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Six bells and a keen band

The village of Whittington, near Lichfield is now growing accustomed to hearing the sound of its recently installed peal of six, ringing out for 9.30 a.m. Eucharist and 6.30 p.m. Evensong.

St. Giles originally hoped to install a ring of bells, way back in 1978 and fund raising was then taking place, however, the need for a new church hall was greater and so the idea was shelved. St. Giles did leave their name on The Redundant Bells Committee waiting list and eventually a telephone call was received by the Vicar, advising that a light 7½ cwt ring was available and would soon be removed from St. James, Prebend Street, Islington, who were installing a new ring.

The whole project amounted to £27,000 of which there is still £6,000 to raise, but in spite P.C.C. gave its blessing (provided they were not being held responsible for funding), and soon several generous grants were made available from The Lichfield Archdeaconry Society, The Manifold Trust and many anonymous donations were received. There were was also an amount of bell metal which had been purchased on the previous occasion in 1978 and stored in anticipation of a future use. Encouraged by these initial receipts the small committee which had been set up to raise funds found themselves well and truly in harness, with a big job in front of them.

of a rotting frame and floor in the tower, the

St. Giles, Whittington, Staffs

Most of St. Giles Church was destroyed by fire in 1760 along with the parish records, but the tower is the original and contained three ancient bells which were hung for full circle ringing, and had obviously been used extensively as the clappers had been quarter turned by heating and twisting the clapper shafts. The chancel windows contain glass from the former Burton Abbey, and a grand and regal pulpit, which is well over 100 years old, came originally from Lichfield Cathedral. Thomas Spencer (of Marks & Spencer) is buried in the churchyard, as he previously lived in the village, and many visitors to our tower may recognise scenes seen recently on ITV in the popular serial "Chancer"

A faculty was obtained to scrap the second of the original three bells and the treble and tenor were hung dead to be used for the sanctus and clock bells respectively. They are sounded by solenoids on a system designed by Dorcas Engineering of Huntington, who also converted the clock to electric winding.

The new ring of six are housed in an eight bell frame, designed by Eayre and Smith of Melbourne, Derby, and made locally by Mr. John Brosch of Williford Engineering, at a favourably reduced cost. It was galvanized after drilling. The two tier frame was taken along to the local village fete and to nearby Shenstone fete on a low loader to raise funds by visitors guessing how many holes and bolts there were, and to generally make villagers

aware of the project in hand.

The old bells were removed from the tower in November of 1990, and the new bells first tried out on Thursday 3rd October, 1991 to a rousing welcome by a good crowd of wellwishers who had gathered outside the tower to hear the first official sounds. Champagne was generously donated and handed to all present and a very memorable occasion was witnessed.

The bells were first rung for service on Harvest Sunday 6th October, and dedicated by The Bishop of Lichfield on 3rd December, 1991. The first quarter peal on the bells, in their present home, was Cambridge Surprise Minor and was successfully completed prior to The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols on Sunday 22nd December, 1991, and was also a farewell to the Vicar of over 20 years, the Rev. Canon Paul D. Brothwell.

There has been a good response from Church members wishing to learn to ring. A nucleus band was trained during the 18 months preceding installation, which enabled the bells to be rung immediately by a local band. A number are still on a waiting list for training, and weekly practices are extremely well attended.

Loyal support has been given by a number of Society members in training the Whittington ringers and each week advances are made by each member of the band, which is in itself ample reward for the efforts put in by the regular helpers.

(Continued overleaf)

News from Quex

Quex Park Society Ringers and prospective members gathered at the Waterloo Tower on Saturday 21st March for their Annual General Meeting following practice ringing. President of the Society, Mr. Christopher Powell Cotton was welcomed to the meeting by the Ringing

Master, David Sheekey.

David reported to the meeting that the last year had been successful in many ways special 10 and 12 bell practices had been a addition to the usual ringing programme and on the social side the Annual Barbecue had, as usual, been a most enjoyable and successful event attracting ringers from far and near. The reputation of Quex catering has resulted in two commissions to provide barbecues this coming year - for the Fire Services Guild in May and the Kent County
Association Eight Bell Striking Competition in June. The Society's own barbecue will be on 18th July. David commented that although numbers at recent practices had been good, they were rather low last autumn and he asked members to make every effort to attend regularly throughout the year.

The Secretary, Hazel Basford, reported that nine groups of visiting ringers had been welcomed to Quex last year and other visitors had attempted peals of which three were successful. The Society was also pleased and proud that the tower had been used for the record breaking 20 quarters in a day in October which had raised a considerable sum for the Sturry Bell Restoration Fund. The

WHITTINGTON - continued

Hopefully, before too many years have passed, our eight bell frame will hold the two extra trebles for which it was made, and Triples and Major methods will be heard over the Whittington countryside but that, as they say, will be another story – the final £6,000 has still to be raised by sheer hard work.



The bells pictured after the re-hallowing service.

Details of the bells

Treble	G	31/4 cwt.			
2nd	F	33/4 cwt.			
3rd	E-flat	41/4 cwt.			
John	Warner & Son	1875			
4th	D	43/4 cwt.			
5th	С	6 cwt.			
Tenor	B-flat	7½ cwt.			
Sanctus	G	5½ cwt.			
Thomas Hancox of Walsall 1630					
Clock	A-flat	7 cwt.			

Hugh Watts of Leicester 1618

BERNARD J. W. TOWNSEND

(Tower Captain)

meeting congratulated Mike Little who took part in the ringing and someone suggested that the Potters Yard ringers come to Quex and repeat their 24 quarters on some real bells! Hazel further reported that the tower had been opened to visitors to the Powell Cotton Museum on five Sunday afternoons last year which had produced a lot of interest and an income of £150. Further dates are planned for this coming year. The meeting was shown a copy of John Powell Powell's 1828 publication on Stedman Triples which had recently come into the hands of a bookseller. After discussion it was agreed that the Society should make an offer for the book which should, for the immediate future, be housed with the Kent County Association Library and Archive

Archive.

Mr. Powell Cotton has recently allowed Hazel access to archive material at Quex House. Unfortunately information about the tower and ringing has been scarce but a memorandum to John Powell Powell's will has been found which states: "it is my wish that the Waterloo Bell Tower peal of twelve bells should be kept up in the same state and condition as they have been usually kept in during my life, the opening of the New Year to be continued with a touch of Grandsire Triples for which the ringers will be provided with a plain entertainment at the Powell Arms in Birchington not to exceed 5 sovereigns." The meeting agreed that this tradition should be resurrected and John Powell Powell's wishes followed, although as the document went on to say that the "plain entertainment" was meant as a treat for people working at Quex it was felt that Mr. Powell Cotton could be excused the five sovereigns. If any visiting band wishes to ring a peal at Quex at New Year the peal fee will be waived providing they agree to ring a touch of Grandsire Triples to maintain the tradition.

Discussion of the programme for 1992 followed with particular attention being given to the 10 and 12 bell practices. Dates will be set for several such practices this year and the meeting agreed that a "guest" conductor should be invited who could give instruction in the particular techniques of ringing on higher numbers. The aim of the practices is to enable ringers to progress in 10 and 12 bell ringing and it was agreed that everyone who came should be prepared to participate in a learning exercise. The emphasis will be on non-Surprise ringing as Surprise Royal practices are held regularly at Maidstone.

Four new members were proposed and the Committee was re-elected, including the Hygiene Officer – sausages still being a regular

item on Quex menus!

Following the meeting members partook of the usual AGM fare of beer and bangers fried over the fire. A few stalwarts stayed until midnight to put *The Ringing World* to rights and talk of many things. . . We look forward to welcoming many more ringers to Quex in the coming year.



Ladies enjoy Kemsing

The Ladies' Guild (Kent Branch) held its annual meeting at St. Mary's, Kemsing, on Saturday, 7th March. Unfortunately, Miss Doris Colgate appeared not to have had her usual success with her sun dance, but perhaps she just decided we need the rain! Luckily, the bells – a recently-hung, new, light ring of six – more than made up for the inclement weather and we all passed a most enjoyable afternoon in general ringing.

At the given hour, we trooped next door to the church hall for a delicious tea, prepared by various members, and plenty of hot drinks, very kindly made by the ladies of Kemsing. I'm no fool belonging to the Ladies' Guild! With so many good cooks around the teas are

always unsurpassable!

After tea we joined some of the local congregation for Evensong and then returned to the hall for the business meeting. All the Branch officers were re-elected, and a new member, Mrs. Alison Warner of Crayford, was welcomed into the Guild.

A programme of events for the coming year was discussed and included a morning meeting on 30th May and an all-day outing to Essex on 14th November. Saturday, 13th March, 1993, was decided upon for next year's Annual Meeting, the venue to be confirmed.

With votes of thanks to the ladies who made the tea and washed-up, to the Vicar for permitting us to attend his service and ring the bells, and to the local ringers, we adjourned to Seal Chart for evening ringing. Our thanks also to the ringers and Vicar of Seal Chart for the use of their bells.



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Bellfounders' Gift Page



A point of view

I was originally taught to ring in a 6-bell tower where the staple diet was Plain Bob and Oxford Treble Bob Minor. All the other towers for miles around were eights and rang Grandsire exclusively. We despised them and it. What lack of adventure! What a dead end! What boring stagnation! Fancy ringing something that does not lead anywhere; and so

All this did rather overlook the fact that it took us years to progress (?) to Kent and later still to St. Clements, Double Oxford and (what heady heights!) Thelwall. Neither did it have any cognisance of the fact that the more adventurous spirits both at our tower and the eights went much further afield to learn Stedman and D.N.C.B. and even, two guild districts away, Cambridge. It has to be confessed, however, it did affect my view of Grandsire for a very long time and was, I now see, partly a smoke-screen on my behalf to observe the fact that really I wasn't very good at Grandsire, especially when it came to calling it.

As one gets older and assumes more responsibility for keeping a parish church's bells going, one sees things differently. I still don't think I would opt for Grandsire in a 6bell tower. The old attitude of it being a terrible waste of a bell dies hard. But, more worthily, the greater interest, variation and progression from method to method to maintain interest available in the minor methods attracts me more. But on eight, there

are other considerations.

To digress for a moment, in the business of holding together a band to keep all of one's bells ringing Sunday by Sunday, one quickly becomes aware that there are two sorts of ringer - perhaps more, but these two concern me at this present. One group are enthusiasts for the Exercise and find all aspects interesting. They seek opportunities to ring new methods, ring in new towers, maybe even ring peals. The other group have a central loyalty to their own tower, come Sunday by Sunday, are happy to ring one, perhaps two methods, or even never progress beyond plain hunting or "drumming behind". Every now and then you might go for a quarter peal, say, for the Harvest Festival. The wise tower captain knows he needs both groups to achieve his aim of keeping the bells going. The big city tower can perhaps rely on the enthusiasts, but in the suburbs, the country towns and the villages it is different.

How then to maintain the interest and local commitment of the enthusiasts and at the same time avoid giving the others the impression they are not wanted? How can the "local loyals" feel fulfilled and their undoubted value be appreciated without losing all your enthusiasts to the nearest city centre tower?

It could be that Grandsire Triples has a real

part to play in this balancing act. If plain hunting or covering is your forte, here is satisfaction knowing that the melodious overall effect is contributed to as much by you as anyone else. If you are pressed with other commitments (home, family, awkward hours on the job) an inside bell

provides you week by week with the satisfaction of taking part, and the comparative frequency of calls affecting almost everyone provides variation and interest. And if you are an enthusiast you can get your teeth into conducting - after all, here is a method where the coursing order changes every plain lead and there is no easy transposition of ABC becomes BCA like plain bob and its host of derivatives.

In short, Grandsire provides a matrix of common ground between the disparate elements of your tower membership. I don't suggest we should ring Grandsire exclusively, but I come to see it has much more merit than I thought in my youth. **HEADSTOCK**

More in demand than ever

The annual Gloucester & Bristol D.A. one day ringing course was held on April 4. This year it was divided into two parts as last year's course at Swindon proved nearly unmanageable single handed. The Tewkes-bury section was directed by Ruth Halling aided by Clare French and the Cirencester section by Tony Bulteel aided by the RM. Tewkesbury catered for 57 students with 60 helpers and tutors, Cirencester took 88 students with about 85 helpers and tutors, making a grand total of 145 students and about 145 helpers. This was yet another increase and the course seems to be more in demand than ever. Tuition offered included rope control, rounds, plain hunting, Bob Doubles. Bob Minor, Grandsire Doubles, Stedman Doubles and Cambridge Minor. All tutors and instructors in charge of towers worked very hard, a fact made harder by the seemingly inevitable tendency of students to imagine their abilities were better than they were; e.g. signing on for Cambridge when they could not treble bob properly or joining Bob Minor when they could not lead.

In a course of this size, with nearly 300 ringers of all abilities involved, it is impossible to get everything right. The hitches provide material for improvements for next year but the course provides incredible value for a mere £3 per student. Some 40 towers were used ranging all over North Gloucestershire and into South Worcestershire. Our thanks go to Ruth Halling and Tony Bulteel for all their hard work spread over several months and to all the tutors and helpers who gave all their time and skill free. When this very large course is put alongside quite a number of local branch training courses, it can be seen what a lot of effort is going into keeping ringing alive and training recruits in the G & B area.

ERICTAYLOR, RM.



Pictured above is Mr. R. I. George President of the St. Patrick's Cathedral Society, whose 80th birthday was marked by a quarter peal on 24 March 1992. He first rang at Evensong on Sunday, 20th March, 1927, the third Sunday in Lent.

A peal band in the tower records his name in a peal of Grandsire Caters on 30th December 1931. In 1932 he was awarded the Society's Gold Medal for 100% attendance in that year.

Dublin (S Patrick's Cathedral). 24 March, 1260 Grandsire Triples: M P O'Neil (1st on 8) 1, J N M Clarke 2, P M Talbot 3, Jean Thompson 4, C J Reede (C) 5, F A McCullough 6, C W Galbraith 7, R de Courcy (1st on 8) 8. An 80th birthday to Mr. R. I.

Two-beat for teaching purposes

I appreciated the letter from Peter Wenham (p.300) in response to mine (p.108) regarding beat and rhythm. I am afraid that that of Jo Barton (p.301) lost me in the third paragraph! I do recognise that there can be good rhythm with the normal one-beat gap among experienced ringers. The point I was trying to make was that IN TEACHING COMPLETE BEGINNERS, particularly where the majority of the band are inexperienced, then teaching with a two-beat open handstroke will help obtain rhythm because 14 beats is easier then 13. Once obtained, then of course shorten the open handstroke lead to one beat or even a half beat. The suggestion 123456 123456/78 was only meant to be an INITIAL TEACHING AID TO GOOD STRIKING. I would not suggest this was tried with either a heavy going or difficult tenor or in a complicated method but it is useful for Plain Hunting or call changes with beginners! A. G. FREEMAN

Minehead.

First peal congratulations

Eleanor E. Pridgeon, Philip M. Watson.

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Letters

The company of bells

On reading The Ringing World of April 3rd. I was touched to see I had been mentioned in a footnote to a peal rung at Fiddington. Somerset on 27th February 1992. At that time I was undergoing a major heart operation at St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, London.

I would like to thank this band for their good wishes and the band who rang Cambridge at Bridgwater the following day, also with me in

their thoughts.

In particular I would like to say a big thank you to Mrs. Frances Pearce for her cheerful. newsy letters: and being the first in the door (with a bottle) on my return home. Also the many other ringers including all the Somerset Cuckoos, who sent cards, rang me up and visited me in hospital at the time and since at home. As a result of your thoughts and prayers, I am on my feet again firing on all cylinders, and will be on the end of a bell rope

again before the year is out.

While causing my usual amount of mayhem with the staff in Zachary Cope Ward at St. Mary's. I could hear bells ringing most evenings. I think this must have been from the Church at Paddington Green. Looking out from my window in the corner of this ward facing I think North, with Paddington Station on my left and overlooking the end of the canal and the elevated road, I could see many churches with spires some of which I thought I recognised. If any other ringer who has been in a like position could fill me in with a few names I would be grateful. Harrow-on-the-Hill was pointed out to me in the distance, which brought back memories

With grateful thanks and kind regards. G. G. DAVIS. Bridgwater.

All ringers great and small

I was disappointed to see the notice on the back page of April 3rd's issue boasting about the effort of the prodigious Matthew Hilling. Don't misinterpret that: I send him all my best wishes for future ringing (if he hasn't already reached the top), and congratulate him wholeheartedly on his talent and dedication. No, it's the notice I'd like to object to.

I often read "first blows in the method" or "first attempt" in peal footnotes, and sometimes "first quarter at age x", but mixed with my envy are questions like "what about the rest of the band?". Matthew couldn't have rung his peal without 11 other people with the same purpose; someone ringing a peal at the first attempt couldn't do it without a reliable band and determined (or relaxed) conductor; the young learners couldn't fly into the skies of quarter peals without a teacher able to provide motivation and enthusiasm, and without encouragement from everyone they wouldn't stay on such swift wings.

Ringing is an activity of many purposes, but the one for which it was developed and is still used is summed-up on old peal boards which read "To the greater glory of God". Religion, and ringing, are increasingly esoteric: we don't

want them to become elitist as well, because

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the circle of discontentment is the most vicious. I have no reason to believe that someone who can ring Orion is able to glorify any God more greatly by doing so, than someone who can ring rounds and called changes with great effort, great attention, and great results. If I did believe this, I'd be constantly discontented with my efforts, and I'd never be happy

So, congratulations to John Smith, who occupied his usual position on the tenor on Sunday, and rang it faultlessly behind when we needed a tenor man! Congratulations to his son. Fred, who took the trouble to learn a few called changes for our practice, because we knew the captain would be away! Well done, Joe Bloggs, who has hurt his arm, but bought us a round anyway, and all the best to his father, Bert, who Joe encouraged into ringing, and who has just mastered hand and back together to ring rounds unassisted.

I don't think the "Up-and-coming Youngsters" column should be revived. Let's just have a "Ringers" column, because it shouldn't matter what you can ring or how old you are when you can ring it: what matters is that it brings a smile to someone's face. So, well done Matthew, but well done every ringer, even though I don't know your names, well done.

> "All things bright and beautiful, All creatures, great and small, All things, wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all." DAVID BAVERSTOCK

Southampton

Tasteless method names

I realise the subject of frivolous and sometimes juvenile naming of methods not previously rung comes up quite frequently, but I feel the quarter peals rung at Eastchurch and Queenborough, Kent (RW pages 289 and 290) should not pass without notice. If one wishes to name a racehorse, a name is submitted to the appropriate authority (The Jockey Club), when it is accepted or rejected on whatever grounds, including bad taste. Is it beyond bounds for the Central Council to formulate such a scheme?

Finally, I wonder what an incumbent's reaction would be if asked "May we have the use of your bells to attempt a quarter peal in a new method which, if successful, we propose to name "Pizpot Treble Bob" and dedicate it to a lavatory humorist? E_PRESTON_

Retford, Notts.

Wet and stiff

One subject I cannot recall having read about in The Ringing World is that of the ropes that we actually use to ring the bells. Composition of clappers, weight and number of bells, method extension and now even cricket! but nothing on ropes.

At a local practice last night one of the bells which occasionally allows small loops to slip off the wheel was up to its usual tricks, actually easily cured by allowing the rope to take the arms up at backstroke rather than following it up, thus giving a nice slack backstroke.

The weather for the last few days has been quite wet and windy, but it was a big surprise when the fourth let all its rope slip off the wheel, and the bell instead of setting itself neatly bumped the stay which promptly broke it was a really grotty piece of wood anyway!

We rang the bell up but it slipped its wheel again, so in the end we gave up and just rang without it.

It was almost certainly the very wet and windy weather over the last few days which had caused the problem with the hemp rope absorbing a lot of water which had made it extremely stiff. I have seen ropes so stiff that you could hold the sally horizontal and the tail stayed horizontal as well - not very easy to ring with ropes as stiff as that.

This problem was cured in the ringing room with a moisture absorber which gobbled up vast quantities of excess moisture from the atmosphere and kept the ropes nice and supple, but not so easy a problem to resolve up

in the bells.

Not only does it make the ropes stiff but the moisture makes the length of the ropes alter like yo-yo's. My guess is that the length of a rope may be up to 4ft shorter in winter when the ropes are wet than they are in the summer when dry

A good solution is to use a synthetic rope for the top ends, and a rope such as polyester prestretched is ideal. It is reasonably supple but, most importantly of all, it is not affected by water, so it is the same in winter and summer. Another really good benefit is that it has virtually zero stretch, so you can use it for long draughts without getting that chewing-gum feel you sometimes get with new ropes when vou ring

The durability of a synthetic rope is superb and the breaking strain so high that you can easily use just a 10mm rope fitted to even a

very large tenor.

However, for the purist this synthetic stuff may not be acceptable. Would it be possible to use a silicone treatment such as Scotchguard for an ordinary hemp rope, thus making it impervious to water and presumably solving the problem I had the other night? Has anyone tried this, or are there any other suggestions to solve this problem with the ropes?

Hallow, Worcs

RON MIERS

Three types

Now that I have been ringing for about a year, I consider that I am qualified to comment on the three different species of ringers to be found. Like other members of the animal kingdom they can often be identified by the sounds that they make.

The first group, are the beginners. These, unfortunately, are comparatively rare and are seldom found outside their home towers. They make very few sounds except for an occasional high pitched "Aargh", "Oh dear" or "xxxx". The second, much larger group are the learners. Their characteristic sounds are sentences beginning with "I". Examples may include "I don't think I will ever ring Grandsire". "I'm not coming to this practice again, there's too many learners". "I want a chance to ring Cambridge", "I would make a better tower captain". More unusual, but still noticable are short utterances such as "Listen to it!" or "Tut tut". (These latter are most often to be heard in the presence of beginners.)

Finally, the third group are those who may be called experts. They have a much wider vocabulary, which includes things such as "Two, you're too slow at backstroke", lets concentrate on you ringing plain hunt", "I don't mind ringing rounds all evening", "You can do it", "Well done!" and "We'll get you

through this quarter!"

Thank you to all the "experts" in Surrey Association (and beyond) for putting up with me so far. REVD. CHRISTINE MILLAR. Merstham, Surrey.

Doubles peals 1991

I have analysed the peals of Doubles rung during 1991 and published in *The Ringing World*. I found 189 peals; 43 in one method and 103 in 2 or more, including peals of "Spliced" in 39, 50 and 53 methods by the Oxford Diocesan Guild. The remaining 43 contained variations and all conformed with Decision (D) C.3.

However, the reports of the 12 peals listed in figure 1 did not conform with Decision (D) C.4 as they did not state the numbers of methods and variations separately; the correction column shows how they should

have been reported.

Date	Tower	RW	Report	Соггест
2Mar 1Apr 8Apr 30Jun 7Sep 25Aug 19Oct 7Dec 24Nov 15Dec 31Dec 2Mar	Compton Martin Powick Stoke Ash Chetwynd Griston Clodock Nether Winchendon Old Marston liton Prees Caversfield Whitfield	349 397 497 816 973 1087 1136 36 81 109 135 136	18m/v 100m/v 52m/v 22m/v 14m/v 10m 11m/v 3m 42m/v 14m/v	12m/5v 1m/1v 10m/80v 12m/40v 14m/8v 3m/11v 8m/2v 5m/6v 2m/1v 17m/24v 7m/7v 3m/4v

Figure 1

Moreover, the report of the peal at Chetwynd did not list the methods/variations rung in each extent separately

The report of the peal in 50m at Avebury on 22 September (91/1016) similarly did not conform with Decision (D) C.4 as it did not list the methods rung in each extent

separately.

Three of the peals in figure 1 and the two peals listed in figure 2 claimed from 1 to 10 variations" which use only standard calls for the parent methods and, in accordance with Decision (E) A.3, are not entitled to different names

Date	Tower	RW	Report	Correct
9Jun 24Nov			6m/36v 3m/6v	6m/30v 3m/5v

Figure 2

If any band is unsure how the numbers were arrived at for their peal, I will be pleased to provide details on receipt of a stamped addressed envelope

I also noticed the following minor discrepancies. The report of the peal at Mattersey on 23 March (91/397) claimed 8m/34v but contained 9m/33v.

The report of the peal at Broomfield on 20 April (91/470) claimed 5m/7v but listed only 3m/2v

ANTHONY P. SMITH. Chairman, Methods Committee

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The first one

Twenty-two members and guests sat down for the first Annual Dinner of the Derby College Youths. After a very enjoyable meal, the Master, Tim Peverett, started the speeches off by telling those present about the history of the Society, how and why it was formed. This involved passing around a very revealing photo of the President, so revealing in fact that it was banned from accompanying this report.

Tim introduced the guest speaker, being the sometimes controversial Gordon Halls. Gordon started by saying that this was not actually the first dinner of the Society, the first occasion being when he had taken Pat out to propose to her. Gordon related how he had to get Pat back into college half-an-hour after the 10.30 curfew, through an open window.

He then related the following poem:

I had a dream the other night Of a peal of bells all painted white Who I wondered did this deed so foul These bells will have a dreadful howl.

Perhaps some keen enthusiast Has painted them to stop the rust Or could it be our pigeon friends Who drop on us their odds and ends

Whate'er the reason something's wrong The bells go clonk instead of dong And as I read the inscription band A piece fell off into my hand

These bells were cast, the inscription said In honour of the reverend Fred A ringing vicar from Derbyshire Incumbent at a Melbourne spire

This really was a bit too much For a bell to break at just a touch The reason, I then understood I saw the bells were made of wood.

This must be some sort of joke A peal of bells made out of oak! And to crown the blooming lot They're all attacked by worm and rot.

With shock I tossed about in bed The clappers, they were made of lead The wheels too were exceeding rare Not round and circular but square.

The bellropes too were quite fantastic Not made of hemp but fine elastic I bet Paul Jopp couldn't cope And ring with such a stretchy rope.

Then instantly before my eyes A band came in to ring Surprise This confirmed what I feared The noise produced was something weird.

I looked into each ringer's eyes And each one I could recognise They were my friends from the DDA Orchard, Walters and Melen all heaving away

And pulling strongly to keep the beat on Was the freely perspiring John Heaton Also not to be forgotten
Our host tonight, Tony Cotton

The treble rung by my wife Pat Nothing unusual about that Now who was doing the conductor's job My God, I heard myself calling bob.

Each ringer red and out of puff To pull such bells was quite enough With every change the tower shook Ten times more violent than St. Luke.

Perhaps they'll try to ring a touch To score a peal would be too much
But 'twas three hours of dreadful sound When at last the bells ran round

At this success I glowed with pride I forgot those listening outside Congratulations to you all, I said I reached each hand and fell out of bed.

Gordon's speech was followed by Paul Jopp, the President, who said he was going to say exactly the same thing as Tim, minus the photo.

Paul then announced that a touch of Orion Surprise Maximus was to be rung on handbells by Sarah Daniels (1-2), Tim Peverett (3-4), Paul Jopp (5-6), David Marshall (7-8), Simon Melen (9-10) and Lorna Champney (11-12). This touch sounded remarkably like Kent Treble Bob Maximus to most people.

The speeches sweepstake was declared a swindle after Pat Halls won it with a guess of 30 minutes!

Festivities carried on into early morning; well, 10 past midnight anyway.

Stanton-by-Dale, Derbys. 21 Mar, 1280 Yorkshire S. Major: Cheryl L Dodge 1, D J T Wilson 2, Georgina Barrett 3, R J Lawson 4, Alison McCormick 5, A P Cotton 6, D N Wallis 7, S Peers (C) 8. (80p) And Derby (Cathedral). 1282 Cambridge S. Royal: Patricia A M Halls 1, Alison McCormick (1st touch of S. Royal) 2, A P Cotton 3, Pamela J Suckling 4, Cheryl L Dodge 5, Georgina Barrett 6, D N Wallis 7, R J Lawson 8, J E Heaton (C) 9, S Peers 10. (£1) Both on Derbyshire College Youths' Dinner Day.

Doubles methods and variations

Since my return from the Middle East, I have been catching up on my reading of *The Ringing World*. I can see that once again Doubles Methods and Variations are

I see Mr. Jones has corrected "Marston" and "Old Marston". Mr. Pomeroy is right in saying that "Old Marston" was a popular name for Doubles Variations since most of the Doubles Variations in the 1950s and 1960s were rung there and in the Marstons e.g. North and South Marston in various parts of England as well as the towers around Oxford.

During the fifties and sixties methods in the diary and in the then Doubles Collection were rung using one of, or a combination of the following: PBB, RCB, GB, GS, ODS, Grandsire Ext., Pinks B&S, Wallflower B&S and PLEs of such methods as R.C. and P.B. Plain courses were made out of bobs and singles listed above on the Reverse St. Bartholomew idea. All these methods/ variations were named whether they were true or not. False methods/variations were weeded out and listed as such. Variations which contravened CC rulings were listed also.

Lists of methods/variations using the Alan Pink format were collected by the Marston ringers and sent to anyone who would like a copy, thus setting up a network

of interested Doubles ringers.
According to my records Union Doubles with an AS is Oxford and Union Doubles with a PS is Cowley St. James. Union Doubles with a Shipways Bob is Woodeaton or Watereaton.

It is a pity that the CC and other compilers did not consult the Marston ringers and others before publishing collections P. WATTS

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Doubles variations named

According to our records the Bobs used in the first two variations below have not been named. They are as listed below and we would like to name the call "rt" a Julian Boh a

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rt:	23145		sa:	23145
	21354			21345
	12345			12354
	13245			13254
	31245			31254
	22146			22244

Quarter peals of the following Doubles variations were rung on the dates shown at St. Michael's, Lichfield, and the bands concerned wish them to be named as follows

- (i) 22 Mar 92, Union Bob with Julian Bob (CC 86 rt) to be called King Street Doubles.
- (ii) 22 Mar 92, Union Bob with an Antonine Bob (CC 86 sa) to be called Peddars Way Doubles.
- (iii) 29 Mar 92, St. Julian Bob with a Reverse Canterbury Bob (CC 117 a) to be called Corinium

D. E. POMEROY, **Tower Secretary**

Central Council of Church Bell Ringers Public Relations Committee International Liaison Report for 1991 – Part II

(by Fred E. Dukes)

Publicity and Public Relations: The release of Terry Waite was celebrated by the ringing of the bells of St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu, Hawaii. The event was very well publicised, resulting in radio, press and three TV crews invading the Cathedral ringing room to record the ringing and to interview the ringers, which included Bishop Donald Hart who rang No. 6 bell. The bells were heard ringing during two news broadcasts later. Some good public relations work was done at the Ithaca Festival, U.S.A., when a changeringing demonstration on handbells was organised. At the North American Guild's A.G.M. in Little Rock, all the publicity beforehand paid off, since the press and television crews were present to record and film the ringing at the Cathedral. It was reported at the meeting itself that the Guild has a video - cassette of "The Bells of Whitechapel", it being a National Geographic film. It is a good promotional presentation to display to interested persons who may be considering the installation of a ring of bells. The peal of Plain Bob Royal in Chicago was well publicised in the local press and on TV thanks to the P.R. work by Mark Rizzo, which resulted in an invasion of the ringing room after the peal came to a successful conclusion by newspapermen and TV personnel. The interviews were reported in the local papers and on TV programmes. Subsequently the congregation arriving for services at St. Paul's, Riverside, were able to recognise some of the ringers shown on TV!

The ringers of St. Matthew's, Auckland, were given a whole page article with pictures in the New Zealand Herald. This was a very

Broadcast bells

The St. Martin's Guild of Change Ringers of Philadelphia, PA, made a foray into the world of radio on Monday, March 23, 1992, when they "appeared" on "Kids' Corner". This programme, broadcast from the local station WXPN, is a daily phone-in show for kids. E. Wein, who has always had trouble counting herself a grown-up, is an ardent fan of the programme, and arranged for the St. Martin's ringers to fill one of its segments.

Eileen Butler stood watching in rather apprehensive nervousness from outside the studio, while Bruce Butler, David Mills and E. Wein rang Plain Hunt on handbells as part of the production. E. Wein did most of the talking, assisted by Jon Byler (our token kid) and Bruce Butler. She managed not to make too great a fool of herself, despite her inadvertent insult to the programme's host while being on the air! Fortunately Kathy O'Connell, who produces and directs "Kids' Corner", is too delightful and enthusiastic an M.C. to take slips of the tongue very seriously.

The half-hour segment ended all too quickly and with only two kids' questions answered. But Kathy O'Connell suggested that the St. Martin's ringers return for a repeat performance. We are very grateful for her welcoming interest in change-ringing and the publicity our performance may bring us, and hope to soon return to the airwaves.

E. WEIN

event by the interviewers. They did agree to be authentic about ringing and Valerie did a very good job for the Exercise, due to the resultant good publicity. This followed on shortly after the "hoax" article about the dangers to ringers in the belfry.

The Parktown ringers of St. George's Church, Johannesburg, Transvaal, had a visit

well-written article as a result of strong

representations by Valerie Stone, who refused

to be associated with a proposed gimmick

The Parktown ringers of St. George's Church, Johannesburg, Transvaal, had a visit from a newspaper reporter, which resulted in a very welcome article in "Lifestyle" section of *The Star*, a local daily. There were coloured pictures of all the ringers including Cyril Chambers (82) and Claire Roberts (10), who came in for special mention. Very good P.R. stuff!

Durban, South Africa, too, did a good job in having the ringing televised on Ascension Day to help publicise Bibliathon '91. The Town Clerk of Grahamstown requested that the Cathedral bells should be rung on the last day of the National Arts Festival. There was also an Open Tower Day on the first Saturday of the Festival, when a large number of visitors made their ways up the tower to be shown the bells and to learn how they are rung. The bells were included in the broadcast service of Eucharist during the Festival. The Sunday Tribune (Durban) provided a well-written article based on the restoration project for Grahamstown Cathedral and made particular reference in it to the "men of Durban", particularly Eric Webster, who were closely involved in the construction of the new steel bell-frame. In Grahamstown itself Grocotts Mail wrote about the restoration work on the Cathedral bells and the association of the Rhodes University with the Cathedral project, under the title "Rhodes achieves 'first' in offering bell-ringing course". The course is being included in the Music Department's calendar. A photograph was included which showed Eric Webster standing in the middle of the new bell-frame. The East London Daily Dispatch published a similar article on the Rhodes association with the Bells Appeal.

In Australia a request was made by the Perth City Council for the bells of St. George's Cathedral to be rung as much as possible, in the hopes of luring people to the city centre during the Christmas shopping period. The local ringers responded by ringing the bells during lunchtime on shopping days. There were whole page coloured advertisements featuring the bells in the local papers. Over in Hobart, the Cathedral Fair - which coincided with the Hobart City Pageant - in November, involved the ringing of the Cathedral bells, and the belfry was really crowded with interested visitors during the event. Geelong Advertiser gave publicity to the peal at St. Paul's Church on 22nd September, when David Heyes was interviewed. He explained how method ringing is performed to the reporter. The method rung in the peal was Geelong Surprise Major, being the first in the

In *The Ringing World* No. 4173, some sound advice was given on "Relations with the Media". Every P.R.O. person and tower correspondent is recommended to read that

article if they have not already done so. It should assist them in their future actions.

In connection with the restoration of the ring at Verona Cathedral, a pamphlet "Il Campanile della Cattedrale di Verona" was published, and it contains an interesting account of the Cathedral bells.

Ringing Courses: It is very encouraging to note that ringing courses were organised in most centres of ringing. They were devoted to the teaching of ringers, change-ringing, rope maintenance and splicing and also method splicing.

The Zimbabwe Guild provided a talk on Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, followed with a discussion. What was learned was then put into practice on the Cathedral bells to both Minor and Major, which it is reported went very well.

In Dunedin, N.Z., there was an Adult Education Course which also included bell handling, lectures, demonstrations and exercises in various aspects of ringing. There was a follow-up course later in the year, when four quarter-peal attempts were successful.

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The Sydney, N.S.W., Ringing Course in January brought together about 30 ringers. This year it was a one-day event at Christ Church, St. Laurence, when experienced ringers gave of the time freely to stand behind the less-experienced to urge them on in the various methods practised. Altogether it was a progressive and wonderful event. The A.G.M. of the Western Australia Branch of ANZAB, at Claremont, held an organised course for the first time. The subjects included belfry maintenance and advanced method ringing.

The annual exchange of young ringers was in Italy this year, when the English visitors took part in a course for Italian style ringing.

The annual Ringing Course arranged in conjuction with the A.G.M. of the North American Guild concentrated this year on striking and rhythm. Progress was reported and a number of learners "sailed" through Plain Hunt by the time the course ended. There was also a rope-splicing session as part of the course. The annual Memorial Day visit to Quebec attracted 20 ringers, who assisted in the training of the nucleus of a local band to ring the Cathedral bells. Consequent on this progress, some of the visitors agreed to go back to Quebec periodically to encourage the new team at the Cathedral.

Miscellaneous:

Canada – A touring party from Essex went on a ringing tour in Canada and rang at all ringable towers. They scored one peal on the bells of Victoria Cathedral in the method of Yorkshire Surprise Royal.

U.S.A. – Abilene had an intensive teaching session from some of the ringers travelling to the Annual General Meeting of N.A.G. in Little Rock. It is good to know that there is a local band in training, especially after the improvement in the control of the bells after some extensive work on them. There was a truly international set of ringers in Honolulu on Easter Sunday for the dedication of the new ring in the Cathedral. Honolulu is ideally suited as a stopping point between Australia and America. The Vernal Equinox was as usual celebrated in Philadelphia when the spring dinner attracted a number of well-known ringers from other parts of the continent and they took part in the successful quarter-peal (R.W. 4176).

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The tower and bells of All Saints, Hereford

Part I

Approaching Hereford from Worcester, on the outskirts of the city the road climbs up through the desirable residential area of Aylestone Hill, flattens out, and then as it drops away on the other side, the centre of the city comes into view. Prominent on the skyline are the Cathedral tower and the spires of St. Peter's and All Saints' churches, although as the commercial centre of the city is approached, they gradually fall out of prominence. Turning right onto the ring road, following the line of the mediaeval city walls, both spires are lost to sight. However, continuing along the ring road, over the traffic lights, the massive tower and spire of All Saints suddenly come into view close at hand on the left, dominating and dwarfing the surrounding buildings. Anyone unfortunate enough to get held up at the next traffic lights will have time to study the spire, and see the scaffolding that surrounds the top third, for it is in a dangerous state and needs to be repaired before the bells can be rung again.

The lower stage of the tower was built in the latter part of the 13th century, and the detail suggests that the belfry stage was completed before the year 1300. The spire with its roll mouldings at the corners, was built early in the next century. Nothing is known about the early history of the bells in the tower, and the first record we have is the inventory of church goods taken on 2 May 1553. This shows that there was a ring of six bells with a tenor of about 23 cwt, as well as a sanctus bell. At this time a ring of this number in a parish church was most unusual, and indeed there was only a ring of six bells in the Cathedral itself at the

No further information is available until the start of the Churchwardens' accounts, the first surviving volume of which covers the period 1619-1665. In 1619/20 much work was done about the bells, brasses being recast and wheels - of unspecified type - were made, care being taken to use seasoned wood for the spokes. The only paid ringing at this time was on 5 August and 5 November but no doubt the bells were rung regularly. In 1622/3 an effort was made to improve the conditions in the belfry: turves were bought at a cost of 3s. 6d. (12½p) to lay under the bells (presumably to reduce the volume of sound) and mats costing 6s. (30p) were bought for the "ringing lofte"

Over the years, the tower and spire has been the source of much worry and expenditure. The site on which it was built was softer on the north side where, in one of the earlier stages of the city's development, there was formerly a ditch, and over the years the tower and spire has gradually sunk on that side, so that it is somewhat out of the vertical. The first record of repair work we have occurs in the accounts for 1625: in July of that year stone fell from the steeple and necessary repairs took from August to December. The accounts show that 45 loads of stone were used during the repairs: the last payment was made on 10 December, when payment was made for setting up the weathercock. One of the masons employed was Thomas Tompson, who was paid 2/6 (12½p) per day, while his labourer was paid 18d. (7½p) per day. Regrettably, during the repairs Thomas Tompson and his labourer fell from the steeple, and the parish gave them 20/-(£1) towards the hurt they had sustained.

by J. C. Eisel

In 1626/7 John Finch, the Hereford bellfounder, was paid £17 for recasting one of the bells and repairing the others, also receiving £8/10/- (£8.50) for bell metal. This was early in Finch's career: his first known bell is the tenor at Preston-on-Wye, cast in 1623, and he died in 1663 (see Note 1). Over the years his name occurs a number of times in the accounts for minor repairs as well as for major work. For example, in 1630/1 he was paid £12 4s. (£12.20) for his work and for the bellmetal that he used.

The Civil War Period

The upheavals of the Civil Wars affected Hereford considerably. It was Royalist in sympathy, and was treated accordingly. In 1642 it was occupied by an army under the Earl of Stamford, who withdrew after a short time, leaving it in Royalist hands. On 25 April 1643 it fell to a Parlimentarian army under Sir William Waller after a weak defence, for which one Royalist officer was court-martialled but acquitted. One of Waller's officers was a Colonel Carey, whose name was mentioned in the court-martial proceedings, and Carey was paid £6/3/4 (£6.161/2) by the parish to redeem the bells, which were evidently considered forfeit. He was also paid £6 by the vicar, the Rev. Mr. Hagley, on behalf of the parish which must have been short of money, and this was repaid by the parish on 8 July. Waller's army withdrew after a short stay. (See note 2).

The near loss of the bells did not stop the churchwardens maintaining them as usual, and later in 1643 John Finch repaired four of the wheels, and provided a new one as well. The bells were rung as usual on 5 November.

Royalist sentiments were evident the following year:

It paid for wringing at the Scots overthrow in the Northe By M^r Maiors apointment

This refers to the flight of Lord Leven, commander of the Scots army at the battle of Marston Moor on 2 July 1644. This news ran around the country and was celebrated in Oxford by bonfires being lit. However, these celebrations were premature as the discipline of Cromwell's Ironsides finally won the day, and it was the Royalist forces that were defeated. The bells were also rung on 11 September for "the first victory in the west", which was the surrender on 2 September of 6,000 Parliamentarian troops at Lostwithiel, Cornwall, to Royalist forces led by King Charles himself.

In the middle of July 1645 the city came under siege by an army of Scots under Lord Leven, but it was relieved by King Charles at the beginning of September: the accounts show that there was payment for "Ringing for the King", probably on this occasion. (Charles had been in Hereford during the second half of June 1645 after the Royalist defeat at the battle of Naseby, but it seems unlikely that his visit would have been celebrated under those circumstances). However, there was little respite for the city after its relief from the Scots, and it was taken by the Parliamentarians in December 1645 using a ruse de guerre, who strongly garrisoned it until the end of hostilities. No doubt life was disrupted -



The weather cock at All Saints, Hereford. - photo courtesy Hereford Times.

there are no accounts for the next two years but in the accounts for 1648 we find evidence of change

Ite payd by order from the Committee for wringing the 7th of September 1648

This must have been to celebrate Cromwell's victory at Preston, where the last of a Royalist army, mainly of Scots, surrendered on 24 August. The committee referred to would have been the county committee, set up by the Parliamentarians to supersede county government by JPs and quarter sessions. These committees were effectively abolished early in 1650.

For the next ten years or so the accounts were kept badly, or not at all. There are tantalizing glimpses: for instance, in 1653 there is mention of a bell being recast, but no details given. The accounts for 1659/60 show that the ringers were paid 2/6 (12½p) for ringing "when Lambert was routed", part of the upheavals that led to the Restoration. When the news of the landing of Charles II reached Hereford the bells were rung, and they were rung for his coronation. After this, there is little to add to the story of the bells. We may admire John Williams, "Playsterer", who was paid £1 in 1662 for pulling down and putting up the "Wether Cocke" – twice as

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ALL SAINTS', HEREFORD - continued

much as Thomas Swinfield who repaired it but this is of passing interest only. We may also sympathise with the parish clerk over the result of a meeting held on 28 April 1664:

"At a generall meeting of the parishioners this day had It is agreed & resolved that henceforth the Parish Clark shall find preserve and maintayne at his own expense Ropes for all the Bells in the parish Bellfry except for the Tennor & Little Bell, which the Parishioners will maintayne: And be it remembered that at this tyme all the ropes are in good repair"

This volume finishes at Easter 1665, and the next volume of churchwardens' accounts, covering the years 1665-1765 is missing, so we take up the thread with the volume started in 1765. Thus we have no record of the casting of the present sanctus bell by Abraham Rudhall in 1706, the successor of a sanctus bell

recorded in 1553.

Changes and problems in the 18th century

In 1763 a tax of 4/- (20p) per hogshead was placed on cider, to be levied on the makers. This caused a national outcry and Ledbury bells were rung muffled on and off for a whole day. The subsequent lifting of the tax was a matter for celebration, and on 2 July 1766 the All Saints' ringers were paid 5/- (25p) for

ringing on this occasion.
In 1769 it was decided to recast the old ring of six bells, and the order was given to Thomas Rudhall. At the beginning of August the five front bells were weighed and hauled to the quay, and although it is not possible to identify the entry, they were evidently transported to Gloucester by trow, as were the bells of St. Nicholas some 50 years before: at this period there was much river transport of heavy goods. The great bell was not sent to the quay until 4 October. On 17 January 1770 the eight bells were weighed, and so presumably had been returned to Hereford: the weight of the new ring was about the weight of the mediaeval ring. However, on 6 April the seventh and eighth bells were hauled to the quay, and it seems that they must have been returned to Gloucester: probably for this reason the ringers were only paid 3/6 (17½p) for ringing on 29 May, one of the regular ringing days, instead of the usual 6/- (30p). Thomas Rudhall was paid £85 as an instalment towards his bill on 16 June, on 23 June the seventh and eighth bells were weighed and they were hauled on the next day. They must have been acceptable as Rudhall's bill was met in full on 6 July with a payment of £79/17/-(£79.85). The inscription on the treble bell tells us that "We were made eight by subscription", and the accounts show that £96/17/3 (£96.86) was donated towards the cost. Interestingly, the seventh and eighth bells still bore the date 1769, so it is not sure what was done to them.

In the accounts there are no identifiable entries for a frame or hanging the bells, but it is likely that this was included in Rudhall's bill and that the present frame of unusual layout was built at this time. It would be interesting to know the name of the bell-hanger responsible.

No doubt the new ring of bells stimulated the ringers, but we have no record of what they were doing, apart from the paid ringing days. We do not know why the augmentation came about, whether it was local pride, or pressure from the ringers who wished to ring on higher numbers. In the middle of the 18th century there were peal-ringing bands at Ross and Ledbury and it may be that the All Saints' ringers wished to emulate them. If they did, no record has so far been found. The pages of the Hereford Journal, which was published from 1770 onwards, do not record any peals rung at All Saints' until many years later. That there was change ringing is fairly sure, and a newspaper article in 1849 (quoted below) suggests that it died out sometime about the year 1810, only round ringing then being performed by the parochial ringers.

A shadow must have been cast on their activities on Easter Monday 1786 when the west tower of the Cathedral fell down: it was later considered necessary to remove the wooden spire that graced the central tower. It was decided to take expert opinion on the condition of All Saints' steeple, and on 13 June 1786 5/- (25p) was "paid at a meeting of Mess" Hardwick taking a view of Tower": the accounts show that Mr. Hardwick was paid £2/2/- (£2.10) the following day. This would have been the architect Thomas Hardwick, best known for his work on London Churches. His opinion would not seem to have been encouraging, and it was first decided to take down the tower and spire and rebuild them. Advertisements asking for a contractor willing to do this were placed in the Hereford Journal at the end of September 1786, and also in the Oxford and Worcester papers. A plan of the proposed new tower was available for inspection at Messrs. Hardwick's in inspection at Rathbone-place, London, or at the house of churchwarden, Mr. Poultney, Widemarsh-street, Hereford. We do not know if no-one was willing to undertake it, or whether the cost would have been too great, but it was decided to repair the steeple instead, and this was done the following year. Part of the scheme involved building two large buttresses on the north side of the tower. The first of these was started on 5 July 1787, and finished on 10 August, when 5/- (25p) was spent on the workmen, no doubt on liquid refreshment. Only two days later the ringers were paid for ringing for some unspecified occasion. The foundation of the north-west buttress was laid on 6 October (another 5/spent), but we can hardly expect it to have been finished by 25 October, when the bells were rung for the anniversary of the King's Accession. Perhaps the ringers had no doubts about the stability of the tower! There seems to have been some problem with the work, and the matter went to arbitration, but with what result we do not know. The masons were treated at Christmas (5/- again), and the final payment was made on 15 January 1788: Mr. Hardwick was paid £16/5/6 (£16.27½) the next day. Remarks made in vestry meetings in the 1850s tell us that it was during this repair work that the wrought iron tie-rods were inserted in the tower, but the nature of the accounts is such that it is impossible to identify the relevant entry

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The last date letter on the Preston-on-Wye tenor was damaged in the casting and cleaned up afterwards. However, a recent examination showed that enough remained to be fairly sure that the letter 3 was intended.

There are documented cases of bells being defaced at this period, such as at Bressingham, Norfolk, in 1644. However, the payment of a ransom for bells would seem to be a feature of the German Wars, when they were considered to be the perquisite of the train of artillery; this event was most unusual, if not unique, in England However, many of the participants in the Civil Wars had served in Germany. Interestingly enough, no payment of a ransom is recorded in the accounts for St. Nicholas', Hereford, despite those bells being rung for Royalist victories as often as those of All Saints', so either All Saints' was treated as a special case, or someone paid the ransom for St. Nicholas' and it did not go through the accounts. There are no surviving accounts for St. Peter's for the period.

A similar attempt by one Major Belfour, an officer in the army of the Duke of Cumberland, to confiscate the bells of Carlisle in 1745/6 was strenuously rebuffed.

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Front page peals

I had a shock when I realised that it was six months since my last article on this subject but, I hope, better late than never for those interested in the peal history of towers. First Hingham (Mass.). As Mr. Price said in his article, his peal was the third on the bells. The first was Stedman Caters in 1984 and the second Yorkshire Royal in 1988. It doesn't seem there will be many more unless something is done to rectify the problems there. Wing (Bucks.) is half way to its goal for the restoration of the bells, so we hope it will soon reach its target. There was obviously a great deal more to do than expected. Eight peals have been rung there - two in 1956 and one in each of the years 1965, 1973, 1975, 1979, 1981 and 1988 – all of Minor in up to 12 methods. There have been no peals at Kemsing yet. How fortunate to have such a wonderful benefactor who has met the whole cost of the work. At Sutton-cum-Lound there were three peals on the bells after they were augmented from three to four in 1981. The further augmentation to five produced four more - two in 1987 and one each in 1988 and 1991 - the last just before the five became six. Again, we wait for the first on the six.

It was an interesing account of the history of the bells at Clapham Common. No peals in the past there, of course, but I feel sure the first in the tower will take place before long. Congratulations on 20 quarters at Quex Park. However, pride of place must go to Sturry since that tower benefited from the sponsorship. There have been 13 peals there, the first in 1905, followed by one in 1912. Two peals came in the '20s with a 37-year gap until 1959 before the next; three in 1964, '65 and '66 followed with one in the '70s, three in the '80s and one in 1990. All but two were of Minor from 1 to 7 methods. The two of Doubles were in 3 and 7 methods respectively.

Henley-in-Arden has a rather unusually interesting old six. There have only been six peals on them – 1911, 1923 (2), 1964, 1969 and 1975. Two years to raise the £23,000 is pretty good going! A peal soon to celebrate the fact, I expect. I can't say that the Coca Cola tower really enhances the view of St. Martin's, Birmingham. on the Christmas issue! It

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THE RINGERS' HANDBOOK

by E. S. & M. Powell. Price £2.00 post free from P. K. Williamson, Staplegrove House, Taunton, Somerset TA2 6AW certainly signifies to me how the material world is attempting to push the spiritual world into the background with all the consequent evils of the time. The peal history of the tower has been reviewed several times over the years, since it is such a prominent church. Suffice it to say that it has lasted for nearly 250 years; there were 13 peals in the 18th century, 70 in the 19th century and, as it happens, 501 in the 20th. I don't suppose there will be many peals rung on the 16 bells, for various reasons!

The following week came another tower with a long peal history, Hythe. The article also mentioned the various stages of the augmentation, etc. It can't be often that a tower was augmented to 10 and then had the trebles removed as unsuitable, bringing them back to eight. As far as peals are concerned, there were no peals on the original six or the 10. The first on the eight appears to have been in 1809. The first 30 years produced 22 peals, all of Plain Bob (three of Triples and 19 Major). Then came five of Kent T.B., two of Bob Major, six of Grandsire Triples, with two more Kent T.B. in the middle of them – all from 1839 to 1865. Things slackened off then – only nine peals from 1894 to 1914 and just six between the wars. Peals have also come occasionally since 1945 - 3 in the '40s, 5 in the '50s, 7 in the '60s, 12 in the '70s, 6 in the '80s and 1 (earlier this year) in the '90s. Total 87.

So St. Mary's, Peterborough, has a completely new eight, with the old six going to Pimlico. 72 peals were rung on them – the first in 1903. All of them were of Minor in up to 10 methods: 10 came before the first war, 25 between the wars, 8 came from 1946 to 1949 (the best period), 9 in the '50s, 13 in the '60s, 2 in the '70s and 6 in the '80s – the last four of them in eight days in October 1989! A real good send-off!

It is to be hoped that Stowey will not have to wait long to raise the final amount required to finish the job, especially as it has resulted in an unringable five coming back into use again. There has only been one peal there – in 1927. The interesting article on "A unique ring with a unique sound" - Coughton - mentioned the three peals that had been rung there, so I just add that the second one was in April, 1989. Now that they have been restored, I expect peals will become more frequent. It was rather strange that the article on the new bells at Grace Dieu came so long after their insertion and that the first peal on them was not published until 31/2 years after it was rung, there being five other peals in the meantime which were published. But, better late than never, as the writer of the article said. There have now been seven peals there. It certainly must have been rather awkward through the years to have two ancient churches in the churchyard. Now it is the one which has been declared redundant which has the bells and which is being restored, it seems. It is obviously a very fine church and worthy of being saved. So full marks for those at Swaffham Prior who have carried out the restoration. I find I have 21 peals there, starting in 1952, all but three of Minor up to 7 methods - 9 in the '50s, 11 in the '60s and 1 (in 1977) to end with.

Another intriguing story of the history of bells at Frenchay. The first new ring in the diocese for 60 years, but Frenchay had to wait for nearly 160 years for them. So several more redundant bells have been saved and put to good use. No peals yet, but not for long, I expect. We wish the ringers of Linslade good fortune in raising the money to improve their

bells. I have 23 peals there – the first in 1906, the following two in 1910 and 1922 and the remainder since the last war – 2 in the '40s, 1 in the '50s, 2 in the '60s, 5 in the '70s, 8 in the '80s and 2 in the '90s – 14 of Surprise Major in 10 different methods, 5 of Bob Major and 4 of Triples in 3 different methods.

It is surprising what can be accomplished with a little bit of ingenuity. The ringers of Brockdish, helped by the Norwich D.A., have shown this by managing their restoration for under £1,000. Congratulations. I have only six peals here - all of Minor in up to five methods in 1912, 1914, 1934, 1955, 1956 and 1958. Then we come to the "Byfield Story". The plan to restore and augment to eight was made possible much earlier than anticipated by a generous bequest to the church and the gift of an anonymous benefactor. And so, with a great amount of self-help, the work is finished. notice the first peal on the eight has already been rung. On the six, 7 peals had been rung-2 in 1950, including the only peal of Doubles which was the first on the bells, and the remainder in 1955, 1964, 1968, 1986 and 1991. There had only been five peals at Cransley before the recent restoration - all of Minor in the years 1910 to 1912. So a long peal silence here. No wonder, perhaps, considering the state of the bells which the article revealed. It was a most fascinating account of the way bells are welded and how ancient bells can possibly be saved without recasting. And so, another "unringable" ring saved for posterity. I'm sure it won't be another 80 years before a peal is

Woodstock had to wait 10 years to realise their ambition to retune and rehang their bells and apparently found some unusual ways of raising the necessary funds. But I am sure the lengthy period of fund-raising will have seemed worthwhile now. Although the tower total is only 55, it is nearly 200 years since the first - 1794. There were three more in 1814, 1823 and 1879, but then things started moving: 12 from 1885 to 1895, 4 more from 1901 to 1912, 14 between the wars. All but six of these 35 peals were of Triples (17 Grandsire and 12 Stedman). Five of the six Major peals were in different methods. After the last war, there was a bigger variety of methods. Only seven of the 20 peals were of Triples; the rest were of

Major in many methods. I get up-to-date with the featuring of Rayne on the front page. The article tells the history of the restoration but not much about previous history. It mentions the installation of the original five bells in 1841 and their rehanging in 1910 but nothing more. I have four peals on the 5 - in 1900, 1901 (2) and 1906. So none were rung on them after 1910, for the next peal is one of Bob Minor in 1934. Augmentation must therefore have taken place between 1910 and then. There were three peals from 1934 to 1938 and then, after six peals in the '40s from 1944 to 1948, a constant stream of them - 10 in the '50s, 34 in the '60s, including 10 in 1968, 21 in the '70s (8 in 1971 being most in one year), 8 in the '80s and a final one in 1991. So now they are "a joy to ring", perhaps they will become more frequent in the peal lists again. So peal total 87. Since the augmentation, there have only been two peals of Doubles. Apart from 19 peals of Bob Minor and single peals of Cambridge and York Surprise, the remainder have been multi-method Minor in up to 145 methods. A very good record.

K. W. H. FELSTEAD

Peal Reports

BATH &WELLS D.A.

WIVELISCOMBE, Som, S Andrew Sat Mar 21 1992 2h53 (161/2)

5120 London S. Major Comp. C Middleton

- Robert Perry (C)
- Ann Agnew
- Rev. Christopher J B
- Marshall Michael J Stone
- Julian M Stone
- 6 Robert E Beck
- Barrie Hendry
- 8 David J Purnell
- 125th peal: 5. 100th together:

UNIV. OF BRISTOL SOC.

LECKHAMPTON, Glos, Sat Mar 28 1992 2h55 (91/4)

5088 Gigantic S. Major Comp. Gabriel Lindoff

- Michael T Sprackling
- Patrick J Bird
- 3 Hilary Muirhead Angela Newing
- Terry T Jones
- Simon J Tomlinson
- Julian T Watson
- 8 Eric J Taylor (C) Completes Surprise Major alphabet: 4.

First peal in the method. Gigantic S. Major: -36-1456-58-16-34-1258-

34-18. 17856342. 2nds. Group C. Falseness Eac.

£1.60

COVENTRY D.G.

CHILVERS COTON, Sat Mar 28 1992 2h45 (131/2)

5040 Spliced S. Royal (4m: 1280 Cambridge, Yorkshire, Lincolnshire; 1200 London No. 3; 100 changes of method, all the work)

- Comp. DW Beard 1 Joanne L White
- Howell J Williams
- Sarah A H E Daniels Mark J Pendery
- Ian N Robinson
- George Pluckrose
- Michael Chester
- Christopher H Robbins
- 9 Simon P Rogers (C) 10 Geoffrey W Randall First S. Royal: 8. First Spliced

CUMBRIAN ASSN.

CROSTHWAITE, Cumbria, Wed Feb 12 1992 2h39 (10)

5040 Nortolk Punch Minor

- **Geoffrey Evison**
- Elizabeth C Day
- Andrew M Farmer
- John M Goldthorpe Rev. Kevin M Price (C)
- 6 Andrew P Warboys
- First peal in the method: 3.

WESTMORLAND, Cumbria, S Lawrence Mon Feb 24 1992 2h35 (91/s)

- 5040 Norfolk Punch Minor
- **Geoffrey Evison** Alison J Brittliff
- Jonathan K F Tait
- Rev. Mark A Jones
- Norman M Brock
- Rev. Kevin M Price (C) First peal in the method by all except treble and tenor.

DERBY D.A.

MELBOURNE, Derbys, SS Michael & Mary Sun Mar 15 1992 2h50 (151/2)

5040 Stedman Triples Comp. FH Dexter (No. 2)

- Mervyn G Buckley
- Ruth H Smith
- Emma St. John Smith
- Ian N Robinson
- Robert W Davies
- Robert B Smith (C)
- E Alan Jacques
- 8 Rev. Frederick Ross

ELY D.A.

MELDRETH, Cambs, **Holy Trinity** Tues Mar 24 1992 2h43 (101/2)

5024 Aspenden S. Major Comp. Stephen Ivin

- Joan Hooton Dorothea M Robotham
- Ivan J Ludbrook
- Geoffrey Pearson
- Christopher E J Kilgour
- Walter Hunt
- 7 John G Gipson 8 John R Mayne (C) First peal in the method by all the band, and for the

ESSEX ASSOCIATION

BRADWELL-JUXTA-MARE. Essex, S Thomas Ap Sat Mar 14 1992 2h33 (61/4)

5040 Spliced S. Minor (14m: (1) Lightfoot, Wearmouth; (2) Alnwick, Newcastle; (3) Chester, Munden; (4) London, Wells; (5) Reverley, Surfaget; (6) (5) Beverley, Surfleet; (6) York, Durham; (7)

- Cambridge, Ipswich) Joe E G Roast

- Patrick W Saltmarsh Edwin Parsons Rowena L Marshall
- Desmond G Mayell

Adrian C Malton (C) 100th different Essex tower for a peal: 6. A 65th birthday compliment to Pat Saltmarsh.

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PORTSMOUTH, Hants, Cathedral Sat Mar 28 1992 3h 10 (251/2)

5040 Yorkshire S. Royal

- Comp. A M Barber
- Jack S Dear Maurice A Collings
- Alan M Barber (C)
- Richard F Prime
- Michael J Thomas
- John A Hall Malcolm M Powell
- **Brian J Willett**
- George E Bonham
- George E Thoday First S. Royal: 2. 100th together: 1.3.

STANSTED MOUNTFITCHET, Essex, S Mary V Sun Mar 29 1992 2h56 (13)

5008 Plain Bob Major

- Comp. D Hoare
- Mary Bone
- Fred Bone Clive B Moore
- J Richard Castledine
- Guy R Wilkinson
- Colin A Holman
- 7 Alan T Dixon 8 Alan M Barber (C)
- First on eight: 6. Silver Wedding compliment to

Edmund and Anne Wilkinson. GLOS. & BRISTOL D.A.

EDGEWORTH, Glos, S Mary V Fri Mar 20 1992 2h35 (6)

5040 Doubles (7m: 4 extents each Winchendon Place, St Nicholas; 6 each St Simon's, St Martin's, Grandsire; 8 each

- Rev. Canterbury, Plain Bob)

 1 lan D Bucknell
- **E Mary Bliss**
- Thomas J C E Burslem
- Reginald J Day Peter G Holden (C) First Doubles: 3. Most methods: 3, 4. First peal on

GREAT BARRINGTON, Glos, S Mary V Sat Mar 21 1992 2h43 (8)

5040 Plain Bob Minor

(7 different extents)

- James N O'Beirne Simon R Holden
- Eleanor E Pridgeon
- Reginald J Day
- Chris McKenzie 6 Peter G Holden (C) First peal: 3.

SWINDON, Wilts, **Christ Church** Sat Mar 28 1992 3h14 (22)

5000 London S. Royal (No. 3 Version)

- Comp. J R Mayne
 1 Dorothea M Robotham
- Anita D Sherriff
- Cynthia E Howell Michael J Hobbs
- **Desmond L Jones**
- Michael T Sprackling
- Brian Bladon Robert W Sherriff Murray A Coleman
- 10 John R Mayne (C) First peal of London S. Royal:

MALMESBURY, Wilts, S Paul Mon Mar 23 1992 2h48 (11)

5024 Pisces S. Major Comp. G Lindoff

- David A Strong
- Katrina A Lenton
- Marc Hart
- **Peter Tombs**
- Richard L Thumwood
- Mark Edwards John R Martin (C)
- 8 Brian Bladon

GREEN DRAGON SOC.

HADDENHAM, Bucks, S Mary V Sat Mar 28 1992 2h47 (171/2) 5024 Rutland S. Major

- Comp. AR Kench
- Catherine M A Grant John R Whitham
- Richard C Stevens
- Malcolm A Thurling Andrew G Lancey
- John D Keates Edgar T Skipsey (C)
- 8 Edward W Houghton First in method: 5. An 18th birthday compliment to

Catherine C Watson; also engagement compliment to Katherine Davies.

GUILDFORD D.G.

CRANLEIGH, Surrey, S Nicolas Sat Mar 28 1992 3h19 (17)

5184 Spliced S. Major (8m: 768 Bristol, London, Rutland; 576 Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Yorkshire)

- Comp. N Smith Robin J Walker (C)
- Judy E Couperthwaite Beryl R Norris
- David G Pearson
- Mark A Wilson
- Graham L Nayler Mike Pidd 8 W John Couperthwaite First Spliced Major as conductor. 100th together: 1,

8. Compliment to Gerald and Doreen Pearson (parents of 4th) on the occasion of their 30th wedding anniversary:

also engagement compliment to Mark Hodgson and Jane Weaver.

HERTFORD C.A.

HATFIELD, Herts, S Etheldreda

Sat Mar 21 1992 3h8 (23) 5040 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Royal Comp. S J Ivin

- Jenny Holt Lawrence J Haines (C)
- Nigel C Childs Thomas J Lock
- Mark Instone Katharine J Whittel Raymond Fordham Walter A Lee
- John Hearn 10 Louise Kennedy First Royal: 1, 9. First Plain/ Little Spliced: 3, 4, 8, 10,

ALDBURY, Herts, S John Bapt Sat Mar 28 1992 2h31 (6¾)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m: Norwich, Hull, Norfolk, Primrose, Bourne, Ipswich, Cambridge)

- Philip M Watson
- Catherine C Watson Michael J Main
- 4 Penny Watson 5 Brian C Watson (C)

6 George A Reading First attempt: 1. Circled tower: 6. 18th birthday compliment to ringer of 2;

compliment to ringer of 3.

KENT C.A.

PETHAM, Kent,

also 50th birthday

All Saints Mon Mar 16 1992 2h17 (6)

5040 Surprise Minor

(7m: 1 extent each Cambridge, Durham, Bourne, London, Ipswich, York,

- Norwich)
 1 Vanessa J Martin
 2 John B Keeler (C)
- Darren R Moore Richard H Edwards
- Mark P Gilham 6 Dickon R Love

MAIDSTONE, Kent, **All Saints**

Tues Mar 17 1992 3h9 (32) 5040 Pudsey S. Royal

- Comp. J Clatworthy
 1 Catherine N Merlane
 2 Thomas Cullingworth
- Vanessa J Martin
- Dickon R Love
- J Roderick N Lebon Richard H Edwards
- David J Dearnley Mark P Gilham John B Keeler (C)

10 Thomas M Barlow ISLEWORTH, London,

All Saints Sat Mar 21 1992 2h56 (16)

- 5040 Yorkshire S. Royal
- Comp. J A Ainsworth (6894)

 1 Vanessa J Martin
- Dickon R Love
- Valerie S Keeler Alexander J Britton
- Richard H Edwards Nicholas J Chesson Thomas Cullingworth

Mark P Gilham John B Keeler (C) 10 Thomas M Barlow

LEEDS, Kent, S Nicholas Sat Mar 21 1992 3h1 (17)

- 5040 Lincolnshire S. Royal Anon.
- 1 Thomas Cullingworth Dickon R Love
- Vanessa J Martin Alexander J Britton
- 5 F Paul Lewis 6 J Roderick N Lebon
- Richard H Edwards 8 Mark P Gilham
- 9 John B Keeler (C) 10 Thomas M Barlow

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SPELDHURST, Kent, S Mary V Sat Mar 21 1992 2h54 (13)

5056 Plain Bob Major Comp. Charles H Martin 1 Catherine M Lewis

- Ernest J Ladd
- Alan King Michael Fradd
- Eric Roughley
 David Featherstone
- Frank W Lewis

8 Keith R Wakefield (C) To celebrate the 100th anniversary of a peal of 11,200 P.B. Major rung on March 19th, 1892. This peal was composed by Charles H Martin and was the longest for the Association at that

OSPRINGE, Kent, SS Peter & Paul Sun Mar 22 1992 2h56 (17)

5184 Superlative S. Major Comp. AJ Cox

- Michael J Little
- Stuart C Palin Valerie S Keeler Moira J Murphy Vanessa J Martin

- Mark P Gilham

John B Keeler (C) Thomas M Barlow 8 An 18th birthday compliment to Wilf Palin; also 34th wedding anniversary compliment to Eileen and Wilf Palin.

MAIDSTONE, Kent, **All Saints** Tues Mar 24 1992 3h8 (32)

5039 Grandsire Caters Comp. T Hooley

- John B Keeler (C)
- Valerie J Howard
- Valerie S Keeler
- Malcolm J Lodwick Catherine N Merlane
- Mark P Gilham
- Thomas Cullingworth
- Thomas M Barlow
- 9 Derek J Carr
- 10 David J Dearnley Circled tower: 10. 200th together: 1, 6. 1,000th peal: 1.

EAST FARLEIGH, Kent, The Parish Church Tues Mar 24 1992 2h52 (7)

5088 Yorkshire S. Major Comp. N J Pitstow 1 J Roderick N Lebon

- Andrew C P Gunstone Catherine J Axford
- Karen Lebon
- Simon J Dixon
- Darren R Moore
- Vanessa J Martin (C)
- 8 Richard H Edwards

First peal as conductor. Compliment to John B Keeler on his 1,000th peal, being rung concurrently at All Saints', Maidstone

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WESTGATE-ON-SEA, Kent, S Saviour Wed Mar 25 1992 2h32 (9¾)

5040 Surprise Minor

(7m: Annable's London, Ipswich, Durham, Bourne, London, Netherseale. Cambridge)

- Darren R Moore
- Rupert J Cheeseman
- Richard A Pearce Dickon R Love
- Richard H Edwards
- Mark P Gilham (C) For the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

WHITSTABLE, Kent, Thur Mar 26 1992 2h24 (7)

5040 Surprise Minor (12m: (1) Allendale,

Westminster; (2) Cambridge, lpswich; (3) Durham, Beverley, Surfleet, York; (4) London; (5) Bourne; (6) Wells; (7) Norwich)

- Richard H Edwards
- Darren R Moore
- Dickon R Love
- Richard A Pearce
- Mark P Gilham (C)

John B Keeler

CHARTHAM, Kent, S Mary Thur Mar 26 1992 2h53 (13) 5040 Pizpot Gargravarr T.B.

- Minor Richard A Pearce
- Dickon R Love
- Roger H Pocock
- Darren R Moore
- Richard H Edwards
- 6 Mark P Gilham (C) First peal in the method.

CANTERBURY, Kent, Cathedral Sat Mar 28 1992 2h52 (15)

5040 Double Norwich C.B.

Comp. A P Heywood

- 1 Nicola Jakeman
- Cathryn M Hills
- Christopher J Robinson
- Ian F Young
 Michael W Coleman
 Philip M Hills
 Donald H Niblett (C)

8 J Nigel Wilkinson First peal in the method: 3, 4, 6, 8. First peal on the "Ernulf" eight. 21st birthday compliment to lan Hazell. £1

LANCASHIRE ASSN.

Record-keepers please note that a peal at Prestwich was published on p. 363 of R.W. April 10th.

ST. HELENS, Merseyside, SHelen Thur Feb 13 1992 2h46 (9)

5040 Minor (1 extent each Original, Cambridge Surprise, Single Oxford, Kent T.B., St Clements College, Oxford T.B., Plain Bob; on the front six bells)
1 Jason W Hughes

- L Martin Daniels
- Rev. Kevin M Price (C)
- Andrew P Warboys
 John M Goldthorpe
- Dr. Peter G Bellamy-Knights

HALE, Cheshire, S Mary Sat Mar 14 1992 2h59 (81/4)

5088 Yorkshire S. Major Comp. Nathan J Pitstow

- Barry C Hale
- John Hyden
- Julie A Addison
- John M Goldthorpe
- J Denis Maddock Dr. Peter G
- Bellamy-Knights Rev. Kevin M Price (C)
- 8 L Martin Daniels

HAWKSHEAD, Cumbria, S Michael & All Angels Sat Mar 28 1992 5h41 (7¾)

10,080 Grandsire Triples Comp. J J Parker

- (12-part, 7th obs.) Andrew J Holland
- John A Hickman
- Andrew P Warboys
- Keith N Buckingham
- Alastair J Hopkins Rev. Kevin M Price (C) 6
- John M Goldthorpe
- Andrew J M Kaye

LEICESTER D.G.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics, Bell Foundry Campanile Tues Mar 24 1992 2h12 (21/2)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m: Wells, Durham Lightfoot, Chester, Carlisle, Ipswich, Surfleet)

- James W Bowley
- Colin Lord
- Frank Chambers
- Ronald D Hughes
- Tom Harris Roland Beniston (C)

LINCOLN D.G.

HOUGH-ON-THE-HILL, Lincs, All Saints Thur Jan 30 1992 2h47 (14)

5040 Plain Bob Minor

- Geoffrey Evison J Philip Hunt
- lan D G B Ansell
- John M Goldthorpe Rev. Kevin M Price (C) Following the funeral at Edenham this day of William A Holmes and Eva W Holmes,

in thanksgiving for their lives.

WALESBY, Lincs, S Mary & All Saints Mon Mar 23 1992 2h46 (12)

5056 Plain Bob Major Comp. J R Pritchard

- Margaret A Parker
- James A Sutherland
- C Aubrey Harrison Edward W Colley Gwen I Bloomfield
- Harold P Judd
- John F Underwood Geoffrey R Parker (C) 250th peal for the Guild: 7. In thanksgiving for the life of the Rev. Michael Massey, for many years Vicar of this parish

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READING, Berks, S Lawrence Sun Mar 22 1992 3h2 (22)

5007 Stedman Caters Comp. A S Hudson

- Christopher M Gould Nicholas Green
- Nicholas Jones
- Mark Bennett
- James Sawle
- Vanessa Powell Marcus A Wheel (C)
- Michael J Trimm
- Julia Cater Richard S J Saddleton

NON-ASSOCIATION

LONDON, Cheapside EC, S Mary-le-Bow Sun Mar 29 1992 3h40 (42)

5042 Cambridge S. Meximus Comp. J H Fielden

- B Gillian Fielden Ruth M Border
- Rosalind J Regan
- Yvonne A Towler
- Mark Regan (C) David J Pipe 6
- David E House
- lan G Campbell John H Fielden
- 10 Christopher J Pickford James L Towler 12 Peter Border

NORTH STAFFS ASSN.

KIDSGROVE, Staffs, **S Thomas**

Sat Mar 21 1992 2h45 (11)

- 5056 London S. Major Comp. Stephen Ivin
- John Gibb Christopher Machin
- Norman Sherratt (C)
- **Harold Dowler**
- Remi Hodister
- lan Friend
- James Gibb 8 C Michael Orme

NORWICH D.A.

HOPTON-BY-THETFORD, Suffolk, All Saints Sat Mar 28 1992 2h40 (13)

5040 Minor (5m: (1) Oxford T.B.; (2) Kent T.B.; (3) Norwich Surprise; (4) Cambridge Surprise; (5, 6, 7)

- Plain Bob)
- J Martin Thorley
- Jeremy W Spiller (C) Jeremy W Warren Frank C J Arnold
- David R McLean Barbara L Caffyn

GARBOLDISHAM, Norfolk, S John Bapt Sat Mar 28 1992 2h35 (111/2)

5040 Surprise Minor (6m, 7 extents: (1) London S.; (2) Bourne S.; (3) Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet; (4)

Norwich S.; (5) Surfleet S.; (6)

- Norwich S.; (7) Cambridge S.)
- Mick Cole J Martin Thorley
- Paul D Clewett
- 4 Jeremy W Warren 5 Jeremy W Spiller (C) 6 Christian M Peckham

ALBURGH, Norfolk, Sat Mar 28 1992 2h34 (93/4)

5040 Spliced Major (4256 Plain and 784 Little; 14 changes of method, all the

work)

- Arr. W F Moreton
- Jeremy W Warren David R McLean
- Patricia M Bailey
- Trevor N J Bailey Michael J Parker 5
- Frank CJ Arnold 6
- Jeremy W Spiller

J Martin Thorley (C) 100th peal: 1. In memory of Leslie W G Morris of Bradford.

QUIDENHAM, Norfolk, Sun Mar 29 1992 2h48 (15)

5040 Double Norwich C.B.

Major Comp. R Pike and

- J Carter
- 1 Roger Peckham 2 J Martin Thorley
- Frank CJ Arnold Barbara L Caffyn
- Jeremy W Warren Christian M Peckham
- Adrian C Malton
- 8 Jeremy W Spiller (C) First DNCBM: 4, 6. Circled tower: 3. For Mothering

Sunday.

NORWICH SOCIETY LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics,

All Saints Sat Mar 21 1992 3h26 (301/2) 5040 London S. Royal

- (No. 3)
- Comp. R Philip Graves Thomas R Roast
- David Cubitt
- Caroline C Leary
- David G Adams Brian G Meads Richard PJ Carter 5

£1

Martin Cubitt David E House

R Philip Graves (C) 10 J Michael Roberts

OXFORD D.G. KEMPSTON, Beds,

- All Saints Sat Feb 29 1992 3h (17)
- 5040 Grantley S. Royal Comp. C K Lewis
- Brian Bladon
- Colin M Turner **Timothy G Pett**
- Roger Baldwin
- S Kathleen Baldwin Bernard F L Groves (C)
- Bernard H Taylor Peter G C Ellis Frank W Rivett

10 Peter Bridle CAVERSHAM, Berks, S Peter

Sat Mar 7 1992 2h41 (7) 5088 Yorkshire S. Major

- Comp. N J Pitstow 1 Helen M McGregor
- June A Saint 3 Jane E Cubley
- Jenny Carter
- E John W Manley 6
- Roy T Harris Douglas J Beaumont Stephen A Rossiter (C)

NEWTON ABBOT, Devon, S Leonard's Tower Sat Mar 15 1992 2h48 (73/4)

5022 Quasimodo S. Major

- Comp. Anthony J Cox
- Mary C Symes Peter G C Ellis
- Terry J C Streeter
- William Butler
- Bernard F L Groves
- Timothy G Pett (C)
- 7 Geoffrey K Dodd 8 Colin M Turner
- 800th tower for a peal: 2.

READING, Berks, S Laurence Thur Mar 19 1992 3h18 (23)

5042 Cambridge S. Maximus Comp. A Hudson

- 1 Robert J Crocker
- Helen J Piper
- Brian Bladon
- Diana Bridle
- Alison E Leach
- 6 Nicholas Clarke
- Bernard FL Groves (C)
- Geoffrey K Dodd
- William Butler
- 10 Marc Hart
- Peter Border
- 12 Timothy G Pett

HIGH WYCOMBE, **Bucks, All Saints** Sat Mar 21 1992 3h32 (30)

5007 Stedman Cinques

- Comp. C M S Botting
 1 Charles M S Botting (C)
- David F Moore
- **Ann Davies**
- Stephen S Russ Patricia M Newton
- 6 **Clifford Davies**
- Christopher Parkinson George Whiteside
- Stephen W Barton
- 10 John R Martin
- Robert H Newton

12 Peter J Bruce First on 12 as conductor.

CHICHESTER, Sussex, Sat Mar 21 1992 3h16 (18)

5088 Bristol S. Major

- Comp. S Ivin
- Colin R Hares 2 Helen J Piper
- Mary C Symes Timothy G Pett
- Peter G C Ellis
- 6 Colin M Turner
- 7 Geoffrey K Dodd (C) 8 Bernard F L Groves

CHALFONT ST. GILES, **Bucks, S Giles** Thur Mar 26 1992 2h31 (10)

5040 Stedman Triples

Comp. J W Washbrook
1 Claire F Edwards

- Robert H Newton
- M Ann Bethell
- Roger H M Price
- Hugh Neill
- 6 John C Davidge
- J Alan Ainsworth (C)
- 8 Kenneth Lees First peal in the method: 4.

Compliment to Roger and Margaret Price on their Silver Wedding.

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ABINGDON, Oxon,

Mon Mar 23 1992 2h27 (7)

- 5040 Cambridge S. Minor 1 Timothy G Pett (C)
- Christine E Dennison
- Michael J C Cannon
- Norman T G Bailey
- Jon D Chamberlain
- 6 Michael M Poole Circled the tower to peals: 1. First S. Minor inside: 2.

OXFORD SOCIETY

OXFORD, S Mary Magd. Tues Mar 24 1992 2h36 (7½)

5088 London S. Major Comp. S Ivin

- Phillip R J Barnes
- Roger H Abbott
- Peter J Triplow
- Robin O Hall
- Nigel J Gav
- Peter Border
- Alex F Byrne Stephen Ivin (C)

OXFORD UNIV. SOCIETY

OXFORD, Lincoln College Wed Mar 18 1992 2h40 (7)

5152 Spliced S. Major (23m: 224 each Yorkshire, Uxbridge, Cornwall, Double Dublin, Bristol, Whalley, Watford, London, Tavistock, Glasgow, Cambridge, Cassiobury, Lindum, Superlative, Wembley, Rutland, Jersey, Preston, Ipswich, Cray, Ashtead, Lincolnshire, Pudsey; 160 changes of method, all the

- work) Comp. Norman Smith
- Chris J Berridge
- Nigel J Gay
- Sonia C Tucker
- Richard A Pearce

- Nigel J Bailey Alex F Byrne (C) Andrew J Graham
- David N Wallis

READING, Berks, S Mary Sun Mar 22 1992 3h21 (251/2)

5184 Bristol S. Major

Comp. Nigel Gay
1 Alex F Byrne (C)

- Tina R Stoecklin
 J Rebecca Crooks
- Jeremy D Alford
- Nigel J Gay Andrew A Ward Peter D Niblett
- Philip R J Barnes First in the method: 3. 200th tower-bell peal: 1. To

celebrate the birth of Samuel Peter Niblett, a son to the ringer of the 7th.

SOUTHWELL D.G.

OSSINGTON, Notts. The Holy Rood Mon Mar 30 1992 2h11 (6)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m: Wells, London, York, Durham, Bourne, Cambridge,

- Norwich) **Brian Birkett**
- George A Dawson R Brian Mills
- Robert Wilson
- Richard Allton (C)
- **Paul Curtis** 975th peal: 2.

SURREY ASSOCIATION

BERMONDSEY, London SE, **S James** Sat Jan 4 1992 2h56 (141/2)

5056 Cambridge S. Major Johnson's Variation

- Robert A Lewis
- Alison Edmonds
- Robert J Cooles Anthony M Faulkner
- Gary S Barr
- Nicholas W Jones
- Hilary FC Small
- 8 Roger G Booth (C) First peal on these bells.

GODSTONE, Surrey, **S Nicholas**

Sat Mar 28 1992 2h37 (12) 5040 Minor (Pinehurst, Thelwall, Double Oxford, Buxton, Childwall, St

- Clements, Plain Bob)
- Nikki J Lucas Derek G E Harding
- Alison McCormick
- Richard J Wallis

5 Anthony P Cotton 6 David N Wallis (C) First Minor: 1. First on 6: 4.
100th peal in the tower on the centenary of the first peal (27th March 1892); also 7 Minor methods. By a Sunday

service hand SUSSEX C.A.

LOWER BEEDING, Sussex, Holy Trinity Sat Mar 21 1992 3h7 (10¾)

5040 Plain Bob Triples

- Comp. Roger Bailey (No. 1)
 1 Erica M Pritchard
- Graham D Heath
- Linda J Etherington James H Lilley
- Margaret J Tilley
- Richard J Tilley Stephen RT Pocock (C)

8 Alan J Taylor First on 8: 1. First inside on 8: 2. First on 8 tower bells: 5 First P.B. Triples: 3, 5, 6, 8. 225th peal for the Association: 4. A 40th

TRURO D.G.

CARBIS BAY, Cornwall, S Anta & All Saints Sat Mar 14 1992 2h49 (9)

birthday compliment to Richard Tilley.

- 5040 Xanthi S. Royal
 1 John R Martin
- Colin M Turner
- Mary C Symes
- William Butler
- Timothy G Pett

- Terry J C Streeter Geoffrey K Dodd Bernard F L Groves (C)
- Donald B Carter 10 Peter G C Ellis

First peal in the method and 25th Cornwall tower: 9.

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LOW BENTHAM, N. Yorks, S John Bapt. Tues Feb 11 1992 3h10 (191/2)

5040 Minor (12m, 7 extents: (1) Cambridge Surprise; (2) Kent T.B.; (3) Oxford T.B.; (4)

Double Court; (5) St Clements College, Childwall, Buxton, Armitage-is-the-name Lakesend; (6) St Clements College, Childwall,

- Hempsted, Badgeworth, Lakesend; (7) Plain Bob)
- 1 Rev. Kevin M Price (C) 2 Hilary J Atkinson 3 Peter M Dawson
- John M Goldthorpe
- A Mark Underwood 6 Andrew P Warbovs Circled the tower to peals: 2.

LEEDS, W. Yorks, St Anne's Cathedral (R.C.) Wed Mar 11 1992 2h31 (91/4)

- 5024 March Surprise Major Comp. N Smith
- John Robinson Janine H Jones
- Elizabeth S Riley
- Philip R Brook R Adrian Davies
- 6 Mark C Bellamy
- David I Smith 8 C Barrie Dove (C) 975th peal as conductor.

MORETON CORBET, Shropshire, S Bartholomew Sat Mar 21 1992 2h33 (91/2)

5040 Surprise Minor (1 extent each lpswich, Annable's London, Norwich, York, Surfleet, Beverley,

- Cambridge)
 1 Judith P Williams
 2 Susan M Webb
- Vernon C Wright William J Hall H Geoffrey Wells 4 5

Philip R Brook (C) Birthday compliment to Beryl Brook, mother of the conductor; also 25th wedding anniversary

compliment to Pauline and

LEEDS, W. Yorks,

S Matthias, Burley Mon Mar 23 1992 2h16 (73/4)

5184 Beverley S. Major Comp. J S Warboys 1 Philip G Clark

Clive Whiteley.

- Elizabeth S Riley
- Andrew D Sibson
- **Philip Tidswell** Susan D Kelk
- Mark C Bellamy 6 David I Smith

C Barrie Dove (C) HANDBELL PEALS

DERBY D.A. MELBOURNE, Derbys, The Vicarage

Sun Mar 8 1992 2h37 (15) 5040 Spliced Plain Royal (3600 Plain Bob; 1440 Little Bob; 24 changes of method,

- all the work) Comp. RB Smith
- 1-2 Ruth H Smith 3-4 **Lucy Smith**

Royal by all.

5-6 Robert B Smith (C) 7-8 Clive M Smith 9-10 Rev. Frederick Ross First peal of Spliced Plain

MELBOURNE, Derbys, 45 Blanch Croft Thur Mar 19 1992 2h47 (15)

5040 Clyde Surprise Royal Comp. A F Scholfield

- 1-2 Adrian Dempster
- 3-4 Robert B Smith (C)
- 5-6 Brian L Burrows
- 7-8 Simon C Melen 9-10 David C Lester

First peal of Clyde: 1-2, 5-6, 9-10 MELBOURNE, Derbys,

The Vicarage Sun Mar 22 1992 2h33 (15) 5040 Spliced Plain Royal (3600 Plain Bob, 1440 Little Bob; 24 changes of method,

- all the work)
 Comp. R B Smith
 1-2 Ruth H Smith
- 3-4 Lucy Smith
- 5-6 Robert B Smith (C)
- 7-8 Clive M Smith 9-10 Rev. Frederick Ross

NORWICH D.A. LAXFIELD, Suffolk, J.M.T. House, Cake Street Thur Mar 19 1992 1h47 (13)

5040 Minor (7 extents, 3m: (1) St Clements, Plain Bob; (2, 4) Plain Bob, Single Wreford: (3.

5, 6, 7) Plain Bob) 1-2 Jeremy W Warren 3-4 Jeremy W Spiller (C) 5-6 J Martin Thorley In memory of Leslie W G

Morris ASHILL, Norfolk, C.M.P. Office Sun Mar 29 1992 1h51 (13)

5040 Plain Bob Minor (Seven different extents) 1-2 Jeremy W Warren 3-4 Christian M Peckham

5-6 Jeremy W Spiller (C)

OXFORD D.G. READING, Berks.

94 E. Avenue Sun Mar 8 1992 2h1 (12)

5040 Cambridge S. Minor (Seven extents)

1-2 Andrew M Farmer (C) 3-4 Helen M McGregor 5-6 Simon F Feather Most Surprise in hand: 3-4. READING, Berks,

18 Sandhills Way, Calcot Mon Mar 16 1992 2h21 (15)

5152 June S. Major Comp. D F Morrison 1-2 N David Lane Simon F Feather

7-8 Kenneth R Davenport

SOUTHWELL D.G. MELBOURNE, Derbys, 45 Blanch Croft

Bernard F L Groves (C)

Thur Mar 26 1992 2h48 (15) 5040 Ciyde S. Royal Comp. A F Scholfield 1-2 Adrian Dempster

3-4 Robert B Smith (C) 5-6 Brian L Burrows

7-8 Simon C Melen

9-10 David C Lester

SUFFOLK GUILD

LAXFIELD, Suffolk, J.M.T. House, Cake Street Fri Mar 20 1992 1h48 (13)

5040 Minor 17 extents 11m: (1) St Clements, Buxton, St Nicholas, Southery, Doxey; (2) St Clements, Lakesend, St Nicholas: (3) Plain Bob. Single Canterbury Pleasure; (4) St Clements, Armitage-isthe-name; (5) Plain Bob, Single Wreford, Single Canterbury Pleasure, Single Cumbria Place; (6, 7) Plain

1-2 Jeremy W Warren

5-6 J Martin Thorley

1991 PEAL

ELY D.A.

WILBURTON, Cambs, S Peter Fri Dec 27 1991 2h45 (71/2)

5040 London S. Minor

Colin A Johnson Rhonda Oldfield

Susan E Marsden

4 Brian C Bunting

5 Rupert Burgess

6 Anthony G Parry (C) First inside: 2. First London:

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3-4 Jeremy W Spiller (C)

Quarter Peals

Acle, Norfolk. 1 March, 1260 Doubles (2m): M Elizabeth High 1, Mary Parker 2, Joanna K Mason 3, J B Morley 4, M S Dann (C) 5, L E Hassall 6. A wedding compliment to Tony & Liz Southerland, married the previous day.

Adelaide, S Aus (St Peter). 1 March, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Philippa Lamphee 1, Douglas Bell 2, Robert Allan 3, Anne Haskard 4, Matthew Sorell (C) 5, Matthew Ball 6, Philip Goodyer 7, David Bleby 8. For Evensong.

Ashford, Kent. 1 March, 1280 PB Major: Shirley Marshall 1, Claire L Andrews (1st in m) 2, Iris B Smith 3, Karen Lebon 4, Rosemary J Coney 5, R J C Everett 6, J R Cooper 7, R H Edwards (C) 8. For

Ashton-under-Hill, Glos. 28 Feb, 1296 Ashton-under-Hill S Minor: J Spencer 1, Clare French 2, Angela Cole (1st in m) 3, A V French 4, M Hawkes (C) 5, C Bramich (1st in m) 6. Birthday compliments to Martyn Hawkes & Colin Bramich.

Badsey, Worcs. 13 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Phyllis Brazier 1, A J Brazier 2, R W Kyte 3, M C Newbury 4, Sandra Parker 5, J H Smart (C) 6, C E Evans 7, R Parker 8. On the 99th birthday of Badsey's oldest inhabitant — Miss Cecily

Balderton, Notts. 1 March, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Ruth Tysoe 1, Helen Young (1st S Major) 2, P R Grover 3, A R Wilson 4, B Birkett 5, D J Tysoe 6, Beryl W Reed (1st S as C) 7, C W Reed 8.

Bath, Avon (St Michael with St Paul). 25 Feb. 1280 Spliced S Major (6m): Maggie Willans 1, D Floyd (most spl S Major) 2, R W Willans 3, Elizabeth M Boden 4, R D Bell 5, J A G Ball 6, J G Hawkins 7, DJ Kelly (C) 8.

Benenden, Kent. 28 Feb, 1314 Immingham S Major: Michelle Scott 1, Pamela Manger 2, Maureen Popple (1st in m) 3, Brenda Davies (1st in m) 4, D C Manger 5, R Lucas (1st in m) 6, R H Edwards (1st in m) 7, N J Davies (C) 8.

Bexley, Kent. 1 March, 1260 Doubles (2m): David Mack (1st doubles) 1, Jacqueline Mack 2, Alex Britton (C) 3, Mary Andrews 4, Alan Hall 5, Colin

Jeal 6. For Evensong. 50p

Birmingham, W Mids (Harborne). 1 March, 1280 Suffolk S Major: Eileen V Sweet 1, Frances Dodds (C) 2, Clare J Mitchell 3, Clare McArdle 4, D C Parker 5, A M Daw 6, D Thomas 7, D G Hull 8. By the local band for Evensong.

Bishops Lydeard, Som. 1 March, 1260 Doubles (6m incl Stedman): Daniel Twitchen 1, Vanessa Martin 2, P Leigh 3, Abbie Back 4, M Hansford (C) 5, PWillan 6. For Evensong.

Bollington, Ches. 26 Feb, 1260 Plain Hunt Doubles: Barbara White (1st Q) 1, D L MJanley 2, P White 3, Lilian Hughes 4, N R Taylor 5. A farewell tribute to the Revd Ted & Celia Drayton from an all Bollington ringers band.

Bournemouth, Dorset (St Peter). 1 March, 1260 Cambridge & PB Minor: Derek Huish 1, Joan Pike Simon Smith 3, Diana Mayes 4, Ron Pike 5, Giles Wood (C) 6. 1st multi-minor for all except 6. 25th together 3 & 6. For Evensong on the Feast of St David.

Bretforton, Worcs. 26 Jan, 1280 PB Major: A J Brazier 1, M C Newbury 2, R C Hall 3, Sandra Parker 4, W J Newman 5, J W Nicholls 6, C R Evans 7, G D Payne (C) 8. For Evensong. Birthday compliment

Brighton, E Sussex (St Nicolas). 28 Feb, 1263 Stedman Caters: S Everest (1st in m) 1, E A Coke 2, P Nancarrow 3, N Cullen 4, G D Bennett 5, I Hodge (1st in m) 6, R R Green 7, D Kirkaldy 8, J E Hawes (C) 9, S Green (1st on 10) 10. In thanksgiving for the life of Bill Rogers.

Bryanston, Dorset. 23 Feb, 1260 Doubles (5m): Robin Queripel 1, Jean Kennard 2, John Knight 3, Justin Read 4, Philip Rioch (C) 5, Ann Smith 6. On the feast of St Mildburga. 1st in more than 1 m; 2. 1st woman to ring tenor to a Q.

Buckland, Glos. 9 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): A J Brazier 1, Phyllis Brazier 2, J J Maund 3, C E Evans 4, M C Newbury (C) 5, E Carter 6. For Evensong. 50p

Caerleon, Gwent. 26 Feb, 1260 PB Doubles: R E G Wilkinson 1, Flona C Price 2, M Crampin 3, C Allen 4, DR Price (C) 5, D Hughes 6. To commemorate R E G Wilkinson's 60 years of ringing and 40 years membership of Llandaff & Monmouth Diocesan Association of Church Bell Ringers.

Chelmsford, Essex (Cathedral). 1 March, 1344 Yorkshire S Maximus: Yvonne A Towler 1, Hazel S Steed 2, Anne Edwards 3, M E Woolley 4, Susan J Rothera 5, D E Rothera (C) 6, P Thrussell 7, Ann F Chapman 8, A D Downs 9, M E Downs 10, B G Meads 11, J L Towler 12. For Evensong on St David's Day. Rung mostly by candlelight due to a

Chester, Ches (Cathedral). 10 Feb, 1280 Cambridge S Major: T Holmes 1, Kathryn J Pailing (1st S Major) 2, Helen Mitchell 3, Jackie Roberts 4, Patricia A Wheeler 5, A Borrill (1st S Major) 6, G E Morrall (C) 7, C Croberts 8.

Chester, Ches (Handbridge). 5 Feb, 1250 Spliced S Major (CNYR): Trevor Holmes 1, Irene James 2, Fiona Harrison 3, William Court 4, Helen Mitchell 5, Brian Boyd (most m) 6, George Morrall 7, John Oultram (C) 8.

Chipstable, Som. 1 March, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Winnie Gardner 1, S J Smith 2, J M Levin 3, Anne Stenning 4, A Somerfield (C) 5, G G Gardner

6. For Sunday Service. £1
Christleton, Ches. 6 Feb, 1320 London S Minor. John Oultram 1, David Fisher (1st in m) 2, Ian Braithwaite (1st in m) 3, Sally Wright 4, Martyn Tickner (C) 5, Steven Everett 6. For the 40th anniversary of HM Queen Elizabeth's accession

Clevedon, Avon (St John Evan). 1 March, 1260 PB Minor: Eleanor Rossiter (1st Q) 1, Margaret James 2, M J Callow 3, L M Callow 4, M W Baker 5, D W James (C) 6. For Evensong. A thanksgiving for the safe arrival of Melita, daughter of Father Daniel & Laura Merceron.

Desborough, Nthants. 1 March, 1260 PB Minor: P J Gardner 1, A R Wignell (1st minor inside) 2, J R Hewitt 3, N M Toseland 4, Helen Coleman (C) 5,

NAChurchman 6. For Evensong. 60p

Eastbudleigh, Devon. 20 Feb, 1280 Kent TB

Major: A P R Williams 1, D J Hawkins 2, Maureen E Hawkins 3, B Horrell 4, R T Perry 5, C C Deem 6,

R J Quick 7, N E Deem (C) 8. Birthday compliment

Easton in Gordano, Avon. 1 March, 1260 Daffodil Doubles: N Kent 1, Janet Wyatt 2, G Watt 3, I Crichton 4, R O Humphries (C) 5, I Ramsay 6. For sung Communion on St David's Dav.

Epworth, S Humbs. 18 Feb, 1280 Spliced S Major (CNSYR): Sandra Thompson 1, Patience Cordeaux (1st 5 spl) 2, Margaret Rand 3, Anita Blundell 4, Barbara Rand 5, Melvyn Rose 6, Harold Judd 7, Ian Till (C) 8.

Exeter, Devon (Cathedral). 23 Feb, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Susan M Sawyer 1, Nicola J Crichton 2, Mary E Mears 3, R C Shere 4, P L Bill 5, S K Glanfield 6, P J Sawyer 7, P Stevens 8, M E C Mears 9, FD Mack 10.

Frodsham, Ches. 7 Feb, 1280 Bristol S Major: William Court 1, Andrew Jobson 2, John Oultram 3, Diana Anderson 4, Robert Peers 5, Geoffrey Parting 6, John Bibby 7, Nicholas Thomson (C)

Gargrave, N Yorks. 1 March, 1260 PB Doubles: David Cockshot (1st Q) 1, John Lupton 2, Julia Cockshot 3, Malcolm Harker 4, Digby Burton (C) 5,

Great Finborough, Suffolk. 27 Feb, 1260 PB Minor: Shirley Girt 1, E A Cracknell 2, Amanda M Whiting 3, J L Girt 4, Revd L R Pizzey (C) 5, W S Girling 6. Half-muffled to the memory of Nora J

Great Stanmore, Middx. 1 March, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Hooton 1, Jill A North 2, Hilda G Brown 3, E A Hibbs 4, P G Scott 5, M Ellis 6, R A Partridge (C) 7, C Brundritt 8. For Evensong.

Grundisburgh, Suffolk. 1 March, 1277 Stedman Caters: Marie Goodship 1, Daphne E Pegg 2, B J Waterson (1st on 10) 3, Yvonne M Cole 4, S D Pettman (C) 5, J J E Williamson (1st S Caters) 6, Gillian P Waterson 7, C B Williamson (1st on 10) 8,

AH Warren 9, P J Norris 10. For Evensong. £2
Halesworth, Suffolk. 15 Feb, 1344 PB Major:
Elizabeth Poulter (1st in m) 1, M Sage 2, H Roberts
3, M P Utting 4, M J Parker (C) 5, M R M Carter 6,
G A Sutherland 7, M E Walland 8. To celebrate the 80th birthday this day of Mr Bernard Mann, previously of Goldhanger, Essex, now resident of Halesworth and regular ringer at St Mary's Hales-£1.60

Hatfield, Herts. 23 Feb, 1272 Kent TB Minor: J Nicholson 1, Anne Saunders 2, R Rashbrook (1st in m) 3, Claire C Nicholson 4, S Huckle (C) 5, S A

Saunders 6. For Evensong. £1.50
Hexham, Northumb. 1 March, 1272 Norwich S
Minor: Anne E Davies 1, Jane Kysow 2, Pat Sewell
3, H A Bradbury 4, T M Martin 5, C R Moon (C) 6. For Evensong & to mark the birth of Genevieve Anne Martin on 24/2/92.

Holborn, London WC. 27 Feb, 1260 Stedman Triples: J G A Prior 1, L J Haines 2, R A Hutchinags 3, R M Casserbey 4, D Ellisdon 5, G Paul 6, F Milner (C) 7, R A Lewis 8. By the Thursday lunchtime

Hoo St Werburgh, Kent. 29 Feb, 1260 PB Doubles: Pauline Weller 1, Carole Spencer 2, Margaret Pettett 3, David Moore 4, Graham Cottle 5, Arthur

Hook Norton, Oxon. 29 Feb, 1280 London S Major: N D Lane 1, Katie Grant 2, S F Feather 3, Rachel H Pusey 4, K R Davenport 5, E Skipsey 6, A J Corby 7, J G Pusey (C) 8.

Hurst Green, Surrey (79 Hurst Green Rd). 1 March, 1260 PB Double: George E Boosey 1-2, Keith J Matthews (C) 3-4, Rev Christine Millar 5-6. 1st in hand 1-2, 1st in hand & 1st in m 5-6.

Hythe, Kent. 23 Feb, 1250 Cambridge S Major: B G Butcher 1, R Edmond 2, Wendy King (1st in m) 3, Margaret Russ 4, Maureen Popple 5, A King 6, M Lodwick (C) 7, R A Birch 8.

Ingoldmells, Lincs. 16 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Tri-Isabel Barker 1, Nora Wall 2, M J Beicher 3, M J Smith 4, T W Barker 5, J Underwood 6, P H Reynolds (C) 7, K J Turner 8. Farewell to the Revd Stewart Ridley on the last day of his ministry here, moving to Settle, N Yorks. A ringer here and gave much help and encouragement when the bells were augmented in 1989.

Iwerne Minster, Dorset. 23 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Brian Young (1st attempt) 1, Jean Kennard 2, Ann Smith 3, Justin Read 4, Philip Rioch (C) 5, Malcolm Corry 6. For Evensong. £1.20
Kelvedon, Essex. 1 Feb, 1260 PB Minor: M Jones

1, P Brown 2, D Cobb 3, G Jones 4, E Brown 5, R W Elliott (C) 6. Half-muffled in memory of L Guinan. Also 29 Feb, 1320 Kent TB Minor: M Jones (1st TB) 1, D Cobb 2, P Clarry 3, G Jones (1st TB) 4, A Donaldson 5, R W Elliott (C) 6. Birthday compliment to G Jones.

Kettering, Nthants. 29 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Pat Hooper 1, M A Coleman (C) 2, J R Mossop 3, F E Coales 4, B Austin 5, Jean Aldwinkle 6, R Hall 7, E R Berryman 8. To signal the release of the balloon race from the top of the tower, organised by the town's two Rotary clubs, in aid of tower restoration.

Kingsteignton, Devon. 9 Feb, 1280 Lincolnshire S Major: M C Way 1, Nicola J Crichton (600th Q) 2, M E C Mears (C) 3, I W Avery 4, Mary E Mears 5, R DS Brown 6, S K Glanfield 7, F D Mack 8.

Kirton Lindsey, S Humbs. 22 Feb, 1280 Cambridge S Major: George Feirn 1, Sandra Thompson 2, Janet Clarke 3, Melvyn Rose 4, Barbara Rand 5, Pat Horton 6, Harold Judd 7, Ian Till (C) 8.

Leeds, W Yorks (St Chad, Far Headingley). 1 March, 1260 PB Minor: R Smithells (1st minor) 1, D Skelton 2, E Johnson 3, C Milestone 4, A Johnson 5, R Brown (C) 6. Prior to Evensong on Patronal Festival Sunday.

Lewisham, London SE. 1 March, 1280 Bristol S Major: Sonia A Irwin 1, C Reeve 2, P M Irwin (1st in m) 3, W D Lanyon 4, P V D Swift 5, D G H Hollis 6, N R Parsons (C) 7, A M J Young 8. For Evensong.

Lightcliffe, W Yorks. 1 March, 1344 PB Triples: Elizabeth M Wilding 1, Judith M Talbot 2, A E Talbot 3, Jean V Murphy 4, D J Townend 5, M R Mann 6, P C Kirby (C) 7, N Squire 8. Half-muffled prior to Evensong, to the memory of Edward Talbot (father of Arthur, grandfather of Judith) who died 21.2.92 aged 86.

Liss, Hants (St Mary). 1 March, 1260 Minor (2m): T S Bowles 1, Jo Williamson 2, Valerie Williams 3, F K Williamson 4, S E Wood (C) 5, A T Collins 6. For Evensong.

Market Weighton, Humbs. 28 Feb, 1280 Bristol S Major: D R Mitchell 1, Dinah M Rhymer 2, Elizabeth Johnson 3, A G Wragg 4, E Watson 5, D S Johnson 6, M J Lane 7, M J de C Henshaw (C) 8.

Merstham, Surrey. 1 March, 1260 PB Minor: Christine Millar 1, Carolina Bienfait (1st attempt) 2, Pamela K Emy (70th Q) 3, George E boosey 4, Nigel J Goodship (C) 5, L Jack Jordan 6. For Family Service.

Messingham, S Humbs. 16 Feb, 1260 Minor (4m):
Julie Robinson 1, Stan Whiting 2, Margaret Rand 3,
Barbara Rand 4, Anita Blundell 5, Ian Till 6. For
Evensong. No C given. Also 23 Feb, 1260 Single
Oxford Bob Minor: Sandra Thompson 1, Patience
Cordeaux 2, Frances Thompson 3, Ted Button 4,
Barbara Rand 5, Harold Judd (C) 6. For
Evensong.

Monks Kirby, Warks. 26 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): Jane Simms 1, Linda Illingworth 2, Melvin Howkins 3, Joanne White 4, Anthony Gillias (C) 5, John Illingworth 6. Half-muffled in memory of George Busby, of this village, on the day of his funeral.

Moreton-in-Marsh, Hlos. 24 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Phyllis Brazier 1, A J Brazier 2, M C Newbury 3, F A Munday 4, J H Smart 5, D G Hammond 6, Fr J C Huntriss (C) 7, J E White 8. Half-muffled following the funeral service, at Basford, of the 2nd Lord Dulverton.

Mytholmroyd, W Yorks. 26 Feb, 1280 Rutland S Major: D C Johnstone 1, Judith M Talbot (1st in m) 2, A E Talbot (1st in m, 100th Q) 3, M R Mann 4, N R Aspland 5, P C Kirby (1st in m) 6, Rev G Mann 7, A R Aspland (C) 8. Open in memory of Edward Talbot (father of Arthur, grandfather of Judith) who died 21 February 1992, aged 86.

Newton Valence, Hants. 2 Feb, 1374 PB Minimus: A W C Coter-Banks 1, R A Barber 2, M W Evans 3, W J Stungo (C) 4. On the back 4.

Offenham, Worcs. 7 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): W R B Hall 1, R C Hall 2, A J Brazier (C) 3, C E Evans 4, M C Newbury 5, R A Canning 6. To celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Queen's Accession. Also 23 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): J P Cockram 1, Phyllis Brazier 2, A J Brazier (C) 3, R W Kyte 4, M C Newbury 5, R A Canning 6. For Patronal Fesitval and Morning Service.

Oxford, Oxon (St Giles). 1 March, 1280 DNCBM: M W Day 1, P Walker 2, Rachel Pusey 3, Katie Grant 4, M R C Lensher 5, N D Lane 6, D J Roaf 7, J G Pusev (C) 8.

Pattingham, Staffs. 1 March, 1260 Stedman Triples: Gail Baggott 1, Avril Rolfe 2, Tony Wilcox 3, John Whittall 4, Aidan Ridyard (1st in m) 5, Peter Sell 6, Geoffrey Dann (1st in m as C) 7, Norman Bramall 8. For St Chad's Patronal Festival.

Petworth, W Sussex. 26 Dec, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Peel 1, Rosalind Bucknall 2, Claire Robinson (1st on 8) 3, Nick Bucknall (150th Q) 4, Anthony Tunnell 5, Alistair Rix 6, Geoff Rix (C) 7, Edward Bucknall 8.

Portsmouth, Hants (Portsea). 1 Feb, 1344 PB Major: Mark Esbester 1, Gill Hales 2, Michael Esbester 3, Marie Boniface 4, Mike Kerton 5, Doug Boniface 6, Robert Wilson 7, John Boniface (C) 8. By an All Saints, Catherington, Sunday Service band.

Purton, Wilts. 1 March, 1260 PB Triples: A R Woodward 1, Lily Strange 2, W Thomas (1st Triples inside) 3, Gill Woodward 4, D A Parks 5, A Hillier 6, M D Barnes (C) 7, M Gale (1st Triples) 8. For St David's Day Evensong.

Radyr, S Glam. 29 Feb, 1260 PB Minor: Kate L Gibbs 1, Anne D Jones 2, K G Griffiths (1st in m) 3, AJT Jones 4, M J Pryor 5, TT Lewis (C) 6.

Rainham, Kent. 1 March, 1272 Norwich S Minor: K P A Tolputt 1, D G Davis (1st in m) 2, Diana R Wraight 3, R H Pocock 4, T S Wraight 5, N W Jones (C) 6. For Evensong.

Redditch, Worcs (Ipsley). 29 Feb, 1260 PB Minimus: Tracey Griffiths 1, Katie Mann 2, Emma Thomas (1st inside) 3, Kelly Liddell (1st inside) 4, J Newbold (C) 5, C W Tennant 6. For the start of the Church Building Project.

Rothwell, Nthants. 1 March, 1260 Double Oxford Bob Minor: Mary Coleman 1, Elizabeth Betts 2, Susan Riley 3, M A Coleman 4, W J Riley 5, D Kingman (C) 6. For Evensong.

Rowley Regis, W Mids. 27 Feb, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: J Williams 1, A Jayne Foley (1st in m) 2, Rosemary Thorns 3, M Argust 4, J Squibb (1st in m) 5, I Mary Sluter 6, F Sluter 7, S D Brown (1st S as C & 1st in m 8. To congratulate the Revd David Moss (curate at Halesowen) and his wife Bridget on the birth of their daughter, Kesiah (31.1.92).

Rugby, Warks (St Andrew, NE Tower). 23 Feb, 1260 PB Minor: Robert Goddard (1st minor) 1, Joan Curbishley 2, Stewart Smith 3, Robin Guy 4, John Goddard 5, John Illingworth (C) 6. Sponsored in aid of Stretton-on-Dunsmore Bell Restoration Scheme. Also 1 March, 1280 Rutland S Major: John Slack 1, Christine Homer 2, Jayne Davis 3, Elizabeth Guy 4, Robin Guy 5, Andrew Russell-Laing 6, John Goddard 7, John Illingworth (C) 8. For Evensong. Also as a compliment to Ron Goddard on completing 50 years as a chorister at this church. Last Q on the bells before restoration work commences.

Rumney, S Glam. 1 March, 1260 Doubles (2m): R W McCarthy 1, Penny Lawton 2, M J Pryor 3, P R Turner 4, M S Turner (C) 5, G D Baldwin 6. For St David's Day.

Saffron Walden, Essex. 29 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Triples: J H Palmer (1st Triples) 1, R G R Collins 2, Annette Seccombe 3, A Dodds 4, Jenni Dodds 5, C Woolmer (C) 6, J A Hall 7, J L C Mumford 8. £1 Shoreditch, London E. 22 Feb, 1260 PB Minor: I

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Shute, Devon. 6 Feb, 1296 Beverley S Minor: R T Perry 1, A P R Williams (1st in m) 2, D J Hawkins 3, C C Deem 4, R J Quick 5, N E Deem (C) 6. 50p

Sidbury, Devon. 13 Feb, 1280 Cambridge S Major: D J Hawkins 1, Maureen E Hawkins 2, B Horrell 3, A P R Williams (1st in m) 4, R J Quick 5, RTPerry 6, C C Deem 7, N E Deem (C) 8.

Spelsbury, Oxon. 29 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): R Datson 1, Christine Harris 2, M Austin 3, Maureen Sparling 4, K Wakefield (C) 5, D Wetherall 6. Sponsored in aid of the Oxford Diocesan Bell

Sprotborough, S Yorks. 16 Feb, 1320 PB Minor: Rebecca Taylor (1st attempt) 1, Simone Barker (1st inside) 2, Pam Allison 3, J Laughton 4, C Toyne 5, T Wheeler (C) 6. For Education Day Service. £1 Tewkesbury, Glos. 2 Feb, 1259 Grandsire Caters:

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Thrapston, Nthants. 29 Feb, 1250 Wadenhoe S Major: Elizabeth Betts 1, Brenda Dixon 2, W J Riley 3, Helen Coleman 4, Susan Riley 5, M A Coleman (C) 6, N A Churchman 7, D Kingman 8.

Tilehurst, Berks. 26 Jan, 1260 PB Triples: P J Sandham 1, Daphne J Howcutt 2, N A R Hawkes (1st inside) 3, C R Cairns 4, G M Brown 5, E J Wells 6, S R Smith (C) 7, G R Runham 8. For Evensong. £1

Tredington, Glos. 21 Feb, 1260 Doubles (6m/v incl Tredington): J Spencer 1, Clare French 2, M Hawkes (C) 3, A V French 4, C Bramich 5.

Trevethin, Gwent. 1 March, 1320 PB Doubles: M J Perham 1, D R Perham (1st inside) 2, Fiona Price 3, D Price 4, A Fawcett (C) 5, R W Perham (1st Q) 6. For Evensong.

Trumpington, Cambs. 1 March, 1296 LB Major: W Hunt 1, Katherine Wright 2, G Louth 3, M J Durrant 4, R Green 5, I J Ludbrook 6, J G Gipson 7, B R M Johnson (C) 8. For Evensong. £1.20

Tywardreath, Corn. 29 Feb, 1260 PB Doubles: J Purdey 1, Jean Husband (1st Q) 2, A Baker (C) 3, K Jones (1st Q) 4, M Wilton 5, R Husband 6. £1 Upper Arley, Worcs. 1 March, 1260 Grandsire

Upper Arley, Worcs. 1 March, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan E Frodsham (150th Q) 1, Margaret Whatmore 2, Clare B Frodsham 3, T John Frodsham (C) 4, Tom H Whatmore 5, Neville A King 6. For Morning Service. 1st in m inside (age 11): 3.

Uppingham, Leics. 1 March, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Jane E Marsh 1, Janet E Ingram 2, Alison A Collins 3, Emma Southerington (1st S Major) 4, D L C Murcott 5, P F Phillips (1st S Major) 6, R Holyland 7, C J Groome (C) 8. For Evensong. £1 Weston in Gordano, Avon. 23 Feb, 1260 PB

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Weston-super-Mare, Avon. 1 March, 1280 Spliced S Major (5m): J Boorman 1, Jean Gay 2, Susan Field 3, Marion Newman 4, C Nicholls (1st spliced) 5, R Baker (1st spliced) 6, D Gay 7, R Newman (C) 8. For Evensong.

Winscombe, Som. 23 Feb, 1264 PB Major: Marion Newman 1, J Boorman 2, Mo Sweet 3, C Nicholls 4, J Mills 5, J Matthews 6, A Raines 7, R Newman (C) 8.

Wiveliscombe, Som. 1 March, 1260 PB Doubles: A Green 1, Audrey Westall 2, Sue Green 3, Anne Stenning 4, J M Levin 5, Preb C J B Marshall 6. For Evensong. Joint Cs: 2, 3, 4 & 5.

Wolaborough, Devon. 9 Feb, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: I W Avery 1, M C Way 2, Nicola J Crichton 3, R C Shere 4, M E C Mears (C) 5, F D Mack 6, R D S Brown 7, S K Glanfield 8.

Wolverton, Hants. 1 March, 1260 PB Doubles: A M Williams (1st attempt) 1, Angela M Athawes 2, Shirley A Hedges (1st ins in m) 3, B D Constant (1st ins & of doub) 4, G P Hedges (C) 5, A G Parker (1st attempt) 6. By the Sunday Service band for Holy Communion.

Yateley, Hants. 1 March, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Jackie C Walker 1, Patricia E Johnson 2, Sue Thomas 3, T Walker 4, A E Holroyd 5, S G Bunch 6, E N Thomas (C) 7, A J A Sheldon 8. For St David's Day.

Weekend In Cheshire

Whilton, Northants. 27 Feb, 1272 London S. Minor: P J Bloomfield 1, Rowena L Marshall 2, G L M Lawson 3, E Parsons 4, A C Malton (C) 5, C G Newman 6.

Seighford, Staffs. 1320 Bourne S. Minor: C G Newman 1, Rowena L Marshall 2, E Parsons 3, A C Malton (C) 4, P J Bloomfield 5, G L M Lawson 6.

Barlaston. 1296 Carlisle S. Minor: P J Bloomfield 1, E Parsons 2, A C Malton (C) 3, C G Newman 4, G L M Lawson 5, Rowena L Marshall 6.

Middlewich, Ches. 1280 Rutland S. Major: Helen Ward 1, Rowena L Marshall 2, G L M Lawson 3, S R Knight 4, E Parsons 5, A C Malton (C) 6, P J Bloomfield 7, C J Newman 8.

Backford. 28 Feb, 1320 Caithness S. Minor: E Parsons 1, Rowena L Marshall 2, G L M Lawson 3, A J Bloomfield 4, C G Newman 5, A C Malton (C) 6. 1st in m: 3,5.

Chester, (St Mary Handbridge). 1312 Spl. S. Major (12m): Helen Ward 1, Rowena L Marshall 2, S R Knight 3, E Parsons 4, P J Bloomfield 5, C G Newman 6, A C Malton (C) 7, A J Bloomfield 8.

Chester, (St Mary's Centre). 1280 Uxbridge S. Major: G L M Lawson 1, P J Bloomfield 2, Rowena L Marshall 3, Helen Ward 4, E Parsons 5, S R Knight 6, A J Bloomfield 7, A C Malton (C) 8.

Buckley, Clwyd. 1312 Spl. S. Major (14m): Helen Ward 1, Rowena L Marshall 2, S R Knight 3, E Parsons 4, A C Malton (C) 5, P J Bloomfield 6, A J Bloomfield 7, C G Newman 8.

Gresford. 1260 Stedman Triples: C G Newman 1, A J Bloomfield 2, Rowena L Marshall 3, S R Knight 4, E Parsons 5, A C Malton 6, P J Bloomfield (C) 7, G L M Lawson 8.

Eccleston, Ches. 1344 D.N.C.B. Major: Helen Ward 1, A J Bloomfield 2, S R Knight 3, Rowena L Marshall 4, E Parsons 5, C G Newman 6, P J Bloomfield 7, A C Malton (C) 8.

Christleton. 1280 Pudsey S. Major: C G Newman 1, S R Knight 2, A J Bloomfield 3, Rowena L Marshall 4, E Parsons 5, G L M Lawson (1st in m) 6, A C Malton (C) 7, P J Bloomfield 8.

Macclesfield, (St Peter). 29 Feb, 1312 Spl. S. Major (16m): G L M Lawson 1, Rowena L Marshall 2, S R Knight 3, E Parsons 4, C G Newman 5, A J Bloomfield 6, A C Malton (C) 7, P J Bloomfield 8. Macclesfield, (St Michael). 1282 Cambridge S.

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Macclesfield, (Christ Church). 1287 Stedman Caters: Rowena L Marshall 1, R Lycett 2, E Parsons 3, S R Knight 4, P J Bloomfield 5, C G Newman 6, A J Bloomfield 7, A C Malton (C) 8, D G Pearson (500th Q) 9, G L M Lawson 10.

Bollington. 1280 Superlative S. Major: A J Bloomfield 1, G L M Lawson (1st in m) 2, S R Knight 3, Helen Ward 4, R Lycett 5, A C Malton (C) 6, D G Pearson 7, C G Newman 8.

Stockport, Gtr Man, (St George). 1259 Grandsire Caters: Helen Ward 1, A J Bloomfield 2, Rowena L Marshall 3, E Parsons 4, S R Knight 5, G L M Lawson 6, C G Newman (C) 7, D G Pearson 8, A C Malton 9, P J Bloomfield 10.

Bowdon. 1280 Belfast S. Major: S R Knight 1, E Parsons 2, Rowena L Marshall 3, A C Malton (C) 4, P J Bloomfield 5, D G Pearson 6, C G Newman 7, A J Bloomfield 8.

Farndon, Ches. 1 Mar, 1280 Yorkshire S. Major: P J Bloomfield 1, A J Bloomfield 2, E Parsons 3, Rowena L Marshall 4, G L M Lawson 5, D G Pearson 6, A C Malton (C) 7, C G Newman 8. For Morning Service

Liscard, Mers. 1312 Spl. S. Major (18m): G L M Lawson 1, Rowena L Marshall 2, A C Malton (C) 3, E Parsons 4, A J Bloomfield 5, P J Bloomfield 6, C G Newman 7, D G Pearson 8. Most S.S. Major: 2.4.8.

QUARTER PEALS in N.S.W.

Parramatta. 16 Feb, 1296 Minor (2m): W T Perrins 1, Pat Lubbock 2, R B Lubbock 3, P J Parker 4, R E Dean 5 J A Smith (C) 6, For Evening service. Also 1 Mar, 1280 Kent TB Major: J A Smith 1, Meriel Hughes 2, Pat Lubbock 3, W Jackie Spratt 4, R E Dean 5, P J Parker 6, W T Perrins 7, R B Lubbock (C) 8. For Evening service.

Sydney. (St. Marys Cathedral) 19 Feb, 1250 Sydney S Major: R E Dean 1, W Jackie Spratt 2, Brenda Redfern 3, A H Champion 4, J H Fryer 5, David Redfern 6, S M S Fox 7, C D O'Mahony (C) 8.

Yass. 22 Feb, 1260 PB Minor: Fran Novitski 1, Brenda Redfern 2, W Jackie Spratt 3, E Reid 4, W G Knight 5, D Redfern (C) 6.

Burwood. 23 Feb, 1250 Spl S Major (C,Y): Dianne Knight 1, W Jackie Spratt 2, Brenda Redfern 3, Pam Brock 4, D Redfern 5, Rachel A Spratt 6, W G Knight (1st spl) 7, C D O'Mahony (C) 8. For the Queen's visit to Sydney.

Alfriston, E. Sussex. 1 Mar, 1260 Doubles (7m): Margaret C Ellis 1, Penny Neal 2, Rev J D E Smith 3, Pauline M Kennard 4, D Kirkcaldy (C) 5, N J Cant 6. 50th wedding anniversary to Frank and Theo Cook.

Arundel, W. Sussex. 11 Feb, 1280 London S Major: A West 1, Catherine Sherwood 2, Margaret Sherwood 3, Claire Hodnett 4, M Wake 5, P Simmonds 6, R Cox 7, M Sherwood (C) 8. 1st London S M: 2,4.

Barking, Suffolk. 29 Feb, 1260 PB Minor: Susie M Day (1st minor) 1, Valerie A Mayhew 2, S D Edson 3, P M L Day 4, D R Barnard 5, J R Slack (1st minor as C) 6.

Barlaston, Staffs. 21 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Ellen Evans 1, W E Evans 2, Crystal Beech 3, Tanya M Ernest 4, F Beech 5, R H Daw (C) 6. 1st minor: 1,4. Congratulations to Tanya on her appointment as a Radiographer at Stoke Mandeville Hospital. 60p

Barton St David, Som. 29 Feb, 1260 Rev Canterbury Doubles: Susan G Howarth 1, Maureen Poulton 2, J D Strong 3, D A Strong 4, C Bush (1st in mas C) 5, R Symcox 6.

Blofield, Norfolk. 1 Mar, 1260 P B Triples: Joanne Mason (1st on 8) 1, Anthea Morley 2, Jenny Forster 3, Elizabeth High 4, Hellen Grass 5, K E Frostwick 6, A S Forster (C) 7, J B Morley 8. £1.50 Boston, Mass. (Advent) 21 Feb, 1250 Cambridge

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Brampton, Hunts. 26 Feb, 1320 Lightfoot S Minor: E J Whiting 1, Rhonda Oldfield 2, C A Johnson 3, B C Bunting 4, Susan E Marsden (C) 5, N S Blyton 6.1st in m by all.

Bray, Berks. 1 Mar, 1274 Grandsire Triples: Marcia Dieppe 1, Wenda Fowles 2, Graham Firman 3, Robert Rance 4, John Payne 5, John Dieppe 6, Colin Fowles (C) 7, Derek Fowles 8. For Evensong.

Brecon, Brecknock. 6 Feb, 1344 Grandsire Triples: Laetitia Jack 1, Anne Kleiser 2, Kathleen Johnson 3, R Johnson 4, P Johnson 5, B Williams 6, M T Johns (C) 7, K J Trimm 8. For the fortieth anniversary of the accession to the throne of H M Queen Elizabeth II. Also 23 Feb, 1279 P B Major: Kathleen Johnson 1, R Johnson 2, Anne Kleiser 3, P Johnson 4, G O James 5, B Williams 6, A J Sanger 7, M T Johns (C) 8. For "United" Evening Service.

Brecon, Brecknock. (St Mary) 3 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: K J Trimm 1, Mary Richards (1st minor) 2, Peggy Powell 3, D Davison 4, B Williams 5, M T Johns (C) 6. For the 49th wedding anniversary (this day) of the Conductor's parents. Also 9 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Mary Richards 1, R Johnson 2, K J Trimm 3, Kathleen Johnson 4, B Williams 5, P Johnson (C) 6. For Evensong. Also 16 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): Mary Richards 1, Kathleen Johnson 2, Anne Kleisser (C) 3, G O James 4, B Williams 5, K J Trimm 6. For Evensong.

Bristol, Avon. (SS Philip & Jacob) 12 Feb, 1280 Ealing S Major: Sara Oakeley 1, Susan Tomlinson 2, Geoffrey Harris 3, Simon Tomlinson 4, Andrew Rodliffe 5, Julian Watson 6, Derek Carr 7, Patrick Wheeler (C) 8. Also 26 Feb, 1280 Dougal S Major: Eleanor Carr 1, Susan Tomlinson 2, Sara Oakeley 3, Alison Garrard 4, Andrew Rodliffe 5, Graham Sparey 6, Julian Watson 7, Patrick Wheeler (C) 8.

Buckland Brewer, Devon. 29 Feb, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: James Grant 1, Richard Shere 2, Elaine Grant 3, Graham Tucker 4, Alan Sinden (C) 5, Neil Deem 6. Compliment to Michael Stubbs and Sophie Chuter on the birth of Fleanor

Sophie Chuter on the birth of Eleanor. £1
Caistor, Lincs. 1 Mar, 1296 Cambridge S Minor:
L I Barton 1, Elaine Turner 2, Nancie E Colley 3, D
J Prescott 4, E W Colley (C) 5, G R Parker 6. For
Evensong and St David's Day. 60p

Cambridge, Mass. 10 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Nils Tonshoff (1st Q) 1-2, C D Perry 3-4, D F Morrison (C) 5-6. And 1320 Cambridge S Minor: C D Perry 1-2, D F Morrison (C) 3-4, K D Olum 5-6. Also 21 Feb, 1260 St Clements Bob Minor: L E Kodrich (1st in m) 1-2, D F Morrison (C) 3-4, C D Perry 5-6. And 1259 P B Minor: C D Perry 1-2, L E Kidrich 3-4, D F Morrison (C) 5-6. (Annual)

Chatteris, Cambs. 22 Dec, 1260 St Nicholas Doubles: Rhonda Oldfield 1, D F Murfet 2, Susan E Marsden (C) 3, Marion Robinson 4, C A Johnson 5, R J Edgley 6. For Christingle Service. Also 15 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Frances Nixon (1st minor) 1, D F Murfet 2, Marion Robinson 3, C A Johnson 4, Susan E Marsden (C) 5, R J Edgley 6. Birthday compliment to 6. Also 1 Mar, 1320 Wells S Minor: R J Edgley 1, C A Johnson 2, Marion A Robinson 3, B C Bunting 4, Susan E Marsden (C) 5, N S Blyton 6. 1st in m by all. For Evensong on St David's Day.

Chewton Mendip, Som. 25 Jan, 1260 Stedman Triples: Vanessa Thompson 1, Andrew Thompson (C) 2, Clare Pipe-Wolferstan 3, Graham Sparey 4, Kate Tennant 5, Lewis Cobbe 6, Geoffrey Harris 7, Charles Pipe-Wolferstan 8.

Chigwell Row, Essex. 1 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: S G O'Connor 1, Julie Burlinson 2, Margaret H Ta'Bois 3, Jean Mead 4, D C Heath 5, F A J Goodwin (C) 6. For St David's Day and as a 70th birthday compliment to Terance Tinsley, brother of 3. £1.20

Chiswick, Middx. 1 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: Jill M Hupman 1, Penny Bradsell 2, M J Wigney 3, N A Elvidge 4, J A Sealy (C) 5, Jennifer M Bunyan 6. 1st att inside: 2. 100th together: 5 & 6. For Chiswick Churches United Evensong. Also 2 Mar, 1250 Lincolnshire S Major: N A Elvidge 1, M J Wigney 2, Jill Hupman 3, Rosemary Ling 4, Elaine C Gosden 5, J A Sealy 6, S A Aitken 7, D J Buckley (C) 8. 1st in m: 4,5. Birthday compliment to Geraldine Forster.

Colliers Wood, London SW19. 29 Feb, 1320 St Clements B Minor: J Lawrance 1, A Oliver 2, E Hartley 3, D Murray 4, G Dancer 5, T Lawrance (T) 6.

Compton, Berks. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Joan Marshall 1, Angela Croft 2, Alan Carpenter 3, Fred Simmons 4, Paul Bodenham 5, John Durham (C) 6. Sponsored quarter peal for Oxford Diocesan Guild Bell Fund.

Culmstock, Devon. 15 Feb, 1250 London S Major: Nicola Crichton 1, Heather Webb 2, Linda Nicholson (1st L) 3, Wendy Campbell 4, Elaine Grant 5, C M J Stanley 6, I L C Campbell 7, J Grant (C) 8.

M J Stanley 6, I L C Campbell 7, J Grant (C) 8. 80p
Desford, Leics. 28 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: I B Walker
(1st Q) 1, Susan Ward 2, Kathleen M Brown 3, G A
Jones 4, M E Brown (C) 5, D M Brown 6. Ian Walker
had his first bell handling lesson aged 12 on 18 Nov
1991. He rang very well in his first quarter 102 days
later and is now an asset to the Desford Band. 60p

Durweston, Dorset. 22 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Helen Parkin 1, Christine Angell 2, Alison Taylor (1st minor) 3, M Singer 4, G Wareham 5, R Weaver (1st as C) 6.

Easthampstead, Berks. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Triples: M R C Capsey 1, N F Bearne 2, Barbara E Wells 3, J M Bearne (1st triples inside) 4, Joanna M Lunnon 5, K J Lovell 6, S C Wells (C) 7, P Andie M Steed (1st on 8) 8.

Exeter, Devon. (Cathedral) 1 Mar, 1346 Yorkshire S Maximus: Elaine Grant 1, Nicola Crichton 2, Sue Sawyer 3, Wendy Campbell 4, Mary Mears 5, I L C Campbell 6, G P Tucker 7, A J Sinden 8, J Grant 9, A P Nicholson 10, P J Sawyer 11, M E C Mears (C)

Exeter, Devon. (Heavitree) 23 Feb, 1344 Spl S Major (B,L): Caroline Emerson 1, A J Sinden (C) 2, Wendy Campbell 3, Elaine Grant 4, G P Tucker 5, J Grant 6, G C Emerson 7, I L C Campbell 8.

Fallowfield, Manchester. 28 Feb, 1280 Bristol S Major: Joyce Gardner 1, Shirley Harris 2, R J Warrilow 3, Cynthia Warrilow 4, C K Lewis 5, Rev W G Wilson 6, G R Gardner 7, Rev B Harris (C) 8. £1

Frithlestock, Devon. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Elaine Grant 1, Richard Shere 2, Alan Sinden 3, Neil Deem 4, Graham Tucker (C) 5, James Grant 6. Compliment to Tony and Nicola Pullan.

Glastonbury, Som. (St Benedict) 9 Feb, 1260 Doubles (6m): Beverley Perry (200th as C) 1, E J Dyer 2, F Mulner 3, P A Watch 4, L E Perry 5, C G Scull 6. Also 23 Feb, 1260 Doubles (4m): Beverley Perry (C) 1, Jennie E Llewellyn 2, J R Brunsdon 3, E J Dyer 4, L E Perry 5, P A Watch 6. For Communion Service. Also 27 Feb, 1260 St Clements College Bob Minor: E J Dyer 1, A K Woolley 2, L E Perry 3, P A Watch (1st in m) 4, Penelope I Hooper (225th Q) 5, Beverley Perry (C) 6.

Hallow, Worcs. 17 Feb, (no. of changes not given) Cornwall S Major: J Wheeler 1, Nicky Seabright 2, S J T Wilmshurst 3, M F C Stallard 4, F M Seabright 5, J A G Clements 6, P G Morgan 7, M G Clements (C) 8.

Harbury, Warwicks. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Roger Harris 1, Peter Pryke 2, William Collins 3, Stanley Earl 4, Derek Ballinger 5, lan Willcress (C) 6, John Elliott 7. By the gentlemen during the A.D.M. of the Northampton and District Branch of the Ladies Guild.

Higham Ferrers, Northants. 1 Mar, 1250 Cambridge S Major: Janet E Wilkins 1, W E Critchley 2, Brenda M Dixon 3, Freda P Willgress 4, Alison R Willgress 5, R E J Dennis 6, J M Bence 7, I N Willgress (C) 8. For Morning Service.

Horham, Suffolk. 3 Mar, 1260 Doubles (4m): Amie L Wilkins (1st Q) 1, Mary Allum 2, Michelle W Chapman 3, Joanne G Mills 4, R D Allum 5, H M E Wilkins 6. On treble ringer's twelfth birthday.

Jointly conducted by 2,3,4,5.

Huddersfield, W Yorks. (North Street) 15 Feb, 1272 P B Minimus: Deborah Thorley 1-2, Caroline Burton 3-4. Conducted by Andrew Warboys. For St Valentines Day.

30p

Hungerford, Berks. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Doubles: Fiona Rock-Evans 1, Paul Bodenham 2, Angela Croft (50th Q, C) 3, Tony Woodville 4, David Thorpe 5, lan Croft 6. £1.50

5, lan Croft 6.

Huntsham, Devon. 15 Feb, 1287 Grandsire Triples: A P Nicholson 1, Elaine Grant 2, Wendy Campbell 3, Nicola Crichton 4, Heather Webb 5, J Grant 6, C M J Stanley (C) 7, I L C Campbell 8.

Iron Acton, Avon. 28 Feb, 1260 Stedman Doubles: D Powell (C) 1, C K Cooper 2, D R Ware 3, H T Ferris 4, A R Thompson 5, B W S Angel 6. Circled tower to Q: 1.

Kewstoke, Avon. 16 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): J Greaves 1, Marjorie Legg (C) 2, F Merridith 3, Patricia Thompson 4, J Boorman 5, G Kingdom 6. For Family Service.

Kingweston, Som. 29 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): J M Howarth 1, Anne Strong 2, Maureen Poulton (most m as C) 3, C Bush 4, D A Strong 5. 50p

Kirkby Stephen, Cumbria. 1 Mar, 1264 P B Major: Emma Harrison 1, Penny Stoddard 2, Diana J Handley 3, Susan A Sheridan 4, Jo Keogh 5, Ann S Thompson 6, M Sheridan 7, P A Thompson (C) 8. 1st major: 1,2,4. To celebrate the birth and baptism of Samuel Grimshaw, son of a ringer at this tower and godson of 4.

Laverstoke, Hants. 29 Feb, 1260 Reverse Canterbury Doubles: Hannah Cook 1, Nicholas Hussey 2, David Holmes 3, Christine Holmes 4, Adrian Lewis (C) 5, Colin Inman 6. Golden wedding compliment to George and Joan Lewis, parents of C.

Macclesfield, Ches. (St Michael) 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Leslie Hughes 1, Wendy Daw 2, W H Dowse 3, B Curbishley 4, Melanie R Daw 5, J R Gibb 6, P C Maddocks 7, R H Daw (C) 8.

Milton Keynes, Bucks. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Doubles: Jeanette Ross 1, T K Smith (1st inside) 2, Gillian P Watson 3, P Tribble 4, G L Foat (C) 5, P Mathison (1st Q) 6. Sponsored for the Oxford Diocesan Bell Fund

Newport Pagnell, Bucks. 29 Feb, 1260 Stedman Triples: Peter Taylor 1, Gillian Watson (1st in m) 2, B D Hird 3, G L Foat 4, R Keeves 5, M W Gilbert 6, M W Lowndes (C) 7, G Stratton 8. To the memory of H.C. (Bert) Beard, long time member of the church and a former tower captain. Sponsored for the Oxford Diocesan Bell Fund.

Pagham, W Sussex. 1 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Catherine Sherwood 1, Claire Hodnett 2, Suzanne Baker 3, F Baker 4, M J Wake 5, M C W Sherwood (C) 6.

Peterborough, Cambs. (Cathedral) 23 Feb, 1260
P B Triples: Judith Corby 1, Deborah Thorley 2,
Caroline Burton 3, J M Goldthorpe 4, J M Roffe 5,
P C Warboys 6, A P Warboys (C) 7, M Goodall 8.
For Morning Eucharist. Also 1 Mar, 1260 P B
Triples: Gwen Roffe 1, F G Oldfield 2, A Waller 3, J
N Edwards 4, J F Bird 5, W A Dobbs 6, J M Roffe
(C) 7, J C Burgess 8. For Evensong.
£1.60

Pettistree, Suffolk. 1 Mar, 1260 Doubles (8m):
Jayne Cady 1, D Stanford 2, Mary Garner 3, I
Mitchell 4, M Whitby (C) 5, C Garner 6. For
Evensong.

Pontefract, W Yorks. (All Saints) 28 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Helen Cavanagh (1st on 8) 1, Susan Webb 2, Wendy Leng 3, Michael Daniels 4, Clive Whiteley 5, Alan Sheppard 6, Philip Brook (7, 7, Derek Johnstone 8. Birthday compliment to Rachel Webb. 1st Grandsire triples inside: 4. 60p Ramsey, Hunts. 1 Mar, 1320 Ipswich S Minor: C A Johnson 1, Rhonda Oldfield 2, Susan E Marsden (C) 3, Marion A Robinson 4, B C Bunting 5, N S Blyton 6. For Choral Evensong on St David's Day.

Rayleigh, Essex. 2 Feb, 1260 Stedman Triples: G Lucas 1, Rita Michell 2, Diana Belcham 3, Janet Hallett 4, S Croucher 5, M Hallett 6, D E Belcham (C) 7, P Mitchell 8. For Evensong. Also 9 Feb, 1260 P B Triples: Kathy Neville 1, Louise Mitchell 2, Lydia Roberts 3, Angela Belcham 4, Sheena Booth 5, D E Belcham (1325th Q) 6, G Lucas (C) 7, P Mitchell 8. For Evensong. Also 16 Feb, 1260 P B Triples: Kathy Neville 1, Louise Mitchell 2, Rita Michell 3, P Mitchell 4, Sheena Booth 5, G Lucas 6, D E Belcham (C) 7, Diana Belcham 8. For Morning Parade Service. And 1260 Grandsire Triples: D E Belcham 1, Rita Michell 2, Diana Belcham 3, Janet Hallett 4, Angela Belcham 5, G Lucas 6, M Hallett (C) 7, Sheena Booth (circ twr to Qs) 8. For Evensong, Also 23 Feb, 1280 Whalley S Major: Sheena Booth 1, Helen Harpole 2, Diana Belcham 3, J Harpole 4, Ann Chapman 5, G Lucas 6, C Chapman 7, D E Belcham (C) 8. For Evensong. 1st in m by all. Also 1 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Kathy Neville 1, Rita Michell 2, Diana Belcham 3, Sheena Booth 4, S Croucher 5, D E Belcham 6, M Hallett (C) 7, G Lucas For Evensong. An engagement compliment to Fiona Slater and Andrew Belcham. £3.60
Romsey Abbey, Hants. 23 Feb, 1280 Spl S Major

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Royston, Herts. 29 Feb, 1440 P B Minor: Cheryl Allen 1, E Newnham 2, D E Colman 3, D J Hawkins 4, B Hicks 5, A D Downs (C) 6. Wedding compliment to Nick and Wendy Holliday.

Salford Priors, Warks. 29 Feb, 1260 Grandsire
Triples: B D Boxall 1, A J Brazier 2, M Newbury 3,
Sandra B Parker 4, J H Smart (C) 5, F A Munday 6,
R L Skeath 7, M C Homans 8. For Leap-years

Sandhurst, Berks. (St Michael) 16 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: W H Mills 1, Margaret Blunden 2, Janet Menhinick 3, D Palmer 4, W R Hillary (C) 5, M Sherren 6. For Evensong and as an engagement compliment to Margaret Blunden and David Robins. Also 29 Feb, 1320 Kent T B Minor: Elizabeth Menhinick (1st T.B.) 1, W H Mills 2, M Paterson (1st in m) 3, G C Steele 4, W R Hillary 5, Janet Menhinick (C) 6. For Guild Quarter Peal Day. Also 1 Mar, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: W H Mills 1, M Sherren 2, R D Oakley 3, W R Hillary 4, D Palmer 5, Janet Menhinick (C) 6. For Evensong. 1st in m: 2,3. £2.40 Sapcote, Leics. 2 Feb, 1250 Pudsey S Major:

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Sheffield, S Yorks. (St Maries RC Cathedral) 1 Mar, 1260 P B Triples: Julia Blatchford (1st on 8) 1, Sarah Dobson (1st Q) 2, Erica Wallis 3, Anthony Widdowson 4, Julian Beaney 5, Andrea Bennett (C) 6, William Haynes 7, Keith Sibson 8.

Southampton, Hants. (St Michael) 1 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: Simon Wood 1, Helen Green 2, Tracey Clayton 3, Andrew Morley 4, Nick Johnson (C) 5. By outgoing guild committee.

Southampton, Hants. (St Nicholas, North Stoneham) 12 Feb, 1260 P B Doubles: Peta Cloete 1, Tracey Clayton 2, Nick Johnson (1st as C) 3, Simon Wood 4, James Hustler 5

Wood 4, James Hustler 5. 75p
Stamford, Lincs. (St Martin) 11 Feb, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: P C Warboys (C) 1, Emma L Frost 2, R H Rogers 3, Rosalind A Knight 4, P N Green 5, A M Farmer 6. Also 18 Feb, 1320 Primrose S Minor: A P Warboys (circ twr) 1, Rosalind A Knight 2, A Waller 3, P N Green 4, P C Warboys (C) 5, R H Rogers 6. Also 25 Feb, 1296 Beverley S Minor: A M Farmer 1, Emma Frost (1st in m) 2, Judith M Corby 3, R H Rogers 4, A P Warboys 5, P C Warboys (C) 5.

Staunton Coleford, Glos. 28 Feb, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Sue Jones 1, S J Coleman (C) 2, Debby Lane 3, Sue Coleman 4, I Grant 5, Liz Craig 6. 1st in m: 1.3.

Stoke upon Trent, Staffs. (St Peter ad Vincula) 9
Feb, 1260 P B Royal: Judith M Damerell 1, H Julie
Hodkinson 2, Angela Groves (1st att on 10) 3, J C
Clegg 4, W E Evans 5, R A Johnson 6, Catherine M
Gray 7, Wendy Daw 8, J Geof Burton 9, R H Daw
(C) 10. Before Evensong. Also 16 Feb, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: R A Johnson 1, W E Evans 2, Wendy
Daw 3, Margaret Burton 4, K P Jones 5, E J Miles
6, J Geof Burton 7, R H Daw (C) 8. Before Evensong.
Also 1 Mar, 1250 Lincolnshire S Major: Ruth V
Walton 1, Margaret Burton 2, W E Evans 3,
Catherine M Gray 4, Wendy Daw 5, E J Miles (1st
N) 6, J Geof Burton 7, R H Daw (C) 8. Before
Evensong.

Stourpaine, Dorset. 22 Feb, 1260 Doubles (4m/v inc Stedman): Christine Angell 1, Helen Parkin 2, M Singer 3, Alison Taylor 4, G Wareham 5, R Weaver 6. Conducted by 1,2,3,4. Ruby wedding compliment to Mr & Mrs E. Green, parents of treble ringer. £1

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Stowmarket, Suffolk. 5 Mar, 1440 P B Minor:
Kevin Girling 1, Leslie Wright 2, Edwin Cracknell 3,
Josephine Beever 4, Carol Hall 5, Winston Girling
(C) 6. Half-muffled, immediately following a service
of thanksgiving for the life of Harry Double, 19181992, much loved Stowmarket historian, writer and
entertainer, and patron of the Tower and Spire
Appeal for St Peter & St Mary's Stowmarket. 80p

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Street, Som. 9 Feb, 1260 P B Triples: C G Scull 1,
P A Watch 2, Penelope I Hooper 3, E J Dyer 4, F
Milner 5, A K Woolley 6, Beverley Perry (C) 7, L E
Perry (circ twr) 8. To mark the last sermon preached
by Rev D C Evans at Wells Cathedral earlier this
day. before retiring as Prebendary.

day, before retiring as Prebendary. £1.50
Swynnerton, Staffs. 2 Feb, 1260 P B Doubles:
Lisa Rodgers (1st Q) 1, W E Evans 2, F Beech 3,
Jenny Beech 4, R H Daw (C) 5, D Danby 6. Before
Evensong. 60p

Thrybergh, S Yorks. 1 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: K J Wright (1st Q) 1, Helen C Turner 2, I Coates 3, Felicity A Bunting 4, M S Turner (C) 5, D C Munday 6.

Tirley, Glos. 6 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): Bob Wardell 1, Julie Pegler 2, Sarah Pegler (C) 3, Mark Pritchard (C) 4, Phil Hopgood 5, Robert Perry 6. 1st mixed doubles inside: 2. To commemorate the 40th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the throne. Also 1 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Katherine Creese 1, Julie Pegler 2, Lynda Pegler 3, Mark Pritchard 4, Sarah Pegler (C) 5, Robert Perry 6. For Morning Service.

Usk, Gwent. 1 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: T J Morgan 1, R S Clench 2, L Jones 3, A J Phillips 4, P J Huxley 5, K Phillips 6, D J Hughes (C) 7, N J Heal 8. For St David's Day. Walton, Som. 16 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): Bever-

Walton, Som. 16 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): Beverley Perry (C) 1, J V Blackmore 2, B Grenter 3, E J Dyer 4, L E Perry 5. For Family Communion Service and 18th birthday compliment to Philip J Payne. Also 29 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: B Grenter 1, J V Blackmore 2, E J Dyer 3, Beverley Perry (C) 4, L E Perry 5. 37th Wedding Anniversary compliment to John and Sheila Blackmore and birthday compliments to Benjamin and Matthew Grenter, sons of treble ringer.

Warbleton, Sussex. 26 Feb, 1272 Kent TB Minor: S J Bailey (1st TB) 1, A D Pink (C) 2, B Tunnicliffe 3, Louise G Pink 4, Catherine S Navin 5, Jenny Parker 6. 1st in m: 3,6. By the Guild of St. Agatha, with congratulations to Margaret and David Pink on their wedding anniversary.

their wedding anniversary. 72p
Wareham, Dorset. 1 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples:
G T Dixon (1st triples) 1, C T Brown 2, June M
Brown 3, G W Ashdown 4, Jenny E Elmes 5, D G
Langford 6, G W Elmes (C) 7, B G Bishop 8. For
Evensong.

Wells, Som. (Cathedral) 1 Mar, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Beverley Perry (C) 1, E J Chivers 2, A K Woolley 3, Penelope I Hooper 4, Janet M Smith 5, G A Darke 6, R F Bowditch 7, L E Perry 8, M J A Orman 9, D Gill 10. For the ordination of David Randell as deacon and Andrew Norris as priest at St. Cuthbert's parish church this morning.

St. Cuthbert's parish church this morning. £2
Westbourne, W Sussex. 1 Mar, 1260 PB Minor:
C G Shutler 1, Mary Limburn 2, S L Kelly 3, J Holliss
4, P Goodhew 5, P M Wilkinson (C) 6. 1st minor inside: 2.

West Kirby, Mers. 29 Feb, 1260 PB Minor: Margaret Left 1, Claire Christian 2, Heather Vaysey 3, D J Left 4, A J Power 5, R T J Tinkler (C) 6. Congratulations to Heather and goodluck for the

Willoughby on the Wolds, Notts. 2 Mar, 1440 S Minor (Sandiacre & Bourne): David Stainsby 1, Susan Dawson 2, Andrew Shipman 3, George A Dawson 4, Owen Homewood 5, Trevor H Kirkman (C) 6. A 35th wedding anniversary compliment to Owen and Jean Homewood.

Winchester, Hants. (8 Salters Acres) 24 Feb, 1260 Minor (Cambridge & PB): Gail Cater 1-2, S D Smith 3-4, A G Craddock (C) 5-6. To welcome Samuel Peter, born this morning to Juliet and Peter £2.05

Wolstanton, N Staffs. 29 Jan, 1260 PB Minor: P Daniels 1, Angela Groves (1st inside) 2, W E Evans 3, M Harwood 4, J C Clegg 5, R H Daw (C) 6. 60p York, N Yorks. (St Martin-le-Grand) 1 Mar, 1287

Grandsire Triples: Gillian Potter 1, David Mitchell 2, Timothy Bradley 3, Scott Hume 4, Simon Mearns 5, Christine Potter 6, Rupert Burgess (C) 7, John Potter 8. 1st on 8: 1,4.

Addington, Surrey. 4 Mar, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: Catherine Butler 1, Alison Godfrey 2, Eric Godfrey 3, David Dewdney 4, Judith Godfrey 5, David Whitehead(C) 6. For Ash Wednesday Eucharist. 50p. Also: on 29 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: David Whitehead 1, David Dewdney 2, Nicolas Borg 3, Elizabeth LeBihan (1st minor inside) 4, Eichard Wallis 5, Eric Godfrey 6. A birthday compliment to Jonathan LeBihan.

Albury, NSW. 8 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Elizabeth Shepherd 1, J Jefferies 2, J Waddell 3, R Altass 4, T Goodyer(C) 5, R Shepherd 6. For the anniversary of the Dedication of the bells. Also for the 40th anniversary of the accession to the Throne of HM Queen Elizabeth II. 1st minor on the bells. Also: on 24 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m): J Shepherd 1, R Shepherd 2, J Waddell 3, R Altass 4, J Jefferies 5, Tiffany Watt 6. A 50th birthday compliment to Ald. Richard Leyland.

Almeley, Herefs. 28 Feb. 1260 Doubles (2m): Alison Alcock 1, Margaret J Hope 2, Joy C Davies 3, W J Clayton 4, J W Hope(C) 5, Alison M Anthony 6. Halfmuffled in memory of Mrs E J Goodwin and Mrs A B Cadman.

Arborfield, Berks. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: R M Shearn(C) 1, Tanya Sabin 2, Janet Hodgson 3, Judith Atkinson 4, W A Hodgson 5, C P Cole 6. For ODG sponsored Q peal Day, the C's birthday, and the birth

of Bruno at Lugrin, France.

£1.20

Arnold, Notts. 1 Mar, 1320 P B Doubles: Melanie
Newman(C) 1, John Davies 2, Christopher Leeming 3,
Darran Thacker 4, Lisa Savelio 5, Darren Surgey 6. For the golden wedding anniversary of Mr & Mrs E H Surgey, grandparents of tenor ringer.

Ashford, Kent. 16 Feb, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Brenda Davies 1, Nicholas Davies 2, Pamela Manger 3, Maureen Popple 4, Rosemary Coney 5, Raymond Lucas 6, David Manger(C) 7, Roderick LeBon 8, Richard Edwards 9, Alan Bourne 10. For Evensong, and to

celebrate England's RU victory over France. £1.30 Auckland, N.Z.. 22 Feb, 1260 P B Doubles: R Quartly 1, J Dunn 2, G Wong 3, P Adams 4, R Bennett jnr. (C) 5, Sister Maureen 6. Dedicated to Bob Hornberg, Vicar at St Matthew's, who leaves to take up duties at St Chad's, Auckland.

Aylsham, Norfolk, 6 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Fayth Shreeve (1st Q.) 1, Felicity Woor 2, Hannah Woor 3, J R Smith(C) 4, D Woor 5, D W Pardon 6. For Women's Day of Prayer Service.

Badingham, Suffolk. 6 Mar, 1260 Rev Canterbury Pi Doubles: Mary Allum 1, Joanne G Mills 2, Michelle W Chapman 3, Julie S Allen (1st in m.) 4, R D Allum(C) 5. A birthday compliment to the 4th ringer

Baldock, Herts. 1 Mar, 1280 Kent T B Major: Lionel Hughes 1, Angela Brookes (1st touch in m.) 2, Maurice Collings 3, Benjamin Smith (1st major in m.) 4, Robert Langley 5, Peter Davies (1st touch in m. & 50th Q.) 6, Francis Flack 7, Philip Mehew(C) 8. For Sunday morning Communion.

Barkham, Berks. 29 Feb, 1272 Minimus (14m): W A Hodgson 1, H G Collins 2, M Dane 3, R M Shearn(C) 4. For ODG sponsored Q. peal Day. £1.20
Basingstoke, Hants. (St Michael). 4 Mar, 1260 Sted-

man Triples: Pauline Underwood 1, John Foster 2, Esme Weaver 3, Barbara Foster 4, Jack Weaver 5, Peter

Jordan 6, Martin Hough 7, David Savill 8. £1

Bath (Weston), Avon. 13 Feb, 1280 Spl S Major (CSLB): Henry Taysom 1, Andrew Ball 2, Linda Drew 3, Rosemary Ball 4, Andrew Ward 5, Tim Munslow 6, William Willans 7, Michael Powell(C) 8.

Beaconsfield, Bucks. 10 Feb, 1280 Superlative S Major: J A Ainsworth (C) 1, Valerie J Simmonds 2, M Ann Bethell 3, Marion S Ainsworth 4, D A McKenzie 5, L S Cartwright 6, H Neill 7, Claire F Edwards 8, 50p. Also: on 28 Feb, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: B J Edwards (1st T B) 1, G Hopkinson 2, D G Rowlands 3, D A McKenzie 4, A R Agg 5, C Buswell(C) 6, J C Davidge 7, Claire F Edwards 8. An engagement compliment to David McKenzie & Sherin Allen.

Beckington, Som. 8 Mar, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: D Chiles 1, Rosemary J Ball 2, G J Hawkins 3, G W Massey 4, P J W Hardwick 5, D J Kelly 6, D R J Ball 7, J A G Ball (C) 8. A thanksgiving for the life of Frances Watts, a regular worshipper at Beckington Church. 100th together; 7 &

Benenden, Kent. 1260 P B Triples: Silvia Lucas 1, Ray Lucas 2, Gill Jolly 3, Frank Wenham 4, Mike Skinner 5, Arthur Bourne 6, Tim Munt (C) 7, M Gwynne-Patrick 8. For Choral Evensong on this evening. (No date given).

Berkhamstead, Herts. 8 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Burbidge 1, Kay Chamberlain 2, Penny Wallace (1st triples) 3, R Casserley 4, J Sansom 5, D Burbidge(C) 6, J Chamberlain 7, M Hart 8. A 60th birthday compliment to Priscilla Watt, who has been a

ringer at Berkhamstead for 35 years. £4

Berkley, Som. 11 Jan. 1272 P B Minimus: Debbie
Parfrey 1, D J Kelly 2, D L Parfrey(C) 3, M R T Higby 4. 1st on 4; 1 & as C.

Berrow, Som. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Sam Lemin 1, Nicky Lemin (1st minor inside) 2, C R Freeman 3, Andrea B Goddard 4, Rosemary Ball 5, A H Ball (C) 6.

Bilsborrow, Lancs. 22 Feb, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: A J Britliff(C) 1, C Clegg 2, K Taylor 3, P L Rivet 4, C Ely 5, N Allsop 6, S Kemp 7, R I West 8. £1.50

Bournemouth, Dorset. (St Peter). 4 Mar, 1260

Doubles (2m): Dianne Shlackman 1, Simon Smith 2,

Matthew Shapland (1st inside) 3, Diana Mayes 4, Giles Wood(C) 5, Paul Law 6. For Ash Wednesday Evensong. £1.20. Also: on 8 Mar, 1280 Spl S Major (CYN): Diana Mayes 1, Joan Pike 2, Clare Robertson 3, Helen Phenix 4, Jody Hillier 5, Ron Pike 6, Simon Smith (25th 8-bell Q) 7, Giles Wood(C) 8. 1st 3-spl by all the band. £1.60

Braceborough, Lincs. 9 Mar, 1260 Doubles (3m): A Ward 1, M A Walker 2, L G Townsend 3, B Ward 4, A D Walker(C) 5.

Bradford-on-Tone, Som. 7 Mar, 1260 Grandsire
Doubles: G L Comer 1, Jane F Beveridge 2, J Wenham
3, A F Lee(C) 4, J M Levin 5, D G Richards 6. Halfmuffled following a memorial Service for Malcolm & Margaret Sibley.

Bramley, Hants. 10 Feb, 1250 Superlative S Major: Sue Whiewick 1, John Foster 2, Alan Hoer 3, Lynne Jordan 4, David Holmes 5, Graham Hedges 6, Barbara Foster 7, Martin Hough 8. Prior to the induction Serrvice

of Revd Robert Toogood.

Brasted, Kent. 1 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles; N T Emery
(1st Q.) 1, Jennifer M Thomas 2, R P Sherlock 3,
Catherine M Lewis(C) 4, F W Lewis 5, D Edgar 6. For

Bredfield, Suffolk. 21 Feb, 1260 Doubles (6m): MR Burn 1, Gill Waterson 2, Molly Waterson 3, C G Spreadbury(C) 4, B Waterson 5, A Woods 6. A get-well compliment to Mike Pilgrim. Most doubles; 1, 3& 6. 1st

Brent Knoll, Som. 23 Feb, 1260 Doubles (6m): P Denis Venn 1, Sam Lemin 2, Nicky Lemin 3, Rosemary Ball 4, A H Ball (C) 5, G M Venn 6. Most m.; 2 & 3. For

Bridstow, Herefs. 7 Mar, 1260 Doubles (7m/v incl Stedman): Ann Butcher 1, Freda Davies 2, Anne C L Davies 3, W M J Coleman 4, R E Sadowski(C) 5, E T L Davies 6.

Broomfield, Som. 20 Feb, 1272 Berwick S Minor: J M Levin 1, A F Lee 2, Sally K Wheeler 3, M C Hansford 4, R E Colman 5, Jill M Hansford(C) 6. 1st in m.; 1 & 4

Broughton, Staffs. 28 Feb. 1260 Stedman Triples: R B Mitchell 1, P W Gay 2, Margaret Jones 3, A Gordon 4, S G Jones 5, B L Burrows(C) 6, D Baskerville (1st in p.) M Willshaw 8.

Buckley, Clwyd. 4 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Christine Roberts 1, David Maxwell 2, Simon Griffiths 3, John Williams 4, Geoffrey Parting 5, Richard Taylor(C) 6. For Ash Wednesday.

Buxted, E Sussex. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Doubles (68 covering): Daphne Razzell 1, Dr R I Harrison 2, Rosalind M Cowsill 3, Angela M Dennison 4, H R F Cowsill(C) 5, Jennifer Perry 6, P A Dawes (1st Q.) 7. A 15th birthday and retirement compliment to 2nd ringer.

Catherington, Hants. 5 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: W I Skilleter 1, Barbara Skilleter 2, Barbara Salmons 3, LJ Doubleday 4, G E Brown(C) 5, J P Holliss 6. By members of the Royal Naval Guild of Bellringers in remembrance of Admiral of the Fleet Lord Fieldhouse who died 17/2/92.

Cawthorne, S Yorks. 1 Mar, 1320 Oxford T B Minor: C Devonport (1st T B) 1, M Monaghan 2, J P Barden 3, D N Stables 4, E Stainrod 5, T C Ledger(C) 6. For Even-

Chalfont St Giles, Bucks. 24 Feb, 1280 Spl S Major (RSYCN): J A Ainsworth 1, J Neill 2, Claire F Edwards 3, Valerie J Simmonds 4, Marion S Ainsworth 5, J C Davidge 6, C Buswell (C) 7, A R Agg 8, 50p. Also: on 2 Mar, 1280 Superlative S Major: Joyce I Cornwall 1, J C Davidge 2, D A Cornwall 3, R H M Price 4, P F Windley 5, C P Darvill 6, M Ann Bethell 7, C Buswell(C) 8. Engagement compliment to Sherin Allen & David McKenzie.

Chewton Mendip, Som. 4 Mar, 1264 P B Major: Jan Sapiezynski 1, Matthew Hillyard (1st major) 2, Patricia Tucker (1st major inside) 3, Penelope Hooper 4, Frederick Sandy 5, Edward Hancock 6, Andrew Woolley 7 Patrick Tucker(C) 8. £1. Also: on 13 Feb, 1263 Stedman Triples: Jim Targett 1, David Mackay 2, Mat-thew Higby 3, Edward Chivers 4, Doug Gill 5, Robert Peck 6, Robert Perry(C) 7, Timothy Peppard 8. Halfmuffled in the evening of the funeral of Desmond Pullin,

at one time a ringer at this tower.

£1.40

Chiddingfold, Surrey. 4 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Judith
Rae 1, P Payne 2, Lynda Davis 3, R Cooper 4, G Pyner
5, P A Sadler(C) 6. Half-muffled for Ash Wednesday Communion Service. £1.20

Chilcompton, Som. (Campanile). 12 Feb. 1260 Singles (2m): MRT Higby (C) 1-2, DL Parfrey 3. On the back-3. 1st singles; 3. Fastest Q.; 3. Most m.; 1 & 2 £1. Also: on 20 Feb. 1260 Original Singles: MRT Higby (C) 1-2, JPR Beck (1st Q.) 3. By the Chilcompton Campanile Youths on the front 3. 1st person to ring a 1st Q. on these bells: 3.

Chipping Campden, Glos. 1296 L B Major: E Rae 1, Jill Roberts 2, A J Brazier 3, S Bowley 4, G D Payne 5, R C Hall 6, J W Nicholls 7, E C W Lupton(C) 8. 1st in m.;

2 & 4. For Evensong. (No date given).

Christchurch Priory, Dorset. 8 Mar, 1260 P B
Triples: Barbara Jones 1, Gilian Davis 2, Diana Mayes
3, Rosemary Rogers (C) 4, Jody Hillier 5, John Statham
6, Paul Tomes 7, limited and 6, Paul Tomes 7, Jim Jones (1st as cover) 8. A ruby wedding compliment to Bob (steeple-keeper) & Mavis Moseley.

Colemans Hatch, Sussex. 2 Mar, 1260 PB Doubles: Sarah Loams 1, Terry Gibson 2, Julie Richardson 3, Valerie Howard 4, P Richardson (C) 5, R Gibson 6.

Cookham, Berks. 23 Feb, 1260 P B Minor (on the middle 6): Naomi Daniel 1, Ruth Daniel 2, Jennifer Dieppe 3, A Harris 4, Marcia Dieppe 5, H Tocock 6, A McKerlie(C) 7, F Daniel 8. 1st Q.; 1, 2 & 8. A sponsored Q. for the Oxford Diocesan Bell Fund.

Corston, Som. 15 Jan, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: A

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Jenner 1, Debbie Parfrey (1st touch of S.) 2, Bet Parfrey
3, D L Parfrey 4, Farmer Perry(C) 5, M R T Hugby 6. £1
Coventry, W Mids. (The Cathedral). 29 Feb, 1346
Yorkshire S Maximus: Fiona H Chester 1, Gail L Wade
2, M Chester (C) 3, Joanne L White 4, C H Robbins 5, G
Pluckrose 6, R A Swallow 7, G Pratt 8, M A Boylan 9, A
R Guy 10, H J Williams 11, C F Mew 12. 1st S. max.; 2, 5 & as C. 1st max. in m.; 4 & 7.

Coventry, W Mids. (84 Coventry Rd, Exhall). 2 Mar, 1275 Stedman Caters: Joanne L White 1-2, D J Allen 3-4, G Pratt(C) 5-6, I D Thompson 7-8, M Chester 9-10. Also: on 2 Mar, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Joanne L White 1-2, DJ Allen 3-4, G Pratt(C) 5-6, ID Thompson 7-8. £2

Crayford, Kent. 7 Mar, 1250 Pudsey S Major: Michael Gentry 1, Ruth Redford 2, Rachel Backhouse 3, Diana Young 4, Alex Britton 5, Stephen Young 6, Nigel Parsons(C) 7, Andrew Young 8. 1st in m.; 2, 4 & 6. An engagement compliment to Stephen Young and Ruth

Deeping St Nicholas, Lincs. 5 Mar, 1380 P B Doubles: Valerie S Wild 1, Cathryn A Walker (1st inside) I D G B Ansell (100th Q.) 3, M A Walker 4, A D Walker(C) 5, W Ansell 6.

Dundry, Som. 1 Mar, 1260 Doubles (5m): E K Taylor Rosemary Ball 2, J Mills 3, A H Ball (C) 4, C Hobbs 5, T C Peppard 6. Circ. twr.; 4. For Evensong.

Duxford, Cambs. 1 Mar, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Nicola Thompson (1st in p.) 1, Stuart Abercrombie 2, Michael Brown 3, Katherine Wright 4, Peter Hinton (C) 5, Marilyn Thompson 6.

Ealing, London W. (Christ the Saviour). 4 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Christine E Dringer 1, Ann George 2, G Macartney 3, Helen E Tucker 4, S Robertson 5, M T Sprackling (C) 6, R Eddy (cover) 7. Half-muffled before the Mass for Ash Wednesday.

the Mass for Ash Wednesday.

East Pennard, Som. 29 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m):
Linda Drew 1, P W Grainger-Allen 2, T Jefferis 3, Gerald
Skelly (C) 4, Michael Powell 5. To congratulate Mike &
Sophie on the birth of their daughter, Eleanor, a first
grand-child for Robin & June Stubbs.

Eastwood, Notts. 8 Mar, 1469 Glasgow S Major: Alison Knighton 1, D Butterworth 2, P England 3, N Morgan 4, D Beach 5, R Marchbank 6, G Faulks 7, P Graves(C) 8.

Edenham, Lincs. 8 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: M A Walker 1, Susan P Meyer (1st triples in m.) 2, Angela M Smalley 3, OT Northwood 4, A DWalker 5, S S Meyer (C) 6, S C Townsend 7, A G Clifton 8.

Egham, Surrey. 8 Mar, 1440 Bristol S Royal: Joyce Parsons 1, Joan Summerhayes 2, Helen Audley (1st royal in m.) 3, D H Stone 4, R E Finch 5, D E Parsons 6, N Buswell (C) 7, G J Audley 8, D R Cox 9, A D Flood 10. For Evensong.

Enmore, Som. 29 Feb, 1260 Doubles (11m/v): W E Dunn 1, Jane F Beveridge 2, Sally K Wheeler 3, J G Sargeant 4, A F Lee (C) 5, J M Levin 6. The first time that the bells have been rung since April 1989, and since repairs to the tower roof. An 84th birthday compliment to Leonard T Richards.

Farnborough, Hants. 23 Feb, 1312 DNCBM: G L Nayler 1, Judy E Couperthwaite 2, J R Perrett 3, M A Wilson 4, R J Walker 5, M J Turner 6, H P Reed 7, W J Couperthwaite (C) 8. To mark the installation of Revd Alan Boddington as an honorary Canon of Guildford Cathedral.

Farnham, Essex. 8 Mar, 1300 P B Doubles: Andrea Darby 1, P L Darby 2, E R Wilkinson 3, C A Holman 4, A M Barber(C) 5, T Warner 6. Prior to Morning Service as a farewell to the Curate of Stansted Mountfitchet, Farnham, Revd John Cardell-Oliver. £1.20

Fawley, Hants. 4 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Mary Ball 1, Victoria Reynolds 2, Barbara Handley-Garland 3, Hilary C Chadwick 4, S Gregory(C) 5, J Messant 6. 1st inside; 2 & 3. For Ash Wednesday.

Flamstead, Herts. 6 Mar, 1440 S Minor (7m): G A Reading 1, Diana J Reading 2, Lucy Shepherd 3, A M Shepherd 4, R A Horne 5, B C Watson(C) 6. £1.20 Folkingham, Lincs. 2 Mar, 1260 D Oxford B Minor: W

Folkingham, Lincs. 2 Mar, 1260 D Oxford B Minor: W B Cox 1, Valerie S Wild 2, Daphne P Cox 3, T Maddison 4, A B Morris (1st in m.) 5, A D Walker (C) 6. 50p

Frittenden, Kent. 14 Feb, 1312 February S Major: Brenda Davies 1, Pamela Manger 2, Louise Pink 3, Richard Edwards 4, Richard Kennard 5, Nicholas Davies 6, David Manger 7, Alan Pink(C) 8. 1st in m. by all. £1,30

Frome, Som. 29 Dec, 1280 Spl S Major (8m): Margaret Winterbourne 1, Katherine J Ball 2, D R J Ball 3, G W Massey 4, J A G Ball 5, M Winterbourne 6, P J W Hardwick 7, D G Massey (C) 8.

Gedney Hill, Lincs. 29 Feb, 1380 Grandsire Doubles: A G Clifton 1, M A Walker (1st in m.) 2, Angela M Smalley 3, Valerie S Wild 4, A D Walker (C) 5. 50p

Greatford, Lincs. 9 Mar, 1260 Doubles (3m): A Ward 1, M A Walker 2, B Ward 3, L G Townsebd 4, A D Walker(C) 5.

Hailsham, E Sussex. 1 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Evelyn Evenden 1, Christine Baldock 2, Sandra Titherly 3, Roy Fuller 4, Alan Baldock (C) 5, Peter Richardson 6, Christopher Slade 7, Samuel Tyler 8. A farewell compliment to Revd Anthony Everett, Curate at this Church since 1989, appointed Priest-in-Charge at St John's, New Malden, Surrey.

Harare, Zimbabwe. (The Cathedral). 29 Feb. 1260 Grandsire Triples (980 covering): Crispen Nyatsuro (1st in m.) 1. Sue E Unsworth 2, Philippa M Fouche 3, Frances Milford 4, Diane E Wills 5, Anne Phillips 6, Keith G Game(C) 7, Stanley Dube 8, Colin Forster 9, Roy Purchase 10. For the Guild AGM Weekend. 1st in Africa; 5 & 9.

Heanor, Derbys. 8 Mar, 1280 P B Major: D Butterworth 1, Ann England (1st in m.) 2, Mary Beach 3, Alison Knighton 4, D Beach 5, P England (C) 6, G Faulks 7, P Graves 8.

Heathfield, Som. 21 Feb, 1320 Penfro Doubles: L T Richards 1, J M Levin 2, Jane F Beveridge 3, Sally K Wheeler 4, A F Lee(C) 5. 575th together; 1 & 5. 1st blows in v. by all. As a birthday compliment to the 3rd ringer.

Hemyock, Devon. 3 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Lin Holway 1, Wilf Dunn 2, Anne Stenning 3, Dean Bowden 4, John Quick 5, Brian Samuels (C) 6. On the 9th anniversary of the 1st Q. on the bells after rehanging. In memoriam of Mr & Mrs H Trickey. With getwell wishes to Mrs Jean Faulkner.

Henfield, W Sussex. 8 Mar, 1260 Stedman Triples: Elizabeth Coke 1, Shane Green 2, Celia Dickinson 3, Caroline Leary 4, Robin Green 5, Peter Dickinson 6, David House (C) 7, Derek Newman 8. For Civic Service; also for the presentation of the Coat of Arms to the village of Henfield, W Sussex.

Hertfordingbury, Herts. 6 Mar, 1260 Double B Minor: D Kemp 1, Heather A Lloyd 2, Cynthia Spaull 3, R Hornby 4, J M Kemp 5, J J Ford(C) 6.

Hillingdon, Middx. 8 Mar, 1277 Grandsire Caters: Monica Blagrove 1, Julia A Sheffield 2, Louise C Palmer3, R K Russ 4, I K Blake 5, D G Pickett 6, M J Palmer (C)7, A M Rix 8, I S Blagrove 9, R P Sherwood 10. For Evensong. 1st on 10; 2 & 3. 1st inside on 10; 8.

Holbeach, Lincs. 8 Mar, 1260 S Oxford & P B Minor: Cathryn A Walker 1, M A Walker (1st in m.) 2, Angela M Smalley 3, C J Warboys 4, A G Clifton 5, A D Walker(C)

Horbling, Lincs. 1 Mar, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: M A Walker 1, Valerie S Wild 2, A D Walker 3, C J Warboys 4, O T Northwood 5, S C Townsend(C) 6. 50p

Hucknall Torkard, Notts. 8 Mar, 1440 Doubles (3m): Lucy C Johnson 1, Alison J Nix(C) 2, S Patricia M Nix 3, Helen L Whiting 4, B Hinchliffe 5, J H Johnson 6. 50p Ingrave, Essex. 4 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: Thelma

Ingrave, Essex. 4 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: Thelma Smith 1, Nicola Turnpenny 2, Renee Page-Jones 3, E A Potter 4, R J Brown(C) 5, G B Turnpenny 6. For Ash Wednesday Service.

Intwood, Norfolk. 2 Feb, 1260 P B Doubles: Caroline Edge 1, Derek Jones 2, Kerry Davidson (1st inside) 3, Robin Parker(C) 4, Christopher Deane 5. Prior to Sunday Service on the Feast of Candlemas & Purification of BVM.; also a birthday compliment to the C (23/1/92).

Irnham, Linca. 1 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles Valerie S Wild 1, M A Walker (25th in '92) 2, S C Townsend 3, P N Green 4, A D Walker (C) 5.

Kewstoke, Som. 1 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: Rebecca LE Boorman 1, Joanne Spence (1st inside) 2, J G Cook 3, C Nicholls 4, JS Boorman (C) 5, G Kingdon 6. £1.20

Kingston Seymour, Som. 7 Mar, 1260 Doubles (10m. incl Stedman): Greta Cooper 1, C A Swatton 2, J F S Lambard 3, C Nicholls(C) 4, J S Boorman 5, B T Cooper 6. Compliments to Mr & Mrs J Walton on their 50th wedding anniversary.

£1.20

Lavenham, Suffolk. 23 Feb, 1280 Kent T B Major: D

Lavenham, Suffolk. 23 Feb. 1280 Kent T B Major: D A Ruffell 1, E R M Reeve 2, D Howe 3, R T Brewster 4, D J Reeve 5, R W M Clouston 6, A R Stone 7, A P Mayle(C) 8.

Leeds, Kent. 21 Feb, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Duncan Button 1, Richard Young 2, Timothy Munt 3, Christopher Saunders 4, Moira Murphy 5, Tom Cullingworth 6, Mike Birkbeck 7, Richard Edwards (C) 8.

Leverington, Cambs. 27 Feb, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: M A Walker 1, Valerie S Wild 2, C J Warboys 3, P N Green 4, A P Warboys (C) 5, A D Walker 6.

Liverpool, Merseyside. (Our Lady & St Nicholas). 26 Feb, 1259 Grandsire Caters: P F Humphreys 1, Gwen I Howlett 2, R P O'Halloran 3, Jennifer R Sparling 4, E W Runciman 5, I J Braithwaite 6, Susan D Sparling 7, MA Humphreys 8, G C Sparling (C) 9, A P Sparling 10. A 12th birthday compliment to the Rector, Canon Nicholas Frayling, for 29/2/92.

Lydeard St Lawrence, Som. 5 Mar, 1320 Cunecastre S Minor: J M Levin 1, A F Lee 2, M C Hansford (C) 3, Sally K Wheeler 4, R E Colman 5, Jill M Hansford 6. 1st in m.; 1 & 5.

Lympsham, Som. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Nicky Lemin 1, Sam Lemin (1st minor inside) 2, Andrea B Freeman 3, Rosemary Ball 4, C R Freeman 5, A H Ball(C) 6.

Marston Bigot, Som. 12 Feb, 1320 Kent T B Minor: M RT Higby 1, Debbie Parfrey 2, Carol A Bedding 3, G Wareham 4, G J Hawkins 5, D L Parfrey (C) 6. £1

Melbourn, Camba. 8 Mar, 1280 Cambridge S Major: O A Davis 1, T W Griffiths jnr. 2, Catherina E Griffiths 3, A P Curtis (1st S major) 4, M A Collings 5, D J Hawkins 6, T W Griffiths snr. 7, J G Gipson(C) 8. Before Even-

Meldreth, Cambs. 3 Mar, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Anne Beadman 1, Jean Sanderson 2, I J Ludbrook 3, R Green 4, J Gipson 5, B Hicks 6, D Hawkins 7, M A Beadman(C) 8. In remembrance of Derek Owensmith, Reader in these Parishes for 18 years. £1.60

Merton, London SW19. 16 Feb, 1296 Oxford T B & Cambridge S Minor: M A Calaminus 1, Lorne Nunn 2,

A S Bishop 3, Niki Tompkinson 4, W J Day 5, A E Bagworth(C) 6. To wish Canon & Mrs Broadberry well as they leave Merton for Riddlesdown. £1.20

Nempnett Thrubwell, Som. 18 Dec, 1260 P B Doubles: F S Ford 1, Beryl K Yeaden (1st inside) 2, MW Fairey(C) 3, A Marchant 4, C Nicholls 5, G Marchant 6, 60p

Norwich, Norfolk. ((at the home of ringer of 5-6)). 1 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: J W Warren 1-2, J W Spiller (C) 3-4, Barbara L Caffyn 5-6.

Old Bolingbroke, Lincs. 8 Mar, 1260 Cambridge S & P B Minor: Susan Lee 1, P A Limage 2, Isabel Barker 3, A W Barker 4, D F Hare 5, K N Buckingham(C) 6. For Evensong.

Ormesby, Cleveland. 7 Mar, 1280 P B Major: Val Bilton 1, R Brown 2, Margaret Rand 3, W J P Wishart 4, C E M Ainsworth 5, S Lamb 6, N D Pictor 7, M J Halliwell(C) 8. To welcome Revd A Smailes, and rung immediately after his induction as Vicar of this Parish. £1.50

Pawlett, Som. 7 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: J M Levin 1, Anne S Stenning 2, B G Williams 3, F S Ford 4, A F Lee(C) 5, C Hobbs 6. For the 10th anniversary of the addition of the treble bell.

Peterborough, Cambs. (The Cathedral). 7 Mar, 1250 Cambridge S Major: Alison R Willgress(C) 1, Pamela M Bailey 2, Rosalind A Knight 3, J M Roffe 4, Brenda M Dixon 5, I J Dickin 6, B S Cope 7, I N Willgress 8. For Evensong. In memoriam Percy Amos, aged 87, years, by members of the Wellingborough Branch and friends. On the "light 8".

Polstead, Suffolk. 8 Mar, 1280 L B Minor: Elsie Braybrook 1, Christine Green 2, A Bendall (1st in m.) 3, J Hobson 4, R Walker 5, E Hynard(C) 6. For Evensong.

Pontesbury, Salop. 24 Dec, 1260 P B Doubles: Liz Henderson 1, R Purcell 2, P Lewis (C) 3, Preb D Roberts 4, J S Cowling 5, R Hughes 6. 1st Q.; Liz on the treble who was determined to ring this before becoming a spritely septuagenarian. We all shared your joy, Liz. For the wedding anniversary of Mike Levitas and his wife.

Pulborough, W Sussex. 5 Mar, 1260 Oxford B Triples: T Madigan 1, M Etherington 2, Brenda Etherington 3, Val Clay 4, A J Taylor 5, Linda Etherington 6, R Clay (1st as C.) 7, G D Heath (circ.twr.) 8. A birthday compliment to the C.

Rippingale, Lincs. 9 Mar, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: M A Walker 1, G R Dawson 2, A Ward (1st S minor) 3, B Ward 4, A D Walker 5, S C Townsend (C) 6. 50p

Sandridge, Herts. 4 Mar, 1260 Doubles (2m): Polly Nelson (1st Q.) 1, Joan M Watts 2, Jill E Crocker 3, G Dodds(C) 4, R J Crocker 5, Sheila A Weston 6. For Ash Wednesday. £1.20

Sawbridgeworth, Herts. 26 Mar, 1344 Uttlesford D Major: RWalker 1, Mary Bone 2, C B Moore 3, L Luck 4, F EWarboys 5, F J P Bone (C) 6, R F Prime 7, A M Barber 8. A birthday compliment to treble ringer. \$1.60

Sempringham, Lincs. 1 Mar, 1260 St Clements B Minor: A D Walker 1, Valerie S Wild 2, M A Walker (1st in m.) 3, O T Northwood 4, C J Warboys 5, S C Townsend(C) 6.

Shenfield, Essex. 5 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Rosemary Gales (1st minor) 1, D G Mayell (C) 2, R G Butt 3, D M Reed 4, H G Goddard 5, V J C Dale 6. 60p

Sherborne, Dorset. 23 Feb, 1260 P B Triples: Anne S Stenning 1, W E Dunn 2, B Horrell 3, D Salter 4, J M Levin 5, R E Colman 6, A F Lee(C) 7, B A Samuels 8. For Evensong.

Shere, Surrey. 8 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Kathy Lintill 1, Mary Kelly 2, Bill Egerton 3, Eric Thornton 4, John Parker(C) 5, Michael Moffat 6. To mark the return of the 4th & 5th bells after welding. 50th Q. & 25th as C.; 5.

Sherston, Wilts. 8 Mar, 1260 Doubles (3m): D A Strong (C) 1, Eunice D Overend 2, J D Strong 3, C Bush 4, G H Edwards 5, J M Howarth 6, 475th Q.; 1, Before Evening Service.

Silk Willoughby, Lincs. 9 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: S C Townsend 1, M A Walker 2, G R Dawson 3, A Ward 4, B Ward 5, A D Walker (C) 6. For Evensong.

Southlelgh, Oxon. 7 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: K J Triplow 1, Diana Triplow (1st triples inside) 2, Helen C Sharpe 3, Barbara H Payne 4, P H M Day 5, A C Sharpe 6, M J C Cannon(C) 7, A L Utting 8. For Appleton's "March 4th" Dinner.

Southwick, Hants. 5 Mar, 1440 S Oxford B Minor: Eileen Jayne-Wood 1, Barbara Skilleter 2, H W Milford 3, Jacqui M Dunster 4, S B Dunster 5, J H Hunt(C) 6. 1st in m. by all except the C. For Ash Wednesday. 60p

St Albans, Herts. (St Stephen). 8 Mar. 1260 Stedman Doubles: Susan C Hyde (1st Q at 1st att.) 1, Dorothea M Robotham 2, G Dodds 3, J H W Beardwell 4, JR Mayne(C) 5, HJ Wastling 6.

Stoke-next-Guildford, Surrey, 7 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Tamsin C Crighton (1st minor) 1, Sarah V Crighton (1st Q.) 2, J Lynne Crighton 3, Sally A Schupke

A, J Morgan 5, R D Crighton(C) 6. £1.20 Stoke-sub-Hamdon, Som. 29 Feb, 1260 P B Minor: Sarah Strong 1, T Jefferis 2, P W Grainger-Allen 3, A R Shallish 4, G Skelly 5, M Powell(C) 6. 60p

Ston Easton, Som. 27 Feb. 1272 Pangalactic Gargle Blaster T B Minor: E J Chivers 1, Rosemary Ball 2, A H Ball 3, J M Stone 4, M J A Orman 5, M R T Higby(C) 6 To welcome Eleanor Chuter, born 11.30am today.

Stow-in-the-Wold, Glos. 3 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: A J Brazier 1, P J F Quinn 2, A M Baker 3, M J Rees 4, M C Newbury 5, Revd R F Rothery 6, Fr J C Huntriss (C) 7, J W Nicholls 8. By the Four Shires Guild committee members prior to their Meeting.

Stowey, Avon. 17 Feb, 1320 Norwich S Minor: Clive Bryant 1, Elaine Scudamore 2, Graham Sparey 3, Tim Munslow 4, Kathryn Carter 5, Keith Scudamore(C) 6.

Sutterton, Lincs. 25 Feb, 1992 P & L B Major: M A Walker (1st in m.) 1, Linda D Greenacre 2, L R Harvey 3, A D Walker 4, P R Barker 5, P R Meyer 6, N F

Greenacre 7, S S Meyer(C) 8. 50p Thornbury, Avon. 2 Mar, 1260 St Simons B Triples: Elaine Scudamore 1, Linda Drew 2, Andrew Ward 3, Tim Munslow 4, Kenneth Weeks 5, Michael Powell (C) 6 Gerald Skelly 7, Sarah Strong 8. 1st in m.; 3, 4, 5, 7 & as

Uphill, Som. 29 Feb, 1260 Doubles (3m): J F S Lambard 1, Rebecca L E Boorman (most m.) 2, C Nicholls(C) 3, B T Cooper 4, J Loxton (1st Q. for 25

years) 5, J S Boorman 6. For Leap Day. £1.20 Upwey, Dorset. 8 Mar, 1260 Minor (3m): M Tocock 1, Andrea Boffy 2, C Smart 3, Sarah Faulkner 4, Jane Johnston 5, P Tocock(C) 6. By a local band for Even-

Waltham Abbey, Essex. 4 Mar, 1296 P B Caters: S P Ricketts 1, Jenny Hammond 2, Katherine Cobb 3, June Whitcher 4, Jane Webster 5, Caroline Andrews 6, PRC Laws 7, B Fisher 8, D E Cobb(C) 9. For Ash Wednesday. 1st caters in m.; 1, 2 & 8.

Ware, Herts. 1 Mar, 1260 Doubles (2m. - 768 covering): M G Lloyd 1, Rachel S Bush 2, R J Wilsher (C) 3, Heather A Lloyd 4, R Hornby 5, Felicity A Burgess 6, T J Cooke 7, P S Lloyd 8. To celebrate the birth on 26/2/ 92 of Eleanor Rachel Clare Lloyd, daughter of Christine & Mark (treble) and niece of Heather (4th) & Paul (tenor) £1.50

Weldon, Northants. 4 Mar, 1260 Minor (2m): R A Webster 1, Susan E Parker 2, Susan M Jones 3, K Holtom 4, A J Parker 5, D J Jones(C) 6. For Ash Wednesday Service; also a birthday compliment to George Sharp. The band wish to associate this Q to the memory of Percy Amos.

Whorlton, N Yorks. 4 Mar, 1260 Ash Wednesday Doubles: R A Smith 1, Elizabeth A Smith 2, Sarah Harrison 3, A E Crosby 4, L D Smith(C) 5, A E Thoms 6. 1st in m. for all the band. For Service on Ash Wednes-

day.
Winford, Som. 8 Mar, 1260 Doubles (4m): C Hobbs
1, Rosemary Ball 2, F S Ford 3, J Mills 4, A H Ball (C) 5,
60p M R Sperring 6. For Evensong.

Wisbech, Cambs. (St Mary). 6 Mar, 1260 St Clements B Minor: C J Warboys 1, Valerie S Wild 2, M A Walker 3, L R Harvey 4, A D Walker 5, A P Warboys(C)

Wistaston, Cheshire. 8 Mar, 1296 Beverley S Minor: FR Morton(C) 1, CJ Henshall 2, CP Cheshire 3, Hilary Howell 4, R A Galloway 5, J A Howell 6. For Evensong

Witham on the Hill, Lincs. 8 Mar, 1260 Fulbeck B Minor: M A Walker 1, Daphne P Cox 2, W B Cox 3, T Maddison 4, A D Walker 5, S C Townsend (C) 6.

Withyham, Sussex. 8 Mar, 1260 Stedman Triples: Rosemary Moores 1, Linda Moores 2, P A Sadler 3, J R Palmer 4, B Reeves 5, R Harris 6, K Wakefield (C) 7, K Player 8. For Evensong.

Wivelsfield, Sussex. 25 Feb, 1260 Doubles (10m incl Stedman): Dilys Smith 1, I Hodge 2, S Buckley 3, Edna Everest(C) 4, G Stuart 5. 1st in 10m by all. A thanksgiving for the life of Hilda Smith, aged 92, a long serving worker for this Church, mother of treble ringer.

Worle, Avon. 8 Mar, 1260 Stedman Doubles: CA Swatton 1, B Williams 2, R E J Baker 3, J G Cook 4, J S Walton(C) 5, J F S Lambard 6. For Morning Service; also a golden wedding anniversary compliment to John & Nan Walton.

Wormingford, Essex. 1 Mar, 1296 Cambridge S & Kent T B Minor: Susan Simpson (1st on treble) 1, B E Gibbons 2, Evelyn Reeve 3, Kathleen White 4, D Reeve R Young(C) 6. £1.20

Yalding, Kent. 23 Feb, 1260 P B Doubles: Keith Nicholson 1, Dot Hooker 2, Trevor Stern 3, Mark Bollen 4, Richard Young (C) 5, Bert Boxall 6. To welcome John Batson instituted Priest of Yalding and Collier Street

Accrington, Lancs. 8 Mar, 1260 P B Triples: Susan Grayson 1, Nina Marchant 2, Walter Briggs 3, Linda Helliwell 4, Ian Benson 5, Nigel Platt 6, Anthony Helliwell (C) 7. To commemorate the 40th Birthday of the 4th ringer, LindaM. Helliwell.

Adelaide, S Australia. (St Peter's Cathedral). 15 Mar, 1280 Superlative S Major: Philippa M Lamphee 1, Kaye W Lynas 2, Anne R Haskard 3, Douglas A Bell 4,

Diana E Blebey 5, Brian Cox 6, Matthew Ball 7, Philip Goodyer (C) 8. For Evensong. Annual Amersham, Bucks. 9 Mar, 1280 Hartspring D Major: Guy Morton 1, Emma Cundiff 2, James Gamble 3, John Peverett (C) 4, Stuart Talbott 5, Terry Streeter 6, Richard Hunt 7, Andrew Alldrick 8. 1st in m:2,3,6,7,8.

Appledore, Devon. 7 Mar, 1280 Superlative S Major: I L C Campbell 1, Susan M Sawyer 2, Elaine Grant 3, Nicola J Crichton 4, P Wendy Campbell 5, R C Shere 6, 80p

J Grant 7, P J Sawyer (C) 8. 80p
Arnesby, Leics. 10 Mar, 1260 Doubles (1p/1m/2v): Susan E Mason 1, R Simpson 2, Ann Cotton 3, Judith Mace 4, G W Mason (C) 5.

Ash, Somerset. 10 Mar, 1272 Oxford T B Minor: Frederick Sandy 1, Jan Sapiezynski 2, Patricia Tucker 3, Matthew Hillyard 4, Terence Thomas 5, Patrick Tucker (C) 6. 1st in m:3,4.

Ashford, Middx. 8 Mar, 1500 Doubles (4m): Meriel Thirst 1, Hazel Warren 2, J McLaughlin 3, A F Thirst 4, C E Marshall (C) 5.

Bampton, Devon. 8 Mar, 1260 Doubles (2m): L Boyce 1, Sheila Scofield 2, W Down (C) 3, Rev J Scott 4, M Weighell 5, J Weighell 6. To mark the Dedication

of a new Ringing room floor.

£1.50

Beckley, Sussex. 2 Mar, 1296 Spl S Minor (2m):

Edna Everest 1, Liz Clifford 2, F H Hicks 3, S Everest 4, I W Hodge 5, D Kirkcaldy (C) 6.

Bermondsey, London SE16. 2 Mar, 1280 Spl S Major (8m): Emma Cundiff 1, Diana Wraight 2, R G Booth 3, Judy A Darrant 4, R Bagshaw 5, T Wraight 6, S Cox 7, Fr D A Gibbons (C) 8. 1st 8 Spl on the

Bideford, Devon. 7 Mar, 1344 Rutland S Major: Elaine Grant 1, Nicola J Crichton 2, Susan M Sawyer 3, PWendy Campbell 4, R C Shere 5, I L C Campbell 6, P Sawyer 7, J Grant (C) 8. 80p

Bishops Castle, Salop. 11 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: E Anne Hone 1, P J Lewis 2, J Ellams 3, Susan M Wilkins 4, J Turney 5, A N Buckley 6. Joint C:5,6. 1st Minor as C:6. 1st on the bells after major maintenance. £1.20

Bletchingley, Surrey. 1 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Valerie Muller 1, Pamela K Emy 2, Yvonne P Cooper 3, G E Boosey 4, S D Thomas 5, E P Muller 6, C A Cooper (75th as C) 7, A Streeter 8. Birthday Compliments to the ringers of the 3rd and 4th.

Bodiam, Sussex. 2 Mar, 1440 Annable's London S Minor: Liz Clifford 1, Edna Everest 2, F H Hicks 3, S Everest 4, I W Hodge 5, D Kirkcaldy (C) 6. 1st in m for

Bozeat, Northants. 31 Dec, 1260 Doubles (7m inc Stedman): Christina L Downey 1, Anne Hickling 2, Janet E Wilkins 3, Helen J Mankkelow 4, A C Mankkelow (C) 5. To celebrate the marriage of Rex Line (Tower Capt.) and Judith Tomlinson. Congratulations also to Rex Line, awarded the B E M in the New Year Honours.

Bradfield, S Yorks. 1 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: Victoria R Helliwell 1, Naomi H E Marples (C) 2, S Franks (1st inside) 3, G Hampton 4, J G L Marples 5, R Plant 6. For

St David's Day. £1
Broughton, Hants. 8 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: Jenny
Randall 1, Barbara Mitchell 2, Heather Trueman 3, Ivor Trueman (C) 4, Mike Hayward 5, Edward Randall 6. For Evensong and to mark the recent marriage of Ceri

Woodruffe and John Dodd. £1

Burghill, Herefs. 9 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles:
Sarah Allen 1, Mandy James (C) 2, Elizabeth Donovan 3, Elizabeth Potten 4, Henry Chandler 5, Keith C Davies 6. Half-muffled in memory of David Mellors, who died

on 2.3.92 and in thanksgiving for his life. £1
Caistor, Lincs. 6 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Jamie A Rose 1, K Joan Barton 2, Nancie E Colley 3, J H Clarke 4, S F Wright 5, E W Colley (C) 6. 1st Q:1. 60p

Cefn Coed Y Cume, Mid Glam. 10 Mar, 1260 Doubles (2m): Patricia Spragg 1, Marie Carson 2, Doug Dabb 3, David Morgan 4, Doug Davison (C) 5, Jeff Davies 6. Birthday compliment to the ringer of the

Chalfont St Peter, Bucks. 7 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Anne Diss 1, E G Swift 2, P R Chilton 3, R H M Price 4, J C Davidge (C) 5, G P Diss 6. An engagement compliment to Sherin Allen and David McKenzie. 60p

Chester, Cheshire. (The Cathedral). 1 Mar, 1260 P BRoyal: Shirley Harris 1, Sarah Archdeacon (1st Royal) 2, Pam Thomson 3, Stephen Knight 4, Malcolm Murphy 5, Ashley Pugh 6, Gerald Bowen 7, Michael Thomson 8, Nicholas Thomson 9, Peter Wilkinson (C) 10. For Evensong on St David's Day.

Chiddingstone, Kent. 16 Feb, 1280 P B Major:
Sharon E Pankhurst 1, Lucile M Corby 2, F W Lewis 3,
N J Mundy (1st inside) 4, C J Mundy 5, Catherine M
Lewis 6, R T Pankhurst 7, P A Corby (C) 8. £1
Choriton, Manchester. 8 Mar, 1440 Kent T B Royal:

Dorothy Eccles 1-2, Mary Eccles 3-4, Barbara Eccles 5-6, Roland Eccles 7-8, Ian Bell (C) 9-10. £1
Clayworth, Notts. 16 Feb, 1260 Doubles (2m):
Andrew Gull 1, Janice Gravestock 2, Chloe Gull 3, S

Gull 4, P Gull (C) 5, H Foulerton 6. For Morning Service.

Ciun, Salop. 6 Mar, 1440 P B Minor: E Anne Hone (1st Minor) 1, Susan M Wilkins 2, J Ellams 3, P Lewis 4, J Turner (C) 5, A N Buckley 6. In memory of Rev James Fraser, lately Vicar of Putney and the Godfather

Coddington, Notts. 7 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: H G Wells (C) 1, J Draycott 2, A Higson 3, D Tysoe 4, P Curtis 5, R Tysoe 6. For the memory of Frank W Vernon, one

time ringer at Balderton. 60p Colty, M Glam. 11 Mar, 1272 Minimus (3m): B Thurman 1, Andrea Lyons 2, F Custerson 3, B Morgan (C) 4. A Birthday compliment to Mrs Jean Custerson.

Dunstable Priory, Beds. 7 Mar, 1280 Superlative S Major: R A Horne 1, Lynette A Driver (1st in m) 2, Lucy Shepherd 3, Jennifer V Johnson 4, Alison C Smith 5, A M Shepherd (C) 6, J Ewer 7, B C Watson 8. Sponsored

in aid of St Augustine's Church Bell Fund. £1.50 Edgbaston, W Mids. 1 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Stephen Mills 1-2, David Watson 3-4, Mark Gilthorpe (C) 5-6. 1st on handbells:3,4.

Edgmond, Salop. 9 Mar, 1280 Cambridge S Major: Cathy Hobbs 1, Abigail Hind 2, C Walkau 3, P Lewis 4, M Corlett (1st C Major) 5, EW Broom 6, M Adams 7, S Stanford (C) 8.

Exeter, Devon. (St Michael). 29 Feb, 1280 Guildford S Major: A C Rix 1, Ruth E Reeves 2, Jennifer A Smith 3, HM McNaughton 4, I Hastilow 5, G C Rix 6, D D Smith 7, C R Spencer (C) 8. £1

Exeter, Devon. (St David). 29 Feb, 1312 Gloucester

S Major: Joan Peel 1, Ruth E Reeves 2, Jennifer A Smith 3, HM McNaughton 4, I Hastilow 5, G C Rix 6, D D Smith 7, C R Spencer (C) 8.

Exeter, Devon. (St Thomas). 29 Feb, 1280 Exeter S Major: Joan Peel 1, Jennifer A Smith 2, Ruth E Reeves 3, H M McNaughton 4, I Hastilow 5, C R Spencer 6, D D Smith (C) 7, G C Rix 8.

Farnham Royal, Bucks. 2 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: Brian Matthews 1, Jenny Instone 2, Philip Lenton 3, Philip Wharton (1st Q) 4, M Instone (C) 5, Ben Parcell 6. For the induction of the Revd. Michael Smith as Vicar of Farnham Royal, and as a get-well compliment to Bill Birmingham

Folkestone, Kent. (SS Mary & Eanswythe). 1 Mar, 1344 P B Major: Maureen Popple 1, Carole Moody 2, Rob Moody 3, Michelle Scott 4, Janice Leeke (C) 5, David Wilkinson 6, Charles Sinden 7, Mike Godfrey 8

For Parish Eucharist on St David's Day.

Frensham, Surrey. 23 Feb, 1260 P B Doubles:
Brenda A Mayle 1, J A Mayle (C) 2, M A Collingwood
(1st inside) 3, H S Glover 4, P Sadler 5, Mayonne Coldicott 6. For Evensong.

Gargrave, N Yorks. 9 Mar, 1260 PB Doubles: Laura Cheetham (1st Q) 1, John Lupton 2, Jeremy Owen 3, Malcolm Harker 4, Digby Burton (C) 5, Edward Sawdon 6.

Gorleston on Sea, Norfolk. 8 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Shelley M Dales 1, Judith A Allen 2, E Sybil M McLean 3, D R McLean (C) 4, Ruth Perrett (1st inside) 5, A E Crowe 6, R E Vickers 7. For Evensong and as a getwell compliment to Linda Vickers.

Graffham, Sussex. 22 Feb, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Claire Robinson 1, Valerie Clay 2, G C Rix (C) 3, Joan Peel 4, RT Clay 5, G White 6. Immediately prior to the Wedding of Harriet Mozley to Clive Rowntree, both ringers at Graffham.

Guildford, Surrey. (St Nicolas). 8 Mar, 1272 Ipswich S Minor: Mollie Lodge 1, Jennifer Hepburn (1st in m) 2, R L Marsh 3, M C Bryant 4, Sally Schupke 5, J Morgan (C) 6.

Hackney N., Middx. 11 Mar, 1280 D N C B Major: Tim Mills 1, Tracey Bradd 2, Mark Herbert 3, Stephen Coley 4, John Adams 5, Debbie Malins 6, John Ashcroft 7, S G Jakeman 8, 1st in m:2,4,6. (no C given). £1.60

Hannington, Wilts. 8 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara Jones 1, Julie Miles 2, A E Hoare 3, Ann Speller 4, N A Weaver (C) 5, I J Anderson 6. For Morning

Harmondsworth, Middx. 23 Feb, 1260 Doubles (5m inc Stedman): Frances E Clark 1, Jane L Ambler 2, C H Shaw 3, D J Ambler 4, J A Sealy (C) 5, P F Poulton 6. 200th Q:3. For Evensong.

Hawkley, Hants. 10 Mar, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Christine Tendall 1, R A Barber 2, J E Cripps 3, J H B Deane 4, M C Bryant 5, R G Bull (C) 6. £1.20

Headcorn, Kent. 8 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: lan Sharp (1st Q) 1, Jean Vidler 2, Marjorie Sharp 3, Ron Millidine 4, Alan Bourne (C) 5, Derek Piper 6. 1st G Doubles:3. To celebrate the 20 years ministry at Headcorn of the Rev Douglas Watson and a farewell to Marjorie & lan who are moving to Robertsbridge. £2

High Halstow, Kent. 23 Feb, 1260 P B Minor. C Driver 1, Carole L Spencer 2, Margaret E Pettett 3, D W Moore 4, D R Moore 5, D W Jack (C) 6.

Highbridge, Somerset. 21 Feb, 1280 D N C B Major A H Ball 1, Helen M Hunt 2, D B Carter 3, Valerie Stone 4, Rosemary Ball 5, J M Stone 6, M J Freeman 7, A Hunt (C) 8.

Hillfarrance, Somerset. 11 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Audrey Lovell 1, Margaret Gillard 2, Betty Coles 3, C Gillard 4, R E Coleman (C) 5, A H Maunder 6.

Hoo St Werburgh, Kent. 15 Mar, 1269 P B Doubles:
Pauline Weller 1, Nichola Vidgeon 2, Margaret Pettett 3,
Graham Cottle (C) 4, David Moore 5, Arthur Vidgeon 6.
For Evensong.
£1.50

Iden, Sussex. 28 Feb, 1260 P B Doubles: Martin Russell 1, Louise Pink (C) 2, Margaret Pink 3, J W Meade 4, Jonny Parker 5, R J Smith 6. By the Guild of St Agatha; birthday compliments to Ray Smith. 60p

Iffey, Oxford. 8 Mar, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Katie Grant 1, R Goodwin (1st as C) 2, T Hunter (1st in m) 3, S Davies (1st in m) 4, D Lane 5, N Pugh 6. For Evensong.

London, EC. (St Sepulchre). 2 Mar, 1346 Yorkshire S Maximus: Kathleen Baldwin 1, Janet Macey (1st on 12) 2, Ian Blake 3, James Gamble (1st on 12) 4, Ray Smith (1st on 12) 5, Stuart Talbott 6, Guy Morton (1st Maximus) 7, Terry Streeter 8, Richard Hunt 9, Alan Ainsworth 10, Andrew Alldrick 11, John Peverett (C) 12.

Lowestoff, Sussex. 29 Feb. 1296 Minor (3m): Abi C Trudgett 1, Judith A Allen 2, E Sybil M McLean 3, C R McLean 4, A E Crowe 5, D R McLean (C) 6, J B Gorrod 7. On Leap Year Day, as a wedding compliment to Tony Sutherland and Elizabeth Poulter.

Lydd, Kent. 14 Feb, 1344 P B Major: John Criddle 1, Janice Leeke (1st Major as C) 2, Margaret Ross 3, Sue Robinson 4, David Wilkinson 5, Moira Murphy 6, David Robinson 7, Arthur King 8. For St Valentine's Day. £1

Lyminge, Kent. 25 Feb, 1260 P B Triples: Charlotte Edmond 1, Wendy King 2, Ro Edmond 3, Karen Hudston 4, Janice Leeke 5, Michelle Scott 6, Arthur King (C) 7, Steve Popple 8. For Dave and Gill Roberts' little girl Nicky who died on 11th February 1992. £1

Lympeham, Somerset. 7 Mar, 1260 Doubles (2m): Lydia Johnstone (1st Q) 1, Andrea Freeman 2, Mo Sweet 3, David Polly (C) 4, Colin Freeman 5, Melvyn Freeman 6. For Evensong. Somewington next Hythe, Kent. 10 Mar, 1296 Cambr

Newington next Hythe, Kent. 10 Mar, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Wendy King 1, Ro Edmond 2, John Criddle (1st S) 3, Janice Leeke 4, Arthur King 5, Margaret Ross (C) 6. On Prince Edward's Birthday.

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Newton Valence, Hants. 7 Mar, 1260 Doubles (5m):
A Bennett 1, I W Hodge 2, D Kirkcaldy (C) 3, S Everest
4, C M Peckham (300th Q) 5.

Northam, Devon. 7 Mar, 1280 Bristol S Major: J Grant 1, Elaine Grant 2, Susan M Sawyer 3, Nicola J Crichton (C) 4, R C Shere 5, P Wendy Campbell 6, I L C Campbell 7, P J Sawyer 8.

Northiam, Sussex. 2 Mar, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: F H Hicks 1, Edna Everest 2, S Everest 3, Rev J D E Smith 4, I W Hodge 5, D Kirkcaldy (C) 6.

Smith 4, I W Hodge 5, D Kirkcaldy (C) 6. 50p Oswestry, Salop. 8 Mar, 1260 P B Triples: D Gough 1, Wendy Jones 2, Wendy Gough 3, Jill Harris 4, A J Ellis (1st inside) 5, P Rothera 6, M A Owen (C) 7, P Harris 8 Petham, Kent. 2 Mar, 1260 Doubles (7m/v): Charlotte Edmond 1, Ro Edmond 2, Janoce Leeke 3, Wendy King 4, Arthur King (C) 5, Lucy Timms 6. A 'Very Secial' birthday compliment to Ro Edmond.

Pinhoe, Devon. 6 Mar, 1296 Lincoln S Minor: Elaine Grant 1, Julie D Sinden 2, Lesley A Tucker 3, P Wendy Campbell 4, Nicola J Crichton (C) 5, Susan M Sawyer 6.

Port Sunlight, Mersey. 1 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Brenda D Humphreys 1, P F Humphreys 2, R P O'Halloran 3, M A Humphreys 4, G W Phillips (C) 5, T Jones 6. 1st attempt by and birthday compliment to 6. For Evening Service.

Romsey, Hants. 8 Mar, 1280 P B Major: Alan Price 1, Amelia Drabble 2, Jack Page 3, Karen Moore 4, Philip Barrett (1st inside) 5, Nick Allingham 6, John Maddams 7, Andrew Palk (C) 8. For Evensong.

Sawley, Derbys. 8 Mar, 1260 P B Doubles: Roy Dady 1, Leah Hopkin 2, Roy Simpson 3, Rachel Jennings (1st inside) 4, Mark Smith (C) 5, Susan Reynolds 6. By a Sunday Service band.

Scunthorpe, S Humbe. 4 Mar, 1344 P B Major: E W Colley (C) 1, K Joan Barton 2, Francis M Thompson 3, Micky McBurnie 4, C J Turner 5, S F Wright 6, A McBurnie 7, H P Juss 8.

Sevenoaks, Kent. 1 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: I Fraser-Jenkins (1st Q) 1, Lucile Corby 2, Janet Raynor 3, L P Turley 4, Doris Colgate 5, C J Mundy 6, P A Corby (C) 7, Isabel Pearce 8.

Shedfield, Hants. 7 Mar, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Jane Shutler 1, Jacqui M Dunster 2, E Treagus 3, Barbara Salmons 4, Betty J Daysh 5, C G Shutler (1st in m) 6, M Pearce 7, S B Dunster (C) 8. Compliment to Anthony Shutler on his 20th birthday.

Shoreditch, London. 5 Mar, 1250 London S Major: David Barton (1st T B Major) 1, Jo Barton 2, John Ashcroft 3, Paul Butler 4, Paul Norman 5, John Adams (1st L Major) 6, Richard Andrew 7, Andrew Barham 8.

Shoreditch, London E. 8 Mar, 1280 P B Major: T Payne 1, Valerie Payne 2, L Bullock 3, Olive Rogers 4, M Hall 5, J Bullock 6, A Faulkner 7, H W Rogers 8. For Evensong. (no C given).

Somerleyton, Suffolk. 29 Feb, 1260 Kent T B & P B Minor: Mollie P Taylor 1, Vanessa A Crawford 2, G Secker 3, D P Roach 4, L Raphael 5, T F Crawford (C) 6. A Wedding compliment to Tony Sutherland and Liz Poulter married this day.

Steep, Hants. 7 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Edna Everest 1, A Bennett 2, I W Hodge 3, S Everest 4, C M Peckham 5, D Kirkcaldy (C) 6.

Stoke by Nayland, Suffolk. 13 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Kate Bellman 1, Helen Mitchell 2, Ann Williams 3, Margaret Roberts 4, Denis Whint 5, Simon Pilsbury (1st in m) 6, Brian Lord (C) 7, Malcolm Oliver 8. £1.60

Stoke Golding, Leics. 8 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Eileen J Goodall 1, J Bunn 2, Anna Patullo (1st inside) 3, G N Goodall (C) 4, J Patullo 5, R Bacon 6.

Tenterden, Kent. 8 Mar, 1280 Spl S Major (CY): C Small 1, Pam A Manger 2, Margaret H Ross (1st Spl S Major) 3, D C Manger 4, J R Cooper 5, F P Lewis 6, J R N Lebon 7, R H Edwards (C) 8. For Sunday Evensong.

Ulcerby, S Humbe. 5 Mar, 1260 Minor (Kent T B & P B): S F Wright 1, Elaine Turner 2, Micky McBurnie 3, K Joan Barton 4, Alan McBurnie 5, G Bromfield (C)

Waltham Abbey, Essex. 8 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Stuart Ricketts 1, Jenny Hammond 2, June Whitcher 3, Jane Webster 4, Katherine Cobb 5, D E Cobb (C) 6, B Fisher 7, N Unwin 8. For Evensong. £1.60

Cobb (C) 6, B Fisher 7, N Unwin 8. For Evensong. £1.60
Warburton, Cheshire. 8 Mar, 1320 Kent T B Minor:
Cynthia Warrilow 1, Shirley Harris 2, R J Warrilow 3, C
Dunbabin (1st Kent) 4, D Maddock 5, Revd B Harris (C)
6. For Evening Service.

Warnford, Hants. 7 Mar, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: A Bennett (1st T B) 1, Edna Everest 2, C M Peckham 3, S Everest 4, I W Hodge 5, D Kirkcaldy (C) 6. 650th Q:6.

Warwick, Warke. (St Nicholas). 4 Mar, 1250 Cambridge S Major: David Leafe 1, Doris Randall 2, Ruth Border 3, Simon Rogers (C) 4, Geoff Randall 5, Mike Chester 6, Chris Mew 7, Stuart Aitken 8. Following Ash Wednesday Service.

Watford, Herts. 1 Mar, 1280 Superlative S Major:
Rhona Cox (1st Major & T B) 1, Vickie Talbott 2, David
Wicks 3, James Gamble 4, Alex Simpson 5, Dennis
Laud 6, Richard Hunt 7, John Peverett (C) 8. For
Evening Service by a local band.

Weaverham, Cheahire. 6 Mar, 1296 Spl S Minor (Camb. Bev. Surf): Tom Smith 1, Sarah Archdeacon

Obituary

Leslie W. G. Morris (1909-1992)

Leslie W. G. Morris was a native of Worcestershire. He was born at Pinvin, but early in his life his family moved to Upton Snodsbury where he learned to ring in 1923. Educated at The King's School, Worcester, he frequently rang at St. John's, Worcester, and Crowle in addition to Upton Snodsbury.

In 1927 he joined the Civil Service, and his first job was in Leeds. He went into digs in Armley and rang at the parish church. In the early '30s Leslie moved to Bradford and found new digs, where he was to remain for the rest

of his life. He never married.

He became General Secretary of the Yorkshire Association in 1938 and held the post until 1964. He also represented the Association on the Central Council. As secretary he was meticulous in keeping the Association's records, so it is strange to find that he never kept any records of his own ringing achievements. He rang 800 peals for the Association, conducting 153. It is probable that he rang over 1,000 peals as he rang many in Cheshire and Lancashire, in other parts of the country and on peal tours like those started by the late J. Edward Cawser just after the war. He particularly enjoyed conducting peals of Surprise Maximus from the 8th.

Leslie was not a regular Sunday service ringer, but from time to time he rang at Bradford Cathedral and was conductor there in the early '60s, when there was a first-class band which regularly rang Spliced Surprise

Royal on Sundays.

At the time when he ceased to be Association Secretary he began to have trouble with his legs and could not stand for any length of time. He dropped out of active ringing but maintained his interest. It was not until 1981 that he felt fit enough to attempt a peal again, and in September that year he rang a peal of Yorkshire at Penistone, followed three days later by Bristol at Heptonstall. From then on he became a regular member of Ian North's band and rang 433 peals until his last in July, 1991 (Bristol at Birstall, one of his favourite towers), when a recurrence of his leg trouble made him give up peal ringing again. He suffered a stroke in February this year and died a fortnight later.

Leslie was very interested in proof and composition, and also had a number of compositions to his name. He will be best remembered in this respect for his 240s of Grandsire Doubles which he composed early in his ringing career.

F.A.M.

(1st Spl S) 2, lan Simpson (1st Spl S) 3, Gerald Bowen 4, Alison Owen 5, Peter Wilkinson (C) 6. Prior to the Womens World Day of prayer service. 60p

Wellington, New Zealand. (Cathedral). 3 Mar, 1280 P B Major: Pleasance Purser 1, Peter Bethwaite (1st Major) 2, Jane Marlow 3, David Powell 4, Gerald McIlhone (C) 5, Daniel Richards 6, Christopher Jarman 7, Peter Whiting 8. For Shrove Tuesday Service. £1

West Coker, Somerset. 8 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Geraldine Perkins 1, R J Harvey 2, Sandra M Haines (1st inside) 3, R Haines (C) 4, D M Neal 5, S A Terry 6.

Wimborne, Dorset. 8 Mar, 1280 Yorkshire S Royal: Gill Richards 1, Sheila Woodruff 2, Nancy Bramley 3, Mary Garrard 4, Rosemary Fleming 5, David Parkin 6, David Warwick (C) 7, Robert Child 8, Laurence Turner 9, Keith Fleming 10. To celebrate the birth of a son, Christopher David, on 5th March 1992, to Anne and lan Brown, both Wimborne ringers.

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University Announcement

OPEN UNIVERSITY SOCIETY – Saturday April 25. Regional Meeting along River Avon W. of Bath. 2.00 Kelston. 3.00 Bitton. 4.30 Newton St. Loe. 5.30 Corston. All O.U. ringers very welcome. Further information John Wilkinson 0761 470773.

Tower Announcements

KENDAL, CUMBRIA. – Due to tower repairs, as from 30th April 1992 there will be no ringing for approx 5 weeks. Practices transferred to Ambleside 7.30-9pm. For more information please contact Diana Handley 0539 84 248. Ad No 4115

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SIDCUP — With immediate effect please note that all correspondence should be addressed to Patrick Braund, 25 Green Farm Close, Green Street Green, Orpington, Kent BR6 6DJ. Telephone 0689 850397. Ad No 4108

ST. MARY'S, TAUNTON – 12-bell practice Sat April 25, 7.30-9pm. All welcome. 4112

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH – Dedication of New Frame and Ten Bells on Sunday May 3rd at 6.30 Evensong. Ringing from 5pm and after service. 4093

Mid-week Meetings

ESSEX ASSOCIATION, S.W. District. Woodford, Mon, April 27, District practice 7.45–9 pm. 0634
GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL D.A. — Cirencester Branch. Wed April 29, Compton Abdale, 7-9pm.0638
LADIES GUILD — Southern District. Practice night: May 5. Join Easton Practice 7.30 — 0654
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION — May Practices. 1st—Spitalfields: Bristol. 8th—Cripplegate. 15th—St Clement Danes: Lincolnshire. All at 6.30pm. J E

Saturday Meetings and Practices

BATH & WELLS D.A. Striking Competition, April 25, Kewstoke, 2.30pm. Service, tea and meeting followed by Beetle Drive, 7pm in Church Hall. Names for tea to Marion Newman (0934) 626952. Ad No 0639

ELY D.A., Wisbech District. Meeting, April 25, at March, Cambs. Usual format. Special method: March Delight Minor. Visitors welcome. 0423

GUILDFORD D.G., Farnham District. Afternoon practice at Frensham 3–4.30, Sat, April 25. Note: quarterly business meeting and tea have been cancelled.

KENT C.A. Rochester District. Striking Competition at Upchurch, Sat April 25. Please note: Names for tea and Barn Dance information from Roger Pocock (0634 233521) – not Mrs Grasson as previously advertised.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION. Annual General Meeting on Sat, April 25. Striking Competition 2.30, St John-at-Hackney. Ringing at St James', Prebend Street, 3–4; Holloway 4–4.30, followed by service (to include rededication of restored bells), tea and meeting. Evening ringing at Holloway. 0620

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Chiltern Branch. Annual General Meeting, Sat April 25. Weston Turville (5) 2.30-3.30; Aston Clinton (8) 3.15-3.55, followed by Evensong, Tea and Meeting in Church. Evening ringing at Aston Clinton until 8pm. All welcome. J.S.W.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. East Berks and South Bucks Branch. AGM, Saturday April 25 at Stoke Poges (8). Bells 3.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea to Mrs Beryl Coombes (0753 642216). Evening ringing.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Annual General Meeting to be held on Sat, April 25, at the Trebeck Hall, Southwell, commencing at 3 pm, followed by tea and Evensong. Names for tea to Mr. M Smith, 5 Woodlands Drive, Southwell (Newark 813684), by Wednesday previous. Ringing arrangements: Southwell Minster, 2 to 2.55 pm and 6.30 to 8.30 pm. Members should note that the Agenda contains motions to change both the Guild and Crawford Cup

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH D.G. Basingstoke District. Quarterly Meeting, Sat April 25. 2.30-3.30 Baughurst; 3.30-4.30 Wolverton. Service 4.30 followed by tea and meeting. Evening ringing at Wolverton until 8.30. Names for tea to Mrs H R Barsby, 0734-732 478.

Ad No 0648

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH D.G. Portsmouth District. Quarterly Meeting, April 25, Soberton. Ringing 3pm. Service 4.30pm. Tea 5.15pm. Names fortea to Mrs J Dunster (0705 693321). Ad No 0652

SOCIETY OF FRAMLAND RINGERS. Annual Meeting, Saturday May 2, Stathern (5). Ringing 3.45pm. Service 4.30pm. Tea 5pm followed by business meeting. Names for tea to Mr. Hawkins, phone 0949 60215 by previous Wednesday please. Ringing in evening (New Grandsire/Winchendon).

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD. Saturday May 2. Afternoon ringing Christ Church, New Mill, 3-5pm. Tea and business meeting Holy Trinity, Holmfirth, 5pm. Names for tea to Rachel Latham (0484 850649) by Thursday April 30. Evening ringing Holy Trinity, Holmfirth 6.45-8.30pm. 4100

LINCOLN D.G. Eastern Branch Quarterly Meeting, Sat May 2, Alford 3 o'clock. Service 4.30pm followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea by April 29 to Mrs K Smith 0205 480836. Striking Competition during evening ringing. OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Banbury Branch. AGM, Saturday May 2 at Adderbury. Ringing 3pm, Service 4pm, followed by tea and meeting. Evening ringing after meeting. Names for tea to Mrs E MacDonald (0608 730350) by Wed April 29.

SUFFOLK GUILD, S.E. District. Sat, May 2, District Striking Competition at Pettistree. Draw 1.30 pm, followed by competition. Service at 4.30 pm, and tea and results in Pettistree W.I. Hall. (Please park at Hall, not in pub car park.) Entries A.S.A.P. to Jonathan Williamson (Ipswich 747008). Names for tea to Suzanne Stanford (Woodbridge 384017) by Wed, April 29, please.

SUSSEX C.A. W. Div. Sat May 2. Call Change Striking Comp, West Tarring. Draw 4.30pm. Buffet tea from 5pm. Entries and numbers for tea (by 29.4.92) to Joan Peel 0403 700305. Ad No 0621

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. East Devon Branch. Quarterly Meeting at Feniton, Saturday, May 9. Ringing 2.30pm. Service 4.30pm. Names for tea to Victor Chown, Orchard Cottage, Feniton, Honiton EX14 0BE (telephone Honiton 850513) by May 6 please.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Furness & South Lakeland Branch. Monthly Meeting, Saturday May 9 at Kirkby Stephen, 2.30-4.30. Sedbergh from 6pm Names for tea to Mrs S Sheridan, 07683 71742 by Wednesday May 6.

SOUTHWELL D.G. Crawford Cup Final, Sat May 9 at Cuckney. Draw 2.30pm prompt. Tea and results at Warsop Parish Centre. Evening ringing at Warsop. Names for tea to Fred Flint (Mansfield 842648) by Wed 6.

SUFFOLK GUILD. Saturday May 9, North East District Quarterly Meeting and District Striking Competition. Meet 2pm Wenhaston. 4.30 Service. 5pm Tea and Meeting in Church Rooms. Evening ringing Bramfield. Parking in Village Hall. Please do not park in Church Lane. Teams to Richard Rapior 0728 453855. Names for tea to Ann M Lea 0502 715778. Ad No 0635

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Farnborough (5)	11.45	Brimpton (4)
Brightwalton (6)	12.30	Midgham (6)
Chaddleworth (4)	13.15	Stanford Dingley (4)
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Hungerford* (8)	15.30	Compton* (6)
Kintbury (6)	16.15	Chieveley (8)
Speen (6)	17.15	Shaw (6)
	1800	Thatcham (10)

Tea/coffee and toilet facilities available Advice on lunch facilities will be available from stewards

A booklet, "Towers and Bells of the Newbury Branch" will be available from stewards on the day

All towers open for one hour only

Any changes to towers will be advertised at the first towers of the day

Ringing Day Tickets, £5.00 each, will be available from stewards at the first towers of the day, or 50p per tower

Or in advance, please enclose S.A.E. and make cheque payable to "Oxford Diocesan Guild", from: Paul J. Boddenham, 38 Chilton Way, Hungerford, Berks RG17 0JR (0488) 683609

> E. John Wells, Victoria Lodge, 91 Waverley Road, Reading Berks RG3 2QB (0734) 572552

Proceeds will go to the Oxford Diocesan Bell Fund

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CENTRAL COUNCIL PUBLICATIONS

A discount for bulk purchases of Central Council Publications will once more be available in May. For orders received during the month of May a discount of 331/3% will be allowed on advertised prices. (The discount does not apply to copies of the Towers and Bells Handbook.)

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Orders will be despatched by post

SURREY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, 2nd May at Carshalton

Ringing at Carshalton 3pm. Service at Carshalton 4.30pm followed by tea and meeting in Beddington Church Hall, Rectory Lane. Names for tea to Rosemary Lilley,

21 Salisbury Road, Carshalton (081 395 8394) by Wed April 9 please. 0612

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD OF RINGERS

ANNUAL FESTIVAL 1992

Saturday May 9 at Swanage

The Service will be held in the Parish Church at 3pm Tea will be served at 4pm in the Methodist Hall and will be followed by the Annual General Meeting

Tea tickets, price £3 for adults, £2.50 for children, can be obtained from Antony Lovell-Wood, 11 Brook Close, Tisbury, Salisbury, Wilts SP3 6PW, Tel 0747 871121, enclosing cash with order and a stamped, addressed envelope, by Friday May 1 at the latest please.

All cheques to be made payable to "Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers"

RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

Time	Route 1	Route 2	
10.00-11.00	Wimborne St. Giles (8)	Winterborne Whitechurch (6)	
10.45-11.30	Gussage St. Michael (6)	Spetisbury (6) from 10.30	
11.00-12.00	Witchampton (6)	Tarrant Keyneston (5)	
11.30-12.30	Wimborne Minster (10)	Sturminster Marshall (6)	
12.00-1.00	Canford Magna (6)	Winterborne Zelston (4)	
12.30-1.30	Oakdale (6)	Lytchett Matravers (6)	
1.00-2.00	Poole (10)	Kingston (8) / Worth Matravers (3) / Church Knowle (3)	
1.30-3.00	Swanage (8)		
	After the meeting the	following towers are available:	
7.00-8.00	Wareham (10) / Swanage (8)	Lytchett Minster (6)	
7.30-8.30	Wool (6)	Corfe Mullen (6) 0591	

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, 2nd May

10.00-11.00	Bawtry	(6)	
11.00-12.00	Tickhill	(8)	
11.45-12.45	Wickersley	(3)	
12.00-13.00	Todwick	(3)	
12.30-13.30	South Anstor	n (8)	
14.00-15.00	Barlborough	(6)	
14.30-15.30	Eckington	(8)	
15.00-16.30	Beighton	(6)	
16.30 Service	at Beighton,	followed	by tea

meeting 19.00-21.00 Rotherham (12)

Names for tea to Lynne Ardron (0742 471515) by 27th April

Car parking at Beighton: follow signs for the public car park, as the church one is for disabled use only

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THE 1992 TEWKESBURY SHIELD COMPETITION

will take place at

TEWKESBURY ABBEY

ON SATURDAY 2nd MAY

Teams taking part are Gloucester & Bristol, Worcestershire & Districts, Hereford, Coventry, Lichfield, St. Martin's, Oxford and University of London

The test piece will be 329 changes of Stedman Caters and the Judges will be Dr Elizabeth A Orme, Mr Phillip M Orme and Ms Linda M Garton

> Competition ringing 13.30 Evensong, followed by adjudication and presentation of the Shield 18.00 General ringing to follow

Towers available:

Deerhurst (6, 11 cwt) Tirley (6, 10 cwt)

Sheet 162 879299 14.00-15.00 Sheet 162 840285 15.00-16.00

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WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

NOTICE OF BRANCH PRACTICES

Northern Branch

May 1 Alvechurch (Surprise Practice)
May 16 Halesowen

Western and Southern Branch

All Saints, Worcester (Joint Practice) All practices start at 7.30pm

SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK **MAY FESTIVAL**

Monday, 4th May for Reydon Bell Fund

Brittania Handbell Ringers Concert (£2) 3.15pm Maypole Dancing - Drum Parade - 'Demo' Bell Teas - Flowers in Church - Museum Open Ringing: 1.30-2pm - 4.30-5.15pm Evening: Blythburgh 6.15-7.30pm 4110

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Arrangements for the A.G.M., Saturday 2nd May, 1992

Route 1	Route 2	Route 3	Iime
Brockdish(6)	Gt Ellingham(5)	Tasburgh(5)	9.45-10.30
Aslacton(5)	New Buckenham(6)	Tacolneston(6)	10.15-11.00
Bunw	vell, St Michael & All Ange	els (6)	11.00-11.50
	12.00 Noon		
Li	1.00		
Annual G	2.00		
	Kenninghall(8)		5.00-5.45
North Lopham(8)			6.00-6.45
Diss(8)			6.45-7.30
Ceilidh v	with Buffet and Bar Diss	Corn Hall	7 30-11 30

The three-course lunch at Bunwell Village Hall will cost £5 and profits from this will go to the Tibenham Bell Fund. The Ceilidh at Diss Corn Hall, with dancing to The Saxon Shilling, will also cost £5, inclusive of a Finger Buffet. Profits from this will go to the N.D.A. Bell Restoration Fund. Booking for both these is essential and should be made with Mrs E.M.Baines, Algar's Farm, Walcot Green, Diss, IP22 3SR (0379 643293) as soon as possible.

Sound out the Spring Song The Vernal Equinox in Philadelphia, PA (March 21, 1992)

Remember the poem on Philadelphia's Christmas cards, about "bells in the cold tower", and the message, "After the long snowing/Come months of growing"? Well, it's

spring, and it's still snowing.

The annual Philadelphia dinner held in celebration of the Vernal Equinox has now ballooned into a North American Guild celebration that lasts an entire weekend. For most of us, the festivities began with Friday evening ringing at St. Martin-in-the-Fields in Chestnut Hill. But a lucky chosen few get to start even earlier: these are the cooking crew. Engineered as usual by Jessie Ravage (God only knows how early she begins her work), the preparations for the dinner went almost like clockwork this year. Armed with the shopping lists (one mailed and one dictated over the phone), Meredith Morris and E. Wein helped to produce the required supplies. At noon on Friday, through the slush and dodging cascades of ice shivering from the crystal-covered trees, Meredith, E. Wein and Jessie all converged on the St. Martin's kitchen and spent most of the rest of the day

Saturday began with an NAGCR Executive Committee meeting, but the rest of us spent the morning and a great deal of the afternoon in the bell tower. The final guest count, which included a hitherto unprecedented number of Brewster ringers, rocketed at the last minute from 52 to 69. With a few extra purchases the cool-headed chief chef kept everything under control. But wait; just when you thought it was safe to go back in the kitchen, the usual assortment of invidious, inevitable tangles began to appear. Mysteriously, we managed to pay for 18 bags of ice when we had only purchased eight bags. Half-an-hour before the cocktails were to be served the wine had still not made its appearance. And the chocolates were forgotten altogether. I hear it now: everyone is asking, "What chocolates?" - the ones that were carefully arranged on a stack of plates, covered in plastic Reynolds wrap, awaiting after-dinner consumption. Jessie didn't remember their existence until she was falling into bed that night at 2.30 a.m. Elisabeth Trumpler ate most of them the following day.

Despite this omission, the dinner went very smoothly, and the meat-filled cassoulet disappeared down most of our protein-starved carnivorous gullets. Our dancing was a bit half-hearted this year, possibly due to our having eaten so much. But the cook managed to work off some calories, after telling the dish-washers that if they didn't do their job properly they wouldn't get paid. Jessie ran off her excess energy in a midnight foot-race with Maurice Southworth. The evening finished for some with drinks at Dinesh Dhody's house, and for others with a walk across the nearby

frozen playing fields.

Sunday brought more ringing and more snow. The usual delegations were sent to ring handbells at other Philadelphia churches, and the tower-bell ringing at St. Martin's continued into the afternoon. At about halfpast two a horde of locusts – no, it was North American Guild members – descended on the St. Martin's kitchen and devoured the leftovers

The survivors of the weekend took off into the steadily-falling snow for a visit to St.

Puzzle Corner No. 120

Church Street

by Angela Newing

In addition to myself, five more of our ringers live in Church Street where there are 50 houses which are all numbered. Alan lives in a house whose number is three times the product of its digits. Betty's house number is three times the sum of its digits, while Chris, Dave and Eric have house numbers which, when added to their reversals, are perfect squares. Chris, Dave and Eric's numbers are in ascending order.

The odd-numbered houses are consecutive on one side of the street and the even numbers similarly on the other side. I live at the house whose number is the average of all the other

five.

What is my number, and who of the ringers

are next door neighbours?

Solutions should be sent to Angela Newing, The Rectory, Brimpsfield, Gloucester GL4 8LD, to arrive by 5 May 1992. The sender of the first correct solution drawn on that day will receive a small prize.

Solution to Puzzle Corner No. 119

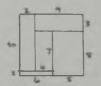
The Eccentric Millionaire Again

Some contestants solved this by trial and error, but there is surely more than one mathematical method of solution. One way starts by splitting 11 into sets of three different whole numbers – 1,2,8, 1,3,7, 1,4,6, 2,3,6 and 2,4,5 are the possibles. We need two sets which use a total of six different numbers – 1,3,7 and 2,4,5 being the ones.

11 can be split into pairs of numbers thus – 1,10,2.9,3,8,4,7,5,6, and the four sides of the square ringing room floor must use four of these. This information yields the two possible

arrangements thus:





In both of these, the centre piece is 7×4 .

The first solution drawn out of the hat was a postcard, postmarked Wolverhampton with no name or address; so I drew again and the lucky winner is B. M. Mackrell from Alton, Hants.

Mary's Church in Burlington, N.J. A second temporary rope guide has been installed there, and we were briefly able to ring half-way decent rounds, but were quickly stymied by St. Mary's usual assortment of draft and pulleybox problems. The "Spring" dinner weekend now officially ended, as apprehensive drivers departed into the snowstorm.

Thanks to all our devoted fans and admirers for making this another successful occasion; thanks to the St. Martin's parishioners who helped to house us; and especially, thanks to our friends. Let's hope our conjuring worked and the weather turns around.

E. WEIN

Philadelphia, Pa, USA (St Martin). 21 Mar, 1280 Grandsire Triples: Lynn Kodrich (1st Triples) 1, Stephen Shipley (1st in USA) 2, Thomas Downing 3, Meredith Morris 4, Christian Haller 5, Maurice Southworth (C) 6, John Mabe 7, John King 8. Also 22 Mar, 1274 P.B. Triples: Stephen Shipley 1, Elizabeth Wein 2, Jason Tillman 3, Jessie Ravage 4, Tim Gatting 5, Don Morrison (C) 6, Chris Keavney 7, Peter Trotman 8. For Sunday service.

Composition Review

5,088 Peatling Surprise Major by G M Bradshaw

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(56423)	-			-	
(42635)		3	8	-	
(63425)		-	-	2	
23645		-	-	_	3

3-part. Contains 120 combination rollups.

Peatling has the same structure as Bristol for the first seven rows of a lead and the same music in a course (3 rollups in 8th's place bell and 5 in 7th's place). The BDK falseness is absent from these leads and 144 combinations seem possible. Since these are thinly distributed over 42 courses, 4th's place bobs are essential, both for their shortening effect, and to avoid the falseness in 2nd, 3rd and 4th's place bells. The 8437625 lead order doesn't help much: calls at W, M and H only shorten the course by 3 leads, and don't avoid all the false ones; In & 5th's avoids all the false leads but introduces new ones. Faced with constraints like these, Graham Bradshaw must deserve some kind of prize for managing 120 combinations in his peal. There are also 2 each of 7468's, 7568's and 8765's, though I suspect these are good luck rather than a design feature.

Old Bailey

Branch course – many advantages

Those with good memories may recall Gordon Halls of Derby saying that it is worth getting ringers together for any reason. So very true! Dinners, cricket matches and similar fixtures all give ringers and their friends the opportunity to socialise, and that inevitably leads to encouragement – an essential but often forgotten aspect in the Exercise.

Ringing courses do get people together. Courses vary from small, four or five students half-day, to large three-day residential ones. (Is the Essex Course the first long, three-day, non-residential?) Peter Wenham doubts, probably with justification, if some Guilds, Associations, Branches and Districts realise the value of courses. He will be pleased to read that the Central Branch of the Yorkshire Association has just held its 19th annual one-day. And a Branch course has many advantages over one for the whole of an Association: it is far more manageable and the essential and demanded follow-up sessions are far more easily arranged.

The day based at Barnburgh had the usual pattern of a theory session, practical, cooked dinner, short meeting, second practical, tea, with general ringing in the evening; 25 students were divided into six groups (so with only four or five students per group), each with a tutor and at least five helpers. Elaine and Mike King, Ruth Semley and Vikki Bielby had therefore to cater for more than 60 hungry people twice, which they did substantially and to everyone's taste. Ann Semley was missed. We hope that she is making a good recovery from her recent illness.

The course was arranged by Linda Banks, Mike King and Christine Norton. Tutors Julie and Linda Banks, Neil Donovan, Trevor Ledger, John Marples and Ralph Moreton ran groups dealing with call-changes to Bob Minor. Thirteen churches kindly allowed practices. Co-operation, especially from helpers, was much in evidence. And enthusiasm! Gordon was – and is – 100% right.

Around and about

On Tuesday April 14th a congregation of about 140 attended a service of reception before the funeral of Bill Cook. The service was held in the Henry VII Chapel at Westminster Abbey and the address was given by the Reverend Alan Luff, Superintendent of the Belfry at the Abbey. Officers and members of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Cambridge University Guild attended the service and Bill's links with the London County Association were marked by the attendance of Harold and Olive Rogers. The President of the Central Council, Christopher Groome, and other members of the Council were present and the Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral also joined the congregation.

After a service of Holy Communion on Wednesday morning the coffin was taken from Westminster Abbey to Putney Vale Crematorium for a short service during which an address was delivered by the Reverend Brooke Lunn.

We regret to report the death of John Coggins of Witney on April 13th.

At the G & B Northavon Branch AGM in November 1991, it was decided that the Branch should do more to raise funds for bell restorations in the area. The first tangible result of that decision is that the branch has organised a concert on Wednesday 20th May in Frenchay Church starting at 7.30 p.m. The Carillon Handbell Choir from the university of Southern Mississippi will perform "English" handbell music, and The Four Gentlemen Songsters will complete the evening with "American" Barbershop. Tickets are £2.50 and obtainable from Branch Secretary Alan Freke 0272 570942. All proceeds will go to the Mangotsfield Bell Appeal, which will, it is hoped, provide the Branch with a fine new octave by the Autumn.

The ringers of St. Mary, Debenham, Suffolk are holding an open tower day on Saturday 6th June 1992. This is to mark the 100th anniversary of a peal of 16,608 changes of Oxford Treble Bob Major rung on the bells on 6th June 1892. The peal took 10 hours and 32 minutes to complete.

It was felt that such an achievement deserves recognition and so a variety of activities are planned for the day: open ringing in the afternoon; exhibition on bells and bellringing; Ralph Earey's demonstration bell; close circuit TV viewing of the bells; coffee, lunches and cream teas.

Any support that readers could give to this event would be much appreciated (an opportunity to ring our magnificent bells should surely not be missed!) and it is hoped that the day will also stimulate local interest in bellringing.

T.D.S.

"Bells tolled to ring out the old" was a headline in a local Daventry newspaper. A quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at Weedon Bec to mark the closing down of the BBC masts in Daventry and a picture of the ringers in action was included with the report.

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"Norma has obviously suggested a better use for her husband's soapbox!

Martha Bush of Borehamwood, 90 years old on 5 April, had the unusual birthday present of a quarter peal rung for her unusual because Martha is from the Borehamwood Baptist Church.

Our thanks to the Rector of Elstree, the Rev. Dr. W. J. Elliot for the use of the bells and to friends from the Watford District with whose help we were able to give her this lovely

Martha was brought to Elstree by car during the quarter peal and was able to meet the band

after the successful quarter peal.

B. L. BICKLEY. Elstree, Herts. 5 April, 1260 P.B. Minor: D Redfern 1, Kathleen Baldwin 2, R Baldwin 3, Betty Bickley (1st in m) 4, J Peverett 5, J Southey 6. Happy birthday,

On behalf of the Rector and PCC of Aldington, Kent, I should like to thank those very kind people who have contributed to our tower appeal.

The news on this front is that the tower is now in a scaffolding which supports it, thus making it safe. The Church was able to reopen for services on Mothering Sunday. English Heritage has made the offer of a grant, but we have to raise around £50,000 in the next few months. The PCC insists that the work will be of a standard which permits the bells to be rung again, so we shall be able to ring again in the future.

JUDITH M. DE LEEUW

ADVANCE NOTICE OPENDAY Monday 25th May 1992

In the North Bucks/Milton Keynes area

Towers are planned to include some "chiming only" rings of three, four and five, some rarely rung threes, some steel bells, Passenham,

Milton Keynes village and the first open ringing on the recently rehung bells at Great Linford. Also, many other fives, sixes and eights. If you just want a day out, and don't mind

roundabouts, or if you are a hardened grabber we have something for you.

Put the date in your diary now before you forget! Proceeds will go to the Downs Barn Bell Fund

Corrections and amendments

p.210 Peal at Bicester. Time 2h54m.

Peal at Quainton. Time 2h53m. p.234 Peal at Bendigo. Conductor was James A. Smith (not as published).

p.281 Peal at Phillack. Ringer of 3rd was Richard C. Shere.

p.330 Peal at South Wigston. Place notation for Leyspa Delight Major should read: -38-14-58-16.34-34.18-34.56.78 le18 1352

And for the quarter peal columns please note p.312 the quarter at Southwark had an incomplete footnote. Full detail should have been:

Southwark, London (Cathedral). 25 Jan, 1259 Grandsire Caters: C R McLean (150th Q) 1, Jennifer Doughty 2, E J Adams 3, Ann Clinton 4, G E J Doughty 5, G D Bennett 6, Alison Edmonds 7, M J Uphill (C) 8, H F C Small 9, C R Harris 10. Following the Enthronement of the Rt Rev Roy Williamson, Eighth Bishop Diocesan of Southwark. Also as a Farewell Compliment to Canon Peter Penwarden and Welcome to Canon Roy White as Vice-Provost and Precentor.

We hear on the grapevine that St. George's, Benenden are planning to augment their bells to ten with the addition of two new trebles. A possible donor for one of the bells has been found and much of the work will be on a DIY

St. John the Evangelist, Scunthorpe

I was rather amused to read the extract from the Lincoln Guild (Central Branch) News-letter (RW p.342) regarding the peal of Gainsborough Little Bob arranged by the late Jack Bray's peal band. On referring to my "Dove" I discovered that there is indeed a ring of eight - Tenor 16-3-24 in F. (Wed) - so off I goes for a pull.

On arriving there I was not amused to find a general air of neglect and decay, with the building and in the surrounding area generally, the windows of the church were broken and boarded up, as was the door, and a multitude of our feathered friends were homing in on the tower for a free night's

lodgings.

There was no practice ringing, and presumably as Sunday services have been suspended there is no Sunday ringing either. Are these bells still available for ringing and what is the future for them?

Pudsey.

PETER M. DAWSON.

Late Notices

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH D.G. Channel Islands District. May 2, St John's, Jersey (8). Special method: St Clements. All welcome. Details from Jane Le Conte, Doonfoot, Le Coudre, St. Pierre du Bois, Guernsey (0481 65251). Ad No 4116

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS. St Peter's, Nottingham. Practice, Tues May 5, 7.30-9pm. All welcome. D Stainsby. (0602 233506). Ad No 0665

BATH & WELLS D.A. Frome Branch. The Surprise Major practice on Sat April 25, 7.30pm will be at Mells, not Frome as previously advertised. 0669

KCACR. Canterbury District. District Striking Competition, Saturday May 9 at Littlebourne. Service 4pm followed by competition ringing and tea. Names for tea to Tom Young on 0227 728393 by previous Wednesday. Further details from Jo Horton on 0227 711138. Ad No 0664

SUSSEX C.A. Northern Div. Quarterly Meeting at Lindfield (8) on Sat May 2. Ringing 4pm. Service 5pm followed by tea and meeting in the Tiger. Further ringing until 8.30pm. Names for tea to Brenda Dart (0444) 482283 by Thurs 30th. 0672

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