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Prague - heavy bells rung by hand



Ringing Jan Krtitel.

One of the most beautiful cities in Europe, Prague is now, with the division of Czechoslovakia, the capital of the Czechish Republic. Spread like Rome over seven hills, the city has an attractive setting on both banks of the Vitava River; and it is rich in historical buildings. The dominant feature is the vast 16-17th century fortified palace on Hradcany Hill, which is now the residence of the president of the republic; and was formerly that of the ancient kings of Bohemia. In the inner courtyard of the palace stands St. Vitus Cathedral, begun in 1344 and not finally completed until 1929.

Although the great majority of the church bells in central Europe are now swung by electric motors or played in carillons, St. Vitus Cathedral in Prague provides a rare instance of heavy bells still rung by hand. Unfortunately it has not been possible to obtain as many details of the bells as I would have liked; but a short account of the ringing can be given. The swinging bells are four in number. The great bourdon, named Zigmund (Sigismund), hangs in a chamber of its own below the others. Its diameter is 256 cm. (8ft. 5in.); and I have seen the weight quoted as 10.9 and about 13.5 tonnes. It was cast by Thomas Jarosch in 1548. Four young strong ringers can swing this bell, a lever being fitted at each corner of the headstock; but it is hard work. They stand close by the bell in the same chamber. With a note of F sharp it is not painfully loud, but ear protectors would be

In a chamber above that containing Zigmund hang three smaller bells, the two larger of which were also rung when I was there at All Saints last year. The largest of these three is named Jan Krtitel, was cast by Magister Stanislaus in 1546, is 158 cm. (5ft. 2in.) in diameter and sounds note C. The middle bell was cast by Josef Diepmold in 1841, is 122 cm.



Swinging the bourdon bell Zigmund.

(4ft.) in diameter and sounds note E flat. A third, still smaller bell, hangs above it; but this was not rung when I was there and no details of it are available. An empty headstock still hung in its bearings beside the smallest bell shows that there was once a fourth bell in this frame. These bells are also rung with levers, and the ringers standing beside them. The noise in this chamber was deafening; and I could hardly hear the trams going past after leaving the cathedral. If any readers will be visiting Prague and would like to watch the cathedral ringers, the use of ear protectors is strongly recommended. The picture of the ringing of Jan Krtitel clearly shows the peculiar shape of the clappers in these bells.

In the days of atheistic communism it was not possible to get permission to enter the cathedral tower. Now it is open to the public except at ringing times; and with the help of a local guide I was able to watch the ringers before High Mass on All Saints Day last year.

ALAN BLAIR



St Vitus Cathedral, Prague. Picture taken from the other side of the river with a telephoto lens.

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Notes for Church Magazine Editors

Ringers are involved in many other aspects of church life. The following notes from printer and bellringer Peter Sotheran may be of assistance to fellow ringers who are involved with the production of church magazines.

Sotheran's are frequently asked questions about the 'going rate' for the cover price of church magazines or how much to charge for a page of advertisements. The following notes are based on a survey of monthly church magazines, printed by Sotheran's, for parishes between the Scottish Borders and the Home Counties.

Pricing

Few magazines are as low as 15p per copy now. Some 16 page magazines are 20p but most are between 25p and 40p. Many churches offer a small discount to people who pay in advance for the year. For examples 12 issues at 30p might be offered at £3.50 or a year's supply of 40p magazines might be offered at £4 or £4.50. Gathering in the majority of the subscriptions early in the magazine year eases the burden on the volunteers who deliver them and helps the committee plan its budget.

Advertising

The revenue per page naturally varies according to the circulation of the magazine. Small circulation magazines (350-500 copies per month) are currently charging £90 to £150 per page. The cost of preparing a quarter page advertisement is almost the same as for a half or full page. Most churches do increase the costper-inch for smaller adverts. For example, if a full page is £100, then a half-page sells at £60 and a quarter page at £35. This can be presented to the advertisers as a discounted rate for those who place larger advertisements.

A number of magazines have abandoned multiple pages of small one-quarter or one-eighth page advertisements in favour of a trade directory of single line entries on the back page. In smaller communities the local shop-keeper may be unwilling to spend £25 on a display advert but most will take £10 'out of the till' for a single line entry which lists their name, trade, address and phone number. A well-organised Trade Directory can generate up to £400 per page. There is then the possibility to either reduce the number of pages and hence the monthly printing bill, or to use the space released by the former display adverts for additional editorial.

Photographs

It is very easy to incorporate photographs in a magazine. This is an excellent way to highlight an event such as a Bishop's visit or a Flower Festival. Editors should leave a suitable sized space and include the original photograph, not a photocopy or the negative. Most printers will insert the photograph as a black and white picture at a cost of £4-£7 (October 1995 price). Colour or black/white prints are equally suitable, transparencies are unsuitable.

Marketing

It is essential to make an annual effort to add new subscribers to the magazine list in order to replace those who have moved away or died. A campaign targetted on a new housing area is a useful way of introducing newcomers to the church. Some parishes give each distributor half a dozen surplus magazines and ask them to call on any houses which have recently had an estate agent's saleboard outside.

Essex Trophy 1995

This year's Essex Trophy 10 Bell Striking Competition, was hosted by the Kent CACR, and held at Leeds St Nicholas (10, 17-2-0 in E), on Saturday 16th September. Of the nine Guilds/Associations invited, six participated.

The weather was very inclement, so much so, that the judges for the competition, John and Stephanie Warboys from Bedford, had to judge

from their car to avoid the rain.

Much hard work tightening up the original 1751, 10 bell wooden frame and bell fittings by the local vicar, that well known ringer David Brookes, and which was required following the very hot summer, made the bells considerably easier to ring, but still a challenge to all participants. This frame is probably the oldest original 10 bell wooden frame still in existence, it is hoped to start raising monies for the restoration of the bells in early 1996.

The test piece was a plain course of Lincolnshire Surprise Royal with the judging

starting at the "middle"

Upon completion of ringing and before the judges' comments, the Rev'd David Brookes gave a small welcoming speech, and a short history of the bells. Then Tom Barlow, the Kent CACR chairman introduced the two judges.

John began his comments on the afternoon's ringing by firstly thanking the Kent CACR for inviting Stephanie and himself to judge the competition. He hoped that everybody had enjoyed their ringing on bells that were not easy, a bit odd struck, and quite testing, but still producing some good well struck ringing. The peal speeds produced by the bands gave a variation of eleven minutes, and this faster/slower pace certainly affected the striking/faults produced. The eventual winners' test piece was considered excellent.

Stephanie then took the platform, and gave the final position of the six competing bands. First was the Hertford C.A., closely followed and just two points behind, by the Essex Association, then came the Sussex C.A., Guildford D.G., Kent C.A. and the Surrey

Association.

Christine Carter received the Essex Trophy (presented by Frank Lufkin) on behalf of the Hertford C.A., who were also last year's winners.

Finally, thanks go to the Rev'd David Brookes for the use of Leeds bells, and the church's facilities, John and Stephanie Warboys the two judges, all who arranged bands, and also the participants, who made the day so very enjoyable.

The 1996 competition will be hosted by the Essex Association.

TIM WRAIGHT

Hon Gen Sec, Kent CACR

Remembrance and Thanksgiving

The ceremonies in Bath which commemorated the fiftieth anniversary of VJ Day concluded with a Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving at the Abbey in the afternoon of Sunday 5th August. The Abbey was full for the service, which was relayed by loudspeakers to a large crowd outside, with tourists watching from a respectful distance. It was a very hot afternoon, and in spite of the sunshine the mood was sombre in the extreme.

Ringing after the service had been requested, and a quarter peal had been arranged. The band met in good time, and the long climb was undertaken in leisurely fashion. Both ringing chamber doors were opened, allowing advantage to be taken of the breeze, a feature

that makes ringing at the Abbey tolerable in hot weather. The plan was to start ringing during the outgoing voluntary, "Pomp and Circumstance No.1"

At least one member of the band had a relative who had suffered at the hands of the Japanese. Several had known the late Alan Wrigley, for many years a member of the Abbey band, who had become a prisoner of war after the fall of Singapore.

In due course, "Pomp and Circumstance" got under way and it was time to begin. There were a few rounds to check rope lengths, insisted upon by the conductor as essential for relaxed ringing, and by the middle section of the March – "Land of Hope and Glory" – everyone was ready.

'Look to - treble's going . . .

It is always the same when ringing is part of a ceremony. When the ringing starts, whatever the occasion, one can think only of the task in hand, and this time the need to concentrate was something of a release. Grandsire Caters rolled steadily along, but even with the doors open and a breeze blowing it was warm work. There was a ragged patch after 40 minutes, but after words from the conductor and some extra-loud calls everyone made an extra effort, particularly in the homing course – "Round as Usual" – and the finish was excellent.

The bells were lowered, and the band emerged from the tower. Apart from vergers and sidesmen, the Abbey was empty, with preparations being made for Evensong. Outside, the crowd listening to the service had dispersed, and the loudspeakers were being dismantled. The tourists were back in force – and Japanese sightseers were at work in characteristic fashion with their expensive cameras, quite unconcerned by the occasion.

R. W. WILLANS.

The quarterly meeting of Taunton Branch Campanologists, (although not very well supported) took place at Langford Budville on Saturday 9th September. There was ringing before the service at Milverton and Langford Budville under the supervision of Mr. Fred Sage and Mr. Bill Slocombe respectively in the absence of the Ringing Masters Mike Hansford and Ray Arscott who were unable to be there until later due to family commitments.

The newly appointed Revd. David Rendall took the service and said how pleased he was to meet us all and extended a very warm welcome

to us all.

Tea was very much appreciated being prepared by Langford Budville 'supporters' and help was also welcomed from Milverton & Wellington. The meeting followed with Bill Slocombe giving the vote of thanks to Revd. David Rendall and to the organist Mr. Alan Fouracre who is also a bellringer, and also a big THANK YOU to the tea ladies.

The vice-chairman Mr. Denis Whatmore took the chair, and both secretaries Valerie Contreras and Margaret Jordan were in attendance.

We were reminded of the Annual General Meeting on 11th November at Halse & Ash Priors which starts at 1.00 p.m. with a Training Day. The next Branch practice is at Corfe on 14th October and at Norton Fitzwarren on 9th December. On 30th March 1996 the Association of Bellringers are organising a sponsored canal walk in aid of the Bell Fund.

Alan Bywater our local Bell Funds Officer arranged the draw and the lottery numbers were also drawn.

Ringing continued at Langford Budville with Fred Sage and Mike Hansford in 'charge'.

BRENDA ARSCOTT



Bellfounders' Gift Page



The Church and ringing

I read with great interest the leading article of the 22nd September issue of *The Ringing World*, (p.973) entitled 'Towards the Millennium'. As a Parish Priest and indeed as a Christian, I was particularly interested in the section 'What are we today?' regarding the relationship of ringers and their societies to the Church.

Teresa Goatham begins by writing:

"As individuals, the importance to us of ringing as a Christian act may vary, but we may be ambiguous about it — we ring because we enjoy it and not for the sake of service ringing".

Indeed I ring because I enjoy ringing, but the primary task of ringing on church bells is to call the faithful to worship. Therefore service ringing must take priority over all other forms of ringing.

The article does go on to emphasise the importance of service ringing; but what

concerns me was the comment

"we did feel that it was important that the priority of Sunday service ringing and our connection with the Church is maintained by keeping our organisations as Christian ones".

Surely when ringing on Church bells the connection to the Church of ringers and societies can never be questioned? In calling the faithful to worship, the ringers are performing a ministry within the Church. Indeed it is part of the liturgy and worship of a worshipping congregation; and must not be seen as something separate. This of course calls into question ringers leaving the Church after service ringing without attending the service, something I find very worrying. In my Title Parish in Wednesbury where I taught a band to ring, it was a rule that to ring the ringers were expected to attend the Parish Mass. A rule which after ten years is still adhered to, with all of the ringers being heavily involved in the ministry of the Church, as well as others coming into the Church by learning to ring.

I may be misunderstanding what Teresa Goatham is putting over in her article, but to question the connection of societies to the Christian Church, is a dangerous situation. Church bell ringers must remember that through their ringing they serve God, and not the Church serving them for the benefit of their 'hobby'. I get more and more concerned with the seemingly increasing secularism within the ringing fraternity; examples being the names of

BELL CLUB AWARDS

We congratulate the following ringers who have earned badges in the Sherbourne Teaching Aids "Bell Club" as follows:

Red

Jane Haley and Danielle Sampson (Curdridge).

Green

Thomas Rogers (Warwick).

Blue

Catherine Overton, Johnathan Overton and Lucy Brice (all from Hughenden); Naomi Hacker (Melksham) and Hannah Arnold (Deerhurst). some of the more contemporary ringing societies whose peals appear in *The Ringing World* as well as some of the footnotes which appear with peal reports, (I am not the first to raise this latter point!).

As well as promoting the art of bell ringing, Church bell ringers, along with the other members of a congregation, should see themselves as messengers of the Gospel. Through their art and through their example, they should be strengthening the bond of ringers and Church and not merely saying:

"our connection with the church is maintained".

The ringers of Wood Green, Wednesbury may still be trying to grasp Plain Hunt, but they ring for what the bells were intended for, and they ring as members of their Church. Indeed, a role of the clergy should be to ensure that the bells in their charge are primarily rung for the Glory of God, to further God's kingdom, rather than to further a secular hobby.

Please, as ringers, as the Millennium approaches, let us not slip down the slippery path of secularism, instead let us see ourselves as a team within the Body of Christ to strengthen the Christian faith in the land!

FR. JOHN C. GREATBATCH

Tipton, W. Midlands

Change of route! After trying the planned North Devon route for the Young People's Cycling Tour 1996 on his motor cycle – hereinafter known as "The Alpine Route" – the Revd. Organiser realises that he has been overambitious! The new route now consists of a leisurely amble around a circle consisting of Salisbury/The Isle of Wight/Winchester.

Tourists discouraged by the prospect of the original, alpine, route are urged to apply now for the tour around the less strenuous terrain? (01452 720411). G.S.

First peal congratulations

John Nicholson, Ralf Rashbrook, Justin Hudson, John A. Chantry, Stephen J. Ward and Richard J. Doy (not Day as printed on p.999, RW Sept 29).

Mrs. Sandra Claughton recently wrote to Radio 4 suggesting that "Bells on Sunday" should be broadcast later in the morning, preferably to introduce the "Sunday" programme. Ernest Rea, Head of Religious Broadcasting, replied to the effect that "Sunday" reflects religious news of the day and it would be quite inappropriate to include church bells as part of such a programme!

The Leaning Tower

The scene is a Bristol churchyard, not far from Courage's Brewery. It is about six o'clock on a Wednesday evening, and Mick Hobbs is gathering his ringers together. There is the sound of a key being turned in a lock, a door swings open, and the ringers enter the church. Not one of them has rung here – and not one of them ever will, for this is the ruined Temple Church, otherwise known as Holy Cross, with its famous leaning tower.

It is well known that the church was gutted in the Blitz and that the ring of eight bells, taken down for safety beforehand, is now at Bristol Cathedral. What is less well known is that the tower was undamaged, and remains to all intents as it had been in happier times. Indeed, the first thing a visitor sees on entering the staircase door is an ancient rope, neatly coiled down where it had been left more than 50 years ago to be taken "upstairs" on the next ringing occasion. The stairs are dirty, but no dirtier than in many towers where ringing still takes place. There is no lighting, and there is that curious sensation one gets climbing a spiral staircase in a leaning tower - "like being on a ship at sea!" as one visitor observes with feeling. The ringing chamber walls have been stripped bare, although there are fragments of panelling in the debris on the floor. The chiming frame has been dismantled. Even the coathooks are gone - one of the legends of ringing at Temple is that cracks would open in the wall when the bells were ringing and coats would get stuck fast! However, the rope holes are still in the ceiling. Indeed, at first sight it seems as though four bells still have ropes on, a poignant illusion created by someone with a sense of humour who has tied the ropes to the frame. All this can only be seen by torchlight, as there are no windows. It is an eerie experience.

Above the ringing chamber is a lofty intermediate chamber, with the eight rope chutes still in position. Nothing seems to have changed since the day the bells were taken down. It is the same in the bell chamber. A section of the iron frame has been taken out, to be replaced after the bells had been rehung, and it is still on the floor. Above the frame for the ring is a tiny wooden frame, much older, for the sanctus bell. Where is that little bell now? Is it hidden away somewhere waiting to be discovered, like the bell from St Ewen's which came to light recently?

As English Heritage will not allow visitors on the tower roof, which is sensible bearing in mind that there is no parapet, no support of any kind, just a flat top and a flagpole, it is time for the long journey back down to the twilit ruins. Mick Hobbs thanks Nial Morrissey of English Heritage, and for some there is an adjournment to the "Kings Head", which is literally under the lean of the tower. Indeed, on the way to the "Gents" there used to be a brass cross on the floor indicating the overhang. Sadly, this is no longer visible. Cannot English Heritage do something about this? After all, the Commination, in the Book of Common Prayer, is plain enough on the matter — "Cursed is he that removeth his neighbour's landmark"!

R. W. WILLANS.

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Letters

Leominster and Cyril Jaine

I found the front page article by John Eisel on the Bells and Ringers of Leominster Priory (Issue No. 4403) both interesting and informative, but was surprised to find that there was no mention of the valuable contribution made by Cyril Jaine to ringing at that tower; so

may I put on record the following.

Cyril Jaine, a member of the well-known family of ringers at Kimbolton, was taught to ring by his father in the 1930s; but had given up bellringing in the late 1950s preferring other spare time interests. He came back to ringing in the early 1970s whereupon he quickly made his mark again and soon found himself in charge at Leominster for he was a patient instructor and an accurate striker of a bell. He spent a lot of time teaching young people and the not so young to ring, often in the form of private lessons with a tied clapper and had built up a loyal band at the tower. Sadly, in July 1987, he died in Leominster ringing chamber during a Thursday practice having just sat down after ringing with his learners. The present tower captain, David Thompson, then a fairly new member of the band, having moved from ringing on The Wirral to Leominster, was present that fateful evening and was subsequently appointed tower captain to continue the good work started by Cyril Jaine.

I close with a personal anecdote. Cyril Jaine was my first ringing contact when I moved to Herefordshire in the Autumn of 1981. The day after moving in, the postman arrived at my door, handed me my copy of *The Ringing World* and said: "Here's your bellringing paper and a message from Cyril Jaine," whereupon he gave me a post office bag label on which was written, 'Sunday ringing Leominster 9.15.' Cyril, a postman, had noticed an additional copy of the R.W. in the Leominster sorting office and, as always, alert to the opportunity of gaining a ringer (or potential ringer) thought he would get his invitation in first, so on the Sunday morning I turned up and met him for the first time.

HAROLD FITTER

Leominster

Vicars and noise

In The Ringing World p.948 dated 8th September there was an account of a vicar

disallowing service ringing.

By a strange coincidence the same thing happened to a quarter peal band who arrived at Chelsea Old Church to ring for Evensong in commemoration of one of our past ringers from Germany whose Ordination was on that day. Our Vicar had had VIP visitors to entertain for lunch and in the hot weather had wanted to use the garden but was prevented from doing so by a cacophony from nearby flats (not for the first time!) Having called the environmental health officer to witness the nuisance and he/she not having yet arrived, we all agreed that it would be 'tactless' to ring the bells at that critical moment, were regaled with a glass of wine in the vicarage garden and departed, disappointed but completely in sympathy with the Rev. Peter Elvy, the incumbent.

We had to refuse the offer of the quarter peal being rung after the Service as one of the band was unable to stay on.

ELIZABETH HOOD

False – for a reason

Steve Coleman's bold assertation (p.979) that when we ring a touch of doubles we never repeat the same change should not go unchallenged. I wondered whether it had appeared in the wrong paragraph, since the paragraph which follows is

headed The Dogma.

I quite often call a touch of doubles which I know to be false, in order to achieve a particular objective. For example, and this is clearly relevant to the subject of his article, it is very useful when someone is learning the bobs in Plain Bob Doubles to call a touch in which the learner can practise some of the bob work without having to do all of it. Calling two consecutive 60s instead of one 120 enables this to be done. Nobody has ever complained to me that the touch is false, although, given that rounds is the one change which nearly everyone can recognise when they hear it, it is the most obviously false touch one can ring. Less conspicuously false is the well-known touch of Grandsire Doubles obtained by calling 3, 4, or 5 to make thirds three times. This is a very useful first step into touches, and we acknowledge its falseness by always referring to it as 'the false 90'. This name is useful in more ways than one. since it quite often prompts a question about why it is false when the equivalent three-course touch of Plain Bob is not.

Keele, Staffs

Guides and ringing

In reply to Bernard Townsend's letter in the 22nd September issue (p.976) the Guide Association has just published a new syllabus for the Bellringer badge. It is now in four stages, all of which require a Guide to attend practices and Sunday ringing regularly.

I doubt if many Guides would start ringing just to gain the badge. Even if a Guide did, the various stages mean that she would need to have been ringing for a couple of years before

completing stage four.

Stage 1 involves ringing rounds and call changes, lowering a bell and ringing at two other towers if possible. For Stage 2 a girl must have visited six towers, ring the treble to minor and inside for a plain course of doubles. Stage 3 involves conducting doubles from an affected bell, ringing a quarter peal and ringing 720 of minor inside. By Stage 4 a Guide has to help learners, conduct 720 of minor, ring a surprise method inside and write out a method from place notation. There are alternatives at all stages for call-change towers. Rope maintenance, the history of ringing and knowledge of the local guild and towers are also required at various stages.

RUTH DAVID

PHIL GAY

Guernsey, C.I.

Use of a dummy

With reference to the correspondence on learning and teaching which has been taking place for some weeks, there is one aspect of teaching bell-handling which I don't think has been mentioned, namely the use of a dummy tail-end when teaching hand-strokes, before the learner progresses to attempting both strokes. This helps to convince the timid learner that he or she can grasp the sally firmly with all four fingers without dropping the tail-end, thus preventing the bad handling mistake of catching the sally with only two or three fingers, which otherwise quickly becomes a habit.

What do other readers think?

BERNARD T. GILDERSLEVE

Beaminster, Dorset

Umpires' decision final

Whilst not a peal-ringer myself (out of choice) I have nevertheless read with interest the correspondence regarding the Hawkshead peal and feel some of the comments to have an air of inequitability about them. Had Kevin Price's band been a band of automatons, then yes, the striking should have been blow for blow perfect and the rows change for change totally accurate: but the band was not one of automatons but one of human beings and therefore like us all, subject to normal human failings. Several years ago, one who was well qualified to make the statement told me that an adult human being of above average intelligence has a concentration span of only 20 minutes, after which time the mind starts to wander, resulting in lapses in concentration. It stands to reason, therefore, that a "standard" peal of three hours duration must contain many mistakes, not to mention one taking thirteen hours to complete!

Those who umpired the peal would not have been asked to do so, I'm sure, had they not been fully conversant with Central Council regulations for such an attempt. They subsequently reported the striking to have been of a high standard generally with the lead ends coming up as they should and the peal one worthy of a record length. Perhaps we should take a leaf out of the cricketers' book and agree that the umpires' decision is final for, ultimately, it is they who decide whether or not the peal is

worthy of credit.

After all, if allowing for the so-called "fireup" (perhaps a bad choice of phrase by the umpires?) and several missed dodges, there were, say, 100 rows which were not quite so perfect as they might have been, this constitutes an error of only 0.4% throughout the whole peal. Hardly worth making a fuss about, so let's stop "bitching" and give credit where it's due.

DENNIS GREENWOOD

Huddersfield

So, then, it is the lead-ends that matter. Providing we get a nice clean row with the bells striking in the right order at the treble's backstroke lead all is well. So we can have a merry tip in providing we have it sorted at the lead end then we can tip in again until the next one. It would be a bit like jumping hurdles.

I suppose that, by analogy each six end of Stedman would need to be right. This could be a bit tricky. It must be possible, though, as there are so many peals of Stedman published.

To continue, and to advance on the above argument, every backstroke of Original would need to be precise and correct. This means that you could crunch all your handstrokes but get it sorted at the following blow. Things could limp along a bit on this basis but providing it is technically acceptable everyone should be happy. I assume that every peal of Original has had every backstroke exactly right?

Or perhaps the question should be "What is so special about the lead end?"

It will save a lot of time, trouble and ink if we conclude now that it is up to the conductor what is sent for publication and up to individuals what they include in their personal records. We can all, then, spend the time on something more useful, like getting up in the tower and doing some firing instead of just talking about it.

A.J.B.

Heard when a band was approaching a "strange" church to ring for a wedding – "Does anyone know where the tradesmen's entrance is?"

Tower Secretary

A Dodgy Business?

Steve Coleman's recent articles on Plain Bob doubles points out that dodging introduces new skills into bell control. The easiest way to acquire new skills is repetitive practice; one way of doing this for dodging is a simple exercise first shown to me several years ago by Ivor Dickin of Irchester and since nicknamed Thingummybob" by us. The work of each bell is soon learnt by anyone who can ring Plain Bob doubles and the pupil can repeatedly dodge 3-4 down or 3-4 up until the necessary skills are developed.

Thingummybob

1 2 3 4 5 1 and 5 plain hunt with four blows behind.

2 hunts to fourths place only, and always 24153 makes "seconds place and lead again"

45231

54321 4 dodges 3-4 down each time (plain hunts up). 53421

3 5 2 4 1 3 dodges 3-4 up each time (plain hunts down).

23154

21345 12435

21435

24153

etc

Given adequate instruction beforehand, an experienced ringer to dodge with, and having to perform the same dodge every 12 changes, I find that pupils grasp the idea very rapidly.

My thanks to Ivor for passing on the information.

PETER WENHAM.

Braunston

A fitting tribute

I was delighted to see A.J.B.'s rebuttal (p.876) of Mr Anderson's call (p.833) for the

mothballing of bell mechanisms. In Clun we managed to mark both VE Day and VJ Day with call changes on the new 10 which attracted favourable comments from the village. This was achieved thanks to the new best-available cast iron frame. Our ringers have been encouraged to keep at it because they no longer have to battle against the frame movement. A virtuous circle of confidence, success and enjoyment has followed. Was this not a more fitting tribute than would have been the shaky rounds attainable on the deteriorating roll-on roll-off wooden frame, a section of which has been duly retained for the antiquarian to view? It awaits its first viewer.

What concerns me is that, as I understand it, the lottery money is only available for Heritage proposals, and this has been defined as retention rather than replacement of existing frames etc. This is surely likely to lead many churches to opt for English Heritage patch-ups (botch-ups?) rather than the proper updating to the best modern equipment simply because the money is available. Timeo Danaos et dona ferentes!

Why are our Central Council leaders not lobbying for change to the rules for the dispersal of lottery money? It is the punters' money, not the government's and it seems wrong that a football team down the road can have lots of money for modern facilities (and it doesn't have to be old leather balls) when bellringing cannot.

ANDREW BUCKLEY

Clunton, Shropshire

Learning to ring

I found Geoff Berriman's article "Learning to Ring" (14 July. p737) interesting reading. He

may like to hear of the way I was taught...

I began ringing in 1974 in the village of Harby in Leicestershire at the age of 15. I joined a school friend and his family who were to be taught by an elderly man who was a long time ringer in the village and who was anxious to see that ringing there continued.

There were four learners and one or two teachers at our early sessions, and we began with the bells down. I was given a rope and told simply to start pulling, the idea of paying out the rope as the swing of the bell demanded was, I dimly recall, explained at some stage; but simply pulling the thing and being able to bring the bell back to rest at will was the main aim of the exercise. I thought the whole thing was terrific fun and I was hooked for life from the very first pull! I clearly remember raising the bell to the balance - but not beyond - on the first evening and being tremendously excited at feeling what was happening to the bell. I think I stood the bell on the second or third evening (unassisted as usual). Those early sessions continued to be a general cacophony of four bells being raised and lowered repeatedly and independently as we all struggled to gain full control.

After that rather uncontrolled, dangerous, but seemingly effective introduction, progress stalled just beyond the rounds stage mainly because of the limited experience of our teacher who had us ringing "the first ten of grandsire" endlessly week after week. We were eventually rescued by visitors from a nearby tower who brought diagrams of Plain Bob and other methods.

These days I am a teacher of ringing myself, and, while I do generally teach with bells raised, my approach to teaching has been influenced by my own unconventional ringing beginnings.

I always introduce raising and lowering at an early stage, certainly before full control of a raised bell has been achieved. Confidence in ringing a partly-lowered bell is a great assistance for beginners in understanding how to act quickly to regain control of a bell that is coming down (due to a handling mistake, for example). This also provides break from the sometimes tedious ringing of a raised bell before full control allows rounds to be rung. I don't consider that one-to-one tuition is complete until a pupil is able to raise and lower a bell with confidence and safety.

I would readily teach a learner starting with the bell down and with minimal intervention (as I was taught) if I felt this was likely to be a more effective approach for a particular pupil. In fact, I am currently teaching a pupil by this method

Permit me to comment on some specific points in Mr. Berriman's article.

Being told that ringing is very difficult and that a learner may be ringing the backstroke for months is probably the very worst teaching technique possible!

Mr. Berriman is right to say that teaching "by the book" is not always best. To stick to this method with a pupil who is clearly not happy with it is bad teaching.

Starting on the smallest bell would not be a good idea for a first lesson (except for children or in a tower with very heavy bells). Small bells swing more quickly and require a finer degree of control than large bells.

The problem of a learner no knowing how hard the teacher is pulling on a rope (either to increase the swing or, more usually, to apply the brakes) is solved very simply if the teacher

The Method Ringer's Companion

by Steve Coleman

440 pages, Hardback, Price £14,95.

Hooray! Steve Coleman's Ringing World articles on method ringing, together with previously unpublished material and more besides, in one volume. A must for every tower and an essential purchase for everyone who can ring call changes. If you are one of those people who likes to recite the order of the work, it is listed here alongside the blue line; useful tips and pointers are also included, suggesting learning methods might even be fun.

The Method Ringer's Companion is a response to cries for help and assistance from ringers, many believing themselves to be the only dull witted member of their band. Steve, who could affectionately be regarded as the ringer's Uncle, races to their aid, answering questions in plain English and demonstrating his understanding of their problem, giving encouragement and injecting humour to potentially difficult situations. We are also regularly brought up to date with the reaction he received from readers following publication of his articles in The Ringing World.

There is something for everyone here, whether you are currently learning Original with Bobs, looking up Double Darrowby or merely refreshing your memory. It is a true companion. It breaks down barriers and attempts to prevent ringers getting stuck, encouraging moving on with statements like "Most ringers avoid learning London as much as they avoid going there, but just like the town, the method looks worse from a distance than it does from close

Another gem appears when he explains why methods are named Plain, Surprise, Treble Bob etc. "Hybrid - normal people don't ring these". He answers questions, apparently obvious to everyone else in the tower, for example, why three leads of Kent are often rung - because a plain course goes on for rather a long time. Steve also gives a thumbnail guide to the intricacies of place notation which is easy to understand. In case there is a danger that methods might be regarded as tedious, interesting snippets appear to cheer the reader. He tells us about legacies left by Robert Roan and Fabian Stedman and the story behind James Barham's band at Leeds, together with other ringers' deeds of derring-do.

The book is a solution to the confusing array on sale at District meetings and a life-line to ringers unfamiliar with method ringing.

ANGELA CLARK

applies effort to the rope by gripping, or pushing down on, the learner's hand.

A fully raised bell may well have maximum potential energy (and therefore maximum speed of swing), but this does not mean it is the most difficult to control. A raised bell takes more time to swing from side to side than a partly raised bell, and the ringer does not have coils of rope to manage (indeed, the knack of taking up coils as a bell is lowered seems to present the hardest challenge of all to most learners).

Teaching with the bell raised has the definite advantage that the various components of a full stroke can be taught separately, with a high degree of control and intervention possible by the teacher. It was many years before I eliminated some bad handling faults that were never corrected during my early lessons.

Visit Tasmania, Geoff, and I will happily provide tuition exactly according to your suggested method!

DOUGLAS NICHOLS

A Year's Sponsored Tower Visits

Having visited many towers over the past few years, often with Jim Lilley, captain of Shoreham Sussex as navigator, it occurred to me that I could ask every member of the Sussex County Association to sponsor me one penny per tower for twelve months from last September to this August. The Northern Division's Outing began the year well with seven towers on a visit to the Eastern Kent Coast.

The following day I made a long journey to stay with friends in Cumberland. (Ron is a native and refuses to recognise Cumbria!) On Monday we met a man who saw my County Association tie. He told me that Friday was practice night in Whitehaven and gave me Jack McTear's phone number. A week's "real" holiday included two practice nights, a Saturday Meeting in two towers and Sunday Service ringing so that by 11th September I had visited 12 towers! I also saw much of the Lake District.

There were three lists: Sussex towers not to be counted because I had rung in all of them; towers visited already in case the year's score was low; new towers, aiming at about 150.

An Open Day for Froyle bells, meetings and outings increased the score gradually. In December, having to go to Hungerford on a Wednesday, I stayed to join in their practice. The ringers made me most welcome, were interested in my project, signed my card of the church and even gave me a contribution!

The last day of the year saw us among the "H"s of Greater London. A young man approached us to take part in a sweepstake to guess the number of visitors and the total money to be raised. It was Steve Jakeman, whose father rehung Shoreham bells helped by Jim. That day I was able to ring for the first time in Harmondsworth where my wife began her teaching career.

On Bank Holiday Monday we were in Berkshire where I received the prize as reported in *The Ringing World*.

Open days around Bath and in Hampshire kept the score going. In May my navigator had an easy day in Staffordshire and Cheshire because of the careful preparation by our hosts. *The Ringing World* recorded our appreciation. On the Sunday we were able to ring at Stafford, Penkridge and Lichfield Cathedral.

On a visit to West Hertfordshire I met Penny Watson whose reports are always interesting and I was Mentioned in Dispatches!

On the way to a birthday party in North Yorkshire I called at Helmsley to enquire about Sunday Service ringing. As a result I was able to ring for and attend the last service and sermon of the Archbishop of York before his retirement.

Outings to the Isle of Wight and Kent, a family weekend in Suffolk and another in Yorkshire brought the year to an end in a sprint to score 181 towers.

While I was able to thank many ringers for their hospitality, I would like here to record my appreciation of the welcome by bands I visited, the hard work of people who organised Open Days and the friendship of the many ringers I met. Some I have known for several years; some I meet only on Open Days; one was a pupil at

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Holsworthy where I taught many years ago. I stood next to him to ring Call Changes, called by Mrs. Shepherd, a wonderful co-incidence. It is often said that a ringer is made welcome by other ringers. This year I have been able to prove the statement.

For amusement I divided towers into three categories; Best Quality: I would like to ring a quarter peal; Middle Order: I enjoyed these bells; lowest rating: Money for the Fund! There were very few in the last group. No time for a quarter in each of the best!

P.S. On re-reading the article I have realised that I omitted to say that the sponsor money goes to the Sussex Churches Bell Restoration Fund, of which I am Covenant Secretary. I look forward to a good income for the Fund. It will be well spent.

CHARLES SHEPHERD

Six at an eight

The G.&B.D.A. Croome Trophy was held this year on 16th September at Horsley near Nailsworth. The back six of the recently rehung and augmented bells went very well and the judge, Mike Horseman from Farmborough, expressed the view of many when he said that he had had an enjoyable afternoon's listening.

Ten branches out of a possible twelve entered teams for the competition. The ringers of one of the other branches suffered from an allergy to Association competitions and the other branch failed to muster enough ringers on the day. A further branch became disqualified during the ringing when their second 120 came round too soon after a crunch.

Mike Horseman had guessed that the 'very stately, superb ringing' of the winners could only come from Bristol Cathedral and he gave them a mere 6 faults. Second with 11 came Dursley and then a very good effort from Cirencester with 12. The Ringing Master's Clapper for a good attempt went to Malmesbury who had set the tone for a successful afternoon's ringing when they drew first place.

Mary Bliss then awarded the Best Kept Tower trophy to Barnwood and certificates of merit to Woolstone (difficult access, minute bellchamber and five months pregnant tower captain) and St Mark's, Swindon (a spire full of the soot of ages, thanks to the Great Western Railway, which gently showers down whenever the bells are rung).

The full octave at Horsley were rung before and after the service and our thanks are due to the tower captain, Stan Berryman, and his colleagues and to the Revds G. Dewhurst and D. G. S. Battersby and the organist Jim Portbury for all their hard work.

J.C.C.

I'll scratch your back...

The growing co-operation between the Ely District and the Wisbech District, was apparent recently at both districts' outings. In June the Wisbech District went to Lincolnshire and were joined by some from the Ely District. In turn the recent Ely District Outing to Essex was supported by some folks from the Wisbech District. With the forthcoming Joint Social Evening, it is getting a case of "I'll scratch your back, if you scratch mine." This co-operation brings a greater unity and friendship within the Ely Diocesan Association.

The outings themselves were, as usual, enjoyable days out. To have a joint one, as some have suggested, would bring this enjoyment down to just a single day, where as now we can have two enjoyable days. The Wisbech District's

outing to Lincolnshire had been by cars, as usual. With the low numbers going, the District Committee still feels this to be the best solution. Though the sense of togetherness may be lacking by not all being in one mode of transport, this is made up for in the towers themselves. All the towers chosen were within the capability of the members who went along, and this should be attributed to the excellent organisation by Brian Hullah. This makes for a better day out, and much more enjoyable to the learners among us.

The Ely District secretary, Ruth Ogden, organised their outing at the beginning of September, with her usual efficiency. Braintree was the first tower. The short walk from the bus to the church turned into a Derby gallop when the heavens opened and the thunder and lightning ensued. To cap it all the public conveniences proved to be even further past the church, causing a few to get even wetter. There were a few bedraggled ringers boarding the coach after ringing. With Rayne the next tower, and the rain still falling, the tower proved to be an excellent choice. The sun did eventually shine after an excellent lunch at a pub in Stebbing. Ruth had even organised this. With information sheets for everyone as well, the Wisbech District secretary had to take some light hearted teasing!

Outings can be great fun and I can recommend them to all ringers. No matter what your ability there will be something for you on a district outing, as well as visiting churches you may never have visited normally.

D.B.

On Saturday, 2nd September, a very successful Dunster Branch skittles evening was held at The Valiant Soldier, Roadwater, Somerset.

Teams consisted of ringers and friends and many displayed some surprising skittling skill. Even the Diocesan Ringing Master Preb. Chris Marshall was quite adept at knocking over the pins as was Anne Stenning the branch secretary both of whom were skittling for Wiveliscombe A team.

The team which eventually came out on top was the Brompton Regis Ladies who were therefore winners of the Branch Skittles Trophy. The 'runners up' were Old Cleeve with a very creditable score.

A raffle was held (all the prizes having been donated) and this brought in £61 for the Diocesan Bell Fund (Bath and Wells).

A superb buffet supper was provided by the Valiant staff and it was altogether a very enjoyable evening, and our thanks go to Alan Wilson for his organisation, together with help from other Brompton Regis ringers.

M. A. TUDBALL.

Every year it is the same. The trouble starts in about June and carries on till the end of September. At times arranging bands for weddings and quarters becomes almost impossible and projects start collapsing at an alarming rate.

The solution to all this would be to have a ringers' set holiday, say during Holy Week, and limit ringers to that week only by force of law and Central Council edict. Ringers would not have to have a holiday, of course, and I would hope that there would be enough of us remaining to have a few quarters during the closed season, but at least it would limit the problem to a week instead of an age of endless drought.

A.J.B.

Sparsholt 1995

Once again the Sparsholt Course drew the 1995 summer to a close in a warm and thoroughly fitting manner. The wonderful mix of practical sessions, tutorials, handbell instruction and entertainment – all held together by superb organisation – is summed up by some of the students.

A - Call Changes

They came from far and near to Sparsholt College that bright August day. They brought with them that wonderful blend of ignorance, severe skill shortage, apprehension, and unbounded enthusiasm. They were the six, collectively known to all as "Group A – Call Changes" and their ages ranged from 14 to 66 years.

They had been advised by their Tower Captains to attend the Sparsholt Ringing Course to take advantage of this weekend of hands on and total immersion bellringing. It would, at the very least, give those quaking captains some respite if their student ringers were away for just one practice night. And, given the optimism of human beings, those students might even learn something and become more useful members of their band.

Across Hampshire, from Longstock to Crawley and beyond to Mottisfont and Dum mer, the group of mixed-ability enthusiasts traversed the roads and lanes. There were car owners with maps, map owners who could not map read, and map readers with no cars. Somehow they all reached the respective towers ready for the session and absolutely no one got lost on the way to *The Fox!*

The group tutor, Mary Coe, gave first class, clear and easily understood instruction. The helpers helped (thank you Ruth, Peggy and Pat, in particular) in a medal-earning way; and the students tried, perhaps too hard, to ring the changes. The frustration was clear to see at times; just why did number 4 bell keep dropping, why was the Treble so hard to set and why did the sally bounce around? More Rounds were needed.

History alone will tell the final story of those in Group A '95. It is believed *the* six returned to their towers more knowledgeable and well motivated to ring their bells well, in praise of God.

Footnote

On behalf of Group A – Thank you Bob, Gail, Peter and all who made a wonderful course so complete, so enjoyable and so purposeful.

Mike Powell

B1 - Plain Hunt

A very anxious first timer from South Devon found himself a member of Group B1 Plain Hunt and right from the start this group considered themselves extremely fortunate in having as their tutor Andrew Needham. As the weekend progressed nothing could have shaken the belief of the group that they were the happiest, most relaxed and successful group of the entire course.

The emergence of such a spirit of camaraderie so quickly was due entirely to Andrew's leadership style. His relaxed manner, gentle wit, infinite patience and good humour made everyone feel safe, encouraged and positive. The objectives of the group — Plain Hunt on all inside bells — was rapidly achieved by all students and allowed time for exercises in Bob Minimus. Of equal importance was the large amount learned incidentally as Andrew and a superb team of helpers freely shared their expertise.

Sunday evening brought the biggest surprise of the weekend when we learned that Andrew was taught all he knows about bellringing from a frog! He played the part of the princess in the pantomime *The Frog Princess* with great style and looked quite convincing in wig, frock and high heels. The Entertainment was a huge success.

The group found Winchester Cathedral ringing chamber and the sound of the bells awesome and felt privileged to be invited to ring. Of the sessions on the campus, Steve Coleman's demonstration using his own body, of an odd struck bell will long live in the memory as will his video of ringing disasters.

This was a rich, varied and thoroughly satisfying course. I returned to Devon, with more skill and knowledge, increased confidence and a determination to return to knowledge, increased confidence and a determination to return to Winchester next year. On behalf of my group I offer warm thanks and gratitude to all those who worked so hard on our behalf to ensure our success.

Emie Brazier

D1 - Plain Bob Doubles

Upon reflection I think it was all part of Fred's plan. He knew that out heads were full of worries about running in, running out and making bobs so he took us to THAT TOWER on Sunday afternoon. There the mechanics of Bob Doubles faded into insignificance, now the problem was one of survival. Somewhere, somehow, the Bob Doubles bit got handed over to the automatic pilot department. The transfer was not of course 100% and did not last, but I



Julia Cater with her G/H Group.

think that from that point on we all knew that it could be done. Once back to our own familiar bells and ropes, life, or at east that part of it involving Bob Doubles, would be so much easier.

Thanks to Fred for your skill and patience. Thank you Pam, Ann, Annie and Adrian our valiant helpers and my personal thanks to my fellow students Jill, Val and young Daniel for their companionship.

Mike Tann

D2 - Plain Bob Doubles

The Sparsholt Ringing Course – what can I say, brilliant, amazing, so much ringing surrounded by a band of experienced helpers who were really there to help and support me in getting it right.

Our tutor Philip Rioch is an excellent teacher. I felt I could trust him completely to guide me towards my aim of being able to ring a touch of Plain Bob Doubles "inside". My trust was rewarded because I DID IT. So did the rest of the group.

One member of our group had never rung outside his home tower and yet by Monday afternoon he was ringing a touch in his seventh new tower. Practising our sketch for the Sunday night entertainment really pulled our group together with the two youngest members taking charge and organising us — well done Jane and Danielle.

My head is still filled with useful advice, the sound of bells and wonderful pictures – especially the huge ringing chamber at Winchester Cathedral with its circle of 14 sallies plus/and Julia Cater turning in the Tenor effortlessly – Wow.

If you haven't been on Bob Cater's Course at Sparsholt yet – make sure you don't miss it next year. I can't wait.

Jeanne Clements

E – Grandsire Doubles

This small group was headed by the well known ringing author, Steve Coleman. Following the booking in, basic admin and dinner, the group assembled outside the dining room. Transport was sorted out and we drove to the interesting XI Century church at Nether Wallop. The six bells here have quite a long draught and produced a few little surprises for students and helpers alike.

Saturday and a good session of theory. Steve removing a lot of fog from this mysterious method and producing lots of little smiling faces. "Relax, let your tummies hang out," he said. We did, because some of us are built that way anyway! Off we dashed to Shedfield, to put everything into practice. A nice eight, the smiles are now not quite so bright but Steve was undaunted and kept us going including some

(Continued overleaf)



The Stedman Triples Group at Upham.

plain courses of Grandsire Triples. Where does that extra dodge go? Oops! Too late.

No time to stop now, off we go to Titchfield, all navigators doing a splendid job. As we were in time, we had lunch alfresco in the churchyard. We rang for a wedding and our tower contribution was declined. Were we really that good? Steve thought so and decided we should do our own conducting. No problem until you try doing the work you have just called. Just for the record the method was Grandsire, not Bob Doubles, Anita and Harry — and the call was "Bob" not "Fourth", Sue Baldam.

Sunday found us all back in the classroom studying our singles. All clear and off to St Peters, Stockbridge, a pleasant ring where we were joined for a while by Peter Cummins of simulator fame. Everyone had a go at ringing and conducting and it seemed to be coming together. We returned to the college for individual lectures and a breather. After lunch, more lectures and a visit to Sparsholt Church for Evensong, during which Steve conducted a touch of Kent and Oxford Royal on handbells.

On Monday we went straight to East Tytherley, a fairly heavy eight. Everyone had a good ring and we tried some more triples but not too successfully. Back to Sparsholt for last specialist lectures and lunch then out to Church Oakley. A good little six and we were fascinated to be shown 19th century wall diagrams for ringing Bob Minimus which had been uncovered during renovation. These went back to the days when the tower had only five bells, there being a diagram for each bell. Steve insisted that we try and ring the method from the walls and this proved very interesting, if not entirely successful.

At last, all students rang together, but what they rang is another story. Back to College to find last tea was unavailable so farewells were taken and the little Group melted away to different parts of the country, hopefully enriched by their few days on Uncle Bob's Course. A big thank you to all the helpers.

Harry Good

F1 - Plain Bob Minor

No gain without pain – so the saying goes. But I am sure that the weekend was far more painful for Peter Wenham and his helpers than for the four students in Group F1!

The technique and basic theory lessons were informative and interesting, the first real problem only arising when we actually had to ring a bell! Why is it so easy to ring on paper but so hard to make a recognisable noise in the tower?

We had all assiduously studied our prep, thoughtfully sent to use in advance by our tutor, so the intrepid four set forth – but only three made it to the first tower, Caroline having taken a shine to a rather charming AA man (very, very nice) and good real ale in a country pub (even better!)

Peter and our patient helpers then sprang into action, advising, coaching and encouraging us all to hold up, dodge, come down quickly, lead, make the bob, and try, try again – at each tower their support was invaluable. And, surprise, surprise (or should it be "plain, plain"?) by the last tower on Monday afternoon, all four of us could ring a creditable version of Bob Minor with twiddly bits, too!

Thank you Peter, Bob, Clare, Ernest, Valerie, Wendy and Roger for all your help and support and for passing on all those little tips that make all the difference. Thank you also to the six towers at which we rang. And now for the quarter!

G - cunningly codenamed "Cambridge"

This year, 5 especially talented students were selected to assist in the training of helpers. Under the guise of the Sparsholt Mountain Rescue Course, the students exercised the helpers patience and tenacity over a gruelling four days, when we drove them to the very limits of their physical and mental fitness. From sea level at Netley to the dangerous ascent and descent of the Andover Peak, the students fell off level ground, rose under gravity, and repeatedly went the wrong way - all to be gently corrected by our helpers and tutor. Oh yes, a word about the tutor - nice man - he generously and warmly applauded our sedate descents, so we did it more than once, to cheer him up, since by the third day he was looking a bit down.

You see, our brief was to be gentle on the helpers to start with, give them an easy time, that sort of thing ... then, when they suggested more difficult climbs, to be really awkward, thereby exercising all the helpers skills and abilities at getting us safely back on the right path.

The specially selected helpers group comprised Debby, the cricket enthusiast; Phil, the communications expert; Mary, the stink tank person (I think that's what she said); and David the Formula One racing driver. They all worked well as a team under Christopher Groome, ex Captain of the Cricket Club. Their team work was superb. Mary would map read, David would speed the team over the ground, and when we got there, Phil would send smoke signals back to base announcing our arrival. They only made one mistake in the whole four days when the tutor suggested that we all go via Ipswich (we students knew it was in Suffolk and miles away.) Still, at the end, we did come up smelling of Primroses.

We students gave the helpers a really tough time but they responded magnificently well. Whereas most students on other courses boast of four happy days – our "Cambridge" course boast is that we gave our helpers four very difficult and stressful days AND subsequently 361 days of sheer bliss. Thank you Christopher and helpers for a very enjoyable four days we'll be back next year. You won't? Oh dear

Chas Seamons

H - Stedman Triples

A warm late summer afternoon, registration, a welcome reception, dinner, groups departing to far flung corners of Hampshire and unsuspecting residents – the 1995 Sparsholt Ringing Course is underway. Thus the eager Stedman Triples students Shirley, Irene, Julie, Elizabeth and Tim came to have the pleasure of ringing on the new ten at Bishopstoke, eight miles south of Winchester and to gain from the patience and experience of Alex Britton and helpers Jo, Trish, Jean, Stephen, Bill, Edmund and Ian. Only Julie (just 14) rang a touch on this first evening but all of the students demonstrated that they knew the blue line.

A lecture on Saturday morning explained the method construction and ensured that we all knew the theory of what to do at a bob and single. This theory was put into practice and expanded upon at five more practical sessions and one more lecture through until Monday afternoon. Many more touches were rung with varying degrees of success and accuracy as we found that we still could not count to three (at least when dodging after a call) or remember whether we were going in quick or slow. All worked hard and made progress over the weekend but there was fun too; ending up in a farmyard in Sparsholt in the dark on Friday (only later did it transpire that two of our cars took the same wrong turn!). Chocaholic, Tenor grabbing Julie singing Andrew Lloyd Weber songs to us in the car between towers, Elizabeth's "look, to Treble's goi..." from the second(?), punkawallah Bill creating a draught with ringing chamber doors as the weather remained hot and sunny in spite of the forecast, sisters Shirley (student) and Jo (helper) entertaining us at lunch on Saturday with stories of their antics as children. Tim succeeding in navigating them around the Hampshire countryside, Edmund's let there be light as he found the correct combination of switches where others had failed, Julie's "it sounded nice from outside", and of course all the entertainment on Sunday evening. An excellent weekend and thank you again to valiant tutor and helpers.

Elizabeth Gwynne

G/H-Surprise

We were fortunate to be only four students allocated to our tutor Julia. Each one concentrating on something different. Eddy and Mark on Minor methods, Pat and I on Major, hopefully making life more interesting for our six patient and hard-working helpers, and we each had at least four rings at most of the six towers visited.

At the first tower session we were being careful yet unobtrusively assessed, but Julia's relief at finding us handling reasonably well that evening was short-lived, as the writer of this piece is not clever at ringing light bells. This became glaringly obvious during the weekend, thus impeding progress. However, the other three were happily splicing methods by Monday, and I was thrilled to have been encouraged through a course of Yorkshire on the lovely Sherfield English eight – yes, we had time to ring whole courses.

It was all such fun, and due to the fantastic organisation an incredible amount was packed into the weekend. We rang bells, enjoying rural Hampshire en route, we attended lectures, we socialised, we sampled locally brewed prizewinning ale at Cheriton, we filled Sparsholt Church and sang and prayed from our hearts, we made each other laugh Entertainment." Also special laugh with for me were ringing at Winchester Cathedral, an early morning swim, and Steve Coleman's sixteen handbells - not to mention his Angklunks which give a whole new dimension to change ringing in hand!

A wonderful weekend, bells still ringing in the ears, feet still off the ground, and so much to get working on. Thank you all. Don't misconstrue this, but the SAGA people didn't know what they were missing!

Brigit Lyne

Bob Cater writes:

Gail's and my thanks are due to the many people who contributed to the Course – the tutors, the helpers at the practical sessions and the local incumbents for allowing us the use of their bells. Thanks are also due to the Rector of Sparsholt, Rev. David Williams, for conducting a very enjoyable and reflective service.

Special thanks however, are due to three people who have borne much of the hard work: Colin Bramich for preparing the Course Brochure, Liz watts for procuring all the towers and Peter Wenham for acting as Course Secretary and Treasurer.

Thank you also all those who returned the Course Evaluation Questionnaire. Based on the advice received, we have decided to hold the 1996 Course over the August Bank Holiday weekend again – that's 23rd to 26th August.

Peal Reports

CARLISLE D.G.

WHITEHAVEN, Cumbria Sun Aug 27 1995 2h55 (16) 5152 Yorkshire S.Major Comp. L Bailey

- 1 James E Wightman 2 John E Harrold 3 Ann S Thompson

- Richard C Last
- Peter Haylock
- 6 Martin E Snape
- Paul A Thompson
- 8 Michael G Clements(C) First peal in the method: 5 A birthday compliment to John E Harrold.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

FARNHAM, Essex S Mary Virgin Sun Aug 27 1995 2h42 (9) 5040 Spliced S.Minor (35m: 288 Stamford, 240 each Hull, Wooler; 216 Rossendale, 192 each Lincoln, Westminster; 168 each Allendale, Coldstream Lightfoot, Wearmouth; 120 each Alnwick, Annable's London, Berwick, Beverley, Bourne, Cambridge, Canterbury, Carlisle, Chester, Cunecastre, Durham, Hexham, Ipswich, London, Morpeth, Munden, Netherseale, Newcastle, Norfolk, Northumberland, Sandiacre, Surfleet, Wells, Whitley, York: 72 com.atw. no 65s at backstroke) Comp. R A Pearce 1 Frank W Rivett

- Simon J Davies
- 3 Ian R Fielding
- 4 Paul A Cammiade 5 Richard A Pearce(C)
- 6 Stephen A Wheeler
- To welcome Catherine Helen Elizabeth, a daughter for Mary & Andrew Ellis.

SHOREDITCH, London E1 Thu Aug 31 1995 3h20 (25) 5040 Collingtree S.Royal Comp. S Jenner

- Linda M Garton
- 2 Simon J Davis
- 3 Ian K Bushell Catherine N Merlane
- Paul A Cammiade

- 6 Richard A Pearce 7 Claire F Edwards 8 Peter M Fleckney(C) 9 Alan Regin

10 Stanley Jenner First in the method for the Society; First in the method by all except the tenor ringer. A get-well compliment to Norman Summerhayes

You can read your own handwriting – but can our typesetters? If in doubt, print it out!

DERBY D.A.

RIPLEY, Derbys, All Saints Mon Aug 28 1995 2h58 (16) 5152 Yorkshire S.Major Comp. R I Allton

- Canon Frederick Ross
- Rosemary R A Ross Rev David H Sansum
- lan Duff
- **Brian Tomlinson**
- Philip J H Hudson
- Philip Mehew
- 8 Richard I Allton(C)

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, Devon, S John Evangelist Thu Aug 24 1995 3h (17) 5003 Grandsire Caters Comp. B V Mountjoy

- Elisabeth A G Bowden
- Peter L Bill Howard W Egglestone Brian V Mountjoy
- Richard J Bowden
- Michael R Rose
- John A Foster
- James Grant Michael E C Mears(C) 10 Frank D Mack

65th birthday compliments to both Richard Bowden and 'old grey beard' Mack

HOLCOMBE BURNELL, Devon, S John Baptist Thu Aug 31 1995 2h41 (11) 5040 Surprise Minor (7m: 1 extent each Wooler, Cunecastre, Wearmouth, Norfolk, Carlisle, Beverley, Norwich)

- Mervyn C Way
- Robert D S Brown
- Richard C Shere
- Timothy E Barnaby
- Philip Stevens
- 6 Michael E C Mears(C)

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE

BLAYDON, Tyne & Wear S Cuthbert, Stella Fri Aug 25 1995 2h24 (6) 5040 Minor

(2m: 4 extents Plain B, 3 extents Cambridge S;

- 7 different extents) Stephen L Nicholson
- Barbara Davies
- Gillian King
- 4 Kristopher King 5 E Alyson Kerr 6 G Jessica Davies(C) First Surprise minor: 3. Prior to Service commemorating the 150th anniversary of the

WAKEFIELD, W Yorks. Cathedral of All Saints Mon Aug 28 1995 3h30 (35) 5019 Stedman Cinques Comp. F H Dexter

- John E Anderson Jenny M Astridge Paul N Harden

- Paul K Williamson Matthew J L Durham
- G Jessica Davies
- George S Deas Joseph St J Beaumont Stephen B Bell(C)
- 10 Rachael H Dyson
- 11 David J Purnell
 12 Peter J Williamson
 First of Stedman cinques: 6. A 100th birthday compliment

to Margaret Ellen Elgey (Rachael's Grant)

WHITLEY BAY, Tyne & Wear S Paul Fri Sep 1 1995 2h56 (18) 5088 Alton S.Major Comp. J W Washbrook 1 George S Deas

- Barbara M Wheeler John E Anderson
- Christopher M Richardson
- Conrad D Warford
- Kristopher King
- Ronald R Warford
- 8 David Hird(C) First in the method for all and the Association. A

birthday compliment to Brenda Softley.

EASINGTON, Co Durham S Mary Virgin Sun Sep 3 1995 2h38 (8) 5024 Yorkshire S.Major Comp.P J Flavell

- John E Anderson
- Barbara Davies
- G Jessica Davies Neville P Vine
- Timothy Wylie Kristopher King
- Conrad D Warford
- 8 David Hird(C)

First peal of Surprise on the

ELY D.A.

CIRENCESTER, Glos. S John Baptist Mon Aug 28 1995 3h26 (26) 5016 Plain Bob Maximus Arr. JRS Sawle

- David J Hawkins
- David J Baverstock Thomas W Griffiths
- James R S Sawle(C)
- Mark H Ainsworth
- Owen A Davis Roger Durrant
- 8 Philip J Wilding
- Jason R Turnock
- 10 Mark C Bennett 11 Graham A Duke
- 12 Andrew W Gordon

A engagement compliment to Jason Turnock & Teresa Adams. First on 12: 8; and as conductor; First plain maximus: 4, 5 & 10

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PORTSMOUTH, Hants. Cathedral of S Thomas Sat Sep 2 1995 3h15 (25) 5040 Cambridge S.Royal Comp. M C W Sherwood

- Amanda M Richmond
- Simon A Rudd Catherina E Griffiths Thomas W Griffiths
- Philip Wilding
- Mary E Mitchell
- 7 Stephen E G Young 8 Timothy W Griffiths
- Alan P Mayle
- 10 Clive J Dunbavin A farewell compliment to Revd Barry Fenton, Precentor of the Cathedral,

leaving to become Precentor Canon at Westminster Abbey.

ESSEX ASSN

ST.NEOTS, Cambs, S Mary Sat Sep 9 1995 3h13 (29) 5040 London S.Royal Comp. C K Lewis

- Susan Page Alan M Barber
- Janet F Rothera
- Andrew J Dickinson
- John Armstrong
- David L Sparling David E Rothera(C)
- George E Thoday

 James L Towler
- 10 John I White First London royal: 3. A compliment to Rosalind

Armstrong & Elliott Shaw, married at Sheffield the previous Saturday

GLOS. & BRISTOL D.A.

PRESTEIGNE, Powys. S Andrew Sat Aug 26 1995 2h52 (15)

- 5056 Folklore S.Major Comp. J Ridley
- Gillian Day Margaret A Anderson
- Reg J Day
- Ralph E Bucknell
- 5 Francis M Byrne 6 Ian P Unsworth
- Peter G Holden

John R Ridley(C) For Presteigne Festival. To celebrate the diamond wedding of Mr & Mrs Frank Simmonds. £1.60

KNIGHTON, Powys S Edward Sat Aug 26 1995 2h42 (9)

- 5024 Rutland S.Major
- Comp. C Forster 1 John R Ridley
- Gillian Day Margaret A Anderson Reg J Day
- 5 Ralph E Bucknell 6 Peter G Holden Ian P Unsworth
- 8 Francis M Byrne(C) In thanksgiving for the life of Alison Patricia Morris (1962-95), daughter of Noel Anderson.

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HERTFORD C.A

BISHOP'S STORTFORD, Herts, S Michael Sat Aug 26 1995 3h9 (16) 5004 Plain Bob Caters

- Comp. A M Barber 1 Alan M Barber(C)
- Rhoda Willson
- 3 Andrew Westwood Jack S Dear
- 5 Nicholas D Hughes 6 Peter J Glazebrook
- Francis P G Flack
- 8 Maurice A Collings
- 9 Richard F Prime
- 10 Melvyn Long First on 10: 3. A golden wedding compliment to Ken & Olive Westwood.

(Hatfield GCY) HATFIELD, Herts S Etheldreda Mon Aug 28 1995 3h4 (23)

- 5024 Plain Bob Major Comp. R P J Carter 1 John J Ford
- Claire C Nicholson
- John Nicholson
- Russell A Brown 5 W Robert E T Goss
- 6 Ralf Rashbrook Stanley Huckle 8 Shane A Saunders(C) First peal: 3; First attempt: 6;

First Plain Bob major: 2;

Circled tower: 4. LITTLE GADDESDEN, Herts. SS Peter & Paul Mon Aug 28 1995 2h39 (6) 5040 Spliced S.Minor (28m: (1) Carlisle, Chester, Munden (2) Alnwick, Newcastle (3) London, Wells, Cunecastre (4) Westminster, Allendale (5) Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Rossendale, Stamford, Netherseale, Annable's London (6) York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham (7) Cambridge

- Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull)
- Dorothea M Robotham
- Andrew J W Tibbetts
- 3 Heather A Kippin 4 Richard J W Tibbetts 5 John R Mayne(C)

6 Robert C Kippin Most minor methods to a ABBOTS LANGLEY, Herts. S Lawrence Sat Sep 9 1995 2h41 (9)

5040 Surprise Minor (25m: (1) Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Rossendale, Stamford, Netherseale, Annable's London (2) Lincoln, Coldstream (3) Westminster, Allendale (4) London, Wells (5)

Cambridge, Ipswich, Primrose, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull (6) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, York,

Durham (7) Norwich) George A Reading Richard A Horne

3 Geoffrey R Fielding 4 Richard J Tibbetts

5 Ian R Fielding(C) 6 John R Peverett A silver wedding

compliment to Geoff & Di Fielding, married on 12/9/70 at Abbots Langley.

KENT C.A.

(Tunstall SCR) TUNSTALL, Kent S John Baptist Sun Sep 3 1995 (n.t.g.) (7) 5088 Plain Bob Major Comp. R D Bailey
1 Frederick E Scoones
2 Nicholas J Chesson(C)

- 3 Stuart M Cox
- Justin Hudson
- Terrence Barton
- 6 Roger H Pocock 7 W Emma S Cundiff
- 8 Dickon R Love First attempt: 4, First in the method: 7; Circled the tower: 8. Last peal on the bells prior to recasting.

LANCASHIRE ASSN.

CLITHEROE, Lancs. S Mary Magdalene Sat Sep 2 1995 3h10 (18) 5040 Grandsire Triples Comp. J J Parker's 12-part 1 Frank N G Anderton

- Jean Barnes(C)
- 3 Alison J Hammond
- **Margaret Crossthwaite**
- 5 Cyril Crossthwaite
- 6 A J Eric Musson
- John S Sharples
- 8 Peter A Limage First Grandsire as conductor. On the 2nd anniversary of the death of John Godden, grandfather of the 3rd ringer

LEICESTER D.G.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics. Bellfoundry Tue Aug 29 1995 2h25 (6) 5040 Plain Bob Minor

- (7 different extents) 1 Richard C L Brown
- Frank Chambers
- Reginald J Stretton
- John A Chantry
- Colin Lord
- 6 Roland Beniston(C)
- First attempt: 4.

LINCOLN D.G.

LONG SUTTON, Lincs. Sat Aug 12 1995 3h 10 (15) 5152 Lincolnshire S.Major Comp. S Humphrey

- Margaret A Parker
- Sue Buckingham Judith J Williamson Harold F Gibson
- Leslie G Townsend
- **David Fox**

7 Keith N Buckingham 8 Geoffrey R Parker(C) A diamond wedding compliment to Mr & Mrs W T Mitchell, married in this church on 14/8/38

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HARMSTON, Lincs. **All Saints** Mon Aug 21 1995 2h44 (10) 5040 Stedman Triples Comp. Washbrook's varn. of

- **Ruth Richardson**
- Margaret A Parker Sue Buckingham Paul F Curtis
- Peter A Sharp
- Robert W Lee
- 7 Geoffrey R Parker(C) 8 Keith N Buckingham
- First peal of Stedman

WRAGBY, Lincs, All Saints Sat Aug 26 1995 2h41 (10) 5040 Cambridge S.Minor Comp. R D Bailey

- Margaret A Parker Peter A Limage
- Sue Buckingham
- James A Sutherland
- Keith N Buckingham

6 Geoffrey R Parker(C) To celebrate the diamond wedding of Louise & Fred Johnson of Wragby, Fred has rung here for over 50 years.

LONDON C.A.

WATTON AT STONE, Herts SS Andrew & Mary Sat Aug 26 1995 2h50 (13) 5056 Lincolnshire S.Major

- Comp. H Law-James
 1 Stephanie J Pattenden
 2 Simon J Gay
- Rachel C Billinge Edward G Mould
- Richard M Hobbs
- 6 Matthew J Clark 7 James W Belshaw(C)
- 8 Alan R Patterson

NON-ASSOCIATION

BEDDINGTON, Surrey S Mary Virgin Mon Aug 28 1995 2h56 (18) 5002 London S.Royal No.3 Comp. J Clatworthy

- Lee M MacCormack
- Simon J Davies Alison MacCormack
- Catherine N Merlane
- 5 Paul A Cammiade 6 Stewart F W Kimber 7 Stephen A Wheeler(C) 8 Mark P Gilham

Michael J Trimm 10 Ian R Fielding In thanksgiving for the lives of Charles H Kippin and Roydon Davies who were both members of the pioneering Surprise royal band at Beddington in the

EPSOM, Surrey, S Martin Mon Aug 28 1995 2h42 (16) 5040 Lincolnshire S.Royal Arr. I R Fielding

1 Paul A Cammiade

1930s.

- Simon J Davies Alison McCormack Catherine N Merlane
- Lee M MacCormack
- 6 Richard A Pearce
- 7 Stephen A Wheeler(C) 8 Michael J Trimm 9 Ian R Fielding
- 10 Mark P Gilham

- - 5040 Grandsire Triples
 - Jennifer Dieppe
 - **Howard Oglesby**

8 Bryan J Matthews wedding anniversary compliment to Bryan & Maureen Matthews, married at Farnham Royal the marriage of Louise Harris, daughter of the vicar of Stoke Poges, which took

place immediately

following the peal

MIDDLESEX C.A. & LONDON D.G

HARROW-ON-THE-HILL. Middx, S Mary Sat Sep 2 1995 3h11 (19) 5040 Cambridge S.Royal Adapted from W Pye 1 Dorothea M Robotham

- Andrew J W Tibbetts
- Joan Hooton
- Ann Jenner Michael T Sprackling Richard J W Tibbetts
- Peter N Felton John R Mayne(C)
- 9 David C Brown
- 10 Stanley Jenner

NORWICH D.A

NORTHREPPS, Norfolk S Mary Virgin Wed Sep 6 1995 2h57 (11) 5088 Plain Bob Major Comp. N Golden

- David Heighton(C)
- **David Cubitt**
- Joan M Larter
- Gillian H Knox
- Raymond W Balls
- Aubrey S Forster
- Martin Cubitt

8 Gilbert E Larter A compliment to Clifford Bird on his 88th birthday.

OXFORD D.G.

BEACONSFIELD, Bucks. S Mary & All Saints Thu Aug 31 1995 2h54 (19) 5152 Beaconsfield S.Major

- Comp. S Humphrey
 1 Peter F Windley
- M Ann Bethell
- Andrew J W Tibbetts
- Robert H Newton
- 5 S Kathleen M Baldwin 6 Richard J W Tibbetts

J Alan Ainsworth(C) 8 Clive Buswell On the 50th annoversary of the first peal in this method. Roland Biggs of Hughenden is the sole survivor of the

STOKE POGES, Bucks. S Giles Sat Sep 9 1995 2h49 (13)

1935 band. 250th peal: 2.

- Comp. Holt's original
 1 Dorothea M Robotham

- 4 David F Moore 5 L Roy Woodruff 6 John R Mayne(C) Robert H Newton

Circled the tower: 3. A ruby on 9/9/55. Also to celebrate

LONDON EC2 S Lawrence Jewry Sat Aug 19 1995 3h10 (24) 5088 Aintree S.Major

- Comp. S Jenner
- Sally A Mason
- 2 Brian Bladon 3 Nicola A Crichton 4 Donald B Carter
- 5 Andrew M Farmer
- 6 William Butler
- 7 Bernard F L Groves(C) 8 Colin M Turner For VJ-Day.

PETERBOROUGH, Cambs. Cathedral of SS Peter, Paul & Andrew Sat Aug 26 1995 3h24 (21)

- 5042 Cambridge S.Maximus Comp. M A Coleman
- 1 Murray A Coleman 2 Richard J W Tibbetts 3 Andrew J W Tibbetts
- Richard C Stevens(C) 5 Patricia M Newton
- 6 Anthony C Cole 7 Clive Buswell

First on 12: 3 & 6

- William Butler
- 9 Barry R Eglesfield 10 George Green
- 11 J Alan Ainsworth 12 Robert H Newton

PETERBOROUGH D.G.

PETERBOROUGH, Northants. S Michael & All Angels Fri Aug 18 1995 2h46 (15) 5024 Double Norwich C.B. Major

- Comp. Sir A P Heywood
- 1 Michael J Hawkins
- 2 Ian N Willgress 3 Elizabeth A Betts
- Nicholas A Churchman
- 5 Frank E Coales

6 Murray A Coleman 7 James M Bence 8 David Kingman(C) First in the method: 4, and as conductor. To mark the 50th anniversary of Victory over

Japan and the cessation of

hostilities in WW2 ST.JAMES' GUILD

SPITALFIELDS, London E **Christ Church** Mon Sep 4 1995 2h58 (17) 5024 Spliced S.Major (7m: 896 Cambridge, 768 each Brighton, Rutland; 672 each Adelaide, Superlative; 640 Bristol, 608 London:

- 135 com.atw.) Comp. R G Crosland
- 1 Ann Jenner 2 James W Belshaw 3 Alan Regin 4 David C Brown
- Alison K Regan

David J Dearnley Mark Regan 8 Stanley Jenner(C) With the band's best wishes to Norman Summerhayes

for a speedy return to health.

ST.MARTIN'S GUILD, **BIRMINGHAM**

AMERSHAM, Bucks, S Mary Mon Aug 28 1995 3h8 (19) 5042 Cambridge S.Maximus

- Comp. A S Hudson
- 1 J Alan Ainsworth(C) 2 Anthea S Edwards 3 Fiona M Edwards
- Andrew N Stubbs 5 Richard J W Tibbetts

- 6 Rebecca S Bruce 7 Peter J Bruce 8 Peter F Windley
- 9 Maurice F Edwards
- 10 Anthony M Daw 11 Andrew J Ellis

12 Paul Needham A welcome to Catherine Ellis, born on 19/8/95

SUFFOLK GUILD

HEVENINGHAM, Suffolk S Margaret Fri Aug 25 1995 2h26 (10) 5040 North Rauceby Place

- Doubles (Being 3x240's - 3 callings,
- and 36 extents 4 callings)
 1 Katharine J Salter
- Michelle W Chapman 3 Mary Allum

4 David G Salter(C) 5 Robin D Allum 200th peal together: 1 & 3. First in the method by all and for the Guild. A wedding compliment to Lynn

Johnson & Kevin Smith. MONEWDEN, Suffolk

S Mary Sun Aug 27 1995 2h26 (6) 5040 Minor (7m: 1 extent each Double

- Court, Beverley S, Norwich S, S Clements C B, Oxford T
- B, Cambridge S, Plain B.)
 1 Stephen D Pettman(C)
- Ann-Malena Lea
- 3 Mary Allum 4 Michelle W Chapman 5 Robin D Allum

6 J Martin Thorley For the Monewden Fuchsia

Festival. MONEWDEN, Suffolk S Mary Mon Aug 28 1995 2h31 (6) 5040 Spliced Bob Minor (2m: 3024 Monewden, 2016

- Fuchsia Festival) Comp. R D Bailey
- 1 Daphne E Pegg 2 Stephen D Pettman(C)
- 3 Ann-Malena Lea 4 Donald C Price

5 Dr Bruce Wakefield 6 Iain W Mitchell For the Monewden Fuchsia

Festival. MONEWDEN, Suffolk S Mary Mon Aug 28 1995 2h30 (6)

- 5040 Plain Bob Minor (7 different extents)
- 1 Ann-Malena Lea 2 Stephen D Pettman(C) 3 Paul D Clough 4 Katherine J Eagle
- 5 Iain W Mitchell 6 Stephen J Bedford

First peal inside: 3. For the Monewden Fuchsia

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YAXLEY, Suffolk S Mary Virgin Sat Aug 26 1995 2h45 (10) 5040 Minor (4m: (1) Cambridge S (2,4,6 & 7) Plain B (3) Oxford T B (5) Kent T B.) Carol A Girling Winston S Girling 3 Katharine J Salter

Julian Colman Roger L K Whittell 6 David G Salter(C) Specially arranged to celebrate the 80th birthday of Kenneth A Lockwood of Bulls Hall Farm, Yaxley

LAVENHAM, Suffolk SS Peter & Paul Sat Aug 26 1995 3h20 (21) 5152 Yorkshire S.Major Comp. S D Pettman 1 David A Ruffell

Christine A Knight Richard A Knight

David L Sparling 5 Alan P Mayle 6 Stephen J Bedford 7 Rodney H French

8 Stephen D Pettman(C) First peal on 8; 1. A golden wedding anniversary compliment to Alan & Barbara Knight, parents of Richard Knight.

OFFTON, Suffolk, S Mary Sun Sep 3 1995 2h48 (8) 5018 Louise S. Major

Comp. B E Whiting
1 Brian E Whiting(C)
2 Adrian Knights

Louise E Steward Katharine J Salter 5 Catherine A Colman

6 David G Salter Julian Colman

8 David L Sparling With the band's best wishes (belated) to Louise for her birthday and for her future studies at Bristol. On the 12th anniversary of the first peal of major on the bells. 100th peal: 7

SWANSEA & BRECON D.G.

THATCHAM, Berks, S Mary Sat Sep 9 1995 2h51 (14) 5039 Grandsire Caters Comp. A M Tyler

1 Paul Johnson 2 Anne L Kleiser

3 Robert Johnson Malcolm T Johns

5 Rev J Anthony Ellis 6 Philip M Saunders 7 Nicholas W H Simon(C)

8 Douglas G Davison 9 Lucinda J C Reeve

10 Robert A Lewis First on ten: 1, 2, 3 & 8.

SUSSEX C.A.

ROTHERFIELD, E Sussex S Denys Sat Aug 19 1995 3h10 (23) 5152 Yorkshire S.Major Comp. 27 course block reduced

Caroline V Harris Robert N Harris Valerie J Howard

Edward E Woodward

Gerald Sandwell Oliver Coldrick Mark A Dawkins 8 Roy M Cox(C)

Arranged as a 50th anniversary thanksgiving to all those who gave for Victory over Japan.

CRAWLEY, Sussex S John Baptist Sat Aug 26 1995 2h53 (13) 5104 Double Norwich C.B.Major

Comp. R Bailey
1 James H Lilley E C Gareth Higgs Roy M Cox

Stephen R T Pocock M lain Davey David D Smith James Kirkcaldy Alan R Baldock(C)

250th peal: 7; 250th for the Association: 1. To celebrate the 90th birthday of George Jennings.

SHOREHAM-BY-SEA Sussex, S Mary-de-Haura Sat Sep 2 1995 2h54 (14) 5040 Oxford Bob Triples

Comp. E F P Bryant 1 Stephen J Ward 2 James H Lilley

Valerie J Clay Richard T Clay

WINCHESTER &

PORTSMOUTH D.G.

Catherine S Nevin Hugh F Pettifer

Alan R Baldock(C) Robin B Green First peal: 1; First in the

method: 3 & 4. A birthday compliment to the conductor.

SOUTHAMPTON, Hants. S Michael Sat Sep 2 1995 2h56 (16) 5000 London S.Royal No.3

Arr. R C Kippin

Michael J Thomas Caroline C House Robert C Kippin(C) Heather A Kippin

Beryl R Norris David J Baverstock

7 Rebecca J Cox 8 Anthony J Cox 9 Alison K Regan

10 Mark Regan In memoriam Charles H Kippin, captain of this tower 1946-62, who would have been 90 on 31/8/95

COMPLIMENTARY COPIES

For first peal and first quarter, just send us the name and address of the successful ringer and we will send a copy of the appropriate RW.

NEWBURY, Berks, S Nicolas Sat Sep 2 1995 3h2 (21) 5056 Plain Bob Major Comp. J R Pritchard

Angela M Athawes Shirley A Hedges

Benjamin D Constant Graham P Hedges

Helen J Pipe Raymond A Walsh 7 Geoffrey K Dodd(C) 8 Michael K Till

After meeting short for Grandsire caters. An 18th birthday compliment to the 3rd ringer

YORKSHIRE ASSN.

BURNSALL, N Yorks S Wilfrid Sat Aug 19 1995 2h41 (9) 5040 Minor

(7m: 1 extent each Woodbine D, Double Court, S Clements C B, College Single, Single Oxford, Grandsire, Plain B.)

Geoffrey Evison
Joanne R Schofield
A Tina Newsome
Peter M Dawson

Rev Kevin M Price(C)

6 Tim Flitcroft To mark the VJ-Day observances, on the annual Burnsall Sports Day.

HANDBELLS

CHESTER D.G.

BLACKDEN, Cheshire Galey Cottage Tue Aug 22 1995 1h48 (4) 5040 Minor (7m: (1) S Clements, Childwall (2) Plain B, Double B (3) Single Oxford, Plain B (4,5) Plain B (6) Kent T B (7) Oxford T B.) 1-2 David N Young 3-4 Michael C E Hodge

5-6 Frank R Morton(C)

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE D.A

HEXHAM, Northumberland

Stable House, Low Warden Sat Sep 2 1995 3h3 (15) 5040 Plain Bob Royal Comp. R B Smith adapted by D G Walker 1-2 Anne E Davies 3-4 Clive Moon 5-6 Anne E Parkin 7-8 J Neville Parkin 9-10 Duncan G Walker(C) First handbell peal: 1-2, 3-4; First on 10 handbells: 9-10.

£1.90

HERTFORD C.A.

WATFORD, Herts. 15 Harford Drive Wed Aug 23 1995 2h11 (13) 5056 Bristol S.Major Comp. D W Beard 1-2 S Kathleen M Baldwin 3-4 John R Mayne(C) 5-6 Roger Baldwin 7-8 Dorothea M Robotham

BOREHAMWOOD, Herts. 10 Red Lodge Sun Aug 20 1995 1h59 (13) 5040 Spliced S.Minor (21m: (1) Westminster, Allendale (2) Lightfoot Wearmouth, Rossendale, Stamford, Netherseale, Annable's London (3) Norwich (4) Cambridge (5) York, Durham, Beverley Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham (6) Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull (7) Cambridge) 1-2 Richard J Tibbetts 3-4 John R Mayne(C) 5-6 Dorothea M Robotham

WATFORD, Herts. 15 Harford Drive Wed Aug 30 1995 2h10 (13) 5040 London S.Major Comp. S J Ivin 1-2 S Kathleen M Baldwin 3-4 John R Mayne(C)

800th peal for the

Association: 5-6.

5-6 Roger Baldwin

7-8 Dorothea M Robotham BOREHAMWOOD, Herts 10 Red Lodge Sun Sep 3 1995 1h56 (13) 5040 Spliced S.Minor

(24m: (1) Carlisle Northumberland, Sandiacre (2) Westminster, Allendale (3) Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Rossendale, Stamford, Netherseale, Annable's London (4) Norwich (5) Cambridge (6) York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham (7) Cambridge Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull)

1-2 Richard J Tibbetts 3-4 John R Mayne(C)

5-6 Dorothea M Robotham

KENT C.A

MEOPHAM, Kent 34 Orchard Drive Wed Aug 30 1995 2h13 (15) 5056 Plain Bob Major Comp. C T Osenton 1-2 Christopher T Osenton(C) 3-4 John W Gander 5-6 Rhian N Bagshaw 7-8 Frank J Matthews A compliment to Pat Hughes & Dick Kagan who married on 25/8/95.

NORWICH D.A.

BRANDON PARVA, Norfolk **Woodstock** Mon Aug 14 1995 2h26 (14) 5056 Spliced Major (3m: 1664 each Plain B, Ashbourne; 1728 S Clements C B.) Comp. H Poyner 1-2 Mick Cole 3-4 William H Jackson 5-6 Harry Poyner(C) 7-8 Mary C Poyner In memoriam H William Barrett. First of spliced major: 1-2.

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5,152 23-Spliced Suprise Major by George H Campling

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5324678 Richmond -6253847 Montgomery

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First rung at Farnworth on 17th February 1994. Variations: either or both of: Northampton for Richmond; Widdop for Hitchin. Also (as rung in the original version at Burnley on 21st October 1993): Heywood for Colden, Bilsborrow for Holbeach, Wanstead for Lin-coln and Northampton for Richmond. All versions have all the work of each method for every bell with every lead different.



YORKSHIRE ASSN

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, Tyne & Wear Cathedral of S Nicholas Fri Aug 25 1995 3h38 (37) 5040 Bristol S.Maximus Comp. L J C Reeve

- John Hyden
- Deborah L Blagden
- 3 Simon J L Linford 4 Joanna M Linford
- 5 David C Brown(C)
- 6 Stephen A Coaker
- Neil Donovan
- 8 Richard S Starkie 9 Lucinda J C Reeve
- 10 Ian G Campbell
- 12 D Paul Smith
- 11 Jeffrey Brannan

by Alan M Barber

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Composition Corner

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Contains 1,682 Lincolnshire (N); and 1,680

each Pudsey and Prittlewell (T), with 26

changes of method and all the work of each

method for every bell. Rung at Chelmsford on

1st May 1993, conducted by David E Rothera.

5,042 3-Spliced Surprise Maximus

BROUGHTON IN FURNESS, Lancs, S Mary Magdalene Sat Aug 26 1995 3h6 (12) 5040 Cambridge S.Maximus Comp. J Brannan

- John Hyden
- 2 Deborah L Blagden3 Joanna M Linford4 D Paul Smith
- 5 Simon J L Linford
- David C Brown
- Paul Male

Methods

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NNNPPP • NNTTT •

PPPPP • NNTTTT •

- 8 Neil Donovan 9 Lucinda J C Reeve 10 Ian G Campbell
- Richard S Starkie
- 12 Jeffrey Brannan(C)

Four in the North

Picture the scene, if you can; 0715 hrs on Friday August 25; a bleary-eyed Lucy Reeve, only just conscious, is on the telephone to British Rail

"So exactly which train do I have to catch to make sure I'm in Beverley by midday?".
"Well, madam, the 0820 from King's Cross will get you to ..."
"0 8 2 0 ?!!! It's a quarter past seven now and I'm still in Ealing and not dressed! I think I'd

And so began the DPS August Bank Holiday Week-end Extravaganza to the North of

England. Once the initial panic, neurosis and general manic behaviour had subsided, and Lucy was safely strapped to a seat in the 0820 to Doncaster, the fun began.

Paul, Deborah (map-reader extraordinaire), Neil ("I've got this great route from Beverley to Newcastle ...") and Lucy made a successful rendezvous at Dinah's house and after eating the entire contents of the fridge (and doing a bit of washing-up, Dinah, honest!) we set off on Neil's patent route. Despite a significant amount of interference with the driver by the female contingent (protestation was minimal, it may be noted) we arrived safely at Chirton House Hotel. After settling in and a quick freshen-up, the Fab-Four invaded Newcastle's bus service, leaving others to make their own way to Newcastle Cathedral for the first peal attempt. The band met promptly and set about preparing for Bristol Surprise maximus. Three hours and 38 minutes later the bells drifted accurately into rounds. A very respectable start to the

ringing activity.

Now, Friday night in Newcastle is SOMETHING ELSE. If you have been amazed by the activity and sheer number of people in the West End of London, for instance, then Newcastle will astonish you further! In fact, Ian Campbell is undergoing surgery to relocate his eyeballs

Saturday saw a change from the busy City of Newcastle to the calm and tranquillity of Broughton-in-Furness – a charming little village. The 0730 breakfast (!) prepared us for a relatively event-free journey, apart from encountering one driver who appeared to be steering out the line of Plain Bob minor – if they hadn't been so slow in coming away from the back we may have hit them in 3-4! We picked up Paul Male in Kendal, Deborah and Lucy spent loads of imaginary money in clothes shops and antique jewellers. A bit of map-rage in the car followed (!) and soon we arrived at Broughton. We all looked forward to the comparatively new twelve, Cambridge being the chosen music for the day. On pulling off for the exploratory rounds, the second immediately dropped like a stone at backstroke; we stood, Paul made loads of sarcastic comments (guess who was ringing the second?) and proceeded to assist:

We had better do something with your rope, Deborah", said Paul.

Yes - like take it off her", Simon retorted, wittily (the hospital report said he would make a full recovery). Paul duly lengthened the tail-end and pulled it off to check the length for Deb. To the rest of the band's sheer delight, it came careering down around his ankles at backstroke! After consultation with Tom Metcalfe and a minor adjustment upstairs we relaxed into Cambridge maximus. Apart from both Deborah and Lucy being convinced the second clapper had done a bunk about two courses from the end, another good peal was scored. Paul and Deb had made a wager that the first person to make a method trip was to buy dinner - and here it is in black & white, PAUL MADE THE FIRST MISTAKE! He still hasn't

bought dinner yet either ...

The Broughton Festival meant that celebrations were going on well into the early hours of Sunday morning, so the whole gang joined locals at The King's Head and enjoyed some

Sunday's activities were quite laid back – Service ringing with Tom and locals at Broughton, followed by the six at Kirkby Ireleth. We then enjoyed Tom';s hospitality with a lazy cup of coffee whilst admiring the dreamy view from the living-room window! The main business of the day was a peal attempt at Arlecdon, which was rung with no problem under the conductorship of Neil. Returning to Broughton over the picturesque Moors we experienced the odd bit of road-rage, usually accompanied by cutting insults (all in good fun of course ...). Despite all this we congregated at the local 'posh restaurant' for the evening meal. On entering we were ushered into a plush waiting area, where we could select wines and generally behave ourselves until the table was ready. The refined atmosphere with Vivaldi gently in the background was crushed only momentarily by David ("Velcro-Man") removing his tasteful evening wear outer garment of a green plastic mac!

"Look", said Dinah, as we were directed to our table, "we've got a room all to ourselves". I think the restaurant manager had summed us up from the word go! The food was plentiful and quite superb, so we all enjoyed a good evening reminiscing about tours of previous years and cross-examining lan about his present love-life (to no avail, naturally, due to his usual cool-headedness!). A few of us sat up into the early hours back at the Inn, drinking

Bailey's and getting into psycho-analysis!

The weekend concluded with an attempt of London on the heavy eight at Lancaster Priory. A tough but nevertheless successful job, completed in three and a half hours.

So, after a quick drink to refresh us, we all departed for our respective homes. Good ringing, good food, good wine, good conversation and, above all, really good company -many thanks, Paul, for your usual high standard of arrangements. Roll on August Bank Holiday 1996

Donation £16.80 N.B. Song-of-the-weekend: "Rambling Rose" sung (with slightly adapted words) by D Paul Smith (private joke).

ARLECDON, Cumbria S Michael Sun Aug 27 1995 2h47 (14) 5152 Lincolnshire S.Major

- Comp. S Humphrey
- D Paul Smith Dinah M Rhymer David C Brown
- Paul Male
- 5 Jeffrey Brannan 6 Lucinda J C Reeve
- Ian G Campbell 8 Neil Donovan(C)

LANCASTER, Lancs Priory Church of S Mary Mon Aug 28 1995 3h30 (30) 5088 London S.Major

- Comp. S J Ivin 1 Dinah M Rhymer
- Paul Male
- 3 Jeffrey Brannan
- Lucinda J C Reeve
- 5 Neil Donovan
- 6 David C Brown(C)
- lan G Campbell
- 8 D Paul Smith

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HIGHBRIDGE, Som, S John Sat Aug 26 1995 2h32 (3) 5184 Watford S. Major Comp. R E Hardy

- John Hill David J Purnell Jenny M A Astridge
- Andrea Freeman
- 5 Elisabeth A G Bowden
- 6 Adrian P Beck
- 7 Robert E Beck 8 Joseph St J Beaumont (C) First in method: 4,8.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD

DAVENTRY, Northants. Holy Cross Sat Sep 2 1995 3h13 (19) 5067 Stedman Caters

- Comp. T Hooley (Corpus)

 1 L M Walters (New Hall)

 2 H M Woor (St John's)

- 3 P A B Saddleton (Trinity) 4 S L Nicholson (St John's)
- JRN Lebon (Selwyn)
- 6 V Nutton (Selwyn)

- 7 B H Taylor (Trinity) (C) 8 S C Walters (Pembroke) 9 R O Hall (Sidney Sussex)
- 10 N C Sturgess (Wolfson)

HARPENDEN, Herts. S Nicholas Sat Sep 9 1995 2h51 (15)

- 5024 Glasgow S. Major
- Comp. B H Taylor (No 2)
- 1 H F Pettifer (Corpus) 2 B H Taylor (Trinity) (C) 3 H M Woor (St John's)
- PAB Saddleton (Trinity)
- 5 G R D Lay (Trinity) 6 R O Hall (Sidney Sussex)
- V Nutton (Selwyn) 8 B G Meads (Corpus)
- 200th tower bell peal with the Guild: 4. Circled tower four times: 2

BALLYMENA, Co Antrim Sat Sep 23 1995 3h17 (15) 5042 Cambridge S Maximus Comp A S Hudson

- G M Hudson (Trinity)
- P J Agg (Magdalene) (C)
- H Muirhead (Newnham)
- 4 CEJ Kilgour (St John's)
- 5 H V Bettinson (Downing)
- 6 A S Hudson (Clare)
- K J Darvill (St Catharine's)
- 8 L M Walters (New Hall)
- 9 K A Hinchliffe (Clare)
- 10 C H Rogers (Emmanuel)
- 11 S C Walters (Pembroke)
- 12 R O Hall (Sidney Sussex)
- For Claire.

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W Arnold Morley 6 Richard L Taylor Peal forms are 7 F Gordon Faulks available (free) from 8 John V Chadwick (C) the RW Office, Guildford. Send a stamped/

BALLYLESSON, Co. Down Holy Trinity, Drumbo Sun Sep 24 1995 2h48 (12) 5056 Ballymena S Major (27-course block reduced)

- 1 C H Rogers (Emmanuel) 2 PJ Agg (Magdalene) (C)
- 3 H V Bettinson (Downing)
- 4 R O Hall (Sidney Sussex)
- 5 CE J Kilgour (St John's)
- 6 S C Walters (Pembroke) 7 K J Darvill (St Catharine's)
- 8 I M Walters (New Hall)

NETHERSEALE, Derbys.

Sat Aug 26 1995 2h45 (11)

5088 Yorkshire S. Major

Comp. A Craven

1 Marion E Moulton

2 Winifred M Warwick

Hilary Howell

Jonathan A Howell

5 Rosemary A Maddocks 6 Roland W Morant

David J Baskerville

A birthday compliment to

CHEWTON MENDIP, Som.

Sat Aug 26 1995 3h15 (24) 5152 Eardley S. Major

8 Frank R Morton (C)

Rosemary Maddocks.

S Mary Magdalene

Comp. J Reeves 1 Sharon L Mills

R Brian Mills

3 Clive Calton 4 Timothy M Davis

8 Andrew B Mills

Comp. J H Fielden

R Brian Mills

Clive Calton

DERBY D.A.

S Andrew

CULLOMPTON, Devon

Mon Aug 28 1995 3h7 (19)

5040 Cambridge S. Royal

Christine L J Mills Elisabeth A G Bowden

Michael J Stone Timothy M Davis (C) Sharon L Mills

Bernard F L Groves

BELPER, Derbys, S Peter Thu Aug 24 1995 2h49 (14)

Patricia A M Halls Revd David H Sansum

5120 Ipswich S. Major

Comp. C J Sedgley

3 Jane E Boden

Ian Duff

9 Denis Mottershead 10 Andrew B Mills

5 Christine L J Mills 6 Bernard F L Groves (C)

Denis Mottershead

CHESTER D.G.

S Peter

- Comp. C J Sedgley 1 F Gordon Faulks 2 Brian A Tomlinson 3 Jane E Boden
 - 5 W Arnold Morley

Ian Duff

6 Robert J Marchbank 7 Neil J Morgan 8 John V Chadwick (C) Completes the alphabet of Surprise Major methods: 4.

BELPER, Derbys, S Peter Thu Aug 31 1995 2h44 (14)

5120 Milford S. Major

BARLBOROUGH, Derbys. S James Wed Sep 6 1995 2h45 (12) 5040 Cambridge S. Minor Comp. R Bailey

- 1 Ian J Ridgewell
- 2 Rosemary R A Ross 3 Canon Frederick Ross
- Matthew R Yeomans
- 5 Colin Aked
- 6 Nicholas J Parkes (C) First peal of T.B.: 1.
- First peal of Surprise: 4.

BELPER, Derbys, S Peter Thu Sep 7 1995 2h48 (14) 5120 Cambridgeshire S. Major

- Comp. Anon
- 1 Jane E Boden 2 Patricia A M Halls (C)
- 3 Revd David H Sansum
- lan Duff
- 5 W Arnold Morley
- 6 Robert J Marchbank 7 F Gordon Faulks
- 8 John V Chadwick

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS (St Brannock's Society)

CHITTLEHAMPTON, Devon S Hieritha Sat Sep 9 1995 3h4 (13) 5120 Cambridge S. Major

- Comp. Brian D Price
 1 James M Clarke
 2 Joan A Clarke
 3 Donald G Lawson

- Fr Lester J Yeo Mervyn C Way Terry R Hampton
- Michael R Rose
- 8 Brian V Mountjoy (C) First in the method: 2. 75th together: 4 & 8. A silver wedding compliment to James & Joan Clarke.

ELY D.A.

TEWIN, Herts, S Peter Tue Aug 22 1995 2h47 (11) 5040 Plain Bob Minor

- (7 different extents) David J Griffiths
- Elizabeth M Griffiths
- 3 Helen A Boocock
- Thomas W Griffiths (C)
- Adam S Greenley
- 6 Phillip J Wilding
- Compliment to the conductor on surviving A-levels.

EATON SOCON, Cambs. Sat Sep 9 1995 2h47 (13) 5024 Higher Walton S Major

- Comp. A N Tyler 1 David Gill
- Catherina E Griffiths
- Phillip S George Elizabeth M Griffiths

- 5 Wendy Piercy 6 Timothy W Griffiths 7 George E Bonham
- Thomas W Griffiths (C)
- Circled the tower: 8. First in the method for all the band.

ESSEX ASSN.

TERLING, Essex, All Saints Tue Aug 22 1995 2h41 (11) 5024 Cambridge S. Major Comp. J W Parker

- Alan M Barber
- Vicki L Patmore
- Colin F Chapman
- Michael J Edwards
- Andrew J Dickinson
- 6 Adrian C Malton (C)
- James L Towler
- 8 George E Thoday First Cambridge S. Major: 2,4.

HARWICH, Essex S Nicholas Sun Sep 3 1995 2h54 (14) 5024 Double Norwich C.B.

- Major Comp. A M Barber
- Colin A Holman
- Andrew J Dickinson Alan M Barber (C)
- Michael J Edwards
- Adrian C Malton
- 6 Brian G Meads
- 7 James L Towler 8 George E Thoday 50th peal on the bells.

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL

EAST ILSLEY, Berks, S Mary Sat Sep 2 1995 2h38 (8) 5184 Xyster S. Major Comp. Christopher Forster

- Katrina A Lenton
- Patricia D Taeuber Cynthia E Howell

- 4 Anita D Sherriff 5 Marc Hart
- Desmond L Jones
- Anthony R Peake (C)

8 Ian J Carey 650th peal: 4. First in the method by all and for the Association.

HEREFORD D.G.

BURGHILL, Herefords. S Mary Sat Jul 22 1995 2h52 (10) 5056 Yorkshire S. Major Comp. C James Hustler

- John C Charles Jo Hall
- Andrew L Mainwaring
- Frederick R Harris
- Tim Munslow
- C James Hustler (C)
- John A G Clements 8 Phil G Morgan First Surprise Major: 2.

WHITNEY-ON-WYE, Herefords, SS Peter & Paul Sat Aug 26 1995 2h29 (9) 5040 Doubles (5m/10v: 3 extents each Eynsham, St Albans, St Simons, St Leonard, St Pauls, St Martins, April Day, Kennington, Plain Bob, Cliffords Pleasure, Reverse Canterbury, Southrepps, Grandsire; 2 extents

- extent Northrepps)
- 1 Anna Cadman 2 Colin A Lewis
- 3 Andrew L Mainwaring (C) 4 Frederick R Harris

Reverse St Bartholomew: 1

- 5 John W Hope

KENT C.A.

MAIDSTONE, Kent S Michael & All Angels Sat Sep 9 1995 2h40 (6) 5024 Spliced S. Major (2m: 2976 Chesterfield; 2048 Adelaide: 82 com. atw.)

- Comp. S Jenner Jennifer A Smith
- Ann Jenner Ian V J Smith
- Thomas M Barlow
- Ann Smith
- Peter W Dickinson
- David D Smith 8 Stanley Jenner (C) Sponsored for the Friends

of Kent Churches. LANCASHIRE ASSN.

NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME, Staffs, S Giles Sat Sep 9 1995 3h17 (16) 5019 Stedman Cinques

- Comp. R Dennis
- Tudor P Edwards (C)
- Peter Border
- Kenneth J Hesketh
- 4 John S Mason 5 Geoffrey R Gardner 6 Michael Maughan
- Peter C Randall
- David J Llewellyn
- 9 Jeffrey Brannan 10 John H Fielden
- George W Pipe 12 Philip J Rothera

LEICESTER D.G.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics. Bell Foundry Campanile Wed Aug 23 1995 2h23 (6) 5040 Gracedieubrook S.

- Royal
- Comp. Gabriel Lindoff 1 Brian G Warwick (C)
- Elizabeth A Betts Winifred M Warwick
- Gail L Wade
- lan N Robinson
- Roland W Morant Frank E Coales Brian E Mozley
- Philip J H Hudson 10 David Kingman

The first peal in the method Gracedieubrook S. Royal

30-1450-56-36-14-30 16.34.1270.58.1234.78.90 le12 1573 F.C.E.s c.p.s. (ln)

B a1 a2 c d (Out)

SOUTH WIGSTON, Leics. S Thomas Mon Sep 4 1995 2h43 (14) 5056 Odstone D. Major Comp. Albert J Pitman Brian G Warwick (C) 2 Rosemary R A Ross 3 Winifred M Warwick

Elizabeth A Betts 5 Burley P Morris 6 Frank E Coales

Philip J H Hudson 8 Canon Frederick Ross 1100th peal: 8. The first peal in the method:

Odstone D. Major -38-14-1258-1236-14-18.56-34.78 le 12 1573 F.C.E.s B D O

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics. Bell Foundry Campanile Wed Sep 6 1995 2h11 (6) 5056 Tias D. Maior Comp. Andrew F Alldrick

Brian G Warwick (C)

2 Elizabeth A Betts 3 Gail L Wade

Burley P Morris Philip J H Hudson 6 Brian E Mozley

7 Frank E Coales 8 George Pluckrose This is the 1950th peal which the conductor has called. The first peal in the method:

Tias D. Major 38-1458-56-16.34.12.34.18-3456-78 le 12 1573 F.C.E.s B D

LICHFIELD ARCHDEACONRY SOC.

NETHER WHITACRE, Warwicks, S Giles Mon Aug 28 1995 2h38 (10) 5040 Surprise Minor (7m: 1 extent each London,

York, Bourne, Ipswich, Beverley, Surfleet, Cambridge)

Andrew C Ogden Zoe A P Ogden Anne E Yates Rachel D Carter

5 David J Bateman

6 Matthew Lawrence (C) Rung as a compliment to Anne Yates on her GCSE results.

LINCOLN D.G.

BASSINGHAM, Lines. S Michael Wed Sep 6 1995 2h40 (10) 5040 Surprise Minor (7m: London, Wells, Cambridge, Beverley, Ipswich, Bourne, Norwich) Michael J Smith

Judith J Williamson

3 C Aubrey Harrison 4 Philip H Reynolds 5 Geoffrey Pepper

6 Robert Sutton (C) First 7 Surprise as conductor.

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SOUTH CROYDON, Surrey S Peter Thu Aug 17 1995 3h16 (30) 5040 London S. Royal (No Comp. C K Lewis

John E Hawes (C) Simon J Davies Alison McCormack

4 Paul A Cammiade 5 Catherine N Merlane Shirley E McGill

Richard M Hobbs 8 Nigel Thomson 9 Mike Pidd

10 Alan Regin Circled tower: 1.

NORWICH D.A.

LITCHAM, Norfolk All Saints Sun Aug 6 1995 2h42 (9) 5040 Surprise Minor (25m: (1) Sandiacre; (2) Northumberland; (3) Alnwick, Newcastle; (4) Carlisle, Chester, Munden; (5) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, Durham, York; (6) Allendale, Westminster, Fryerning, Norwich, King Edward Queen Mary; (7) Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull)

1 Claire Tallent Susan E Marsden 3 Marion A Robinson 4 Andrew J Stevens

5 David R McLean 6 Jeremy W Spiller (C)

OXFORD D.G.

OVERTON, Hants, S Mary Thu Aug 17 1995 2h45 (10) 5152 Argentum S. Major Comp. A J Cox

Peter Bridle Nicola J Crichton

3 Timothy G Pett 4 Colin M Turner

5 Helen J Piper 6 Geoffrey K Dodd 7 Bernard F L Groves (C)

8 Peter Border

EAST ILSLEY, Berks, S Mary Thu Sep 28 1995 2h49 (9) 5376 Indium S Major Comp A J Cox

Bernard J Stone Peter Border

Nicola J Crichton 4 Brian Bladon

5 Andrew J Graham 6 Anthony R Peake 7 Timothy G Pett (C) 8 Colin M Turner

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OXFORD SOCIETY

OXFORD, Oxon S Mary Magdalen Tue Sep 19 1995 2h40 (7) 5184 Cornwall S Major Comp S Jenner 1 Bernard J Stone

Charlotte Everett Andrew J Graham Sonia C Tucker

5 Peter Border 6 Clive Holloway

Nigel J Bailey (C) 8 Robin O Hall

100th peal: 3

OXFORD, Oxon S Mary Magdalen Tue Sep 26 1995 2h44 (7) 5152 Ytterbium S Major

Comp A J Cox 1 Bernard J Stone Charlotte Everett

Sonia C Tucker Robin O Hall

5 Andrew J Graham 6 Clive Holloway

Nigel J Bailey (C)

8 Peter Border

PETERBOROUGH D.G.

SPROXTON, Leics S Bartholomew Wed Aug 23 1995 2h38 (8) 5152 Yorkshire S. Major Comp. C K Lewis

1 Judith M Corby Paul M Mason John M Roffe

4 Bryony P H Dorrington 5 Paul L Carless 6 Paul F Curtis

Ruth Richardson 8 Robin H Rogers (C) First S. Major 'inside': 4.

Circled the tower: 7

WADENHOE, Northants. S Michael & All Angels Tue Aug 29 1995 2h38 (7) 5040 Minor

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

1 E Raymond Berryman

2 Michael J Hawkins

3 Elizabeth A Betts 4 Burley P Morris David Kingman (C)

6 Paul M Mason

DESBOROUGH, Northants. S Giles Fri Sep 1 1995 2h43 (9) 5024 Rutland S. Major Comp. C Forster

1 Susan J Riley 2 Andrew R Wignell

Helen R Coleman

4 Murray A Coleman (C) 5 Paul M Mason

6 Nicholas A Churchman 7 Ian N Willgress

8 James M Bence First in method: 2.75th peal: 3. For Patronal/Flower

Festival.

COPPULL, Lancs. S John the Divine Sat Aug 26 1995 3h7 (16) 5040 Surprise Minor (15m: (1) London, Wells; (2) Hull, Norfolk, Primrose; (3) Primrose; (4) Beverley, Berwick, Surfleet, Hexham, York, Durham; (5)

Cambridge, Bourne lpswich; (6) Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull (7) Norwich) William H Hulme

Rachel D Carter M J Bill Blowfield

David P Westerman Andrew W Gordon 6 Peter M Fleckney (C)

ST MARTINS GUILD

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM S Martin-in-the-Bullring Thu Aug 24 1995 3h37 (39) 5040 Bristol S. Maximus Comp. D G Hull

Stephen J Mills Stuart C W Hutchieson

Richard B Grimmett Richard L Jones Maurice F Edwards

Frances Dodds

David G Hull (C) Jonathan P Healy

9 James Clatworthy 10 William R Haynes

Roderick W Pipe 12 Andrew W R Wilby

LUDLOW, Salop. S Laurence Mon Aug 28 1995 3h26 (25) 5152 London S. Major Comp. Roderick W Pipe

1 Henry C Lewis 2 David G Hull (C)

Elizabeth M Green Paul E Bibilo

5 John Fl Turney

6 Stephen J Mills 7 Andrew W R Wilby 8 Jonathan P Healy First peal of London: 3.

BIRMINGHAM Cathedral of S Philip Thu Sep 7 1995 3h23 (31) 5094 Stedman Cinques Comp. R W Pipe

David G Hull Paul E Bibilo

Norman J Goodman Mary T Pipe

Richard L Jones Nicholas J Green David Beacham

Stephen J Mills 9 Roderick W Pipe (C)

10 Peter Border 11 David J Pipe 12 Frederick Shallcross

700th peal together: 3 & 10. In memoriam William B Cartwright, member of the Guild for over 70 years; also in memoriam Eric E Speake.

SALISBURY D.G.

BROCKENHURST, Hants. S Nicholas Tue Sep 5 1995 2h34 (4) 5056 Spliced S. Major (8m: 768 Rutland; 704 London; 640 Pudsey, Superlative; 576 Cambridge, Bristol, Yorkshire: 119 com. atw.) Comp. P G K Davies 1 George E Evenden

Christopher J Woodruffe

Anita D Sherriff

Brian J Woodruffe 5 Pauline Champion

6 Patricia D Taeuber Caroline J Richards

8 Alan H Champion (C)

SOUTH NORTHANTS. SOCIETY

EASTON NESTON, Northants, S Mary Sat Aug 12 1995 2h46 (9) 5088 Swanage S. Major Comp. A J Cox

Charles E Truman

Jennie Paul Barry R Care

Graham C Paul (C)

R Owen Battye Christopher C Stokes

7 Alan A Paul 8 Barry E Saunders

EASTON NESTON, Northants, S Mary Fri Aug 25 1995 2h50 (9) 5184 Bristol S. Major Comp. W Eric Critchley

Charles E Truman W Eric Critchley (C)

Katherine L Israel Jennie Paul

Raymond A Vickers Alan A Paul

R Owen Battye 8 Barry E Saunders

EASTON NESTON, Northants, S Mary Sat Aug 26 1995 2h52 (9) 5120 Superlative S. Major Comp. A J Cox

Alan A Paul Alan C Cozens Charles E Truman

Jennie Paul 5 Ian K Chapple 6 R Owen Battye

8 Richard Haseldine EASTON NESTON, Northants, S Mary Wed Aug 30 1995 2h54 (9) 5184 Spliced S. Major (8m: 768 Bristol, London, Rutland; 576 Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey,

Andrew Haseldine (C)

Superlative, Yorkshire: 144 com. atw.) Comp. N Smith

1 Raymond A Vickers 2 W Eric Critchley (C)

Charles E Truman Alan A Paul

5 James Linnell 6 Barry E Saunders

Stanley M Ruddlesden 8 Graham C Paul

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SOUTHWELL D.G.

ELSTON, Notts, All Saints Mon Aug 14 1995 2h26 5040 Minor (9m: (1) Cambridge S.; (2) Single Oxford, Double

Oxford Bob; (3) Kent T.B.; (4) St Clements, Buxton C.B.,

(5) Oxford T.B.; (6) Plain Bob

(7) Norwich S.) 1 Paul F Curtis

Ruth Richardson H Geoffrey Wells

4 Bryan Birkett 5 Peter S Lacy

6 David J T Wilson (C)

LEICESTER S Mary de Castro Thu Sep 7 1995 2h52 (15) 5152 Bitteswell S. Major Comp. M A Coleman

Sally A Mason Andrew D Higson Murray A Coleman (C) R Brian Mills

5 Richard C L Brown 6 Maurice F Edwards 7 Michael Maughan 8 R Kingsley Mason Rung for Patronal Festival.

First peal in the method: Bitteswell S. Major E-3-4-2.5.36.4-4.3.6-6.5

SUFFOLK GUILD

IPSWICH, Suffolk S Mary-le-Tower Wed Sep 6 1995 2h50 (11) 5056 Pudsey S. Major

Comp. L F Bailey
1 Brian E Whiting
2 Rodney H French
3 Katharine J Salter

Richard J Munnings Michelle W Chapman

6 J Martin Thorley 7 John L Girt

8 David G Salter (C) First in the method: 4 Completes standard eight: 5. In memory of Carl Giles, OBE, of Witnesham.

ALDEBURGH, Suffolk SS Peter & Paul Sun Sep 10 1995 2h36 (11) 5040 Minor

(8m; (1) London S.; (2) Double Court Bob; (3) Ipswich S.; (4) Single Oxford Bob; (5) Norwich S.; (6) St Clements Bob, Double Oxford Bob; (7) Cambridge S.)

1 Trevor N J Bailey

2 J Martin Thorley 3 Richard T L Rapior 4 Rodney H French 5 Alan P Mayle

Peter Bedford.

6 David G Salter (C) 500th together: 1 & 2. A 72nd birthday compliment to former tower captain

DALHAM, Suffolk, S Mary Sat Sep 9 1995 2h58 (14) 5090 Cambridge S. Major

Comp. A N Tyler 1 Paul V Stannard Frank C Price

Josephine M Beever Christoher M Movley

John L Girt Adrian J Blumfield Maurice J Rose

8 Stephen D Pettman (C) First Cambridge Major: 3. 100th together: 1 & 7

TANNINGTON, Suffolk S Ethelbert King & Martyr Sat Sep 9 1995 2h32 (10) 5040 Surprise Minor (7m: (1) London; (2) York; (3) Beverley; (4) Norwich; (5) Ipswich; (6) Surfleet; (7) Cambridge)

1 Muriel R Page

Katharine J Salter Frank C J Arnold

David G Salter (C) 5 J Martin Thorley

6 Trevor N J Bailey A second wedding anniversary compliment to the ringers of 2 & 4.

TRURO D.G.

STRATTON, Cornwall S Andrew Mon Aug 14 1995 3h8 (22) 5024 Bristol S. Major Comp. S Jenner

Vivienne M Rigby Sheila C Matthews

Christopher J Venn

Patricia D Taeuber Pauline Champion

Robert Perry Michael J Stone

8 Reginald T McKenzie (C)

ROCHE, Cornwall S Gonand of the Rock Tue Aug 15 1995 2h48 (12) 5024 Pudsey S. Major

Comp. A J Cox 1 Vivienne M Rigby Jane M Hitchens

William E Thompsett Sheila C Matthews

Michael J Stone 6 Christopher J Venn

Barrie Hendry 8 Pauline Champion (C)

ST KEVERNE, Cornwall S Keverne Wed Aug 16 1995 2h48 (18) 5184 Superlative S. Major

Comp. A J Cox
1 Vivienne M Rigby
2 Patricia D Taeuber
3 Sheila C Matthews

Pauline Champion 5 William E Thompsett

6 Robert Perry

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Reginald T McKenzie (C) Michael J Stone

LANIVET, Cornwall

Thu Aug 17 1995 2h46 (13) 5040 Surprise Minor (5m: (1) London;(2) Wells; (3) London; (4) Cambridge;

(5) Beverley; (6) Surfleet; (7)

Cambridge)
1 Jane M Hitchens
2 Sheila C Matthews
3 Christopher J Woodruffe

Robert J Perry

Michael J Stone 6 Brian J Woodruffe (C)

Rung as a birthday compliment to Reg McKenzie.

REDRUTH, Cornwall Sat Aug 19 1995 2h55 (13) 5056 Spliced S. Major

(4m: 1344 Lincolnshire; 1280 Cambridge, Yorkshire; 1152 Rutland: 74 com. atw.)

Comp. J S Warboys
1 Pauline Champion (C)
2 Sheila C Matthews
3 Brian J Woodruffe

Patricia D Taeuber Michael J Stone Christopher J Woodruffe

Robert J Perry

8 Reginald T McKenzie

WELSH COLLEGES SOC.

INVERARAY, Argyll All Saints Episcopal Church Sat Aug 26 1995 3h43 (41) 5021 Grandsire Caters Comp. G J Hawkins

1 Tanya E Wheeler 2 Darren R Moore 3 Paul J Lewis

Christopher M Mundy

Roger Grieve
Patrick W Wheeler
Timothy M Payne (C)
Malcolm Murphy
Martin S Davies

10 David Kirkcaldy Rung to celebrate the engagement of Martin Davies and Helen Ward.

YORKSHIRE ASSN.

LEEDS, W Yorks, S Anne Mon Aug 21 1995 2h24 (9) 5040 Stedman Triples

Arr. J Pladdys (No 25) 1 C Barrie Dove

David I Smith

Simon JT Smith Robert A Appleby

John Pladdys (C) Michael J de C Henshaw

Malcolm S Turner 8 John Robinson

CONISBROUGH, S Yorks S Peter Thu Sep 14 1995 2h47 (14) 5022 Lincolnshire S Major

Arr R F B Speed 1 Dinah M Rhymer

Mandy L C Bartlett Mark J Lane

R Adrian Davies David S Johnson Trevor C Ledger

Neil Donovan (C) 8 Richard E Price

SHEFFIELD SS Peter & Paul Sun Aug 27 1995 3h13 (34) 5042 Yorkshire S. Maximus Comp. J Worth

Nicholas C Sturgess

Judith M Corby G Jessica Davies Elva R Ainsworth

Barbara Davies

Andrew Hudson (C) Paul K Williamson

8 Jenny M A Astridge 9 Paul N Harden

10 Joseph St J Beaumont 11 Peter J Williamson

12 Hilary F C Small

BUCKLEY, Clwyd S Matthew Mon Aug 28 1995 3h (14) 5088 Lessness S. Major Comp. S Jenner

Trevor Holmes

Shirley Harris Judith M Talbot Robert Haley

R Gordon Corby Ian North (C)

7 Revd Brian Harris 8 Andrew R Aspland

To mark 50 years as a ringer: 5. Rung as a compliment to Dennis H B Millward, a life long ringer at Buckley, who celebrated his 87th birthday on 4 August.

AMERSHAM, Bucks, S Mary Sat Sep 23 1995 3h12 (19) 5134 Bristol S Maximus Comp P Border

Wendy Bishop Timothy F Collins

Rev Barry J Fry Julia Cater

Jeffrey P Ladd Howell J Williams

Roy Le Marechal (C) Roger Bailey

9 David Bishop 10 Roger S Riley

11 Michael E C Mears

12 Malcolm S Turner

ROTHERHAM, S Yorks All Saints Mon Sep 25 1995 3h38 (35) 5040 Spliced S Maximus (8m: 720 each Cambridge, Londinium, Lyddington; 576 each Bristol, Lincolnshire, Prittlewell, Wembley, Yorkshire; 104 com) Comp J H Fielden 1 Dinah M Rhymer

John Robinson

Simon J T Smith Jeffrey P Ladd

Neil Donovan Howell J Williams

lan Lloyd Christopher Bostock

Adrian M Moreton 10 Richard E Price 11 Roger S Riley

12 Malcolm S Turner (C) 400th peal: 8

Peal forms are available (free) from the RW Office. Guildford. Send a stamped/ addressed (9"x 4") envelope now.

CRESWELL, Derbys. S Mary Magdalene Sat Sep 2 1995 2h42 (12) 5024 Sumertun S. Major

Comp. I North 1 Denis A Smedley Ian North (C)

3 Andrew R Aspland 4 Simon Ogier 5 Timothy Wylie 6 R Gordon Corby

Richard E Price 8 Robert Haley First peal in the method.:

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SOUTHPORT, Merseys. S Emmanuel Sat Sep 9 1995 2h49 (12) 5088 Gubernaculis S. Major

Comp. S J Ivin Paul G Tidd

2 Stephen J A Ollerton 3 Simon Ogier 4 Ian North (C)

5 R Adrian Davies Andrew R Aspland

7 Robert Haley 8 Richard E Price 21st birthday compliment to 2. First peal in the method:

Gubernaculis S. Major. 34-58.14-12-1236-14-1258-14-38 mx.

WESTMINSTER, London S Martin-in-the-Fields Sat Sep 9 1995 3h31 (29)

5021 Stedman Cinques Comp. Peter J Sanderson Terri Horton

Helen P Bradley Peter J Sanderson (C) George H Campling Tina R Stoecklin

Christine B Potter

Rupert M Burgess 8 David R Smith 9 David R Mitchell 10 Roderick R Horton

Timothy P Bradley 12 Brian P Diserens

First in method: 1. **HANDBELLS**

MIDDLESEX C A & LONDON D G

5-6 Simon J Gay

KNIGHTSBRIDGE, Middx. Imperial College (Huxley Building) Mon Sept 25 1995 2h26 (15) 5056 Lincolnshire S Major Comp J M Goldthorpe 1-2 Prudence Fay 3-4 Michael J Trimm

7-8 Roger Bailey (C) First peal of Lincolnshire on handbells: 1-2 KNIGHTSBRIDGE, Middx.

Imperial College (Huxley Building) Wed Sept 27 1995 2h37 (15) 5376 Yorkshire S Major Comp R Bailey 1-2 Nicholas W Jones

3-4 Ruth Blackwell 5-6 Michael J Trimm

7-8 Roger Bailey (C) First peal of Yorkshire on an inside pair: 3-4.

NORWICH D.A.

SWARDESTON, Norfolk 31 Main Road Sat Aug 12 1995 1h42 (12) 5040 Plain Bob Minor 1-2 Shirley M Drew 3-4 Jeremy W Spiller (C) 5-6 Geoffrey R Drew

OXFORD D.G.

READING, Berks. 18 Sandhills Way, Calcot Wed Aug 16 1995 2h35 (16) 5040 Yorkshire S. Royal Comp. A M Barber 1-2 N David Lane 3-4 Patricia M Newton 5-6 Bernard F L Groves (C) 7-8 David F Moore 9-10 Robert H Newton

ASTON ROWANT The White House Wed Aug 23 1995 2h16 (14) 5024 Rutland S. Major Comp. N Smith 1-2 Robert H Newton 3-4 John R Martin 5-6 Bernard F L Groves (C) 7-8 Patricia M Newton

TILEHURST, Berks. 90 Fairway Avenue Wed Aug 30 1995 2h56 (11) 5042 Cambridge S. Maximus

Comp. J Ketteringham 1-2 Patricia M Newton 3-4 Philip A B Saddleton

5-6 Bernard F L Groves (C) 7-8 Simon F Feather 9-10 John R Martin

READING, Berks. 18 Sandhills Way, Calcot Mon Sep 4 1995 2h21 (13) 5184 Bristol S. Major Comp T G Pett 1-2 N David Lane 3-4 Bernard F L Groves 5-6 Ken Davenport 7-8 Simon F Feather (C)

11-12 Robert H Newton

Quarter Peals

Llandaff, S Glam. (Cathedral). 13 Aug, 1346 Yorkshire S Maximus: T P Edwards 1, R E Hardy 2, J A Vesey(C) 3, Barbara Jones 4, Samantha M Farrar 5, M R Thomas 6, J C Parker 7, A C John 8, J R Lewis 9, S C Farrar 10, Jane D Bull 11, A M Bull 12. 1st S Maximus; 5, 6, 10. A Llandaff Branch Master's Q. For Evensong. £1.20

Longparish, Hants. 18 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Wendy Claridge 1, Peter Claridge 2, Jonathan Waller(C) 3, Ken Waller 4, Carol Waller 5, Colin Brice 6. To congratulate Wendy Claridge on passing her driving test on 15/8/95.

Manchester, Gtr. Man. (Cathedral). 23 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Dorothy Eccles 1, Mark Bell (1st triples) 2, Barbara Bell 3, Joe Thornley 4, Jane Landles 5, Malcolm Murphy 6, Roland Eccles 7, Ted Yates 8. An engagement compliment to Miss Jane Landles and Mr Alan Boyd of Guilden Morden.

Marston, Oxon. 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m): Sally Harrison 1, John Beale 2, H Deam 3, A Hughes 4, R Jones(C) 5. On original five for VJ Service and as a tribute to those from Oxon and Bucks, especially the 6th Btn. of the Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry, who fought in the Far East. Also: on 2 Sep, 1260 Doubles (3m/7v): W Godfrey 1, Jonathan Beale 2, C Smith 3, Mary Joseph 4, R Jones(C) 5, John Beale 6. For the 50th Anniversary of the formal ending of the 1939 -1945 War and as a tribute to all who served in any

way in the Services or as civilians during this war.

Meopham, Kent. 4 Sep, 1280 London S Major:
David Bagshaw 1, Janet Yeo 2, Diana Wraight (C)
3, Douglas Davis 4, Tim Wraight 5, Rhian Bagshaw 6, Michael Birkbeck 7, Neil Jones 8. Wedding compliment to Pat Hughes & Dick Cogan. With best wishes of the band to Fr. David Gibbons on his ordination as Deacon. Also, 60th birthday compliment to Joyce Divers.

Nazeing, Essex. 31 Aug, 1260 Eynesbury Doubles: Joan Mansfield 1, Janet Crabb 2, Beryl Walker 3, Bill Aley(C) 4, Fred Mansfield 5, Cyril Crabb 6. Arranged and rung on the Eve of Peggy and Bill Aley's Golden Wedding. 1st Q in m by all. Following practice on Tuesday evening couple were the recipients of a decorated bell approx 20" diamenter - note, a dull flat thud and a voucher for a Golden Wedding Rose to be collected later in the year.

Nether Wallop, Hants. 20 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: F C Mouland 1, Carol Waller 2, M Hayward 3, J R Waller 4, K G Waller(C) 5, C Brice 6. Rung at 12.00 noon for the 50th Anniversary of VJ Day. Also: on 30 Aug, 1260 London Doubles: F C Mouland 1, Carol Waller 2, K G Waller(C) 3, P Myers 4, J R Waller 5, C Brice 6. Thanksgiving for the life of Lady Ivelaw-Chapman. £2.30

New Alresford, Hants. 3 Sep., 1264 P B Major: Claire Robson 1, Lyn Breslain 2, Elizabeth Johnson 3, Susan Wolters 4, Jill Parr 5, Helen Winter 6, Alec Fry 7, Sean Smith(C) 8. For Evensong and as a Golden Wedding Anniversary compliment to Vera & Roy Downham.

Newchurch, Staffs. 25 Aug, 1320 London S Minor: J A Williams (1st T B) 1, S R Alliss 2, D P Jones 3, Judith P Williams (1st L) 4, P L Devine 5, W J Hall(C) 6.

Nottingham, Notts. (S Mary). 28 Aug, 1295 Grandsire Caters: Corinna England 1, Bridget Smith 2, Ann England 3, Mandy Freeman 4, Colin Aked 5, Don Beach 6, Martin Marriott 7, Adrian Sweeting 8, Peter England(C) 9, Nick Parkes 10.

Nunney, Som. 24 Aug, 1440 S Minor (2m): Singer 1, Jacqueline Warnecke

Christine Angell 3, David Buckley 4, George Massey 5, David Massey (C) 6.

Offton, Suffolk. 22 Aug, 1250 Cambridge S Major: Tessa Fortune 1, Christine C Jennings 2, Janet Hohl 3, R J Munnings 4, R N Earey 5, Louise R Steward 6, K S Hohl 7, B E Whiting(C) 8. Also: on 29 Aug, 1272 S Minor (2m): Janet Hohl 1, K S Hohl 2, Louise R Steward 3, A Knights 4, Catherine A Colman 5, B E Whiting(C) 6.

Ospringe, Kent. 26 Aug, 1260 St Clements Minor: Eileen Palin 1, Clare Larter(C) 2, Ann Saddleton 3, Peter Saddleton 4, Tim Haynes 5, Philip Larter 6. 1st in m; 3, 4, 5. During the Church Flower Festival.

Ottery St Mary, Devon. 22 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: Richard Shere 1, James Grant 2, Sue Sawyer 3, Lesley Tucker 4, Keith Middleton 5, Elaine Grant 6, Alan Sinden(C) 7, Peter Sawyer 8. 65th Birthday compliment to Michael Sinden. £1

Penzance, Cornwall. 13 Aug, 1280 Bristol S Major: Vivienne Rigby 1, Jane Hitchens 2, William Thompsett 3, Sheila Matthews 4, Patricia Taeuber 5, Robert Perry(C) 6, Chris Venn 7, Michael Stone 8.

Perth, W Australia. 3 Sep, 1260 P B Triples Suzanne Biddles 1, Sarah Adams 2, Laura Ivey 3, David Knewstub 4, Glyn Geen 5, Devina Haggis 6, Mary Townsend(C) 7, John Townsend 8. For Evensong to mark the opening of Annual Australian Deans' Conference.

Peterborough, Cambs. (Cathedral). 3 Sep. 1277 Grandsire Caters: Freda P Willgress 1, R C Noon 2, Susan M Jones 3, J M Roffe 4, P R Meyer 5, Alison R Willgress 6, A M Farmer 7, C J Groome 8, I N Willgress(C) 9, D J Jones 10. For Evensong.

Pettistree, Suffolk. 3 Sep., 1260 P B Minor: Shirley Girt 1, Hilary Talbot 2, Kate Eagle 3, Mary Garner 4, John Girt 5, Gill Waterson(C) 6. For Evensong

Pillaton, Cornwall. 28 Aug, 1272 Westminster S Minor: Mark Philipson 1, Mark Hood 2, Helen Hunt 3, David Polly 4, David Pike 5, Alex Hunt(C) 6. £1

Pimlico, London SW1. (S Saviour). 3 Sep, 1320 Westminster S Minor: J Ingham 1, R Billinge 2, D Holdridge 3, T Elliott 4, K Parker 5, J Lawrance(C) 6. For Evening Service.

Pinhoe, Exeter, Devon. 24 Aug. 1260 Southrepps B Minor: Janet Clutterbuck 1, Maureen E Hawkins 2, D J Hawkins 3, R J Quick 4, B Horrell(C) 5, R E Franklin 6. 1st in m for all except 5. 1st in m as C.

Polebrook, Northants. 2 Sep. 1259 Grandsire Doubles: Clare Leaton 1, Victoria Samson 2, Timothy Samson 3, Ian Tear 4, Paul Mason(C) 5.£1

Poplar, London E. (All Saints). 20 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Jenny Lawrence 1, Iona McLachlan 2, Helen Elliot 3, Fred Lawrence 4, Tony Faulkner(C) 5, George Datchelor 6. To mark the 50th Anniversary of VJ Day.

Potton, Beds. 28 Aug, 1272 S Minor (2m): Jad Bienek 1, Gemma Raikes 2, Lucy Shepherd 3, Robert Tregillus 4, John Ewer 5, Alan Shepherd(C) 6.

Putney, London. 28 Aug, 1250 Bristol S Major: Bob Merritt (1st T B major) 1, Jane Haslam 2, David James 3, Chris McLean 4, Jane Kostelnyk 5, Michael Uphill 6, Andrew Giles 7, Clive Buswell(C) 8.

Rayleigh, Essex. 6 Aug, 1260 P B Triples: Sheena Booth 1, Diana Belcham 2, Julie Pye 3, Angela Belcham 4, D Pye 5, D Hildred 6, G Lucas(C) 7, S Smith 8. For Evensong. Also: on 13 Aug, 1272 P B Minor: L Beal 1, Sheena Booth 2, Julie Pye 3, S Smith 4, D Pye 5, D E Belcham(C) 6. For Evensong. Also: on 20 Aug, 1272 Childwall B Minor: S Smith 1, G Lucas 2, Julie Pye (1st in m) 3, Diana Belcham 4, L Beale (1st in m) 5, D E Belcham(C) 6. For Evensong. Also: on 27 Aug, 1320 Killamarsh T B Minor: Sheena Booth 1, Julie Pye 2, Diana Belcham 3, Lydia Roberts 4, G Lucas 5, D E Belcham(C) 6. For Evensong and to welcome Lydia Joy Fisher, born 25/8/95, a daughter for Revd. John and Alison Fisher. 1st in m by all. £2.40

Redcliffe, Bristol. 2 Sep. 1260 Stedman Triples: Linda Drew 1, Maggie Willans 2, Elizabeth Lane 3, Sheila Matthews 4, Eric Naylor 5, Michael Powell 6, David Floyd(C) 7, David Buckley 8. Bathwick's annual visit to Redcliffe for wedding

Renhold, Beds. 28 Aug, 1320 Spl. S Minor (8m): Jad Bienek 1, Gemma Raikes 2, Lucy Shepherd 3, Robert Tregillus 4, John Ewer 5, Alan Shepherd(C) 6.

Romsey, Hants. (Abbey). 3 Sep, 1260 Stedman Triples: Heather Trueman 1, Alison Hamlin 2, Ivor Trueman 3, Trish Tawuber 4, David Salter Andrew Palk 6, Brian Woodruffe(C) 7, Mike Hayward 8. In memory of Lord Mountbatten,

Following a Memorial Service earlier this day. £2

Seend, Wilts. 7 Sep. 1272 Oxford T B Minor: G

Heath 1, J Romain 2, M Baker 3, J Burry 4, P Hacker 5, D Bailey(C) 6. By Thursday afternoon

Sevenoaks, Kent. 3 Sep, 1260 Stedman Triples: Ann Jenner 1, Sharon Pankhurst 2, Catherine Lewis 3, Isabel Pearce 4, Stanley Jenner 5, Richard Wolfgang 6, Frank Lewis(C) 7, Roy Pankhurst 8. Prior to the Service which celebrated the Golden Wedding of former Rector of Sevenoaks, Revd. Eric McLellan & his wife

Sharnbrook, Beds. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Gemma Davison 1, Jo A Webb 2, Barbara J Woplin 3, Linda J Liggett 4, P J S Albon(C) 5, N C Ashfield-Bowers 6. For Evensong. Also: on 3 Sep, 1260 Doubles (6m): Jo A Webb 1, Linda J Liggett 2, Barbara J Woplin(C) 3, N C Ashfield-Bowers 4, P J S Albon 5, C T Steiner 6. Most m's as C. For Evensong.

Sherborne, Dorset. (The Abbey). 1 Sep, 1260 P B Triples: Charles Wainwright 1, Margaret Bignell 2, Zoe Barker 3, Robert Field 4, James Taylor 5, David Hammonds 6, Roger Fox(C) 7, Chris Rowe 8. On the occasion of the marriage of Claire Austin to Benjamin Anderson. 1st in m; 2, 3, 8. 1st as C in m. 1st Q on the bells since re-hanging, May 1995.

Sidbury, Devon. 22 Aug, 1280 Bristol S Major: Keith Middleton 1, Graham Tucker 2, Sue Sawyer 3, Elaine Grant 4, Richard Shere 5, Alan Sinden 6, James Grant 7, Peter Sawyer(C) 8. 40th Birthday compliment to Lester Yeo. Also: on 2 Sep, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Jim Crabb 1, Cyril Deem 2, Laurie Palmer 3, Don Salter(C) 4, Matthew Weighell 5, Jonathan Weighell 6, Derek Conway 7, Edward Summers 8.

Sidcup, Kent. (131 Wren Road). 30 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Thomas Griffiths 1-2, David Macey 3-4, Matthew Hilling(C) 5-6. 1st in hand; 1-2.

Southampton, Hants. (S Mary). 3 Sep, 1440 London & Cambridge Minor (tenor cover): Jean Blundell 1, Dennis Chapman 2, George Evenden 3, Emma Southerington 4, David Baverstock 5, Peter Hill(C) 6, Stephen Donovan (cover) 7. For

Sowton, Devon. 22 Aug, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Julie Sinden 1, Lesley Tucker 2, Wendy Campbell 3, Richard Shere 4, Sue Swayer 5, lan Campbell 6, Keith Middleton 7, James Grant(C) 8.

Southampton, Hants. (S Michael). 27 Aug, 1280 Bristol S Royal: Debbie Donovan 1, Steve Donovan 2, Heather Kippin 3, Emma Southerington 4, Jenny Orchard (1st B royal) 5, Christine Hill 6, Stuart Heath 7, Nigel Orchard 8, David Baverstock 9, Chris Kippin(C) 10. For £1.50 Evensong.

St Buryan, Cornwall. 13 Aug, 1320 Hull S Minor: Robert Perry 1, Jane Hitchens 2, Patricia Taeuber 3, Pauline Champion 4, Chris Venn 5, Reg McKenzie(C) 6. 1st in m for all. For Flower Festival. 80p

St Mellion, Cornwall. 28 Aug, 1320 Annable's London S Minor: Mark Hood 1, Helen Hunt 2, David Pike 3, David Polly 4, Mark Philipson 5, Alex Hunt(C) 6.

St Stephens by Saltash, Cornwall. 28 Aug, 1260 Thelwall B Minor: Helen Hunt 1, Mark Hood 2, David Polly 3, Mark Philipson 4, David Pike 5, Alex Hunt(C) 6.

Steep, Hants. 3 Sep, 1260 Doubles (2m): Gemma Kerton 1, Margaret Aylieff 2, Mike Kerton 3, Jason Clements 4, Simon Longlands(C) 5, Andrew Routh 6. For Evensong.

Stirling, Central. 31 Aug, 1440 Spl. S Minor (4m): Susan Bryce 1, Clare Caley 2, Marcus Wheel 3, John Grainger 4, Paul Harden(C) 5, Michael Barker 6.

Swanage, Dorset. 27 Aug, 1280 P B Major: Andrew Palk 1, Carol Waller 2, Alison Hamlin 3, Joanne Waller 4, Graham Wright 5, Barry Pointer 6, Ken Waller 7, David Ware(C) 8. Specially rung in memory of Regonalo White of Swanage. £2

Swardeston, Norfolk. (31, Main Rd). 30 Jul, 1488 P B Major: Shirley Drew 1-2, Jeremy Spiller(C) 3-4, Geoffrey Drew 5-6, Raymond Balls

7-8. Peal attempt called round. 50p
Tadcaster, N Yorks. 16 Jul, 1260 Grandsire
Doubles: William Hambly 1, Pamela Poles 2,
Susan Webb 3, Angela Poles 4, David Raggett 5, Stuart Raggett 6. Jointly conducted by 3 & welcome Francesca Louise Leng, born on 29/6/95, daughter of Frances and grand-daughter of Wendy. Also: on 27 Aug, 1260 Doubles (5m/1v): Pamela Poles 1, Angela Poles 2, Angela Pearson 3, David Raggett 4, Susan Webb(C) 5, Rodney Coope 6. A birthday compliment to Daphne Cadman, mother of Pam and Grandmother of Angela; also to congratulate Angela and David on their examination results.

Tewin, Herts. 1 Sep, 1296 Sandal T B Minor: D Kemp 1, D S Harris 2, J M Kemp 3, A R Patterson 4, S A Saunders 5, J J Ford(C) 6.

Thorverton, Devon. 23 Aug, 1284 Cambridge S Royal: Mervyn Way (1st TB royal) 1, Sue Sawyer 2, Wendy Campbell 3, Richard Shere 4, Matthew Weighell 5, Alan Sinden 6, Bill Ford 7, Ian Campbell 8, Martin Mansley 9, Michael Mears(C)

Tiverton, Devon. (S Paul). 20 Jul, 1272 Norwich S Minor: Celia M Deem 1, Maureen E Hawkins 2, C C Deem 3, R J Quick 4, B Horrell(C) 5, D J Hawkins 6. 1001st Q; 5.

Truro, Cornwall. (Cathedral). 2 Jul, Grandsire Triples: Barbara Sharples 1, D P B Miles 2, Diana Smeath 3, C J Taulor 4, A Carveth(C) 5, Nicky Trewolla 6, A J Davidson 7, P Andrew 8. To mark the Ordination of Revd. Dr. Richard Major to the Priesthood.

Tunstall, Kent. 31 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Helen Gigney 1, Justin Hudson 2, Emma Cundiff 3, Stuart Cox 4, Terry Barton 5, Nicholas Chesson(C) 6. Following the baptism of Alexander William Lintott. Also: on 20 Aug, 1250 Cambridge S Minor: Justin Hudson 1, Terry Barton 2, Emma Cundiff 3, Stuart Cox 4, Roger Pocock 5, Nicholas Chesson(C) 6. Following the baptism of Elizabeth Nye and Hilary, Jessica and Olivia Reynolds. £1.20

Uffington, Oxon. 27 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: J J Stevens (1st minor) 1, G L Culley (1st minor) 2, J Norton 3, Ann Stevens 4, A J Crabtree 5, C Davis(C) 6. For the opening of the White Horse

Upton Magna, Shrops. 7 May, 1260 Minimus (6m): James Ward 1, John Neal 2, Chris Adams(C) 3, Andrew Gordon 4. 80p

W Tarring, W Sussex. 30 Jul, 1260 Single Oxford & P B Minor: Brenda I Cox 1, Liz Potter 2, D A Smith 3, M P Spencer 4, C A J Chappell 5, R M Cox(C) 6. Also: on 2 Aug, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Brenda I Cox 1, Liz Potter 2, D A Smith 3,

M P Spencer 4, C A J Chappell 5, R M Cox(C) 6. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 P B Minor: Melanie Workman (1st minor) 1, Brenda I Cox 2, M P Spencer 3, R M Cox 4, D A Smith 5, O Coldrick(C) 6. Also: on 27 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Brenda I Cox 1, Melanie Workman (1st att. inside) 2, M P Spencer 3, O Coldrick 4, D A Smith 5, R M Cox(C) 6. Also: on 3 Sep, 1260 P B Minor: Melanie Workman 1, Brenda I Cox 2, Kate Weston 3, M P

Spencer 4, O Coldrick 5, R M Cox(C) 6.

Wakefield, W Yorks. (9, Green Lane,
Lofthouse). 14 Aug, 1472 P B Major: Philip Brook 1-2, David Banks 3-4, Adrian Moreton(C) 5-6, Susan Webb 7-8.

Walton, Som. 30 Jul, 1260 Doubles (3m): E J Dyer 1, Jennie E Llewellyn 2, J R Brunsdon 3, L E Perry 4, Beverley Perry(C) 5. 375th Q as C; 5. For Holy Communion. Also: on 20 Aug, 1260 Doubles (4m): Beverley Perry 1, B Grenter 2, E J Dyer 3, A K Woolley 4, L E Perry 5. C not given. 50th Q in '95 & circ. twr twice in '95; 1. For Morning Prayer.

Warsop, Notts. 3 Sep, 1250 Lincolnshire S Major: Dick Hind 1, Joan Crosby (1st in m) 2, Mandy Freeman 3, Stuart Brown 4, Fred Flint 5, Bryn Richards 6, Chris Richards 7, Nick Parkes(C) 8. For Evening Service.

Watford, Herts. 4 Sep, 1282 Yorkshire S Royal: Ray Smith 1, Kathleen Baldwin 2, Audrey Alldrick 3, Alan Hall 4, Nigel Childs 5, Ian Blake 6, Stuart Talbott 7, John Peverett(C) 8, Richard Hunt 9, Roger Baldwin 10.

Westbury on Severn, Glos. 3 Sep. 1260 Cliffords Pl. Doubles: Mary Fear 1, Chris Meads 2, Andy Vivian 3, Victor Gibson 4, John Gibson 5,

Brian Lewis 6. For Matins. £1

Westham, E Sussex. 2 Sep, 1260 Doubles
(11m): Sue Andrews 1, Pauline Kennard 2, Edna Everest 3, W A George 4, T D Waterman(C) 5, S Buckley 6. Birthday compliments to George

Whissendine, Rutland. 30 Aug, 1320 Norwich S Minor: Jonathan Underwood(C) 1, Underwood 2, Sue Stimson 3, Michael Stimson 4, Revd. Reg Stretton 5, Paul Phillips 6. For the Collation and Induction Service of the Revd. Nick Denham to the Benifice of Whissendine, Teigh and Market Overton.

Whitchurch, Devon. (S Andrew). 14 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): Sally Swift 1, Philip Mudge 2, Jane Doidge 3, Andrew Mudge 4, George Mudge(C) 5, Doreen Mudge 6. Half-muffled in memory of Revd. Harry Kennan (former vicar of Whitchurch). Also: on 22 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): Philip Mudge 1, Donna Thomson 2, Jane Doidge 3, George Mudge(C) 4, Andrew Mudge 5, Doreen Mudge 6. £2

Winwick, Cambs. 2 Sep, 1260 Doubles (1p/3m):
Timothy Samson(C) 1, Clare Leaton 2, Paul

Mason 3, Victoria Samson 4, Ian Tear 5. Birthday compliment to Victoria Samson.

Wittersham, Kent. 31 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Wendy Puxted (1st T B) 1, Karen Mash 2, David Chesson 3, Phil Jarvis 4, Frank Wenham 5, Richard Edwards(C) 6. As a belated Wedding compliment to Nicholas and Nicola Hefferman, friends of the ringer of the 5.

Wolvercote, Oxon. 16 Apr., 1260 Doubles (3m/6v): John Beale 1, Roy Jones 2, Roy Goodwin(C) 3, Janet Farrow 4, Serg Zvegintzov 5, Willy Haynes 6. For Easter Day. Also: on 29 Jun, 1260 Doubles (2m): Bob Clements 1, John Beale 2, Roy Goodwin(C) 3, Tony Sanger 4, Roy Jones For Patronal Festival and also a wedding compliment to Josepha Clements and Nigel Bennett. Also: on 2 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m/3v): Gwinith Adams 1, Roy Jones 2, Tony Sanger 3, Jonathan Beale 4, George Adams(C) 5, Bob Clements 6. For Patronal Festival Eucharist. £3

Wookey, Som. 3 Sep, 1260 Doubles (3m): Brian Weare 1, Judy Gay 2, Janet Smith 3, Sheila Jenkins 4, Roger Gay(C) 5, Edward Smith 6. To celebrate the 80th birthday of Mrs Betty Roberts on 14/8/95.

Woolton Hill, Hants. 21 Aug, 1296 S Minor (2m): P Myers 1, Joanne Waller 2, Carol Waller 3, Helen Piper 4, G K Dodd(C) 5, K G Waller 6. 1st in

Beverley & Surfleet; 2, 3. £1.20 Worcester, Worcs. (Cathedral). 27 Aug, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Beryl Hartley 1, C D Phillips 2, J A Clements 3, P P Barker-Brown 4, J Wheeler 5, J B Webb 6, Barbara Piper 7, Stuart Piper 8, A G Hartley(C) 9, A J Hartley 10. Compliments to Andrew and Mary Ellis on the birth of their daughter Catherine. For Evensong. £2.50

Wrexham, Clwyd. 24 Aug, 1282 Rutland S Royal: Kenneth Price 1, William Court 2, Helen Mitchell 3, Andrew Jobson 4, Robert Peers 5, George Morrall 6, John Oultram(C) 7, Richard Taylor 8, Eric Jones 9, Geoffrey Parting 10. A 74th birthday compliment to Bill Court (24/8/95). £2

Writtle, Essex. 4 Aug, 1260 P B Doubles: Anne Becket 1, Susan Marriott 2, David Becket 3, Tricia Stephens 4, Phil Stephens(C) 5, Roger Bailey 6. By an almost all family band, to celebrate the wedding of Allan Stephens and Katia Vanier. The band comprised of two Aunties, one Uncle, a Mum and

Dad and a good friend. 50th Q; 2. £1.20

Yorktown, Surrey. 20 Aug, 1260 P B Triples:
Julian Holloway 1, Ian Smith 2, Adrian Nash 3,
Tim Daniels 4, Andrew Day 5, David Leach 6,
David Pearson(C) 7, George Coldman 8. For VJ

North Notts District Quarter Peal Day

Saturday 25th March 1995

A slightly more successful day than last year, achieving eight out of eleven attempts instead of seven out of eleven. Only one failure during the morning (Grandsire Triples) and both evening attempts (both 10 bell) being lost. I would like to thank all those who took part for their support and also those who assisted in the arrangements for the day.

Donation: £8 DAVID A HOLLAND

Scofton with Osberton, Notts. 25 Mar, 1344 P.B. Major: Andrew Hall 1, Brian Freeman 2, Michael Lane 3, Paul Blatherwick 4, David Holland (C) 5, Bryan Birkett 6, Peter Abell (1st Major) 7, John Coates 8. 10th tog: 2,5.

Tuxford, Notts. 1280 Cambridge S. Major: Peter

Abell (1st S. Major) 1, Paul Blatherwick 2, Brian Freeman 3, Michael Lane 4, Bryan Birkett 5, Andrew Hall 6, David Holland 7, John Coates (C) 8. Sutton-cum-Lound, Notts. 1320 Sutton cum

Lound S. Minor: Catherine Wheeler 1, Brian Freeman 2, Bryan Birkett 3, Mandy Freeman 4, Nicholas Parkes 5, David Holland (C) 6. 1st in m: 2,4,5.

Babworth, Notts. 1260 P.B. Minor: Megan Lane

1, Harry Webb 2, Alan Jewitt 3, Michael Lane 4, Ernest Preston (C) 5, Andrew Hall 6.

Gamston, Notts. 1440 Cottesmore Course Minor: Alan Jewitt 1, Catherine Wheeler 2, Michael Lane 3, Ernest Preston 4, Brian Freeman 5, David Holland (C) 6. 1st in m: 2,4,5.

Ordsall, Notts. 1260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: Andrew Hall 1, Mandy Freeman 2, Harry Webb 3, Alec Wilson 4, Bryan Birkett 5, Nicholas Parkes

East Drayton, Notts. 1320 London S. Minor: Alec Wilson 1, David Holland 2, Catherine Wheeler 3, Mandy Freeman 4, Brian Freeman 5, Nicholas Parkes 6.

Rampton, Notts. 1320 Cambridge S. Minor: Harry Webb 1, Alan Jewitt 2, Michael Lane 3, Ernest Preston 4, Bryan Birkett 5, Andrew Hall (C) 6.

Ash-in-Devon Saturday 12 August

Hawkchurch, Devon. 12 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): Leonard Pearse 1, Jan Sapiezynski 2, Fred Sandy 3, Terry Thomas 4, Patrick Tucker (C) 5, Matthew Hillyard 6.

Shute, Devon. 1272 Kent T.B. Minor: Leonard Pearse 1, Fred Sandy 2, Terry Thomas 3, Matthew Hillyard 4, Patricia Tucker 5, Patrick Tucker (C) 6.

Kilmington, Devon. 1260 Stedman Doubles: Patricia Tucker 1, Jan Sapiezynski 2, Fred Sandy 3, Matthew Hillyard 4, Patrick Tucker (C) 5, Terry Thomas 6.

Dalwood, Devon. 1260 P.B. Minor: Leonard Pearse 1, Patricia Tucker 2, Jan Sapiezynski 3, Terry Thomas 4, Matthew Hillyard 5, Patrick

Quarter peal forms are available (free) from the RW Office, Guildford. Send a stamped/addressed (9"x 4") envelope now.

North from Herefordshire

Another year has flown by and earlier this year a group of friends from the Clifford and Kinton area in Herefordshire converged on Clitheroe for the start of their annual ringing holiday. The communal picnic was abandoned because of poor weather so we met at St Mary Magdalen in time to ring after a very pretty wedding; we were welcomed by the local band and enjoyed our ringing with them. After leaving there, we drove almost fifty miles to our holiday cottages; these were located on a beautiful site Yorkshire overlooking the reservoir at Ramsgill in Nidderdale; they were very comfortable, with every mod con, and surrounded by pleasant gardens. We had splendid views to the hills over the water and the pleasure of watching the activities of all the different birds, especially the mad flying of the lapwings and the slow, stately processions of families of geese going to and from the water, the chicks being kept strictly in order by their parents. On Sunday morning we wound our way down to Pately Bridge; we were going to ring for a civic service; very grand we thought, but came down to earth almost literally when we saw the hole in the middle of the ringing room floor. The very light bells were testing, and the carpet billowed in a disconcerting way around ringers' feet as draughts blew up from below. It was different... On Monday the ringing holiday began in earnest. At All Saints in Otley we discovered the famous/infamous Yorkshire tailends; what a handful and they have an entertaining way of hitting you directly in the eye! We had to work hard to try and catch up with the speedy, light bells of St Oswald at Collingham, which seemed to shoot off in all directions from their minute ringing room. The ringing room of St James at Wetherby was very handsome and the bells sounded grand. Three more tailends at St Michael & All Saints at Beckwithshaw, the tenor ringer looking most superior from his high box at the end of the stairs. The bells of St James the Apostle at Birstwith were lovely and gracious; we enjoyed our visit, and the chat with the elderly man who said he began ringing in 1933 and was enrolled as a member of the band seven months later after ringing his first peal.

Tuesday morning was overcast: disappointing as the previous night's sunset was magnificent pink sky at night etc. usually works. To St Chad at Middlesmoor first, the church on the edge of a tiny village hanging onto the hilltop, with the most wonderful views; there was no circumventing the long iron ladder going upwards, and one ringer managed the final lurch up to the floor by hanging on to a colleague's leg, much to his surprise. The bells were tough, and we left early when the tenor defeated the most determined muscles. We sampled the bells of St John the Evangelist at East Witton on our way to Middleham. After ringing up at SS Mary and Alkelda, Margaret discovered the hard way that there was no stay on the second; nevertheless, we rang a quarter peal of Bob Major for Alison's birthday and were pleased with our efforts. We enjoyed our visit to St Oswald at Askrigg, all packed into the tiny ringing room to get away from the wind and the rain.

Wednesday greeted us with drizzle and wind, and snow on the hills; the geese were in their element. Well wrapped up we set out for St John the Baptist at Kirby Wiske (wonderful carvings of heads dotted about the church); All Saints at Northallerton where we gave a creditable performance; St Mary at Richmond (no stay on the sixth we discovered), and enjoyable ring. After several tours of the town we eventually found our way out and set off for St Andrew at Grinton, in the pouring rain; lovely, strong bells and a notice to say "no stay" on the treble – we didn't do them justice.

St Andrew at Kirkby Malzeard was the final destination of the day; the road wound on forever but we eventually arrived to find the gargoyles welcoming us. It was worth it; the bells were lovely, and our ringing and ring down were superb. Well, they werel Red sky on the way back to base: a good omen? Yes – Thursday morning

was warm and sunny. The bells of St Nicholas at West Tanfield were slow and majestic, the village looked peaceful, clematis flowed over the warm stone walls and bees buzzed. We felt more energetic. So on we went to St Mary at Wath Juxta Ripon (a name to conjure with) with its ancient brasses and maze-like yew hedges; to St John the Divine at Sharow with its grand, painted ceiling, and to St Peter and St Wilfrid in Ripon where we managed to do justice to the bells. We rang at St Peter's before making our way back to Ramsgill and the local pub, in sunshine.

Then came Friday with St Andrew at Gargrave first; market day in Skipton made parking difficult but not impossible. What an impressive ringing room, with peal boards going back 159 years; and what beautiful bells Holy Trinity looks after. At St Andrew in Kildwick we had our only lockout; in fact, we opened the ringing room door with a car key (please note) but did not ring as we hadn't been officially let in. We didn't feel too disappointed when we saw eight fat tailends; watching the lock gates on the canal was very restful while we waited in vain. Giggleswick looked lovely in the sunshine; it was ice creams all round and we were lucky to find the organist practising in St Alkelda - we didn't ask him how he felt about our music. A beautiful drive over layer after layer of moorland took us to Burnsall; St Wilfrid's tower steps seemed to be carved out of the living rock, and then polished, and the neat little ringing room was the proud possessor of a iail cell door - are learners locked in until they get it right? We felt we did justice to these bells too, and contentedly retraced our steps to the pub at The weather was again windy and overcast on the last morning but the cuckoo was calling as people wended their way home or otherwise; only seven hardy ringers made their way to the final church, St Helen in Waddington. Another holiday had ended; we'd driven hundreds of miles, climbed hundreds of steps, probably eaten and drunk too much also. But it was felt to have been a happy and successful time; the more experienced, ringers had taken turns in being in charge for each half day, and the less experienced ringers felt they had been given a fair share of ringing and a great deal of help: the methods had been varied, as had the ringing. Thank you to all the people who met us and made us welcome in their towers. We're now thinking about 1996.

Quarter Peal Day

On Saturday August 5th, ringers from All Saints', Sutton Courtenay, Oxon and the University of Bristol Society of Change Ringers rang the following quarter peals.

Appleford. 1260 Doubles (3m): David Spencer

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Radley. 1260 P.B. Minor: Luke Jenkins 1, John Napper 2, Adam Jenkins 3, Jonathan Smith 4, Catherine Watson 5, David Spencer (C) 6.

Sunningwell 1320 Cambridge S. Minor: Luke Jenkins (1st T.B.) 1, John Napper (1st Minor) 2, Catherine Watson 3, David Spencer 4, Jonathan Smith (1st C) 5, Adam Jenkins (1st in m as C) 6.

Drayton. 1260 Grandsire Triples: Adam Jenkins

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A Hot Day

Whitwick, Leics. 2 Aug, 1280 Pudsey S. Major: Celia Harris 1, W E Evans 2, T Harris 3, Helen A Mitchell (1st in m) 4, C Lord 5, F Chambers 6, R H Daw 7, R H Beniston (C) 8.

Oaks in Charnwood, Leics. 1250 Yorkshire S. Major: T Harris 1, Celia Harris 2, W E Evans 3, Helen A Mitchell 4, C Lord 5, F Chambers 6, R C Graves 7, R H Daw (C) 8.

Woodhouse Eaves, Leics. 1272 London S. Minor: W E Evans 1, Celia Harris 2, C Lord 3, Helen A Mitchell (1st in m) 4, F Chambers 5, R H

Old Woodhouse, Leics. 1260 St Clements & P.B. Minor: T Harris 1, W E Evans 2, Helen A Mitchell 3, C Lord 4, F Chambers 5, R H Daw (C) 6.

Henlow Ringers in Durham

As one tourist pointed out during the weekend, the nature of the Geordie personality is exemplified by their driving manners: they never hoot unless vital, and I remember realising I was travelling in the wrong direction down a road and unsuccessfully trying a 3-point turn. The next motorist along stopped, gave me the "thumbs up" and put on his hazard warning lights. This kind of courtesy was evident throughout the weekend.

The main group was staying at a camping site near Fincale Priory, which no doubt added an air of historic mystery to their stay. The first tower selected was Consett, a town well known for the production of Philleas Fogg Mignons Morceaux and Tortilla Chips. Acquaintances were renewed. The bulky six at Wylam followed, some experiencing difficulty keeping the trebles to the required slow compass, and the 4th and 5th which are encumbered by "ringer obstacles", notably a very low guide and an inconveniently-placed clock hammer wire.

There then followed a long break during which sections of Hadrian's Wall were explored, together with the fort at Housesteads.

The writer's navigator had unwittingly transposed in his mind the ringing at Allendale and Hexham following our abortive bid to reach Jedburgh Abey between towers, and suddenly, having cursed the other ringers for being so late at Hexham, we realised our plight and sped to Allendale, which we knew from a previous visit to be an excellent light eight. Two of the local ringers kindly rang with us at Hexham, and we were treated to a very good course of Stedman which was probably the best ringing of the tour.

St Oswald's, Durham has a notable and unusual organ, and this was examined by John Long, organist emeritus of Milton Ernest following a tip-off by our hotel proprietor, who himself was sub-organist at Newcastle Cathedral.

Durham proved a good choice for lunch, sustenance being essential before attempting the very long climb up to the Cathedral ringing chamber – several of us found the Cathedral Refectory useful.

It has to be said that we did not ring very well at the Cathedral but the locals were very kind in showing us the bells before the ringing. There was time for quick refreshment in the searing heat of the day in the nearby tea room before a short drive to Shincliffe, where we enjoyed the novelty value of the miniature six. At Brancepeth, we were disappointed to find the grand castle not open to the public.

This year it was not convenient to seek out an Anglo-Catholic service, but the following day made a good finale. I plead guilty to miscalculating the time required to get to Houghton le Spring from the hotel in Newcastle, and so as an alternative my "splinter group" settled for the historic church of St Paul, Jarrow. In the afternoon we had a trip out to Beamish Open Air Museum, which was considered excellent value at £6.99 including travel on vintage trams and taxies. It is a museum of country life at the turn of the century, reflecting local industries and recreation.

Thanks go to Philip Jewell for a memorable tour, the highlights for me being an excellent Greek meal the first night, that Stedman at Hexham and the friendliness of the natives.

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Doubles Variations Named

The following variations have been rung to quarter peals at Church Gresley and named as

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9.7.95	Lunga Doubles	184hn/wy
18.7.95	Bax Doubles	180x/bt
22.7.95	Bliss Doubles	180y/bt
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13.8.95	Britten Doubles	184y/bt
15.8.95	Pax Doubles	180y/om
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Quarters in Cornwall

St Buryan. 2 Jul, 1320 Netherseale S. Minor: Julie Miles 1, Jane Hitchens 2, Trystan Hitchens 3, Richard Thumwood 4, Neil Hitchens 5, Chris Venn (C) 6. 1st in m for all.

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Penzance. 2 Jul, 1320 Westminster S. Minor:
Julie Miles 1, Claire Sweetman 2, Jane Hitchens
3, Neil Hitchens 4, Richard Thumwood 5, Chris
Venn (C) 6. Trystan Hitchens (cover).

Towednack. 6 Jul, 1274 Spliced S. Minor (4m): Dawn Gaze 1, Jane Hitchens 2, Claire Sweetman 3, Sam Nankervis 4, Neil Hitchens 5, Chris Venn 6.

Penzance. 12 Jul, 1280 St Clements C.B. Major: Dawn Gaze (1st Major) 1, Jane Hitchens 2, Margaret Byrne 3, Trystan Hitchens 4, Dominic Beer 5, Adam Beer 6, Chris Venn (C) 7, Neil Hitchens 8.

St Buryan. 15 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Anne McNair 1, Jane Hitchens 2, Trystan Hitchens 3, Chris Venn (C) 4, Anthony Parry 5, Neil Hitchens 6.

Sennen. 27 Jul, 1250 Allendale S. Minor: Dawn Gaze 1, Margaret Byrne 2, Jane Hitchens 3, Dominic Beer 4, Trystan Hitchens 5, Chris Venn (C) 6. 1st in m for all.

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Paul. 29 Jul, 1274 Cambridge S. Minor: Jenny
Ridley 1, Jane Hitchens 2, Margaret Byrne 3,
Trystan Hitchens 4, John Waters 5, Chris Venn (C)
6. For the Paul 400 celebrations 1595-1995 to
commemorate the landing of the Spanish at
Mousehole and the subsequent burning of Paul

St Buryan. 29 Jul, 1320 Bamborough S. Minor: Susan Colborne 1, Margaret Byrne 2, Jane Hitchens 3, Trystan Hitchens 4, Chris Venn (C) 5, Chris Pickford 6. 1st in m for all.

Penzance. 29 Jul, 1427 Grandsire Triples: Dawn Gaze 1, Jane Hitchens 2, Helen Perry 3, Margaret Byrne 4, Trystan Hitchens 5, Robert Perry 6, Chris Venn (C) 7, Anthony Davidson 8. £5.90

Three In A Day

Wellington, Herefs. 15 Jul, 1320 Tintern D. Minor: Ruth Halling 1, Claire Redstone 2, Paul Evans 3, A J Barnfield 4, Roy Williams 5, David Bagley (C) 6.

Fownhope, Herefs. 1296 Crowland D. Minor: CR 1. RH 2. DB 3. AJB 4. PE 5. RW (C) 6.

CR 1, RH 2, DB 3, AJB 4, PE 5, RW (C) 6. Woolhope, Herefs. 1272 Merton D. Minor: DB 1, RH 2, CR 3, RW 4, AJB 5, PE (C) 6.

Four In A Day

Rock, Worcs. 5 Aug, 1280 Rock S. Major: Ruth Halling 1, Mark Davies 2, Catherine Leach 3, David Bagley 4, Paul Evans 5, Claire Redstone 6, A I Rarnfield 7, Roy Williams (C) 8

A J Barnfield 7, Roy Williams (C) 8.

Bewdley, Worcs. 1250 Yorkshire S. Major: RW
1, RH 2, CL 3, CR 4, PE 5, AJB 6, MD 7, DB (C) 8.

Wolverley, Worcs. 1280 Zelah S. Major: PE 1,
CR 2, CL 3, DB 4, RH 5, RW 6, AJB 7, MD (C) 8.

Winner Worcs. 1280 Zelah S. Major: CB 1.

Kinver, Worcs. 1280 Zeus S. Major: CR 1, RW 2, CL 3, MD 4, RH 5, AJB 6, DB 7, PE (C) 8. £8

Addington, Surrey. 27 Aug, 1260 St Clements Minor: John Perrin 1, George Perrin (1st in m) 2, Keith Matthews 3, Catherine Butler 4, James Foster 5, Eric Godfrey (C) 6.

Adlington, Lancs. 26 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Donna Jones 1, Audrey McNutt 2, Lindsey Smith 3, S Jackson 4, A McNutt (C) 5, G Smith 6, R Clayton 7, J Sharples 8. For the Flower Festival.

Ash, Som. 17 Aug, 1260 PB Minor: Leonard Pearse 1, Patricia Tucker 2, Matthew Hillyard 3, John Hayter 4, Jan Sapiezynski 5, Patrick Tucker (C) 6. Also 19 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): Leonard Pearse 1, Jan Sapiezynski 2, Patricia Tucker 3, Matthew Hillyard 4, Patrick Tucker (C) 5, Terry Thomas 6. Also 29 Aug, 1260 St Clements Bob Minor: Leonard Pearse 1, Matthew Hillyard 2, Terry Thomas 3, Jan Sapiezynski 4, Patricia Tucker 5, Patrick Tucker (C) 6.

Ashbourne, Derbys. 27 Aug, 1272 Minimus (5m): Keith Woolley 1, Jackie Burns 2, Rev David Sansum 3, Andrew Burns (C) 4, Peter Marples 5. Rung during the St Oswald's Sunday School and Ashbourne Shrovetide Football Exhibition in the church and the "tupenny mile" nave roof appeal.

Arsdorf, Luxemburg. 21 Aug, 1260 PB Minor: Alan Glover (C) 1-2, Gillian Glover 3-4, Philip Cleaver 5-6. Possibly the first band to have rung Qs in a Kingdom, a Republic, a Sultanate and a Grand Duchy.

Ashcott, Som. 27 Jul, 1260 Doubles (3m):
Robert Davis (C) 1, Dean Lee 2, Terrence Rendell
3, Derek Biles 4, Michael Orman 5, Jenny

Ashill, Som. 19 Aug, 1260 PB Minor: Lesley Knipe 1, Bryony Dorrington 2, Stanley Huish 3, Terry Mockridge 4, Rev Richard Dorrington 5, Jeffrey Knipe (C) 6. Wedding compliment to Susan Drayton & Steve Woodberry.

Auckland, NZ. 28 Aug, 1264 PB Major: John Dunn 1, Tim Pink 2, Robert Bennett (C) 3, Sally Green 4, Gary Wong 5, Alan Caldwell 6, Peter Adams 7, Dennis Green 8. Also 28 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: John Dunn 1, Sally Green 2, David Caldwell 3, Peter Adams 4, Gary Wong 5, Dennis Green (C) 6.

Basford, Notts. 26 Aug, 1260 PB Minor: Sue Pembleton 1, Kathryn White 2, Anna Webb 3, Ann Roe (1st minor inside) 4, Elizabeth Beardsley 5, R Woolley (C) 6. Farewell to the Revd David Day on his return to New Zealand.25th on the bells this year.

Baughurst, Hants. 22 Aug, 1260 PB Minor: Angela Athawes 1, Miriam Holdsworth 2, Shirley Hedges 3, Ian Holdsworth 4, Graham Hedges 5, Ben Constant (C) 6. £1.20

Bishopstoke, Hants. 20 Aug, 1250 Superlative S Major: Allen Guille 1, John Hallett 2, Kay LeMarechal 3, Julie Hodkin 4, Peter Blythe 5, Andrew Pickett 6, James Hodkin 7, Roy LeMarechal (C) 8. For Evensong.

Blackburn, Lancs (St Silas). 28 Jul, 1260 Doubles (2m): Frank Anderton 1, Jean Barnes 2, Alison Hammond 3, Raymond Clayton 4, Graham Turner 5. Jointly C: 2 extents each & extra 60 by treble. Birthday compliment to 2.

Blewbury, Oxon. 9 Apr, No method given:
Jacqueline Gardner 1, R Loyd 2, Gillian Loyd 3, D
J Barrance 4, T S Butler 5, P R Butler (C) 6, P E
Corderay 7, J Hetherington 8. A compliment to
John & Laura Moody on the birth of their
daughter Georgina. £2.50
Bodenham, Herefs. 8 Aug, 1260 PB Doubles: P

C Dickinson 1, R C Dickinson (1st inside) 2, D R Carter (C) 3, Amanda James 4, R Tingley 5, A Fortey 6.

Brailsford, Derbys. 29 Aug, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Pat Halls (C) 1, Mary Cox 2, Brian Tomlinson 3, John Crouch (1st in m) 4, Gordon Halls 5, Andrew Burns 6. For the Silver Wedding Anniversary of John & Margaret Crouch

Anniversary of John & Margaret Crouch. £1
Brecon, Powys (Cathedral). 6 Aug, 1264 PB
Major: Catherine Gardner 1, Rachel Taylor (1st in m) 2, Bernard Taylor 3, Jonathon Cook (1st in m) 4, Graham Wright 5, Colin Hares 6, Barry Pointer 7, Malcolm Johns (C) 8. For Morning Service. 80p

Brecon, Powys (St Mary). 6 Aug. 1260 PB Triples: Geoffrey Miles 1, Susan Lloyd 2, Jonathon Cook 3, Colin Hares 4, Barry Pointer 5, Philip Saunders 6, Malcolm Johns (C) 7, Graham Wright 8. For Evensong. Also 27 Aug. 1259 Grandsire Triples: Mary Richards 1, Kathleen Johnson 2, Jonathon Cook (1st in m) 3, Michael Thomas 4, Robert Johnson 5, Paul Johnson 6, Malcolm Johns (C) 7, Richard Wheeler 8. For Evensong.

Brent Knoll, Som. 29 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: W H Trewin 1, P Slater 2, H Pankhurst 3, Rosemary Ball 4, A H Ball (C) 5, E C Nicholls 6.

Bridgwater, Som. 13 Jul, 1260 Doubles (4m): Frances Pearce 1, Gerald Brown 2, Valerie Stone (C) 3, Gilbert Davis 4, Mark Holder 5, Keith Lane 6. A tribute to Beryl Hocking on the day of her funeral. On the back 6.

Buckden, Cambs. 21 Aug, 1260 PB Doubles: Catherina Griffiths 1, David Griffiths (1st doubles insi 2, Timothy Griffiths 3, Adam Greenley 4, Thomas Griffiths (C) 5.

Burton on Trent, Staffs (St Paul). 31 Aug, 1288 Grandsire Triples: C W Bowen 1, Noreen Atkinson 2, C T Collins 3, S C W Hutchieson 4, B J W Townsend 5, W J Hall (C) 6, M Webster 7, J I Daubner 8. In memoriam the Revd William Burrell Wooley (1917-1995) Vicar of this parish 1959-1975. Rung half-muffled immediately prior to the funeral service.

Buxhall, Suffolk. 25 Aug, 1320 PB Minor: David Johnstone 1, David Steed 2, Hubert Mitson 3, Carol Girling 4, Catherine Colman 5, Winston Girling (C) 6. To mark Canon Kendall's many years at Buxhall & Shelland. 1st Q following recasting of 3rd, inscribed 'In appreciation of the devoted ministry of Canon C N Kendall 1949-1995'.

Cannington, Som. 4 Aug, 1260 Doubles (5m): Frances Phillips 1, Dora Westlake 2, Ted Westlake (C) 3, Peter Neil 4, Tim Phillips 5, Richard Clement 6. To celebrate the marriage of treble and fifth ringers.

Castle Acre, Norfolk. 29 Aug, 1440 London S Minor: Adrian Clifton 1, Mick Cole 2, Angela Clifton 3, Gerald Burton 4, Stephen High (C) 5, David Riley 6.

Catfield, Norfolk. 19 Aug. 1260 Doubles (5m): J B Gardiner 1, A J Lubbock 2, Jenny Forster 3, A S Forster (C) 4, D J Grey 5, J P Butler 6. £2

Chaffcombe, Som. 12 Aug, 1289 Grandsire Doubles: Mark Harris (C, 450th Q) 1, Andrew Wakely (1st in m) 2, Oliver Crowle (1st in m) 3, Jeremy Harris 4, Sylvia Furzey (circled tower, 50t 5, Awen Kimmis (1st as cover) 6.

Chelsfield, Kent. 27 Aug, 1260 PB Minor: Karen Barter 1, Clare Pruden 2, Janet Barter 3, James Rooke 4, Philippa Rooke 5, Robert Pruden (C) 6. To celebrate the 80th birthday the previous day of Charles Rowe our churchwarden emeritus, a ringer and member of the KCA for some 40 years. £1.50

Chewton Mendip, Som. 4 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: J C Peppard 1, D Floyd 2, Teresa Humphrey (1st inside on 8) 3, John Brain 4, Marilyn Floyd 5, H M Ball 6, A H Ball (C) 7, Jp 8 Spring 8. Wedding compliment to Tim Phillips 8 Frances Griffiths. Birthday compliment to Her Majesty, the Queen Mother.

Chiddingfold, Surrey. 25 Aug, 1273 Grandsire Triples: Sally Schupke 1, Jennifer Hepburn 2, Julian Morgan (C) 3, Joan Peel 4, David Hester 5, Ian Hastilow 6, Graham Nayler 7, Richard Marsh 8, £2

Chippenham, Wilts (St Andrew). 27 Aug, 1260 Stedman Triples: Philip Hacker 1, John Romain 2, Hilary Downham 3, Patrick Chapman 4, Jonathan Farquhar 5, Ken Webb 6, Derrick Bailey (C) 7, Martin Strange 8. For Evensong. All except 5 are SDGR members – many thanks tolocal band for allowing us to ring.

Combe St Nicholas, Som. 12 Aug, 1272 PB Minor: Sylvia Furzey 1, Oliver Crowle 2, Awen Kimmis (1st minor inside) 3, Andrew Wakely (1st minor) 4, Jeremy Harris 5, Mark Harris (C, circled tower) 6. Wedding compliment to Martin Hawkins & Sarah-Jane Wedlock on their marriage at West Harptree this day. £1.20

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Coughton, Warks. 27 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m):
Geoff Sreeves (C) 1, Kathryn Latham 2, Doris
Randall 3, Bob Airley 4, Francis Sreeves 5, Pat
Sreeves 6. For afternoon service. £1.20

Deerhurst, Glos. 27 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Sarah Garle 1, Andrew Huggins 2, Trish Fairweather 3, Tim Hart 4, Richard Hart (C) 5, Clive Jelfs 6. For Flower Festival Songs of Praise. £1 Derby, Derbys (Cathedral). 30 Jul, 1282

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Peverett (1st in m) 2, Christian Peckham 3, Pam
Timms 4, Brian Tomlinson 5, Jane Boden 6,
Cheryl Dodge 7, Tim Peverett (C) 8, Paul Jopp 9,
Richard Hamby 10. Also 27 Aug, 1280 Superlative
S Major: Brian Tomlinson 1, Jane Boden (C) 2,
Caroline Peverett 3, Pamela Timms 4, Frances
Haynes 5, Alistair Smith 6, Roy Meads 7, Tim
Peverett 8.

Ditcheat, Som. 23 Jul, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Robert Davis (circled tower twice 1, Lesley Knipe 2, Janet Crispin 3, Michael Orman 4, Brian Shingler 5, Jeffery Knipwe 6, Andrew Woolley (C) 7, Richard Bowditch 8. For Evensong.

Dorney, Bucks. 2 Aug, 1260 Mixed Doubles (3m): Nick Holland 1, Ben Parcell 2, Marcia Dieppe 3, Janet Gillard 4, Reggie Gillard 5. Birthday compliment to Darren Williams. 50th together 4 & 5. Also 6 Aug, 1260 St Clements College Bob Minor: Janet Gillard 1, Andrew McKerlie (1st in m) 2, Marcia Dieppe (1st in m) 3, Malwyn Williams 4, Darren Williams 5, Reggie Gillard (1st in m) 6. 25th together 4 & 6. Also 13 Aug, 1260 PB Minor: Malwyn Williams (circled tower) 1, Darren Williams 2, Jennie Dieppe 3, Reggie Gillard (C) 4, Janet Gillard 5, Nick Holland

(circled tower) 6. Get well compliment to Marcia Dieppe. Also 21 Aug, 1260 Mixed Doubles (14m): Rebecca Bruce 1, Ben Parcell (most m) 2, Lloyd Cartwright 3, Reggie Gillard (most m) 4, Darren Pickett (C) 5, Janet Gillard (circled tower) 6. Compliment to Mary & Andrew Ellis on the birth of their first child, Catherine Helen Elizabeth, born 19 August 1995 weighing 5lbs 12 ozs. Also 25 Aug, 1320 Netherseale S Minor: Janet Gillard 1, Jane Hitchens 2, Marcia Dieppe 3, Reggie Gillard 4, Trystan Hitchens 5, Chris Venn (C) 6.

Drayton, Som. 21 Aug, 1269 Doubles (3m): Liz Rendell 1, Edward Hancock 2, Mark Harris (C) 3, Oliver Crowle 4, Malcolm Butcher (1st in 3m) 5, Pat Rendell 6. £1.20

Dundry, Som. 27 Aug, 1260 Doubles (4m): H M Ball 1, L E Croucher 2, F S Ford 3, C Hobbs 4, A H Ball (C) 5, W J Astle 6. For Evensong.

East Budleigh, Devon. 10 Aug, 1260 Middlesex Triples: D J Hawkins 1, R Shere (1st in m) 2, Maureen Hawkins 3, R J Quick 4, Janet Coles 5, B Horrell 6, C C Deem (C) 7, W R Trickey 8. Silver wedding anniversary compliment to David & Molly Pratt, both ringers at this tower. £1.60

East Harptree, Som. 3 Aug, 1260 Doubles (10m): Frances Griffiths 1, Ted Westlake (C) 2, Roy Shallish 3, Richard Clement 4, Peter Neil 5, Tim Phillips 6. On the eve of the marriage of treble and tenor ringers.

Edenbridge, Kent. 18 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Osbon 1, Colin Osbon 2, Ernest Ladd 3, Peter Jeffrey 4, Bob Sherlock 5, Ian Henderson 6, Brian Jeffrey (C) 7, Jim French 8. Half-muffled following the funeral of Bill Leigh, loyal memberof the local band for 70 years, who died on 10 August 1995,aged 91. A good man and true.

Edgmond, Salop. 21 Aug, 1280 Double Dublin S Major: J D Neal 1, Abigail Hind 2, C M Wulkau (C) 3, Lorna Bedford 4, P J Lewis 5, E W Broom 6, R Offen 7, M Adams 8.

Edith Weston, Leics. 26 Aug, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Joyce Sharp 1, Judy Venn 2, P A Sharp 3, Peggy Jennings 4, J G Underwood 5, E R Venn (C) 6. To commemorate Peter Sharp's retirement from teaching.

Elveden, Suffolk. 12 Aug, 1260 PB Triples: Isabel Rivers 1, Trudie Bradnam 2, Linda Vickers 3, Sybil McLean 4, Raymond Rivers 5, Richard Vickers 6, David McLean 7, Peter Bradnam 8. Birthday compliments to Catherine Bradnam (9 August) and Beatrice Fuller (11 August). £1.60

August) and Beatrice Fuller (11 August). £1.60
Fairwarp, E Sussex. 25 Aug, 1280 Belfast S
Major: G D Heath 1, L G Pink 2, L J Etherington
(1st in m) 3, A Smith (1st in m) 4, I V J Smith 5,
R C G North (1st in m) 6, A D Pink 7, J E Hawes
(C) 8. £1.60

Flamstead, Herts. No date given, 1272 S Minor (2m): George Reading 1, Lucy Shepherd 2, John Ewer 3, Alan Shepherd 4, Robert Tregillus 5, Christopher Tough (C) 6. For the birth of Sinead Maria Reading. £1.50

Maria Reading. £1.50
Fownhope, Herefs. 1 Aug, 1260 Doubles (2m):
P C Dickinson 1, Jo Hall 2, Amanda James 3, A
Fortey 4, D R Carter (C) 5, R C Dickinson 6. For the
Golden Wedding anniversary of Tom & Irewne
Stevens (30.7.95). £1.20

Gimingham, Norfolk. 24 Aug, 1320 Doubles (2m): Joan Larter 1, Fiona Cashmore (1st inside) 2, Andrew Lubbock 3, Gilbert Larter (C) 4, Derek Grey 5.

Goostrey, Ches. 27 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: S J Fisher 1, D Burgess (1st in m) 2, S Kershaw 3, M C E Hodge 4, D N Young (C) 5. Ruby Wedding compliment to grandparents of Dale Burgess.

Great Yarmouth, Norfolk. 30 Jul, 1260 Mixed doubles (678 cover): Nicola Hubbard 1, Dorothy Knight 2, Isabel Rivers 3, Roy Haynes 4, Ray Rivers (C) 5, Tony Knight 6, Mark Russen 7, Tracey Horn 8. To celebrate the wedding of Maxine Fennell & Michael Dann on 29th July, ringing friends of our tower. Also 18th birthday compliment to 1. Also 6 Aug, 1260 Mixed Doubles: Tony Knight 1, Dorothy Knight 2, Isabel Rivers 3, Roy Haynes 4, Ray Rivers (C) 5, Mark Russen 6. To celebrate the 95th birthday of HM The Queen Mother on 4 August 1995.

Guildford, Surrey (Cathedral). 18 Aug, 1344 Belfast S Maximus: Beryl Norris 1, Alison Godfrey 2, Nigel Smith 3, Quentin Armitage 4, Linda Armitage 5, Chris Rogers 6, Richard Burton (C) 7, Oliver Coldrick 8, William Barter 9, Simon Alford 10, Martin Faulkes 11, David Tubbs 12. £2.40

Guildford, Surrey (St Nicolas). 27 Aug, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Ann Patterson (1st in m) 1, Ann Pierce (1st in m) 2, Jennifer Hepburn 3, Julian Morgan (C) 4, Richard Marsh 5, Sally Schupke 6.

Hailsham, E Sussex. 23 Jul, 1287 Grandsire Triples: Evelyn Evenden 1, Jill Bramley 2, Rev David Smith 3, Roy Fuller 4, Shirley Slade 5, Michael Jones 6, Christopher Slade (C) 7, Tim Briggs 8. A farewell to Chris & Shirley Slade, moving to Worcestershire. Also 24 Jul, 1260 Stedman Triples: Miranda Bard 1, Sandra Titherly 2, Christine Baldock 3, Christopher Slade 4, Shirley Slade 5, Rev John Wrenbury (1st in m) 6, Alan Baldock (C) 7, Sam Tyler 8. A farewell to Chris & Shirley Slade, moving to Worcestershire. Also 27 Aug, 1260 Oxford Bob Triples: Sam Tyler 1, Miranda Bard 2, Christine Baldock 3, Sandra Titherly 4, Roy Fuller 5, Michael Jones 6, Alan Baldock (C) 7, Godfrey FitzHugh 8. For Evening Communion Service.

Heathfield, E Sussex (Reynards). 16 Aug, 1320 Alderbourne Delight Minor: Louise Pink 1-2, P M J Bradford (50th in hand) 3-4, A D Pink (C) 5-6. Also 27 Aug, 1320 Oswald Delight Minor: Louise Pink 1-2, P M J Bradford 3-4, A D Pink (C) 5-6. £1.80 Also 27 Aug, 1440 PB Royal: Ann Smith 1-2, A D Pink 3-4, Louise Pink 5-6, P M J Bradford 7-8, I V J Smith (C) 9-10.

Hemingford Grey, Cambs. 26 Aug, 1280 PB Major: Penny Pardoe 1, M Pardoe 2, Alison Finn 3, Juliet Merritt 4, H S King 5, Bridget White 6, J P L Pardoe 7, M V White (C) 8. Immediately prior to a service of thanksgiving for the Silver Wedding of David & Alwyn Frost, David being one of the local ringers.

Hitchin, Herts. 23 Jul, 1260 PB Triples: J S Dear 1, M J Cranfield 2, Susannah Clements 3, J N McCutcheon 4, R A Brown 5, F P G Flack 6, K D Waples (C) 7, P J Cranfield 8. Wedding anniversary compliment to Christine & John McCutcheon

Hollesley, Suffolk. 28 Aug, 1260 PB Doubles: Mona Berryman 1, Angie Woodrow (1st inside) 2, Micky McBurnie 3, Fred Stentiford 4, Alan McBurnie (C) 5, Jill Berryman 6. To celebrate the

Holmer, Herefs. 24 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: N M James 1, R Tingley 2, J W Smith 3, D R Carter 4, H J Webb 5, M E Jefferis 6. For the licensing of Shelagh Daniels as Lay Reader. Also for Silver Wedding anniversary of Mike & Sally Jefferis.

Hook Norton, Oxon. 7 Aug, 1260 Grandsire Doubles (768 cover): Jill Roberts 1, Emma Thomas 2, Sally Austin (C) 3, O Hemmings 4, M J Austin 5, P G Brown 6, T R Burchell 7, D W Clarke 8. 80th birthday compliment to Oscar Hemmings.

Horsham, W Sussex. 27 Aug. 1260 Stedman Triples: Brenda Jones 1, Penny Groome 2, Jennifer Smith 3, Margaret Thomas 4, S R T Pocock 5, R G Tickner 6, D D Smith (C) 7, A A Jones 8. To celebrate the 80th birthday of Brian Rose and the 90th birthday of George Jennings,

Jersey, CI (St Mark). 23 Jul, 1272 Spliced S Minor (3m): Hazel Bailey 1, J A Read 2, F J Bailey 3, P J Routier 4, S J L Linford (C) 5, A C Belsey 6. Prior to a Songs of Praise service. Also 13 Aug, 1320 Spliced S Minor (6m): Annette Blanchet 1, Joanna Linford 2, J A Read 3, P J Routier 4, A C Belsey 5, S J L Linford (C) 6. 1st Lightfoot 6: 3, 4 & 5. Also 27 Aug, 1440 Spliced S Minor (6m): Annette Blanchet 1, Joanna Knight 2, J R Worrall 3, P J Routier 4, A C Belsey 5, A C Malton (C) 6. 1st Lightfoot 6: 2 & 3.

Kensington, London SW (Imperial College). 23 Aug, 1824 Glasgow S Major: Ruth Blackwell 1-2, Simon Gay 3-4, Mike Trimm 5-6, Roger Bailey (C) 7-8. Also 24 Aug, 1312 Bristol S Major: Prudence Fay 1-2, Simon Gay 3-4, Roger Bailey (C) 5-6, Stuart Cox 7-8.

Kettleburgh, Suffolk. 28 Aug, 1260 PB Minor: Catherine Allen 1, David McLean 2, Rachel Allen 3, Judith Allen 4, Andrew Crowe 5, Elizabeth Allen (1st minor as C) 6. To congratulate the C on her GCSE results.

Kimpton, Herts. 30 Jul, 1280 Spliced S Major (9m): Judith Titmus 1, Susan Newman 2, K Lewin 3, Christine Carter 4, R D R Brown 5, G Penney 6, K Newman 7, R J Crocker (C) 8.

Kingsclere, Hants. 22 Aug, 1260 Mixed Doubles (2 m/v): Helen Piper 1, Susan Reynolds 2, David Reynolds 3, Colin Hares 4, Catherine Gardner (C) 5, Keith Reynolds 6. To celebrate the birthday of 5's father & of 4. Sponsored in aid of Kingsclere Bell Restoration & Maintenance Fund. £1.20

Knaresborough, N Yorks. 22 Aug, 1288 Grandsire Triples: J S Leech (C) 1, P Bolton (1st in m) 2, Sara Paxton (1st in m) 3, Sue Wilson 4, W Hudson 5, C Scott 6, A Carter 7, W Todd 8. On the 65th birthday of Ron Gudgeon, tower captain, (father of 3rd), also birthday compliment to Gwenda Scott (21 August).

Knowle, W Mids. 30 Jul, 1250 Superlative S Major: Jayne Shipley 1, Sarah Meikle 2, Anthea Tinling 3, Annette Jarratt-Knock 4, Ann Smart 5, Ruth Shepherd 6, Mark Shepherd (C) 7, Stephen Shipley 8. For Evensong. Also 13 Aug, 1260 PB Minor: Jill Erskine 1, Annette Jarratt-Knock 2, Brian Chase 3, Ann Smart 4, Richard Andrew 5, Colin Baugh (C) 6. For Evensong.

Brian Chase 3, Ann Smart 4, Richard Andrew 5, Colin Baugh (C) 6. For Evensong. £2.80
London, EC (St Sepulchre). 17 Jul, 1346
Lincolnshire S Maximus: James Gamble 1, Kathleen Baldwin 2, Janet Macey 3, Ray Smith 4, lan Blake 5, Guy Morton 6, John Peverett (C) 7, Sue Talbott 8, Terry Streeter 9, Andrew Alldrick 10, Richard Hunt 11, Roger Baldwin 12. £2.40

London, SW (St Stephen, Rochester Row). 22 Jul, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: D Woodward 1, Rachel Billinge 2, Stephanie Pattenden 3, B Price 4, M Brady 5, J Ingham 6, Lucy Reeve 7, S Gay 8, To celebrate the marriage this day of John Hoskin & Grace Robertson.

Lowestoft, Suffolk. 6 Aug, 1260 Doubles (7 m/v): David McLean (C) 1, Trudie Bradnam 2, Diane Leach 3, Sybil McLean 4, Andrew Crowe 5, Peter Bradnam 6. For evening Parish Communion for the Transfiguration. £1 Milton Keynes, Bucks (16 Wandsworth Pl,

Milton Keynes, Bucks (16 Wandsworth Pl, Bradwell Common). 17 Jul, 1280 PB Major: A J Marchbank 1-2, J V Lonsbrough 3-4, G L Foat (C) 5-6, R Snack 7-8.

Misterton, Leics. 17 Aug. 1260 PB Minor: Angela Elliot 1, B Williams 2, J Slack 3, I Hill 4, P Spice (C) 5. Birthday compliment to 1.

Angela Elliot 1, B Williams 2, 3 Slack 3, 1 Alli 4, F Spice (C) 5. Birthday compliment to 1. £1 Mold, Clwyd. 27 Aug, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Maryan Jenner 1, Susan Dyke 2, H M Heaton 3, J R Williams 4, W E Court 5, R A Howes (C) 6. 74th birthday compliment to 5 (24/8).

North Luffenham, Leics. 26 Aug, 1260 PB Minor: Joyce Sharp 1, P A Sharp 2, Judy Venn 3, Peggy Jennings 4, J G Underwood 5, E R Venn (C) 6. To celebrate the 80th birthday of Jean Barnard (mother of 3).

North Wingfield, Derbys. 22 Aug, 1320 PB Doubles: Alison Yeomans 1, Nicola Yeomans 2, Matthew Yeomans 3, Ian Ridgewell 4, Nigel Ball 5, Victor Nixon 6. To celebrate the birth of Lorna Turner (3rd cousin of 5).

Orwell, Cambs. 29 Aug, 1280 PB Major: Carol Pudsey 1, Paul Haskell 2, Richard Fletcher 3, Marion Perryman 4, Ian Munro 5, Bruce Hicks 6, Timothy Dickens 7, Geoffrey Perryman (C) 8. Golden Wedding compliment to John & Nancy Wilkinson. Nancy is learning to ring with the Bourn Benefice band.

Pershore, Worcs (Parish Centre). 17 Aug, 1274
PB Triples: Julia Wright 1, Shirley Slade 2, Sam
Sheppard 3, Brian Telford 4, Charmian Hill 5,
Chris Slade (C) 6, Ken Greatbach 7. In
thanksgiving for the life and work of Mary Louise
Richings, staunch supporter of the ringers and of
Pershore Abbey. Also 25 Aug, 1260 Doubles
(1p/2m): Shirley Slade 1, David Hargreaves (1st in
more tha 2, Charmian Hill 3, Brian Telford 4, Chris
Slade (C) 5. To welcome Shirley & Chris Slade.
On the back 5.

Perth, W Aus. 27 Aug, 1260 PB Triples: Devena Haggis 1, Laura Ivey 2, Suzanne Biddles 3, Mary Townsend 4, Glyn Geen 5, David Knewstub 6, Eric White (C) 7, John Townsend 8. In celebration of the birth of Stephanie Brooke White, granddaughter of 7, born 22,895

granddaughter of 7, born 22.8.95. Annual
Prenton, Mers (9 Bryanston Road). 6 Aug,
1260 PB Minor: A P Warboys (1st in hand with
bobs as C) 1-2, Jennifer Sparling 3-4, P D
Hughes 5-6. 60p

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Death

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Almondbury, W. Yorks. 1 Oct, 1280 Yorkshire S. Major: A B Sullivan 1, Edna M Sullivan 2, JFH Foster 3, Maureen P Panton 4, Margaret E Perrott 5, FR Colley 6, HA Blakemore 7, IR Panton (C) 8. For Harvest Festival. Also in thanksgiving for the birth of a grand-daughter to the ringer of 6 and for the life of the mother of the tenor ringer.

Changes of Address

HULL. As from September 27, David will be living at 21 Milner Street, Acomb, York YO2 4NJ. Tel: 01904 795866. IPMS Project peal-proving and telephone directory service now unavailable. New work number to follow.

KIPPIN. Eleanor is now living at 98 Harrison Road, Swaythling, Southampton SO17 3TJ. Telephone 01703 552752.

SAVORY. From Oct 1 Roger will be living at Cardinal Hill Apt D5, 420 River Road, Chatham, NJ 07928, USA. Phone (201)-701-8036. Work Ad No 3230 phone still (201)-765-6127.

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St Cuthbert's, Wells on Friday 20th October or Friday 10th November. The practice on Friday 1st December will be at St. Cuthbert's, not the

Weekday Meetings and Practices

LEICS MID-WEEK MEETING at Diseworth on Tues October 17, 2-4pm. All welcome.

OXFORD D.G. North Bucks Branch have borrowed Northampton St Giles for a tenbell practice on Friday Oct 20, 7.30-9pm. Special methods: Stedman Caters and Little Bob Royal.

SOUTHWELL D.G. North Notts District Meeting, Thursday October 19. North Wheatley (6), 7.00-8.00 and Sturton-le-Steeple (6), 8.00-9.00. Everyone welcome.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Scarborough and District Branch Meeting, Wednesday October 18 at 7.30pm at Scarborough.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Western Branch. Friday 20 October, 10 and 12 bell practice at Halifax Parish. All welcome.

Saturday Meetings and Practices

EAST GRINSTEAD & DISTRICT GUILD. Saturday October 14. Meeting at Bletchingley, Surrey. 10 bells, 16.5 cwt. Ringing 3-4.30pm followed by Service. Tea at 5pm – Please bring your own eats, cups of tea will be provided. 6pm Business Meeting followed by more ringing until 8pm. Please try and support us, we need ten ringers each time to fully appreciate the use of the bells Jean Osbon, Hon Sec. 1378

ELY D.A. Cambridge District. Sat October 14. 3-4.15pm, Bassingbourn; 4.30pm, Tea, Meeting and evening ringing, Guilden Morden. 1374

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

LINCOLN D.G. Central Branch. Quarterly Meeting, Saturday October 14, 7-9pm, Harmston. Special methods: St Clement's Major and Triples. 1387

NORWICH D.A. Northern Branch Practice, October 14, 7.30-9pm at Scarning. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TOWER. All welcome. 1394

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

TREFOIL GUILD. All Day Outing, Sat October 14 For details please phone Mary York, 01454 772532 4235

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Western Branch. Sat October 14. Evening ringing at New Mill, 6.30-8.30pm. Special methods Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Minor.

BATH & WELLS D.A. Cary Branch. Branch Annual General Meeting and Corporate Communion at Evercreech (10) on Saturday October 21. Bells 3pm, Service 4.30, Tea and meeting 5.30, ringing till 9pm. Names for tea to R W Davis, 01963 220220, asap

BATH & WELLS D.A. Chew Branch Practice, Saturday October 21, Backwell, 7.30-9pm.

BATH & WELLS D.A. Crewkerne Branch, Monthly Practice, Sat October 21, Chard, 7-9pm.

BATH & WELLS D.A. Dunster Branch. AGM, Sat October 21 at Crowcombe, 3-9pm. Methods to include Stedman and Grandsire Doubles. Names for tea please to 01984 623641 by Monday October 16

BATH & WELLS D.A. Glaston Branch. Annual Meeting at Wells St Cuthbert, Sat October 21. Bells (8, 27-1-0) available 3.30pm. Service 4.30pm, Tea (5, 27-10) available 3.50pm, 184 5.00pm followed by Meeting. Ringing afterwards until 7.30pm. D J Buckley (Secretary), Flat 5, Chalice Court, Silver St, Glastonbury, Somerset (Tel: 0458 832906). Ad No 1375

CHESTER D.G. South Branch. Meeting, Saturday October 21 at Goostrey. Ringing 3pm, Service 4.30pm, Tea 5pm. Ringing at Middlewich, 6.30-8.30pm. Cups of tea available, bring your own picnic. Details from Yvonne Herbert-Jackson, 01270 628254. Ad No 1434

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. Quarterly Meeting, Sunday October 21 at Nuneaton. Ringing at Nuneaton (St Nicolas) (8), 2.45-4.15pm. Service at Nuneaton 4.30-5pm. Tea and Business Meeting in Nuneaton Church Hall at 5pm followed by ringing at Exhall (St Giles) (6), 6.45-8pm. Names for tea to Barbara Lewis, Fordrough", Truggist Lane, Berkswell, Coventry CV7 7BX (Telephone: 01676 534148) by Thursday October 19 please. Visitors welcome.

ELY D.A. Hunts District. Saturday October 21, 3-4.30pm, Somersham, tea and meeting. Approx 7 8pm, Warboys. Special method Frodsham.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. NE District. Practice on Saturday October 21. This will be held at St Nicholas Church, Harwich from 7-9pm. 1414 welcome.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. Northern District. Our next practice will be at Bocking on Saturday October 21 from 7.30 to 9pm. All welcome, especially those who are learning Grandsire Caters and Little Bob Royal.

HERTFORD C.A. St Albans District. Quarterly Meeting, Sat October 21 at Radlett. Ringing 3.30. Service 5.00 followed by tea, business and further ringing, time permitting. Names for tea without fail please to 01923 856039. The Learners Outing is on November 4. Details from any Committee Member.

K.C.A.C.R. Ashford District. ADM, Saturday October 21. Ringing 3pm and Service 4.30pm at New Romney, followed by tea, meeting and evening ringing at Lydd. Names for tea to Lydia Terry (01797 320218) by Wednesday 18th please. Special method: Ashtead Surprise Major.

K.C.A.C.R. Rochester District. Annual District Meeting, Saturday October 21 at Milton-next-Gravesend. Ringing 3-4.30pm followed by service, tea and meeting. Numbers for tea to J Watts, 01474 365566 before Wednesday October

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Bolton Branch. Saturday October 21. Ringing 3-5pm. Tea and Meeting, 5-6.30pm at Leigh. Maintenance Course 6.30-8.30 at Leigh. Names for tea to Anthea, 01204 650962. All welcome.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Rossendale Branch. Next meeting on Sat October 21 at Helmshore from 3-5pm. All welcome! A E Pettifor.

LEICESTER D.G. Harborough District. Saturday October 21, 3-4pm, Great Easton; 4.30pm Service at Hallaton, Tea at Stenning Hall then meeting. Evening ringing at Hallaton. Names for tea to Elizabeth Bridger (01858 555263). Ad No 1422

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. Melton District. Meeting at Whissendine (6) on Saturday October 21.7-9nm. 1146

LINCOLN D.G. W. Lindsey Branch. Evening Meeting at Corringham, Sat October 21, 6.30-9pm. Sp Meths Double Bob and Durham. 1392

OXFORD D.G. Sonning Deanery Branch. Change of venues. The next Branch practice will now be held at Warfield on Sat October 21 from 7-9pm. The Branch Committee meeting will be at White Waltham at 5pm on Sat November 18 followed by a Branch practice from 7-9pm.

PETERBOROUGH D.G. Peterborough Branch. Sat October 21. Quarterly Meeting. 3pm Stoke Doyle. Service at Oundle 4.30 followed by tea, meeting and evening ringing. Names for tea to: J Bachelor (01832) 280663 by Wed 18th. Ad No 1419

SALISBURY D.G.R. Marlborough Branch. Saturday October 21. Quarterly Meeting at the Collingbournes. Ringing 2.15pm, Collingbourne Ducis, 3.00pm Collingbourne Kingston. Service 4.00pm followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to D Mumford (01793 740517) by Tues 17th please. Next meetings – Wed Nov 15: 7.15pm Milton Lilbourne, 8pm Pewsey. Tues Dec 7.30pm Marlborough. 1413

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Southern Division. Sat October 21, Practice and Business Meeting. Ringing Ditchling (8), 3.30. Tea 5.00. Business Meeting 5.30. Evening ringing Keymer (6), 6.30-8.00. Names for tea to David Cragg, 01273 845383 by October 18.

TEACHERS GUILD. October 20/22, Glos. 20th Cherington 1500, Sapperton 1545 ea. 21st Withington 1000, Compton Abdale 1100 ea. 22nd SSR. Details, Roy G. 01865 770817. New members welcome.

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH D.G. Portsmouth District. Quarterly Meeting, Saturday October 21 at Shedfield (8). Ringing 3pm, Service 4.30pm, Tea and Meeting 5pm. Evening ringing at Wickham (6). Names for tea to Betty Daysh (01489 892216) by Wednesday October 18.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Hereford District. Autumn Quarterly Meeting will be held on Saturday October 28 at Woolhope, ringing from 3-4.30pm followed by Service, tea and meeting. Names for teas to Barbara Fox please, Tel 01531 Ad No 1409

SUFFOLK GUILD SEMINAR 1995

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2pm until 4.30pm

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SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

HALF YEARLY MEETING AND OPEN DAY IN THE MANSFIELD DISTRICT

SATURDAY 28 OCTOBER 1995

				SK			
9.00	*Heanor	(8, 151/2)		435465			
9.30	Selston	(8, 121/2)	Т	459533			
10.00	Kirkby-in-Ashfield	(6, 9)	Т	490558			
10.30	Sutton-in-Ashfield	(8, 151/2)	(gf)	489590			
11.00	Teversal	(5, 9)	(gf)	484619			
11.30	Mansfield	(8, 16)		541610			
12.00	Warsop	(8, 143/4)	TR	568688			
12.30	*Creswell	(8, 121/2)	Т	526743			
1.00	Cuckney	(6, 101/2)	(gf)	567714			
1.30	Edwinstowe	(6, 61/4)	T	625669			
2.00	Farnsfield	(6, 11)	(gf)	646565			
2.30	Blidworth	$(6, 4^{1}/_{4})$		586556			
3.00	Hucknall	(8, 123/4)		533494			
3.15	Nuthall	(8, 7)	(gf)	515445			
3.30	Greasley	(8, 131/4)		489472			
4.00	Eastwood	(8, 191/4)		465468			
5.00 Tea then Meeting and further ringing at							

5.00 Tea, then Meeting, and further ringing at Eastwood

Names for Tea (by 25 Oct) to Dorothy or Woodliffe Wright (01773 714582)

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Ad No 1423

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Ad No 1426

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Corrections and amendments

Ringing World 1994.

p.205 Peal at Weaverham S.R. was Filwood S.R. delete footnote.

Ringing World 1995: p.221 Peal of Weaverham S.R. was Filwood S.R.

- p.791 Xhumo S. Maximus place notation last two places
- Peal at Burton was rung on Saturday 13 May.

p.886 Peal at Pershore - delete all detail, duplicate of peal on p.838.

p.887 Peal at Grace Dieu was a tower bell peal as already noted in corrections. Ringers rang as Andrew B. Mills 1 and 6, David J. Pipe 2 and 3, Stephen J. Mills 4 and 5.

p.914 Peal at Albury - delete all detail, duplicate of that on p.000. Peals at St. Clements. Times 2h47 (1970) and

2h38 (1995). Peal of Hampstead S. Royal at Withycombe Raleigh. Delete all detail - duplicate of that on

Peal of Cambridge S. Royal at Withycombe Raleigh. Composer was J. R. Ketteringham. Peal at Eaton Socon was rung for the Bedfordshire Association not, as assumed, the Ely

Peal at Houghton-le-Spring. Ringer of 3rd was Barbara Davies, not Barbara Duff. Footnote to peal at Roker. 1st in m: 3, 4 and 5. Peal at Meldreth, Jul 14. Ringer of 2nd E Jane

Sibson (not Gipson).
Oxford Society peal was at St Mary Magdalen (not Magdalene). Human hand interfered with electronic perfection! Peal at Chersterfield. Ringer of 2nd Anne L. Rueff (not Phillipa Rooke). p.961 Peal at Loughborough, Bellfoundry. Conductor

was Sally A. Mason, not R. Kingsley Mason.

p.962 Peal at Walton on Thames. Ringer of 3rd was

p.982 The ASCY/SRCY hybrid shown as ringing the 11th at St. Paul's Cathedral was in fact Mark

p. 1007 Peal at Castle Ashby. Time was 3h4. Ringer of 3rd David Kingman and footnote should read: 1st Doubles: 4 (not 2,4).

The peal rung at Solihull on Saturday, March 4th, 1995 was rung for the Non Association and not the Lancashire Association as stated. My apologies to all those who keep records and another point to those who keep a count of all my peccadillos concerning peal details.

The quarter at St. Peter Port, Guernsey (p.937). Ringer of 4 was James K. Eggleston NOT Jeremy Eggleston and on p.980 the first method should be St. Aelhaiarn (the dedication of Guilsfield Church in Powys).

The ringer of the tenor in the recent quarter peal rung at Bressingham, Norfolk (RW 1 Sept 1995) was Peter Willan and not Tony Baines as stated. Tony Baines rang the 4th. Dedication/barn dance organisational pressures may have been to blame - or was it simply maternal dementia? Sincere apologies to all concerned.

JULIE BEESLEY.

Method re-named

We wish to use the name Famdon L.S. Maximus instead of Weavergrove (p.297). This name is a consistent one, because it employs the same initial letter as that of the similar method Filwood S. Royal (see "Corrections" above) D. MOTTERSHEAD

Wilmslow, Cheshire

Peals withdrawn

As the compositions have been found to be false I withdraw the following three peals conducted by me: 5088 Plain Bob Major by Harry Poyner rung at St. Margaret's Vestry, Leicester on November 17th 1957; 5072 Plain Bob Major by Harry Poyner rung at St. Margaret's Vestry, Leicester on December 15th 1957; 5000 Plain Bob Royal by Ernest Morris rung at The Bell Foundry, Loughborough on July 27th 1959.

B. G. WARWICK.

A music browsing shop (p.999 RW 29 Sept). The second paragraph should include "Ringing Word Publications", not "Ringing World Publications". tions". A "I" of a mistake to make!

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A fly on the wall at Nevill Hall Hospital, Abergavenny recently observed Sheila Parry as an in-patient being visited by Shirley Bolton who was an out-patient with a broken leg. Sheila had arrived back ill from a holiday in Ireland and Shirley had broken her leg while doing business related to a property purchase in the area. Sheila is back in circulation and Shirley is counting the days until the plaster comes off.



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W. S. GIRLING.

We regret to report the death on 2nd October 1995 of George William Hill. Mr. Hill, father of John and grandfather of Ian and Nicholas, died in his 89th year. He was formerly a ringer at Ewell, Surrey, Penn, Staffordshire and Alveston, Gloucestershire.

I would like to thank Ernest Carvell and Ernest Orland for their congratulations to me on reaching my 89th birthday and ringing a peal that day.

As regards the Ernest peal of Plain Bob Royal rung on 6/6/59 there are just four of us still around.

E. J. LADD.

Tunbridge Wells.

Ernie Rowe has written to us from Australia confirming that he is still alive and adding his tribute to Mr. Ladd – 36 years ago, where has it all gone he asks. (For E.J.R. our fax no. is 01483 567876 – not the office phone number which you dialled!)

"What does it mean to be English?" was a topic recently investigated by the *Daily Telegraph*. Readers were invited to define in no more than 50 words what constituted the national identity. Richard Harris sent us a copy of the report which included the following finding:

"The top five items on most readers' lists were: fish and chips...; cricket on the village green; pubs...; church bells; and the Last Night of the Proms." And Sir Patrick Cormack, Tory MP for Staffordshire South listed "Church bells ringing in the New Year" as his first choice.

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Dorset.

It is the church of St. Lawrence, at Upwey. Thanks Phil.

HAPPY VISITOR.

May I too be allowed through our journal to offer my sincere congratulations and good wishes to Gordon Limmer of Burnham on his 70 years as a ringer? Gordon was with us in Bolton, Lancs for a short period of his working life and proved a very punctual attender at practice ringing at Holy Trinity, Bolton. I think he used to commute home at weekends. We rang a peal of P.B. Major at All Souls, Bolton on Feb 14 1959, Gordon on the 4th. He was a gentleman and I am proud to have known him although only briefly. My warmest regards to him.

JOE THORNLEY.

Farnworth, Bolton.

Congratulations to Bernard F. L. Groves who, by ringing a peal of Bristol Surprise Maximus at St. Laurence's, Reading on Saturday October 7th, has become only the third person to complete 3,000 peals. This total was split in the curious combination of 2,000 tower bell peals and 1,000 hand bell peals.

The Roses Ringing Competition on Sunday October 8th was won by Lancashire (Yorkshire won the 8 bell section, but Lancashire won on 10 and 12 to gain overall victory).

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ARMY RINGING SOCIETY. Meeting, Wilts, Sat November 4, 10.30-4.30. Shrewton 10.30 ea. Lunch Enford 2.45 ea. Details 21 Bourton Road, Buckingham MK18 1BG. Ad No 4248

PETERBOROUGH D.G. Culworth Branch. Practice, Saturday October 21, Culworth, 7.30-9pm. Sat November 18, Lois Weedon, 7.30-9pm. 1435

LADIES GUILD. Southern District Meeting, Saturday October 21. 11.00-12.00 Ringing at Eling. 12.30 lunch followed by meeting at Rowantree, Twiggs Lane, Marchwood. Ringing at Fawley after the meeting. Further information from Wendy Ling 01962 853611.

Ad No 1436

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Furness & South Lakeland Branch. AGM on Saturday October 14. Ringing at Sedburgh, 2-3.30pm; Kirkby Stephen, Service, 4pm, followed by tea, meeting and evening ringing. Names for tea to J Keogh (01768 371124). Ten bell practice at Kendal, Wed October 18.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. Midlands practice. Wed October 25, All Saints, Loughborough, 7.30-9.00. 1442

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