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Bells for Peace at Pebworth

Readers with good memories may remember that in 1987 work was completed on the rehanging of the bells at St Peter's, Pebworth, in the Vale of Evesham. The existing five bells, which had been silent for about 35 years before rehanging, were cast by Michael Bushell of Evesham in 1707; the tenor was recast by Abraham Rudhall of Gloucester in 1732. Michael Bushell also cast a Sanctus bell in 1707; sadly, the present whereabouts of this bell are not known.

In 1987 the five bells were augmented at the time of rehanging by the addition of a new treble, an 1854 Mears bell from Cundall in Yorkshire.

Since 1987 the Pebworth band has been one of the liveliest and most active in the area, even though, like everyone else, they could still do with more recruits.

It was about a year ago that the Tower Captain, Andrew Baker, conceived the idea of a further augmentation to eight bells. This would not have been possible in 1987, but since then the church organ has been replaced, and the ringers have gained enough extra floor space to allow for a circle of eight ropes. We have been grateful for a good deal of advice and help at this carly stage and since, from Chris Povey, the Tower Captain at Evesham. He was pleased to maintain the Evesham connection.

The other ringers readily agreed that this would be a good idea, and so did the Church Council. Because there had been a great deal of money raised in a not very large village in recent years for church restoration, it was decided that fund-raising should be largely from beyond Pebworth, and the ringers themselves have been responsible for this.

We are most grateful for grants of £1,000 from the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association and of £500 from the Worcestershire and

Districts Association.

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bells, and the Central Council's Redundant Bell adviser put us in touch with Bishopstoke in Hampshire. Two generous people agreed between them to purchase the Bishopstoke treble (Warner, 1910) to be the new Pebworth treble. Then a very generous anonymous benefactor offered to pay for a new bell to be cast as the second.

The existing six bells were tuned at Whitechapel in 1987, and so it made sense to go to them for the retuning of our new treble and the casting of our new second. However, when they examined the Bishopstoke bell they advised us that it would not tune in well with the rest of the Pebworth ring. Panic! followed closely by immense relief and gratitude when the same anonymous benefactor offered to pay for a brand-new treble as well. The two donors of the Bishopstoke bell kindly agreed that it should be sold on and the money raised be put in the



Pebworth's new peace bells.

augmentation fund. This bell is now going to Tredington near Tewkesbury.

Whites of Appleton were the contractors in 1987, and had done a thoroughly good job, so the work on the augmentation was offered to them in the first place, but their order book was full for some time ahead. We then approached Whitechapel and Messrs. Hayward and Mills to quote for the bell-hanging work. Hayward and Mills quoted much the better price, helped by their scheme retaining most of the existing frame (which is only eight years old), and by their being willing to use local volunteer labour.

Since the bells had only been rehung so recently we were very anxious that everything should match and look of a piece. For instance, we did go back to Whites for the A-frames, to match the existing ones. What caused some raised eyebrows was our insistence that the new bells must have canons like the other six. Whitechapel seemed a little hesitant at first (having not cast a bell with canons since 1952), but they entered into the spirit of the thing, and were probably pleased in the end to have been asked to do it.

Ringing on the six finished at the end of February for work to start (apart from a few minutes' worth on V.E. Day on the four that were at that time in their places.) By the time the bell-hangers came, members of the band had already done a great deal of preliminary work

A handful of us were able to go to Whitechapel to see the two new bells cast at the end of June. After tuning they came to Pebworth, where they were on view in the church for a few days, and were blessed in the traditional way and sprinkled with holy water, before going away again briefly to be fitted up.

The new treble is 25% in. in diameter, weight 3-3-11, note F*, second 25% in., 4-0-9, E*. They bear inscriptions which relate to the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War,

and are referred to as our Peace Bells. Treble: "AVERTE MORTIFERUM BELLUM JESU CAMPANIS HORTANTIBUS." Second: "MAY CHRIST HEAR. PEACE 1945: GIVEN 1995. PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU: MY PEACE I GIVE UNTO YOU."

The original hope had been to have the bells in place for dedication on V.E. Day, but various factors caused it to be held over until V.J. Day, which was perhaps a better date anyway. The dedication was combined with the service for V.J. Day on Saturday 19th August, and went off splendidly, the only sadness being the absence of the Tower Captain who is a part-time fireman, and had been summoned away on the Pebworth engine to help extinguish the large blaze on the Malvern Hills. He had also missed the try-out for the same reason.

Happily he was eventually able to hear the eight for the first time on the Sunday and to join in the first quarter peal. Like everyone else who has heard them, he agreed that they really do sound like an eight, not two-plus-six, and they go splendidly. Our heartfelt thanks to the foundry and bell-hangers.

We normally practise on a Thursday at 7.30 when visitors would be most welcome. The bells will also be available to visiting bands – at a realistic fee, since there is still some money to be found. The Tower Captain can be contacted by telephone: 01789 773482 (daytime) or 720739 (evenings).

Mr Dove may be relieved to know that no further augmentation is planned to come just after his next edition.

DAVID BAKER.

Pebworth, Worcs. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Michael Homans 1, Andrew Baker 2, Andrew Middlecot 3, Ian Povey (1st Triples inside) 4, Philip Hunt 5, Chris Povey 6, John Huntriss (C) 7, David Baker 8. Rung at 12 noon as part of the national thanksgiving for the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.

Double celebration

Ringing at Horfield, Bristol has recently been revitalised with the arrival of several learners from St James Priory eager to gain some extra experience on this light 5. In turn practices at St James have tower captain, Roy Tallis. When Roy let slip that he was born on VJ Day and that he had never rung a peal in his home tower it seemed entirely appropriate that an attempt should be made on his 50th birthday. No peals have been rung at Horfield during Roy's 20 or so years as tower captain.

Unfortunately the peal was not to be, Stedman Doubles on a sweltering hot day came to grief and a quarter was rung instead. This did however give us some extra time to enjoy Roy and Helen Tallis's post ringing hospitality.

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Horfield, Bristol. 14 Aug, 1300 Stedman Doubles: Don Helliwell 1, Roy Tallis 2, Julian Watson 3, Charles Pipe-Wolferstan (C) 4, Stephen Bateman 5. To celebrate the anniversary of peace and Roy's Birthday.

Life among the bells

by Robert B. Smith

Part 13 – (continued from p.788)

Brian Harris had moved to a teaching post in Peterborough and was living in Werrington in June 1965. We spent a few days holiday at the beginning of June with Shirley, Brian and family during which we rang peals at Edenham, Ewerby and Spalding. The weekend was most enjoyable apart from the fact that I managed to drive our car into the back of the one belonging to Ray Daw and had to have my radiator repaired.

It was during the middle of 1965 that an elderly gentleman, none of us had seen before, came to practice night at Marple. He rang some Bob Major and Grandsire Triples with us and then enquired about handbell ringing. We assumed that he meant tune ringing as we were doing a little at that time to keep learners interested. "I'm no good at that" he said - "I had heard that you did change ringing here." As it was almost the end of the practice we rang the bells down, took the handbells down from where they had been hanging and asked what he would like to try. "Bob Major" came the answer - "Which pair?" - "I like 5-6 but as I haven't rung for over 35 years perhaps 7-8 would be safer." We rang an immaculate course of Bob Major at the end of which our first question was "Where do you live?" – second question "Where have you been hiding all these years?"

This was Gerald Moorhouse, probably one of the finest rhythm ringers there has ever been. It is worth relating something of Gerald's history prior to him taking up ringing again as his father and brother must have been excellent ringers in their time. Gerald's father John W. Moorhouse was in charge of the gaol at Armley, Leeds at the time of Gerald's birth and during his career was in charge of gaols at Bristol and, I believe, London also. He must have been a ringer of some stature as Gerald always told the story of when his father rang at St. Paul's Cathedral on a practice night and was invited to ring the tenor - "I will but not with that extra tail end on" which they removed for him so that he rang the bell without assistance. The two sons and father used to ring 720's of Plain Bob Minor on handbells before breakfast when the boys were in their very early teens. Later when they provided a home for an evacuee during World War II (Miss Lumley whose surname became Jacques when she married and with whom Gerald lost touch) they rang handbell peals of Plain Bob and Treble Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Double Norwich C.B. Major. Gerald's father composed an excellent, simple, 12 part peal of Double Norwich which is very straightforward to ring on handbells.

At our first meeting we learned that Gerald's work (he had been chief accountant for Esso in the North of England) had been so demanding that he had not rung until he retired, prematurely, at the age of 62. The first time he went to practice at St. George's Church, Stockport he was so worried that he only listened from outside the tower. When he arrived home, his wife, Molly insisted that he should go back the following week and ring or she would take him the following week. It was at St. George's he learned that, at Marple, we rang handbells. He had kept his excellent set of Whitechapel handbells polished through all his years of ringing inactivity and from 1965 until his death they were put to very good use by a host of ringers

Immediately after our initial course of Plain Bob Major on handbells with Gerald, we fixed a neal attempt. This was arranged for the morning of Saturday 19th June in the ringing room at All Saints Church, Marple. That was the day of our Church garden party, with which we were involved. However we did not know that the Girl Guides had arranged to store some of the items they required in our ringing room and they came to collect these halfway through our peal attempt. Another attempt was arranged, at Gerald's home, Cheadle Hulme and this was successful. From now on Gerald featured in the upsurge of handbell ringing in Cheshire - he was the required "spark" to set alight the fire in North East Cheshire. Gerald was of course many years our senior and on the first few occasions we met we all called him Mr. Moorhouse. After one peal he said "I wish you would call me Gerry" to which we replied "Yes, Mr. Moorhouse" and all, including Gerald were very amused. I never did get round to calling him other than Gerald even when we subsequently became great friends both with him and his wife Molly.

In August 1965 we made the first of many visits to Stratton, Cornwall to stay with Harry and Rene Stacey. Many ringers, young and old, experienced wonderful hospitality and in our case we and they effectively became members of the "extended family" of the other so that our children, now grown up, still refer to them as Uncle Harry and Auntie Rene. Evening meals, with first class meat from Harry's adjoining shop superbly cooked by Rene, were timed round evening ringing at Stratton, Bridgerule, Kilkhampton and other nearby towers. It was an unwritten rule that if you stayed at the Staceys evening ringing was included. We met many well known ringers whilst on holiday at Stratton, most of whom returned year after year.

The standard of striking by the local team at Stratton was very good and in addition to Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob there was always some Devon call-change ringing with a good rise and fall in peal. The tower was, apparently, run by the Sangwin brothers: Charlie, Fred and "Jan". For much of the time however practice nights seemed to be organised by Harry Stacey but it was all very easy going. On our first visit Charlie Sangwin who, at the time was tower captain, had been very impressed by our ringing of the Extent of Major and early on in the practice said "Now Robert, do you think we could have a little bit of the Bob Major of yours that you rang at Loughborough?" The way he spoke was as though we now had a monopoly on the method and permission had to be granted.

Alf and Sue Ballard were on holiday in Bude at the same time as we were in Stratton during August 1965. Alf was persuaded to ring in a handbell peal of Grandsire Triples with Bernard Groves and myself for the benefit of Roy Bould from Tavistock who had not previously had the chance to attempt a handbell peal.. Roy, also invited me to ring in a peal at Carbis Bay on the day we were to have travelled home and, at that time, having no family commitments I agreed to stay on for another day. When the band assembled at Carbis Bay to ring Kent T.B. Royal I was surprised to find Gordon Halls, John Freeman and Alan Pink in addition to more local people such as Tom and Bill Myers from Plymouth. Being used to ringing at the Loughborough Bellfoundry I had expected that the peal would only take 2½ hours but in fact Alan Pink called a composition which I think was some five and a half thousand changes and took 3% to ring.

We spent the late August Bank Holiday weekend in Leicester visiting friends and relations. However, I found myself included in a peal of Cambridge Maximus at St. Mary the Great, Cambridge. On the following Saturday we were to have attempted a long peal of London Surprise Royal at Christ Church. Macclesfield but due to a misunderstanding one of the band believed that the attempt was scheduled for a week later than that. After some delay we did eventually ring a normal length peal of London Royal by including one of the ringers who was to have been an umpire. Later in September we went to Winchester and made an awful mess of what ought to have been a very straightforward peal of Cambridge Maximus. Gordon Benfields' words at the end "that was pretty diabolical" was an accurate description of the striking.

Handbell ringing back at home in Cheshire was starting to produce the fruits of many years of "spadework". We now had regular weekly attempts for peals at various venues in Marple or at Gerald Moorhouse's home in Cheadle Hulme. During each of the months of October, November and December we scored creditable peals of Plain Bob Maximus and our final peal for the year was Kent Treble Bob Royal. Coordinating attempts now had to be committed to a written programme as, on occasions, we had an excess of ringers available.

During November 1965 Bill and Joan Douse were married at All Saints Church Marple. We rang the bells prior to and after the wedding which was delayed by more than an hour as the wedding car bringing Joan from Macclesfield some 12 miles away had a flat tyre and the spare tyre in the boot was punctured also. We really thought that Joan had changed her mind and we felt for Bill as it was not possible for contact to be made in either direction. The ceremony and the reception subsequently proceeded very smoothly and afterwards we rang an excellent peal of Rutland Surprise Maior.

Neil Bennett was still very active organising and conducting peals in Lancashire in 1965 and on 18th December 1965 he conducted the record peal of 17248 Yorkshire Surprise Major at Accrington. At the time of writing that is still the record for this method and, in calling this from a "non-observation bell" it ranks as a significant achievement. The peal took 9 hours and 6 minutes to ring and the band was as follows:

- 1 Giles R. Thompson
- 2 Richard J. Parker
- 3 Neil Bennett (Cond)
- 4 Basil Jones
- 5 Jeffrey Brannan
- 6 Alan McFall
- 7 Brian J. Woodruffe
- 8 Robert B. Smith

I recollect that several hours before the end Brian Woodruffe said that his legs had "gone dead" and at the end of the peal he could not move. It was not until we arrived back in Marple several hours after the peal that he could feel the circulation in his feet.

(To be continued)

By instrospection and general observation during meetings at work, rides on trains and trips to town I have concluded that I have a concentration span of about an hour. In fact, I think it averages out at about 43 minutes. I wonder why that is?

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Editorial

Ringing for VJ Day was not on the same scale as the ringing which took place for VE Day. Nevertheless many of our bells did sound out on VJ Day itself and over the weekend following. It was particularly pleasing to hear that so many bands rang at 12 noon on Sunday 20th. Details of most of the ringing which took place are included in this issue; quarter peal and peal reports which were sent more than two weeks after the date of ringing will be published "in due course".

As most ringers know, autumn is the time when creative genius flowers. All through the world of ringing stories and articles are being written, snippets assembled and cartoons composed. At least we hope that is the situation! We shall start working seriously on the Christmas issue of *The Ringing World* around the middle of November and we thank those who have already submitted material for that issue. Remember, *The Ringing World* is written by ringers for ringers with just occasional interference from the Editor.

A music browsing shop

From Monday, 2 October, a new facility will be available to all handbell ringers in the form of a music browsing shop at the Whitechapel Bell Foundry.

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Historic bellframes

I have read the replies to my letter (1st and 8th September) with interest.

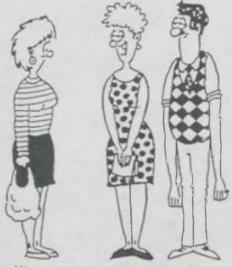
I am not against rehanging bells. Indeed, some of my most interesting and important jobs have been (and are) just this. What concerns me is the lack of recognition in the ringing fraternity – and on the part of local and national controlling organisations – that there may be intact installations (bells, frame and fittings) which are too important to break up and which need listing for preservation. It is, after all, a recognised principle in other areas of the heritage – no-one would dream of removing the masts and putting an engine in HMS Victory, or turning Fountains Abbey into flats. There is an important sense in which churches are museums, whether the occupants like it or not.

I can think of at least five intact sets of historic bells and frames in those parts of the country where I live and work which should be left intact, even if they are not safe to ring in full circles, including a rare 1879 example of the work of Moore. Holmes and Mackenzie. Within a short distance of each one of these towers are disused rings of good bells in worm eaten wood and rusting iron frames. Surely these are the ones which should engage your correspondents' attention.

Norwich ANDREW ANDERSON

First peal congratulations

Eleanor A. Cutler, Eric Headland, David Buist, Richard J. Day, David Smith, John Rogers, Douglas Lawrie and to Christopher J. Tough who completed his first peal as conductor.



– Mio marito ha fatto il campanaro per più di trent'anni.

- My husband has been a bell-ringer for more than thirty years.

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NORMAN A. JOHNSON (for C.C. B.R.F. Committee)

Heilbronn bells

I am a school principal for history and in my spare time I am interested in church bells. At the moment Γ m making an inventory of all the bells in my town Heilbronn, that is near Stuttgart in Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany.

In Heilbronn the American Forces had in their barracks two little churches. Only one of the churches still exists, it is the church of the formerly Wharton Barracks in the south of my town, built circa 1953. And in the little tower of the church is a bell, but it is impossible to get in the tower to see the bell. Therefore I hope you can help me to find out where the bell comes from. Perhaps someone knows whether the army has bought such bells in Germany or in the U.S.A. I'm searching information like the name of the foundry, the year the bell was made, diameter, weight, and tone. I can be contacted at Gildenst. 30, 74074 Heilbronn, Germany.

On Saturday 2nd September, many friends and relatives gathered together at Geddington village hall to celebrate the Silver Wedding anniversary of Richard and Bryony Dorrington.

Richard and Bryony were married at All Saints Church, Kingston-upon-Thames on 5th September 1970. So 25 years on it was wonderful to meet some of those ringers who had been at the wedding – Bernard Stone, Chris Bulleid, Lesley and Jeffrey Knipe.

The following quarter peals were rung as a compliment to Richard and Bryony on their Silver Wedding day.

Elton, Cambs. 5 Sept, 1260 Doubles (10m): Revd Richard Dorrington 1, Bryony Dorrington 2, Peter Warboys 3, Brian Bunting 4, Anthony Walker (C) 5.

Winwick, Cambs. 5 Sept, 1440 Doubles (11m): Peter Warboys 1, Bryony Dorrington 2, Revd Richard Dorrington 3, Brian Bunting 4, Anthony Walker (C) 5.

Geddington, Northants. 5 Sept, 1320 PB Doubles: "George" Shiells 1, Clare Leaton (1st as C) 2, Claire Williams 3, Ken Jackson 4, Bob Jackson 5.

When the only tool you have is a hammer, every problem looks like a thumb.

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Letters

Time for thought

Peter Wenham in his letter (1st September) makes a telling point in reminding us that someone training to gain bell control may well actually spend no more than 15 minutes a month ringing with others. It is not a point that I have seen discussed before in these columns and it is worthy of analysis. Such a 15 minutes may well be made up of sessions of no more than two or three minutes each and on different days. Truth to tell also the sessions may be with others who are in the learning stage and not too consistent in their rhythm.

Learning to control a bell is about coordinating muscles, ear and rhythm. It takes a lot of repetitive practice to instill into the human being all three of these so that they work instinctively together. I have never been able to rationalise why it does take so long but observation tells me that it requires a lot more than 15 minutes a month to complete the process inside a year and it is not surprising that too many beginners get fed up before they have got it all together.

It does seem to me that we now should really be using dumb-bells or tied bells connected to a simulator for teaching everybody bell control. This combination allows much longer sessions without need of the attendance of a whole team, the rhythm is rock-steady and the ear is not distracted by inaudibility, excessive noise or any other of those problems that can upset a learner. The cost of equipment for a simulator is not large and should be repaid by so many more learners sticking to ringing because they escape the tedium of learning bell control in unsuitable circumstances.

PHILIP GRAY.

Backwell, Somerset

Strong and simple

I was interested to note that the College of Youths had successfully rung a peal of Doubles on the rather notorious 5 at Minster in Thanet. These must rank as one of the most difficult rings in Kent and very few peals have been rung on them (the first as recently as 1962). A strong band, simple methods and a competent conductor are essential prerequisites here – you certainly would not want to come back for a second bite of the cherry.

However, although this in no way detracts from the performance, I feel duty bound to correct the report as submitted since it is highly unlikely that the tenor weight is any more than the 17cwt. quoted in both Dove and the earlier editions of the KCA handbook, and may well be rather less. The bell in question (cast by Joseph Hatch in 1636 with canons intact) was accurately measured some years ago and, at 45.25 inches diameter sounding note E, is rather less than previous records suggested. Other comparable bells by Hatch sounding the same note and with canons intact are the tenors at Chartham and Cobham (recently rehung), both a little smaller than the Minster tenor but both weighing under 14cwt.

N. J. DAVIES.

Lydd, Kent.

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Well – look at it this way!

"What I mean is that if you really want to understand something, the best way is to try and explain it to someone else. That forces you to sort it out in your own mind. And the more dimwitted your pupil the more you have to break things down into more and more simple ideas. And that is really the essence of programming. By the time you've sorted out a complicated idea into little steps that even a stupid machine can deal with, you've certainly learned something about it yourself. The teacher usually learns more than the pupil."

DOUGLAS ADAMS.

The Siege of Hereford

Some 350 years ago the country was in the middle of a divisive civil war. The various events of the war are being commemorated by a rolling programme of events around the country, and the turn of Hereford came when it was decided to celebrate the lifting of the siege of Hereford. From July to the beginning of September 1645 the city was besieged by an army of Scots under General Lord Leven. The siege was fully established on 30th July, and the Royalist garrison commander, Barnabas Scudamore, immediately took necessary steps, including rendering the city an unusually quiet place by silencing the bells and clocks. In his own words:

'... I enjoyned the bells silence, lest their ringing, which was an alarme to awaken our devotion, might chime them together to the execution of their malice. For the same reason I stopt the clocks: and hereby, tho' I preventd them telling tales to the advantage of the enemy, I myself lost the punctuall observations of many particulars, ...

The siege followed the usual pattern, with mine and counter-mine, sally and counter-sally, and bombardment from both sides. On 31st August and 1st September the Scots prepared to take the city by escalade by making ladders etc. and by a cannonade, with the intention of assaulting the city the next day. This design was thwarted by the approach, during the night, of a Royalist army under the command of King Charles I, and the Scots army dispersed. The King entered the city on 4th September, and on that occasion the ringers of All Saints' and St Nicholas' were paid for ringing in celebration.

The 350th anniversary of the lifting of the siege was commemorated on 2nd September 1995 by a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples being rung on the bells of All Saints'. The situation was much as it had been in 1645, as the bells had had an enforced silence, but in this case it was one of nearly 3½ years because of the poor state of the spire and tower. It was only the second time that the bells have been rung since the recent restoration of the church, the other occasion being 15 minutes ringing on VJ Day.

The band of ringers assembled in the church just before noon, and were introduced to the Mayor of Hereford. After a group photograph had been taken, the Mayor accompanied the band to the ringing chamber and watched while the bells were raised. After he left, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung by the following: Brenda Tingley 1, Leslie Evans 2, Jo Hall 3, Margaret Eisel 4, Fred Harris 5, John Harrold 6, John Eisel (C) 7, Roger Tingley.

Because of the break in ringing, there is no local band, but it is hoped that one will be started in the near future.

(Info. from JOHN C. EISEL)



Left to right: Jill and Peter Harris, Francis Major and Richard Major (the new Tower Captain).

From Oswestry to Swanage

Peter and Jill Harris moved to Swanage, Dorset, in August and thus deprived Oswestry of two stalwart members of the band. They came to Oswestry in December 1969 when Peter transferred from his BT post in Stone Training College to join Brogyntyn Hall. As Harold Hughes, the previous Tower Captain, advanced in years his responsibilities were placed gradually and increasingly on Peter's shoulders.

Peter and Jill's contribution to the church as a whole as well as the tower has been significant and extensive over the 25 years they have been at St Oswald's. The installation of sound control by the ringers' own work in 1980 was just one such project. Peter organised the building of the adjustable sound doors and the raising of funds for the project. It was during these works that an exciting incident occurred involving Richard Major's Diane 2 CV on the ground, a basket of bricks between earth and heaven, and the Harris' son, Andrew, who nearly gained his place in heaven ahead of schedule. For further details ask one of the involved parties or listen to Hoffnung who describes the generic details better than I could attempt.

We wish Peter and Jill well in their new home, and warn Swanage residents that the next low flying Cessna may be Peter getting to know the

DAVID GOUGH.

I recently had one of those experiences where I narrowly avoided considerable embarrassment. In the absence of both Captain and Vice Captain I was left in charge of ringing for a wedding. This should not have taxed me too much because I have done it before having held both of those offices in the tower at times in the past.

We only ring the bride out and so the bells have to be raised well before the service - often the night before. This wedding was at 2.30 pm so we would not be needed much before 3.00. At about 1.40 I had just pulled off the tenor whilst ringing for another wedding at a tower in a town some six miles from my own tower. As I did so it occurred to me that I hadn't raised the bells in my own tower ready to ring for the 2.30 wedding. At 2,00pm I finished ringing for the first wedding. At 2.10pm I arrived in the ringing chamber of my own tower. I had cherished a faint hope that our steeple keeper who sometimes raises the bells for weddings might have done it without being asked but he hadn't. By 2.19pm I had raised all eight (tenor 22 cwts). Is this a record either for bell-raising or for crass stupidity? Does it still count as the tenor went up wrong?

EDWARD SPEAREY

Wellington, memorial Carillon

It was interesting reading the two items regarding the Wellington New Zealand Carillon (pages 929 and 948) and I thought readers might be interested in some additional information which I have gleaned. My wife (Bridget) and myself toured New Zealand for two months and Australia for one month between January and April of this year. The welcome that we received from the ringers was marvellous. When in Wellington we visited the National War Memorial with its carillon tower. I introduced myself to the curator and asked whether it was possible to see the bells. I was told 'no' because he was the only one on duty but if we returned later that afternoon he would see what he could do. When we returned he had very kindly arranged for Evan Roberts, the assistant carilloneur, to conduct us up the tower and to give us a short private recital. This was very typical of the hospitality which we experience everywhere that we went.

Since that time I have kept up a correspondence with Evan Roberts. He told me in a letter in June that the carillon was to be completed according to its original specification with the addition of four bass bells, the heaviest weighing 13+ tonnes. It appears that the order originally went to the Whitechapel Bell Foundry but they had to decline it because they had insufficient capital to undertake an order of this magnitude. This is hardly surprising because how many foundries could cast a bell weighing over 13 tonnes? I am quite sure that Alan Hughes will confirm that they would love to have been able to fulfil the order but could not possibly contemplate installing a furnace specially to cast such a large bell – it would be completely uneconomic to do so. It is of course a great pity, but one has to face the harsh economic facts.

Even the Eijsbouts foundry does not have the capacity to east the 13 tonne bell and this will be cast at a propeller factory at I believe Lith or

Lipps in the Netherlands.
Tim Hurd, the Wellington Carilloneur, has and will be surpervising the tuning of the four bells in the Netherlands. By August the first and smallest of the new bells had arrived and was put on display in the foyer of the Hall of Memories. It was dedicated on August 15th by the Prime Minister of New Zealand. I do not have any further information abut the timetable for the completion of the order but if I do receive any further details from New Zealand I will write to let readers know.

MICHAEL V. WHITE

The first weekend in September was the first and last weekend for some considerable time that the Rothera family were all at home together, so a farewell quarter peal was rung for Evensong before the junior Rotheras depart in various directions.

Hazel is off to Birmingham to study for a Master's degree in librarianship at the University of Central England, Malcolm to Wood Norton, Evesham for a training course with the BBC, Janet to St Petersburg for the third year of her course at Exeter University. which includes Russian, and Linda for a GAP year teaching English at Kuching in Sarawak before going to the University of East Anglia in 1996

Chelmsford Cathedral, Essex. 3 Sept, 1282 Cambridge S. Royal: Anne Edwards 1, Susan J Rothera 2, Hazel M Rothera 3, Linda C Rothera 4, Janet E Rothera 5, Malcolm J Rothera 6, David E Rothera (C) 7, Peter D Hinton 8, Peter J Eves 9, Colin F Chapman 10



Attenders and attendees . . . Surely the word "attender", although ugly and not in my dictionary, means "a person that attends (is present)" making an "attendee" a person or place that is attended, i.e. on a ringing course, a church tower. If these "meanings" have become transposed so that "attendees" are those who attend, then the "attenders" must be the towers themselves.

When I see a church tower, complete with bells, pick itself up and travel 20 miles or so to attend a course on Plain Bob Minor, then I really will stop drinking!

JEAN BARNES.



This photograph shows the six ladies of the East Dorset Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild immediately after their peal of Doubles at Wareham on 4th August in the heatwave. They are re-hydrating themselves on the lawn of North Mill by the River Piddle.

Back row: June Brown, Hilary Child.

Seated: Judith Robertson, Mary Garrad, Susan Legge, Felicity Warwick.

The peal was on the front six and was to mark the 95th birthday of the Queen Mother.

With regard to the quarter peal of Kent T.B. Maximus at Gt. Yarmouth published on page 893 of The Ringing World:

J.M.B.

No I haven't divorced him - YET! and to whoever sent the details in: You are 15 months behind the times!

CAROLINE SPILLER (nee Davies)

Richard E. Price's 2,000 peals

Richard's 2,000 peals have been rung on 577 rings of bells (1394 on the tenor) and 1540 of them have been rung for the Yorkshire Association. He thanks all the ringers with whom he has rung and would like especially to pay tribute to: Tony Price (his father), E. C. S. Turner, C. W. Roberts, T. J. Lock, R. F. B. Speed, P. A. Corby, W. Williams, Geo Fearn, W. Moreton and W. E. Critchley. Also included in his thanks is Ian North with whom Richard has rung 1,280 peals (Ian conducting 855).

Peal details:

| Pear | ietans: | | | | |
|----------|-------------------------|------|-------|------|-------|
| Minor: | 1-35 methods | | | 79 | (25) |
| Triples: | Grandsire | 2 | | | |
| | Stedman | 3 | | 5 | |
| Major: | Plain Bob | 37 | (13) | | |
| | DNCB | 24 | (9) | | |
| | SNCB | 1 | | | |
| | St Clements | 1 | | | |
| | Kent TB | 4 | (1) | | |
| | Surprise, Delight, | | | | |
| | Alliance in 563 | | | | |
| | different methods | 1225 | (182) | | |
| | [inc Bristol 179 (15), | | | | |
| | London 108 (13), | | | | |
| | Yorkshire 111 (45)] | | | | |
| | Spliced Surprise | | | | |
| | 3-14 methods | 158 | | 1450 | (205) |
| Caters: | Stedman | 16 | (2) | | |
| | Grandsire | - 12 | | 28 | (2) |
| Royal: | Plain Bob | 8 | (1) | | |
| | Little Bob | 2 | | | |
| | Spliced Plain & Little | 2 | | | |
| | Kent TB | 4 | | | |
| | Surprise in 33 | | | | |
| 1 | different methods | | (96) | | |
| | [inc Yorkshire 70 (25), | | | | |
| | Cambridge 76 (45). | | | | |
| | London No.3 36 (15) | | | | |
| | Spliced Surprise | | | | |
| 1 | 3-36 m | 17 | | 286 | (97) |
| Caters: | Stedman | 26 | | | |
| | Grandsire | 3 | | 0.0 | |
| | Erin | 1 | | 30 | |
| Maximus | s: Plain Bob | 1 | (0) | | |
| | Kent TB | 5 | (2) | | |
| | Surprise in 22 | 116 | (22) | 100 | (7.1) |
| | different methods | 116 | (32) | 122 | (34) |
| | | | | 2000 | (363) |
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200 It is true to say that not every ringing project goes without difficulty. It is also true to say that none has gone so badly as the Erin Project.

The first attempt was for cinques in 1975 which fired out. It was almost 20 years until this was re-booked and scored.

The caters was not attempted until thisyear when, once a certain pair decided not to swap over it was scored on the third attempt.

Triples was first lost in 1975 but scored a mere 19 years later in 94.

This sort of success rate at this point put the project in the "poor" category. Then came the doubles. The compositions in Standard 70 were dismissed as impossible and the 120s recently published in the RW put to one side as being just a bit tricky. We went for the soft option as given in quarter 500.

The first attempt, after a couple of false starts, was lost in the last 60 changes. The second attempt consisted of an hour of false starts.

As the Erin Project is a sub project of the Standard 70 Project the best option as this point seemed to be to request the good Mr Longridge to re publish it with a substitute doubles method which I have already rung or reduce it to the Standard 69.

However, re booking has taken place. At the moment the score is Erin 6 Ringers 3. We may soon need professional help.



Jane and Julian Ball

Woolley-Ball

Friends and family from far and wide, including a relative from the USA and a small band of local ringers, gathered at St. Mary's, Stoke D'Abernon to witness the marriage of Julian Ball (Tower Keeper and past Ringing Master) and Jane Woolley (new recruit) on Saturday 9th September 1995.

The service was conducted by the Rector, the Revd. David Vincent. The bride, in a traditional ivory gown, entered to 'The Arrival of the Queen of Sheba'. Mr. John Ball, the grooms' father, read the lesson and during the signing of the registers the choir sang 'Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring'. Jane and Julian left the church to the strains of Widor's Toccata preceded by the ringers who had sung the whole of the last hymn. Once up the tower well-struck call changes was the groom's order of the day and these may have met with his approval as he threatened to give marks out of ten at the reception.



The King of the Swingers

The assembled company repaired to the Bookham Grange Hotel for the reception, Julian and Jane travelling in a vintage Chevrolet. A superb wedding breakfast culminated in a series of memorable speeches. The bride's father presented his new son in law with a football and Aldershot Town F.C. scarf in the hope that they would engender in Julian some enthusiasm, however slight, for the sport enjoyed by his three new brothers in law. Julian accepted the gift graciously, before going on to thank the many people who had made the day such a success.

Chris Ball, the groom's elder brother and best man, told of his regret at discovering that Julian appeared to have led a blameless life. Great entertainment was afforded when, to Accompany his history of episodes in Julian's life, Chris produced appropriate items of apparel



Simon Gay's Group at Silverdale

Keele 1995 - 6 and 8

This year saw the introduction of an 8 bell group, in addition to the 6 bell group. The expert tutors (one per student) rang throughout the sweltering heat and managed to pretend they were enjoying every method.

Rowena Gay provided the healthy luncheon buffet each day to satisfy 28 appetites, plus the relaxation of "Woodlands", albeit ringing handbells in the garden, the garage ring, reading today's *Independent* or just contemplating the afternoon's work or tutorials.

Roger Bailey introduced method ringing on one handbell to give students more practice. Individual simulator practice continued to test listening skills, as did John Harrison's audio tape of inaccuracies. Maureen's new splice was soon put into use at Silverdale and there were several tutorials on learning methods, conducting and tower captaincy.

Evening ringing included practising ringing

up and down in peal, general ringing at several towers and a special session on the Newcastleunder-Lyme 12, although here the perspiration poured off quite a few back enders (tenor 16 cwt)!

The date of the Summer School always depends on the date of the publication of 'A' level results, but as it clashes with Rowena and Phil's wedding anniversary as well, you'd think they'd arrange it differently! The students chose to mark the occasion with a bottle of champagne for 'after the course' consumption.

The 'end of term' party discovers who has other talents and we were not disappointed by Fred Parmenter (song), Mike Oldham (poem) and Sam Ferris (actions), Rowena Gay (poem) and Dave Carter (saxophone).

Phil Gay, Course Director, pays enormous attention to individual needs together with Simon Gay and Dave Carter, the Group Tutors – one cannot fail to progress at Keele.

STELLA BIANCO



David Carter's Group at Keele

that the groom was forced to don. The Moonshine Jazz Band played some lively dance music during the rest of the evening. The sight of Julian and his three brothers singing 'I'm the King of the Swingers' in karoke style while in formal attire was a source of great hilarity.

The Happy Couple left the party late to recuperate before flying abroad for their honeymoon. The Stoke D'Abernon ringers wish them much happiness and look forward to their return.

The Keele course is always an intense personal challenge and, with the experimental introduction of an eight-bell group, this year proved no exception. As one who has trouble with a touch of Bob Major, or anything else on eight bells, the prospect of ringing Cambridge Major filled me with not a little trepidation, but with an expert band and perfect striking around you, reinforced by the solo sessions with the simulator, miracles can be achieved!

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Mike Oldham (left) shepherded by Phil Gay has his first experience on the Woodlands garage ring

Despite the excellent organisation of Phil and his two Group Leaders, David and Simon, and Ro's much-appreciated hospitality, however, nothing would have been accomplished without the untiring support, and stamina, of the tutors at least we could have a rest and cool down between rings. A very big 'thank you' to everyone for a marvellous week

CHRYSTINE BUTCHER

George T. Jennings B.E.M. -90 not out!

26th August was chosen for the day to celebrate George Jennings 90th birthday, with a party at St. John's Hall in Crawley. George requested NO gifts, but a contribution of food would be acceptable. Everyone was over generous! By the time that the party started at 3pm the tables were all ready well covered with a wide variety of food. There had been one minor hitch in the morning, when the hot air drier in the "Ladies" was used the 'electrics' decided to 'blow' and could not be turned on until the key to the cupboard was located. But the vol-au-vents were still ready on time.

As more and more people arrived, more and more food arrived - sandwiches, quiche, sausage rolls, sausages on sticks, trifles, crisps, meringues, gateaux, sponge cakes ... the list goes on!

George chatted to his many friends that gathered, representing various facets of his life railway, bellringing, chatting up the girls, neighbours as well as family. Everyone else chatted to their friends or made new ones. There was much drinking, especially of cold drinks, some eating, although the food still kept appearing and much socialising.

Whilst all was happening inside and outside the Hall, a chosen/volunteered band of friends was imprisoned inside the Tower to ring Double Norwich (what else?). To be honest there were one or two tiny trips - but it was hot and the ringers knew there was a critical audience listening. But the bells sounded well and were a very good excuse to cool off and enjoy the ringing at the same time.

The cutting of the cake, toasting and mini speech making took place about 5.30 and the peal was successfully completed about 6.10pm. More eating, drinking, ringing of handbells, talking and planning for ten years time went on until at last all drifted home and the hall was left tidy, with a selection of nibbles for the afterservice coffee morning next day.

George rang in a quarter peal at Crawley the Thursday before. This was for VJ Day, his birthday and as a Get Well for Eddie Rapley.

Ringing for the 50th anniversary of VJ Day

RAF Guild ringing

As for the 50th Anniversary celebrations for VE Day, there will be no report of a peal rung by the RAF Guild. However, that is not to say that the Guild was inactive on such an important day far from it. We received a request to ring at St Clement Danes as part of the celebrations, and rather than organise a peal or quarter it was decided to open the tower up to members of the Guild for general ringing. This enabled some of our slightly less capable but enthusiastic and dedicated ringers the chance to ring at the Central Church of the RAF, and several did journey from various locations indeed throughout England to make the most of the opportunity.

Numbers were not as high as hoped, due no doubt to the late arrangements made overall for ringing on 20th August at 12:00 noon. Powers that be please note. Many Guild members were already committed to helping out at their local towers. However, 10 ringers turned up on the day and the bells were duly rung. The BBC took an interest, and the bells were recorded and used on the 1 O'clock and 6 O'clock News

Meanwhile, several hundred miles North, at Embleton in Northumberland, another RAF Guild band rang for the 12:00 celebrations. Embleton is the most Northerly 6 in England, only the 8 and Bamburgh being nearer the Scottish Border.

My thanks to those who were able to journey to London to take part, and also to the members of UCL Society who were co-opted for the day by Richard Saddleton

MARK PHILIPSON

Embleton, Northumberland. 20 Aug, 1260 Plain Bob Minor: Gillian Chabrzyk Treble, Deborah Bearder 2, E. S. Bartley 3, Sue Hanson 4, C. J. Wheeler 5, M. Philipson (C) 6.

First of Minor inside: 3; Rung for the 50th Anniversary of VJ Day; also for Evensong.

Although in Crawley Hospital, Eddie was not left out and had his share of the party food -"The trifle was wonderful."

On his birthday - 27th - George shared a family lunch party at 'The Oak' in Ardingly. Further lunches and ringing as well as trips on both the Lavender Line and Bluebell Line continued the celebrations for about another

George would like to thank EVERYONE who contributed to the marvellous spread, ALL who came to celebrate with him and ALL who sent cards (96 at the last count), as well as those who did not read the no gifts line

WE ALL HAD A WONDERFUL TIME, THANK YOU GEORGE FOR SUCH A GOOD EXCUSE TO HAVE A PARTY TO BEAT ALL PARTIES!

WENDY WHEELER We were very sorry to hear that Eddie Rapley died in hospital on Saturday, 9 September - Ed.

Crawley, West Sussex. 24 Aug, Grandsire Triples: Rhona M Tomsett (1st Q) 1, S W Arnold 2, G T Jennings 3, Wendy B Wheeler (C) 4, M I Davey 5, Revd T Graham 6, M Jennings 7, N J Barrett 8. Rung for VJ Day. 90th birthday compliment to Eddie Rapley in Crawley Hospital. First on cover bell-8.

Shoreham-by-Sea, Sussex. 6 Sep, Oxford Bob Triples: Ernie Treagus 1, Harold Reynolds 2, George Jennings 3, Harry Brown 4, Revd John Greene 5, Stanley Brown 6, Alan Baldock (C) 7, Edwin MacAdam 8. 90th birthday compliment to George Jennings. Believed to be the first quarter rung by a band of Association Life Members.



Ken and Olive Westwood.

War ends – marriage starts

August 1945 was memorable for Ken Westwood and Olive Bayford, not only for the end of the Second World War, but more so for their wedding at All Saints, Hockerill, Bishop's Stortford on the 18th of that month. Their Golden Anniversary was duly celebrated with a party for family and friends and marked by a peal at St Michaels, Bishop's Stortford in which their younger son Andrew was able to take part.

Ken was taught to ring by the late Ted Rochester at Sawbridgeworth just prior to the War. Following the wartime ban he did not take up ringing again until he responded to a plea for ringers at St Michaels in 1964. He is not a prolific method or peal ringer but is one of those reliable people without which the exercise would founder. Meticulous in his attendance at St Michaels, he was Ringing Master from 1968-1981. He has been Tower Secretary since 1973, has served on the PCC and still ascends to tower twice weekly to wind the clock. A firm supporter of the Hertford County Association, he was secretary of the Bishop's Stortford District for 18 years from 1968.

And what of Olive through all this? Although not a ringer she is Ken's constant support at St Michaels and in all matters connected with ringing. To us ringers Olive is invaluable in the organisation and hard work that goes to make local ringing functions a success.

They have two sons and five granddaughters to which they are devoted. We give them our love and best wishes and look forward to the opportunity to celebrate many anniversaries.

V.J Day in Truro

The ringers of Truro marked the 50th anniversary of VJ Day and of the ending of the Second World War with additional ringing. At Kenwyn the bells were rung At 12 noon, the morning service having been especially adapted so As to finish in time. At Truro Cathedral, ringing took place both at 12 noon and in midafternoon immediately after the County Service of Tribute and Promise. Only the back six bells were available here, as the front four clappers were at Loughborough for repairs, but the impressive sound of six bells with a tenor

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weighing over 33cwt made a significant contribution to the solemn ceremonial in the surrounding streets. With the usual ringing at both towers for morning and evening services the bells of Truro were certainly put to good use on this very special day.

RJI



The Ringers, left to right, Geoffrey Drew, Roger Peckham, Caroline Spiller, Shirley Drew, Jeremy Spiller, Fleur Caryer, Jeremy Warren, Stephen Drew, on and around the heater

Heater problems at Hingham

On Saturday 19th August 1995 Hingham, Norfolk marked the 50th Anniversary of the end of the second world war with a street party and three bands, plus many other side shows. Although St Andrews bells are effectively unringable owing to the positioning of the new church heater in the ringing room, it was felt that an effort must be made to attempt to include the bells in the commemoration.

An experienced band was assembled and although the heater obstructs at least two of the ropes badly, a quarter peal was rung. As the 6th ringer cannot see the 4th and 5th it was decided to ring Bob Doubles with 7-6-8 covering.

Another difficulty was that, to allow air to get to the heater, the trap door in the only floor between the bells and the ringers has been removed. Carpets were laid over this area but the bells were very, very noisy (earplugs were provided) and the conductor had a problem being heard.

Efforts are being made to get permission to construct a new floor at a lower level and ring from there; it has been a long struggle, but we think we are now making good progress.

G. DREW
Hingham, Norfolk. 19 Aug, 1260 PB Doubles (7, 6, 8): Fleur Caryer (Watton) 1, Geoffrey Drew (Hingham) 2, Shirley Drew (Hingham) 3, Jeremy Spiller (C) (Swardeston) 3, Roger Peckham (Ashill), Jeremy Warren (E. Harling), Caroline Spiller (Swardeston), Stephen Drew (Wymondham) 8.

A peal was rung at Campsall, South Yorkshire, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of VJ Day. The day has particular memories for the ringer of the 5th, David Lockwood.

Fifty years ago David was serving with the 2nd Battalion of the Ox & Bucks Light Infantry, 6th Airborne Division. David had recently returned from Germany, where he had shaken hands with the Russians at Wismar, and was based at Bulford camp.

David was undergoing sniper training on Salisbury Plain and had been issued with jungle equipment and a short rifle, in preparation for an imminent posting to Japan, when the news of the surrender was announced.

P. R. BROOK

VJ 50 in Yeovil

Thanksgiving, and a big thank you!

Roger Fox, (Tower Captain, Yeovil, St John's, 10 tenor 40 cwt and Branch Ringing Master) would like to thank all "his" ringers and several friends for making this weekend so memorable. The bells featured, briefly as usual, in at least three TV news programmes on Sunday 20th August. He still doesn't know quite why, but his is how it went.

A few weeks ago our curate Hilary Thomas said she had been asked by the Town Council if the bells could be rung for the Civic Service at 12.15 p.m. on Sunday 20th August. Of course they could, we had mustered 13 ringers for VE Day, so no problem. Whilst the local band is not into peals and quarters, we are very regular in Sunday ringing. Two days before the event I am asked by ITV if they can film bells and ringing. The arrangements seemed very casual, because they asked me what the Church was like and how to get to it.

I had planned a cycle ride to Exmoor on Friday evening, returning home the next day. This gave plenty of time to contemplate what I might say if a microphone was thrust in my direction. Three "bullet points" on why we ring the bells: for Sunday Services we proclaim the Good News of Christ Jesus, which is all to do with relationships and reconciliation; second, we actually enjoy it; third we ring for national and local Thanksgivings and commemorations, like today - that would do. A 'phone call to the Bignell family of Preston Plucknett to provide some reinforcements if possible. On the homeward ride I call in on David Purnell's South Petherton home to check some details for our August bank holiday "Open Day". I arrive just in time to advise him on puncture repairs. He then twists my arm into ringing a College Youths peal next month - he must be desperate keeps me guessing what the method will be. He mentions he has seen Mike Pheysey today, (Mike was my predecessor as tower captain). Assume he is "home" for the weekend, must try to make contact and invite him to ring with us. Yvonne supplies details of marshals for open day. I announce I shall have to ride up Ham Hill to get home by expected time (some hope!). David says I must be mad - I respond by saying I don't ring peals for weeks on end - touche and chacun son gout! At home I ring Mike's motherin-law (one of our wardens). Discover the reason for visit is baptism of twins at tomorrow's morning service - big family affair - conflict of interests, is unlikely he will show up. This reminds me that our quarter peal attempt to celebrate the twins' birth was a flop! Arrive early at tower to hoist the new Union Flag (given to us by the Town Council for VE Day). Our ringing for the morning service was fair. Three line whip issued for Civic Service ringing later on and announce possible TV presence. I was still doubting they would turn up, but a quick tidy of the ring chamber. Arrange Ringing Worlds prominently on table in centre, and then down to join the service. Hilary introduces Mike and Mary, by saying they met in the tower. Twins behave perfectly - how lovely. Before the end of this service I am pulled from my pew by anxious verger saying the TV people are here and they want to go up the tower - NOW. Enter cameraman and assistant, plus several ringers, ushered up the stairs. Cameraman positioned to

VJ Day quarter peals and peals sent more than two weeks after ringing will be published in due course.

film the bells first, he then asks me if it will be in

order to film part of the service, or who should he ask. I advise him to go ahead. His helper then wants my carefully arranged table moved to accommodate tripod. We start to ring when signalled the morning service has finished. Camera pans round the ringers in action. I was very pleased with our performance of rounds and call changes on ten. Altogether we had 16 ringers present and they all took part at various times. They included Roly Rowe from Sherbourne a true veteran of the Burma campaign - a Chindit. I join the Civic Service at the back of the church as usual where I meet the cameraman again, just behind me. Paddy Ashdown, who is our local MP, reads the lesson. Perhaps that was why Yeovil was chosen for this broadcast, or was it the proximity of Yeovilton (Fleet Air Arm), or Westlands (builders of the Lysander, Spitfires, and now helicopters). I ask the cameraman when this will be broadcast - he advises, one o'clock, 6.30 and later in the evening. He then films trumpeter sounding the Last Post and Reveille. I gatecrash the civic reception for war veterans in nearby hall. I still can't believe it's all happening here in Yeovil! Don't really expect we shall see anything of it, nor was I sure what channel it would be on! By luck we caught the 6.35 news - and there were our bells, momentarily, an outside view of the church, an inside view, including the back of my head, and a veteran, whom my wife Jenny recognised, laying a wreath. What a thrill! (1 was spared seeing myself performing, that had been on at lunch time, so a colleague at work told me next day). My late uncle, Tom Setter, would have been proud. But then down with a bump - almost the next news item was the tragic loss of four of our soldiers in a Lynx (Westlands, so it hurts even more) helicopter ditching off Croatia. A stark reminder of the cost of conflict and the price of peace and freedom. This served to underline one of the themes of Preb. Mark Ellis's address at the Civic Service. I was privileged to be involved in this commemoration, and thank all thse, ringers, cameramen and others who helped to make it such a special weekend. **ROGER FOX**

Two quarter peals were rung at St Mary's Kippax, W. Yorks, to celebrate and commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of VJ Day. The first quarter was rung at twelve noon on Sunday 20th August as part of the national celebrations, the second quarter was rung on the following Sunday prior to a service of remembrance, organised by the Kippax branch of the British Legion.

The quarter peals are significant as the bells were hung in a metal frame and augmented to six, by the addition of three new bells and the recasting of two of the original bells, as a memorial to those who fell during the Second World War.

The quarters were rung by members of the local band and by ringers from Tadcaster who give regular and valuable support to the band on practice nights.

P.R.B.

Kippax, W Yorks. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles, 3m: Stuart Raggett 1, Pamela Poles 2, Susan Webb 3, David Raggett 4, Philip Brook (C) 5, Kevin Smith 6. For the fiftieth anniversary of VJ Day, rung at twelve noon as part of the national celebrations.

Kippax, W Yorks. 27 Aug, 1260 Plain Bob Minor: Kevin Smith 1, Julie Westerman 2, Pamela Poles 3, Angela Poles 4, Susan Webb 5, Philip Brook (C) 6. Rung for a service of remembrance and commitment, organised by the British Legion, to mark the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.First of Minor: 1+2.

Peals rung to mark the 50th Anniversary of VJ Day and the end of World War II

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF **COLLEGE YOUTHS**

CAVERSFIELD, Oxon. S Laurence Thu Aug 17 1995 2h30 (5) 5040 Doubles (1p/8m/12v: 2 extents each Stedman, Grandsire, Reverse St Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury, Cliffords Pleasure, Southrepps, Winchendon Place, St John, St Miles, St Nicholas, Lapley, St Giles, Plain Bob, April Day, Kennington, St Martins, St Leonard, St Paul, St Simons, Eynsham, St Alban) Revd John D Nixon

William A Yates Richard C Stevens (C) 4 Walter A Lee 5 Simon J Cole

Ringers of 1 & 3 have now circled the tower to peals. Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of VJ day.

BATH & WELLS D.A

CHILCOMPTON, Som. S John the Baptist Sun Aug 20 1995 3h10 (20) 5040 Surprise Minor (5m: (1) Wells; (2,3) London; (4) York; (5) Beverley; (6,7) Cambridge)
1 Eric T Lee Eleanor A Cutler 3 Edward J Chivers

4 Barrie Hendry (C) 5 Robert E Beck 6 Adrian P Beck First peal: 2. 550th peal: 3. Rung on the 50th anniversary of VJ day. With the best wishes of the band to Matthew Peter

Martin and Alexandra Mary Barber who were married the day before at St Michael's, Melksham, Wilts.

ASH PRIORS, Som. Holy Trinity Sat Aug 26 1995 2h30 (9) 5040 Surprise Minor (7m: 1 extent each York London, Beverley, Surfleet, Norwich, Ipswich, Cambridge)

1 Vivienne M Rigby 2 Keith E Beale

Michael C Hansford

4 Jill M Hansford

5 Michael J Stone 6 Brian V Mountjoy(C) To mark the 50th anniversary of VJ-Day; and over 40 years of service to this Church by the tower captain, Bert Knight, upon his retirement as churchwarden.

Please send details as soon as possible after ringing and PRINT names to avoid mistakes. Peal forms are available free from The Ringing World office - please send SAE. Peals received more than four weeks after date of ringing are treated as late.

GLOUCESTER, Glos. Cathedral Mon Aug 28 1995 3h23 (23) 5081 Grandsire Cinques Comp. J N Longridge

Valerie J Stone Jill M Hansford

Carol Brown Lesley A Knipe Raymond Haines

Michael C Hansford Richard W Ellis

8 Robert Perry 9 Jeffrey Knipe(C)

Andrew J C Brown 11 Bernard G North 12 Mark H E Ball

First of Grandsire cinques: 3, 4, 5, 7 & 9; First peal on 12: tenor; First of cinques as conductor. To commemorate VJ-Day.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSN.

RENHOLD, Beds, S Mary Sat Aug 12 1995 2h50 (13) 5040 Plain Bob Minor (seven different extents)

Richard Entwistle Roger Framp

Eric Headland Michael Neale Roy W Spencer (C)

Clifford Izzard First attempt: 3. Rung for the 50th anniversary of VJ day and as a tribute to all former prisoners of war in Japanese hands.

TOTTERNHOE, Beds. S Giles Tue Aug 15 1995 2h57 (10) 5056 Plain Bob Major

Comp. J R Pritchard Margaret E Pemble Richard A Horne

Revd Peter C Holland

Sarah-Louise Ward

Keith Lewin John R Pemble Alan G G Smith

J David Adams (C) First peal on 8: 3. Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of VJ day. A tribute to those who died or suffered in the 'Forgotten War'

CHESTER D.G.

WISTASTON, Ches, S Mary Sat Aug 12 1995 2h50 (6) 5056 Ohio S. Major Comp. A J Pitman 1 Wilfred Kerr

Harold Dowler Rosemary A Maddocks Jonathan A Howell

C Paul Cheshire

6 Roland W Morant

7 Hilary Howell 8 Frank R Morton (C)

First peal in the method by all the band and for the Guild. For 50th anniversary of VJ day celebrations.

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S Peter Tue Aug 15 1995 2h38 (8) 5184 Spliced S. Major (8m: 864 Bristol, London; 576 Cambridge, Pudsey, Rutland, Lincolnshire Superlative, Yorkshire: 161 com. atw.)

Comp. C Forster 1 C Michael Orme

Ralph B Mitchell

Raymond H Daw Ivor R Nicholls

Michael Wilshaw (C) Charles A S Webb Richard C Starkie

8 Barry Corbishley

Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of VJ day.

NESTON, Cheshire SS Mary & Helen Sun Aug 20 1995 2h52 (15) 5184 Yorkshire S.Major Comp. S D Chandler 1 Christina D A Hassard-

Jones 2 Susan E Costello

Andrew P Warboys Steven W Hughes

5 Jennifer R Sparling 6 Susan D Sparling 7 John K Maddams

8 Peter D Hughes(C) First Yorkshire: 2, 4 & 5; Completes the std.8 to peals: 7. For the VJ-Day celebrations

COVENTRY D.G.

WARWICK, Warks. S Nicholas Sat Aug 12 1995 2h59 (15) 5088 London S. Major

Comp. S J Ivin
1 Jacqueline A Hands

Jacqueline A Hands
Geoffrey W Randall
Richard J Taulbut
Mark W Sayers
Simon P Rogers
(no name given)
Christopher F Mew (C)

8 Peter Border

First in method: 3. Rung to mark the forthcoming celebrations of the end of hostilities on VJ day.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL **CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**

SHOREDITCH, London E1 S Leonard Mon Aug 14 1995 2h40 5024 Spliced S. Major (4m: 1344 Glasgow; 1248 London; 1216 Bristol, Belfast: 113 com. atw.) Comp. R R Horton

Simon J Davies lan K Bushell (C)

Alan Regin

Paul A Cammiade Richard M Hobbs Peter M Fleckney

lan R Fielding 8 Ian G Campbell

Rung on the eve of the 50th anniversary of VJ day.

DERBY D.A.

COVENTRY, W Mids. Cathedral Ch of St Michael Sat Aug 19 1995 3h32 (34) 5042 Cambridge S.

Maximus Comp. R W Pipe 1 Pamela J Timms

Patricia A M Halls

3 Frances E Haynes

4 Christopher H Rogers

5 Lenard J Mitchell 6 Gordon A Halls

John E Heaton (C)

C Frederick C Pearson 9 Roy A Meads

10 S Clarke Walters 11 Derek Butterworth

12 Tony S Laughton Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the end of the war with Japan.

ELY D.A.

CHATTERIS, Cambs. SS Peter & Paul Tue Aug 15 1995 2h40 (11) 5040 Surprise Minor (7m: 1 extent each Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet, Norwich, Ipswich, London, Wells)
1 Colin A Johnson

Edith Robinson

Marion T Perryman Marion A Robinson

5 Geoffrey S Perryman 6 Jeremy W Spiller (C) For the 50th anniversary of VJ day.

HEMINGFORD GREY, Hunts. S James Tue Aug 15 1995 2h50 (11)

5184 Plain Bob Major Comp. G B Thompson Susan E Marsden

Geoffrey S Perryman

Marion A Robinson Marion T Perryman Michael V White

Colin A Johnson

David Buist

8 Jeremy W Spiller (C) First peal: 7. For the 50th anniversary of VJ day.

WHITTLESEY, Cambs. S Mary Sun Aug 20 1995 2h55 (18) Major

Comp. A M Barber Catherina E Griffiths Timothy W Griffiths Alan M Barber (C)

D Graham Hall

5 Thomas W Griffiths 6 Wendy Piercy 7 Phillip S George 8 George E Bonham

Rung immediately following VJ commemorative service and in affectionate memory of William A R Chamberlain who was liberated from the Far East 50 years ago.

SS Mary & Michael Sun Aug 20 1995 2h45 (11) 5088 Bristol S. Major Comp. S J Ivin

Teresa J Bushell

Tracey A de Bruyne Jason R Turnock Geoffrey Pearson

5 Ian W Davies

6 John G Gipson 7 Ian R Fielding (C)

8 Ian K Bushell This peal was specially arranged to mark the 50th anniversary of VJ day.

ESSEX ASSN.

RAYNE, Essex, All Saints Sun Aug 20 1995 2h26 (6) 5040 Minor

(7m: 1 extent each Double Court, Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, Kent T.B., St Clements, Cambridge S., Plain Bob)

1 Joanna C Withams

2 Alan R Syder 3 Michael J Semken

Andrew C Taylor

5 John G Harpole (C)

6 Adrian G Semken To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.

DAGENHAM, Essex SS Peter & Paul Sun Aug 20 1995 2h48 (15) 5088 Dagenham S. Major

Comp. Stephen Fenwick

John Armstrong (C) Colin G Newman

Paul J Bloomfield

Adrian C Malton

5 Anthony J Bloomfield 6 James A Bullock

Leonard W Bullock

8 John | White 101st peal on the bells for 1 (having missed the 100th).

First peal in the method: 6 & 7. Rung for 50th anniversary of VJ day.

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL

PURTON, Wilts, S Mary Sun Aug 13 1995 3h4 (20) 5024 Rutland S.Major Comp. N Smith

Brian Bladon Richard L Thumwood

Alan R Woodward Wendy Bishop Peter Tombs

6 Geoffrey K Dodd 7 Colin M Turner 8 Donald B Carter(C) 400th peal as conductor. First peal of major on the bells. To mark the 50th anniversary of VJ-Day.

PEAL COMPOSITIONS

Compositions should now be sent to: Roger Bailey • 52 Burrows Road • London NW10 5SH Email RB@doc.ic.ac.uk

SWINDON, Wilts. Christ Church Tue Aug 15 1995 3h10 (22) 5040 Cambridge S. Royal Comp. H Poyner

Brian Bladon

2 Wendy Bishop 3 Carole Hurst

David V Craggs

5 Mark Edwards

6 James E Daniels

7 George Wheeler 8 Roger H Abbott

9 Maurice A New

10 Eric Sutton (C) First peal in method: 3. First peal Surprise Royal 'inside': 7 Rung before a commemorative service to celebrate the 50th anniversary of VJ day. Also farewell to David Craggs.

DURSLEY, Glos. S James the Great Sun Aug 20 1995 3h2 (19) 5024 Rutland S. Major

Comp. N Smith 1 Janet L Fox

Ruth E Stickland

Caroline Ellis

Thomas J Stickland

5 Andrew A Ward 6 John R Ridley

Francis M Byrne

8 Ian P Unsworth (C) To mark the 50th

anniversary of the end of World War II. £1. £1.60

GUILDFORD D.G.

ALDERSHOT, Hants S Michael the Archangel Tue Aug 15 1995 2h40 (9) 5056 Spliced S. Major (8m: 768 London, Rutland; 640 Bristol; 576 Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Super-lative, Yorkshire: 142 com.) Comp. N Smith

1 Martin J Turner 2 Beryl R Norris 3 Graham L Nayler

Vernon B Bedford

Jackie Roberts

Tom Page Robin J Walker

8 W John Couperthwaite (C) Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of VJ day. Also a birthday compliment to

Beryl Norris

HEREFORD D.G.

BROMYARD, Herefs. S Peter Sat Aug 12 1995 2h45 (14) 5024 Spliced S.Major (4m: 1280 each Bristol, Superlative; 1248 Cambridge, 1216 London: 106 com.atw.) Comp. A J Pitman

John A G Clements

Sarah J Morgan Phil G Morgan C James Hustler

John E Harrold

6 Paul M Evans

7 David G Franklin 8 Alex F Byrne(C)

For VJ-Day.

KENTCHURCH, Herefs.

S Mary Sat Aug 19 1995 2h37 (7) 5040 Doubles

(3m: 22 Grandsire; 10 April Day; 10 Plain Bob)

W Roland Watkins Jo Gilbert

Nick Cooper-Tomkins

4 Patrick D Gilbert 5 Michael V Powell (C) 6 Philip J Watkins

For the VJ celebrations and the 50th anniversary of the end of World War Two. Birthday compliment to the ringer of 2.

HERTFORD C.A.

HOUGHTON REGIS, Beds. All Saints Tue Aug 15 1995 2h53 (13) 5040 Surprise Minor

(12m: (1) Daphne; (2) London; (3) Carlisle, Northumberland; (4) Berwick, Hexham; (5) York, Durham; (6) Cambridge, Ipswich, Bourne; (7) Norwich)

Russell A Brown Terry J C Streeter Andrew M Farmer

Roger Baldwin

Peter G C Ellis (C)

6 Colin M Turner For the 50th anniversary of

VJ day

GRAVELEY, Herts, S Mary Tue Aug 15 1995 2h30 (9) **5040 Surprise Minor** (9m: (1) Daphne; (2)

London, Wells; (3) Carlisle, Northumberland; (4) Westminster; (5) Bourne; (6) Norwich; (7) Cambridge) 1 Terry J C Streeter

Roger Baldwin

Andrew M Farmer

4 Russell A Brown 5 Peter G C Ellis (C) 6 Colin M Turner

For the 50th anniversary of

ST ALBANS, Herts, S Peter Sat Aug 12 1995 3h12 (24) 5056 Plain Bob Major

Comp. G E Williams Sheila Edmondson

Donald O Fellows Christine M Carter

William J Southam

Howard J Wastling

6 Peter N Mackley

Eric Edmondson

8 Graham A Duke (C) To commemorate the 50th anniversary of VJ day and of the celebratory peal rung in this tower in the same method on 16/8/45. The same composition was used and William J Southarn rang the 4th to both peals

PHOTOGRAPHS/ REPORTS

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SARRATT, Herts. Holy Cross Tue Aug 15 1995 2h26 (5)

5040 Doubles

(1p/7m: 5x120 Stedman; 2x240 and 3x120 Grandsire; 2x120 and 1x360 each Winchendon Place, St Nicholas, Reverse Canterbury, St Martins, St Simons, Plain Bob)

George A Reading

Richard A Horne

J David Adams Brian C Watson

5 Christopher J Tough (C) First of Doubles by all except 1. First as conductor. For 50th anniversary of VJ

REDBOURN, Herts, S Mary Sat Aug 19 1995 2h51 (16) 5040 Surprise Minor

(10m: (1) Cambridge Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull; (2) Durham; (3) York; (4) Beverley, Surfleet; (5) Cambridge, Ipswich, Bourne; (6) Beverley, Surfleet; (7)

Cambridge)
1 Brian C Watson

Elizabeth A Middleton George A Reading

John E Ewer

5 Anthony R Cobb 6 Christopher J Tough (C) For 50th anniversary of VJ

HARPENDEN, Herts. **S** Nicholas Mon Aug 21 1995 2h55 (15) 5088 Spliced S. Major (8m: 736 Superlative; 704 London, Rutland; 608

Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey; 576 Bristol; 544 Yorkshire: 120 com. atw.)

Comp. N J Diserens
1 Dorothea M Robotham

Sheila Edmondson

Andrew J W Tibbetts Eric Edmondson

Christine C Darby

Gerald Penney Richard J W Tibbetts

8 John R Mayne (C) Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the end of the war in the Far East.

RADLETT, Herts. Christ Church Sat Aug 26 1995 2h17 (3) 5040 Surprise Minor (7m: London, Wells, York, Beverley, Surfleet, Cambridge, Norwich)

Joan Hooton Dorothea M Robotham

John H W Beardwell

Christine C Darby

Brian C Watson

6 John R Mayne (C) Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the end of the war in the Far East.

KENT C.A.

GREAT CHART, Kent Tue Aug 15 1995 2h54 (13) 5088 Uxbridge S. Major Comp. Julian Morgan

David J Dearnley

Revd David W Grimwood

Thomas Cullingworth Vanessa J Martin

Michael A Birkbeck

Catherine N Merlane

7 Philip H Larter (C) 8 Mark P Gilham For VJ day.

LANCASHIRE ASSN.

BROUGHTON-IN-FURNESS. Lancs, S Mary Magdalene Tue Aug 15 1995 3h1 (12) 5021 Grandsire Caters

Comp. J N Longridge

1 Diana J Handley

Eileen Jackson

Martin E Snape

Louise Nixon

5 James E Wightman 6 Stephen T Metcalfe

Thomas F Metcalfe (C)

8 Jack McTear

9 Kevin Mayfield

10 Brian Inglesfield VJ Day and the end of WW2.

WOOLTON, Merseyside, S Peter Tue Aug 15 1995 3h (19)

5040 Grandsire Triples Comp. Parker's 12-part 1 Celia F Hughes D'Aeth

2 Christina D A Hassard-

Jones 3 Edmund J Crighton

Jennifer R Sparling

Andrew P Warboys (C) Hugh Hassard-Jones

7 Ian J Braithwaite 8 Nicholas C Willasey

First Grandsire Triples 2,3,4,6. For VJ day. Birthday compliment to Amy Sparling.

MILNTHORPE. Westmorland, S Thomas Sun Aug 20 1995 2h43 (11) 5040 Minor

(4m: 2 extents Cambridge; 1 extent each Kent T.B., St Clements; 3 Plain Bob)

1 Diana J Handley

John Thorley

3 Eileen Jackson 4 Stephen T Metcalfe

5 Alison J Brittliff 6 Thomas F Metcalfe (C) The band would like to associate this peal with Norman Chaddock, tower captain and Burma Star, who unfortunately had to drop out of this attempt. For VJ day and the end of WW2. HEYWOOD, Lancs, S Luke Wed Aug 16 1995 3h2 (22) 5024 Westray S. Major Comp. G Lindoff

1 Joseph Thornley 2 Lindsay F Smith 3 Walter E Wilkinson

4 John P Partington

James E Andrews

6 Geoffrey H Smith 7 Alan McNutt

8 Geoffrey Fothergill (C) To commemorate the 50th anniversary of VJ day.

LEICESTER D.G.

LEICESTER, Cathedral Mon Aug 14 1995 3h32 (25) 5042 Yorkshire S. Maximus Comp. R Pipe

1 Anthony J Fisher

2 Gail L Wade 3 Garry W Mason 4 David P Westerman

5 Stephen Peverett

6 David G Carling (C)

7 Anthony J Haywood 8 Stephen H Stanford 9 Mark J Pendery

10 Rupert A Clarke

11 E Alan Jacques

12 Mark A Boylan

To commemorate the 50th anniversary of VJ day. RATBY, Leics. SS Philip & James Tue Aug 15 1995 2h52 (10) 5088 Lincolnshire S. Major

Comp. W Barton 1 E Alan Jacques

2 Lucy E Clarke

3 Gail L Wade 4 Garry W Mason 5 Ian Mellor

6 Mark J Pendery

Stephen H Stanford 8 Anthony J Haywood (C) First Lincolnshire: 2.5 Rung to mark the 50th

anniversary of VJ-day. LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics. Bell Foundry Campanile Tue Aug 15 1995 2h24 (6) 5024 Wembley S. Major

Comp. H Poyner

1 Ruth A Stretton 2 Richard C L Brown

3 Colin Lord

Andrew D Higson

Frank Chambers 6 Stephen H Stanford 7 Timothy Wylie

8 Roland Beniston (C) 100th together: 2 & 3 VJ Day peal.

WIGSTON MAGNA, Leics. All Saints Sat Aug 19 1995 2h45 (16) 5040 Stedman Triples

Comp. F H Dexter's variation of Thurstan's 4-part 1 Winifred M Warwick

Annie E Haines

3 Brian S Chapman 4 Alan H Hough 5 John E Harrold

Burley P Morris

Brian G Warwick (C) 8 T Edward Harrold Specially arranged for the commemoration of VJ Day,

and the Parish Flower Festival.

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LICHFIELD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

RYTON, Salop, S Andrew Thu Aug 10 1995 2h27 (4) 5040 Surprise Minor (15m: (1) Beverley, Berwick, Surfleet, Hexham; (2) Cambridge, Ipswich, Bourne, Primrose, Hull, Norfolk; (3) York, Durham; (4) London, Wells; (5) Cambridge, Ipswich, Bourne; (6) Norwich; (7) Cambridge)

- James L Ward
- Paul J Lewis

- 3 Matthew Lawrence 4 Andrew C Ogden 5 Rachel D Carter
- 6 Andrew W Gordon (C) Most methods: 2,5. For VJ Day celebrations

LITTLE ASTON, Staffs. S Peter Thu Aug 24 1995 2h38 (9) 5040 Plain Bob Minor (7 different extents)
1 Robert W Smith

- Lucy Smith
- Russell J Thornley
- Jacqui T Bates
- 5 Gail K Baggott 6 Clive M Smith(C)
- First inside: 3. To commemorate the 50th anniversary of VJ-Day.

LINCOLN D.G.

WELLINGORE, Lincs. All Saints Wed Aug 16 1995 2h42 (9) 5040 Cambridge S.Minor Comp. R D Bailey

- Susan Pick
 Judith J Williamson
 Geoffrey Pepper
 Leslie G Townsend
- Michael J Smith
- 6 Geoffrey R Parker(C) For the VJ commemoration.

CAISTOR, Lincs. SS Peter & Paul Sun Aug 20 1995 2h44 (12) 5056 Cambridge S. Major Comp. C Middleton

- Edward W Colley (C)
- Geoffrey R Parker Judith M Corby
- 4 Robin H Rogers
 5 David J Prescott
- Martin F Mitchell
- Michael Maughan
- 8 Ian Butters

First peal of Cambridge: 5. The ringers of 2 & 8 have now rung peals on all Lincolnshire 8 bell towers. Rung to mark VJ Day

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LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH

LLANISHEN, S Glam, S Isan Tue Aug 15 1995 2h14 (3) 5040 Surprise Minor (7m: London, Wells, Norwich, Ipswich, Beverley, Surfleet, Cambridge)

- Barbara Jackson
- Robert E Hardy (C)
- 3 Roger S Harpole 4 Richard J Hall 5 Julian C Parker
- 6 John A Vesey 25th peal together: 2 & 5. Rung on the 50th anniversary

of VJ Day and the 53rd wedding anniversary of the conductor's parents.

NON-ASSOCIATION

HIGH ONGAR, Essex S Mary Sat Aug 19 1995 2h43 (11) 5040 Surprise Minor

(7m: 1 extent each lpswich, Wells, Surfleet, London, Beverley, Norwich, Cambridge)

- Lee M McCormack Richard M Hobbs
- Alison McCormack
- Simon J Davies
- Paul A Cammiade 6 Richard A Pearce (C) To commemorate the 50th
- anniversary of VJ Day.

NORWICH D.A.

BUNWELL, Norfolk S Michael & All Angels Sat Aug 19 1995 2h29 (9) 5040 Surprise Minor (5m: (1) Ipswich; (2) Norwich; (3,4) Cambridge; (5) Beverley, Surfleet; (6,7) Cambridge)

- 1 Katharine J Salter 2 Anita C Wilson
- David G Salter (C)
- Frank C J Arnold
- 5 J Martin Thorley 6 Trevor N J Bailey
- Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.

OXFORD D.G.

AMERSHAM, Bucks, S Mary Sun Aug 20 1995 3h2 (19) 5042 Cambridge S. Maximus

- Comp. Andrew S Hudson
- J Alan Ainsworth (C) Valerie J Simmonds
- Elva R Ainsworth
- M Ann Bethell
- Ian Roulstone
- Maurice F Edwards Mark H Ainsworth
- Robert H Newton
- Patricia M Newton

- 10 Peter F Windley 11 Claire F Edwards 12 Hilary F C Small First peal on 12 bells: 7. Has rung a 12 bell peal on every bell in the tower: 11. Rung in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of VJ Day.

SANDHURST, Berks. S Michael & All Angels Sat Aug 12 1995 2h38 (8) 5040 Plain Bob Minor

- Linda J Peers
- 2 Elizabeth S Menhinick 3 Ruth T Bockett-Pugh
- Janet E Menhinick
- Valerie J Simmonds 6 Martin J Turner (C) First minor: 2,3. First Plain

Bob: 3. 18th birthday compliment to 2. Also to mark VJ day and as a farewell to Revd. Dr. Robert Hughes, leaving for Ely.

THATCHAM, Berks, S Mary Fri Aug 18 1995 2h52 (13) 5088 Maulden S. Major Comp. J W Washbrook

- 1 David Livingston
- 2 J Alan Ainsworth 3 Geoffrey K Dodd
- Diana M Bridle
- 5 William Butler (C)
- 6 Colin M Turner
- 7 Michael K Till 8 Peter Bridle
- To mark the 50th anniversary of VJ Day.

HIGH WYCOMBE, Bucks. All Saints

Sat Aug 19 1995 3h21 (30) 5040 Yorkshire S. Royal Comp. F E Darby

- John E Hearn
- John R Peverett
- 3 J Alan Ainsworth 4 Stuart P B Talbott 5 Peter F Windley
- 6 Patricia M Newton (C)
- Graham J Clifton
- 8 Peter J Bruce
- 9 Robert H Newton 10 Richard C Stevens First on 10; 1. First Yorkshire Royal: 7. 200th together: 3 &
- 6. Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of VJ Day.

THE OXFORD SOCIETY

CITY OF OXFORD Christ Church Mon Aug 28 1995 3h18 (30) 5042 Cambridge S. Maximus

- Comp. R W Pipe
- Bernard J Stone
- Catherine M A Lane N David Lane
- **Charlotte Everett**
- Michele Ellender
- 6 Richard C Stevens
- 7 Andrew J Graham 8 Martin F Mitchell
- Graham M Bradshaw
- 10 Clive Holloway
- 11 Michael Maughan
- 12 Christopher J Pickford (C) First of Maximus: 2. To commemorate the 50th

anniversary of the cessation of hostilities in the Pacific.

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PETERBOROUGH D.G.

STANFORD ON AVON, Northants, S Nicholas Tue Aug 15 1995 2h39 (11) 5040 Doubles

(6m: 2 extents Grandsire: 8 each St Simons, Eynesbury, St Martins, Reverse

- Canterbury, Plain Bob)
 1 Gail L Wade
 2 Garry W Mason
 3 Nicholas A Churchman
- David P Westerman 5 Michael D Fiander (C) For 50th anniversary of VJ

CASTLE ASHBY, Northants. S Mary Magdalene Sat Aug 19 1995 3h (19) 5040 Grandsire Doubles

- (26 callings: 16x240, 10x120) 1 Paul M Mason (C)
- Victoria Samson David Isingham

4 Steven C Harrell 5 Timothy F W Samson First peal of Grandsire Doubles by all. First peal of Doubles: 2,4. First peal of Doubles as conductor. The annual Major Edward F M Samson memorial peal.

ALWALTON, Cambs. S Andrew Sun Aug 27 1995 2h33 (8) 5040 Doubles

Also rung for VJ Day.

(15m: 2 extents each Westminster, Blackburn, S Hilary; 3 extents each Dragon, S Nicholas, Winchendon, S Remigius, Huntley, S Simon, S Martin, S Osmund, Eynesbury, Grandsire, Rev

- Canterbury, Plain B.)
 1 Robin H Rogers
- William H Hulme
- Andrew M Farmer
- John M Goldthorpe 5 Michael D Fiander

To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the end of WWII. 1,000th peal: 3.

SALISBURY D.G.

UPWEY, Dorset, S Lawrence Sun Aug 20 1995 2h53 (9)

5040 Minor (7m: 1 extent each Double Court, Double Oxford, St Clements, Single Oxford, Reverse Canterbury, Plain

- Bob, Kent T.B.)
 1 Edward Adams
- David Cull
- 3 Jane Johnston 4 David Reed
- 5 Anthony Buttle 6 Philip H Tocock (C)

Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of VJ Day. £2.50

SCOTTISH ASSN.

EDINBURGH, Lothian Fettes College Chapel Mon Aug 14 1995 2h22 (2) 5040 Grandsire Doubles

- 1 Peter J Shipton
- Clare Y Caley
- 3 Paul N Harden (C)
- 4 Susan E Bryce
- 5 W John Grainger Completes Grandsire family: 3,5. 75th peal for the Association: 1. Rung to commemorate the 50th

anniversary of the ending of the Second World War. £1.25

PAISLEY, Strathclyde S James

- Tue Aug 15 1995 3h34 (22) 5152 Yorkshire S. Major
- Comp. C P Starbuck 1 Clare Y Caley
- Rose M Hancock 3 Clare Brotherton
- 4 Peter J Shipton
- 5 W John Grainger 6 Nicholas C Sturgess Paul N Harden (C)
- 8 Robert J Hancock Rung on the fiftieth

anniversary of VJ Day. EDINBURGH, Lothian S Cuthbert Tue Aug 15 1995 3h7 (21)

£2

- 5056 Cambridge S. Major Comp. C Middleton
- Susan E Bryce (C)
- Sarah K Buchanan
- 3 Jason Hargreaves 4 Paul N Harden
- 5 Clare Y Caley W John Grainger

Craig J C Taylor 8 Michael G Barker

First inside on eight: 2. First in method as conductor. Rung on the 50th anniversary of VJ Day.

DUNDEE, Tayside Old Steeple Fri Aug 18 1995 3h16 (19) 5040 Plain Bob Triples

- Comp. J Clatworthy
 1 Judy A Barker
 2 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton
- 3 Karen Booth
- Donald E Towers
- 5 Graeme M B Booth

6 Michael G Barker 7 Paul N Harden (C) 8 Nicholas C Sturgess First of Triples: 3,5. Rung to commemorate the 50th

anniversary of the ending of World War II. £2

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SOUTHWELL D.G.

NOTTINGHAM, All Saints Tue Aug 15 1995 3h5 (17) 5120 Cambridge S. Major Comp. Brian D Price

- R Brian Mills
- Ruth Richardson
- Bridget J Smith David J T Wilson
- Peter S Lacy
- Martyn J Marriott
- Paul F Curtis
- 8 Ian Butters (C) First on 8: 3. To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.

SUFFOLK GUILD

WILBY, Suffolk, S Mary Tue Aug 15 1995 2h48 (15) 5040 Plain Bob Triples Comp. F N Golden 1 J Martin Thorley (C)

- Mary Allum
- Katharine J Salter
- Mary S Garner Frank C J Arnold Richard J Munnings
- David G Salter
- 8 Robin D Allum A golden wedding compliment to Mr & Mrs Duncan Morton of Wilby.

Rung on the 50th anniversary of VJ Day - the composer, conductor & ringers of 5 and 8 are former members of the armed forces of the Crown.

IPSWICH, Suffolk S Margaret Tue Aug 15 1995 2h47 (14) 5056 Kent T.B. Major

- Comp. S Smallpage
- 1 Mary Allum 2 Katharine J Salter
- Richard J Munnings
- J Martin Thorley
- 5 Frank C J Arnold 6 Robin D Allum
- John L Girt 8 David G Salter (C)
- Completes circle: 4. To commemorate the 50th anniversary of VJ Day.

SOUTHWOLD, Suffolk S Edmund King & Martyr Tue Aug 16 1995 2h56 (11) 5040 Plain Bob Major Comp. S D Pettman

- George W Pipe Helen Y Price
- Richard J Doy
- Philip R Down
- 5 Michael M Rolph 6 Stephen J Bedford
- Brian E Whiting 8 Stephen D Pettman (C)

First peal: 3. For the 50th anniversary of VJ Day. Also in memoriam Leslie D Mills

HORHAM, Suffolk, S Mary Sun Aug 20 1995 2h40 (6) 5152 Amsterdam S. Major Comp. G A Halls

- Katharine J Salter
- Mary Allum
- Jonathan R Slack David G Salter (C)
- Mary E Mitchell
- Michelle W Chapman 6
- Robin D Allum 8 Clive J Dunbavin First in the method by all.

100th for the Guild: 5. 400th for the Guild: 2. Specially arranged to mark the 50th anniversary of the ending of the Second World War.

BURY ST EDMUNDS, Suffolk S James Cathedral, Norman Tower Sun Aug 20 1995 3h18 (27) 5040 Plain Bob Royal

- Comp. H J Tucker 1 Josephine M Beever
- Hannah Kidger Elizabeth A Teverson
- Evelyn R M Reeve
- 5 Joan Garrett 6 Hubert F Furminger
- John L Girt
- Paul V Stannard
- Winston S Girling 10 Maurice J Rose (C) 200th peal: 8. For the

conclusion of the VJ Day 50th anniversary celebrations. Diamond wedding compliment to Richard & Dorothy Rose,

parents of the conductor.

SUSSEX C.A.

WADHURST, E Sussex SS Peter & Paul Sat Aug 19 1995 2h48 (12) 5040 Plain Bob Minor

- Alison Buttler-Blythe
- Ann Bainham
- 3 David Smith
- John Rogers 5 John Bishop
- 6 Chris Bainham (C) First peal: 3,4. Only previous peal in 1966: 2. Only previous peal in 1957: 5. Rung as part of the village

celebrations to mark the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II. First peal on the bells rung entirely by the local band.

HASTINGS, E Sussex All Saints

Tue Aug 15 1995 2h58 (12) 5040 Plain Minor

(4m: 1 extent each Double Oxford B, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure B, S Clements C B; 4 extents Plain B.)

- Marion E Huang
- Jacqueline M Hunter
- **Betty Green** Janice E Higgins
- 5 Louise G Pink
- John E Hawes(C)

On the 50th anniversary of VJ-Day.

SWANSEA & BRECON D.G.

CEFN COED, Mid Glam, S John Baptist Sat Aug 12 1995 2h45 (8)

- 5040 Plain Bob Minor (7 different extents)
 1 Douglas C Dabb
- David R Morgan
- Pauline P Morris
- Susan H Lloyd
- 5 Philip J Evans 6 Douglas G Davison(C) First peal inside: 3. For the 50th anniversary of VJ-Day

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£1.20

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH D G

BISHOPSTOKE, Hants

S Mary Tue Aug 15 1995 2h55 (11) 5000 Plain Bob Royal Comp R LeMarechal

- 1 Alien L Guille 2 James A Hodkin
- Kay LeMarechal
- Sandra G Moore
- 5 Peter B Blythe
- Andrew C Pickett Graham J Wright
- John C Hallett
- Michael J Thomas 10 Roy LeMarechal(C) First peal of Royal on the bells. Rung by members of the Sunday service band to

mark the 50th anniversary of VJ Day. 1st on 10: 1. 1st of Royal: 4,5,6,8

TICHBORNE, Hants S Andrew Sat Aug 19 1995 2h38 (8)

5040 Minor (5m: (1,2) Cambridge S; (3) Oxford TB; (4) Kent TB; (5) St Clement's B; (6,7) Plain B)

- 1 Elizabeth Johnson 2 John E Spice
- John S Croft Michael J Thomas
- David M Salter
- 6 Peter D Niblett(C) To commemorate the 50th anniversary of VJ Day.

YORKSHIRE ASSN

KIRKBYMOORSIDE, N Yorks, All Saints Tue Aug 15 1995 2h37 (9) 5040 Surprise Minor (4m: 1 extent London: 2 each Beverley, Surfleet,

- Cambridge)
- Adam Wheldon
- John W Sinfield William Watts
- Revd J Michael Stephens
- C Mark G Ockleton
- 6 Neil Donovan (C) Rung to celebrate 50 years of peace after the end of hostilities in the Far East.

SKIPTON-IN-CRAVEN, N Yorks, Holy Trinity Sun Aug 13 1995 3h7 (22) 5040 Plain Bob Triples Comp. J Clatworthy

- Douglas Laurie
- Margaret Crossthwaite
- 3 Julia Cockshott
- 4 Alan Combs 5 Cyril Crossthwaite (C)
- 6 Andrew Rayner
- **Digby Burton**
- 8 Stephen Phillip First peal: 1. Rung to commemorate the end of

the war in the Far East and to celebrate firty years of comparative peace.

CAMPSALL, S Yorks. S Mary Magdalene Wed Aug 16 1995 2h45 (11) 5152 Lincolnshire S.Major Comp. G A Halls

- Alan Sheppard
- Rev Peter Schofield
- Pamela A Hudson
- 4 Susan M Webb 5 David S Lockwood
- 6 Mark J Lane
- 7 Trevor Tarbatt 8 Philip R Brook(C)
- 50th peal together: 4 & 8. To celebrate the 50th anniversary of VJ-Day.

HANDBELL PEAL

LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH

CARDIFF 59 Wroughton Place Mon Aug 21 1995 2h33 (12) 5056 Spliced T.B. Major

- (2m: Kent, Oxford)
- 1-2 W James Goodfellow 3-4 Robin R Churchill
- 5-6 Peter S Bennett 7-8 Helen Dancer (C) 100th for the Association: 1-2. Rung to commemorate VJ Day.

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An attempt was made to ring five quarters at five different bell towers in 50 methods/ variations to mark the 50th anniversary of VE Unfortunately the fourth quarter, Ancaster, was not to be, and was lost in the third extent when the over-long rope on one of the bells and the high temperature in the ringing room became too much. This caused some rethinking over a cup of tea on what we should try to ring in the fifth attempt. In the end we decided to try for the 20 m/v we had planned for them both. This we succeeded in doing. Our

quarters for the day were:
Dunstan, Lincs. 19 Aug, 1280 Doubles (10 m/v):

Sue Pick 1, Geoff Pepper 2, Betty Stracey 3, Michael Stracy (C) 4, Colin Drabble 5. Ashby-de-la-Launde, Lincs. 19 Aug, 1260 Doubles (10 m/v): Sue Pick 1, Geoff Pepper 2, Betty Stracey 3, Colin Drabble 4, Michael Stracy

North Rauceby, Lincs. 19 Aug, 1280 Doubles (20 m/v): Sue Pick 1, Colin Drabble 2, Betty Stracey 3,

Michael Stracy (C) 4, Geoff Pepper 5. Swinderby, Lincs. 19 Aug, 1320 Doubles (20 m/v): Sue Pick 1, Geoff Pepper 2, Betty Stracey 3, Michael Stracy (C) 4, Colin Drabble 5.

A peal was rung At Wadhurst Church as part of the village celebrations for the anniversary of the end of the Second World War. We didn't give prior notice of this attempt because I felt the chance of success was too small to be realistic. Although the method was a very simple one the peal was noteworthy in other respects. Firstly it was the first peal ever rung on Wadhurst bells entirely by our own ringers. Apart from myself as conductor the rest of the band had rung only three peals between them two of which were rung over 25 years ago (1957 and 1966). I had conducted only one peal previously (in 1970). The peal went well (apart from blisters) and was very well received by people in the village. The attempt was made at the request of the church administrator for us to take part in the village celebrations. It was the first peal attempt at Wadhurst for a number of years because most of us share the opinion that a peal should mark an event of some significance in the life of the community and as far as possible should be rung by the members of the Sunday service band. **CHRIS BAINHAM**

The local band at Arreton rang before a service attended by members of the I.O.W branch of the Burma Star Association on VJ Day. At Collingham on Sunday 20th call changes were rung for 45 minutes from 11.30 a.m. including standing in sequence from the treble at three whole pull intervals until the tenor tolled at noon, continuing for 50 times representing the 50 years - then back into rounds. At Roundhay, Leeds, St John's, the three bells rang in rounds for 20 minutes over noon. Yalding and Newton-le-Willows bells rang out at 12 noon on 20th August as did Melbourn (Cambs.)

HALF PEAL

Burton-in-Kendal, Westmorland

(S James) Monday August 14 1995 (11).

2520 Minor: Diana J Handley 1, Kevin Mayfield 2, Eileen Jackson 3, Stephen T Metcalfe 4, Alison J Brittliff 5, Thomas F Metcalfe (C) 6. For VJ Day and the end of World War II.

Quarter peals rung to mark the 50th Anniversary of VJ-DAY and the end of World War II

Abbots Bromley, Staffs. 20 Aug, 1280 Spl. S Major (8m): Jonathan Townsend 1, Karen Atkin 2, Matthew Lawrence 3, Elizabeth Hutchieson 4, Bernard Townsend 5, David James 6, Willian Hall Stuart Hutchieson(C) 8, 1st 8 spl; 2, 5, 6. Wedding compliment to Andrew & Zoe Ogden. Also congratulations to Karen on her A Level results £1.60

Acton, Middx. 16 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: James White 1, Mike Wigney(C) 2, Pauline Hibbert 3, Jay Bunyan 4, Adrian Udal 5, Roberto Maddalena 6.

Addington, Surrey. 15 Aug, 1320 London Victory D Minor: Eric Godfrey(C) 1, James Foster 2, Jo Hobson 3, Ian Wiltshire 4, John Perrin 5, Stephen Theobald 6.

All Cannings, Wilts. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: G Heath 1, J Romain(C) 2, M Baker 3, R Godwin 4, P J Burry 5. £1.50

Allendale, Northumb. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Ben Wood 1, Cecil Bradbury 2, Adam Ashman 3, David Horne 4, Herbert Bradbury(C) 5, Peter Wood 6. Rung at 12.00 noon, after Parish Communion.

Almondbury, W Yorks. 20 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: Maureen P Panton 1, Edna M Sullivan 2

J F H Foster 3, A B Sullivan 4, Kate Lonsdale 5, W A Carter 6, I R P Anton(C) 7, F C Colley 8. £2 Amport, Hants. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Jean Richards 1, Martin Routh 2, Jack Wimlett 3, David Richards 4, Colin Hares(C) 5, Gilbert Warner 6.

Anstey, Leics. 20 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Ann Brown 1, D Akers 2, K Hudston 3, R D Hughes 4, D Seal 5, G B Brown(C) 6.

Appleton, Oxon. 15 Aug, 1277 Grandsire Caters: Maria C White (1st on 10) 1, Jacqui F Harrison 2, Barbara H Payne 3, Sylvia M Harrison 4, F A White 5, B R White 6, P H M Day 7, M J Harrison(C) 8, B J Stone 9, D A Leslie 10.

Apsley End, Herts. 20 Aug, 1440 S Minor (7m): Sarah Watson 1, Catherine Watson 2, Penny Watson 3, Philip Watson 4, Geoff Fielding 5, Brian Watson 6.

Arreton, IoW. 15 Aug, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Vivien Stacey 1, Carol Eveleigh 2, Graham Nobbs 3, Paul Young 4, Aubrey Eveleigh(C) 5, Allan Brittan 6. After the Burma Star Association Service.

Ash, Som. 16 Aug, 1272 London S Minor: Leonard Pearse 1, Jan Sapiezynski 2, Patricia Tucker 3, Matthew Hillyard 4, Robert Davis (1st in m) 5. Patrick Tucker(C) 6.

Ashbourne, Derbys. 20 Aug, 1272 P B Minimus (5,6 cover): I Brown 1, K Brown 2, K Woolley 3, Revd. D Sansum(C) 4, P Smith 5, P Marples 6. £1.07

Ashford, Kent. 20 Aug, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Rosemary Coney 1, Kay Chittenden 2, Mary Marshall 3, Shirley Marshall 4, Janice Leeke 5, Raymond Lucas 6, Mike Godfrey 7, Marshall (1st major as C) 8. On the back 8. £1

Ashill, Som. 14 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Terry

Mockridge 1, Lesley Knipe 2, Margaret Harper 3, Stanley Huish 4, Jeffrey Knipe 5, Robert Dean(C) Also the 1st birthday of the treble ringers grandson, and a Wedding Anniversary compliment to the 3rd.

Ashtead, Surrey. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Berry Newman 1, Gillain Laver 2, Margaret Gray 3, Roger Tompsett 4, Angus Gray(C) 5, David Cox 6, Richard Trueman 7, Michael Bale 8

Astbury, Ches. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Cynthia Worrall 1, Mhari Lawson 2, Patricia Gregson 3, Ewart Edge 4, Richard Cartlidge 5, Roy Worrall(C)

6. By all Sunday Service ringers. £2

Auckland, New Zealand. 20 Aug, 1260

Grandsire Triples: Ella Marshall 1, Sally Green 2, Liz Sutherland 3, Peter Adams 4, Sutherland 5, Clive Smith 6, Dennis Green(C) 7 John Dunn 8. 1st on 8; 1. 1st in m; 3. 1st in NZ; 2, 5, 6,

Axminster, Devon. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Susan Legge 1, Wendy Campbell 2, Graham Colborne 3, Richard Shere 4, Robert Franklin 5, Ian Campbell 6, Alan Sinden(C) 7, Revd. John Goode 8. Rung at noon. 1st Q for over 20 years; 8.

Backwell, Som. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: P M J Gray 1, M Fairey 2, R G Edwards 3, D G Yeo 4, A E Cox 5, M W Baker 6, J Brain(C) 7, M Stranks

Banbury, Oxon. 20 Aug, 1296 P B Major: Diana M Reeves 1, M R C Hensher 2, Jean Davis 3, K Abbott 4, C T Wightman 5, R Harvey 6, R A Reeves 7, B J Davis(C) 8.

Barkingside, Essex. 20 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: A Smith 1, Georgina Wright 2, D Heath 3, D Hewitt 4, C Wright 5, D Ellisdon(C) 6.

Barnes, London SW13. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Jill Hupman 1, Mike Wigney 2, Jay Bunyan 3, Tim Salmon 4, Patricia Chapman 5, Ian Church 6, Edmund Hartley(C) 7, James Munford 8. Circled tower 10 times; 2.

Barnsley, S Yorks. 22 Aug, 1320 T B Minor (2m): J Mead 1, E Stainrod 2, P Carbutt(C) 3, D Carbutt 4, B A Sanders 5, M P Carbutt 6. Also for the Golden Wedding of Eric and Joyce Berkett (nee Carbutt). This was the 1st wedding after World War II with bells.

Barnwood, Glos. 20 Aug, 1288 L B Major: Hannah Poole 1, Sam Prosser 2, Timothy Poole 3, Christopher Poole 4, Frances Mulvey 5, Michael Mulvey 6, Roger Fry 7, Keith Poole(C) 8. 1st L B;

Barton Seagrave, Northants. 15 Aug, 1320 Grandsire Doubles: Jean Aldwinckle 1, Victoria Samson 2, Michael Downham 3, Tim Samson 4,

William H Hulme(C) 5.

Basford, Notts. 15 Aug, 1280 P B Major: Sue
Pembleton (1st on 8) 1, Jennifer Clarke 2, Anna
Webb 3, Elizabeth Beardsley 4, R Carlisle 5, B Hinchliffe 6, D Stainsby 7, R Woolley(C) 8. The ringer of the 5th is a veteran of World War II. Also in memory of Hilda Carlisle, widow of a former Tower Captain at St Leodegarius, who died on £1.60

Basingstoke, Hants. (All Saints). 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Sue Hoar 1, Rosalind Turrell 2, J J Hill 3, R A Walsh 4, P A Turrell 5, M Boult 6, A

Hoar(C) 7, C Hitching 8.

Bassingbourn, Cambs. 15 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: D E Coleman 1, Teresa L M Adams 2, A P Curtis 3, S Houlihane 4, B Hicks 5, O A Davis(C) 6. After losing London. £1

Bath, Som. (SS Michael & Paul). 20 Aug, 1260 B Triples: Tom Filer (1st triples) 1, Lizzy Slade (1st triples) 2, George Hawkins 3, Carol Hardwick 4, James Hillier 5, Jody Hillier 6, David Kelly(C) 7, Peter Hardwick 8. 50 years after the VJ Day Q of Stedman Triples at this tower conducted by George Hawkins.

Beckington, Som. 13 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Rosemary J Ball 1, G Carter 2, Carol A Hardwick 3, D Chiles 4, D R J Ball(C) 5, J A G Ball

PJ W Hardwick 7, D M Monro 8.

Bedford, Beds. (S Paul). 12 Aug, 1260 P Doubles: Ann Desics 1, Lorraine C Andrews (1st in m as C) 2, A Desics 3, Helen Brewer Rosemary Pickford 5, J McDowall 6. £1.

Beeston, Notts. 20 Aug, 1272 London S Minor: Bridget Eickhoff 1, Helen Newell (1st L) 2, Adrian Sweeting 3, Brian Walton 4, Michael Garle Richard Allton(C) 6. £1.20

Bilsborrow, Lancs. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Kathleen Blackley 1, Margaret Crossthwaite 2, Geoffrey Rothery 3, Cyril Crossthwaite(C) 4, Peter Crook 5, Charles Clegg 6, David Caterall (cover) 7. £2

Bilton, Warwicks. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Rachel Spice 1, Marion Borman 2, David Sammon (1st inside) 3, Margaret Fiander 4, Christopher Idle(C) 5, Ian Holmes 6.

Birchington, Kent. (All Saints). 20 Aug, 1260 PB Doubles: Tina M Murray 1, Rachel J Russell 2, HR Basford 3, D C Sheekey 4, M J Little(C) 5, PR

Birkenhead, Mers. (Oxton, S Saviour). 17 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: T A Morgan (1st triples away from cover) 1, Charmian G Eastwood (1st triples inside) 2, C B Pemberton 3, E T Carvell 4, G E Price 5, A J Martin(C) 6, P Newton 7, W Harrison 8. Also a compliment to Min Martin. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 Oxford B & P B Minor: T A Morgan 1, Charmian G D Eastwood 2, R Maudsley 3, W Harrison 4, A J Martin(C) 5, E T Carvell 6. 1st in 2

Bishopstoke, Hants. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Allen Guille 1, Julia Clarke 2, Kay LeMarechal 3, Michael Thomas 4, Peter Clarke 5. John Hallett 6, Roy LeMarechal(C) 7, Reader Englefield 8. Half-muffled at mid-day.

Blackburn, Lancs. (Cathedral). 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Frank Anderton 1, Donna Jones 2, Stephen Jackson 3, Raymond Clayton 4, Jean Barnes (C) 5, Geoffrey Haworth 6, Gary Wignall 7, Graham Turner 8. After the county of Lancashire service of Remembrance and Commitment.

Blackburn, Lancs. (S Silas). 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: F N G Anderton(C) 1, Alison J Hammond 2, Donna Jones 3, S Jackson 4, J Hartley 5, G C Turner 6, R J Clayton 7, Jean Barnes 8

Blagdon, Avon. 18 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Sarah Westlake 1, Dora Westlake 2, Marjorie Legg 3, P Hughes-Caley (1st on 8) 4, T Keane (1st on 8) 5, E C Westlake 6, D J Westlake(C) 7, A R Shallish 8.

Blewbury, Oxon. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: P E Corderoy 1, Gillian Loyd 2, H Wells 3, R Loyd 4, A F Samler 5, J Blond(C) 6, J Moody 7, Hetherington 8. At 12 noon, after Morning Service, the Blewbury ringers re-assembled to ring for the VJ commemoration. Two World War II veterans joined the ringing before the Q commenced, Claude Corderoy and Harold Dunsden, both in their eighties. £2.50

Bradpole, Dorset. 15 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: Ivan Andrews 1, Sandra Haines 2, David Ellery 3, Bernard Gildersleve 4, Roger Smith 5, Timothy Andrews 6, Raymond Haines(C)
Kenneth Abel 8.

Brassington, Derbys. 13 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Jahon Nowill 1, Helen Taylor 2, John Francis 3, Elizabeth Nowill 4, Richard Taylor 5, Jonathan Francis(C) 6.

Bray, Berks. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Syliva Harrington 1, Wenda Fowles 2, Colin Fowles 3, Paul Barnett 4, Derek Fowles 5, John Dieppe 6, Graham Firman(C) 7, Robert Rance 8. At 12.00 noon.

Brecon, Brecknock. (Cathedral). 20 Aug, 1296 P B Caters: Laetitia Jack 1, Kathleen Johnson 2, Susan James 3, Paul Johnson 4, Glen James 5, Hayden Charles 6, Robert Johnson 7, Colin Lewis 8, Malcolm Johns(C) 9, Jonathon Cook 10. Prior the the Civic Service of Thanksgiving and Commemoration. 1st 10 bell Q on the bells. 1st Q

of Caters; 1, 2, 4, 10.

Brent Knoll, Som. 20 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S
Minor: Nick Allingham 1, Jo Waller 2, Andrew
Pickett 3, Graham Wright 4, Barry Pointer 5, Andrew Palk(C) 6.

Bridgwater, Som. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Alan Kent 1, Frances Pearce 2, Fred Sweet 3, Gilbert Davis 4, Gerald Brown 5, Bill Wilkinson 6, Valerie Stone(C) 7, Steve Chambers

Brighton, E Sussex. 15 Aug, 1312 Minimus (4m/v): Hugh Pettifer 1, Samuel Tyler 2, Margaret Ellis(C) 3, Victor Sheppard 4. Also birthday compliment to 4.

Brindle, Lancs. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: R Clayton 1, Sharon Williams 2, Margaret Crosby 3, G Turner 4, S Crosby(C) 5, S £1.20

Bristol, Avon. (Cathedral). 20 Aug, 1259 Grandsire Triples: Erica J Carr 1, Jaqueline A Hobbs 2, A C F Perry 3, R J Cook 4, M J Hobbs 5, P J Bird 6, C H P Pipe-Wolferstan(C) 7, D J Carr 8. Half-muffled.

Broadchalke, Wilts. 20 Aug, 1200 Doubles (8m/v): Dennis Chalk 1, Judith Sampson 2, Edward Fry 3, Malcolm Penney(C) 4, Reginald Jones 5, Micheal Golden 6. Only 1200 changes managed, as ran out of time before the service started £1.20

Buckden, Cambs. 21 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Catherina Griffiths 1, David Griffiths 2, Timothy Griffiths 3, Adam Greenley 4, Thomas Griffiths(C)

20 Aug, Burnham-on-Sea, Som. 20 Aug, Grandsire Triples: J F S Lambard 1, 1260 Dora Westlake 2, J Creber 3, J Comer 4, Jane Carnell (1st on 8) 5, D J Westlake(C) 6, E C Westlake 7, G Durston 8. Also as a birthday compliment to Alan Shallish and Michael Westlake.

Burwell, Cambs. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles:
Brenda Carter 1, Nancy McCree 2, Evelyn Kirby 3,
J P Hardy 4, D Gilbert(C) 5, Joan Lonsdale 6.
Rung starting at noon. £1.50

Caddington, Beds. 17 Aug, 1320 Spl. S Minor (8m): Robert Jones 1, Gemma Raikes 2, Lucy Shepherd 3, Tony Cobb 4, Richard Horne 5, Alan Shepherd(C) 6.

Calverley, W Yorks. 20 Aug, 1280 Douubles Norwich: Harold Barron 1, Joan Dawson 2, Edna Sullivan 3, Jack Gibson 4, Robert Appleby 5, Barry Sullivan 6, Peter Dawson 7, Alex Marsh(C) 8.

Canterbury, Kent. (Cathedral). 15 Aug, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Catherine J Dixon 1, Josephine D Horton 2, Jane E Kennett 3, S J Dixon 4, Susan E Record 5, C J Robinson 6, D H Niblett(C) 7, K A F Record 8. Also: on 20 Aug, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Jane E Kennett 1, Clare J Larter(C) 2, Ruth S Niblett 3, Josphine D Horton 4, Catherine J Dixon 5, D H Niblett 6, S J Dixon 7, P H Larter 8.

Canterbury, Kent. (S Dunstan). 13 Aug, 1440 P B Minor: Cathryn M Hills 1, P Elderton 2, T Price 3, P M Hills 4, Josephine D Horton 5, A L Andrews(C) 6. To celebrate the 50th Anniverssry of VJ Day & for a peal of 720 P B Minor rung by a local band at the time. Peal attempt called round after rope trouble.

Canterbury, Kent. (S Stephen). 15 Aug, 1320 Minor (2m): P O Elderton 1, Victoria Howard 2, Rebecca M Hornsby 3, Ruth S Niblett 4, D H Niblett(C) 5, C J Robinson 6.

Caterham, Surrey. (S John). 20 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: Violet Potter 1, Fraser Kerr 2, Kathie Matthews 3, Nigel Goodship 4, Alison McCormick 5, Noel Gibbin 6, Keith Matthews(C) 7, Adrian Bailey 8.

Charlton Kings, Glos. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Caroline Ridley 1, Alison Talbot 2, David Greenaway 3, John Ridley(C) 4, Hilda Ridley 5, Ray Talbot 6, Simon Ridley 7, Mike Mitchell 8.

Chatham, MHC, Kent. 15 Aug, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Douglas Davis 1, Shona Colebrook 2, Sven Wraight 3, Diana Wraight 4, Darren Elphick 5, Tim Wraight 6, Philip Larter 7, Neil Jones(C) 8. £1.60

Cheadle, Stockport. (S Mary). 19 Aug, 1344 P B Triples: C Calton(C) 1, F Howard 2, C Bindloss 3, Yvonne Blencowe 4, N Woods 5, P Clifford 6, G Tunnell 7, Sue Day 8.

Chester, Ches. (Cathedral). 20 Aug, 1282
Yorkshire S Royal: C C Roberts 1, P W H Barker 2,
Helen Mitchell 3, J D Adams 4, Sally P Wright 5,
D T Andrews 6, G E Morrall(C) 7, J F Oultram 8,
M Murphy 9, A J Jobson 10. For the Veterans'
Parade through the city of Chester and for the
service held at the cathedral.

Chesterfield, Derbys. 12 Aug, 1296 P B Major: Karen Jeffrey 1, Andrew Hall 2, Tim Ball 3, Eric Sterland 4, John Arkwell 5, Sue Hall 6, Colin Aked 7, Jim Heading(C) 8. After a Service of Thanksgiving at the War Memorial.

Chiddingfold, Surrey. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire
Doubles: Phil Gorton 1, Lynda Davis 2, Brien
Belchamber 3, Joseph Cripps 4, Ian Hastilow(C)
5, John Cowburn 6.

Chiddingly, E Sussex. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (7m): Sue Andrews 1, M S Cotgrove 2, Mary Rice 3, Margaret Bennett 4, T D Waterman(C) 5, S Cottingham 6. 60p

Chigwell, Essex. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Sally Walker 1, P Petchey 2, G Walker 3, S O'Connor 4, F Goodwin 5, D Ellisdon(C) 6. £1.20

Chipstable, Som. 19 Aug, 1320 Stamford S Minor: Anne S Stenning 1, Sally K Wheeler 2, W E Dunn 3, M H Weighell 4, J M Levin 5, A F Lee (525th minor, 1350th as C) 6. 1st in m as C and by all except 2 & 6. 400th Q together 1

Chiswick, Middx. 14 Aug, 1272 London S Minor: E J R Hartley 1, Jill Hupman 2, Jay Bunyan 3, J N Ley 4, I C Church 5, M J Wigney(C) 6. 1st in m; 4, 5.

Chobham, Surrey. (S Lawrence). 20 Aug. 1260 Doubles (2m): Anne Wood 1, Helen Scrivener 2, Edwina Roberts 3, Alan Collings 4, Robert Wood(C) 5, Frederick Wheeler 6. In memory of all those who died. Cirencester, Glos. (S John). 20 Aug, 1253 Grandsire Cinques: Elaine F Bates 1, Barbara A Holden 2, Elizabeth Pearse 3, Gill Day 4, R J Day 5, F E Roberts 6, P Twentyman 7, J M Pearse 8, I D Bucknell 9, R E Bucknell 10, P G Holden(C) 11, T D New 12. Following the Commemorative Service in the Abbey Grounds.

Christchurch & Southampton District Quarters

Bournemouth, Dorset. (S John). 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Barbara Goldsworthy 1, Christine Boyce 2, Dorothy Cherrett 3, Ronald Pike(C) 4, Peter Goldsworthy 5, John Riley 6, John Sands 7, Richard Fenton 8.

Eling, Hants. 15 Aug, 1260 Doubles (6m/v): Derek Jackson(C) 1, Gladys Matcham 2, Mary Sterry 3, Paul Trend 4, Dennis Chapman 5, Peter Hadaway 6.

Fawley, Hants. 15 Aug, 1320 Multi Doubles: Barbara Handley-Garland 1, J Cole (1st in multi doubles m's) 2, Mary Ball 3, S Gregory 4, D C Jackson(C) 5, J Messant 6, V.'s based on P B Doubles. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Dorothy Chamberlain 1, Barbara Handley-Garland 2, J Cole 3, S Gregory(C) 4, Revd. G Philbrick 5, J Chamberlain 6.

Hordle, Hants. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Faith Webster 1, Dennis Chapman 2, Eunice Hartstone (1st Q) 3, Derek Jackson(C) 4, Henry Brown 5, Barrie Nickels 6.

Lymington, Hants. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Andrew Biggs 1, Lynda Smith 2, Stephen Gregory 3, Stuart Gray 4, Stephen Donovan 5, Emma Southerington 6, Rex Corke(C) 7, Philip Hyde 8.

Lymington, Hants. (11 Cherry Tree Close). 16 Aug, 1260 Minor (3m): Flora Stocker 1-2, Christine Potter 3-4, Maurice Bailey(C) 5-6. Also: on 23 Aug, 1260 Minor (Oxford TB, P & Double): Flora Stocker 1-2, Alan Elsmore 3-4, Maurice Bailey(C) 5-6. Also: on 24 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Flora Stocker 1-2, Brigit Lyne 3-4, Maurice Bailey(C) 5-6. 1st inside in hand; 3-4.

Minstead, Hants. 18 Aug, 1260 Doubles (20m/v): Pam Bewes (1st Q) 1, Derek Jackson(C) 2, Mary Sterry 3, Paul Trend 4, Dennis Chapman

Ringwood, Hants. 18 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Veronica Parry (1st Q) 1, David Wilson 2, Martin Bishop(C) 3, Elizabeth Davey 4, John Burgess 5, John Davey 6.

Sopley, Hants. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: J Bromfield 1, R T M Allen 2, Jacqueline A Lay 3, S Biss 4, D M Lay (C) 5, P Glazer (1st Q)

Southampton, Hants. (S Mary). 20 Aug, 1280 Spl. S Major (11m): Jean Blundell 1, George Evenden(C) 2, David Baverstock 3, Emma Southerington 4, Stephen Donovan 5, Stephen Noyes 6, Derek Jackson 7, Stephen Castle 8. 1st by all the band.

Southampton, Hants. (S Michael). 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (16m/v): Tracey Clayton 1, Derek Jackson(C) 2, Helen Green 3, Stuart Gray 4, Nicholas Kimber 5. Rung at noon by SUGCR. £7Church Gresley, Derbys. 15 Aug, 1320 Pax Doubles: A Eedy 1, W G Hair 2, D P Jones(C) 3, D Spencer 4, K E Ballington 5, P Clarke 6. 1st Q in v. 180v/om. "Peace".

Clapham Common, London SW4. (Holy Trinity). 15 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Nelson Cupitra 1, Francis Milner 2, Irene Rich 3, Stella Shell 4, James Ingham(C) 5, Peter Jefferson Smith 6. Also: on 20 Aug, 1320 Doubles (2m): Matthew Hosking 1, Irene Rich 2, David Bemish 3, Keith Anderson 4, James Ingham(C) 5, Nelson Cupitra 6. In addition, the bells of S Mary's Clapham Common, and Holy Trinity, Clapham Common, were rung between 11.30 and 12.30 on Sunday 20/8/95 as part of the VJ Day 50th Anniversary Celebrations by the following: Ronnie Bickers, James Ingham, Peter Jefferson Smith, John Lamb, Marion Prideaux, Irene Rich and Mike Shelley.

Clay Cross, Derbys. 15 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Marianne Cox 1, Pamela Jeffrey 2, Susan King 3, Karen Jeffrey 4, Eric Sterland 5, Jim Heading(C) Claybrooke, Leics. 19 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Claire Rowan 1, Eleanor Rowan 2, Betty Lapworth 3, D Tilley (1st inside) 4, F Lapworth 5, A J Rowan(C) 6.

Clerkenwell, London EC1. 12 Aug, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Rosalind Palfrey 1, Michael Palfrey 2, Nicholas Green 3, Prudence Fay 4, Mark Liebenrood(C) 5, John Adams 6, Vanessa Powell 7, Mark Bennett 8. Following a wedding, also to commemorate VJ Day.

Clifton upon Dunsmore, Warwicks. 15 Aug, 1250 Cambridge S Minor: Elizabeth Guy 1, Catherine Guy 2, Jony Gillias 3, John Guy 4, Robin Guy(C) 5, John Goddard 6. Robin Guy, the conductor of the Q, rung at Clifton upon Dunsmore to mark VJ Day, was also celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his 1st Q, rung at Nuthall, Notts, on 15/8/1945. He and his brother John had only been ringing for a few months, and Robin being the older, was chosen to bump the tenor to the quarter of Grandsire Doubles, so it was fitting that John was able to join in this quarter.

Colchester, Essex. (Shrub End). 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Daphne Peacock 1, Doreen Cowie 2, G Mary Coe 3, Pauline Millatt 4, D I Cobb(C) 5, R

Combe St Nicholas, Som. 19 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Sue Pargeter 1, Jeremy Harris 2, Sylvia Furzey 3, Lynne Smith 4, Stanley Huish(C) 5, Allan Cox 6. Also birthday compliment to twins Margaret Ann Harris & Valerie Josephine Trother Small), born 16.8/45

(nee Small), born 16.8/45. £1
Congresbury, Avon. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire
Triples: Andrew Fisher 1, Anne Harris 2, Lesley
Chandler 3, Patricia Stokes 4, Teresa Dunstowe 5,
Steven Baker 6, Ronald Ballam(C) 7, John
Dunster 8.

Cradley, W Mids. (S Peter). 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Judith Clifton 1, Barbara Bolter 2, Stuart Brydges 3, Michael Gordon 4, Colin Cooksey(C) 5, Frank Hodgetts 6. 60p

Colin Cooksey(C) 5, Frank Hodgetts 6. 60p.
Cricklade, Wilts. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor:
Daniel Knight (1st minor) 1, Davina Giles 2,
Cynthia Howell 3, Shirley Danby 4, Peter Giles(C)
5, Brian Danby 6. For our tomorrows they gave their today.

Croydon, Surrey. (S John). 20 Aug, 1250 Pudsey S Major: Dianne Foster 1, Stephen Theobald 2, David Wallis 3, Lee McCormack 4, Mark Gill 5, Martin Foster(C) 6, Alison McCormack 7, Shirley McGill 8.

Darley Dale, Derbys. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor:
Pauline A Taylor 1, I Duff 2, Helen E Taylor 3, S
Humphrey(C) 4, R L Taylor 5, P D Taylor 6, J E

Debenham, Suffolk. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Janet Bufton 1, Muriel Page 2, Sarah Bufton 3, Robert Scase 4, Richard Bufton 5, Jennifer Scase(C) 6, Bernard Pipe 7, Brian Beecroft 8. Also engagement compliment to Kate Bufton and Sean Bridle.

Derby, Derbys. (Cathedral). 13 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Pat Halls 1, Jane Temple 2, Brian Tomlinson 3, Pam Timms 4, Roger Lawson 5, Anthony Cotton 6, John Heaton(C) 7. After meeting 'long' for minor. £1.40

Ditcheat, Som. 15 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: William Butler(C) 1, David Buckley 2, Hilary Muirhead 3, George Massey 4, Kathleen Baldwin 5, Alexander Watt 6, George Evenden 7, Peter Windley 8. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: Leslie Perry 1, Janet Crispin 2, Audrey Riley 3, Robert Davis 4, Beverley Perry 5, Peter Leigh 6, Brian Shingler(C) 7, Patrick Tucker 8. £5

Dorney, Bucks. 15 Aug, 1320 London S Minor: Janet Gillard 1, Peter Bruce 2, Rebecca Bruce 3, Reggie Gillard 4, Trevor Woodwood 5, Lloyd Cartwright(C) 6. 1st in m as C; 6. 1st in m; 4. £1.20

Dunholme, Lincs. 15 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: J F Underwood 1, H J Radley 2, Berry F Stracey 3, J A Sutherland 4, G Pepper 5, C Drabble(C) 6.

Dunstable Priory, Beds. 15 Aug, 1280 Lincolnshire S Major: Sarah Ward 1, Gemma Raikes 2, Lucy Shepherd 3, Robert Tregillus 4, Jad Bienek 5, Robert Churchill 6, Richard Horne 7, Alan Shepherd(C) 8. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Sheona Masterton (1st on 8) 1, Michael Barker 2, Lucy Shepherd 3, Richard Horne 4, Robert Tregillus 5, Jad Bienek 6, Alan Shepherd(C) 7, Gareth Lloyd 8.

Durham. (S Oswald). 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Chris Leese 1, Gillian King 2, Kelvin Appleby 3, Joanne Gardner 4, John Hind 5, Kristopher King 6, Chris Cooper(C) 7, Edward Cheesman 8. Half-muffled in memory of all those who died in the war. £1.50

Dymock, Glos. 19 Aug, 1320 Doubles (5 Dr. Who v's): Vincent Duffin 1, Michael Williams(C) 2, Debby Lane 3, Roger Kerslake 4, Ashley Law 5, Norman Morris 6. 1st in v's for all the band. The ringer of the 2nd is believed to be the first person to ring a Q in every Forest Tower.

East Leake, Notts. 16 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): P Lawrence 1, Mrs M E Pollard 2, Mrs C J Warden 3, J D Cooper(C) 4, R A Guest 5, C M Warden 6. £1.20 Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: P Lawrence 1, A Simpson 2, Mrs C J Warden 3, Mrs M E Pollard 4, J D Cooper(C) 5, C M Warden 6. Rung at 12.00 noon.

Eastbourne, Sussex. (All Saints). 13 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: Jill Bramley 1, David Kirkcaldy 2, Christine Baldock 3, Nicky Dawkins 4, Mark Dawkins 5, Stephen Bailey 6, Alan Baldock(C) 7, Alan Turner 8. 300th Q together; 3, 7. Following a Service of Thanksgiving. Also: on 13 Aug, 1260 Oxford B Triples: Nicky Dawkins 1, Jill Bramley 2, Sandra Titherly 3, Christine Baldock 4, Stephen Bailey (1st in m) 5, Mark Dawkins 6, Alan Baldock(C) 7, Alan Turner 8. Prior to a Service of Thanksgiving. £1.60

Easthampstead, Berks. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Zoe Lunnon 1, N F Bearne 2, Joanna Lunnon 3, D Edwards 4, Alison Mountford 5, S D Wood(C) 6. Stanley Scott, who served in the Forces during the war, was unfortunately unable to ring, due to recent surgery.

Eccleston, Lancs. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Tester 1, Evelyn Jukes 2, Julie Harrison 3, H Gardner 4, C A Tester(C) 5, F Brindle 6. Rung at midday.

Edenbridge, Kent. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: John Hird 1, Colin Osbon 2, Rosemary Russell 3, Jean Osbon 4, Bob Sherlock 5, lan Henderson 6, Brian Jeffrey(C) 7, Bob Dunn 8. £1

Egham, Surrey. 20 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: Alison Finch 1, Ruth Blackwell 2, D H Stone 3, Clare Watson 4, M Damerell 5, R Caporn 6, R E Finch(C) 7, A Sparling 8.

Epping Upland, Essex. 20 Aug, 1260 Kent T B & P B Minor: Janet Crabb 1, Jeni Dodds 2, W H Aley 3, F Mansfield 4, T Taylor(C) 5, A Dodds 6. £1.20 Evington, Leics. 13 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Judith Mace 1, Marjorie Coleman 2, Ruth Jones (1st

minor) 3, David Webster 4, Julian Pawley Christopher Rudge(C) 6.

Exeter, Devon. (Cathedral). 20 Aug, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Wendy Campbell 1, Susan Legge 2, Susan Sawyer 3, Richard Shere 4, Robert Franklin 5, Alan Sinden(C) 6, George Retter 7, James Kirkcaldy 8, Graham Colborne 9, Howard Egglestone 10. After the VJ Service and the beating of the retreat. €1.20

Exton, Som. 15 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: J M Levin

1, Jane Chandler 2, Anne Stenning 3, B G
Williams 4, A V Edwards 5, W E Dunn(C) 6. 200th

Q together; 5, 6.

Fairford, Glos. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m, 7,6,8 cover): Sarah Shaw 1, Eileen Godwin 2, Joyce Tucker 3, Michelle Harris 4, Peter Harris(C) 5, Barbara Gibbs 6, David Pitts 7, Sidney Flatman 8.

Farmborough, Avon. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): M E Willis 1, Rosemary Smith 2, P C Bridges 3, M J Horseman 4, P G Neil(C) 5, C R Lovell 6.

Fillongley, Warwicks. 15 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Penny McKenzie 1, A J Coleman 2, J F O'Brien 3, Jane Cox 4, J B Ross 5, R A Swallow(C) 6.

Flamstead, Herts. 18 Aug, 1272 S Minor (2m): John Pemble 1, John Ewer 2, Lucy Shepherd 3, Robert Tregillus 4, Richard Smith 5, Alan Shepherd(C) 6.

Foxton, Cambs. 13 Aug, 1279 Grandsire Doubles: John Gipson 1, Thomas Griffiths 2, lan Davies 3, Michael Purday 4, Ian Bushell(C) 5. £1

Frittenden, Kent. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Linda Borton 1, Peter Sims 2, Pamela Manger 3, Arthur Bourne 4, Alan Bourne 5, David Manger(C) 6 Rung at 12 noon.

Gillingham, Dorset. 15 Aug, 1280 P B Major Teresa Goatham 1, Gillian Hunt 2, E A Barnett 3, Hugh Walmesley White 4, William Taylor 5, Richard Hedges 6, John Hunt(C) 7, Robert Wellen 8. In honour of those who fought and died for this country in the Pacific War. 1st major on treble; 1

Godalming, Surrey. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: P G T Lewis 1, Rosemary Baker 2, Caroline G Bott 3, Sue Evans 4, S W Baker(C) 5, H F Jones 6. Also in memory of F L Williams, father of ringer of 3, who died in a Japanese prisoner of war camp.

Goostrey, Ches. 13 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: D N Young 1, D Burgess 2, S Kershaw 3, W F Gibbons 4, S J Fisher 5, M J Harrison(C) 6. For British Service commemorating Legion Anniversary of the end of World War II (war veterans, 3 & 4).

Gotham, Notts. 20 Aug, 1280 P B Doubles: James Eggleston 1, Ms Susan Kelk 2, Robert Booth (1st inside) 3, James Cocking(C) 4, Harold Cocking 5.

Graffham, Sussex. 19 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Kate Cameron 1, Violet Potter 2, Kathie Matthews 3, Richard Casserley 4, Keith Matthews(C) 5, David Cameron 6. For the Flower Festival commemorating the 50th Anniversary of

Grayshott, Hants. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (4m): Mary Gribble 1, Rita Moore 2, Janet McKernan 3, Stuart McKernan 4, Harry Glover 5, Geoff Eyers 6

Great Budworth, Ches. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Gordon Birks 1, Hilary Skinner 2, Ashley Pugh 3, Douglas Lowe 4, John Birks 5, Andrew Jobson(C) 6, Alan Dewar 7, David Tickle 8.

Great Casterton, Leics. 17 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Ann Blessett 1, Shirley Harris 2, Sue Hobson 3, Peter Boreham 4, Victor Chamberlain 5, Brian Harris(C) 6.

Great Gaddesden, Herts. 18 Aug, 1440 S Minor (4m): Micky Ridgway 1, Chris Tough 2, George Reading 3, Nigel Childs 4, Richard Horne 5, Brian Watson(C) 6. £1.50

Great Totham, Essex. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Roger Clark 1, Bernard Taplin 2, David Barclay 3, Michael Barclay 4, Edwin Parsons(C) 5, Frank Delderfield 6. At 12.00 noon.

Grimley, Worcs. 27 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Michael Bendall 1, Mary Westwood 2, Monica Wood 3, John Westwood 4, David Mountford(C) 5, Phil Bullock 6. For Patronal Festival Evensong

Gt. Gransden, Cambs. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Carol Pudsey 1, Catherina Griffiths 2, Sheila George 3, Timothy Griffiths 4, David Gill 5, Phillip George(C) 6. Half-muffled. Especially remember ing Joe Chamberlain. 1st Q half-muffled; 1. 60p

Hackney, London E8. 15 Aug, 1264 P B Major: Tracey Coley 1, Debbie Malin 2, Ruth Jarvis 3, Pam Donovan 4, Ruth Jakeman 5, Stephen Coley 6, David Bailey 7, Stephen Jakeman(C) 8. Rung for the true end of World War Two.

Hadlow, Kent. 16 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Ann Jenner 1, Margaret Romney 2, Ray Taylor 3, Gordon Bubb 4, Peter Romney 5, Stanley Gordon Bubb 4, Peter Romney 5, Stanley Jenner(C) 6. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Margaret Romney 1, Marian Pickard 2, Ray Taylor 3, Gordon Burr 4, Peter Romney(C) 5, Roger Pickard 6

Hambledon, Hants. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Audrey O'Leary 1, Gill Hales 2, Mark Langtry 3, Fred Hales 4, Jim Twiney(C) 5, Bill Carcary 6.

Hardwicke, Glos. 13 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Ruth Stickland 1, Amanda Carter 2, D Courtney(C)

3, G Carter 4, I Taylor 5, T Cotterell 6. £1

Harkstead, Suffolk. 20 Aug, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Kevin Hohl 1, Sally Munnings 2, Richard Munnings(C) 3, Christopher Munnings 4, Alan Munnings 5, Roger Whittell 6. 1st minor as C; 3. In memory of the fallen of Harkstead, specially arranged by the Munnings family, in memory of John W Garrod, native of this parish, who was an uncle of Alan Munnings, and died a prisoner of war in the Far East campaign.

Haselbury Plucknett, Som. 20 Aug, (no. of changes not given) Mixed Doubles: R Harvey 1, P Vaughan 2, J Heathorn 3, J Rook 4, D Neal(C) 5, J

Headcorn, Kent. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Alan Bourne 1, Jean Vidler 2, Pamela Manger 3, Edgar Bourne 4, Peter Sims 5, Alan

Bourne 6, David Manger(C) 7, Michael Skinner 8. To commemorate all those who gave so much in the 2nd World War and thanksgiving for the end

Hemyock, Devon. 15 Aug, 1260 Rev. Canterbury Pl. B Doubles: Alec Smith 1, Anne Stenning 2, Paul Mainwaring 3, Dean Bowden 4, John Levin(C) 5, Brian Samuels 6. Half-muffled in memory of all who died in World War Two.

Hereford, Herefords. (Cathedral). 23 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Emma Jenkins 1, Jo Hall 2 Barbara Fox 3, Jo Gilbert 4, J E Harrold 5, D R Carter(C) 6, R Drinkwater 7, P D Gilbert 8. 1st on 8; 1. Also birthday compliments to John Harrold and Barbara Carter. £1.70

Hersham, Surrey. 20 Aug, 1288 Grandsire Triples: Nicola Harvey 1, John Mudd 2, Paul Mealor 3, Dawn Mowells 4, David Mealor 5, Chris Webb 6, Matthew Webb(C) 7, Debbie Sharp 8,

High Wycombe, Bucks. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: George Whiteside 1, Patricia Newton 2, John Hearn 3, John Simmons 4, Sheila Bruce 5, Meryl Kennedy 6, Robert Newton(C) 7, Gill Gilby

Histon, Cambs. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: David Rydeheard 1, Walter Hunt 2, Evelyn Kirby 3, Michael Purday(C) 4, Ian Davies 5, Rob Walker 6, Tom Griffiths 7, Chris Muncey 8. All Histon ringers, David Upchurch and his father would like to be associated with this Q. Also: on 20 Aug, 1269 Grandsire Doubles: Michael Purday 1, Tessa Muncey 2, Evelyn Kirby 3, Anne Yates(C) 4, Chris Muncey 5, Tim English 6.

Mitchin, Herts. 25 Aug, 1344 London S Major: J M Kemp 1, K D Waples 2, T W Groom 3, J J Ford 4, S A Saunders 5, R A Brown 6, K Kemp 7, A R Patterson(C) 8.

Holborn, London WC2. (S Giles in the Fields). 15 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: James Ingham 1, Stella Shell 2, Prudence Fay 3, Richard Hutchings 4, Richard Casserley 5, Keith Matthews 6, Francis Milner(C) 7, William Birmingham 8. £1.60

Hook Norton, Oxon. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles (7,6,8 cover): Sheila Hambidge 1, O Hemmings 2, Sally A Austin(C) 3, T R Burchell 4, M J Austin 5, Joyce Windeyer 6, P G Brown 7, D W Clarke 8.

Hornchurch, Essex. 20 Aug, 1280 P B Major: Hilary M Davies 1, S W Wright 2, Kim D Logan 3, Jillian M Wright 4, R G Butt 5, J W Stephenson 6, M O'Connor 7, C J Stephenson(C) 8. Rung at mid-

Horsham, W Sussex. 20 Aug, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Jan S Weeds 1, Penny A Groome 2, Brenda Jones 3, Sandra Y Alford 4, Jennifer A Smith 5, Margaret E Thomas 6, A J Tunnell 7, R G Tickner 8, D D Smith(C) 9, A A Jones 10. Rung at 12.00 noon for the 50th Anniversary of VJ Day & for Eddie Rapley who fought in the Burna Campaign.

Huish Champflower, Som. 19 Aug, 1320 London B Minor: Jane F Beveridge 1, Sally K Wheeler 2, W E Dunn 3, B G Williams 4, A F Lee 5, J M Levin(C) 6. 1st in m by all.

Huntington, N Yorks. 16 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Peter Sanderson 1, Annette Smith 2, Margaret Coles 3, Chris Cheetham 4, Christine Potter(C) 5, Gillian Potter 6.

Huntley, Glos. 20 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Malcolm Evans (1st minor) 1, Stuart Talbott 2, Debby Lane 3, Roger Kerslake 4, Michael Williams 5, Ashley Law(C) 6. The ringer of the 3rd, has now rung a Q in every Forest tower.

Hutton, Essex. 22 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m/v): Derick Ince-Jones 1, Jonathan Dickenson 2, Renee Page-Jones 3, Anthony Cowling(C) 4, Robin Page-Jones (75th Q) 5. Also a compliment to local ringers, Charlie Hill and Derick Ince-Jones who served in World War II.

Hutton Cranswick, E Yorks. 15 Aug, 1272 Norwich S Minor: Katie J Atkinson 1, Margaret Wragg 2, Tony Wragg 3, John M Brook 4, David S Johnson 5, Michael J de C Henshaw(C) 6. In remembrance of those who lost their lives in the campaign in the Far East.

Intwood, Norfolk. 19 Aug, 1320 Doubles (2m): Kerry Davidson 1, Roy Wiles 2, Caroline Edge 3, Mary Parker 4, Robin Parker(C) 5. Also for baptism of Joshua Francis Brown, godson of the C on the following day.

Ipswich, Suffolk. (S Matthew). 15 Aug, 1945 Doubles (2m): Susan J Williamson 1, R N Earey 2, Tessa R Fortune 3, D N Lugg 4, J J E Williamson(C) 5, D S Bugg 6. £1.20

Kensington, London W8. 20 Aug, 1322 Spl. S Royal (CLNPSRY): Katherine Parker 1, S Gay 2, Ruth Simon 3, Lucinda Reeve 4, Adrienne Pyne 5, D Holdridge 6, N Simon(C) 7, E Mould 8, D Woodward 9, Stephanie Pattenden 10. 200th Q together; 6, 10.

Kidderminster, Worcs. 20 Aug, 1250 Pudsey S Major: S J Caldwell 1, Freda D Salter 2, Yvonne Grainger 3, Nicola D Mason 4, J G Barker 5, L Smith 6, M S Gilthorpe 7, R E Havard(C) 8. This Q was started on the stroke of noon for the commemoration of VJ Day on the back eight. Also for the birth of a daughter to Andrew & Mary Ellis. Completes the standard 8 as C; 8.

Kineton, Warwicks. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m/2v): James Trewin 1, Becki Newbery 2, Gwyneth Adams 3, George Adams(C) 4, Mark Evans 5, Len Walker 6.

Kirkheaton, Yorks. 20 Aug, 1320 Woodbine D Minor: J M Spencer 1, Mary Dixon 2, Gillian Davison 3, W R Weston 4, D Hamby(C) 5, J R Senior 6. For Evening Service on the 50th Anniversary of VJ Day, it thanksgiving for the peace obtained then and enjoyed since. £1.20

Knowle, W Mids. 19 Aug, 1945 Grandsire Triples: Laura Mackay 1, Bridget Osmond 2, Annette Jarratt-Knock 3, Sarah Meikle 4, Rowena Shipley 5, Stephen Shipley(C) 6, Mark Shepherd 7, John Anderson 8. Also: on 19 Aug, 1995 Spl. Gainsborough & P B Major: Brian Chase 1, Jill Erskine 2, Bridget Osmond 3, Jayne Shipley 4, Ann Smart 5, Ruth Shepherd 6, Stephen Shipley 7, Mark Shepherd(C) 8. Also: on 20 Aug, 1250 Superlative S Major: Ruth Shepherd 1, Annette Jarratt-Knock 2, Gill Fielden 3, Jayne Shipley (1st in m) 4, Ann Smart 5, Mike Dodson 6, Mark Shepherd 7, John Fielden(C) 8. To commemorate VJ Day & in recognition of the work of the Royal British Legion. We would like to associate Jane Wilkins with the above date touches & Q in memory of her father who was in a Japanese POW camp. She was unable to participate as she was abroad. Also with congratulations to Reg and Margaret Osmond, parents of Bridget, on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. £4.80 Lacock, Wilts. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Sara

Bye 1, Jenny Hancock 2, K Alley 3, R Lewis(C) 4, Felicity Culverhouse 5, R Lovelock 6.

Lane End, Bucks. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Peter Rose 1, Colin Hagger 2, Len Sears 3, Joel Reitz (1st inside) 4, Colin Meakes(C) 5, George Piggin 6. Also farewell compliment to Joel Reitz returning 21/8/95 to Portland Oregon, USA.

Langley Marish, Bucks. 15 Aug, 1320 P B Doubles: Vanda Instone 1, Clare Carpenter 2, Jenny Instone 3, Alan Shannon 4, Mark Instone (C) 5, Francis Adams 6.

Launton, Oxon. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Jean Boulton 1, Sally Stevens 2, M MacArthur 3, S Jeffery 4, J Harris(C) 5, P Clark 6. "We will remember them".

Lechlade, Glos. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (7m): D P Harding 1, H R Hayden 2, Judy F Venn 3, E R Venn(C) 4, G W Land 5, G E A Thatcher 6.

Ledbury, Herefords. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Tina Moore 1, Pat Phillips 2, Jenny Lawrence 3, Ron Collins 4, Jane Mason(C) 5, Martina Haynes 6. Especially thinking of the prisoners of war in the Far East.

Leigh on Sea, Essex. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: David Hill 1, Sarah Walters 2, Mo Venur 3, Clive Garraway 4, Robert Ferro(C) 5, Margaret Arthur 6.

Leigh-on-Mendip, Som. 15 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Hugh Vennel 1, Roy Davis 2, Mike Horseman 3, Ron Weaver 4, Goerge Wareham 5, Dennis Burry 6. All the band are over 66 years of age.

Limpsfield Chart, Surrey. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Noel Boosey 1, Pamela Emy 2, Douglas Weeks 3, John Hall 4, Keith Matthews(C) 5, Kenneth Tidy 6. Rung starting at 12.00 noon. £1.20

Lindfield, W Sussex. 19 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Clare S Boyling 1, Pamela M E Boyling 2, Clare R Clark 3, H W Brown 4, R A Hutching(C) 5, R V Huxley 6. By request as part of the Lindfield VJ celebrations. £1.20

Llanishan, S Glam. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: T Jackson 1, B Jackson 2, R Minard 3, F Jackson(C) 4, G Tasker 5. £1 Louth, Lincs. 27 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Jill

Louth, Lines. 27 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Jill Day 1, Stephen Borman 2, Henry Conyers 3, William Borman 4, Bruce Feaver(C) 5. Rung belatedly for VJ Day, after the rope broke on the 4th bell the previous week! Also to celebrate the birth of Alistair Louis Feaver, born 11/8/95.

Lowestoft, Suffolk. 13 Aug, 1260 Minor (2m): Celia Burd 1, Trudie Bradnam 2, Diane Leach 3, Peter Bradnam 4, Andrew Crowe 5, David McLean(C) 6, Sybil McLean 7. Also as a birthday compliment to Kathryn McLean (15/8/95) 1st minor in more than 1 m; 3.

Lydd, Kent. 20 Aug, 1259 Grandsire Doubles: Christine Coomb 1, Margaret Spain 2, Brenda Davies 3, Lydia Terry 4, Nick Davies(C) 5, Ted Last 6. Also a compliment to Helen Ward and Martin Davies on their engagement.

Lytchett Minster, Dorset. 15 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Dianne H Pemberton 1, Susan P E Legge(C) 2, G H N Colborne 3, B Grinter 4, K L Cross (1st in 2m) 5. J. Evans 6.

Magor, Gwent. 20 Aug, 1320 All Saints Doubles: Rod Faulkner 1, David Price(C) 2, Samantha Ballard 3, Tim Thraves 4, Richard Jones 5, Revd Graeme Carby 6. Half-muffled for the evening "50th Anniversary of VJ Day, Commemorative Service", a service of remembrance, reconciliation and hope. 1st in m; 2,3,4,5.

Marhamchurch, Cornwall. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: R A Marsh 1, D Pearce 2, C E Taylor(C) 3, R J Corney 4, B G D Vince 5, P Cann 6. 76p

Market Harborough, Leics. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Jane Holyland 1, C Fraser 2, Kate Youdan 3, R Bindley 4, T Youdan 5, J Hunt 6, R Holyland(C) 7, D Steevenson 8.

R Holyland(C) 7, D Steevenson 8. £4

Market Weighton, E Yorks. 20 Aug, 1440 P B

Minor: Jenny Hasting 1, Joan Speak 2, Gemma

Hasting 3, Sarah Thorpe 4, Robert Speak 5, John

Speak(C) 6. £1.20

Mathern, Gwent. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Judy Wallace 1, Thomas Utting (1st Grandsire inside) 2, Sally Utting (1st Grandsire inside) 3, Monnica Williams and Stephen Tyce 4, Dudley Surman(C) 5, Rebecca Utting (1st as cover) 6.

Melksham, Wilts. 15 Aug, 1280 Rutland S Major: Christine Purnell 1, Patsy Thorn 2, David Hacker (1st R) 3, Peter Thorn 4, David Bishop 5, Robert Purnell (1st R as C) 6, David Kelly 7, David Orledge 8.

Mells, Som. 15 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Ernest Bray 1, Bryan Stirland 2, David Turner 3, Carol Hardwick 4, John Ball 5, Alastair Weston 6, Peter Hardwick(C) 7, David Mattick 8.

Mold, Clwyd. 20 Aug, 1260 Minor (C & P B): Karen L Robinson 1, Maryan E Jenner 2, Sally M Channon 3, H M Heaton 4, J R Williams 5, W E Court(C) 6. Rung at noon following a Civic Service. The C was serving in the Royal Navy in the Pacific Theatre of War on VJ Day, 1945 and 4 was ringing in celebration at Askrigg, N Yorks.

Mortlake, London SW14. 15 Aug, 1264 P B Major: Leslie Freeman 1, Ian Church 2, Elaine Gosden 3, Edmund Hartley 4, Adrian Udal 5, Jill Hupman 6, Jay Bunyan 7, Mike Wigney(C) 8. £1.60 Nazeing, Essex. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire

Nazeing, Essex. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Joan Mansfield 1, Janet Crabb 2, Emma Welch (1st in m) 3, W H Aley(C) 4, F Mansfield 5, C Crabb 6. Ringing also took place at Roydon, no Q attempted but rung at 12 noon by request.

New Alresford, Hants. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Helen Winter(C) 1, Peggy Chalk 2, Lyn Breslain 3, Alec Fry 4, Susan Wolters 5, Jill Parr 6, John Davis 7, Elizabeth Johnson 8. £1.60

Newchurch, IoW. 24 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Alan Beaton 1, Vivien Stacey 2, Donald Lawson(C) 3, Carol Eveleigh 4, Aubrey Eveleigh 5, Philip Davis 6.

Newnham on Severn, Glos. 19 Aug, 1260 Place Doubles (3m): Malcolm Evans 1, Debby Lane 2, Roger Kerslake 3, Michael Williams(C) 4, Ashley Law 5, Norman Morris 6.

Newport Pagnell, Bucks. 20 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: P Tribble 1, P D Taylor 2, N Gray 3, G L Foat 4, A J Marchbank 5, B D Hird(C) 6. £3.10

North Bradley, Wits. 21 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Graham Marchmont 1, Frederick Slatford(C) 2, Julian Pearce 3, Anne Pearse 4, James Case 5, Ronald Harding 6. By ringing a Q at North Bradley, Wilts for VJ Day, F Slatford was able to mark VE and VJ days in 1945 with peals, and the 50th anniversaries of these days by quarter peals. R Harding also rung on three of these occasions, missing, the 50th Anniversary of VE day, because of a "John o'Groats – Lands End" cycle ride. £2 Northampton, Northants. (S Benedict). 20 Aug,

Northampton, Northants. (S Benedict). 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Dorothy Rice 1, Geoffrey Brown 2, Hazel Withers 3, Carol Rainbow 4, Anne England(C) 5, Paul Rainbow 6. £1.20

Northrepps, Norfolk. 18 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Smith(C) 1, Stuart Brown 2, Rebecca Riley 3, Elizabeth Riley 4, Stephen Smith 5, Raymond Balls 6, Derick Grey 7, Derick Pardon 8. 1st inside to Grandsire triples; 3.

Nottingham, Notts. (S Mary). 20 Aug, 1280 Bristol S Royal: Chris McCarthy 1, Matthew Jones (1st in m) 2, Ann England (1st in m) 3, Corinna England (1st in m) 4, Peter England(C) 5, Patrick Wheeler 6, Martin Marriott 7, Peter Hawcock 8, Clarke Walters 9, Philip Jones 10. As part of Nottinghams VJ Celebrations.

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Offton, Suffolk. 13 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: D Perry (1st minor) 1, Sylvia F Perry 2, Christine C Jennings 3, Louise R Steward 4, Joanna M Steward 5, B W Whiting(C) 6.

Old Alresford, Hants. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m/2v): Elizabeth Johnson (circ. twr) 1, Sue Clements 2, Jacqueline Davis 3, John Davis(C) 4, Jason Clements 5, Emma Clements 6. £1.20

Old Woking, Surrey. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Genebeth Webb 1, Nicola Harvey 2, Louise Collard 3, Caroline Harvey 4, Chris Webb 5, Matthew Webb(C) 6. 1st Q on the bells since restoration work started on the tower 3 years ago. 1st minor inside: 2, 4.

ago. 1st minor inside; 2, 4. £1

Orwell, Cambs. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Alan Petri 1, Richard Fletcher 2, Edward Clarke 3, Paul Haskell 4, Marion Perryman(C) 5, Geoffrey Perryman 6. Half-muffled before the VJ Service, in grateful and respectful memory of those who fought, suffered and died in the Far East during the Second World War. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 St Clements College B Minor: Alan Petri 1, Paul Haskell 2, Edward Clarke 3, Marion Perryman 4, Richard Fletcher 5, Geoffrey Perryman(C) 6. Rung open after the VJ Service of Thanksgiving for the end of the Second World War. £2.40

Oswestry, Shrops. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Frances Major 1, Wendy R Owen 2, Jill Harris (100th Q) 3, D K Gough 4, Wendy Gough 5, M A Owen 6, P R Harris (C) 7, R E Major 8. Also farewell compliment to ringers of 3 & 7 after 25 years in Oswestry.

Oundle, Northants. 12 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m, 4,6,8 cover): Kate Scott 1, Doreen Denning 2, John Dowling 3, Jim Packer 4, Doug Johnston 5, Len Johnson 6, R Gardner(C) 7, Rob Bond 8. £4

Paulerspury, Northants. 16 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Jane Sawbridge 1, Sue Ferrie 2, Hugh Nickerson 3, Bill Blowfield 4, George Green(C) 5, Nigel Brewer 6.

Pencombe, Herefds. 25 Aug, 1272 Minimus (2m): J Eisel 1, Christine Hayes 2, E C Biggs(C) 3, I Bramich 4, J Colley (1st Q) 5, J Wood 6. Ringers of 5 & 6 were ex-servicemen who served in the Far East.

Penistone, S Yorks. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: J Barden 1, Rose Wilson 2, G Graham 3, M Jones 4, A Fawcett 5, D Micklethwaite(C) 6. Also a farewell compliment to Revd. H Jones (father of 4) leaving for Scunthorpe. £1.50

Pentrich, Derbys. 16 Aug, 1320 T B Minor (2m): Mandy Freeman 1, Susan Hall 2, Colin Aked 3, Jim Heading 4, Eric Sterland 5, Nick Parkes(C) 6. £1.20

Perth, W Australia. 13 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Eleanor Weeks 1, Laura Ivey 2, Suzanne Biddles 3, Mary Townsend 4, Devena Haggis 5, David Knewstub 6, Eric White(C) 7, John Townsend 8. After Victory Parade through the city today celebrating 50 years since the allied victory in the Pacific. Also: on 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Mary Townsend 1, Laura Ivey 2, Suzanne Biddles 3, Bert Woolven 4, David Knewstub 5, Ron Chapman 6, Eric White(C) 7, John Townsend 8. On VP/VJ Day after Memorial Service for 2/4th Machine Gun Battalion.

Peterborough, Cambs. (Cathedral). 20 Aug. 1259 Grandsire Caters: Paul Carless 1, Freda Willgress 2. Ernest Orland 3. Shirley Harris 4. Ronald Noon 5, Frank Coles 6, John Roffe 7, Peter Warboys 8, Brian Harris(C) 9, Mike Goodall (1st

Petham, Kent. 22 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Janet Godfrey 1, M H Harding 2, A J Martin 3, D R Owen 4, C M Godfrey 5, C W J Beeching(C) 6.

Pinhoe, Exeter, Devon. 19 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Janine Field (1st TB) 1, Ian Campbell 2, Wendy Campbell 3, Richard Shere 4,

Robert Franklin 5, Alan Sinden(C) 6. £1
Porlock, Som. 15 Aug, 1260 Rev. Canterbury
Minor: Jane Chandler 1, Anne Stenning 2, A V Edwards 3, W E Dunn 4, J M Levin(C) 5, B G Williams 6

Preston, Lancs. 20 Aug, 1260 Single Oxford B Triples: Elizabeth Palmer 1, Margaret Crossthwaite 2, Jean Barnes 3, Adrian Hanks 4, Cyril Crossthwaite(C) 5, Frank Anderton 6, Richard Palmer 7, Alan Gardner 8. At the Conclusion of the VJ Commemoration Service.

Preston, Dorset. 27 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: David Cull 1, Neville Wood (1st minor inside) 2, Christopher Garrett 3, Peter Bartrip 4, Mike Foggon 5, Tom Garrett(C) 6. Also as a farewell to Revd. John Holland, Vicar of Littlemoor and for the birth of David Cull's 3rd grand-daughter.

Preston Candover, Hants. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Jill Parr 1, Heather Kippin 2, Elizabeth Johnson 3, John Davis 4, Chris Kippin(C) 5, Geoff Gillman 6. In memory of all those who suffered or who lost their lives as a result of the conflict in the Far East. By coincidence, 20th August was the 40th Anniversary of the 1st Q on the bells. This was rung while the bells were still at the Loughborough Foundry. The new frame had been erected over a pit so that the new bells could be test rung before delivery to Preston Candover. Revd. C E C Brinkworth the then vicar of Preston Candover, was one of those who rang the bells that day. He had been instrumental in initiating the work to augment the original ring of five to the ring of 6. £1.20

Prittlewell, Essex. 15 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Ann Dorking 1, Eliza Mason 2, D Sloman 3, B Sadler 4, D Hill 5, P Sadler 6, A Cansdale(C) 7, R Dorking 8.

Rainham, Kent. 15 Aug, 1280 Rutland S Major: Darren Elphick 1, Shona Colebrook 2, Diana Wraight (C) 3, Sven Wraight 4, Tim Wraight 5, Douglas Davis 6, Philip Larter 7, Neil Jones 8. £1.60

Redditch, Worcs. (S Stephen). 20 Aug, 1260 St Martins B Doubles: Karen Rowland 1, Anthony Freeman 2, Sara Freeman 3, Ian Clarke 4, A J Barnfield (C, 100th Q in '95) 5, Jennifer Freeman 6. At 12.00 following the VJ Day Service.

Rickling, Essex. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (6m): C

B Moore 1, Jeni C Dodds 2, A S Dodds 3, Mary Bone 4, F J P Bone(C) 5. £1 Ropley, Hants. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): Heather Wyeth 1, Peggy Chalk 2, Sue Clements 3, Emma Clements(C) 4, Rodney Skinner 5, Jason Clements 6. After Morning Prayer as requested by the Archbishop of Canterbury for VJ Day. We would like to include Lucy and Mary Clements in this as they sat in the tower through the Ω and came with us to ring some rounds on Bishop Sutton bells. £1

Rotherfield, E Sussex. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Mike Fradd 1, Roy Tappenden 2, Nicky Dawkins 3, Kenneth Fradd 4, Mark Dawkins 5, Linda Moores(C) 6, Pip Sadler 7, Tony Lovell 8.

Prior to the Service of Commemoration. £1.60 Ruddington, Notts. 23 Aug, 1264 P B Major: James Eggleston 1, Mrs M Pollard 2, D H Oliver 3, I Wright 4, J Cocking 5, Ms S D Kelk 6, R Bates 7, D Cooper(C) 8. 1st major; 4. 1st on 8; 1.

Rumney, S Glam. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Ruth Dunn 1, Penny Lawton 2, Mary Jones 3, P R Turner 4, M V Dunn 5, M J Pryor(C) 6. £1.50 Salisbury, Wilts. (S Thomas of Canterbury). 20

Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: J Harley 1, Margaret R Edwards 2, Elizabeth Champion 3, Margaret Romano 4, N O Skelton 5, R J Johnston(C) 6, A Tyers 7, D J Todd 8. After the Service of Thanksgiving and Commemoration at Salisbury Cathedral and in memory of the C's father, a prisoner from the fall of Singapore until the end of the Second World War.

Sapcote, Leics. 13 Aug, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Kathleen M Brown 1, R J Angrave 2, Susan M Wykes 3, K Hudston 4, B P Morris 5, A J Rowan 6, M E Brown(C) 7, M Angrave 8. Also: on 15 Aug. 1250 Cambridge S Major: K Hudston 1, M Brown(C) 2, Kathleen M Brown 3, M Allsop 4, B P Morris 5, A J Rowan 6, D M Brown 7, M Angrave

Sawbridgeworth, Herts. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Brenda Barnett 1, Mary Bone 2, P J Bennett 3, C B Moore 4, F J P Bone(C) 5, G A Bennett 6. For Civic Service.

Saxilby, Lincs. 15 Aug. 1260 Doubles (3m): Maria Hewson 1, Janet Herbert 2, Grace A East 3, G Pepper 4, J B Nicholson(C) 5, M J Smith 6. To honour all those who died and the survivors who returned.

Scarborough, N Yorks. 19 Aug, 1320 Doubles (8m/v): T Bates 1, M Blurton 2, R M Franks 3, Sue Elliott 4, E P King(C) 5, W A Dent 6. 1st in 8m/v for all except 5.

Sevenoaks, Kent. 26 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Emma Harrison 1, Sue Fisher(C) 2, Doris Colgate 3, Janet Raynor 4, Isabel Pearce 5, Catherine Lewis 6, Bob Sherlock 7, Vernon

Sheffield, S Yorks. (Cathedral of SS Peter & Paul). 20 Aug, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Hazel Kiddy 1, Kate Hempstead (1st inside) 2, Derek Peers 3, Arnold Smith (100th Q) 4, Simon Darwin 5, Judith Reading 6, Simon Smith 7, Michael Platt(C) 8

Shellingford, Oxon. 23 Aug, 1260 Minimus (4m): Janet Julian 1, David Atkinson 2, Gavin Culley 3, Joe Norton(C) 4.

Shepton Beauchamp, Som. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Terry Mockridge 1, Johan Nash-Smith 2, Lesley Knipe 3, Bryony Dorrington 4, Stanley Huish 5, Revd. Richard Dorrington 6, Jeffrey Knipe(C) 7, Bernard Brown 8.

Shere, Surrey. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Anne Paterson 1, Mary Kelly 2, John Parker(C) 3, Eric Thornton 4, Ken Berry 5, Tim

Sherston, Wilts. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Kate A R Howarth 1, D A Strong(C) 2, Eunice D Overend 3, M S Pike 4, Kay M Exell 5, J M Howarth 6. 625th Q; 2. 60p

Shincliffe, Durham. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Joanne Gardner 1, Kelvin Appleby 2, Jean Woodward 3, Bernard Gilby 4, Chris Cooper(C) 5, Doris Gilby (1st Q) 6.

Shrawley, Worcs. 20 Aug, 1259 Grandsire Doubles: John Westwood 1, Monica Wood 2, Bro. Austin S.S.F 3, Phil Bullock 4, David Mountford(C) 5, Michael Bendall 6. Phil Bullock is a veteran of the 1944 Chindits/Burma Campaign.

Shrivenham, Oxon. 20 Aug, 1288 Grandsire Triples: Erica Crabtree 1, A J Crabtree 2, Ann Stevens 3, Carole Hurst 4, Hilary Davis 5, P J

Tombs 6, C Davis(C) 7, Teresa Sugden 8. £1
Skipton-in-Craven, N Yorks. 20 Aug. 1264 P B
Major: Malcolm Harker 1, Stephen Phillip 2,
Gillian Daker 3, Sara Wright 4, Andrew Rayner 5, Alan Combs 6, Digby Burton 7, Christopher Wright(C) 8. To commemorate the end of the war in the Far East and to celebrate fifty years of relative peace.

South Cadbury, Som. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (5m inc. Stedman): Barry Laver 1, Geoffrey Batson 2, Kevin Newport 3, Malcolm Davey 4,

Kenneth Laver(C) 5, Tim Mead 6. £1
Southgate, Middx. 20 Aug, 1260 B Doubles:
Stephanie Willcocks 1, Mary Piper 2, Max Granger 3, Martin Sutcliffe 4, Dennis Willcocks(C) 5, Bob Simpkins 6.

Southwark, London. (Cathedral). 20 Aug, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Tim Palmer 1, Liz Humphrey (1st on 10) 2, Jane Kostelnyk 3, Susan Rance 4, Chris McLean (400th Q) 5, Chris Rance 6, John Humphrey 7, Michael Uphill(C) 8, Michael Palmer 9, Andrew Hider 10. By request of the Provost, for Civic VJ Service.

Southwick, Hants. 15 Aug, 1272 P B Minor: Eileen Jayne Wood 1, Jacqui M Dunster 2, Blanche M Hunt 3, S B Dunster 4, R D Wilson 5, J H Hunt(C) 6.

Grandsire Doubles: Rebecca Glen 1, Sarah Nicholl 2, Adrian Page 3, Val Glen 4, Stuart Newton(C) 5, Edward Welch 6.

St Kea, Truro, Cornwall. 6 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Sarah Haines 1, Barbara J Duck 2, Catherine Haines 3, R Salisbury 4, C W Jose(C) 5, Pamela Roberts 6.

St Laurence in Thanet, Kent. 13 Aug. 1260 P B Triples: Amanda Horton 1, Phil Young 2, Jo Horton 3, J Whittlesea 4, D Sheeky 5, I Young 6, T Streeter(C) 7, J Paramor 8. To coincide with R.A.F. Manston's VJ Day 50th Anniversary Drum Head Service. Also to celebrate the end of the octave of St Laurence Tide.

St Leonards on Sea, Sussex. 20 Aug. 1260 St Oven Doubles: Joyce Spencer 1, J Rumball 2, Jenny Parker 3, Catherine S Nevin 4, Louise G Pink 5, D Pink(C) 6, D J Mence 7. Treble leading.

Rung at 12.00 noon. 70p **St Neots, Cambs**. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: D Griffiths 1, E Gill 2, E Griffiths 3, J Lane 4, S Gill 5, M Hall 6, D Gill(C) 7, S Gill 8.

Staveley, Derbys. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Victor Nixon 1, Nicola Yeomans 2, Alison Yeomans 3, Ian Ridgewell 4, Nigel Ball 5, Matthew Yeomans(C) 6. £1.20

Stebbing, Essex. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Gaynor Potter 1, Peter Wood(C) 2, Marian Wood 3, Bob Harrington 4, Stewart Gilbert 5, David

Steep, Hants. 15 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): Gemma Kerton 1, Margaret Aylieff 2, Andrew Routh 3, Jason Clements 4, Simon Longlands(C) 5, Mike Kerton 6. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): John Hilton 1, Margaret Aylieff 2, Mike Kerton 3, Andrew Routh 4, Simon Longlands(C) 5. At 12.00 noon.

Stoke Edith, Herefords. 17 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Jo Hall 1, Barbara Fox 2, Jo Gilbert 3, R G Moss 4, A Putnam (1st minor as C) 5, P D Gilbert (1st minor) 6. £1.20

Stoke upon Trent, N Staffs. (S Peter ad Vincula). 13 Aug, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Vilma P Pugh 1, Geof Burton 2, Margaret Burton 3, Helen A Mitchell 4, Wendy Daw 5, P V Mellor 6, K Brown 7, R H Daw(C) 8. Also special compliment to Mr Arthur Chell (former Churchwarden) & Mrs Chell on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary. 100th Q (1 year & 2 weeks after her 1st Q); 4.

Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwicks. 21 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Hazel Mellor 1, Jennifer Winslow 2, Charles Wilson 3, Michael Gray 4, Ronnie Mulryne 5, Bill Hicks 6, Christopher Birkby(C) 7, Revd. Derek Truner 8.

Swindon Village, Glos. 21 Aug, 1260 Doubles (5m): Judy Spencer 1, Clare French 2, Ellis Boardman 3, Hugh Evans(C) 4, John Irving 5.

Tewkesbury, Glos. 20 Aug, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: David Bagley 1, Sarah Garle (1st Y) 2, Catherine Leach 3, Claire Redstone 4, Malcolm Taylor 5, Ruth Halling 6, Mark Davies 7, Roy Williams(C) 8. Also congratulations to Sarah Garle on passing her A Levels.

Thorne, Yorks. 20 Aug, 1264 P B Major: J Maccullough 1, E Padgett 2, R Stevenson 3, M Flicker 4, Rosemarie L Sharp 5, R Clarke 6, J Hirst 7, F J Jackson(C) 8. 1st on 8; 1, 4, 7

Thorpe Bay, Essex. 15 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Sue Evans 1, David Church(C) 2, Joanne Day 3, Julie Sentance 4, Hilary Woolner 5, Robert Ferro 6, Phillip Harrison 7, John Crooks 8. Also as a thanksgiving

for the life of Elsie May Palmer, Aunt of C buried this day at St Nicholas, Gt. Wakering. £1.20
Thorrington, Essex. 20 Aug, 1260 Minor (3m): S
Clarke 1, Ruth Clarke 2, Lorna Munro 3, Sara
Orman 4, A Andrews 5, N Orman(C) 6. 50p

Thrumpton, Notts. 17 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Mary Stephens 1, Fiona Walters 2, Bob Preston 3, Tony Lees (1st P B Minor inside) 4, Martyn Marriott 5, Peter Hawcock(C) 6.

Tillington, W Sussex. 12 Aug, 1260 Doubles (4m): Linda Wort 1, Marcus Etherington 2, Ken Knight 3, Chris Etherington 4, Geoff Rix(C) 5.

Tisbury, Wilts. 19 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Peter Treseder 1, Daphne Hannam 2, Jane Treseder 3, Christopher Sykes 4, Robert Wellen(C) 5, Alan Young 6. In commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of VJ Day and the end of the Second World War. Also to congratulate Katherine Asbury on her A Level results. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Patricia Heath 1, Les Oliver 2, Frank Crosier 3, Richard Arnold 4, Anthony Lovell-Wood 5, Gordon Heath 6.

Totternhoe, Beds. 20 Aug, 1320 Spl. S Minor (8m): Gareth Lloyd 1, Lucy Shepherd 2, Michael Barker 3, Richard Horne 4, Robert Tregillus 5, Alan Shepherd(C) 6.

Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 19 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Susan Morris 1, Margaret Pettett 2, E J Ladd 3, J Akehurst (1st in 2m) 4, A J Leeves(C) 5, I Cochrane 6.

Twywell, Northants. 15 Aug, 1260 Double Court B Minor: Alison Willgress 1, Helen Coleman 2, Frank Coales 3, Raymond Berryman 4, Paul Mason 5, David Kingman(C) 6. 60p

Upper Clatford, Hants. 24 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Anne Warner 1, Kevin Warner 2, Sally Dashwood 3, Gilbert Warner 4, Jack Wimlett(C) 5, Rodney Davis 6.

Uppingham, Leics. 21 Aug, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Peggy Jennings 1, Janice Atkinson 2, Shirley Harris 3, Paul Phillips 4, David Murlott 5, Richard Beadman 6, Christopher Groome 7, Brian Harris (C) 8.

Upton St. Leonards, Glos. 15 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Jean Allen 1, Frances Mulvey 2, Caroline Ellis 3, Patrick Allen 4, Paul Timmel 5, Thomas Hinton(C) 6, Roger Fry (cover) 7.

Waldron, E Sussex. 19 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Dilys Smith 1, Sonia Harriyott 2, Margaret Bennett 3, Edna Everest 4, R Tappenden 5, R C Neal(C) 6, T D Waterman 7, W A George 8. £1

Walkington, E Yorks. 20 Aug, 1272 Kent T B Minor: Christopher Perry 1, Shirley Perry 2, Graham Drew 3, John Brook 4, Andrew Pailing 5, Neville Pailing(C) 6. The Q at Walkington was rung at the request of the PCC in response to the RW Editor's appearance on TV asking for bells to be rung on 20/8/95 at 12 noon to mark the 50th Anniversary of VJ Day.

Anniversary of VJ Day.

Wallasey, Mers. (S Mary, Liscard). 15 Aug, 1260
Grandsire Triples: Charmain G D Eastwood 1,
Brenda D Humphreys 2, A J Martin 3, C B
Pemberton 4, P F Humphreys 5, P D Hughes(C) 6,
C J Hughes (1st Grandsire) 7, R Peers 8. £1.60

Wansford, Cambs. 17 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Mike Lee 1, John Bird 2, Ann Lee 3, Vernon Perrin 4, Jim Brown 5, John Roffe(C) 6.

Warmington, Northants. 13 Aug, 1440 L B Minor: J Bachelor 1, Gwendoline Roffe 2, J F Bird 3, Anne Bachelor 4, A H Hinton 5, J M Roffe(C) 6.

Warwick, Warwicks. (S Nicholas). 15 Aug. 1260 Grandsire Triples: Geoff Randall 1, Anne Aitken 2, Stella Wilkinson 3, Jane Rogers 4, Stuart Aitken 5, Mark Sayers 6, Simon Rogers(C) 7, Robert Randall 8.

Watlington, Oxon. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: P Rose 1, Mrs J McCloy 2, A Davies 3, Ms L Young 4, J Hearn 5, B Gray 6, J Young(C) 7, A Keen 8.

Wellesbourne, Warwicks. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Pamela Copson(C) 1, Joan Johns 2, Michael Ashton (1st in m) 3, Robert Harvey 4, David Morrow 5, Edward Copson 6. In thanksgiving for 50 years of peace. £1.50

West Hanney, Oxon. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Sue P Smith 1, Jenny Gascoyne 2, Helen C Sharpe 3, Elizabeth A Woodhouse 4, D O Parfoot 5. A C Sharpe(C) 6.

West Wickham, Kent. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Penny Stenning 1, Alys Helm 2, Mike Christie 3, Sheila Hewer 4, Jon Fry 5, Derek Gray 6.

Westerleigh, Avon. 15 Aug. 1260 Grandsire Doubles: B A Hardwick 1, B Angell 2, C Musty 3, M Blanchard 4, H T Ferris(C) 5, A Fox 6. £1

Weston Super Mare, Avon. (S John). 20 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: Mrs S M Field 1, C Freeman 2, Mrs M Newman 3, B Williamson 4, Mrs A Freeman 5, R Baker 6, J Beaumont(C) 7, F Meredith 8.

Wetherby, W Yorks. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Helen Gibson 1, Neil Turner 2, Pauline Holland 3, Clive Whiteley 4, Roger Riley 5, Robert Richards 6, David Holland 7, Peter Stretton 8.

Wetherden, Suffolk. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Ken Mulley 1, Martin Steele 2, Philip Jones 3, Annabelle Jones 4, Jim King 5, Gordon Slack(C)

Whissonsett, Norfolk. 15 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Mick Cole 1, Emma Westmancott (1st inside) 2, Judith Paxton 3, Charles Munday(C) 4, Sarah Seaman 5.

Whitby, N Yorks. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Rosemary Bowman 1, Sue Sotheran 2, Peter Sotheran 3, Larry Bruce 4, Robert Franks 5, Leslie Franks 6, Douglas Elwick(C) 7, Michael Pennock (member of the Burma Star Association) 8. Half muffled in commemoration of those who did not return from fighting the Japanese 50 years ago. Also to wish luck to Nanette Pametian on her new career as a doctor.

Wick St Lawrence, Som. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): Irene Heath 1, John Parsons 2, Clifford Nicholls(C) 3, Denis Hawkings 4, John Greaves 5, John Widgery 6. Also for the wedding anniversary of the ringer of the 4. £1.20

Willingham-by-Stow, Lincs. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: B Irving 1, Susan Faull 2, S K Lewis 3, M Pearson 4, C P Turner(C) 5, K Vince 6.

Wilton, Taunton, Som. (S George). 21 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: R Williams 1, Mrs B Arscott 2, J Levin 3, R Lee (1st Grandsire triples) 4, V J Luck 5, F R Arscott(C) 6, W D Whatmore 7, F Mills 8. Remembering with gratitude, all who gave their lives.

Winchcombe, Glos. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Cara Davies 1, Peter Davies 2, Leo Doyle 3, Glyn Wright 4, Clare Pritchard(C) 5, Jonathan Collett 6.

Wiveliscombe, Som. 20 Aug, 1280 Superlative S Major: Anne S Stenning (1250th Q) 1, A F Lee 2, Sally K Wheeler 3, Rosemary H Tuhey 4, Valerie J Stone 5, Preb. C J B Marshall 6, M C Hansford 7, K E Beale (1st in m as C) 8.

Wiveton, Norfolk. 18 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Emma Westmancott 1, Mick Cole 2, Anna Welbourne 3, Judith Paxton 4, Terry Thacker 5, Harry Poyner(C) 6.

Woodston, Cambs. 15 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): Gwen Roffe 1, John Bird 2, Anne Bachelor 3, Albert Hinton 4, John Roffe(C) 5, John Bachelor 6

Wootton Courtenay, Som. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: J M Levin 1, Jane Chandler 2, W E Dunn(C) 3, Anne Stenning 4, B G Williams 5, A V Edwards 6.

Worle, Avon. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (8m): Jennifer Spence 1, B G Williams 2, C A Swatton 3, D Hawkings 4, P J Spence(C) 5, J H Widgery 6. To give thanks for those who gave their lives and for all those who served in the war.

Wormingford, Essex. 15 Aug, 1272 Norwich S Minor: Evelyn Reeve 1, Mary Coe 2, Barry Gibbons 3, Dick Furminger 4, Bernard Fairhead 5, Chris Lamb(C) 6. For the Royal British Legion's 50th Commemorative Service of VJ Day.

Worth, W Sussex. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): Liz Sandwell 1, Graham Beaumont 2, Adam Beaumont 3, Eric Knapp 4, Gerald Sandwell(C) 5, Bob Newton 6.

Wymondham, Norfolk. 13 Aug, 1344 P B Major: Jim Allen 1, Teresa Doggett 2, John Dowe 3, Geoffrey Drew 4, Caroline Spiller 5, Stephen Drew 6, Jeremy Spiller 7, Hayden Charles(C) 8.

Yatton, Avon. 18 Aug, 1250 Ealing S Major: M Baker 1, Mrs A Freeman 2, Mrs S M Field 3, C Nicholls 4, C Freeman 5, J Beaumont(C) 6, G Nabb 7, B G North 8.

York, Yorks. (Bishopthorpe, S Andrew). 13 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Susan Kirkman 1, Charlotte Dangerfield 2, Neil Pitts 3, Rachel Storr 4, Clive Vidgen 5, Tony Quinn 6.

York, Yorks. (S Martin-le-Grand). 15 Aug, 1280 Spl. S Major (3m): Michelle Simmonds 1, Emma Ashford 2, Helen Bradley 3, Richard Brown (1st spl. major) 4, Lynne Stretton 5, Tim Bradley 6, Christine Potter 7, Peter Sanderson(C) 8. Also: on 15 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Becky Sugden (1st on 8) 1, Alison Edmonds 2, Helen Bradley 3, Trevor Elliott 4, Tim Bradley 5, Christine Potter 6, David Potter(C) 7, Lynne Stretton 8.

York, Yorks. (The Minster). 20 Aug, 1296 P B Caters: Alison Edmonds 1, Emma Ashford 2, Simon Mearns 3, Lyne Stretton 4, Trevor Elliot 5, David Mitchell 6, Christine Potter 7, David Hull 8, David Potter(C) 9, Simon Poole 10. On the back 10 after the VJ 50th Anniversary Commemoration Service.

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More Quarters to mark the 50th Anniversary of VJ Day

Betley, Staffs. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (4m): Anne Becket 1, T A French 2, D Spencer 3, J R Bailey(C) 4, S R Scott 5, M Wasik 6.

Bickley, Kent. 19 Aug, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Susan Fisher 1, Christine Webb 2, Freda Cannon 3, David Brown 4, Mark Jones 5, David Macey(C) 6, Matthew Hilling 7, David Kingston 8. 1st major on the bells.

Bulwell, Nottingham. 4 Sep. 1264 P B Major: P S Lacey 1, Helen E Newell 2, P J H Hudson 3, R Naylor 4, D J T Wilson 5, R E H Woolley 6, C S Guy 7, R I Allton(C) 8.

Cuckfield, Sussex. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (5m):
Janice Peek 1, Dilys Smith 2, Edna Everest 3, S
Buckley 4, S Everest(C) 5, Libby Shead 6, D
Wilson 7, G Stuart 8. For the Cuckfield
celebration.

Durleigh, Som. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (9m): Frances Pearce 1, Sally Wheeler 2, Valerie Stone(C) 3, Gilbert Davis 4, Peter Leigh 5, Mike Millman 6.

Frodsham, Ches. 15 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Andrew Jobson 1, Mary Cox 2, Heather Llewellyn 3, Diana Anderson 4, Midge Harvey 5, John Oultram(C) 6. By the Sunday Service ringers.

Hindley, Gtr. Man. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Gillian Snape (1st on 7) 1, Andrew Bradshaw 2, Graham Snape 3, Barbara Shallcross 4, Damian Pendlebury 5, Martin Pendlebury 6, John Shallcross(C) 7.

Hythe, Kent. 20 Aug, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Richard Birch(C) 1, Arthur King 2, Jane Lawrence 3, Ro Edmond 4, Maureen Popple 5, Charlotte Edmond 6, Nigel Spencer 7, Brian Lawrence 8, Brian Butcher 9, Chris Cooper 10. Dedicated to Mr H P Yates (deceased), for many years a ringer and Tower Secretary at Lympne, who was captured and was a P.O.W. on the Burmah Railway. Congratulations to Brian and Jane Lawrence on their 1st Wedding Anniversary.

Kelston, Avon. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Linda Drew 1, Valerie Clewett 2, Sophie Chuter 3, Paul Clewett 4, Ted Goater 5, Robin Stubbs(C) 6. £1 Liverpool, Mers. (Cathedral). 20 Aug, 1346

Liverpool, Mers. (Cathedral). 20 Aug, 1346 Yorkshire S Maximus: Ernest Runciman 1, Tanya Wheeler 2, Christopher Bostock 3, Anthony Fawcett 4, Barry Hayman 5, Stephen Nicholson 6, Kristopher King (1st S maximus) 7, Brian McCahey 8, Conrad Warford 9, Jeffrey Brannan 10, Ronald Warford 11, David Hird(C) and Oliver

Menheniot, Cornwall. 17 Aug, 1296 Surfleet S Minor: M A Foster 1, Rebecca J Thompson 2, R W Brown 3, Janet V Thompson 4, T J Puckey 5, G R Wilton (1st S as C) 6.

Nutfield, Surrey. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Nigel Goodship 1, Leslie Burnett 2, Elsie Richardson 3, Keith Richardson 4, Alan Streeter (C) 5, Peter Burnett 6. The late husband of 3, and father of 4, Bob Richardson, was serving in

Burma on this day 50 years ago. £1.50

Oaksey, Wilts. 17 Aug, 1440 Cambridge S

Minor: John Plevin 1, Kay Excell 2, Maureen

Poulton 3, Stephen Smith 4, Anthony Cox 5,

Richard Gray(C) 6.

Offton, Suffolk. 15 Aug, 1945 P B Triples: Christine Jennings 1, Sylvia Perry 2, Janet Hohl 3, Karen Woods 4, K S Hohl 5, Louise Steward 6, B

E Whiting(C) 7, D Perry 8.

Fl.20

Pillaton, Cornwall. 19 Aug, 1272 Ipswich S

Minor: M A Foster 1, Rebecca J Thompson 2, R W

Brown 3, Janet V Thompson 4, R M Warwick 5, D

J Buckley 6. 1st attempt in m; 2, 3, 4. Also

Wedding Anniversary compliment to David &

Kate Buckley.

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Pinner, Middx. 19 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Terri Trimmer (1st triples) 1, Mary Josephs (1st triples inside) 2, Barbara Wright 3, Christine Corfield 4, Peter Green 5, Chris Lomax 6, Roland Grace(C) 7, Paul White 8. Also for a Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award (4), and for Victoria Grace a 1st class Hons degree.

Rayleigh, Essex. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: M Smith 1, Julie Pye 2, Sheena Booth 3, Diana Belcham 4, D Pye (1st Grandsire) 5, L Beale 6, D E Belcham(C) 7, S Smith 8.

Rothwell, Northants. 20 Aug, 1272 Wells S Minor: M A Coleman(C) 1, Delia Smith 2, Elizabeth Betts 3, C N Stephenson 4, M J Hawkins 5. D Kingman 6.

Tadcaster, N Yorks. 19 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Susan Webb 1, Angela Poles 2, Pamela Poles 3, Angela Pearson 4, David Raggett 5, Barry Nuttall (1st triples inside) 6, Philip Brook(C) 7, Stuart Raggett 8. As part of Tadcaster's VJ Day

commemorative celebrations. 80p Torquay, Devon. (S Mary). 20 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Wena Mansley 1, Alex Tawney 2, Basil White 3, Don Roberts 4, Tony Pearson 5, Martin Dodd 6, Martin Mansley(C) 7, Ernie Pryce 8. £2

Trysull, Staffs. 15 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: J
Rollason 1, V Clarke 2, Enid Hands 3, D Jackson

4, H Griffiths 5, K Brooks(C) 6. Also birthday compliment to ringers of 2 & 6.

Watchet, Som. (S Decuman). 17 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Gilbert Davis 1, Jane Chandler 2, Mark Holder 3, Valerie Stone 4, Peter Leigh 5, Gerald Brown(C) 6.

Weldon, Northants. 15 Aug, 1260 Doubles (8m/v) 7,6,8 cover: Claire L Jones 1, Susan M Jones 2, R A Webster 3, A J Parker 4, D J Jones(C) 5, Lucy Burgess 6, C Burgess 7, Sandra Whitlam 8. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m/v) 7,6,8 cover: Norma Phillips 1, Susan Parker 2, Andrew Parker(C) 3. Richard Webster 4, Karen Eyers 5, Lucy Burgess 6, Chris Burgess 7, Sandra Whitlam 8.

Wellington, Som. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Moore 1, Helen Hunt 2, Pamela Jenkins 3, Neil Williams 4, James Webber (1st on 8) 5. John Hill(C) 6. Alex Hunt 7. Frank Morris 8.

Wittersham, Kent. 20 Aug, 1440 P B Minor: Jenny Mash 1, Helen Mash 2, Patrick Denne 3, Karen Mash 4, David Chesson 5, Geoffrey Waters(C) 6.

Wolvercote, Oxon. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m/7v): John Beale 1, Charles Smith 2, Roy Jones(C) 3, Serg Zvegintzov 4, Steve Davies 5, Bob Clements 6. Also for the Silver Wedding Anniversary of Dinah and Bob Clements. £1 Yalding, Kent. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Margaret Prevett 1, Dot Hooker 2, Richard

Young(C) 3, Trevor Stern 4, Keith Nicholson 5, Bert Boxall 6. For the VJ Commemoration Service and dedicated to all who served in the Far East, especially Norman Scrimshaw, a former Japanese prisoner of war; father of Ann Lloyd, ringer at Yalding.

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.

Bidston, Merseyside. 13 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: J S Dawson (1st Q.) 1, P D Hughes(C) 2, Alison Carpenter 3, Jennifer R Sparling 4, C B Pemberton 5. For the VJ-Day celebrations. £1

Burnsall, N Yorks. 2 Sep, 1260 P B Doubles:

Eileen Hoskin 1, Julia Cockshott 2, Alyson Coney (1st inside) 3, Stephen Phillip 4, Digby Burton(C)

5, Andrew Forman (1st Q.) 6. £1.50
Cannock, Staffs. 13 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles:
Clover F H Green 1, C H Isitt (1st as C.) 2, Diana Hallchurch-Green 3, J M Bowman 4, P J Barker 5, S G Pick 6. 50p

Combe, Oxon. 13 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Amanda Pullin 1, Annette Esnouf (1st Q.) 2, E D Patching 3, Lorne Smale (1st Q.) 4, A C Cole(C) 5, P Esnouf (1st Q.) 6. To celebrate the 600th

anniversary of the rebuilding of the nave. £1

Crewkerne, Som. 21 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles
(768 covering): I Johns 1, Susan A Phinn 2,
Mary White 3, J White 4, D G Mayell(C) 5, Doris Pile (1st Q.) 6, J Rook 7, G Button 8. For VJ-

Dilwyn, Herefords. 25 Jun, 1260 Doubles (2m): Rhys Jones (1st Q.) 1, Christine Haines 2, Rhiannon Jones 3, Mark Pugh 4, W Anthony Price 5. (C not given)

Fawley, Hants. 3 Sep, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Rachel Chadwick (1st att.) 1, Barbara Handley-Garland 2, Mary Ball 3, S Gregory(C) 4, Hilary Chadwick 5, J Cole 6.

Great Casterton, Leics. 24 Aug, 1320 P B Doubles: Julie Stocks (1st Q.) 1, Shirley Harris 2, Ann Blessett 3, Sue Hobson 4, Brian Harris(C) 5, Peter Boreham 6.

Guernsey, C.I. (S Pierre du Bois). 15 Aug. 1260 P B Doubles: Val Tucker 1, Helen Tucker 2, D Shaw 3, Meg Heyworth 4, P Le Conte(C) 5, T Chamberlain (1st Q.) 6. For VJ-Day. Also as a diamond wedding compliment to John & Leonie

Hollesley, Suffolk. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Angie Woodrow (1st Q.) 1, Fred Stentiford 2, Micky McBurnie 3, Pam Dewing (1st inside) 4, Alan McBurnie(C) 5, Angela Askam (1st Q.) 6. To celebrate VJ-Day.

Islington, London N1. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Peter Blight 1, Rei Ngatai 2, Prudence Fay 3, Jinny Kufluk 4, John Adams(C) 5, Jenny Vass (1st att.) 6. For VJ-Day; also to say goodbye to the tenor ringer.

Knowle, W Mids. 27 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Brian Chase 1, Jayne Shipley 2, Annette Jarratt-Knock (1st as C.) 3, Ann Smart 4, Derek Smart 5,

Stephen Shipley 6. For Evensong. £1.20
Long Burton, Dorset. 19 Aug, 1260 P B
Doubles: David Bowen (1st Q.) 1, Helen Pharoah 2, Peter Barnett 3, Jenny Barnett 4, Philip Rioch(C) 5, Barry Wallis 6. For VJ-Day. £1.20

Morpeth, Nothumberland. 19 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: David Rose (1st Q.) 1, Gillian Chabrzyk (1st minor inside) 2, Colin Wheeler 3, Alyson Kerr 4, Richard Grainger 5, Denis Crowe(C) 6. For VJ-

Moulton, Lincs. 17 Aug. 1260 Doubles (3m): Sharon Jelley (1st Q.) 1, Peter Butler 2, Philip Green 3, William Laud 4, Owen Northwood(C) 5, Roy Ashton 6. For the 50th anniversary of VJ-Day.

Mursley, Bucks. 25 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): Lydia Dowding (1st Q.) 1, Andrew Cowell 2, James Woodcock(C) 3, Michael Woodcock 4, Jim Richardson 5, Chris Carter 6. Burma Star holder: 5. For VJ-Day remembrance, with gratitude to those who died in the War against the Japanese, particularly those who were prisoners.

Orwell, Cambs. 2 Sep, 1260 P B Doubles: Caroline Stagg (1st att.) 1, Edward Clarke 2, Richard Fletcher(C) 3, Paul Haskell 4, Geoffrey Perryman 5, Marion Perryman (circ.twr. to Qs.) 6. For Matins. £1.20

Over, Cambs. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: James Chivers (1st Q.) 1, Edith Robinson 2, Roderick Johnstone 3, Jonathan Hetherington 4, Marion Robinson(C) 5, Jonathan Porter (1st Q.) 6. VJ-Day celebration of 50 years of peace since the end of

Portsea, Hants. (S Mary). 21 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Allison E Crowley (1st Q.) 1, Barbara Salmons 2, N Clark (1st inside) 3, Mavis A Whitehead (1st in m.) 4, L Bonnington(C) 5, K J Matthews 6. Remembering those who fought. suffered and died for Freedom.

Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancs. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Martin Jeffrey (1st Q.) 1, O W Barrett(C) 2, M R C Kay 3, S B W Kay 4, A M J Callum 5, N Jeffrey 6. For VJ-Day.

Redhill, Surrey. (S John Evangelist). 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Anne Rueff 1, Carl Watts 2, Natasha Watts 3, Jane Holland 4, Andrew Holland(C) 5, Alastair Maclachlan (1st Q.) 6. Prior to the Service at St. John's Redhill marking the 50th anniversary of VJ-Day. £1.20

Roker, Sunderland, Tyne & Wear. 29 Aug, 1260
P B Minor: Emma Chalk (1st Q.) 1, Gillian King 2,

Christine Richardson 3, Ronald Warford 4, Paul Hughes 5, Kristopher King(C) 6.

Saxmundham, Suffolk. 28 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Rachel Allen (25th in '95) 1, Catherine Allen (1st inside) 2, Judith Allen (1st as C.) 3, Andrew Crowe 4, David McLean 5, Elizabeth Allen (25th in '95) 6.

Silverton, Devon. 19 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): R H Jones (1st Q.) 1, Jean Osborne 2, L E Boyce(C) 3, E W Ford 4, R C Shere 5, A J Campbell 6. For VJ-Day; and in memory of Russell Hutchings, long-serving at Silverton, who died aged 92 years.

Stevenage, Herts. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Charlotte Skipper (1st O.) 1, Jen Hill 2, Alban Forster (1st in m.) 3, Jo Percy 4, Chris Forster(C) 5, Jill Adam 6, Philip Barron 7, Robin Bailey (1st

Streatley, Berks. 8 May, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Antoinette Jackson (1st Q.) 1, I G Judd 2, J A Beaumont 3, Josie Irving 4, D Taylor(C) 5, C A Laurence (1st O.) 6 A Laurence (1st Q.) 6. To commemorate both VE-Day & VJ-Day.

Uffington, Oxon. 20 Aug, 1260 Minimus (2m -56 covering): Eleanor Banks (1st Q.) 1, Jo Dudley (1st inside) 2, Gavin Culley 3, Paul Coad(C) 4, Jed Brown 5, Bill Mitchell 6. To commemorate VJ-Day. 1st Q by al all-local band.

Victoria, B.C., Canada. 15 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Margaret Ketchen (1st Q.) 1, Judy Simpson 2, Jeff White 3, Arthur Izard 4, Michael Simpson(C) 5, David Oliver 6. To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the end of WWII.

Wallingford, Oxon. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): Nuala Clements 1, John Doney 2, Ann Haworth 3, Roy Thorpe 4, Jack Berry(C) 5, Nick Morley (1st Q.) 6. 1st in 3m by all except the tenor. For VJ-

Whitchurch-on-Thames, Oxon. 27 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Gail Harvey (1st att.) 1, Ali Mountford

2, S D Wood 3, K G Baker 4, Stephanie A May(C)
5, J R Reed 6. Belated for VJ-Day. £1.20
Winterbourne Whitechurch, Dorset. 14 Aug,
1260 P B Doubles: David Gill 1, Judith Robertson 2, Niki Gill 3, Helen Wiles 4, Ross Robertson 5, lain F Brice (1st Q.) 6. To commemorate the 50th

anniversary of VJ-Day. £1.20

Woolley, Yorks. 20 Aug, 1272 P B Minimus: J
Howley (1st Q.) 1, J C Holloway 2, G C Fuller(C) 3,
D Darlington 4, D M Slater 5. To commemorate

Tennor, Cornwall. 22 Aug. 1260 P B Doubles:
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South African Guild AGM

This year's gathering of the South African clan-gers was hosted by the Transvaal Society on the week-end of July 22-23. Ringers from around the country began to assemble in Johannesburg on the Friday night, meeting at St George's Parktown from 4.00pm onwards for a general ringing session and an ad hoc quarter peal of Grandsire Triples. Sadly the latter came to grief with five minutes to go when the conductor, who shall remain nameless (but it wasn't me), called a 'Bob - no bob - yes bob' A light supper was served after this, but then, as most of the visitors were fairly bushed after a long drive, we all retired home for a relatively early night. The Grahamstown contingent, being an officially recognised university society, drove up in a Rhodes combi, but had to pay the price of being restricted to 100 km/hr. The trip evidently took about 13 hrs, but they made it.

On the Saturday, an appointed crew of ringers assembled again at St George's at 9.00am for a quarter of Plain Bob Major. This unfortunately never really settled down and, although we got to the end of the composition, did not come into rounds as two or more bells had crossed. Next followed a practice session for the afternoon's striking competition and an extended general ringing session which ranged from rounds and simple call-changes to Stedman Triples and Cambridge Minor. All then gathered in the church hall for soup and rolls and, of course, refreshments. Then, having failed at our first two quarter peal attempts, Colin Lewis suggested that we try to fit in a quick one of doubles before the striking competition. Luck was with us this time and we scored a quarter of mixed doubles, two methods and two method variations.

Six teams had entered for the striking competition, four representing towers and two scratch teams just for fun and for the experience. We had some problems finding a judge for the competition since there were no overseas ringers present, but as the Transvaal group was the only one with ringers to spare, it had to be one of them. In the end Richard Roberts offered to don the wig and robes, and was duly sent to his place of solitude to perform the task. The teams in turn rang their test pieces and, although there were no disasters, it has to be said that we have heard better. One of the scratch teams, comprising some of the more experienced ringers, intending to provide a demonstration and not actually eligible to win the trophy, rang Cambridge Minor, but in fact disqualified themselves in any case, by ringing to few changes! The final result was: first - Transvaal B (call changes); second -Transvaal A (Bob Minor); third - Durban (plain hunt on 5); fourth – an under-21 scratch team (Plain Bob and call changes); fifth Grahamstown (April Day). The judge criticised all teams for not making full use of the five minutes practice allowed before the test piece, noting that some only practised for one minute. A second criticism focused on the lack of attention paid to the odd-struck nature of bell four, with all teams coming short in this regard. The winning team's test piece was in fact clearly the best and testifies to the benefit of not being too

The SA Guild AGM which followed was straight forward, with little or no controversy and a new executive committee was duly elected, with Colin Lewis taking over as chairman and Dick Holmes remaining as secretary/treasurer. At Colin's suggestion a new technical sub-committee was set up, with the express purpose of investigating the possibility of getting more peals of bells in South Africa. Despite having masterminded the Grahamstown



Out-going chairman Dai Herbert presents a delighted Carolyn Lewis, having qualified as a proficient change ringer, with her certificate

restoration, Colin has evidently far from exhausted his enthusiasm and is keen to get stuck into another project.

The AGM was followed by Evensong, conducted by the new Rector at St George's, Gerard Sharp, and then we all adjourned to the Roberts household for a most pleasant evening and a lovely home cooked meal prepared by Maureen roberts and helpers. During the evening a number of certificates were presented to ringers who were deemed to be proficient change ringers. Whilst most of these were presented in true recognition of progress made, one or two were rather tongue in cheek surprises for some of our more experienced ringers. The certificates in themselves are a work of art, depicting all six towers in South Africa and wee designed by John English, one of the Grahamstown stalwarts. John was also made an Honorary Life Member of the SA Guild in recognition of his services to ringing in Grahamstown and the restoration of the cathedral bells.

The Sunday morning saw most of us back at St George's for Sunday service ringing and then he bade farewell to the Grahamstown contingent and some of those from Durban as they embarked on their long return journeys. A few enthusiastic soles stayed on for some general ringing after the church service, but then the remaining Durbanites had to make tracks and the week-end came to an end. In a country as large as South Africa and with so few towers, gatherings such as this are very important in maintaining communication and building friendships within the South African ringing community. The fact that people are prepared to travel such large distances testifies to the extent to which these get-togethers are enjoyed

DAI HERBERT

(outgoing chairman)
Parktown, South Africa. 22 July 1260, Doubles
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ST DAVIDS CATHEDRAL. Please note that the new Tower Correspondent is Mr John R. Davies, 48 Bryn Road, St Davids, Haverfordwest, Dyfed SA62 6QV. Telephone 01437 720289.

Ad. No 4229

University Announcements

UNIVERSITY OF GREENWICH. Ringers coming to Greenwich are invited to contact Bill Lanyon for details of local ringing. Phone 0171 358 0164 (work), 0181 858 3761 (home). Ad No 4220

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Weekday Meetings and Practices

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
Notice of Practices (6.30pm): Tuesday 3rd
October St Paul's Cathedral, 10th October St
Sepulchre, 17th October St Mary-le-Bow, 31st
October Southwark Cathedral. Notice of Business
Meeting: Tuesday 10th October, The Old Dr
Butler's Head, Masons Avenue, London EC2 at
8.30pm, to include nomination of Officers. A.R.K.
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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
Midlands Area Practice: St Martin's, Birmingham
(16), Wednesday 4th October (8pm). A.R.K. 1320

G. & B.D.A. Branch Practice at St Mary, Redcliffe, Thursday 5th October, at 8pm. for SM refer SJB or D.I.C.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (Guildford District). 6th October: Surprise practice at Holy Trinity, Guildford, 7.45-9pm. 1339

LEICESTER D.G. Harborough District, Surprise Major practice at Great Glen on Tuesday 3rd October, 7.30-9pm. 1348

LONDON C.A. 13th October Spitalfields, 27th October Pimlico, Both at 6.30pm. All welcome.

1303

NORTHANTS MIDWEEK GROUP. Next meeting Stanwick, Wednesday 4th October, 2-4pm. Special method: Ipswich. All welcome. P.D.W.

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SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS. Practice Ruddington, Friday 6th October, 7.30-9pm. All welcome. D. Stainsby, 0115 9233506. Ad. no 1346

SURREY ASSOCIATION, Southern District. Tuesday 10th October: at Betchworth (8) at 7.30pm. Regular District Practice. All welcome.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Leeds and District Branch). Evening branch practice on Tuesday 3rd October at Sherburn in Elmet, 7.30-9pm. All welcome. 1367

Saturday Meetings and Practices

BATH & WELLS D.A. Dunster Branch. Practice Meeting Saturday 30th September, 7-9pm at Brompton Regis. Methods to include Plain Hunt and Grandsire Minor. 1344

ELY D.A. 6-bell Striking Competition, Saturday September 30, Caxton, Draw 2.30pm. Tea and Meeting, Caxton. Inter-District 8-bell Competition, Bourn, 6pm. 1264

HERTFORD C.A. Bishop's Stortford District Practices. Saturday 30th September, Sawbridgeworth (8,24cwt) 7.30-9pm. Saturday 7th October, Bishop's Stortford (10, 17cwt) 7.45-9pm. Special method: Cambridge. Everyone welcome.

KENT C.A.C.R. Inter District 6 Bell Striking Competition, Saturday September 30, Kemsing. Draw 2.15pm. Competition ringing commences 2.30pm. 1295

LEICESTER D.G. Harborough District. 10 Bell Practice, Saturday 30th September. 7-8.30pm, at Harborough. 1347

OXFORD D.G. Vale of White Horse Branch. Autumn Meeting, Saturday September 30 at Uffington. 2pm Ringing. 3.30pm Service. 4.15pm Tea (in hall). 5.15pm Meeting. Further ringing until 8.30pm Names for tea to Bill Mitchell (01367 820693) by Wed Sept 27.

BATH & WELLS D.A. Bridgwater Branch A.G.M. is at St Mary's, Bridgwater on Saturday 7th October. Bells 3pm, Service 4.30pm, followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to Frances Pearce please (tel. 423736) by 4th October.

BATH & WELLS D.A. Cary Branch Change of Practice. The Branch Practice scheduled for the 7th October at Ansford (6) at 7pm is now on the 14th October, same time, same place.

BATH & WELLS D.A. IIchester Branch: Practice Meeting, 7th October at Muchelney. 7-9pm. Method of the month: Reverse Canterbury. 1276

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Bedford District Quarterly Meeting Saturday 7th October. Ringing at Sharnbrook 3.30-4.30pm followed by service, tea and meeting (6pm). Further ringing until 8.30pm. All welcome. Further details from District Sec. (01234 363513).

Ad. no. 1349

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD, Warwick Archdeaconry Meeting on Saturday 7th October at Snitterfield 3-4.30pm. Service 4.30pm followed by tea. Evening ringing 6.15-7.30pm at Aston Cantlow. Names for tea to M. Gray (01789 731370) by 5th October please. Visitors welcome.

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DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION October General Meeting, Saturday October 7, Hartshorne 2.30-3.30pm; Repton 3.15-4.15pm. Service at Repton at 4.15pm, followed by meeting in Repton Church. Tea at Ticknall at 6.15pm. Names for Tea essential to Peter Marriott (01332 863925) or Pat Halls (01332 517988). Evening ringing at Ticknall. All welcome. P Halls.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE D.A. Northern District Meeting at Bamburgh on Saturday 7th October. Ringing from 2pm, Service 4pm, cream teas and Meeting in the Church 4.30pm, followed by evening ringing. Names for tea to Eva Johnson (01665 720481) by the previous Wednesday please.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. NE Branch Annual General Meeting, Saturday 7th October. Ringing St Peter's, Tiverton 3pm. Service 4-30pm, followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to A. V. Edwards (01884 254083) by Wednesday 4th October. Evening ringing from 6.30pm at St Paul's, Tiverton.

ELY D.A. Joint Ely/Huntingdon District Meeting, Saturday 7th October at Over. Ringing 3pm, Service 4.30pm, followed by tea and business meeting. Evening ringing at Fenstanton. All welcome.

SOCIETY OF FRAMLAND RINGERS. 7th October, Waltham (6), (Cambridge Grandsire Minor). Half yearly meeting. Ringing 3.45-4.30pm. Service 4.30pm. Tea 5pm followed by business meeting. Ringing in evening. Names for tea to Mrs K. M. Cooke, phone 01664 464808 by previous Wednesday please.

G & B.D.A. BRISTOL. Branch Practice at St James, Saturday 7th October at 7pm. All welcome. 1296

HERTFORD C.A. Northern District. Saturday 7th October. Quarterly Meeting. Ringing at Walkern 3.30-4.20pm. Service at Stevenage at 4.30pm, followed by tea and business meeting in the parish room inside the church. Further ringing until 8.30pm.

HERTFORD C.A. Watford District. Ringing meeting, 7th October, 6.30-8pm, Gt. Stanmore. Special method Glasgow. 1373

K.C.A.C.R. Tonbridge District. Annual District Meeting, Saturday 7th October at Sevenoaks (8). Bells 3pm, service 5pm followed by tea, meeting and evening ringing. Names for tea to Keith Wakefield (01892 823039) no later than Wednesday 4th October.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Blackburn Branch Meeting, Saturday 7th October at Waddington, 3pm, tea at Clitheroe, 5pm, followed by ringing to 8pm. Names for tea by Wednesday 4th to Mr E. Musson, 4 Moorland Crescent, Clitheroe BB7 4PY. Tel: 01200 25681. Ad. no. 1360

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION. Southern District Ringing Meeting, Saturday 7th October at St Mary's, Twickenham, 6.30-8pm. To be followed by a short business meeting. All welcome. 1359

NORTH STAFFS. ASSOCIATION. Saturday 7th October, 8-bell competition at Tunstall, followed by tea, business meeting and evening ringing. Entries and names for tea to me by Monday 2nd October, M. Jones (01785 42116). Ad. no 1342

NORWICH D.A. Annual Songs of Praise Service. Sunday 8th October, Great Yarmouth. Ringing 2-3pm. Service ringing 4-430pm, followed by tea and cake. All welcome. 1312

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Guilsborough Branch. Meeting Saturday 7th October. 3-3.45pm. Walgrave, 4-4.45pm Scaldwell, 6.30-8pm Cottesbrooke, Teas booked with Pam Spencer, phone 01604 845616.

Ad. no 1340

S.D.G.R. Devizes Branch. Saturday 7th October. Quarterly meeting and 8-bell striking competition at St Mary the Virgin Church, Bishops Cannings. Afternoon ringing to commence at 3-4.30pm followed by service and teas. Those who require tea names to Miss E. Bailey, Tel: 01380 860219. Quarterly meeting to follow and Striking Competition.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Nottingham District, Saturday 7th October. Goose Fair Meeting. 3.30-4.45pm Ringing at Nottingham St Mary's, followed by Service. 6pm Tea and meeting at Nottingham St Peter's, followed by evening ringing. Pie and chips tea, names to Sylvia Blackburn on 0115 9220081. Strictly no name, no tea.

SUFFOLK GUILD, S. E. District, Saturday 7th October District Practice at Offton, 7-9pm. All welcome. 1366

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Branch Meeting, Saturday 7th October. Ringing: Whiston 2.30-4.30pm. Tea and meeting at Handsworth 5pm. Evening ringing 6.30-9pm. Names for tea to John Gilbert on 0114-265 3797 by Thursday 5th October, please.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. East Devon Branch. Saturday 14th October. Quarterly meeting at Shute. Ringing 2.30pm. Service 4pm, followed by tea, meeting and further ringing. Names for tea to Brian Gardner, Brays, Whitford, Axminster EX13 7PH (tel: 01297 552418) by Wednesday 11th October, please. 1266

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Lewisham District Annual Meeting. 14th October, Bexley. Bells 3.30pm. Service 4.30. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Miss Mary Andrews, tel: 01322 523071. Ad. no. 1331

K.C.A.C.R. Maidstone District. A.D.M. Saturday 14th October at Leeds. Ringing 3pm, Service 4.30pm, followed by tea at approx 5.15pm. Meeting 6.15pm. Evening ringing. Nominations for committee in writing, to District Sec. by 30th September, please. NAMES for tea to District Sec. (01622 814440) by 11th october. No names, no teal

LADIES GUILD. Western District, Saturday 14th October. Half-day outing to East Devon. 2.15-3pm Buckerell; 3.15-4pm Feniton; 5-6pm Ottery St Mary; 6.15-7pm. Whimple. All welcome. Names please (for pub supper) to: Rosemary Ball, 01275 856207.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, FURNESS AND SOUTH LAKELAND BRANCH. A.G.M. on Saturday 14th October. Ringing at Sedburgh 2-3.30pm, Kirkby Stephen Service 4pm, followed by tea, meeting and evening ringing. Ten-bell practice at Kendal on Wednesday 18th September, 730-9pm. Ad. no. 1332

SOUTHWELL D.G. Bingham District, Saturday 14th October. Kinoulton 3.15pm, Service 4.30pm, tea 5pm; Granby 6.30. Names for tea to A. Popplewell (01949 81604). Ad. no. 1337

SOUTHWELL D.G. North Notts. District,. Oswy Street Cup Striking Competition will take place on Saturday 14th October at St Peter's Church, East Drayton, near East Retford, Notts. Draw at 2.30pm. Teams from other Districts and Guilds most weldome. Tea will be a 2-course meal (£3.75) in Blue Bell P.H., opposite the church. For further information and to book teas, please contact North Notts. Secretary, Paul Blatherwick, on 01777 701958, by Wednesday 18th October.

Ad. no. 1336

TEACHERS GUILD. Annual w/e 20/21/22 October, Glos. Contact Secretary. QPD 11th November, Oxon. Dorchester 1000, Sutton Courtney 1115. Contact Robin (0115 9200094). GRD 27th December, Bickley, Beddington, Caterham area. Contact Paul (0181-542 9508). New members welcome.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

QUARTERLY & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

Saturday, October 7th, 1995 St. Martin in the Fields

St. Martin in the Fields 2.30-3.45
Meeting 4 o'clock
followed by supper, c.6.30pm
Westminster Arms, Storey's Gate
Names for supper to M J Wilkinson, Holly
House, West Ashling, Nr. Chichester, Sussex
PO18 8DS, 01243 575414, by October 3rd

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WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

WINCHESTER DISTRICT DINNER SATURDAY 14th OCTOBER, 1995

WINCHESTER MOAT HOUSE HOTEL

In the absence of an official W&P Guild Dinner this year, everyone is cordially invited to join us in this event

Tickets (£18.50) and further information from Mick Thomas, 01703 611981

Ad No 1324

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD – OCTOBER EVENTS

Thursday 5 Learners Practice - Bagshot (8) 7.45pm Surprise Practice - Guildford Holy Trinity (8) Friday 7.45pm Leatherhead District Outing Saturday Tuesday 10 Lunchtime Practice - Guildford St Mary (6) 1.00pm Friday 13 Practice - Aldershot (8) 7.45pm Saturday 14 **Chertsey District Outing Guild Training Day** Saturday 28

Practice - Worplesdon (8)

Jackie Roberts, Guild Secretary (01483 765678)

Ad No 1369

7.45pm

Composition Review

5,120 8-Spliced Surprise Major by Neil G Curnow

12345678 (CY) (SN) (PC) (YS) (NP) 83621745 (LR) (YS) (BC) (LY) (PN) 36425871 (CB) (SR) (NL) (CB) (RP) 23648175 (LS) (BC) (YL) (SB) (RP)

Eight-part, calling a variable-hunt single at each half-lead (56) and full lead (34). Contains 768 each Cambridge and Superlative; 640 each Bristol, London, Pudsey, and Yorkshire; 512 each Lincolnshire (N) and Rutland; with 319 changes of method (159 at the lead-end and 160 at the half-lead), 320 changes of hunt bell, all the work of each method for every bell (including the treble) and 12 combination rollups. First rung at Upham, Hants on 25th April 1993.

This peal is built upon a similar plan to the composer's previous variable-hunt production (RW 1991 p 779), with the backstrokes of plain hunt as the part-ends. It is considerably more complicated than the earlier peal in that it changes the hunt bell every half lead, as opposed to only once per part. The method balance is an improvement on that of the earlier peal, although still short of the perfect 640 rows of each method that might be possible in this plan. While musically sparse, this is undoubtedly the most challenging peal of half-lead 8-spliced yet produced...

DEM

5,040 Cambridge Surprise Royal by Ian Holland

| 2345678 | 2 | M | W | H |
|---------|---|---|---|---|
| 34256 | | | | 2 |
| 53264 | S | | - | |
| 34265 | | - | | 2 |
| 3426587 | | | | S |
| 42365 | | | | 2 |
| 63254 | S | - | _ | |
| 34256 | | - | | 2 |
| 5324678 | | | - | S |
| 23456 | | | 2 | _ |
| | | | | |

s = 1278. Rung to Lindsey Surpise Royal on 26th March 1994.

The addition of 1278 singles may not be to all tastes, but are a simple route to the long block of 87's

5,042 Cambridge Surprise Maximus by Glenn A A Taylor

| 234567890et | M | W | Н |
|-------------|---|---|---|
| 34256 | | | 2 |
| 52436e9780t | | a | S |
| 42635 | _ | | |
| 3624578e90t | | b | S |
| 432657890et | | C | 3 |
| 62435 | | _ | S |
| (32456) | S | S | |

 $a = 2, 3, 6s, 6^{1}2s, 9s; b = 4^{1}2s, 6s, 6^{1}2s; c = {}^{1}2s, 3s, 6, 8$ (half lead single = 56et).

The split-tenor courses may not be worth while to all tastes, but may provide an interesting distraction to the more experienced band ringing Cambridge.

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Tenors-together peals of Belfast Surprise Major by Brian D Price

| No 1 - | - 5, | 216 | | | No 2 - | - 5, | 056 | | | No 3 - | - 5, | 056 | | |
|--------|------|-----|---|---|--------|------|-----|---|---|--------|------|-----|---|---|
| 23456 | I | 0 | V | Н | 23456 | I | 0 | V | Н | 23456 | I | 0 | V | Н |
| 64352 | | _ | _ | | 64523 | - | _ | _ | | 34256 | | - | | |
| 45362 | - | 3 | | | 35264 | _ | - | - | | 64235 | - | 2 | - | |
| 23645 | - | - | - | | 45362 | | 3 | _ | | 26435 | | 2 | | |
| 36245 | | - | | | 45236 | | - | | 1 | 35642 | _ | _ | _ | 1 |
| 52436 | - | _ | _ | | 52643 | | 2 | | 1 | 56342 | | - | | |
| 26543 | | - | - | 1 | 26543 | | _ | | | 36452 | - | 2 | | |
| 35264 | 2 | - | - | | 36524 | _ | 2 | - | | 52643 | _ | - | - | 1 |
| 42635 | - | - | - | | 36452 | | - | | 1 | 26354 | | 2 | | 1 |
| 26435 | | - | | | 64235 | | 2 | | 1 | 43526 | _ | - | _ | |
| 53624 | - | | - | | 42635 | | - | | | 64523 | | 2 | _ | |
| 36524 | | _ | | | 23645 | | 3 | | | 64352 | | - | | 1 |
| 45236 | - | - | - | | 56423 | _ | _ | - | | 23564 | - | - | _ | |
| 65324 | - | _ | 2 | 1 | 34256 | - | _ | - | | 52364 | | 2 | | |
| 23564 | - | - | | | 23456 | | 2 | | | 42356 | _ | 2 | - | |
| 45623 | - | - | - | | | | | | | 23456 | | _ | | |
| 56423 | | - | | | | | | | | | | | | _ |
| 34256 | - | - | - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 23456 | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Brian believes that no tenors-together peal of Belfast exists with 4th's place bobs. However, by using one of his favourite devices, the one-part palindrome, he has discovered the only 3 possible tenors-together peals using 6th's place bobs. These are the first tenors-together peals of Belfast to be produced using conventional calls, but they are of rather academic interest, as they are not especially easy to call, and the inflexibility imposed by 6th's place bobs in the choice of Middle, Wrong and Home leads considerably reduces the musical possibilities.

Old Bailey

5,280 (5,040, 5,088) 2-10 Spliced Surprise Maximus by Jeffrey Brannan

| 23456 | М | W | Н | 2 m | 3 m | 4 methods |
|-------|---|---|---|-----|-----|-----------|
| 42356 | | | _ | 11C | 11C | 11C |
| 53246 | | S | S | 11N | 11N | 6N,5S |
| 52346 | | | S | 11N | 11B | 11B |
| 34265 | S | S | _ | 11N | 11N | 6S,5N |
| 23465 | | | _ | 11C | 11C | 11C |
| 42365 | | | - | 11C | 11B | 11B |
| 63245 | | 3 | S | 11N | 11N | 6N,5S |
| 62345 | | | S | 11N | 11B | 11B |
| 34256 | S | S | - | 11N | 11N | 6S,5N |
| 23456 | | | - | 11C | 11C | 11C |

| 5 methods | 6 methods | 7 methods |
|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 11B | 11B | 11G |
| 6N,5S | 6N, 5P | 10G, 5P |
| 11Y | 11Y | 11G |
| 6S, 5N | 5P, S, 5N | 5P,S,5N |
| 11C | 11C | 11B |
| 11B | 11B | 11C |
| 6N, 5S | 6N,5S | 6N,5S |
| 11Y | 11Y | 11Y |
| 6S, 5N | 5S, P, 5N | 5S, P, G |
| 11C | 11C | 11G |
| 8 methods | 9 methods | 10 methods |

| 8 methods | 9 methods | 10 methods |
|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 110 | 110 | 11A |
| 10G, 5P | 10F,5P | 10F,5P |
| 110 | 110 | 110 |
| 5P, S, 5N | 5P, S, 5N | 5P, S, 5N |
| 11B | 11B | 11B |
| 11C | 11C | 11C |
| 6N,5S | 6N, 5S | 6N, 5S |
| 11Y | 11Y | 11Y |
| 5S, P, G | 5S, P, F | 5S, P, F |
| 11G | 11G | 11G |

Methods: Ashton; Belvoir; Cambridge; Barford (F); Newgate (G); Lincolnshire (N); Oldham; Pudsey; Superlative; Yorkshire. The 3-6 method peals may be shortened to 5,088 by ringing the last course 6C, B; the 7 method peal to 5,088 by ringing the first course CCCGCCC; and the 8 and 9 method peals to 5,040 by ringing the first course CCCOCC or 5,088 by ringing it as CCOOCC. All the peals contain all the work of each method for every



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Around and about

Six members of the West Grinstead band paid a traditional tribute to Eddie Rapley on the evening of his funeral at West Grinstead, his native village, We chose Kent because one of our abiding memories is of Eddie and his cousin Cecil Longhurst, our Captain, ringing handbells together. They would sit opposite, apparently gazing into space. They would be ringing either Eddie's very small bells or Cecil's which had belonged to their grandfather, Harry Turrell. Eddie would have 1-2-3-4 and Cecil 5-6 to ring Kent T.B. Minor. Such ability and such concentration are rare and a delight to their audience.

We began with Plain Bob to provide some variety in our ringing. Four of the band, natives to the area, have known Eddie since childhood.

May he rest in peace.

West Grinstead, Sussex. 19 Sept, 1260 PB Minor and Kent TB Minor: Sheila Verrall 1, John Igglesden 2, Julie Baker (1st in 2m and 1st inside) 3, Graham Beck 4, Charles Shepherd 5, Richard Verrall (C) 6. By members of the local band on the evening of the funeral of Eddie Rapley in thankfulness for his life and example.

Simultaneous quarter peals were rung in Coleshill and Hamilton as a thanksgiving for the life of Kevin McCarthy, previously of Coleshill who emigrated to New Zealand. Mr. McCarthy died on the 12th August aged 58.

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Coleshill, Warks. 2 Sept, 1259 Grandsire
Caters: P L Devine 1, S P Ferguson 2, P J Marshall
3, Judith Williams 4, P J Barker 5, D P Jones (C) 6
T W Ridgman 7, Ann Yates 8, S R Alliss 9, J I
Daubner 10.

Hamilton, New Zealand. 2 Sept, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Pam McAdam 1, Sally Green 2, R McAdam 3, D Caldwell 4, I Harrison 5, D Green (C) 6, J Neale 7 J Dunn 8. £3.60

Our Thanks to everyone who supported the Yorkshire Association Western Branch raffle and open days. The Branch is pleased to announce that £1700 was raised from these ventures and a cheque was presented to the BRF by the Secretary at the September general meeting in York.

CATE LONSDALE

There are rumours that the result of this year's Roses Competition is a foregone solution. Following the precedent set at the Yorkshire AGM on 16th September, where ringing at one of the towers was restricted to resident members of the local association, it appears likely that a similar restriction will apply at St. Michael's, Ashton where a service is due to take place on the day of the competition. At least the Yorkshire ringers will be able to enjoy their publunch knowing they will not have to ring!

Lies, Damn Lies and Statistics (Rod Pipe's letter p.995 last week). Computers are marvellous machines, you can move chunks of text around very easily, even if you didn't intend to! Rod's letter is easier to read if you delete the second paragraph and start the next paragraph "Such is the smokescreen that I feel..." Our apologies to him.

We regret to report the death of Robert (Rob) Wright on Saturday 16th September. Rob, a ringer at Gnosall and formerly of Tettenhall, was killed in a car crash. A quarter peal was rung half muffled the following day.

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Gnosall, Staffs. 17 Sept, 1260 Grandsire
Doubles: John Lees 1, Mrs Anne Robotham 2,
Richard Harris 3, Richard Lees 4, Ian Friend (C)
5, Miss Sandra Penson 6. In memory of Rob
Wright, a loyal ringer and a good friend.

Viv Williams would like some advice on teaching or assisting a partially deaf youngster to hear his bell – little seems to have been produced on this subject over the last 50 years he claims.

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A quarter peal at Tacolnestone was rung to commemorate VJ Day by the Tas Valley ringers who wish to associate it with Messrs Turner and Lysons, two veterans of the War in the Pacific, who were unable to ring. The quarter also was to welcome the tenor ringer back to ringing with his new pair of knees.

Tacolnestone, Norfolk. 19 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Sarah Cattermole 1, Christopher Deane 2, Paul Cattermole (C) 3, Alice Cattermole 4, Anthony Sargent 5, Derek Hammond 6. £1.20

A quarter peal was rung at Sandhurst in memory of Mrs. Joan Hillary, wife of Tower Captain Walter. Mrs. Hillary died on the 8th

September.
Sandhurst, Berks (S Michael). 10 Sept, 1260
PB Minor: Lesley Gutteridge 1, Mike Sherren 2,
Mike Patterson 3, Bob Oakley 4, Derek Palmer
5, Janet Menhinick (C) 6. Rung half-muffled.£3

My congratulations also to Ernest Ladd on having a 89th birthday and ringing a peal of Yorkshire for the occasion. May we all be able to do likewise!

No, Mr. Carvell, there are at least two other survivors of the "Ernest" peal of Bob Royal rung on 6th June 1959. I rang the 4th and Ernie Rowe, who still writes to us from Australia, rang the 5th. Are we four the only survivors?

ERNEST ORLAND

Kingsley Mason has pointed out that the little item at the bottom of the second column of p.996 (back page) last week should have referred to cwt, not tons. He is of course quite right, but it was all part of the plan to confuse Brussels!

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE D.A.

1995 Eight-Bell Striking Competition for the Freda Burton Cup

Saturday 14th October at Easington

Draw at 2.30pm.
Competing teams please send entries to:
Duncan Walker (tel: 0191-477 4984)
by previous week.

Rules available from Gen. Sec. Numbers for tea to Neville Vine (tel: 0191-527 0287)

In the evening you are invited to attend a concert at Easington Church where the D & N Chorale will be singing the Haydn Oratorio "The Creation"

I need a redundant church bell (height and base diameter about 18 inches) to send to an established Presbyterian church in Ghana, West Africa. Preferably this should be available for Christmas '95 or Easter '96. The church is rather poor but I am prepared to pay a reasonable sum for the bell and arrange collection and shipping. Please contact: John Goka, 41 Ethelbert Rd, Canterbury, Kent CT1 3NF (Tel 01227 786650).

Our racing tipster informed us that the horse called Whitechapel came in first in the 3 o'clock race at Newbury the other weekend – a good bet at 12 to 1 we're told, but our informant of course does not bet!

It's a sign of how ingrained ringing terms become when, driving home from a meeting we were having an inquest as to why we didn't pass the village to get to to the church and our young ringer confirmed I'd taken the wrong turn off by saying: "You were a whole turn too soon."

JEAN VIDLER

A.S.C.Y. (Alternative Society Completes Yorkshire). On Saturday 23rd September 1995 a band of ladies from The Oxford Society (the second oldest ringing society) successfully completed a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at Lincoln College, Oxford.

MORE NOTICES

NORWICH D.A. 10-bell Practice, Kings Lynn, Saturday October 7, 7.30-9.00. Special methods Little Bob and Superlative No.2. All welcome. 1382

ROSES RINGING COMPETITION (LANCASHIRE v. YORKSHIRE)

SUNDAY 8th OCTOBER 1995

St Michael & All Angels, Ashton-u-Lyne at 1pm Judge: Mr F Shallcross of Hereford Cathedral

Test Pieces: 432 Erin Triples; 360 Cambridge Royal;

528 Lincolnshire Maximus Buffet Lunch available (£2.50) at The Station Hotel 12 noon – names to Jeff Brannan, Tel 01457 872947, by Sat September 30

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SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL SOCIETY

Next practice: Wednesday 4th October, 6.30pm and on the 1st Wednesday each month. Friendly, open practice, Doubles to Maximus.

All welcome.

Outing: 7th October – Herts & Beds. Seats left.
Annual Dinner: Friday 27th October.

In the Chapter House Restaurant, at 7pm for 7.30pm, The Provost, The Very Rev. Colin Slee in the Chair.

Tickets: £17.50 (incl. drinks and wine) and details of all other events,

Michael Uphill, 36 The Crescent, Wimbledon Park, SW19 8AN, Tel: 0181-946 8106, Office: 0171-736 0402, or Hilary Small: 0181-399 4999 Ad. no. 4230

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