3, G Bennett (1st in m) 4, M Ridgway 5, S Wooler 6. Also: on 30 Jul, 1260 St Clements Minor: P Denwood 1, Leslie Lewis 2, L Haines (C) 3, D Moore 4, S Wooler 5, M Ridgway 6. 1st in m; 2, 4, 6. £4.80

**Aylesford, Kent.** 29 Jun, 1260 P B Minor: Dot Hooker 1, M Taylor 2, M A Williams 3, C T Homewood 4, M N Pring 5, D W Elphick (C) 6. On the Feast Day of SS Peter & Paul. £1.20

**Birling, Kent.** 16 Jul, 1260 St Clements C B Minor: Dot Hooker 1, Shona Colebrook 2, M Taylor 3, M N Pring 4, M A Williams 5, D W Elphick (C) 6. £1.20



**Bilston, W Mids.** 28 May, 1272 Oxford T B Minor: E J W Jarvis 1, Rebecca Hodister 2, Remi Hodister 3, Corinne Bill 4, Jill Holden 5, Helen R Jarvis(C) 6. For Evensong. Also: on 11 Jun, 1260 P B Doubles: Rachel Everett 1, Elizabeth Pitt (1st inside) 2, A J W Jarvis 3, Jill Holden(C) 4, Corinne Bill 5, R Hodister 6. For Evensong. Also: on 25 Jun, 1344 Superlative S Major: Corinne Bill 1, Rebecca Hodister 2, Michala Richards 3, Jill Holden 4, A Smith 5, Rachel Everett 6, D E Everett(C) 7, D Hodister 8. To celebrate the visit, today, to St Chad's of the Revd. Preb. John Ayling, former Vicar of St Leonard's, now in his 94th year. £1.80

**Bowers Gifford, Essex.** 23 Jul, 1260 Rev. Doubles T B Singles: Gordon Lucas(C) 1, Dennis Stott (1st on 3 bells) 2, David Belcham 3. Believed to the 1st Q in this p. For the Patronal Festival of St Margaret of Antioch. 40p

**Brecon, Brecknock.** (S David). 11 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Robert Johnson(C) 1, Anne Kleiser 2, Kathleen Johnson 3, Paul Johnson 4, Malcolm Johns 5, John Trimm 6. In memoriam the Revd. Vincent Davies. Retired Rural Dean of Brecon and Vicar of Llangorse. 60p

**Bromborough, Mers.** 3 Jul, 1260 St Simons Triples: R Maudsley 1, Joanne Hendy 2, C Neale 3, J M Pemberton 4, E T Carvell 5, S W Hughes 6, C J Hughes(C) 7, D Peers 8. 1st in m by all except 6. Also: on 24 Jul, 1280 Rutland S Major: R Maudsley 1, Alison Carpenter 2, C J Hughes 3, E T Carvell 4, R T J Tinkler 5, A J Graham 6, S W Hughes(C) 7, P D Hughes 8. 1st in m; 2, 3. 1st S major as C; 7. 750th Q; 8. Completes std. 8; 2. 18th birthday compliments to 2nd ringer. £3.20

**Buckley, Clwyd.** 25 May, 1280 Superlative S Major: Simon Griffiths 1, Janet Betton 2, John Williams 3, Desiree Jones 4, Dennis Maddock 5, Kenneth Price 6, Eric Jones 7, Geoffrey Parting(C) 8. 1st in m; 2, 3. Also: on 19 Jul, 1280 Spl. S Major (4m): William Court 1, David Maxwell 2, John Williams (most spl. S) 3, Simon Griffiths 4, Robert Peers 5, Kenneth Price 6, John Oultram(C) 7, Geoffrey Parting 8. Also: on 26 Jul, 1260 Stedman Triples: William Court 1, Bernard Millward 2, David Maxwell 3, Sally Wright 4, Simon Griffiths 5, John Williams 6, Richard Taylor(C) 7, Robert Peers 8. A get well wish to Wena Taylor, wife of the C. 15th Wedding Anniversary compliments to Julie and John Williams. £4.20

**Canterbury, Kent.** (Cathedral). 25 Jun, 1282 Cambridge S Royal: D W Elphick 1, Shona Colebrook (450th Q) 2, Diana R Wraight 3, Janet M Yeo 4, A Andrews (1st in m) 5, Kathryn L Babbage 6, J R Cooper 7, T S Wraight 8, T M Barlow 9, M A Birkbeck(C) 10. £2

**Cheltenham, Glos.** 2 Jul, 1289 Erin Caters: Isabel F Hitchings 1, M J Seagrave 2, M P Hartley 3, Samantha J Hovey (1st Erin caters) 4, Catherine M Leach 5, H N Evans 6, M B Davies(C) 7, P Smith 8, B M Chappell 9, G P J Rainforth 10. For Communion Service. Also: on 22 Jul, 1260 Ashford L B Major: Margery A Wratten 1, Helen K Normington 2, Catherine M Leach 3, Catherine Heathcote 4, C A Wratten 5, J D Normington 6, C Bramich 7, M B Davies(C) 8. 1st in m by all. Following a Wedding. Also: on 6 Aug, 1320 Grandsire Cinques: M Clifford 1, Margery A Wratten 2, Isabel F Hitchings 3, Catherine M Leach 4, H N Evans 5, M P Hartley 6, M J Seagrave 7, G P J Rainforth 8, M B Davies 9, P Smith 10, C A Wratten(C) 11, P Hemming (1st on 12) 12. Before Communion Service. £3

**Chester, Ches.** (Cathedral). 23 Jul, 1280 Bristol S Major: William Court 1, Helen Mitchell 2, Jennifer Christian 3, Sally Wright 4, George Morrall 5, Simon Christian 6, Malcolm Murphy 7, John Oultram(C) 8. For Festival Evensong. Circled tower: 8. £1

**Clapham Common, London SW4.** (Holy Trinity). 30 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Stella Shell 1, David Beamish 2, Madeline Johnston 3, Irene Rich 4, James Ingham(C) 5, Peter Jefferson Smith 6. For Evensong and in thanksgiving for the life and work of William Wilberforce who died on 29/7/1833. £1.20

**Clapham Common, London SW4.** (S Mary (RC)). 1 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Peter Jefferson Smith 1, David Beamish 2, James Ingham 3, Stella Shell 4, Irene Rich(C) 5, Michael Shelly 6. For the Feast of St Alphonsus, founder of the Redemptorist Order. £1.20

**Daresbury, Ches.** 27 Jul, 1280 Spl. S Major (4m): David Andrews 1, Helen Mitchell 2, Jenny Christian 3, George Morrall 4, John Maddams 5, Simon Christian 6, John Oultram(C) 7, Andrew Jobson 8. £1

**Dorking, Surrey.** 15 Jun, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Bill Hibbert 1, Kate Cameron 2, Ron Diserens 3, Simon Plackett 4, Paul Beeken(C) 5, David Cameron 6. For Corpus Christi Service and dedicated to Roydon Davies. Also: on 25 Jun, 1250 Ealing S Major: David Cameron 1, Ron Diserens 2, Kate Cameron 3, Roger Grieve 4, Bill Hibbert 5, Paul Beeken 6, Keith Matthews 7, Noel Gibbin(C) 8. For Evensong. Also: on 16 Jul, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: David Cameron 1, Kate Cameron 2, Roger Grieve 3, Paul Beeken 4, Keith Matthews 5, Bill Hibbert(C) 6. For Evensong. £4.50

**Dorney, Bucks.** 28 May, 1260 P B Minor: Janet Gillard 1, Malwyn Williams 2, Darren Williams 3, Andrew McKerlie 4, Reggie Gillard 5, Lloyd Cartwright(C) 6. For Sunday Service. Also: on 11 Jun, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Janet Gillard 1, Trevor Woodwood 2, Marcia Dieppe 3, Reggie Gillard 4, Eileen Stevenson 5, Lloyd Cartwright(C) 6. For Sunday Service. 50th Q in '95; 6. Also: on 16 Jun, 1380 Mixed Doubles (3m): Simon Fox 1, Janet Gillard (1st mixed doubles) 2, Trevor Woodwood (1st doubles as C) 3, Marcia Dieppe 4, Andrew McKerlie (circled tower) 5, Reggie Gillard 6. 50th Q together; 4. 6. Birthday compliment to 2nd ringer. Also: on 18 Jun, 1260 P B Minor: Marcia Dieppe 1, Jenny Dieppe 2, Nick Holland 3, Andrew McKerlie 4, Trevor Woodwood 5, Reggie Gillard (1st minor as C) 6. Compliment to 3rd ringer on obtaining his degree. Also: on 9 Jul, 1320 Netherseale S Minor: Janet Gillard 1, Lloyd Cartwright 2, Marcia Dieppe 3, Reggie Gillard 4, Trevor Woodwood 5, Ben Parcell(C) 6. 1st in m; 3, 5. 1st blows in m; 6. For Sunday Service. Also: on 23 Jul, 1320 Boveney Slow Course Doubles: Darren Pickett(C) 1, Ben Parcell 2, Eileen Stevenson 3, Reggie Gillard 4, Chris Venn 5, Paul Fox 6. For the Patronal Festival at Boveney which is in this parish. Also: on 24 Jul, 1272 P B Minimus: Alan Shannon 1, Janet Gillard 2, Ben Parcell 3, Reggie Gillard(C) 4. 1st minimus; 1, 2. 50th Q; 1. After meeting short on practice night. £8

**Dursley, Glos.** 16 Jul, 1259 Grandsire Triples: Ann Ferguson (1st in m) 1, P Pope 2, J Taylor 3, R Grover 4, N Martin 5, Janet Fox 6, F Byrne(C) 7, Elizabeth Byrne 8. For the engagement of Victoria Byrne to Richard Whitfield. Also: on 30 Jul, 1280 Spl. S Major (Std. 8): F Byrne(C) 1, Janet Fox 2, Elizabeth Byrne 3, R Grover 4, A Ward 5, T Soanes 6, P Pope 7, I Unsworth 8. A compliment to Alex Byrne on the award of A.D.Phil. £1.60

**East Grinstead, Sussex.** 2 Jul, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Catherine A Gardner 1, Betty Green 2, Sarah J Morgan 3, Ann Smith 4, M P Howard 5, D J Love 6, Philip Morgan 7, I V J Smith(C) 8. On the back 8. Also: on 16 Jul, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Betty Green 1, Ann Smith 2, Margaret A Large 3, Margaret J Smith 4, J Cousins 5, E J Ladd 6, D J Love 7, I V J Smith(C) 8, M P Howard 9, R J Everest 10. £2

**Fornett St. Peter, Norfolk.** 29 Jul, 1272 Cambridge S Minor: Jeremy Spiller(C) 1, Alice Cattermole 2, Paul Cattermole 3, Stephen Drew 4, Frank Arnold 5, Jeremy Warren 6. As a compliment to Charles and Mabel Blake of Ashwellthorpe, formerly of Fornett, on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding. Also: on 30 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Jenny Forster 1, Barbara Cattermole 2, Harold Turner 3, Caroline Spiller 4, Aubrey Forster(C) 5, Mary Parker 6. For Evensong and as a 74th birthday compliment to Harold F Turner. £2.40

**Frodsham, Ches.** 14 Jul, 1280 Belfast S Major: John Bibby 1, William Court 2, Helen Mitchell 3, Eric Jones 4, Robert Peers 5, Peter Barker 6, John Oultram(C) 7, Geoffrey Parting 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Kirstie Oultram (11/7/95). Also: on 28 Jul, 1280 Bristol S Major: Helen Mitchell 1, William Court 2, Eric Jones 3, Sally Wright 4, Robert Peers(C) 5, Andrew Jobson 6, John Oultram 7, John Bibby 8. A birthday compliment to Eric Jones (23/7/95). £2

**Guildford, Surrey.** (Cathedral). 9 Jul, 1346 Superlative S Maximus: David Tubbs 1, Lynne Crighton 2, Alison Godfrey 3, Susan Agg 4, Linda Armitage 5, Graham Nayler 6, Oliver Coldrick 7, Mike Bew 8, William Barter 9, Christopher

Rogers(C) 10, Mark Shepherd 11, Richard Burton 12. Also: on 21 Jul, 1296 Spl. Maximus (4m): Mark Taylor 1, Nigel Smith 2, Christopher Rogers 3, David Beadman 4, Maggie Joyce 5, Graham Nayler 6, Richard Burton(C) 7, William Barter 8, David Tubbs 9, Mark Shepherd 10, Peter Joyce 11, David Agg 12. Also: on 23 Jul, 1344 Avon D Maximus: Mike Bew 1, Alison Godfrey 2, Mark Shepherd 3, Vanessa Taylor (1st in m) 4, Graham Nayler 5, William Barter 6, Maggie Joyce 7, Mark Taylor 8, Richard Burton(C) 9, David Tubbs 10, David Beadman 11, Peter Joyce 12. £7.20

**Hanbury, Staffs.** 8 May, 1288 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Hutchieson 1, Lesley A Dolman 2, Anne Yates 3, S P Ferguson 4, S R Alliss 5, W J Hall(C) 6, B J Townsend 7, J I Daubner 8. For the 50th Anniversary of VE-Day. £1.60

**Handbridge, Chester, Ches.** 3 Aug, 1280 Glasgow S Major: Christopher Roberts 1, Helen Mitchell 2, Adrian Bowen 3, Robert Jervis 4, Stephen Knight 5, Ian Taylor 6, John Oultram(C) 7, Martyn Tickner 8. £1

**Harpenden, Herts.** 27 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: E Edmondson(C) 1, Sheila Edmondson 2, M Amy Coburn 3, Christine Darby 4, A Darby 5, P J Coles 6, R J Tibbetts 7, G Coburn 8. Prior to the funeral of David Falder at Harpenden Methodist Church and in remembrance of Revd. Julie Childs. £1

**Heswall, Mers.** 16 May, 1260 St Clements C B Minor: P M S Newton 1, Janet Roxburgh (1st in m) 2, B Pemberton 3, J T S Willasey 4, E Carvell 5, S Hughes(C) 6. Also: on 23 May, (no. of changes not given) Stedman Triples: Margaret K S Allin 1, Susan Costello 2, Lindsey C Jones 3, S W Hughes 4, E T Carvell 5, P M S Newton 6, B J McCahey (1st in m as C) 7, R Mawdsley 8. Also: on 30 May, 1260 P B Major: D Peers 1, J S T Willasey 2, Janet Roxburgh 3, R Mawdsley 4, R Peers(C) 5, S Hughes 6, E Carvell 7, P M S Newton 8. Also: on 6 Jun, 1320 London S Minor: Margaret K S Allin 1, Lindsey C Jones (1st L) 2, Susan Costello (1st L minor) 3, A J Martin 4, C B Pemberton 5, J S T Willasey(C) 6. To commemorate the life of Lynne Donnelly. Also: on 13 Jun, (no. of changes not given) P B Doubles: B McCahey 1, S Hughes 2, Helen Jackson (1st inside) 3, E Carvell 4, J S T Willasey(C) 5, P M S Newton 6. Also: on 20 Jun, (no. of changes not given) London S Major: S Hughes 1, Alison Carpenter 2, Susan Costello 3, E Carvell 4, R Peers 5, P D Hughes(C) 6, C B Pemberton 7, J S T Willasey 8. Also: on 4 Jul, (no. of changes not given) Spl. P & L B Major: Ernest Carvell 1, Lindsey Jones (1st spl.) 2, S Costello 3, C Hughes (1st spl.) 4, A Foster 5, C Lambert (1st spl.) 6, P M S Newton 7, S Hughes (1st spl. as C) 8. Also: on 11 Jul, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Margaret K S Allin 1, Janet Roxburgh 2, Alison Carpenter 3, S Hughes 4, P M S Newton 5, J S T Willasey(C) 6. £11.20

**Holborn, London WC2.** (S Giles in the Fields). 22 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Richard Casserley 1, Leslie Lewis 2, Prudence Fay 3, Stella Shell 4, David Holdridge 5, Keith Matthews 6, James Ingham(C) 7, Kenneth Tidy 8. 1st triples & Grandsire; 2. 600th Q; 5. 1st triples as C and 100th Q of Grandsire. Also: on 10 Jul, 1344 Ipswich S Major: Richard Casserley 1, James Ingham 2, Stella Shell 3, Roger Grieve 4, Dennis Ellidson(C) 5, Richard Hutchings 6, Keith Matthews 7, David Holdridge 8. 1st in m; 2, 3, 4, 6, 7. In memory of John W Euston. Also: on 27 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Edmund Wratten 1, David Holdridge 2, Prudence Fay 3, Katherine Parker 4, Stella Shell 5, Francis Milner 6, James Ingham(C) 7, Joe Kidd 8. For the lunchtime Service by members of the Thursday band. 50th on the bells; 2. £5.20

**Knowle, W Mids.** 2 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Neil Mackay 1, Jane Wilkins 2, Annette Jarratt-Knock 3, Ruth Shepherd 4, Jayne Shipley(C) 5, Stephen Shipley 6. For Evensong & with best wishes from all the band and all Knowle ringers to Gill and Roger Tallis on the birth of their son Thomas. Also: on 9 Jul, 1320 Bourne S Minor: John Cranmer 1, Anthea Tinline 2, Bridget Osmond 3, Ruth Shepherd 4, Colin Baugh 5, Stephen Shipley(C) 6. For Evensong. 1st blows in m; 2, 3, 5. Also: on 16 Jul, 1250 Lincolnshire S Major: Heather Perry 1, Annette Jarrett-Knock 2, Anthea Tinline 3, Ruth Shepherd 4, Ann Smart 5, Richard



Andrew 6, Colin Baugh (1st in m) 7, Stephen Shipley(C) 8. For Evensong. A birthday compliment to Ann Smart. Also: on 23 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Anthea Tinline 1, Neil Mackay (1st minor inside) 2, Laura Mackay 3, Annette Jarratt-Knock 4, Sarah Meikle 5, Stephen Shipley(C) 6. For Evensong. £5.20

**Langdon Hills, Essex.** 8 Jul, 1272 Plain Minimus (6m): Peter Craggs 1, Richard Dunhill 2, Andrew Martin (C - most m's) 3, Gordon Lucas 4, Clive Garraway (cover) 5. For the marriage of Roderick Cutts and Kay Dunnage. Also: on 15 Jul, 1296 Robertson No.38 T B Minimus: Dennis Stott 1, R Dunhill 2, C Garraway 3, A Martin(C) 4, G Lucas (cover) 5. For the marriage of Iain Robinson and Helen Rugeley. £1

**Limpfield Chart, Surrey.** 12 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): Yvonne Hamilton Smith 1, Margaret Boosey 2, Douglas Weeks 3, John Hall 4, Keith Matthews(C) 5, Keith Buchan 6. Half-muffled on the day of the funeral of Bert Hardy, photographer for "Picture Post". £1.20

**Lowestoft, Suffolk.** 16 Jul, 1280 P B Major: Catherine Allen 1, Rachel Allen 2, Elizabeth Allen 3, Liz Sutherland 4, Sybil McLean 5, Andrew Crowe 6, Tony Sutherland 7, David McLean(C) 8. For the Opening Service for the 1995 Lowestoft Arts Festival. Also: on 23 Jul, 1280 P B Major: Celia Burd 1, Rachel Allen 2, Elizabeth Allen 3, Liz Sutherland 4, Sybil McLean 5, Tony Sutherland 6, David McLean(C) 7, Andrew Crowe 8. For Evensong during the St Margaret's Festival Weekend and to mark the 75th Anniversary of the dedication of the bells 20/7/1920. 75th Q; 1, 2, 3. Also: on 30 Jul, 1356 Minor (4m): Catherine Allen 1, Judith Allen 2, Rachel Allen 3, Elizabeth Allen 4, Andrew Crowe 5, David McLean(C) 6, Sybil McLean 7. For the 1995 Lowestoft Arts Festival Songs of Praise. £3

**Lullington, Derbys.** 25 May, 1260 Doubles (4m/v): M Greaves 1, Lesley A Dolman 2, R J Chantler 3, A J Marson 4, Anne Yates(C) 5, J I Daubner 6. For Ascension Day. Also: on 26 May, 1380 Doubles (5m): Jill E Butcher 1, C Bowen 2, Rosemary Payne 3, C T Collins(C) 4, B J Townsend 5, J I Daubner 6. Also: on 23 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): J I Daubner 1, D Hall 2, A J Marson 3, T W Ridgman 4, D M Webb(C) 5. £3.40

**Netherseale, Derbys.** 16 Jul, 1260 P B Triples: Patricia Halls(C) 1, Jane Boden 2, Judith P Williams 3, Anne Yates 4, M G Purday 5, M Mallender 6, A C Moul 7, J I Daubner 8. For the Silver Wedding of the Revd. Joseph & Mrs Gilley Lister. £1.60

**New Zealand,** (tower not given). 5 Jun, 1280 P B Major: Revd. D Pickering 1, R G T Bennett 2, N F E Reeve 3, Eleanor Carr 4, Alice Baverstock 5, P J Perry 6, L F Trott 7, R H Idle(C) 8. Congratulations to the C on becoming a licensed lay minister. Also: on 17 Jun, 1260 P B Triples: Revd. D Pickering 1, R G T Bennett 2, L F Trott 3, Margaret Morrell 4, N F E Reeve 5, C Parkin 6, R H Idle(C) 7, M M Clayton 8. Wedding compliment to John Pickering and Beata Szdrowska, married in Poland 16/6/95. £1

**Newport, Gwent.** 21 May, 1260 Stedman Triples: Hilary A Brown 1, Barbara A Jones 2, Revd. Jennifer V Mole 3, Stephanie Davies 4, B J Hayman 5, A J Oldershaw 6, C D V Jones(C) 7, P S Bennett 8. For Evensong. Also: on 4 Jun, (no. of changes not given) L B Minor: Barbara A Jones 1, Stephanie Davies 2, Hilary A Brown 3, C D V Jones 4, B J Hayman 5, J W Lewis(C) 6. For Evensong on Whit Sunday. Also: on 11 Jun, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: P S Bennett 1, Stephanie Davies (1st S minor) 2, Barbara A Jones 3, M J Richardson 4, A J Oldershaw 5, J W Lewis(C) 6. For Evensong. Also: on 2 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Hilary A Brown 1, Barbara A Jones 2, Stephanie Davies 3, C D V Jones 4, B J Hayman 5, A J Oldershaw(C) 6. For Evensong. Also: on 23 Jul, 1260 P B Triples: Barbara A Jones 1, Catherine A Hayman 2, Stephanie Davies 3, M J Richardson 4, N W Jones 5, Hilary A Brown 6, J W Lewis(C) 7, A J Oldershaw 8. For Evensong. £3.85

**Petworth, W Sussex.** 22 Jul, 1312 Elstow S Major: Joan Peel 1, Jennifer Smith 2, Hamish McNaughton 3, Gareth Higgs 4, Ian Barber 5, Geoff Rix 6, David Smith 7, Colin Spencer(C) 8. 1st Q in the m. Also: on 23 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Linda Wort 1, Alistair Rix 2, Joan Peel 3,

Andrew Brooke 4, Marcus Etherington 5, Roy Cox 6, Geoff Rix(C) 7, Mark Lavington 8. To welcome Shannon, born 15/7/95, grand-daughter for Linda. £2

**Pontypridd, Mid Glam.** 4 Jun, 1260 P B Doubles: B A Jones 1, C White 2, D Barnes 3, C Saunders 4, C D V Jones(C) 5, A Saunders 6. 75p

**Port Sunlight, Mers.** 9 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Victoria C Hocker 1, Lindsey C Jones 2, P F Humphreys 3, R A S Mould 4, G W Phillips(C) 5, D J Hocker 6. Half-muffled in memoriam Tommy Venables. Also: on (date not given), 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Suzanne C Lacey 1, Lindsey C Jones (1st Y) 2, Alison Carpenter 3, P F Humphreys(C) 4, Lisa K Jones 5, Michelle C Taylor 6, G W Phillips 7, R A S Moulds 8. Also: on 26 Jun, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Victoria C Hocker 1, Brenda D Humphreys 2, P F Humphreys 3, Lisa K Jones 4, R A S Mould 5, M A Humphreys 6, G W Phillips(C) 7, D J Hocker 8. To mark the 50th Anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter. Also: on 17 Jul, 1344 Spl. S Major (CYNRS): Brenda D Humphreys 1, Michelle C Taylor 2, Lisa K Jones 3, P F Humphreys 4, P D Hughes(C) 5, M A Humphreys 6, G W Phillips 7, R A S Mould 8. £6

**Rumney, Cardiff.** 23 Jul, 1440 T B Minor (2m): P R Turner 1, Ruth Dunn 2, M Dunn 3, Mary Jones 4, M J Pryor 5, J A Vesey(C) 6. £1.50

**Sedlescombe, E Sussex.** 8 Jul, 1320 Rev. Canterbury: Miss H Playford 1, Mrs J Dix 2, Mrs J Blanford 3, A Turner 4, E Fellows(C) 5, Miss H Gosse 6. To celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the ordination of the Revd. Colin Pritchard. Also: on 31 Jul, 1260 Doubles (3m): Miss H Playford 1, Mrs J Dix 2, Mrs J Blanford (C) 3, A Turner 4, E Fellows 5, Miss H Gosse 6. In memory of the father of the 4th ringer. £2

**Shenfield, Essex.** 23 Jul, 1440 P B Minor: Elizabeth D Hull 1, D G Mayell(C) 2, R G Butt 3, T G Hull 4, R G Jones 5, H G Goddard 6. For Evensong. Also: on 30 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: D G Mayell(C) 1, R G Butt 2, H G Goddard 3, Wendy M Hooper 4, R G Jones 5, V J C Dale 6. For Evensong. £1.20

**Shenstone, Staffs.** 7 May, 1260 P B Doubles: V E T Holland 1, Lesley A Dolman 2, N R Irons 3, J E Bark 4, D M Webb(C) 5, J I Daubner 6. £1.20

**South Croydon, Surrey.** 30 Jul, 1260 St Clements Minor: Jane Hodgson 1, Kathie Matthews 2, Michael Moreton 3, Mark Hodgson 4, Lee McCormack 5, Keith Matthews(C) 6. For Evensong. £1.20

**Stansted, Kent.** 15 Jun, 1260 Doubles (3m): K Foxwell 1, Dot Hooker 2, Shona Colebrook 3, D W Elphick(C) 4, D Williams 5, R W Young 6. A Golden Wedding Anniversary compliment to Ken & Jean Foxwell (parents of treble ringer). £1.20

**Vancouver, Canada.** (Holy Rosary Cathedral). 1 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Lesley Walters 1, Francesca Barone 2, Peter Munns (1st inside) 3, Barbara Vogl 4, David Forsyth 5, Graham Walter (1st as C in Canada) 6. For Canada Day 1995, the 128th Anniversary of Confederation. £3

**Witton, Ches.** 22 Jul, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Lynne Sawyer 1, Steve Knights 2, Janet Rees 3, Ashley Pugh 4, Frank Horrocks 5, Helen Knight(C) 6. For the Wedding of Marie Harries and Andrew Brydon on this day at Burn Park Methodist Church, Sunderland. Also: on 29 Jul, 1344 P B Major: Alan Dewar 1, Lynne Sawyer 2, John McGowan 3, Ashley Pugh 4, Frank Horrocks 5, Helen Knight(C) 6, Steve Knight 7, Stuart Bracegirdle 8. To celebrate the Wedding of Helen Long and David Bedford. £2

**Woodton, Norfolk.** 29 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2v.): Linda Vickers 1, Trudie Bradnam 2, Sybil McLean 3, David McLean(C) 4, Peter Bradnam 5, Richard Vickers 6. A compliment to Michael McLean on the award of an MA at the University of Leeds on the 26/7/95. NGEF Q. £1

**Abbotts Langley, Herts.** 23 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: David Harris 1, Joyce Seabrook 2, Mark Hughes 3, Phillip Higgs 4, James Tuck (C) 5, Bernard Moore 6. To celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Abbotts Langley Cricket Club. £1.50

**All Cannings, Wilts.** 29 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: James Burry 1, Patsy Thorn 2, Sophie Leary 3, Peter Thorn 4, Robert Purnell (C) 5. To celebrate the diamond wedding anniversary of Alan & Kathleen Goyns, married 31st July 1935. £2.50

**Bakewell, Derbys.** 16 Jul, 1250 Cambridge S Major: G Pearson 1, A Brookes 2, F Pearson (C) 3, J Franklin 4, E Nowill 5, J Thorpe 6, C Longden 7, P Mehew 8. £2

**Bamburgh, Northumb.** 26 Jul, 1260 Stedman Triples: M A Rose 1, K J Matthews 2, Margaret A Left 3, D J Left 4, Janet M Bull 5, F Mew (C) 6, J F Underwood 7, B J Bull 8. 1st Stedman:3,4. £2

**Barnwood, Glos.** 30 Jul, 1260 St Clements Bob Minor: N Evans 1, Pat Wood 2, D M Turner (1st in m) 3, Caroline Ellis 4, G S Groves 5, T Hinton (C) 6. Congratulations to Andrew Wood, son of Pat & Tony Wood (all ringers at Brockworth), on gaining his degree. £1.20

**Beoley, Worcs.** 6 Aug, 1320 P B Doubles: Lisa Tapsell 1, Beryl Hartley 2, A J Barnfield 3, Bob Smith (1st inside) 4, Alan Hartley (C) 5, Mark Barlow 6. In memory of Wilfred R Jackson, ringer of Beoley, 1926-1995. £1.20

**Berkhamsted, Herts.** 23 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: C Hackworth 1, D Franklin 2, G Bennett 3, Judith Burbidge 4, R Turner 5, R Casserley 6, D Burbidge (C) 7, D Pearce 8. For choral evensong & with best wishes from the St Peter'sband to the rector, Canon Roger Davis, on his retirement from Ministry. £2

**Berkswell, Warks.** (Thruggist Lane). 15 Jul, 1264 P B Major: Janice E Sheasby (1st in hand) 1-2, D J Allen 3-4, G Pratt 5-6, M Chester (C) 7-8. £1

**Bramley, Surrey.** 5 Aug, 1260 Childwall Bob Minor: Julian Morgan (C) 1, Jennifer Hepburn 2, Karen Monk 3, David Hestler 4, Sally Schupke 5, Roger Bull 6. To celebrate the birth of Lauren Smart, first grandchild for David Hassell (tower captain of Bramley). £2

**Brecon, Brecknock.** (St Mary). 2 Jul, 1260 Stedman Triples: Philip Saunders 1, Kathleen Johnson 2, Susan Lloyd 3, Anne Kleiser 4, Paul Johnson 5, Robert Johnson 6, Malcom Johns (C) 7, Jonathon Cook 8. 1st triples in m: 3. For evensong on the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. 80p

**Brecon, Brecknock.** (Cathedral). 23 Jul, 1264 P B Major: Jonathon Cook 1, Kathleen Johnson 2, Anne Kleiser 3, Laetitia Jack 4, Paul Johnson 5, Robert Johnson 6, Philip Saunders 7, Malcom Johns (C) 8. For Sung Eucharist. 1st major on the bells. 80p

**Brecon, Brecknock.** (Cathedral). 30 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Kathleen Johnson 1, Alma Grazebrook 2, Paul Johnson 3, Robert Johnson (C) 4, Philip Saunders 5, Malcom Johns 6. For the reunion service of 'The Royal Regiment of Wales'. 300th Q: 4. 1st Q on the back 6. 60p

**Brent Knoll, Somerset.** 23 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Sue Frost (1st minor) 1, Valerie J Stone 2, Andrea B Freeman 3, Rosemary Ball 4, A H Ball (C) 5, C R Freeman 6. For evensong. 60p

**Cambridge, Cambs.** (St Benet). 30 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): J Sturdy (1st away from tenor) 1, R M Andrews 2, P A Abbey 3, M J Clark 4, J D Shanklin (C) 5, D Watson 6. To celebrate the birth of Francois Denis Sherwood. £1.20

**Caterham, Surrey.** (St John). 30 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Ken Tidy 1, Violet Potter 2, Doug Linington 3, Martin Higgins 4, Fraser Kerr 5, David Wallis 6, Noel Gibbin (C) 7, Adrian Bailey 8. For evensong. Also to celebrate the birth of Alice Judith Sarah on 21st July, daughter for Noel & Sarah Gibbin. £1.60

**Chelsea, London.** 30 Jul, 1282 Yorkshire S Royal: A Taylor 1, Pat Medley 2, Rachel Billinge 3, Ruth Simon 4, S Gay 5, Katherine Parker 6, M Brady 7, N Simon 8, Stephanie Pattenden (C) 9, D Holdridge (circ twr) 10. £3.70

**Chester, Cheshire.** 2 Jul, 1263 Stedman Caters: E T Carvell 1, J Hyden 2, S W Hughes 3, Janet Betton 4, P D Hughes 5, G E Morral 6, G C Spalding (C) 7, E R Jones 8, A P Foster 9, D J Hocker 10. 21st birthday compliment to Dawn Tinkler. £2

**Chewton Mendip, Somerset.** 12 Jul, 1260 Union Triples: Jackie Bowditch 1, Rosemary Ball 2, M R T Higby 3, R F Bowditch 4, L E Perry 5, Beverley Perry 6, A H Ball (C) 7, A K Woolley 8. 1st in m by all except 2 & 7. 80p

**Chilvers Coton, Warks.** 27 Jul, 1296 L B Major: P Ashley 1, J Hughes 2, Jill Roberts 3, Janice E Sheasby 4, Lesley M Grove (1st in m) 5, M Chester (1st in m as C) 6, S J Greenwood (1st in m) 7, C W Foxhall 8. £1



**Chiswick, Middx.** 10 Jul, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: J A White (1st T B) 1, Penny Bradsell 2, Jill Hupman 3, Jay Bunyan 4, I C Church 5, M J Wigney (C) 6. £1.20

**Christchurch, Dorset.** 30 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles (768 cover): Frances Ayles 1, Catherine Marsh (1st inside) 2, Rosemary Rogers (C) 3, Brigit Lyne 4, Charles Richards 5, Janet Hall 6, Barbara Jones 7, Jim Jones 8. 18th birthday compliment to Sophie Littlechild. £2

**Claremont, W Australia.** 27 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): David Knewstubb 1, Suzanne Biddles 2, Laura Ivey (C) 3, Devena Haggis 4, Pat Sewell 5, Neil Kenworthy 6. For first communion presided over by Rev David Moore, ordained priest 25 July. 1st in Australia: 5.

**Coddington, Notts.** 30 Jul, 1272 S Minor (Cambridge & Norwich): Michael Lane 1, Ruth Richardson 2, Bryan Birkett 3, Geoffrey Parker 4, Peter Lacy 5, Paul Curtis 6. For the christening of Jack Curtis Tipton, nephew of 6. £1

**Coventry, W Mids.** (Cathedral). 29 Jul, 1254 Grandsire Cinques: G D Payne 1, M W Sayers 2, R Winter 3, Diana Reeves 4, C F Mew (C) 5, Rosemary Hemmings (1st on 12) 6, Sue Burchell 7, Alan Griffen 8, Ian Smith 9, Robin Hall 10, Graham Clifton 11, Robert Reeves 12. £2

**Cuckfield, Sussex.** 15 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): Janice Peek 1, Dilys Smith 2, S Buckley 3, S Everest 4, I Hodge (C) 5, Libby Shead 6, Edna Everest 7, G Stuart 8. In celebration of the diamond wedding anniversary of Mr & Mrs E Hall. £5

**Danbury, Essex.** 23 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Mary Roast 1, Ann Chapman 2, Sally Scurrell 3, Pat Saltmarsh 4, Tony Spurgeon 5, Mark Wolley 6, Joe Roast (C) 7, Sue Spurgeon 8. By the local band in memory of Paul Wiseman, ringer who died 16 June 1995. £2

**Dublin, Dub.** (SS Augustine & John). 11 Jul, 1320 P B Doubles: Johnny Kane 1, June Kelly 2, Tony McCrystal (C) 3, Heather Faulk 4, Billy Clarke 5, Jimmy Reynolds 6. 1st birthday compliment to Maria Edith McCrystal, (born 26/4/94), daughter of Tony & Mary. £2

**Dundry, Somerset.** 14 May, 1260 Doubles (2m): Rosemary Ball 1, H M Ball 2, D W Pearce 3, M R Sperring 4, A H Ball (C) 5, W J Astle 6. For evensong. 60p. Also on 11 Jun, 1260 Doubles (2m): H M Ball 1, C Hobbs 2, D W Pearce 3, Teresa Humphrey 4, A H Ball (C) 5, W J Astle 6. For evensong. 60p

**Dunsfold, Surrey.** 5 Aug, 1272 Kent T B Minor: David Hester 1, Jennifer Hepburn 2, Sally Schupke 3, Julian Morgan (C) 4, Richard Marsh 5, Roger Bull 6. £1.20

**Edinburgh, Lothian.** (St Mary). 23 Jul, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Sue Rankine 1, Helen Brotherton 2, Frances Cunningham (1st S) 3, N Ballard 4, P Sanders 5, W Brotherton (C) 6. £1

**Feniton, Devon.** 28 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Victor Chown 1, Gwen Farmer 2, Les Stevens 3, Edward Summers 4, Don Salter (C) 5, Wendy Wayne 6. For the 90th birthday of Tom Virgin, who called a touch prior to the Q. £1

**Gimingham, Norfolk.** 15 Jul, 1260 Doubles (3m): D J Grey 1, Jenny Forster 2, A Lubbock 3, D Webster 4, A S Forster (C) 5. Birthday compliment to Carrie Coleman. £1

**Grasby, Lincs.** 29 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: Philip Cook 1, Alastair Sutton 2, Robert Sutton 3, Keith Buckingham 4, Robert Lee (C) 5. To open the old vicarage garden party in aid of Grasby restoration fund. £1

**Greasley, Notts.** 26 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Karen Cook 1, D Butterworth 2, Carla Harris 3, J M England 4, Judith Butterworth 5, A Widdowson 6, P J England (C) 7, G G Knighton 8. 80p

**Great Amwell, Herts.** 28 Jul, 1272 Elston D Minor: D Kemp 1, Heather A Lloyd 2, J M Kemp 3, R Hornby 4, S A Saunders 5, J J Ford (C) 6. £1

**Guildford, Surrey.** (St Mary). 18 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: David Hester 1, Jennifer Hepburn (C) 2, Jonathan Deane 3, Karen Monk 4, Sally Schupke 5, Roger Bull 6. £1.20

**Guildford, Surrey.** (St Nicholas). 30 Jul, 1320 Ipswich S Minor: Anne Patterson 1, Jennifer Hepburn 2, Mollie Lodge 3, Douglas Lodge 4, Roger Bull 5, Richard Marsh (C) 6. £1.20

**Guildford, Surrey.** (St Mary). 5 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): David Hester 1, Jennifer Hepburn 2, Tim Lain 3, Sally Schupke 4, Roger Bull (C) 5, Richard Marsh 6. Following the wedding of Andrew Hewitt and Elizabeth Ellis in this church. £1.20

**Guildford, Surrey.** (St Nicholas). 6 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: David Hester 1, Sally Schupke 2, Roger Bull 3, Richard Marsh 4, Jonathan Deane 5, Julian Morgan (C) 6. £1.20

**Guildford, Surrey.** (Cathedral). 6 Aug, 1346 Yorkshire S Max: David Beadman 1, Linda Armitage 2, Mark Taylor 3, Nigel Smith 4, Mark Jacot 5, Philip Saddleton 6, Robert Wood 7, Vernon Bedford 8, William Barter 9, Chris Rogers 10, David Tubbs (C) 11, Graham Nayler 12. For evensong. £2.40

**Haslemere, Surrey.** 30 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Caters: Peter Payne 1, Jonathan Deane 2, Barbara Llewellyn 3, Sally Schupke 4, Joe Cripps 5, Julian Morgan (C) 6, Ian Hastlow 7, Glenn Poyntz 8, Paul Bagshaw 9, Keith Turnbull 10. 1st on 10: 1, 10. 1st caters inside: 3. For evensong. £2

**Hayes, Middx.** 23 Jul, 1274 Cambridge S Minor: Valerie Payne 1, Anita Adams 2, Reggie Gillard 3, S S Russ 4, Darren Pickett 5, Chris Venn (C) 6. To celebrate the fixing of Percy Venn's peal board in the tower. £1.50

**Hempsted, Glos.** 30 Jul, 1260 Oxford Bob Triples: Jonathan Taylor 1, Richard Davenport 2, Joyce Taylor 3, Ian Taylor 4, Jim O'Beirne (1st in m) 5, John Gibson 6, Jon Hill (C) 7, John Reigler 8. For evensong. £1.60

**Hendon, Middx.** 30 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: J M Baker 1, Fiona E Clode 2, M D Clode 3, T W Brown 4, J Machell 5, Ruth M Foreman (C) 6. For evensong, and as a compliment to curate Revd. Jason Clarke on his forthcoming induction as vicar of St George, Freezywater (one unringable bell). £1.20

**High Halstow, Kent.** 23 Jul, 1260 Doubles (3m): Nichola Cottle 1, A C Driver 2, D R Moore (C) 3, D W Moore 4, A D Vidgeon 5, D A M Wallace 6. Retirement compliment to P C Wallace after thirty years on the Force. £2

**Hillingdon, Middx.** 23 Jul, 1260 Stedman Doubles: T R Palmer 1, Mary Gage 2, Roger Gage 3, Julia Sheffield 4, M J Palmer (C) 5, D Fyfield 6. 1st Stedman Doubles & 50th together 2, 3.

**Histon, Cambs.** 9 Jul, 1259 Grandsire Doubles: Mavis Driver 1, Mike Davies 2, Tess Muncey (1st in m) 3, Michael Purday (C) 4, Chris Muncey 5, David Upchurch 6. £1

**Histon, Cambs.** 30 Jul, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Mavis L Driver 1, Evelyn Kirby 2, Chris Clare 3, D A Upchurch 4, R F Walker 5, M G Purday (C) 6. For evensong & to celebrate the return to health of Dennis Sadler. £1

**Holloway, London.** 23 Jul, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Pam Donovan 1, Prudence Fay 2, Simon Carter (1st in m) 3, Pauline Dingley 4, Debbie Malin 5, John Adams 6, Mark Herbert 7, Peter Blight (1st in m as C) 8. For the Patronal Festival of St Mary Magdalene. £4

**Islington, London.** (17 College Cross). 31 Jul, 1312 P B Major: Prudence Fay 1-2, Peter Blight 3-4, Mark Herbert (1st major in hand as C) 5-6, Jo Barton 7-8. £2

**Kensington, London.** 16 Jul, 1320 Spl S Royal: Christine Dringer 1, Lucinda Reeve 2, Ruth Simon 3, Adrienne Pyne 4, S Gay 5, D Holdridge 6, N Simon (C) 7, E Mould 8, D Woodward 9, Stephanie Pattenden 10. For evensong. £3

**Kirkheaton, W Yorks.** 9 Jul, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Christine Moxon 1, Gillian Davison 2, D J Hamby 3, E A Kellett 4, Valerie E Kellett 5, W R Weston 6, J M Spencer 7, J R Senior (C) 8. Wedding compliment to Russell Senior and Diane Corcoran, married the previous day, and a birthday compliment to the conductor. For evensong service. £1.60

**Lechlade, Glos.** 30 Jul, 1260 Doubles (3m): Oliver R A Williams (aged 13) 1, H R Haydon 2, Judy F Venn 3, M Hurst 4, G W Land 5, E R Venn (C) 6. For evensong. £1

**Lyme Regis, Dorset.** 22 Jul, 1296 P B Caters: Sylvia Furzey 1, Mark Harris 2, Maureen Hawkins 3, Patrick Rendell 4, Mandy Spearing 5, Liz Rendell 6, Brian Horrell 7, Cyril Deem 8, Derek Hawkins (C) 9, Kenneth Furzey 10. 50th Q this year: 3. 100th Q together: 1 & 2. £1

**Nempnett Thrubwell, Somerset.** 28 Jun, 1260 P B Minor: H M Ball 1, F S Ford 2, J Mills 3, D W Pearce (1st minor) 4, A H Ball (C) 5, C Hobbs 6. For the 100th birthday of Jim Stevens, born in Regil between Nempnett & Winford and married in this church in July 1918. 60p

**Nottingham, Notts.** (St Mary). 30 Jul, 1320 L B Maximus: J M England (1st on 12) 1, I Butters (C) 2, Ann England 3, Corrina England 4, Janet Rogers 5, M Jones 6, P J England 7, Bridget Smith 8, M J Marriott 9, P W Hawcock 10, C N McCarthy 11, P E Jones 12. For evensong. £2.40

**Perth, W Australia.** 30 Jul, 1260 Stedman Triples: Catherine White 1, Mary Lewin 2, Pat Sewell 3, Robert Dennis (C) 4, Glyn Green 5, Derek Sanderson 6, Herbert Woolven 7, David Knewstubb 8. For evensong. 1st Stedman: 3.

**Pettistree, Suffolk.** 2 Jul, 1260 Doubles (5m): Hilary Talbot 1, Mary Garner 2, Kate Eagle 3, R Coley 4, M Whitby (C) 5, C Garner 6. £1

**Preston Plucknett, Somerset.** 25 Jul, 1260 Doubles (5m): Jacqueline Parsons 1, Margaret Bignell 2, Susan Cave 3, David Hammonds 4, Lawrence Bignell (C) 5, Robert Field 6. For the Patronal Festival. £1

**Preston Plucknett, Somerset.** 28 Jul, 1260 Double Oxford Bob Minor: Stephen Marjoram 1, Margaret Bignell 2, Jacqueline Parsons 3, Susan Cave 4, Robert Field 5, Lawrence Bignell (1st as C in m) 6. 75th birthday compliment to Connie Field. £1

**Shrivenham, Oxon.** 9 Jul, 1280 P B Major: Helen Pepler (1st major) 1, Ann Stevens (1st major inside) 2, Jill Izzard 3, Hilary Davis 4, P Tombs 5, G Belcher 6, C Davis 7, A Crabtree (C) 8. For evensong. £1

**Sidbury, Devon.** 22 Jul, 1260 Stedman Triples: Sylvia Furzey 1, Maureen Hawkins 2, Mark Harris 3, Brian Horrell 4, John Quick 5, Derek Hawkins 6, Cyril Deem (C) 7, Andrew Clarke 8. 1st Stedman Triples: 1. £1

**Southampton, Hants.** (St Michael). 23 Jul, 1320 Spl S Royal (3m): Jean Blundell 1, Heather Kippin 2, Derek Jackson 3, Patricia Taeuber 4, Barbara Foster 5, Christine Hill (C) 6, Debbie Donovan 7, Eleanor Kippin 8, Steve Donovan 9, Chris Kippin 10. For evensong, as a thanksgiving for the life & work of Happy Thwaites, 55 years sacristan at St Michaels. £1

**Southwark, Surrey.** 23 Jul, 1320 L B Maximus: Jill M Hupman 1, S Jakeman (1st L B Max) 2, Lucy Reeve 3, Alison Turner 4, Jane L Kostelnyk (1st max) 5, I C Church 6, C R McLean 7, C Buswell 8, J Adams (1st L B Max) 9, R A Pearce (C) 10, S J F Mitchell 11, M J Wigney 12. £2

**Staplehurst, Kent.** 21 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): Susan Bassett 1, David Bassett 2, Jackie Scrase 3, Patrick Harrison 4, Chris Bassett (C) 5, Philip Osler 6. 1st spliced: 2, 3. In celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary of Lynn & Fred Reid. £1.90

**Stoney Stanton, Leics.** 13 Jul, 1260 P B Minor with cover: Claire Rowan 1, Val Thompson 2, M Mellor 3, K Hudson 4, A J Rowan 5, J Vernon (C) 6, Margie Winter 7. An impromptu Q to celebrate the restoration of the church clock. £1

**Stowe, Bucks.** 15 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): J Stanworth 1, W A Yates 2, Ann M Fletcher 3, D G Goodger 4, R S Stanworth (C) 5, Helen Stanworth 6. By members and friends for the National Trust Centenary & re-opening of the Temple of Venus prior to the Centenary concert and fireworks. £1

**Streatham, London.** 18 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: F Milner 1, D Beamish (1st att on 8) 2, Jill Tomlinson 3, Rachel Billinge 4, Ruth Simon 5, N Simon (C) 6, A Nunn 7, J Ingham 8. Birthday compliment to James Ingham. £2.40

**Stretton-on-Dunsmore, Warks.** 22 Jul, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Ian Wells 1, Stuart Abercrombie 2, Sean Houlihan 3, Katherine Wright 4, Ian Davies 5, Richard Green (C) 6. £2.50

**Thorncombe, Dorset.** 22 Jul, 1269 Doubles (5m/v) 7, 6, 8 behind: Maureen Hawkins 1, Derek Hawkins 2, Mark Harris (C) 3, Mandy Spearing 4, Stanley Huish 5, Sylvia Furzey 6, Cyril Deem 7, Dave Goodall 8. 50th Q together 5 & 6. £1

**Totnes, Devon.** 2 Jul, 1280 Zeus S Major: Yvonne Porter 1, Janet Coles 2, Wendy Campbell 3, Richard Shere 4, Tony Osbourne 5, Ian Campbell 6, James Kirkcaldy 7, Donald Carter (C) 8. 1st in m by all except 8. £1.60



# Obituary

## Leslie D. Mills – Bures, Suffolk

One of the most 'colourful' characters for many a long year in the Suffolk Guild, Les Mills passed away peacefully at the beginning of August.

Born in Long Melford in 1908 he moved to Bures in 1938 and became one of the best known ringers along the Stour Valley. Whatever he undertook he did it thoroughly and well. Indeed one local worthy, having spent a holiday in the Romsey area and sampling the local waters – Strongs, pronounced on his return to his native part of Suffolk that he was now in "the Mills Country" recalling the brewer's famous slogan.

In 1950 Leslie restored and augmented the heavy six at Bures, taught scores of ringers including his wife Emily – a blessed memory; his son Donald, John Loveless, Janet Spurgeon and a host of others. And he taught them well. It was a great time for him too, to see his grandchildren ring.

The redundant eight at Sudbury St Peter came under Les' influence and he was instrumental in augmenting them to ten. He held District office and was made a Vice-President of the Guild.

He was a fine craftsman too, in wood, and no mean engineer; much in demand in the area on a host of projects.

Above all Leslie Mills was a family man. Sadly in the last few years he became very ill and one missed his energy and certainly his firm opinions!

Our sympathy goes out to Don and Jenny, the grandchildren and to all those ringers he taught over the years. But Bures will always be Mills Country. Leslie – Rest in Peace. G.W.P.

**Totternhoe, Beds.** 30 Jul, 1260 St Clements Minor: Michael Barker 1, Sarah Ward 2, Gareth Lloyd 3, Lucy Shepherd 4, John Ewer 5, Alan Shepherd (C) 6. To mark the retirement of the Right Reverend John Taylor, Bishop of St Albans. £1

**Tring, Herts.** 21 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Emily E Shawyer 1, Katy Haines 2, L J Haines (C) 3, H Collings 4, R M Casserley 5, D G Franklin 6, C W Hoare 7, Sue M Haines 8. 14th birthday compliment: 2. £1.20

**Trowbridge, Wilts.** 30 Jul, 1274 P B Triples: Oliver Brown 1, Veronica Newman 2, Fred Slafford 3, Gillian Lucas 4, Ian Mozley 5, Ray Clist 6, Brian Coward (C) 7, John Bowden 8. For St James' patronal festival. £1.50

**Walsall, W Mids.** 21 Jul, 1320 Lincolnshire S Royal: David Bateman 1, Zoe Rook 2, Rachel Carter 3, Gail Baggott 4, Liz Hutchieson 5, Jonathan Townsend 6, Matthew Lawrence 7, Andrew Ogden 8, Martin Reed 9, Stuart Hutchieson (C) 10. 1st in m: 2,3,6,7,8. Wedding anniversary compliment to David and Penny Holdstock. £2

**West Kirby, Wirral.** 25 Jul, 1440 Cambridge S Minor: Alison Tinkler 1, Janet Roxburgh 2, Colin Hughes 3, Randle Tinkler 4, Tony Power (1st S) 5, Eric Jones (C) 6. £1.20

**Wetherden, Suffolk.** 23 Jun, 1260 P B Doubles: Julia Jones 1, T Jones 2, P Jones 3, Annabelle Jones 4, B K Hart (C) 5, J King 6. Christening of J King's grand daughter Jade Marie & 1st Q for Jones family together. £1.80

**Whitfield, Nthants.** 27 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Kate Adams 1, James Adams 2, Will Adams 3, Ian Chapple 4, Charlie Truman 5. To celebrate the 25th wedding anniversary of Linda & Will Adams. £1.50

**Whitley Bay, Tyne & Wear.** 27 Jul, 1280 Superlative S Major: J F Underwood 1, Valerie Weston (1st in m) 2, Kathie Matthews 3, C F Mew (C) 4, Janet M Bull 5, B J Bull 6, A E Bagworth 7, K J Matthews 8. £2

## Harry Bishop B.E.M.

(1921-1995)

Harry was the type of ringer who is the backbone of any band. He could be relied upon to be there for all Sunday and practice night ringing over the forty plus years that he was able to ring at Banbury.

Harry was born at Grimsbury in Banbury but at an early age moved, with his parents, to Horley a small village about three miles north of Banbury. Here he sang in the choir and at about the age of 11, with his brother Jack, he learnt to ring on the four bells.

In 1940 Harry joined the RAF and was sent to Crete where he was captured. From here, with his fellow prisoners, he was marched to Germany where he saw out the rest of the war in prisoner of war camps. Just after the end of the war he married Phyllis his wife whom he met whilst on holiday at Butlins.

It was also just after the war, about 1948, that Harry joined the band at Banbury. During many of his ringing years he held jointly with his brother Jack the post of Steeple Keeper, and much is owed to them for all the hard work they put in to keep Banbury bells going so well. Although Harry rang some methods he much preferred to ring the tenor behind. It was in this role that he rang several peals over the years. During the last few years when illness prevented him from ringing the one thing that he missed most was being able to ring at Christmas.

Harry was also a keen scouter and as a youngster he became a King's Scout. He continued to be associated with scouting for many years. In 1982 he was awarded the British Empire Medal for his work as a plumber with the old Banbury Water Company and later Thames Water. An award of which he was justly proud.

Harry also belonged to the Banbury branch of the Royal Airforce Association and served as its club president, a position which gave him great pleasure. Sadly Harry died in Katherine House Hospice on Thursday July 27th. At his funeral all ten bells were rung half muffled before and after the service and in the evening a half muffled quarter was rung in his memory.

B. J. DAVIS

**Banbury, Oxon.** 7 Aug, 1259 Grandsire Caters: J. D. Hankin 1, B. J. Davis 2, R. Harvey 3, C. Holmes 4, Diana M. Reeves 5, Jean Davis 6, Charlotte Holmes 7, R. A. Reeves 8, G. J. Clifton (C) 9, J. Bishop 10.

## Jack L. Lucas

It was with great sadness that I learnt of the death of my old friend Jack Lucas. Jack (whose real names Ronald Herbert were never used) was one of the first ringers with whom I became friendly when I began to attend Guild meetings. It was his sense of humour and friendly nature which did much to put us teenagers at our ease, encouraging us to persevere in a bellringing society that was much more serious in the 1950's than it is nowadays.

Jack learnt to ring at Holt (Wiltshire) in 1929 and was a keen member of the local band until the War broke out. During the War he had the misfortune to be taken prisoner. A request for a bellringing book during his confinement was almost instrumental in his being shot as a spy, his captors taking much persuading that books containing long columns of numbers were not some form of secret code book.

When the war ended Jack again took up ringing at Holt, eventually becoming tower captain, only leaving when he married and

moved to Trowbridge in 1951. He joined the Trowbridge band in that year, serving the tower loyally until his illness forced him into retirement 40 years later. For most of that period he was the steeple keeper at St James.

After his marriage Jack did not give up all ties with Holt. For some years he kept an allotment garden down by Holt railway. This was at a time when we were doing a great deal of ringing, especially of quarter peals at the tower. I can well remember several occasions cycling down to persuade him to make up a band as we had met one short. He never refused us, even if it was just to tenor behind to some multi-doubles, this was typical of his kind nature.

It was not only to the Trowbridge tower that Jack's ringing was confined, he was a staunch supporter of the Guild and hardly ever missed a branch meeting, often cycling to them in the early years. Later his children Philip and Gillian and eventually his wife Eileen learnt to ring. They were soon to be found in all corners of the Branch, supporting Guild functions and assisting many struggling bands. In 1985 the Devizes branch inaugurated an award for services to the Branch above and beyond the call of duty, named after the late President and Branch member Charles Andrews. It was only fitting that Jack and his family should be among the first to be presented with the award. Jack's service to the Guild and Branch also earned him a well-deserved Honorary Life Membership to the Guild.

Those of us who knew Jack will always remember him with great affection. We hope also that our support of his family at this sad time will go some way to repaying the debt of kindness that we owe him. BOB PURNELL

## Marco Tosin

1964-1995

We met Marco in 1985 on the occasion of the first visit to Malvern by Italian ringers from Vicenza. He was an artist and a musician, and his inexhaustible enthusiasm and passion for bells and ringing earned him the nick-name of "Mad Marco" amongst his English friends. He had the gift of perfect pitch and was able to identify as many as 10 different tones in a bell. He was fascinated by English-tuned bells and on his return to Italy tried tuning bells himself. He achieved considerable success and before long was able to help and advise the bell foundries as well as local churches.

Some of the Vicenza ringers had organised a trip to Dijon to attend a carillon festival. Marco had wanted to join the group but, as there were not enough places, he decided instead to go with a friend to the bell foundry at Agnone. He was delighted to acquire a small bell and phoned home to say they would be travelling back overnight to avoid the traffic. In the early hours of 3rd August Marco was killed in an accident on the autostrada near Mantua.

After the funeral the bells of Vicenza rang out to celebrate Marco's love of life. A few days later I was privileged to be invited to join in the ringing for morning Mass at the tiny village of Gambugliano about eight miles North West of Vicenza. Here, to, Marco was remembered as he had helped with the recent augmentation of the bells. These, like many others in the area, are "Marco's bells", well-tuned and a lasting memorial to an exceptional talent. We have lost a dear friend but for ringing in Italy the loss will be great indeed. G.C.B.



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## Thanks

**URBAN WILDNEY** thanks all who sent greetings and best wishes following his accident; he is now at home with his feet up (literally). 3210

**BATH & WELLS ASSOC.** Ilchester Branch. Open Day, Monday 28th Aug, made clear profit of over £1,100 for the Association Bell Fund. Many thanks to all who participated. Winner of £25 Prize Quiz: Pauline Champion of Salisbury - congratulations. Yvonne Nicholls. 1256

## Changes of Address

**ARKLESS.** Toby et al are pot bound again and so from 6th Sept can be found at 29 Avenue Close, Liphook, Hants GU30 7QE (01428 727473). Toby work phone 01252 390058. Lapsang (and Earl Grey) drinkers welcome. 3211

**RICHARD ALLTON**, Hon Peal Secretary for the Southwell D.G., has at last moved to 41 Cromwell Road, Beeston, Nottingham NG9 1DG. Telephone unchanged at 0115 925 5770. Ad No 3209

**DISERENS.** Jim and Helen are returning from Canada to: 10 Queens Avenue, Wallingford, Oxon OX10 0NB. No phone number yet. 3206

## Publications

**THE BELLS OF CHRIST CHURCH, DUBLIN** by David Murphy and Leslie Taylor, being the first history of the bells and ringers of Christ Church Cathedral, from 1420, is available, on receipt of a bank draft for Ir£5.60, from Leslie Taylor, 134 Claremont Court, Glasnevin, Dublin 11. This beautiful and professional 30-page soft-cover publication on the most famous and majestic ring of bells in Ireland is comprehensively referenced and has several illustrations. 4198

## Long Length Attempt

**I WISH TO GIVE NOTICE** of an attempt to ring 20,000 Spliced Surprise Royal (7 methods) at Lyme Regis on Saturday 30th September 1995. Ringing will commence at 9am. Martin Whiteley.

## University Announcements

**CARDIFF STUDENT BELLRINGING SOCIETY** would like to welcome any ringers coming to Cardiff this year. If you would like to join us, come along and meet us at the Societies Fayre, or 7pm at St John's Church, The Hayes, Thursday 28 September. 4201

**U.E.A. BELLRINGING SOCIETY** is the most sociable in Norfolk. See us at the Soc Mart or phone Rod on 01502 675610. Ad No 4205

**KEELE UNIVERSITY.** Ringers coming to Keele this term will be very welcome to join the local band on Wednesdays 7.00-8.30pm and Sundays 10.15-11.00am. Further information from Philip Gay, Economics Dept, Keele University, Staffs ST5 5BG, phone 01782 583096 (W), 01782 750038 (H). Ad No 4202

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**MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD, MUGCR**, welcomes all new students to universities in Manchester and Salford. We ring at Sacred Trinity Church (Salford end of Blackfriars Bridge) Tuesdays 7.30-9pm and Sundays 10.15-11am. See us at the freshers fare in the Academy, or phone Laura on 0161 225 8722. Ad No 4204

**THE UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX GUILD OF CHANGE RINGERS** welcomes any ringers starting at either The University of Sussex or Brighton this autumn. Come and meet us at the freshers fair or at our practice at St. Peter's on Thursdays at 20.00. Ad No 4175

**YORK COLLEGES GUILD** welcomes all students coming to York in October. Find us at the SU Mart or our Sunday practice at the Arts Centre, Micklegate, 4.30-6.00pm. There will be a tour of some city centre towers followed by bar meal on the first Sunday (15th), meet 2pm at the Arts Centre. For further information or free York Guild directory contact David Ball, Tel 01373 830419. Ad No 4206

## Are you coming to Sheffield in September?

The Sheffield Universities Guild is for all ringers from both the University of Sheffield and the Sheffield Hallam University.

First practice Monday 18 September 8-9.30pm at St. Marie's (RC) Cathedral in the City Centre.

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## Tower Announcement

**POYNTON, CHESHIRE.** Ringing recommenced after repairs to spire. Thanks to all Towers who welcomed us for practices and to Neil Taylor from Bollington for all assistance with frame repainting. Tower Secretary still Rosemary Spencer (not as Annual Report), but new phone number 01625 260096. P Dyson, Tower Captain. 4203

## Association Announcement

**ELY D.A.** Special General Meeting notified in last week's issue p.922, advert no. 1206. Please note that the grant to be ratified for Fulbourn should be £40 (not £46). 1262

## Weekday Meetings and Practices

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.** September 13th, St Margaret, Westminster; 20th, Shoreditch; 27th, St Clement Danes; October 4th, St Martin in the Fields. 6.30-8.00pm. 1088

**ELY D.A.** Joint Ely/Wisbech District Quiz Evening, Fri Sept 15 at Welney Cherry Tree, 7.30pm. Buffet £2.50; names to Ruth Ogden (01842 761561) by September 8 please. All welcome. 1219

**G. & B. D.A.** Wotton Branch. Thurs September 14, Branch practice at Dursley, 7.30-9pm. 0936

**SOUTHWELL D.G.** North Notts District Meeting, Tuesday September 12 at Everton (6), 7.30-9.00. Everyone welcome. 1244

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** Scarborough and District Branch Meeting, Thursday September 14 at 7.30pm at Norton. 0341

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** Western Branch. Thursday September 14, 10-12 bell practice, Bradford Cathedral, 7.30pm. 1155

## Saturday Meetings and Practices

**DERBY D.A.** Chesterfield District. Meeting, Saturday September 9 at South Wingfield, 7-8pm. All welcome. 1224

**ELY D.A.** Cambridge District. Saturday September 9. District Outing to Bedfordshire. Contact Katherine Hinchliffe (Camb 832296) for details. 1209

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.** Northern District. Our next Meeting will be at Witham on September 9 with the Service at 6.30pm followed by tea and Meeting. Service ringing from 6pm and evening ringing from 7.30pm after the meeting. All welcome. 1204

**SOUTHWELL D.G.** Bingham District. Saturday September 9. Langar 3.15; Cropwell Bishop 4.30 Service; Tea 5.00; 6.30 Ringing. Names for tea E Harrison (0115 9894729). Ad No 1215

**BATH & WELLS D.A.** Chew Branch. Saturday Sept 16, Long Ashton. Bells 3.30pm. Service 5pm followed by tea and business meeting, i.e. evening ringing. Please note slight change of time. 1254

**BATH & WELLS D.A.** Crewkerne Branch. AGM, Sat Sept 16, Ashill. Ringing 3pm followed by service, tea, meeting and further ringing till 9pm. Names for tea to Terry Spearing (01460 53442). Ad No 1249

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.** Coventry District Meeting, Sat September 16. Ringing at Shilton, 2.30-4pm. Service at Wolvey 4.30-5 followed by tea and business meeting, with further ringing at Wolvey from 6.15-7.30pm. Names for tea please to Bill Chase on 01455 220422 by Thurs Sept 14. Visitors welcome. 1243

**ELY D.A.** Hunts District. Sat September 16. Day School: Plain Hunt and Plain Bob plus, 9.30am at Hemingford Grey Church Hall. Names to John Pardoe, 01480 383329 by Sept 9. All helpers welcome. 1108

**ESSEX TROPHY 10 BELL STRIKING COMPETITION.** Host Kent C.A.C.R. Saturday September 16, Leeds, St Nicholas. 1st draw 2.15pm. 2nd draw 3.45pm. Competition ringing commences 2.30pm. 1171

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.** Southern District meeting at Great Wakering on Sat September 16. Starts 5pm, service 6pm followed by tea, business meeting and further ringing as required. Names for tea by Thursday September 15 to David Church (01702 217947) please. 1193

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** Guildford District. September 16. General ringing at Guildford Cathedral, 7-8.30pm. 1241

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** Church Stretton District. Saturday September 16 at Knighton, 3-5pm ringing, 5pm service, tea and quarterly meeting. Names for tea to Mrs M Anderson 01544 267679 please. 1258

## BOOK THE DATE NOW! DEVIZES BRANCH OPEN DAY SATURDAY, 21st OCTOBER 1995

Full details to follow

The proceeds will go towards the augmentation of All Cannings 4209



**HERTFORD C.A.** St Albans District. Evening Meeting, Saturday September 16, 7pm, St Albans Abbey. Due to security arrangements it would be helpful (though not vital) if those attending arrived promptly at 7.00. The next Learners practice is at St Michael on Oct 7. 1252

**K.C.A.C.R.** Ashford District. Call Change Competition at Brabourne, Saturday September 16. Draw 3pm followed by competition ringing. Tea and meeting 5.30pm at Smeeth Institute, followed by evening ringing at Brabourne. Entries for competition to District Secretary by previous weekend please. Names for tea to Ray Lucas (01303 812637) by Wednesday 12 please. 1198

**K.C.A.C.R.** Rochester District. Call-change Competition, September 16 at Bobbing. Draw at 2.30pm. Evening ringing after tea and meeting. Names for tea to Ted Baxter, 01795 842129 before September 13. 1162

**K.C.A.C.R.** Tonbridge District. Evening 10 bell practice at Bletchingley on Sat September 16 from 7.30-9pm. 1232

**LADIES GUILD.** There will be a meeting of the Eastern Branch on September 16 in Essex. 4-4.45 Tending; 5-5.45 Ardleigh; 5.45-6.45 Tea at Ardleigh; 7.00-7.45 Thorpe-le-Soken; 8.00-8.45 Great Bentley. Numbers for tea to Janet May (01953 452198) by September 9. 1165

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** Rossendale Branch. Next meeting on Saturday September 16 at Radcliffe St Mary from 3-5pm. All welcome! A E Pettifor. 1168

**LEICESTER D.G.** Hinckley District. Striking Competition on Saturday September 16 at Sharnford. Open ringing 3pm followed by service and tea. Striking competition starts 6pm. Names for tea to Mrs Philips 01455 273667. Ad No 1273

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.** Melton District. Meeting at Hobby (5), Saturday September 16, 7-8.30pm. 1145

**LICHFIELD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.** Meeting, Saturday September 16, at Willenhall (10). Ringing 3.00-4.15pm and one hour in evening. Service 4.30, followed by tea and short business meeting. Names for tea to G Horton (01902 607432) by previous Wednesday. 1187

**LINCOLN D.G.** W Lindsey Branch Meeting, Epworth, Sat September 16. Ringing 3pm, Service 4.15, Tea 5pm followed by business meeting and evening ringing. Names for tea: Mrs P Rose 01427 872080. Sp Meth Reverse Bob and Yorks. 1239

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.** Walk and Ring, Sat September 16. Ringing at Ellastone 2pm followed by walk to Mayfield, ringing at 4.30pm. All are welcome for this very enjoyable event. 1164

**NORWICH D.A.** Western Branch. Quarterly Meeting, Sat September 16. Ringing from 2.30pm at Gt Ryburgh, followed by service 4.30pm, tea and meeting. Evening ringing at North Elmham from 7pm. All most welcome. Names for tea, Jenny Bell, 01362 860371. Ad No 1201

**SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION.** Meeting, Inverness (10), Saturday September 16. Ringing 2.00-4.00pm, followed by service and tea. Names for tea to Mrs Cynthia Preece, 01463 236916, by Wednesday previous. 1260

**SOUTHWELL D.G.** Newark District. Sat September 16, Elston. Ringing 3pm. Meeting 4.30pm followed by tea. Evensong 6pm followed by evening ringing to 8pm. Names for tea (by Wed Sep 13) to Mike Bache (01636 74741). Ad No 1245

**WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.** The Annual General Meeting of the Northern Branch will be held at St Mary, Oldswinford on Saturday September 16. Bells (8) available from 3pm and after the business meeting. Service 4.15pm followed by tea and business. Names for tea (which are essential to avoid disappointment) to Mr J C Sutton, 38 Swincross Road, Oldswinford, Stourbridge, West Midlands DY8 1NL (01384 375658). 1263

**WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.** Western Branch. Quarterly Meeting, Broadwas, Saturday September 16. Ringing 3pm. Service 4.30. Tea and Meeting 5.15. Names to Paul Smith, Worcester 350741. Ad No 1170

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.** SW Branch. Autumn Meeting on Saturday September 23 at Galmpton (6). Ringing from 2.30pm. Service 4.30pm followed by tea and business meeting. Evening tower will be arranged later. Names for tea please to Mike Tann, Tel 01548 852664, by Wed Sept 20. All welcome. 1211

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.** NE District Service, Meeting and Practice on Sat September 23. Afternoon ringing at Ardleigh from 3-4pm; Little Bromley 4-4.30pm. Service at Little Bromley 4.30pm. Tea and Meeting will be held at Great Bromley Village Hall followed by evening ringing at Great Bromley. Names for tea to David Wenden (01206 250260) by September 20. 1257

**LADIES GUILD.** Central and Kent Districts Joint All Day Outing, Saturday September 30, Reigate area. Phone 01322 523071 for details. 1247

**LADIES GUILD.** Western District. Sat October 14. Half Day Outing to East Devon. Details to follow. Watch this space. All welcome. 1261

### DORSET RINGING FESTIVAL

SATURDAY 21st OCTOBER 1995

Competition tower: Durweston (6, 10 cwt)  
Five open towers - Free Tea - Evening ringing at Blandford Forum (8, 19 cwt)  
More details in *Ringing World* of October 6th or from Malcolm Corry, 21 Durweston, Blandford Forum, Dorset DT11 0QE. 01258 453891  
Ad No 4207

### SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD EAST DORSET BRANCH ANNUAL DINNER

at Mortons House Hotel, Corfe Castle  
Saturday 11th November 1995  
Details later 1248

### TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD OF RINGERS (Western District)

#### THE AUTUMN FESTIVAL will be held at Constantine on Saturday 16th September 1995

Service at 4.30 followed by Tea

Ringing:

St Gluvias 2.00-3.00

Mabe 2.30-3.30

Constantine 3.30-4.30 and after Tea

Budock 6.30-7.30

(No ringing to commence until a Tower or Guild Official is present)

Numbers for tea by previous Monday please to Mrs M Barnett, Trevean, 11 Parc Eglos, Helston TR13 8UP 01326 573510 Ad No 1251

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### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS

#### GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION IN THE CITY OF YORK

#### SATURDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 1995

#### SUNDAY SERVICE BAND STRIKING COMPETITION FINAL:

All Saints, Huntington - 10.30 a.m.

#### GENERAL RINGING:

St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place - 10.00-11.00 a.m.

(Service Ringing for Wedding)

St Michael's, Spurriergate - 10.30-11.30 a.m.

All Saints, North Street - 11.00-12.00 noon

The Arts Centre, Micklegate - 11.00-12.00 noon

#### LUNCH - THE ROYAL OAK, GOODRAMGATE - UPSTAIRS ROOM BOOKED

St Olave's, Marygate - 1.00-2.00 p.m.

St Martin-le-Grand, Coney Street - 1.30-2.30 p.m.

York Minster, Deangate - 2.45-3.55 p.m.

(Service Ringing - Resident Association Members only)

Evensong at York Minster - 4.00-4.45 p.m.

St Wilfrid's, Duncombe Place - 5.00-5.45 p.m.

(Sound Control Closed)

TEA AND BUSINESS MEETING - THE MERCHANT ADVENTURERS' MEDIAEVAL GUILD HALL, FOSSGATE - 6.00 p.m.

BARN DANCE IN AID OF THE Y.A.B.R.F - 7.30-11.00 p.m.

Tickets: £5 each, Students £4, Children & OAPs £2.50.

Barn Dance Tickets available from Mrs C B Potter to whom cheques should be made payable. Please enclose SAE.

Tickets for the Snowdon Dinner (The Spa Hotel, Ripon, 21st October, £15) will be on sale at this meeting.

Names for Tea by Wednesday 13th September to Mrs C B Potter, 3 Precentor's Court, York YO1 2EJ (Tel: 01904 627757). Leaflet on car parks available - SAE please. 1176



# WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

## WINCHESTER DISTRICT OPEN DAY SATURDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 1995

*In aid of the W&P Bell Restoration Fund*

All towers open for 1 hour unless otherwise stated

*Preston Candover	6	SU607416	9.00
Northington	3	SU564374	9.30-10.15
Old Alresford	6	SU588377	10.00
Ropley	6	SU646320	10.15
*Bishops Sutton	5	SU606320	10.30
New Alresford	8	SU589327	10.45
Tichborne	6	SU568303	11.15
**Ovington	4	SU562316	11.30-12.15
Easton	6	SU509323	11.45
Kings Worthy	5	SU493323	12.00
Winchester Cathedral	14	SU482292	12.15
Cheriton	6	SU582285	1.00
Wonston	6	SU478395	1.15
*Micheldever	6	SU513391	2.00
Crawley	5	SU424349	2.30
Winchester College	6	SU482289	2.45 (tbc)
Compton	3	SU468256	3.00
Twyford	8	SU481251	3.30
Owslebury	6	SU515234	3.45
Bishopstoke	10	SU468198	4.00
North Stoneham	10	SU441173	4.15
*Hursley	10	SU428252	4.45
Kings Somborne	6	SU360310	5.00
Broughton	6	SU309329	5.15
East Tytherley	8	SU292290	5.30
Lockerley	6	SU299267	5.45
Mottisfont	5	SU326267	6.00
Sherfield English	8	SU291224	6.15
Romsey	8	SU351212	6.30

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Further information and enquiries to Wendy Ling,  
01962 853611 Ad No 1255

## Police Five

No this has nothing to do with Shaw Taylor. On Saturday, 10th June, Police Guild members from eight different Constabularies gathered in the Vale of the White Horse area on the Berkshire and Oxfordshire border for our most ambitious quarter peal day so far. Our first quarter at Appleton went very well indeed and several were heard to comment that if we kept up that standard all day, we would do very well. It was also pleasing as this quarter was dedicated to the memory of Jim Prior, a well known ringer, who was a Life Member of the Guild.

Due to the response from members we were able to ring two quarters at separate towers simultaneously before lunch. It was suggested that we repeat this in the afternoon but some of our senior professionals felt they wouldn't mind being rested after lunch. This proved to be a very sound decision as our President John

Pearce and his wife, Mirrie, entertained the members to a very full quality lunch. In spite of several members eating three "plate fulls", the Yorkshire Major at Stanford in the Vale went well. This quarter was dedicated to the memory of Reg Abbott, also a Life Member, who had served in the Metropolitan Police but in his retirement rang at Winchester Cathedral.

The final quarter on the very good bells at Faringdon was enjoyed by everyone. We understand that peal and quarter peal ringing is somewhat restricted at this tower which is a great pity. In all this was a very good day particularly as we rang five very reasonable quarter peals with five different conductors.

We were pleased to welcome Graham Carter from the Cheshire Constabulary to his first Guild event. In a non territorial Guild there is always considerable travelling involved in attending meetings and peal attempts. However, those who have made the effort in recent years have found the meetings worthwhile and our peal attempts have met with much success.

The Guild AGM takes place in the Watford District of the Hertford County Association on Saturday 23rd September where we will plan next year's events. Recently we have held meetings in Buckinghamshire, Devon, Derbyshire and Cheshire. The east and west Midlands are likely to feature in the plans for next year to ensure that we cater for as many of the areas where we have members as possible.

Any Police Officer, members of the Special Constabulary or the Police Civil Staff (serving or retired) and their immediate family are welcome as members. Any ringer requiring further information regarding the AGM or the Guild in general is requested to contact the General Secretary, Peter Sippitt on 01494 762400.

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## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### ANNUAL STRIKING COMPETITION AND SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING (to consider rule changes)

#### SATURDAY 30th SEPTEMBER 1995

#### 6 BELL COMPETITION AT BERGH APTON

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1.00pm CALL CHANGES

2.00pm CHANGES

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The Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers' Open Day, held annually on the third Saturday in August, this year centred on the West Dorset area. Twenty-six towers were open and on a very hot day visitors were welcomed from as far afield as Norfolk, Essex, Kent and Gloucestershire as well as from neighbouring counties along the south coast. Unfortunately attendance this year was down due, it is thought, to the fact that the day coincided with national ringing for VJ50 Celebrations. Despite this the fine sum of £415.50 was collected for the Guild Bell Fund (LEBRF). Thanks are extended to all who gave their support, also to incumbents and those who organised the day and provided welcome refreshments. I.L.A.



## Around and about

The Ringing World Board of Directors met in London on Wednesday 30th August. Routine matters were dealt with and attention then turned to the two main items on the agenda; the appointment of a Director to replace Bob Cooles and the ever-increasing cost of newsprint.

After considerable discussion the Board decided unanimously to invite **Mrs. Maureen Frost** of Dorset to join the Board. Maureen is a Dorset C.A. representative on the Central Council and is currently Public Relations Officer for the Association. We welcome her to her new post and look forward to working with her.

No doubt many readers will have noted price rises introduced by national newspapers\* in the last few weeks. Although we are reputedly in a period of low inflation the cost of paper has been soaring and we are faced with a 7% increase in the cost of printing *The Ringing World*. However the Board decided not to increase the price of *The Ringing World* for the time being. The situation will be reviewed at the next Board Meeting (the November one) when the budget for 1996 is drawn up.

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We regret to report the death on Monday 28th August of Mr. William B. Cartwright at the age of 94. Bill was a Life Member of the Central Council, Master Emeritus of the Worcestershire and Districts Association and had served for many years as legal adviser both to the Council and *The Ringing World*. The funeral service was held at Selly Oak on Wednesday 6th September.

We are also very sad to hear of the sudden death of Mr. Eric E. Speake of Dudley. We understand that Mr. Speake collapsed and died while on a ringing tour of Canada.

We note that congratulations are due to Andrew M. Farmer who completed his 1000th peal on August 27th. The peal was rung at Alwalton, Cambs and was Doubles (15m) conducted by Andrew.

We were sorry to hear that Norman Summerhayes suffered a heart attack whilst in Norwich. Our best wishes to him for a speedy recovery.

Melbourne, Derbyshire bells are now back in the tower, including the two new memorial bells, and the work is on schedule for the dedication on 24th September by the Bishop of Repton. This takes place at the Parish Communion at 10 a.m. and a warm invitation is extended to everyone. At the service there will also be a thanksgiving for the work that has been done in the church during the last two years in the three phases of work completed so far.

However, a hold-up outside our control will prevent the bells from being rung at the dedication. Whilst all will be complete in the belfry, our unusual arrangement of rope-guides will not. We had to await final approval of the designs by English Heritage before we could go ahead with preparing new guides, and this has come too late for them to be made in time by our local blacksmith. As it would be most unwise to attempt to ring Melbourne bells without rope-guides, we shall have to be content with chiming the new bells at the dedication. An open ringing session will be advertised in the near future, and all will be welcome.

FREDERICK ROSS.

I saw a photo and article in the *West Australian* of 2nd September describing a 12,500 kg bell made in Asten, Holland – a gift from Queen Elizabeth to the people of New Zealand. Although I do not know the circumstances surrounding this Dutch-made British gift, I ask whether our efforts at public relations are sufficient. We have at least one Central Council publication which emphasises the need for P.R. and that all guilds and associations should practise it, but exactly who is responsible for lobbying the Queen's advisers, Government and the media at a national level? Could there be a joint venture between *The Ringing World*, bellfounders and Central Council? Perhaps once or twice a year *Ringing Digest* could be circulated with suitable stories and commercials drawn mainly from 51 editions of *The Ringing World* emphasising all the positives and export potential?

DAVID KNEWSTUB

Funny lot, ringers! Why do they choose the hottest weather to ring heavy bells to peals? We've recently reported single-handed performances on the tenors of St. Paul's Cathedral and Exeter Cathedral and a peal of Maximus at Liverpool Cathedral. We now hear that a peal of Surprise Minor (7 methods) was rung at Queen Camel on August 5th with Adrian Beck on the 37 cwt tenor.

According to the *Dorset Evening Echo*, St. Peter's, Dorchester is to hold an Open Day in September when visitors will be able to watch the ringers in action... "Said ringers" Captain Graham Colborne: The idea is to generate some interest and show the community what we do."

The following is a true story, where the Vicar in question had better remain anonymous, for his future credibility. A band of ringers met at his Church to ring for Evensong, to be greeted by the Vicar with a request not to ring, because an environmental health officer would be visiting his house to investigate a complaint he had made about noise from a record player, from a neighbouring house! He would not even allow ringing for a reduced period. This is an extreme example of an incumbent showing a lack of appreciation of bells, and the efforts of his ringers; but there is no doubt that the theological colleges could do more to instruct non-ringing ordinands about the role of bells in Church life.

N.W.H.S.

Ref. peal at Haselbech, 21st July, commemorating the 65th anniversary of the dedication of the augmented ring of 4 to 8, the footnote is not quite correct (p.864 RW 18th August).

The bells were the gift of Miss Florence Ismay on the occasion of her 21st birthday, to the memory of her father, and were dedicated on 21st July 1930. The following Saturday a Special General Meeting of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild was held at Haselbech at the invitation of Mrs and Miss Ismay which was attended by over 150 ringers, when we were entertained to a sumptuous tea, plus packets of cigarettes and chocolates.

It was a most enjoyable day, and the bells were rung to suit all present from rounds and call changes to London and Bristol Surprise Major.

B. P. MORRIS.

We are happy to confirm that "Hot Water Bottle", referring to the late Bill Barrett (p.896), was a term of endearment in common use in Norfolk, NOT an insult as printed. Philip Gorrod's brain, not the RW typesetter, was at fault on this one and Philip apologises to Barry Pickup, and anyone else who may have been disconcerted by the error.

### MORE NOTICES

**EAST GRINSTEAD & DISTRICT GUILD.** Saturday September 16. Evening Meeting, Turners Hill, 6.30-8.30pm. Jean Osbon, Hon Sec. 1275

**SALISBURY D.G.R.** Dorchester Branch. Meeting Change. Practice on Saturday September 9 will now be held at Preston (Weymouth) and not at Abbotsbury. 4212

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