



Buckland Dinham back in action

When rounds rang out on December 18th 1994 at St Michael's and All Angels parish church Buckland Dinham it was the first time in 39 years that the parishioners of this small village 2½ miles North-west of Frome in Somerset had been summoned to Service by the sounds of bells. Ringing had come to a halt in the mid fifties because of the state of the wooden 6 bell frame, originally installed in 1819, which had become very decayed due, mainly, to the ingress of rain water. Nothing short of a complete re-hang in a new frame with new fittings would enable the bells to be rung again. Ellacombe apparatus obtained from the redundant church of St Mark, Lyncombe, Bath allowed the bells to be chimed only.

The restoration project

It was in mid 1992 that long awaited proposals to carry out the necessary re-hang began to take shape. The initial grant application to the Bath & Wells Diocesan Association in September 1992 specified "tuning the existing bells and re-hanging in a new eight bell frame". By February 1993 serious consideration was being given to an augmentation to a ring of eight, retaining the existing Tenor and utilising the clock bell as Treble, provided that a suitable second could be found. This larger project was likely to cost around £30,000 but was considered viable because bequests made over the year to the parish's bell restoration fund, plus accrued interest, had by then grown to almost £20,000 and there was every possibility of obtaining grant aid from various charitable bodies including the Bath & Wells Bells Fund which had offered to give £3,500 if the

augmentation went ahead. Additional grants totalling £2,900 were offered by The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. The Council for the Care of Churches and the Barron Bell Trust and local villagers, numbering around 300, shouldered the task of raising the money.

Work started in February 1994 when the seven Buckland bells were removed from the tower and soon afterward the old frame was dismantled. The eighth bell, now the 2nd of the new ring, given by David Kelly of Kingsdown near Bath, came from the redundant church of St Paul in Portland Square, Bristol. Mr Nigel Carlton, a local haulier, transported the bells free of charge to Whitechapel Foundry where they were tuned and re-furbished. Installation of the new steel frame and re-hanging the new octave was carried out by Taunton bell hanger Robert Parker assisted by Matthew Higby, Frome Branch Ringing Master, from Chilcompton who also made a generous donation towards the installation costs. Many volunteers helped with both the removal and re-installation of the bells and all the work was completed in early December. The first try out of the new ring was on Friday 9th December 1994. The Ellacombe hammers are not to be re-installed but, together with the Ellacombe frame are for sale.

The oldest bell in the tower, now the 7th, was cast in Bristol in 1520, probably by Thomas Gefferies. The present 4th was cast by John Lott of Warminster in 1638 and may have been a new bell added to a former ring of four bells. Early records indicate that five bells were rung from the floor of the tower in 1756. This is confirmed by the churchwardens' accounts for 1819 which detail the re-hanging of five bells in an oak frame



The Buckland Dinham tenor

— at a cost of £30! Five of the present bells were cast by John Warner & Sons of Cripplegate. They include the Treble, formerly the clock bell, and the Tenor both of which commemorate the end of the Crimean War in 1856 and the present 3rd, cast in 1859 which was originally added as a Treble to complete the old ring of six. It is a bell cast by John Rudhall in 1792 which has now been added to complete the new octave.

Bell	Weight	Diam.	Nom. freq.
Treble	3-3-8	2' 1½"	1362.5 Hz
18 Peace 56			
WARNER & SONS CRESCENT FOUNDRY LONDON			
2nd	4-3-13	2' 3"	1285.25 Hz
HINO RUDHALL FECT 1792			
3rd	4-1-1	2' 4½"	1144.5 Hz
CAST BY JOHN WARNER & SONS LONDON 1859			
4th	4-2-13	2' 5"	1019.5 Hz
+ANNO DOMINI 1638 L			
5th	5-1-0	2' 7½"	906.0 Hz
JOHN WARNER & SONS LONDON 1858			
6th	7-2-5	2' 11"	856.5 Hz
RECAST BY JON WARNER & SONS LIMITED 1896			
7th	9-0-5	3' 2½"	763.0 Hz
+ sancta + toma + ora pro nobis			
Tenor	10-2-19	3' 5½"	680.5 Hz
GLORY TO GOD ON EARTH PEACE			
WARNER & SONS CRESCENT FOUNDRY LONDON 1856			

12th century origins

The parish church was dedicated to St Michael and All Angels some time in the 13th century. Parts of the church date from the 12th century. Doubtless there was an earlier church here, probably on the same site, the Christian faith having been brought to this area of Wessex during the second half of the seventh century.

The 12th century church was erected by Oliver de Dinan. His family, from whom the

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St Michael and All Angels, Buckland Dinham, Somerset

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village gets its name, came to this country from Dinan in Brittany with William the Conqueror. Parts of Oliver's church that have survived to the present day include the south (main) entrance and the north doors, and the two windows in either wall of the nave. The font, which is also 12th century, and the 15th century roof of the porch are arguably the church's most outstanding features and have received mention in several books. The north (Dinham) chapel was built by Sir John Dinham a few years before his death in 1332. Sunk in the floor here are two effigies, one supposedly representing Sir John, the other his wife Margaret who died in 1361.

The building of the tower began in the 1480s. The tower is similar to that at neighbouring Hemington and is a fine example of the late Perpendicular work.

Buckland ringers

Surviving church records tell of Buckland Churchwardens being paid the princely sum of five shillings for beer, for ringing on November 5th each year in memory of the Gunpowder Plot in 1605 and this tradition was kept up until 1878. Change ringing began at St Michael's in 1887. In the early years of this century the bells were rung at major festivals and to mark special events such as the coronation of King George V and Queen Mary (1911) the end of the First World War (1918) and the death of King George V (1936). Three peals have been recorded; in 1901 to mark the death of Queen Victoria, on 9



Ringers at Buckland Dinham in 1916. Back row l to r: C. Pearce, H. Beacham, F. Prescott, H. Carver. Front row: Miss L. Keilor, Miss E. Dyer, Miss N. Clark, Mrs E. Charlton and Miss E. Beacham.

August 1902 to celebrate the coronation of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra and on 21 November 1926 – the first peal of Minor.

In Buckland, as elsewhere, bell ringing was for centuries the preserve of the men but a blow was struck for women on Christmas Day 1915 when ladies were among the ringers for the first time. Mr Charlie Pearce, was prominent among the Buckland ringers in the early part of the century and first mentioned in the Belfry Book in 1905. Charlie, whose daughter Madeline and son-in-law Simon Bird are both members of the present Buckland Band was a prolific chronicler and archivist at the time and much of his material provides a valuable insight into those early days. In 1936 Charlie wrote:

"Nora Clarke and Lorna Keilor, the daughter of the vicar, all made excellent progress and the first two named could ring the treble to Grandsire Doubles ere they finished.

I shall never forget when the Rev J. D. Keilor came into the belfry and suggested this move; the effect it had on the "old brigade", and the way they looked down their noses! The situation was tense, but the need was great, and a grudging agreement was arrived at. Three of us younger members educated them in the art of catching the "sally" and mastering the bells and ere the other two were called away to France, all the five could ring in rounds together. They all rang together on Christmas morning 1915."

"The first difficulty was how to teach so many without disturbing the peace of the village. We got over that trouble by going up previous to the practice, and lashing all the clappers of the bells tightly to one side so that although all the bells were swinging never a sound was heard. It was a cold and eerie job among the bells with only a candle light, but it was entirely satisfactory and only the creaking of the stocks and wheels broke the silence of the night."

"I started ringing in what I call "The Golden Age" of ringing in Buckland. It was a time when ringing came first and foremost with the ringers and whenever there was ringing we all went if possible, sometimes under considerable difficulties so as not to disappoint the rest. The Vicar, the Rev W. A. Dwight took a keen interest in us and had a

pull himself occasionally. Practice was on Thursdays from Michaelmas to Lent and ringing on Sunday mornings from 8 to 9 and 10.30 to 11 alternately and occasionally at 6 in the evening. We had four old stalwarts who were always there, an they always chimed the bells when there was no ringing. They were, Frederick Prescott, Stephen Brownjohn, Harry Beacham and Rowland Willis."

"Michaelmas and New Year's Eve were great times in those days. On Michaelmas evening after the service, the ringers in company with all the other Church worker were entertained by the Vicar and his wife in the Church hall. But perhaps the greatest event of the year was the end of it, when it was time to "ring out the old and ring in the new". The bells were pulled up at 8 p.m and muffled. The ringers then proceeded to the Vicarage and sat down to a fine dinner with a big roast turkey predominating. After dinner and speeches cards were handed out and I can well remember some weird and wonderful games of whist played by players who only played on this annual event and who didn't know one suit from another. However the time passed and at a quarter to twelve we wended our way to the Church and rang a solemn muffled peal which echoed out over the silent village. At a few minutes to midnight we younger men went up and removed the muffles and as the last stroke of midnight rang out it was "Treble – ready – going – going – gone" and the New Year was ushered in in the time honoured Buckland way."

Now almost fifty years on Buckland Dinham can boast a band of eleven ringers – five of them women. Admittedly most of them are newcomers to the Exercise but on 8th March 1995 history was made when all 8 bells were rung in rounds by an all Buckland band. The only experienced ringer is Tower Captain, John Phippen whose family goes back in village history for several centuries. He learnt to ring at Buckland under the leadership of Herbert Plumley in 1951.

In mid September 1994, with the return of the Buckland bells imminent, ringers from the other

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Tapping the Millennium Fund - a plan of action

The Central Council is actively considering a plan for applying for a Millennium Fund grant devised by a Leicestershire ringer, Lin Forbes with the help of Stella Bianco. Now we want to find out how many towers are willing to join together to produce a convincing application.

The Millennium Fund

The Millennium Fund is one of the grant-awarding bodies set up with the profits from the National Lottery. Its express purpose is to provide funding for projects which celebrate and provide a lasting memorial to the Millennium. They wish to support one-off, 'capital' projects rather than those which need maintenance funding. And they want evidence of local support for proposed schemes, and hence require that 50% of the money is raised through local efforts.

Bell augmentation and restoration fits the Millennium Fund guidelines admirably with one exception. The problem for any local group or tower wishing to tap it is that the minimum grants awarded are in the order of £100,000. This, of course, implies a project costing in the order of £200,000 since half the money must come from local sources. However, there is hope! Under the guidelines, consortia of small, local groups are allowed to apply for a series of similar projects under the 'management team' of a pre-existing or specially-formulated organisation in order to put together a big enough grant application.

The plan

This proposal for tapping the Millennium Fund is simple. We aim to assemble a nationwide network of towers with viable restoration and/or augmentation projects on a fairly small scale (perhaps mostly in the £5,000 - 20,000 range) which could be memorialised by a plaque or inscription as a 'Millennium restoration' or 'Millennium bell(s)'. The identical inscription will be installed in towers across the country to commemorate the Millennium. All new and restored bells will, of course, ring in the Millennium; but they will also serve as the king of permanent, relatively maintenance-free memorial which the Millennium Fund is keen to sponsor.

How we make it happen

Millennium Fund applications are submitted in two stages. The first stage entails producing a three page outline of the proposal which would be submitted in September 1995. If this passes the preliminary screening then a detailed twenty page proposal is submitted a few months later. The timetable for submissions to the Millennium Commission for the next round of applications is not yet clear, but it is guaranteed to be tight. Hence we will require all information quickly.

We will need a minimum of 20-25 participating towers, ideally spread across Britain. If we have more towers that is fine. For this particular submission, restorations of

unringable bells, or augmentations of 3, 4 and 5 bell towers are probably most suitable, especially since half the money must be raised locally, though other endeavours (e.g. new rings of bells) are not excluded. The Central Council will not underwrite or pay for any part of these projects: indeed, that would directly contravene the terms on which the Millennium Commission is willing to award funding. The Central Council as the consortium leader will receive the grant (if we are successful) and distribute money to individual towers on satisfactory completion of the work.

In order to produce a convincing application we will have to assemble the details for Millennium bells of restorations of bells required by interested towers across Britain. Ongoing projects, where some money has already been raised, are particularly appropriate. If your tower wishes to participate, we urge that you get in touch with one of us as soon as possible (contact addresses below). We will ask you to fill in a short form giving contact details, an account of the bells/work required, and details of local fund raising activities. It is urgent that we receive this information as quickly as possible. It will be stored in readiness for assembling the proposal in its final form.

Finally, can any one think of a really good inscription which could go on all the Millennium bells and plaques?

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The salt-laden breezes which lash the fine tower of St. Mary's, Happisburgh, have finally put a stop to the ringing. The church stands on a high point (for Norfolk anyway) overlooking the choppy North Sea. Extensive restoration of the flint work, and removal of the metal girders, corroded by the sea air, means the bells must remain silent. We are able to continue our bell practice at Southrepps and Catfield, alternately by kind permission of the tower captains. Fund-raising for the Tower Fund continues, and any gifts would be received gratefully and acknowledged by Gilbert Larter, Campana, Whymppwell Street, Happisburgh, Norfolk NR12 0QD. GILBERT LARTER.



Tom Roast makes light work of the tenor in a simulation exercise - part of the current study of *Lincolnshire Surprise Maximus* by Norwich ringers. Held in the ringers' pub, this was the second of a series of ten extra-ordinary sessions designed to improve method learning and 12-bell rhythm at St Peter Mancroft

A birthday tribute

The Reverend Richard Longridge (Rector from 1967 to 1977) celebrated his 80th birthday on 19th May this year. He now lives in Exeter. During his ministry in Dorset, Mr Longridge also held high office in the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers, serving firstly as Master and then as President. On his retirement he was elected a Vice President of the Guild. Furthermore, he was fully involved in the restoration and augmentation of Spetisbury's bells in the 1970s.

As a birthday tribute to Mr Longridge, a band from the Salisbury Guild attempted to ring a peal on the Spetisbury bells during the afternoon of Saturday 20th May. The band included the Guild Master (Bob Purnell), the Guild General Secretary (Judith Robertson) and Robert Wellen from Gillingham (who was taught to ring at Spetisbury by Mr Longridge). Unfortunately the peal was lost approximately a third of the way through, however a quarter peal was rung as a compliment to Mr Longridge.

He is fondly remembered by many Guild members and by the parishioners of Spetisbury and Charlton Marshall. Those who would particularly wish to be associated with this tribute: Reverend David Pennal (Mr Longridge's successor and a local ringer), Neil Skelton (a past Guild Master) and last but by certainly not least, the current band at Spetisbury especially Alec and Edith Prevett.

Spetisbury, Dorset. 20 May, 1260 P B Minor: Judith Robertson 1, Frank Crosier 2, Ross Robertson 3, D John Hunt 4, Robert Wellen 5, Robert Purnell (C) 6. Eightieth birthday tribute by the Salisbury Diocesan Guild to the Reverend Richard Longridge, past Master and then President of the Guild as well as formerly Rector of this Church. The band included the current Master (6), General Secretary (treble), and a ringer taught by Mr Longridge (5). 60p

First peal congratulations

Ian Glover and (belatedly) Brenda N. Philbrick.

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Letters

Interpretation quite wrong

I shall be forever grateful to Charlie Sadler, my first teacher on ringing, for his kind, strict discipline. He was a Roman Catholic.

I am very glad that Wakefield Cathedral Church has a close relationship with nearby St Austin's Roman Catholic Church. When, a couple of years ago, the latter was being refurbished its congregation used our building for daily worship. All Saints church building has been used by Wakefield church people for at least seven centuries. The bishop of Leeds (Leeds is a Roman Catholic Diocese) has preached in it.

Neither you, Mr Editor, nor your readers will want a correspondence on church history in these columns, but may I say that the interpretation of church history stated in the first two columns of the article on the front page about the Willows Church of St John the Evangelist, Kirkham, is quite wrong. It corresponds with frequent statements in the press and on television. I recommend *La Reforme Anglicane au XVI^{eme} Siecle* by the Revd Dr H. A. Moreton, 1930, (preface by the then Lord Halifax), as a good introduction to the study of that subject.

I am glad that Kirkham bells have been rehung and refurbished and shall write directly to Ann Hall and Jack Regin to explain this letter.

WILFRID MORETON.

Wakefield

The Three Counties Guild/Society/Organisation - whatever?

No doubt many ringers in Gloucestershire, Herefordshire and Worcestershire will find Mr G. C. Bagley's report of the deliberations of the *Discussion Evening and Wine and Cheese* at Ripple on 19th May 1995 of great interest (RW 2nd June 1992, p.592).

Would Mr Bagley please now answer the following questions for the benefit of the hundreds of ringers in these three counties who were neither invited to, nor informed of the actual proposed business of, the said meeting:

1. Why were not all the ringers in the three counties invited to attend the meeting?
2. Why was it thought necessary to convene such a meeting?
3. Who serves on the "Steering Committee", what are its terms of reference, when is it to report, and to whom?
4. What are the precise aims and objectives of the proposed new organisation?
5. Who were the "many officers of existing organisations" present, and did they express support on behalf of their societies for the aims of the proposed new organisation?
6. Can he say whether or not the Gloucester and Bristol D.A., the Hereford D.G., or the Worcestershire and Districts Association, as the long-established societies in the proposed area, were previously consulted about the proposals discussed at the meeting, will they be so consulted at some future time, and how is it perceived that the activities of the new organisation will relate to them?

I look forward to you publishing Mr Bagley's early reply to these pertinent questions which are of direct interest to all members of the above three societies.

MARTIN D. FELLOWS.

Stourbridge

Realistic charges

I sympathise with David Tilbrook's views that a donation of only £8 for a peal at Chipping Campden is derisory but his frustration over the band's contribution would have been avoided if the local ringers had set realistic fees for visiting bands. This should include *all* ringing for secular recreation including quarter peals, outings, association meetings as well as peals.

P. R. Johnson's reaction is extraordinary especially if you take into account how much travelling to peals costs, let alone money spent on post-peal activities such as beer and food. If the average cost of a pint of beer is £1.50 which takes 15 minutes or so to consume then £1 per head for three hours entertainment is ridiculously cheap. (Do I get a footnote for being the 1000th person say this in *The Ringing World*?) Most towers charge at least £2.50-£3.00 per rope (if they don't then they should) and I've never heard any of the people I ring peals with complaining about peal fees.

Does P. R. Johnson really expect each P.C.C. and local band to provide all forms of secular ringing virtually free of charge? I had thought that the days of ringers expecting to get hours of ringing for next to nothing were well and truly over - obviously not. We all have a collective responsibility to look after our bells and I hope the few ringers who still share P. R. Johnson's views soon wake up to the real world.

MARK REGAN.

"What one fool can do, another can"

This statement is an introduction to a famous little book *Calculus Made Easy*. Whilst this may be true for aspiring masters of Calculus, I feel sure it is not true for the dedicated handbell ringers who rang the Fens Alphabet in Surprise Maximus. We heartily congratulate David Brown and his band on this remarkable achievement. However, this is not all on which we feel our heading is misleading. Just imagine how highly technical and boring to some of us an article on the 28 Peals could be. But not so with Bill Jackson's rendition of the Fens saga (*The Ringing World*, p.519). I am sure that, with me, many ordinary ringers found his article extraordinarily interesting. Through from Graham Swifts paragraphs on the Fens generally, via his erudite appreciation of the highlights of some of the methods, all broken down with appropriate sub. headings. Then to the amusing finale *The Toil and Joy*. We wish David and his team good luck with the Munroes, of which there are some 377 to be scaled. Mr Editor, can we please have some more gems from Bill Jackson's pen, word processor or whatever method he uses.

H. W. ROGERS.

Isleworth.

Barrow hanger

With regard to Alan Blair's request for information about John Harrison of Barrow (RW p.492) I wonder if the following report, taken from the "Leeds Intellegencer" of 18th September, 1759, is connected?

"This day was finished here (Addingham-in-Craven) by Mr James Harrison of Barrow in Lincolnshire, the hanging of six new bells from Lester and Pack, bellfounders, Whitechapel, London which are allowed by Judges to be extremely musical".

Perhaps they were brothers in a family business?

KARL GRAVE.

Bingley.

Ringing for a murdered colleague

On Friday 2nd June, members of the National Guild of Police Ringers gathered at the church of St. John the Baptist, Royston, Hertfordshire to ring for the funeral of Philip John Walters, a Constable in the Metropolitan Police serving at Ilford who was murdered in the execution of his duty on the 18th April, this year.

The band was made up of Guild members from six forces in the south of England. After some general ringing prior to the service and tolling for the arrival and departure of the cortege, the members rang a quarter peal of Bob Triples. The Guild would like to thank Mr Alan Curtiss and the local band for making us welcome and putting on the muffles.

Philip Walters had served in the Police Service for two years following his initial training where he achieved the award for being the top recruit in his intake. He had proved himself an asset to the Police Service in his short career which tragically ended when he was called to an address in Ilford where he was shot and fatally wounded. A colleague was also wounded in the incident.

This is the second time inside two years that the Guild has rung for the funeral of a murdered Police Officer. On 12th November, 1993 we rang at the funeral of Constable Patrick Dunne shot dead in Clapham. It would be naive of me to think that this would never happen again in today's society, but I pray it will be a very long time before we are called upon to ring for another murdered colleague.

PETER SIPPITT.
General Secretary

Royston, Herts. 2 June, 1260 Bob Triples: James M Hills, Metropolitan 1, Adam C Redgewell, Metropolitan 2, Martin N Pring, British Transport 3, John Pearce, Thames Valley 4, George F Wheeler, Wiltshire 5, Peter J Sippitt, Metropolitan 6, Barry F Peachey (C) Hampshire 7, Andrew P Thompsett, Sussex 8. Rung half muffled on the occasion of the funeral of Constable Philip John Walters, Metropolitan Police, murdered in the execution of his duty.

Bastow Little Court

I was interested to read Wilf Moreton's letter about Bastow. It was first rung to a peal at Algarkirk, Lincolnshire, for the Lincoln Guild on 4th January 1936. There were seven 720's of Algarkirk Special Alliance and Bastow Little Court spliced together. Vernon Taylor was the conductor. There was no footnote given to the peal that was published in the 1936 Guild Report. But I think that a note was made about the peal in *The Ringing World* at that time stating that Miss Bastow was getting married. I cannot remember the name of the gentleman. So Bastow Little Court was named after Miss Bastow and the Special Alliance from the tower in which the peal was rung.

In 1936 Vernon Taylor and his band were ringing multi-method peals up to 70 methods, which was the record at that time. Bastow and more Special Alliance methods were rung in these peals.

Three years later (1939) I included Bastow with Alliance methods in the first peal of 100 methods that was rung. Jack Millhouse was in the peal, together with Mr and Mrs Jack Bray, Charles McGuinness and Frank Lord.

GEORGE FEIRN.

Gainsborough, Lincs.

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Historical accuracy

Bernice Sharp (p 440) draws parallels between work on Stedman Triples by Andrew Johnson and myself, by Brian Price, and by her and her co-workers in Sydney. In the interests of historical accuracy, I have made a few inquiries, with the following results:

(a) Brian Price's "industrial espionage" was the information that a bobs-only peal existed, that there were five blocks that together incorporated the rows from an even number of B-blocks, and (indirectly from me) that there were 100 sixes in these blocks. Knowing this he was able to construct the blocks with the aid of a computer program. He has not used these to compose a peal, and writes that the task of assembling such a peal is "excessively long-winded and frustrating".

(b) Ms Sharp's "information now widely published" consisted of two peal compositions. By seeding a computer search with a composition many variations (containing precisely the same sixes) can be found. Peals based on B-blocks have a large number of such variations since wherever three blocks can be joined by a Q-set of omits, there is a second Q-set affecting the same three bells.

(c) Andrew Johnson knew only the number of bobs in Colin Wyld's compositions.

As I stated in my previous letter, all compositions must build on insights gained from previous discoveries, and we have been open about what influence the news of Colin's discovery had on our own work.

Andrew has written an article detailing the steps we followed in arriving at the peal, which unfortunately was considered too long for publication in the RW. How can Ms Sharp accuse us of plagiarism? Is she suggesting that Colin's name be associated with the composition? I so, I would argue that John Noonan, William Slack and Robert Roan made a greater contribution.

Finally, if we had not produced and rung our peal, would we still be waiting for the figures of Colin's to be published?

PHILIP SADDLETON

Nearest to a repeat

On the 11th June 1982 a quarter of Grandsire Caters was rung at Daventry and conducted from the treble by John Thorne. We all thought it would be a good idea to have a repeat performance. Since then once a month on the first Friday a quarter has been attempted. The band has changed over the years for obvious reasons but does essentially remain the same.

A tenth anniversary quarter was set up with almost the identical band when Daventry spire stated to crumble. We tried again at 13 years but it was not to be. The quarter was rung on 7th April was a rather different band but was the nearest I think we will get.

This quarter was to wish Aubrey and Carol Eveleigh a long and happy retirement on the Isle of Wight. Over the years Aubrey has borne the brunt of the conducting and come up with all the weird methods often easier on the PC than in the tower. Carol of course kept issuing the pass outs and occasionally joined us.

We all thank them and wish them good luck.

R. F. WADDY.

Daventry, Northants. 7 Apr, 1296 P B Caters: B J W Foley 1, Avril Harris 2, Jadwiga Bienek 3, Rosemary Hemmings 4, R F Waddy (C) 5, J Edgeston 6, R Watkin 7, M Tunnicliff 8, J Slack 9, S M Ruddlesden 10. Retirement compliment to Carol and Aubrey Eveleigh.

60p

BUCKLAND DINHAM – continued

eight bell tower in the Parish Group (St Andrews, Mells) invited John to bring his recruits to Mells to learn basic handling before their bells were installed. Although the regular Monday evening Mells practice already had a very healthy attendance there was a half-hour slot before the start of the main practice which could be used for extra tuition. So from the start of October the new Buckland Dinham band went to Mells at 7.00 on Mondays to learn bell-handling. Chief instructor was Marcus Barton – assisted by other members of the band and one regular visitor from Bath. Initially the bells were fully muffled using 'car tyre' muffs. The impact on Mells practice was considerable – both in terms of numbers attending (frequently about 20) and the style and content of the practice. Soon almost half the 'official' practice was taken up with instruction for Buckland ringers – as well as the initial teaching slot. Fortunately both the Mells ringers and their regular visitors seem happy with the situation; and the Buckland ringers gained from being given the opportunity from the start to join in with a 'normal' practice – often ranging from rounds to surprise major. In addition they were able to meet ringers from other towers (there were frequently members of six other towers present at Mells practices). Even so pressure on time was such that Marcus had to introduce a second fully muffled practice later in the week.

Method extension

David Struckett (p 516) is, of course, quite right! I think I am right in saying that the original report on extension (which was in 1950) was based on what had, up to that time, been regarded as extensions of then current methods. Points to note here are:

i) Comparatively few extensions of methods have actually been rung, even fewer before 1950!

ii) Several extensions bear no relation to their parent. A good example of this is Double Norwich when rung on 10 and 12.

iii) I have argued privately on several occasions that Yorkshire S. Major, Albanian S. Royal and Southwark S. Maximus are actually a different series of extensions of Cambridge S. Minor. (Look at the place notation! – they do form a valid alternative sequence to the usual one.)

In my letter concerning Penultimus, (p 244), I merely quoted what I believe the rules to be. Whether the rules are RIGHT in an absolute case is another matter. I would doubt whether any set of rules could be regarded as absolutely, mathematically, correct. (I should like to see a proof if so.)

In conclusion, I endorse the sentiments in David Struckett's last paragraph. The Council decision requires extension of Little methods to have the same internal places. There seems no logical reason why Little methods should not follow the same rules as non-Little methods, with the obvious special case (as usual) for the half-lead to remain static. I and with a question. Is Little Bob Major an extension of Little Bob Minor, or Plain Bob Major with the treble turning round in 4ths place? (The effect is the same, but the question could really do with an answer.)

ROBIN E H WOOLLEY

Daybrook, Notts.

PS The major method described (36.18.36) is called CAWSTON. Also, if Penultimus is an even method the odd version has two hunt bells.



Matthew Higby giving a helping hand

Buckland Dinham bells were tried out on 9 December and first rung for service for the Carol Service on December 18. Several of the Buckland Dinham ringers rang the bells in rounds but all found the contrast between the old easy going heavy eight at Mells and the new light ring a little difficult to adjust to – particularly as the installation was incomplete and there was a 26' unguided rope fall! A ringing gallery was due to be installed as soon as finances permitted but in the meantime even minor handling faults which had not caused problems at Mells kept both learners and instructors on their toes once regular practices were held at Buckland.

Now the Gallery is in place and the bells are no longer as daunting to the inexperienced band but without a doubt their early training on the longer draught will stand them in good stead in the years to come.

I. W. and CH

With acknowledgement to George Massey for giving permission to quote from his book "Bells of the Frome Deanery".

The Dedication Service will take place on Saturday 17th June at 4.30 p.m. There will be open ringing before the service, from 2.30 p.m. and again afterwards.

Reflections on Practice Night

Every time I ring a bell
I get it wrong, as like as not.
My timing, it is all to pot.
What place I'm in I cannot tell.
My ropesight too is not so hot.
What can I do to stop the rot?

Yet when at home I sit and think,
I can ring Bob Doubles in a wink.
I know what the trouble is with me –
It's lack of confidence, you see:
Especially when you're in a tower
Where they ring Spliced Methods by the hour!

So what's the answer? I don't know –
Pack it in, or have a go?
I know the others are so kind,
To ring with me they never mind.
I can't give in, it wouldn't do
To admit defeat, and I would rue
The day I left the tower for good.
What would I do, where should I go
To find a better band of friends?

So I will soldier on and make amends
And maybe on some distant practice night
I will surprise you all and GET IT RIGHT!

JOHN GALLIMORE



David and Jacqui.

Wed – and off to New Zealand

On Saturday 20th April the wedding took place of Miss Jacqui King and Mr David Grafton, at St Andrews Church, Shilton, Warwickshire. Jacqui who learnt to ring at Shilton was given away by her father and attended by her sister Ruth.

Ringers gathered before the service where some good ringing included a fine touch of Cambridge Surprise Minor.

The Reception was held back at Jacqui's parents farm where a splendid Marquee had been erected for the occasion.

At the evening reception more ringing friends who rang with Jacqui when she was at Portsmouth arrived and a good time was had by all.

The happy couple left for a short honeymoon and are setting up home on a farm in New Zealand at the end of May. We wish them both all the happiness in the world as they set out on married life together.

On Saturday 13th May Jacqui joined us in some celebratory quarter peals details are as follows:

Shilton, Warks. 13 May, 1260 Doubles (5m): Wendy Lovatt 1, I D Thompson 2, Jacqui M Grafton 3, R Winter 4, R A Sheasby (C) 5, D Andrew 6.

£1.20

Wolvey, Warks. 13 May, 1260 Cambridge A and P B Minor (2m): Dawn E Colley 1, W J Chase 2, Jacqui M Grafton 3, S R Colley 4, G L P Trevor 5, R A Sheasby (C) 6.

£1.20

Coventry (Stoke), West Mids. 13 May, 1264 P B Major: Dawn E Colley 1, Jacqui M Grafton 2, Janice E Sheasby 3, S Elizabeth Turner 4, M Turner 5, S R Colley 6, M Chester 7, R A Sheasby (C) 8. All rung to celebrate the wedding of Jacqui M King and David Grafton (29th April) and as a farewell to them both leaving for New Zealand (27th May). 1st on 8: 4.

£1.60



Two bells in Verona Museum supplied by Alison Hodge.

Bell fund goes from strength to strength

The annual general meeting of the Oxford Diocesan Guild took place on Saturday 20th May at Bucklebury, Berkshire.

Prior to the meeting a service took place in Bucklebury church, with an apposite address delivered by lay reader, Mike Kerry. The organist, appropriately, although not herself a ringer, was Frances Brierley, daughter of the late Arthur Davis, some time ringing master of Hereford Cathedral and niece of Stella Davis, late of Bucklebury.

Arrangements for ringing during the day were made by John Durham, Mike Till and Richard Marshall with a joint effort from Joan Marshall, Angela Smith, Fiona Rock-Evans and the Allums for the other arrangements of the day, including the usual bell ringers repast which accompanies these functions.

The Hon. Treasurer, Brian Gatward, reported a healthy position for the Guild, despite recent events in the world of finance. The General Fund had an operating surplus of £442, and that despite the annual donation to *The Ringing World!* Out of our annual subscription we met our members' group personal accident insurance. This has proved to be a popular move and has encouraged early payment of subs. Treasurers take heed!

The Downs Barn project was finalised at the end of 1994, with the membership raising £31,733 in two years. This project has also had the benefit of practical assistance in the

assembly of the installation in its differing stages in Bob Datson's barn and Whites' workshop at Appleton.

The Education committee has proved itself, yet again, financially independent in its setting up of courses during the year and even had a surplus. New money for the Bell Fund amounted to £7,608 and investment income during the year available for grant was £11,110. The total subscribed to the Fund at the end of the year was £127,066, ensuring that the Bell Fund goes from strength to strength.

There were more than the usual number of changes in office, with the addition of extra representatives to the Central Council, due to the new rules.

The master, Mrs Patricia Newton announced her intention to stand down after a further year in office, but with a change in Deputy Master agreed to continue for the coming year. John White of Aston Clinton was elected to the post of Deputy Master.

Two existing Stewards, Bob Datson and Ken Davenport were re-elected to assist the Master, with a further three, Simon Cole, David Joyce and Colin Fowles, each representing three of the Guild's 15 branches. The Hon. Librarian, Bill Butler, stood down in favour of Philip Brown, who will have the unenviable job of moving the existing library, at some point in time, from Thatcham to his own abode! Brian Curtiss and Stephen Rossiter stood down as Newsletter Editor and Public Relations Officer respectively, to be replaced by John Martin and Bobbie May. The two new Central Council representatives, elected for the 1996-8 triennium, are Patricia Newton and Ken Davenport. Six members, elected from the membership present, are G. Clifton, B. Newman, W. Haynes, A. Crabtree, W. Fowles and D. Lane.

B.M.

Cathedral regain their title

This year's Guildford District Striking Competition was held on Saturday, 20th May at Shere, which is a lovely setting for a pleasant afternoon listening to ringing. Ten teams from seven towers competed for our striking competition trophy. Our judge this time was Roy Cox from West Tarring, West Sussex who arrived only just on time because it is near impossible to park in this pretty village on a Saturday afternoon. I only hope all the visitors enjoyed the ringing.

Unlike most judges, Roy had a try-out of the bells after the competition and soon appreciated their "unique qualities". The competition itself lasted just under two hours with each band having two minutes for practice rounds, followed by either five minutes call changes or 120 changes in a method. Most bands chose good old Plain Bob Doubles: the Cathedral picked Norwich and the others rang call changes, Grandsire or Stedman. The results were announced after a good tea provided by the Shere ringers and a short business meeting to elect new members and deal with any other general District business.

Our judge commented that the treble is slow at backstroke and that most bands rang the bells too quickly. Those who rang with a steady, even pace achieved the better results. The ringing of the top bands was near faultless and Witley "A" only narrowly failed to retain the trophy.

Placing	Band	Faults
First	Cathedral A	7½
Second	Witley A	9
Third	Cathedral B	11
Fourth	Cranleigh A	12½
Fifth	Shere	14
Sixth	Stoke-next-Guildford	18
Seventh	Albury	20
Eighth	Cranleigh B	22
Ninth	Holy Trinity, Guildford	25
Tenth	Witley B	27

SALLY SCHUPKE.

Another S.T.A. 'Divvy'

I am very pleased to report that I have recently paid out to B.R.F. another £2000 profit from sales of the Sherbourne Teaching Aids books. In addition £1000 was given towards the augmentation at Sherbourne's plurality parish, Barford. This brings to £17,000 the money which has been handed back for restoration work.

Recipients this time were:

£132 Oxford D.G., £106 Essex Assn., £84 Yorkshire Assn., £82 Lancashire Assn., £80 Bath & Wells Assn., £78 Gloucester & Bristol D.A., £56 Hertford C.A. and Kent C.A., £46 Southwell D.G., £42 Bedford Assn. and Salisbury D.G., £40 Surrey Assn., £32 Winchester & Portsmouth G. and ANZAB, £26 Lichfield A.G. and Suffolk G. and Worcestershire C.A., £24 Chester D.G. and Devon Churches and Dorset C.A. and Ely D.G., £22 Durham & Newcastle D.A. and Peterborough D.G. and Middlesex C.A., £20 Leicester D.G. and Swansea & Brecon D.G., £18 Guildford D.G. and Sussex C.A., £16 Hereford D.G. and Shropshire Assn., £14 Truro D.G., £12 Carlisle D.G. and Lincoln D.G., £10 Beverley D.S. and North Staffordshire Assn. and North America Guild.

In addition, amounts of less than £10 were earned by Norwich D.A., Derby D.A., Llandaff & Monmouth D.A., Midland Counties Guild and St Martin's Guild. These small amounts will be carried over to the next pay-out.

In addition to its 'earned' share, our Coventry Diocesan purchasers did not nominate a specific Guild or Association B.R.F.

I would like to thank all customers for their continuing support and encouragement.

PAM COPSON

A peal for the Trust

It all began in the late summer of 1994 when the committee of the Birmingham Association of the National Trust had a meeting to consider how to celebrate the centenary. The National Trust would be 100 years old in January 1995, and events to mark the occasion would take place all over the country. It was hoped that they would raise money as well. The Trust is not funded by the government. By its own efforts it has to raise the vast sums of money constantly needed to care for the properties it holds in trust for the nation. These include a wide variety of buildings of historical interest, lovely gardens, areas of countryside and coastline, all part of our heritage. The local properties would have a full calendar of events which they would be staging, so we had to be careful not to encroach on them. What could we do?

It was decided that we could hold a garden party at Winterbourne in June. This large garden is owned by the University, and we could also have a guided tour of the grounds. It would be an ideal venue for the occasion, and the idea had the full support of everyone. What else could we do?

It was about this time that the ringer began to wake up, and suggested a sponsored peal. There was a moment's silence while the others wondered what would be "peeled" then someone asked, "How do you do it?" There followed a brief description of change ringing, in which the ringer tried hard not to confuse everyone. Still thinking aloud she said it would be possible to ring a new method and name if for the Trust if they agreed. The peal could be rung at the Cathedral on a Saturday when plenty of people would be about. The peal being at least 5000 changes long, sponsors could be asked to give 2p for every 100 changes rung, which would mean they would only be asked for £1.00, a sum most people would give willingly.

The committee liked the idea and the originator began making the arrangements for it. First of all, Rod Pipe was asked if he would compose a new method for the occasion. He agreed willingly. This meant that he would also select the band and call the peal. The next person consulted was the Provost. A suitable date was chosen and the event entered into the cathedral diary. The chairman contacted the National Trust and got permission to use the Trust's name, and "National Trust Centenary Surprise Maximus" was on the way to being created. Sponsor forms were given out to National Trust members when they came to meetings.

The peal day arrived. It had been given some publicity. We set up a stall in the porch where we would be seen by passers-by and those entering the cathedral. The ringing began. It proved to be a pleasant peace to hear, having many musical cadences. It was well struck, and generated a lot of interest. Some people had heard or read about it and came to the city specially to hear it. We had a display showing the work of the Trust and we also explained what the ringers were doing. Four or five of us were kept busy answering questions all the morning.

Our thanks go to Rod Pipe for composing the peal and all the work he did to make it a success and to those who rang it. We also thank Rev. Peter Berry, the Provost, who gave us permission to use the Cathedral. Last, but by no means least, those of us on duty in the porch are indebted to the vergers, who provided us with piping hot coffee on what was a very cold but bright March morning.

And now for the results. Much hard work was done by the members of the Birmingham

Bishopstoke bells are the best (or how to improve the reputation of your tower)

It all began early in 1991, as usual, in a pub. It was a chance remark by Mark Esbester that Gosport bells were no longer going to be installed at Portchester. After many years of putting up with a wobbly frame, poor toned bells, floods of derogatory comments and a reputation for having the worst ring of bells in Hampshire the Bishopstoke ringers decided to swap their bells for the supposedly superior octave from Gosport.

From this little acorn grew the project to go for a grand new set of bells, strengthen the frame and (if funds permitted) augment to ten.

Many fund raising ideas were implemented. Some brought in large amounts - splitting up and reselling the Gosport bells, Andrew Craddock's Tower Base ringing program, donating all wedding fees. Some brought in medium amounts - handbell ringing, calendars, karaoke and other social events. Some just kept ticking over - selling biscuits and chocolate. All contributed towards the target of £45,000.

At the end of 1993, with about £35,000 raised, the foundries were asked to requote and, not surprisingly, the price had gone up. At this time we received a tremendous boost - an offer of an interest free loan to cover the balance required.

With that behind us the order was placed with the Whitechapel foundry for a brand new ring of ten, as heavy as could be fitted into the existing frame, ie tenor no larger than 3ft 3in diameter.

After several delays due to problems with the faculty the work was ready to start. The 300th and last peal was rung on the old bells by the local band on 24th January 1995 - Superlative Surprise Major. The bells were then rung for the last time for morning service on 29th January ending with 3 leads of Bristol and down.

There then followed two and a half months of varied activity. Sometimes there were up to half a dozen ringers present, removing old bells, hoisting up new girders and frame sides. Sometimes there were only two present (Roy's enforced safety minimum), cleaning the frame, painting the frame, removing and replacing floors, rewiring the tower electrics.

Then on 18th April the first installment of new bells arrived - just two, plus lots of bits of fittings.

Over the next three weeks the ringers under the supervision of Martin Waldron put the construction kit together. When it looked like the bells might be ready for the VE day commemorations the work moved up a gear. I must say hard luck to Sharon Smith and her visiting band from Leicestershire. They booked

in to ring on Saturday 6th May at mid-day. As a result they missed by just five hours as the bells were just about ready for an initial try out at 5.00p.m.

It was wonderful to be able to ring the bells and not have to over pull to compensate for frame movement! On the old bells, with just the back six ringing, the ropes on the two trebles jumped up and down in an alarming fashion. It sometimes looked like the bells were about to start ringing themselves. Now, with less than ten bells ringing, all other ropes were as steady as a rock. An even better indication was given when standing by the frame as the bells rang. Previously the frame rocked and battered the west wall. Now there was no perceptible movement at all. Its amazing how well a pair of 14x7 girders can hold down 52cwt of swinging bronze! The first official ringing was a quarter peal to mark the 50th anniversary of VE Day on 8th May. This was rung by eight local ringers and two guest visitors.

The finishing touches were completed over the next 5 weeks - extra sound proofing between the bells and the ringers and redecorating the ringing chamber being the prime considerations.

The dedication service is this Sunday, 18th June, at 18:00. The bells will be available for general ringing after the service for a couple of hours and free refreshments will be available. Everybody is welcome to come along and enjoy the occasion and what is now, in my biased opinion, the best ring of bells in Hampshire.

See you there.

ROY LE MARECHAL

PS: in a long list of thanks I would probably miss out some helpers so I will just mention John Dodd without whose unfailing energy (and power assisted tools) the work would have taken much longer and been much harder.

Bell	Note	Weight	Inscriptions and details
1	B	03-00-26	ST MARY This bell was cast at the expense of ringers at churches dedicated to St Mary
2	A	03-01-12	H.K.M. This bell was cast as the gift of Daphne Meller and family in memory of Harry Kirby Meller
3	G	03-01-01	TOWERBASE This bell was cast as the gift of subscribers to the ringers' computer program 'TowerBase'
4	F*	03-01-18	THE WEDDING BELL Bishopstoke ringers donated all wedding fees to pay for the casting of this bell
5	E	03-02-21	IN LOVING MEMORY OF HARRY AND BESSIE WRIGHT Cast in memory of Graham Wright's grandparents
6	D	04-01-17	
7	C	05-01-23	
8	B	06-00-16	
9	A	07-03-09PBB	J.M.C.P.J.C.S.G.F.K.A.G.A.L.G. J.C.H.I.A.H.J.M.H.J.A.H.A.P.L.K.L.M. R.I.M.A.C.P.M.A.T.M.J.T.G.J.W. The initials of the members of the band at the end of 1994: Peter Blythe, Julia Clarke, Peter Clarke, Sandra Moore, Kristine Gigg, Allen Guille, John Hallett, James Hodkin, Jennie Hodkin, Julie Hodkin, Ann LeMarechal, Roy LeMarechal, Andrew Pickett, Margaret Thomas, Michael Thomas and Graham Wright
10	G	11-01-01	REVD DEREK COTTRILL - RECTOR JONATHAN COOK JOAN KITCHEN CHURCHWARDENS

All bells carry the Whitechapel crest with the date 1995 and a decorative freeze of London Pride

Association of the National Trust who took sponsor forms. They went out amongst their friends and those with whom they work and got sponsors. Then, when they knew that the peal had been successfully accomplished they contacted the sponsors again to collect the money. The treasurer says that the peal has raised well over £800.00. The ringer is very grateful to all those who helped in every way to make this a successful event. Thank you!

(The details of the peal were published on page 526 R. W. issue 19th May.)

A.M.R.

As a result of the peal the Chairman's wife is learning to ring and is currently unravelling the mysteries of Plain Hunt.

Peal Reports

A.N.Z.A.B.

SYDNEY, New South Wales
Cathedral Church of S Mary
Tue May 2 1995 3h38 (15)
5152 Indian-Pacific S. Major
Comp. T W Goodyer
1 James A D Woolford
2 Margaret E Goodyer
3 Robert J Walters
4 Neil G Broderick
5 Caroline J Richards
6 James A Smith
7 Alan H Champion
8 Thomas W Goodyer (C)
First in method for all except 6.

AUCKLAND, New Zealand
S Matthew
May 9 1995 3h6 (17)
5056 Plain Bob Major
Comp. J R Pritchard
1 John Dunn
2 David Caldwell
3 David Kennett
4 Tim Pink
5 Gary Wong
6 Peter Adams
7 Robert H Bennett (C)
8 Dennis Green

BATH & WELLS D.A.

WEDMORE, Som, S Mary
Sat Apr 15 1995 3h37 (30)
5182 London S. Major
Comp. Brian L Burrows
1 R Ann Agnew
2 Michael J Stone
3 David J Purnell
4 Robert E Beck
5 Joseph St J Beaumont
6 Jenny M A Astridge
7 Adrian P Beck (C)
8 Barrie Hendry
Rung to mark the retirement of the Revd David Miller, Vicar of this parish for 25 years, on the 40th anniversary of his Ordination. A compliment to him and his wife, Janet, on their 40th wedding anniversary.

HIGHBRIDGE, Som.
S John the Evangelist
Fri Apr 21 1995 2h32 (3)
5120 Spliced S. Major
(3m: 1920 Rutland; 1600 Cambridge, Yorkshire: 64 com. atw.)
Comp. Philip G K Davies
1 Vivienne M Rigby
2 Michael J Stone
3 Adrian P Beck
4 Stephen J Bateman
5 Preb. Christopher J B Marshall
6 Robert E Beck
7 Jenny M A Astridge
8 Barrie Hendry (C)
A 59th birthday compliment and a "Get Well" wish to Lis Bowden.

DUNSTER, Som.
S George
Sat Apr 22 1995 3h3 (20)
5088 Spliced S. Major
(5m: 1152 Yorkshire; 1056 Cambridge, Lincolnshire; 960 London; 864 Rutland: 81 com. atw.)
Comp. Philip G K Davies
1 R Ann Agnew
2 David J Purnell
3 Preb. Christopher J B Marshall
4 David I Bassford
5 Adrian P Beck
6 Jenny M A Astridge
7 Barrie Hendry (C)
8 Michael J Stone
100th 7th; 7.

CHEWTON MENDIP, Som.
S Mary Magdalene
Sat Apr 29 1995 3h7 (24)
5040 Stedman Triples
Comp. F H Dexter (8 part)
1 Catherine R Taylor
2 Eric Naylor
3 James W Belshaw
4 Francis Milner
5 Dennis A Hewitt
6 Nicholas W H Simon (C)
7 Lucinda J C Reeve
8 Robert A Lewis

STAPLEGROVE, Som.
S John
Wed May 3 1995 2h29 (11)
5040 Surprise Minor
(4m: (1,2) Primrose; (3) Surfleet; (4,5) Beverley; (6,7) Cambridge)
1 Valerie J Stone
2 Revd Patrick C F Wooster
3 Paul K Williamson
4 Barrie Hendry (C)
5 John Hill
6 David I Bassford
50th peal; 6.

MAIDEN BRADLEY, Wilts.
All Saints
Wed May 10 1995 2h45 (14)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: Chester, Lightfoot, Bourne, London, Ipswich, Beverley, Cambridge)
1 Matthew R T Higby
2 Kate C Walker
3 Jacqueline Warnecke
4 George W Massey
5 David G Massey (C)
6 Reginald T McKenzie

BATH, All Saints, Weston
Sat May 13 1995 3h2 (12)
5024 Bristol S. Major
Comp. S Jenner
1 Vivienne M Rigby
2 Jackie Warnecke
3 David G Massey
4 George Massey
5 Adrian Beck
6 Robert Beck
7 Michael J Stone
8 Reginald T McKenzie (C)
First peal of Bristol; 2.

MARSTON BIGOT, Som.
S Leonard
Sat May 6 1995 2h33 (8)
5040 Minor
(4m: (1,2) Beverley S.; (3,4) Cambridge S.; (5) St Clements College Bob; (6,7) Plain Bob)
1 Edward J Chivers
2 Jenny M Alderson
3 Kate C Walker
4 Matthew R T Higby
5 Robert W Davis
6 Brian V Mountjoy (C)
A wedding compliment to Derek and Jackie Wareham, before their marriage at St James, Ashwick.

BISHOPS LYDEARD, Som.
S Mary
Wed May 10 1995 3h17 (24)
5184 Yorkshire S. Major
Comp. Richard F B Speed
1 Valerie J Stone
2 Barrie Hendry (C)
3 Revd Patrick C F Wooster
4 Paul K Williamson
5 Preb. Christopher J B Marshall
6 Gerald Brown
7 David I Bassford
8 David J Purnell
A compliment to Paul Williamson on his 70th birthday.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
S Edward, King & Martyr
Sun May 14 1995 2h27 (9)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: (1) King Edward; (2) London; (3) Westminster; (4) Norwich; (5) Beverley; (6) Durham; (7) Cambridge)
Cond. P A B Saddleton
1 L M Walters (New Hall)
2 J R N Lebon (Selwyn)
3 C E J Kilgour (St John's)
4 D R Love (St John's)
5 S C Walters (Pembroke)
6 P A B Saddleton (Trinity)

CHESTER D.G.

STALYBRIDGE, Ches.
S Paul
Sat May 13 1995 2h51 (18)
5056 Cambridge S. Major
Comp. C Middleton
1 Robin A Daw
2 J Frederick Howard
3 Kevin J Rogers
4 Melanie Daw
5 Richard S Starkie
6 William H Dowse
7 Ivor R Nichols (C)
8 Frank Osbaldiston
Rung to celebrate the rededication of the church after refurbishment.

PHOTOGRAPHS/REPORTS

We rely on you to send in reports, comment, articles, short features, cartoons, etc., etc. Photographs should be prints, any size, B/W or colour. They need to be of good quality (definition) and not too dark. Please inform us if you want them returned after use.

CUMBERLANDS IN NORTHERN IRELAND

How better to spend the weekend before Easter than by popping across the Irish Sea, ringing a few peals, and returning in time for work on Monday morning? With this in mind, a party of Cumberlands set out to enjoy another one of those trips on which Alan Regin's organisation combines with the splendid hospitality of the Ballymena ringers to produce an unforgettable blend of ringing, socialising and real Guinness.

Northern Ireland has some excellent rings of bells and we visited several of them over the weekend, including the fine tens at Londonderry and Enniskillen, the eight at Carrickfergus (unusually hung in the church gatehouse rather than the tower) and the outstanding modern twelve at Ballymena. Only one peal was lost: an attempt of Surprise Minor at Rostrevor, which came to grief after a technical difficulty with the coursing order. Also not included in the peal record is our visit to the lovely light six at Newcastle, where we stopped for a spot of general ringing, and our combined ringing with the local band at Ballymena on practice night and Sunday.

Special thanks are due to Andrew Hudson, Jean Letters and the Watts family for providing accommodation. Additional credits go to Alan, Jill, Catherine, Paul, Jake and Linda for driving; Paul for in-car entertainment; Stephen for romance; Simon for commentaries; and, of course, Alan for making it all possible. S.J.G.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

CARRICKFERGUS, Co Antrim, S Nicholas
Thu Apr 6 1995 2h51 (13)
5056 Ballymena S. Major
Comp. M A Coleman
1 Catherine N Merlane
2 Paul A Cammiade
3 Simon J Davies
4 Ian G Campbell
5 Douglas J Beaumont
6 Simon J Gay
7 Ian R Fielding (C)
8 Alan Regin

BALLYLESSON, Co Down
Holy Trinity, Drumbo
Fri Apr 7 1995 2h48 (12)
5088 Spliced S. Major
(4m: 1376 Superlative; 1280 Cambridge; 1248 Richmond; 1184 Bristol: 110 com. atw.)
Comp. Albert J Pitman
1 Stephen A Wheeler
2 Simon J Davies
3 Simon J Gay
4 Paul A Cammiade
5 Alan Regin
6 Douglas J Beaumont
7 Ian R Fielding (C)
8 Ian G Campbell

BALLYMENA, Co Antrim
S Patrick
Sun Apr 9 1995 3h12 (14)
5040 Ballymena S. Maximus
Comp. Traditional
1 Linda M Garton
2 Simon J Davies
3 Catherine N Merlane
4 Alan Regin
5 Andrew S Hudson
6 Simon J Gay
7 John P Loveless (C)
8 Paul A Cammiade
9 Stephen A Wheeler
10 Douglas J Beaumont
11 Ian G Campbell
12 Ian R Fielding
First peal in the method. Ballymena S. Maximus b-3-4-56-16-34-5.36-16.7.58-18.9.70-0.9

HILLSBOROUGH, Co Down
S Malachi
Fri Apr 7 1995 3h5 (19)
5039 Grandsire Caters
Comp. Thomas Hooley
1 Ian G Campbell
2 Ian R Fielding
3 Douglas J Beaumont
4 Simon J Davies
5 Paul A Cammiade
6 Stephen A Wheeler (C)
7 Catherine N Merlane
8 Simon J Gay
9 Alan Regin
10 Simon Walker

LONDONDERRY, Co Londonderry, Cathedral Church of St Columba
Sat Apr 8 1995 3h43 (32)
5000 Spliced S. Royal
(4m: 1280 Yorkshire; 1240 Bristol, Cambridge, London (No 3): 101 com. atw.)
Comp. Robert C Kippin
1 Linda M Garton
2 Simon J Davies
3 John P Loveless (C)
4 Catherine N Merlane
5 Ian R Fielding
6 Alan Regin
7 Douglas J Beaumont
8 Simon J Gay
9 Stephen A Wheeler
10 Ian G Campbell

ENNISKILLEN, Co Fermanagh, Cathedral Church of S Macartan
Sat Apr 8 1995 3h15 (20)
5000 London S. Royal (No 3)
Comp. Anthony J Cox
1 Paul A Cammiade
2 Simon J Davies
3 Catherine N Merlane
4 Simon J Gay
5 Douglas J Beaumont
6 Ian R Fielding
7 Stephen A Wheeler (C)
8 Ian G Campbell
9 Alan Regin
10 John P Loveless

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COVENTRY D.G.

EXHALL, Warks, S Giles
Sat May 13 1995 2h28 (6)

5040 Plain Bob Minor

1 Michael Chester (C)
2 Christopher W Foxall
3 Kelvin Handley
4 Ian Glover
5 George Pluckrose
6 Ian D Thompson
First peal; 4. First Minor; 3. A
get well compliment to Lee
Smith who was to have
rung in this peal.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL
CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**

SHOREDITCH, London E
S Leonard

Tue Apr 4 1995 3h17

**5184 Maypole Alliance
Royal**

Arr. D E Sibson

1 Peter Beresford
2 Elisabeth A G Bowden
3 E Jane Sibson
4 Simon J Davies
5 Paul A Cammiade
6 Simon J Gay
7 Graham A Duke
8 Derek E Sibson (C)
9 Stanley Jenner
10 Alan Regin
First peal in the method by
all the band. 100th peal
together; 1 & 8.

SHOREDITCH, London E
S Leonard

Tue Apr 18 1995 2h41
5056 Belfast S. Major

Comp. D W Beard

1 Stephanie J Pattenden
2 E Jane Sibson
3 Jason R Turnock
4 Geoffrey Pearson
5 Alan Regin
6 Derek E Sibson (C)
7 Ian K Bushell
8 Stanley Jenner

This composition
containing 126 calls is now
rung for the first time.

SHOREDITCH, London E
S Leonard

Thu May 4 1995 2h40
5120 Europa S. Major

Comp. S Jenner

1 Shirley E McGill
2 Simon J Davies
3 Paul A Cammiade
4 Alan Regin
5 Ian G Campbell
6 Graham A Duke
7 Stephen A Wheeler (C)
8 Ian R Fielding

First peal in the method.
Europa S. Major

-58-14.58-12.38.14-14.58-
36.14.78 le12 d

GODMANCHESTER,
Cambs, S Mary the Virgin
Sat May 6 1995 3h8 (20)
**5152 Double Norwich C.B.
Major**

Comp. Stanley Jenner

1 Mary E Hall
2 Simon J Davies
3 Catherine N Merlane
4 Katherine A Hinchliffe
5 Paul A Cammiade
6 John P Loveless (C)
7 Frank W Rivett
8 Ian G Campbell

Specially arranged to mark
the 200th anniversary of the
opening of the bells. The
Society also rang a peal of
D.N.C.B. Major to mark the
100th anniversary of the
opening of the bells.

SHOREDITCH, London E

S Leonard

Thu May 11 1995 3h24 (25)
5184 Ganymede D. Major

Comp. S Jenner

1 Simon J Davies
2 Ian K Bushell
3 Ian R Fielding
4 Paul A Cammiade
5 Graham A Duke
6 Alan Regin
7 Stephen A Wheeler (C)
8 Ian G Campbell
To the memory of Rosetta
Eaton. First peal in the
method. Ganymede D.
Major
38-34.18-56-36.14-34.18-14-
78 le12 f

SITTINGBOURNE, Kent
S Michael

Sun May 14 1995 2h59 (19)

5088 Bristol S. Major

Comp. S J Ivin

1 Josephine D Horton
2 Simon J Davies
3 Paul A Cammiade
4 Alan L Andrews
5 Andrew M Farmer
6 Catherine N Merlane
7 Stephen A Wheeler (C)
8 Thomas M Barlow
First in method; 4. 100th
Kent tower for a peal; 5.

POPLAR, London E14
All Saints

Wed May 17 1995 3h7 (24)

5000 London S. Royal (No 3)

Comp. A J Cox

1 Louise M Buck
2 Paul A Cammiade
3 Shirley E McGill
4 Alison McCormack
5 Catherine N Merlane
6 Richard M Hobbs
7 Stephen A Wheeler (C)
8 Ian K Bushell
9 Alan Regin
10 Ian R Fielding
A birthday compliment to
someone (no name given).

SOMERSHAM, Cambs.
S John the Baptist
Sat May 6 1995 2h45 (12)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: one extent each
Ipswich, Wells, Durham,
Norwich, London, York,
Cambridge)

1 Ian G Campbell
2 Paul A Cammiade
3 Simon J Davies
4 Catherine N Merlane
5 Richard L Thumwood
6 John P Loveless (C)

Rung half muffled in
memory of Len Skeggs, a
ringer at this tower, who
died recently aged 90.

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE
RINGERS**

ST MARYCHURCH, Devon
S Mary

Mon Apr 24 1995 3h1 (17)

5040 Cambridge S. Royal

Comp. W E Critchley

1 Ian W Avery
2 Fr Lester J Yeo
3 Peter L Bill
4 Brian V Mountjoy
5 Frank D Mack
6 Timothy E Barnaby
7 Martin G Mansley
8 Robert D S Brown
9 John A Foster
10 Michael E C Mears (C)
500th peal; 4. First Surprise
Royal; 7. A golden wedding
compliment to Harry and
Rene Stacey.

LIMINGTON, Som.

S Mary the Virgin

Wed May 3 1995 2h45 (11)

5040 Surprise Minor

(7m: Wooler, Carlisle,
London, Westminster,
Berwick, Norwich,
Cambridge)

1 Mervyn C Way
2 Brian V Mountjoy
3 Jill M Hansford
4 Michael J Stone
5 Robert D S Brown
6 Michael E C Mears (C)

EXETER, Devon, S Mark

Thu May 4 1995 2h44 (12)

5056 Heathrow S. Major

Comp. A M Barber

1 Frank D Mack
2 Mervyn C Way
3 Richard C Shere
4 Matthew H Weighell
5 Peter L Bill
6 David P Macey
7 Robert D S Brown
8 Michael E C Mears (C)

SHEEPWASH, Devon
S Lawrence

Sat May 6 1995 2h42 (12)

5040 Apathy S. Minor

1 Rev Robert A

Southwood
2 Patricia A M Halls
3 Fr Lester J Yeo
4 Peter L Bill
5 Michael E C Mears
6 Peter J Sawyer (C)

Rung by members of the
General Committee prior to
the Guild AGM.

THORVERTON, Devon

S Thomas

Thu May 11 1995 2h51 (15)

5040 East Devon S. Royal

Comp. J Clatworthy

1 Richard C Shere
2 Peter L Bill
3 Howard W Egglestone
4 Frank D Mack
5 Simon K Glanfield
6 Charles P Quartley
7 Timothy E Barnaby
8 James Grant
9 D John Hunt
10 Michael E C Mears (C)
1100th peal as conductor.
For the 25th East Devon Art
Festival. First peal in the
method. East Devon S.
Royal.

-30-14-50-16-70-58-34-30-
18-90 le 12 b

STOKE IN TEIGNHEAD,
Devon, S Andrew

Mon May 15 1995 2h34 (10)

5040 Plain Bob Minor

1 Rev Philip Darby

2 Rev Robert A
Southwood
3 Frank D Mack
4 Simon K Glanfield
5 Philip Stevens
6 Michael E C Mears (C)
To mark the formation of the
Newton Abbot & Ipplepen
Deanery (Philip Darby is a
rural dean).

DERBY D.A.

BELPER, Derbys, S Peter
Thu May 4 1995 2h52 (14)

**5152 Huntingdonshire S.
Major**

(27 course block reduced)

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

80th birthday compliment
to Jack Dark, ringer at
Belper for many years. 84th
birthday compliment to Ines
Boden, mother of Jane.
Also to welcome Stuart
John Whitelock, born May
3rd 1995, son of Ruth and
John Whitelock, both
ringers at St James,
Whitehaven, Cumbria.

WESTMINSTER, London
S Martin in the Fields

Sat May 13 1995 3h29 (29)

5042 Yorkshire S. Maximus

Comp. Roderick W Pipe

1 Gordon A Halls
2 Patricia A M Halls (C)
3 Jane E Boden
4 Pamela J Timms
5 Revd David H Sansum
6 Timothy Wylie
7 Roger J Lawson
8 Anthony P Cotton
9 John E Heaton
10 Tony Laughton
11 David Kingman
12 David Hird
50th together; 1 & 8. First
Yorkshire S. Maximus and
100th for the Association; 4.
A 10th anniversary of
learning to ring; 8.

DERBY, Derbys, S Peter
Wed May 10 1995 2h59 (12)

5088 Spliced S. Major

(6m: 1152 Rutland; 1056
Cambridge; 864
Lincolnshire, Yorkshire; 576
Superlative, Lincolnshire)
Comp. Murray A Coleman
1 Jane Temple
2 Ian Bennett
3 Cheryl L Dodge
4 Jane E Boden
5 Simon E Melen
6 Pamela J Timms
7 Richard J Hamby (C)
8 Peter S Lacy
Most Spliced; 2. 150th peal;
6. Rung as a wedding
compliment to Paul and
Ruth Jopp, and an
important birthday
compliment to Elizabeth
Heaton.
(Method detail as
submitted).

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE
ASSN.**

DARLINGTON, Co Durham
S John

Sat Apr 1 1995 2h45 (10)

5280 Glasgow S. Major

Comp. N J Pitstow

1 Andrew D Twineham
2 Clare Y Caley
3 W John Grainger
4 Paul N Harden
5 Peter J Williamson
6 Conrad D Warford
7 Ronald R Warford
8 David Hird (C)
First Glasgow; 2,4,6.

SUNDERLAND,

Tyne & Wear, S Michael

Wed May 10 1995 2h45 (12)

5056 Cotswold S. Major

Comp. G H Cross

1 George S Deas
2 Becky Cubitt
3 Barbara M Wheeler
4 Barbara Davies
5 Conrad D Warford
6 Oliver D Cross
7 Rachael H Dyson
8 Ronald R Warford (C)

STRANTON, Cleveland
All Saints

Fri May 19 1995 2h40 (13)

5088 Spliced S. Major

(4m: 1344 each Yorkshire,
Lincolnshire; 1248
Cambridge; 1152 Rutland;
98com atw)

Comp. M C W Sherwood

1 Joanne M Gardner
2 Christopher A Cooper (C)
3 Kristopher King
4 Richard A M Turner
5 Kelvin Appleby
6 Sam J C Corley
7 Duncan G Walker
8 G Jessica Davies
1st on 8; 1. 1st spliced; 3, 6;
1st major as conductor.
40th Birthday compliment
to Stephen and Julie Taylor.

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NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE,
Tyne & Wear
S John the Baptist
Sat May 13 1995 2h36 (11)
5040 St Simon's Triples
Comp. P J Sanderson
1 George S Deas
2 Clive R Moon
3 Elizabeth Dunford
4 Barbara Davies
5 Stephen B Bell
6 Patrick M Wheeler
7 Ronald R Warford (C)
8 Barbara M Wheeler
First in method for all
except 5. 50th birthday
compliment to Barbara
Wheeler.

ELY D.A.

MELDRETH, Cambs.
Holy Trinity
Sat Mar 4 1995 2h38 (10)
5120 Stagnite S. Major
Comp. J M Goldthorpe
1 Christopher E J Kilgour
2 David J Hawkins
3 Nich R Wilson
4 Geoffrey Pearson
5 Michael Beadman
6 Jason R Turnock
7 Michael J Purday
8 Ian K Bushell (C)
First peal in the method.
Stagnite S. Major
-36-14.56.12-38-14-3458-14-
58 le 12 f. 14263857
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out (cd) £6.80

MELDRETH, Cambs.
Holy Trinity
Thu Apr 6 1995 2h40
5152 Richmond S. Major
Comp. D W Beard
1 John G Gipson
2 E Jane Sibson
3 Adam W Kilgour
4 Geoffrey Pearson
5 Ian K Bushell
6 Derek E Sibson (C)
7 Katherine A Hinchliffe
8 Jason R Turnock
First peal in the method by
all the band except 1 & 6.

TRUMPINGTON, Cambs.
SS Mary & Michael
Thu Apr 6 1995 2h43
5216 Spiced S. Major
(4m: 1344 Superlative; 1312
Bristol, Cambridge; 1248
Richmond: 111 com. atw.)
Comp. S Jenner from A J
Pitman
1 Tracey A de Bruyne
2 E Jane Sibson
3 Katherine A Hinchliffe
4 Adam W Kilgour
5 Ian K Bushell
6 Derek E Sibson (C)
7 Walter Hunt
8 Jason R Turnock

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MELDRETH, Cambs.
Holy Trinity
Fri Apr 7 1995 2h36
5056 Waladli S. Major
Comp. D W Beard
1 Tracey A de Bruyne
2 E Jane Sibson
3 Katherine A Hinchliffe
4 John G Gipson
5 Adam W Kilgour
6 Derek E Sibson (C)
7 Walter Hunt
8 Ian K Bushell
First peal in the method.
Waladli S. Major
j -58-14.58-56.1238-14-
38.56.34.16.38 le 18

MELDRETH, Cambs.
Holy Trinity
Fri Apr 21 1995 2h47
5120 Duomilia S. Major
Comp. D W Beard
1 Donald F Murfet
2 E Jane Sibson
3 W Eric Critchley
4 Geoffrey Pearson
5 Walter Hunt
6 Derek E Sibson (C)
7 Katherine A Hinchliffe
8 John G Gipson
The conductor's 2000th
tower bell peal. First peal in
the method; 3,7.

MELDRETH, Cambs.
Holy Trinity
Fri Apr 28 1995 2h46
5120 Guadeloupe S. Major
Comp. D W Beard
1 Michael G Purday
2 E Jane Sibson
3 Ian K Bushell
4 Geoffrey Pearson
5 Ian W Davies
6 Derek E Sibson (C)
7 Tony Sansom
8 John G Gipson
First peal in the method.
Guadeloupe S. Major
d -58-14.58-58.16-12-58-16-
18 le 12

TRUMPINGTON, Cambs.
SS Mary & Michael
Mon May 15 1995 2h48 (11)
5024 Rutland S. Major
Comp. N Smith
1 Dorothea M Robotham
2 Catherina E Griffiths
3 Elizabeth M Griffiths
4 Tracey A de Bruyne
5 Donald F Murfet
6 Timothy W Griffiths
7 Richard J Tibbetts
8 John R Mayne (C)
First peal in the method; 3.

ICKLETON, Cambs.
S Mary Magdelene
Sat May 6 1995 3h1 (19)
5056 New Cambridge S. Major
Comp. Arthur Knight
1 Timothy W Griffiths
2 Catherina E Griffiths
3 Adam S Greenley
4 Philip J Wilding
5 D Graham Hall
6 Jason R Turnock
7 Ian M Holland
8 Thomas W Griffiths (C)
Rung as a birthday
compliment to Leslie Lilley,
83 today.

SHOREDITCH, London E
S Leonard
Sun Apr 9 1995 3h30
5040 Yorkshire S. Maximus
Comp. F T Blagrove
1 Stephanie J Pattenden
2 Joan Summerhayes
3 E Jane Sibson
4 David P Westerman
5 Graham A Duke
6 John G Gipson
7 John S Barnes
8 Andrew D Sibson
9 Ian N Willgress
10 Derek E Sibson (C)
11 David J Garton
12 Peter M Fleckney
2000th peal; 10.

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL
D.A.

EAST ILSLEY, Berks.
S Mary
Sat Apr 8 1995 2h38 (9)
5024 Spiced S. Major
(10m: 576 Rutland; 544
Chesterfield, Pudsey; 512
Adelaide, Cambridge,
Lindum; 480 Brighton,
London; 448 Superlative;
416 Bristol: 135 com. atw.)
Comp. R G Crosland
1 Dorothea M Robotham
2 Anita D Sherriff
3 John C Sheppard
4 Ian J Carey
5 Robert W Sherriff
6 Desmond L Jones
7 Anthony R Peake
8 John R Mayne (C)

PRESTBURY, Glos, S Mary
Sat Apr 29 1995 2h50 (13)
5088 Spiced S. Major
(6m: 1344 Rutland; 768
Cambridge, Lincolnshire,
Superlative, Yorkshire; 672
Uxbridge: 128 com.)
Comp. J R Ridley
1 Mark B Davies
2 Ian P Unsworth
3 Jane D Bull
4 Anne Anthony
5 Christopher K Cooper
6 Cyril A Wratten
7 John R Ridley (C)
8 Andrew M Bull
To mark 25 years as a ringer;
4. 25th together; 2 & 6.

STRATTON ST MARGARET,
Wilts, S Margaret of Antioch
Fri May 5 1995 2h41 (8)
5184 Hydrogen S. Major
Comp. Anthony R Peake
1 Brian Bladon
2 Richard L Thumwood
3 Desmond L Jones
4 Anita D Sherriff
5 Robert W Sherriff
6 John R Ridley
7 Anthony R Peake (C)
8 John C Sheppard

HERTFORD C.A.

GAMLINGAY, Cambs.
S Mary
Sun Apr 23 1995 2h58 (19)
5040 Surprise Minor
(15m: (1) Cambridge,
Primrose, Bourne, Hull,
Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick,
Hexham, York, Durham; (2)
London, Wells; (3) Beverley,
Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham,
York, Durham; (4)
Cambridge, Ipswich,
Bourne, Primrose, Norfolk,
Hull; (5) Cambridge,
Beverley, Surfleet; (6)
Norwich; (7) Cambridge,
Ipswich)
1 Robert J Crocker
2 Richard Sales
3 Frank W Rivett
4 Russell A Brown
5 Peter G C Ellis (C)
6 Colin M Turner

ST ALBANS, Herts, S Peter
Sat May 13 1995 3h21 (24)
5040 Bristol S. Royal
Comp. G A Duke
1 Ian K Bushell
2 Dorothea M Robotham
3 Clare Watson
4 Anthony J Crowther
5 Bjorn E Bradstock
6 Richard Sales
7 Graham A Duke (C)
8 Gerald Penney
9 Ian G Campbell
10 John R Mayne
First of Bristol Royal; 3,4,5,6.
With best wishes to Mark
Regan and Alison Surry on
their wedding today.

BUSHEY, Herts.
S James the Apostle
Tue May 16 1995 2h39 (12)
5184 Montgomery S. Major
Comp. Richard J W Tibbetts
1 Richard J W Tibbetts
2 Andrew J W Tibbetts
3 Valerie J Simmonds
4 Peter F Windley
5 Claire F Edwards
6 Roger Baldwin
7 Stuart P B Talbot
8 J Alan Ainsworth (C)
First peal in the method by
all save 6.

KENT C.A.

CRAYFORD, Kent
S Paulinus
Mon May 1 1995 2h49 (12)
5040 Grandsire Triples
Comp. Parker's Twelve Part
1 Simon J Davies
2 Ann M Saunders
3 David S Osenton
4 Michael J Gentry
5 Rupert J Cheeseman
6 Alexander J Britton
7 Richard A Pearce (C)
8 Peter Beresford
Rung half-muffled in
memory of William E Bond,
a ringer at this church for
over 65 years.

BERMONDSEY, London
S James
Sat May 6 1995 3h10 (14)
5024 Spiced S. Major
(8m: 608 London,
Cambridge, Lincolnshire;
640 Bristol, Rutland,
Yorkshire, Pudsey;
Superlative: 120 com. atw.)
Comp. N J Diserens
1 John B Keeler
2 David W Grimwood
3 Simon R Robertson
4 Vanessa J Martin
5 Clare J Larter
6 Stephen A Coaker
7 Philip H Larter (C)
8 Mark P Gilham
First 8-spliced; 3. Rung in
thanksgiving for the life of
Stanley Harding,
grandfather of ringers of 3 &
5, who died on 4 May.

EAST FARLEIGH, Kent
The Parish Church
Tue May 9 1995 2h43 (7)
5280 Spiced S. Major
(6m: 960 London; 928
Watford; 896 Bristol; 832
Cambridge, Pudsey,
Superlative: 128 com. atw.)
Comp. A J Pitman
1 Thomas Cullingworth
2 Michael A Birkbeck
3 Vanessa J Martin
4 Revd David W
Grimwood
5 Catherine N Merlane
6 Fr David A Gibbons
7 John B Keeler (C)
8 Mark P Gilham
250th together; 5 & 7.

BROMLEY, Kent
SS Peter & Paul
Sat May 13 1995 3h6 (16)
5120 Spiced S. Major
(5m: 1280 Cambridge,
Superlative; 960 Bristol; 800
London, Rutland: 135 com.)
Comp. S Jenner
1 Peter Beresford
2 David P Hilling (C)
3 David P Macey
4 Michael A Birkbeck
5 Keith R Wakefield
6 Thomas M Barlow
7 Michael P Moreton
8 Matthew J Hilling
An eighteenth birthday
compliment to Matthew
Hilling (11/05/95).

LONG MELFORD, Suffolk
Holy Trinity
Sat May 13 1995 2h58 (15)
5184 Yorkshire S. Major
Comp. Anthony J Cox
1 Andrew M Farmer
2 Rachael L Eagle
3 Philip A B Saddleton
4 Fr David A Gibbons
5 Neil W Jones
6 Richard A Pearce
7 Stephen A Wheeler (C)
8 Dickon R Love

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LAVENHAM, Suffolk
SS Peter & Paul
Sat May 13 1995 3h10 (21)
5184 Double Norwich C.B. Major

Comp. Robert E J Dennis
1 Fr David A Gibbons
2 Dickon R Love
3 Rachael L Eagle
4 Richard A Pearce
5 Andrew M Farmer
6 Philip A B Saddleton
7 Stephen A Wheeler (C)
8 Neil W Jones

MAIDSTONE, Kent
All Saints
Tue May 16 1995 3h8 (32)
5000 Bristol S. Royal
Comp. C M Wulkau

1 Vanessa J Martin
2 Philip H Larter
3 Catherine N Merlane
4 Hugh Neill
5 Mark P Gilham
6 Michael A Birkbeck
7 Thomas Cullingworth
8 Thomas M Barlow
9 John B Keeler (C)
10 David C Brown
200th together; 1 & 9.

LANCASHIRE ASSN.

WIGAN, Gtr Manchester
All Saints
Sat Apr 30 1995 3h4 (29)
5039 Grandsire Caters

Comp. A M Tyler
1 Ernie W Runciman
2 Carol L Dawes
3 Susan P Meyer
4 Keith M Taylor
5 Stephen N Whittleton
6 Trevor R Fox
7 Simon S Meyer (C)
8 Bryan J McCahey
9 James E Andrews
10 Barry Hale
First on 10; 6. To welcome home Wigan Rugby Club following their 8th successive victory at Wembley.

WOODCHURCH,
Merseyside, Holy Cross
Wed May 17 1995 2h34 (4)
5040 Grandsire Triples
Comp. Parker's 12 part

1 Christina D A Hassard-Jones
2 Raymond Woods
3 Ernest W Runciman
4 Jeanette Miller
5 Susan D Sparling
6 Andrew W Gordon
7 Peter M Fleckney
8 Hugh Hassard-Jones
First peal inside; 4. First on 8; 8. First Grandsire Triples inside; 7. (No conductor given).

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ACCRINGTON, Lancs.
S James
Sun Apr 30 1995 3h2 (11)
5040 Double Norwich C.B. Caters

Comp. C Woods
1 Joseph Thornley
2 John P Partington
3 Walter E Wilkinson
4 Geoffrey Fothergill
5 Cyril Crossthwaite
6 Alan McNutt
7 Geoffrey R Gardner
8 Peter G Bellamy-Knights
9 Colin Woods (C)
10 Malcolm Murphy

LEICESTER D.G.

KINGSNORTON, Leics.
S John the Baptist
Sat Apr 29 1995 3h8 (19)
5056 Bristol S. Major

Comp. A J Cox
1 Anthony J Fisher
2 Gail L Wade
3 Mark J Pendery
4 Ian Mellor
5 Terry M Astill
6 Christopher M Rudge
7 E Alan Jacques
8 Mark A Boylan (C)

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Michael and Franca Parker, married earlier this day. Also rung as a retirement compliment to father of the 3rd. 30th birthday of 5th ringer. 50th peal on the bells since restoration.

LOCKINGTON, Leics.
S Nicholas
Wed May 10 1995 2h52 (14)
5042 Yorkshire S. Maximus

Comp. John Worth
1 Brian G Warwick (C)
2 Elizabeth A Betts
3 Winifred M Warwick
4 Brian S Chapman
5 Timothy Wylie
6 Frank E Coales
7 Roland W Morant
8 Brian E Mozley
9 Philip J H Hudson
10 Ian N Robinson
11 Gail L Wade
12 David Kingman

SALTBY, Leics, S Peter
Wed May 17 1995 2h49 (12)
5040 Spiced S. Royal
(6m: 880 Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Superlative (No 2), Pudsey; 800 Cambridge; 720 Rutland: 53 com. atw.)

Comp. Michael Maughan
1 Brian G Warwick (C)
2 Elizabeth A Betts
3 Winifred M Warwick
4 Gail L Wade
5 Timothy Wylie
6 Frank E Coales
7 Roland W Morant
8 Brian E Mozley
9 Philip J H Hudson
10 David Kingman
The is the 2,400th peal which the conductor has rung (conducted 1,913).

LEICESTER, Leics.
S Martin's Cathedral
Sat Apr 29 1995 3h24 (25)
5040 Lincolnshire S. Royal

1 Stephen J Peverett
2 Gail L Wade
3 Pamela J Fisher
4 Francis W Fisher
5 Robert C Graves
6 Richard C L Brown
7 Garry W Mason
8 Stephen H Stanford
9 Mark A Boylan
10 Terry M Astill (C)
100th peal; 3. First on 10 as conductor.

TICKNALL, Derbys.
S George
Mon May 15 1995 2h46 (9)
5040 Plain Bob Royal

Comp. J Armiger Trollope
1 Brian G Warwick (C)
2 Patricia A M Halls
3 Elizabeth A Betts
4 Winifred M Warwick
5 Brian S Chapman
6 Burley P Morris
7 Philip J H Hudson
8 Revd Reginald J Stretton
9 Rosemary R A Ross
10 Canon Frederick Ross
Circled the tower; 9.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics.
Bell Foundry Campanile
Tue May 16 1995 2h28 (6)
5024 Yorkshire S. Major
Comp. G M Bradshaw

1 Colin Lord
2 Richard C L Brown
3 Revd Reginald J Stretton
4 Timothy Wylie
5 Frank Chambers
6 E Alan Jacques
7 Roland Beniston
8 Andrew D Higson (C)
With best wishes for a speedy recovery to Ralph Elkington after his involvement with a lorry.

LICHFIELD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

KINGSBURY, Warks.
SS Peter & Paul
Tue Feb 14 1995 2h55 (17)
5152 Warwickshire S. Major

Comp. Michael Maughan
1 Sally A Mason
2 Andrew W Gordon
3 Matthew Lawrence
4 Andrew E Else
5 John F Mulvey
6 Andrew C Ogden
7 Michael Maughan (C)
8 R Kingsley Mason

DERBY, All Saints Cathedral
Sat Apr 1 1995 3h13 (19)
5040 Cambridge S. Royal

Comp. P Border
1 John F Mulvey
2 Andrew E Else
3 Matthew Lawrence
4 William J Hall
5 Andrew Sibson
6 Maurice F Edwards
7 Michael Maughan (C)
8 Andrew W Gordon
9 John E Heaton
10 R Kingsley Mason

KINGSBURY, Warks.
SS Peter & Paul
Tue May 2 1995 2h55 (17)
5024 Bristol S. Major

Comp. M A Coleman
1 Matthew Lawrence
2 Amanda E Chaddock
3 Lesley J Brown
4 Andrew C Ogden
5 Andrew E Else
6 Maurice F Edwards
7 Michael Maughan (C)
8 John F Mulvey
In memory of Robert Farmer, a ringer at Kingsbury for over 25 years, who died suddenly aged 46 years.

KINGSBURY, Warks.
SS Peter & Paul
Tue May 9 1995 3h11 (17)
5184 Spiced S. Major

(6m: 1152 Rutland; 960 Yorkshire; 768 Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative: 149 com.)
Comp. M C W Sherwood
1 Sally A Mason
2 Zoe A P Rook
3 Andrew E Else
4 Matthew Lawrence
5 John F Mulvey
6 Andrew C Ogden
7 Michael Maughan (C)
8 Andrew W Gordon
First 6-spiced; 2. 250th peal on the bells.

PENSNETT, W Yorks.
S Mark
Fri May 12 1995 3h2 (10)
5152 Yorkshire S. Major

Comp. P D Niblett
1 Gail K Baggott
2 Zoe A P Rook
3 David J Bateman
4 Matthew Lawrence
5 Andrew W Gordon
6 Rachel D Carter
7 Andrew C Ogden
8 Anthony R Marsden (C)
First Surprise Major as conductor.

KINGSBURY, Warks.
SS Peter & Paul
Tue May 16 1995 3h (17)
5056 Spiced S. Major
(8m: 768 Rutland, Lincolnshire, Yorkshire, Pudsey; 576 Cambridge, Superlative; 448 Bristol; 384 London: 141 com.)

Comp. M C W Sherwood
1 Sally A Mason
2 Andrew E Else
3 Richard Chantler
4 Matthew Lawrence
5 John F Mulvey
6 Andrew C Ogden
7 Michael Maughan (C)
8 Andrew W Gordon
First 8-spiced; 3.

MEOLE BRACE, Salop.
Holy Trinity
Sat May 13 1995 2h44 (7)
5024 Heythrop S. Major

Comp. N Smith
1 Christopher A Duckett
2 Lucy Smith
3 John F Mulvey
4 Rachel D Carter
5 John P Burton
6 David J Bateman
7 S Geoffrey Pick (C)
8 Clive M Smith
First in the method by all. 100th tower for a peal; 5.

LINCOLN D.G.

LINCOLN, Lincs, S Giles
Wed May 10 1995 3h (18)
5024 Rutland S. Major

Comp. N Smith
1 Barbara Clipsham
2 Peter A Sharp (C)
3 Judith J Williamson
4 Beryl N Reed
5 Geoffrey R Parker
6 Colin W Reed
7 David Fox
8 Ian Lloyd

BICKER, Lincs, S Swithin
Mon May 15 1995 2h52 (8)
5184 Superlative S. Major
Comp. B D Price

1 Robert W Lee
2 Sue Buckingham
3 Margaret A Parker
4 Ruth Richardson
5 Geoffrey R Parker
6 Andrew M Farmer
7 Paul F Curtis
8 Keith N Buckingham (C)
First in method as conductor.

MIDDLESEX C.A. & LONDON D.G.

STAINES, Middx, S Peter
Sat Mar 25 1995 2h59 (15)
5088 Belfast S. Major
Comp. S D Chandler (CCC 130)

1 Peter N Felton
2 Roger Bailey (C)
3 Stephen J F Mitchell
4 Christopher H Shaw
5 Geraldine R Forster
6 Robert M Wood
7 Michael J Trimm
8 Philip A B Saddleton
First peal of Belfast; 3,4.

CITY OF LONDON
S Sepulchre without Newgate
Mon May 1 1995 3h31 (28)
5152 Aldersgate S. Major

Comp. A N Tyler
1 Roderick R Horton
2 Geoffrey C Sparling
3 Vanessa Powell
4 James R S Sawle (C)
5 Dickon R Love
6 Stephen A Coaker
7 J Alan Ainsworth
8 Andrew Blacklock

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LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH D.A.

LLANISHEN, S Glamorgan
S Isan
Fri Apr 28 1995 2h18 (3)
5040 Minor
(3m: 2 extents each
Cambridge S., Kent T.B., 3
extents Plain Bob)

1 Robert E Hardy
2 Debbie J Barnes
3 Sarah E Moore
4 Katherine M Wright
5 Samantha M Farrar
6 Simon C Farrar (C)
Most methods to a peal: 5.
In thanksgiving for the life
of Tony Baker.

ABERDARE, Mid Glam.
S Elvan
Tue May 16 1995 3h4 (16)
5040 Plain Bob Triples

Comp. R Bailey
1 Susan H Lloyd
2 Douglas C Dabb
3 Kathleen M Johnson
4 Paul C Johnson
5 Douglas G Davison
6 Malcolm T Johns
7 Alwyn R Lewis (C)
8 Charles Loft
First on 8; 8. For the 60th
anniversary of the re-
hanging of the bells. Also in
memory of the mother of
Anne and mother-in-law of
Philip Evans (Philip
withdrawing from this peal
at short notice). 80p

LONDON C.A.

CITY OF LONDON, EC2
S Vedast, Foster Lane
Sat Apr 22 1995 3h11 (16)
5040 Minor
(7m: one extent each
Cambridge S., Beverley S.,
London S., Kent T.B., St
Clements College Bob,
Double Oxford Bob, Plain
Bob)

1 David Holdridge
2 Jonathan P Deane
3 Rachel C Billinge
4 Jill M Hupman
5 Michael J Wigney
6 John E Hawes (C)
Most methods; 3. For the
wedding of David Holdridge
and Ruth Harrison,
Association Master and
Secretary.

CROYDON, Surrey
St Peter
Sat May 13 1995 3h21 (30)
5000 Spliced S. Royal
(5m: 1000 Bristol,
Cambridge, London No. 3,
Superlative No. 2, Wotton
Rivers; 109 com; atw)
Comp. R C Kippin

1 Dennis A Hewitt
2 Simon J Davies
3 Nicholas W H Simon
4 Shirley E McGill
5 Alison McCormack
6 R Mark Esbester
7 Simon J Gay (C)
8 Graham L Ayler
9 Lucinda J C Reeve
10 Robert C Kippin

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY

ISLE OF DOGS, London E14
Christ Church
Mon Mar 20 1995 2h40 (12)
5024 Spliced S. Major
(8m: 640 Bristol,
Cambridge, Pudsey,
Rutland, Superlative,
Yorkshire; 608 London; 576
Lincolnshire; 119 com. atw.)
Comp. Noel J Diserens
1 Dickon R Love
2 Samantha J Hovey
3 Michael J Trimmm (C)
4 Vanessa Powell
5 James R S Sawle
6 Mark C Bennett
7 Simon J Gay
8 Ian R Fielding
First Spliced Major; 2.

NON-ASSOCIATION

LEIGHTON BUZZARD, Beds.
All Saints
Sat Apr 8 1995 3h35 (35)
5184 Bristol S. Maximus
Comp. attributable to D G
Hull
1 Laura H MacMahon
2 Ann Wilby
3 Rosalind J Keech
4 Paul L Carless
5 David J Pipe (C)
6 Andrew M Keech
7 Jonathan R Pawley
8 Frank W Rivett
9 Simon J Poole
10 Christopher J Pickford
11 Andrew W R Wilby
12 Michael P A Wilby
First Bristol S. Maximus; 7.
Rung to mark the 60th
anniversary of the birth of
Mr George W Pipe of
Suffolk.

TOWCESTER, Northants.
S Lawrence
Sat Apr 22 1995 3h11 (24)
5050 Stedman Cinques
Comp. D G Hull

1 Michael P A Wilby
2 B Gillian Fielden
3 Andrew W R Wilby
4 Ann Wilby
5 Susan L Apter
6 David J Pipe (C)
7 Alan D Flood
8 John H Fielden
9 Alison K Surry
10 Ian G Campbell
11 Mark Regan
12 Martin G Faulkes
Circled the tower; 1,3.
Specially arranged to
celebrate the birthdays of
Ann Wilby and Gill Fielden,
for whom the peal length
was composed.

STOW BARDOLPH, Norfolk
Holy Trinity
Sat May 13 1995 2h45 (10)
5040 Stedman Triples
Arr. J Pladdys (No 25)
1 John Hyden
2 Sally A Mason
3 Margaret Whiteley
4 John Pladdys (C)
5 Stephen E G Young
6 Ian M Holland
7 Peter G C Ellis
8 Jenny M A Astridge
First Stedman; 5.

LONDON, EC2
S Mary-le-Bow
Sat May 13 1995 3h20 (42)
5019 Stedman Cinques
Comp. D E House
1 Alan D Flood
2 Joanna M Linford
3 Susan L Apter
4 Linda M Garton
5 Roger D Bailey
6 David E House (C)
7 Ian Roulstone
8 Ian D Harris
9 Alan Regin
10 John P Loveless
11 Christopher J Pickford
12 Michael E C Mears
To celebrate the marriage
this day of Mark Regan and
Alison Surry.

BEETLEY, Norfolk
S Mary Magdalene
Sat May 13 1995 2h24 (4)
5040 Stedman Triples
Arr. J Pladdys (No 1)
1 Sally A Mason
2 Jenny Bell
3 John Pladdys (C)
4 Jenny M A Astridge
5 Peter J Adcock
6 Martin J Whiteley
7 R Kingsley Mason
8 John Hyden
First Stedman; 2.

KINGS LYNN, Norfolk
S Margaret
Sun May 14 1995 3h15 (30)
5079 Stedman Caters
Comp. J Pladdys
1 Sally A Mason
2 John Pladdys (C)
3 Jenny M A Astridge
4 John Hyden
5 Stephanie J Warboys
6 C Barrie Dove
7 Martin J Whiteley
8 Peter G C Ellis
9 John S Warboys
10 Michael E C Mears
All the band extend their
good wishes to Mark Regan
and Alison Surry on their
wedding.

KENSINGTON, Middx.
S Mary Abbots
Thu May 25 1995 3h27 (32)
5040 Lincolnshire S. Royal
Comp. L J C Reeve
1 Rachel C Billinge
2 John E Hawes
3 Patricia Medley
4 Roger Bailey
5 C Michael H Brady
6 Nicholas W H Simon
7 Simon J Gay (C)
8 David Holdridge
9 James W Belshaw
10 Lucinda J C Reeve
First of Royal: 1. First of
Royal inside: 5. For
Ascension Day.

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KENNINGHALL, Norfolk
S Mary the Virgin
Sat May 13 1995 2h40 (16)
5040 Stedman Triples
Arr. J Pladdys (No 14)
1 Sally A Mason
2 John Pladdys (C)
3 J Martin Thorley
4 Jenny M A Astridge
5 Peter G C Ellis
6 Ian M Holland
7 Martin J Whiteley
8 John Hyden

NORTH STAFFS ASSN

MARKET DRAYTON, Shrop.
S Mary
Sat May 20 1995 2h59 (17)
5024 Bristol S. Major
Comp. S J Ivin
1 Margaret Jones
2 Michael Wilshaw (C)
3 David J Baskerville
4 Harold Dowler
5 Charles A S Webb
6 Christopher Adams
7 Selwyn G Jones
8 Ralph B Mitchell

OXFORD D.G.

BIERTON, Bucks, S James
Sat Apr 29 1995 2h56 (12)
5040 Plain Bob Minor
1 Peter R Fay
2 John R Whitham
3 Alan R Hooper
4 Philip M Dunn
5 John D Keates
6 Andrew G Lancey (C)
First on a working bell; 1.
Retirement compliment to
the Revd. Michael Whalley
(Vicar).

WITHINGTON, Glos.
S Michael
Sun Apr 30 1995 2h42 (11)
5040 Spliced S. Minor
(17m: Chester, Munden,
Alnwick, Newcastle,
Lincoln, Northumberland,
Lightfoot, Wearmouth,
Beverley, Surfleet,
Cambridge, Carlisle,
Coldstream, Netherseale,
Stamford, Durham, Ipswich)
1 Clive Holloway
2 Nicola J Crichton
3 Martin J Whiteley
4 Richard L Thumwood
5 Peter G C Ellis (C)
6 Colin M Turner

CHALFONT ST GILES,
Bucks, S Giles
Thu May 11 1995 2h48 (10)
5088 London S. Major
Comp. James W Washbrook
1 M Ann Bethell
2 J Alan Ainsworth
3 Valerie J Simmonds
4 Ian Roulstone
5 Ian J Rees-Heaver
6 Peter F Windley
7 Hugh Neill (C)
8 John C Davidge
First peal in the method; 5.
To mark 30 years as a ringer;
5. Rung with the best
wishes of the band to
George Swift who is at
present in hospital.

YORK, N Yorks
S Martin-le-Grand
Sat May 13 1995 2h49 (10)
5056 Bristol S. Major
Comp. A J Cox
1 Robert H Newton
2 Nicola J Crichton
3 David F Moore
4 Bernard F L Groves
5 Timothy G Pett
6 Patricia M Newton
7 John R Martin (C)
8 Colin M Turner

SUNNINGWELL, Oxon.
S Leonard
Mon May 15 1995 2h36 (9)
5040 Surprise Minor
(7m: 720 each of London,
Wells, York, Durham,
Beverley, Surfleet &
Cambridge)
1 Bernard J Stone
2 Charlotte Everett
3 Colin M Turner
4 Nicola J Crichton
5 Clive Holloway
6 Timothy G Pett (C)
Rung as a farewell to the
Rev Keith Kinnaird, parish
priest for 13 years, who is
moving to Shoreham,
Sussex.

EAST ILSLEY, Berks.
S Mary
Thu Jun 1 1995 2h43 (9)
5152 Meitnerium S. Major
Comp. A J Cox & S
Humphrey
1 Bernard J Stone
2 Brian Bladon
3 Timothy G Pett (C)
4 Nicola J Crichton
5 Claire F Edwards
6 Colin M Turner
7 Peter Bridle
8 Peter Border

PETERBOROUGH D.G.

EBBW VALE, Mid Glam.
Christ Church
Sat Apr 22 1995 3h15
5088 Bristol S. Major
Comp. S Jenner
1 Bill Blowfield
2 E Jane Sibson
3 David P Westerman
4 Katherine A Hinchliffe
5 Andrew J Mead
6 Derek E Sibson (C)
7 David J Garton
8 Peter M Fleckney

BURTON LATIMER,
Northants
S Mary the Virgin
Tue Apr 25 1995 2h43
5120 Ruby S. Major
Comp. A J Cox
1 Susan M Jones
2 E Jane Sibson
3 W Eric Critchley
4 John G Gipson
5 Tony Sansom
6 Derek E Sibson (C)
7 Ian N Willgress
8 Murray A Coleman
First peal in the method by
all the band.

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

TOWCESTER, Northants.
S Lawrence

Sat Mar 4 1995 3h25 (24)

5042 Cambridge S.

Maximus

Comp. R W Pipe

- 1 Ann Wilby
 - 2 Alison M Brookbanks
 - 3 Margaret J Bulleid
 - 4 David J Pipe
 - 5 Laura H MacMahon
 - 6 Joanne C Lovell
 - 7 Lynn M Walters
 - 8 Anthony M Daw
 - 9 Christopher E Bulleid
 - 10 George E Green
 - 11 Michael P A Wilby
 - 12 Andrew W R Wilby (C)
- 50th peal; 5. With the best wishes to Andrew Warboys for a speedy recovery.

ISLIP, Northants.

S Nicholas

Wed Apr 26 1995 2h49 (12)

5040 Surprise Minor

(9m: (1) London; (2) Beverley, Surfleet; (3,4) Cambridge, Ipswich; (5) Wells; (6) York, Durham; (7) Norwich)

- 1 Robert J Crocker
- 2 M J Bill Blowfield
- 3 Andrew M Farmer
- 4 Christopher J Pickford
- 5 Peter G C Ellis (C)
- 6 Colin M Turner

SWEPSTONE, Leics.

S Peter

Wed May 3 1995 2h33 (11)

5040 Surprise Minor

(8m: Carlisle, Primrose, York, Wells, Norwich, Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet)

- 1 Garry W Mason
- 2 Michael D Fiander
- 3 David P Westerman
- 4 Andrew M Farmer
- 5 Peter G C Ellis (C)
- 6 Colin M Turner

NORTHAMPTON,

Northants, S Giles

Sat May 13 1995 3h16 (25)

5040 Cambridge S. Royal

Comp. W E Critchley

- 1 Nicholas J Parsons
 - 2 Andrew R Wignell
 - 3 Judith M Corby
 - 4 W Eric Critchley
 - 5 Helen R Coleman
 - 6 Brenda M Dixon
 - 7 Robin H Rogers
 - 8 Nicholas A Churchman
 - 9 Frank E Coales
 - 10 Murray A Coleman (C)
- First Surprise Royal; 2. First Cambridge Royal; 5.

RUSHTON, Northants.

All Saints

Thu May 18 1995 2h34 (9)

5040 Minor

(3m: (1) St Clements; (2-5) Cambridge S.; (6-7) Plain Bob)

- 1 E Ray Berryman
- 2 Elizabeth A Betts
- 3 Winifred M Warwick
- 4 Bryony P H Dorrington
- 5 Burley P Morris
- 6 Brian G Warwick (C)

BULWICK, Northants.

S Nicholas

Wed Apr 19 1995 2h47 (10)

5040 Doubles

(27m: one extent each

Maltby, Chevasse, Callender, Montgomeryshire, Twineham, Bampton, Fifield, St Oven, New, Huntspill, St Vedast, Blaisdon; two extents each Westminster, Blackburn, St Hilary, Dragon, St Nicholas, Winchendon, St Remigius, Huntley, St Simon, St Martin, St Osmund, Eynesbury, Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury, Plain)

- 1 William H Hulme
- 2 M J Bill Blowfield
- 3 Peter G C Ellis (C)
- 4 Colin M Turner
- 5 Robert J Crocker

OXFORD, S Thomas

Sat May 20 1995 2h47 (11)

5079 Stedman Caters

Comp. J Pladdys

- 1 John Pladdys (C)
 - 2 Judith M Corby
 - 3 Garry W Mason
 - 4 Robin Rogers
 - 5 David P Westerman
 - 6 Robin Wilson
 - 7 Murray A Coleman
 - 8 Michael D Fiander
 - 9 Frank W Rivett
 - 10 James Hedgcock
- Rung in thanksgiving for the life of Peter Westerman, father of the ringer of the 5th, tower captain of Yelvertoft, Northants, long standing member of the Guild.

OXFORD SOCIETY

CITY OF OXFORD

S Thomas the Martyr

Sat May 13 1995 3h5 (11)

5050 Stedman Caters

Comp. J Chilcott

- 1 Ruth Blackwell
 - 2 Joan Summerhayes
 - 3 Geraldine Forster
 - 4 John W T Hibbert
 - 5 John Chilcott (C)
 - 6 David V Craggs
 - 7 Brian R White
 - 8 John H Napper
 - 9 Michael V Chilcott
 - 10 Stephen J Ivin
- A compliment to JWTH following a significant birthday anniversary.

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SOCIETY OF RAMBLING RINGERS

SLEAFORD, Lincs.

S Denys

Sat Apr 29 1995 3h10 (19)

5056 Yorkshire S. Major

Comp. A J Cox

- 1 Sharon L Mills
 - 2 R Brian Mills
 - 3 Noel H Anderson
 - 4 Margaret E Anderson
 - 5 R James Crabtree
 - 6 H Geoffrey Wells
 - 7 Denis Mottershead (C)
 - 8 Andrew B Mills
- Rung as a wedding compliment to Paula Attewell and Andrew Watson married this day at St Mary's Church Bingham, Northants.

THE GUILD OF ST AUGUSTINE

WALTHAM ABBEY, Essex

The Holy Cross & S Lawrence

Sat Apr 28 1995 3h28 (39)

5040 Bristol S. Maximus

Comp. J N Hughes-D'Aeth

- 1 W Emma S Cundiff
- 2 Simon J Davies
- 3 Deborah L Blagden
- 4 Vanessa J Martin
- 5 Clare J Larter
- 6 Stephen A Coaker (C)
- 7 Richard A Pearce
- 8 Dickon R Love
- 9 Mark P Gilham
- 10 D Paul Smith
- 11 William R Haynes
- 12 Ian R Fielding

SOUTHWELL D.G.

RYTON, Salop, S Andrew

Sat Apr 15 1995 2h8 (5)

5040 Surprise Minor

(41m: (1-5) Carlisle, Chester, Munden, Northumberland, Sandiacre, Whitley, Wooler, Alnwick, Newcastle, Morpeth, Canterbury, London, Wells, Coldstream, Lincoln, Kelso, Cunecastre, Cambridge, Ipswich, Bourne, Primrose, Hull, Norfolk, Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, York, Durham, Norwich, Bacup, Stamford, Rossendale, Bamfborough, Netherseale, Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Westminster, Allendale; (6) Annable's London; (7) Warkworth)

Comp. Philip A B Saddleton

- 1 David J T Wilson
- 2 Nicola J Crichton
- 3 Peter S Lasy
- 4 Andrew M Farmer
- 5 Peter G C Ellis (C)
- 6 Colin M Turner

Rung half-muffled on Easter Eve. Also in memory of an absent organiser: no more 'cutting' remarks!

PATSHULL, Staffs, S Mary

Sat Apr 15 1995 2h33 (10)

5040 Surprise Minor

(25m: (1) London, Wells, Cunecastre; (2) Chester, Munden, Alnwick, Newcastle; (3) Carlisle, Northumberland; (4) Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Netherseale; (5) Cambridge, Ipswich, Bourne, Primrose, Norfolk, Hull; (6) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, York, Durham; (7) Norwich)

- 1 Nicola J Crichton
- 2 Peter S Lacy
- 3 Andrew M Farmer
- 4 David J T Wilson
- 5 Peter G C Ellis (C)
- 6 Colin M Turner

DENTON, Lincs, S Andrew
Fri May 5 1995 2h50 (13)
5040 Minor
(7m: one extent each Norwich S., Cambridge S., Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Single Oxford, St Clements C.B., Plain Bob)

1 R Brian Mills

2 John R Rigby

3 Timothy Wylie

4 Revd Kevin M Price (C)

5 Peter L R Hayward

6 Andrew B Mills

170th Lincolnshire tower; 4. First peal on the bells since rehanging by Hayward Mills Associates. Specially arranged as part of the evening celebrations for Arthur and Marjorie Allen on their 50th wedding anniversary.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD

CLIVE, Salop, All Saints

Sat Apr 29 1995 3h7 (25)

5040 Minor

(7m: (1) Norwich S.; (2) Single Oxford; (3) Oxford T.B.; (4) Ipswich S.; (5) Kent T.B.; (6) Cambridge S.; (7) Plain Bob)

- 1 Philip J Wilding
- 2 Mary E Mitchell
- 3 Thomas W Griffiths
- 4 Stephen E G Young
- 5 Alan P Mayle (C)
- 6 Clive J Dunbavin

ALDEBURGH, Suffolk

SS Peter & Paul

Sun May 14 1995 2h46 (11)

5184 Warwickshire S. Major

Comp. S J Ivin

- 1 J Martin Thorley
 - 2 J Barry Pickup
 - 3 David G Salter
 - 4 Michelle W Chapman
 - 5 Richard T L Rapior
 - 6 Katharine J Salter
 - 7 Rodney H French
 - 8 Alan P Mayle (C)
- First in the method by all except 1. A silver wedding compliment to Ruth & Bob Last, married at Aldringham 16 May 1970.

IPSWICH, Suffolk

S Mary-le-Tower

Wed May 3 1995 2h50 (11)

5024 Superlative S. Major

Comp. P J Flavell

- 1 David G Salter (C)
 - 2 Brian E Whiting
 - 3 John L Girt
 - 4 Michelle W Chapman
 - 5 Katharine J Salter
 - 6 J Martin Thorley
 - 7 Rodney H French
 - 8 Adrian Knights
- Birthday compliments to Shirley Girt & Jennifer Warren.

SURREY ASSN.

SOUTH CROYDON, Surrey

S Peter

Thu May 11 1995 3h17 (30)

5056 Plain Bob Major

Comp. David C Brown

- 1 Heather B Horn
- 2 Catherine N Merlane
- 3 David M Jones
- 4 David C Brown (C)
- 5 Michael P Moreton
- 6 Timothy J Billings
- 7 Stephen R T Pocock
- 8 Andrew Blacklock

SUSSEX C.A.

HASTINGS, Sussex

All Saints

Sat May 13 1995 2h45 (12)

5088 Yorkshire S. Major

Comp. Dale Barton

- 1 Louise G Pink
 - 2 Revd J David E Smith
 - 3 Christopher E Slade
 - 4 Alan R Baldock (C)
 - 5 Stephen J Bailey
 - 6 Alan D Pink
 - 7 Richard R Kennard
 - 8 Roy M Cox
- 400th peal; 3. First of Surprise 'inside'; 5. Circled the tower; 4.

WELSH COLLEGES' SOCIETY

WEST MONKTON, Som.

S Augustine

Sat Mar 2 1995 2h53 (19)

5056 Spliced S. Major

(8m: 768 Rutland, London; 576 Superlative, Lincolnshire, Yorkshire, Pudsey, Cambridge; 640 Bristol: 143 com.)

Comp. N Smith

- 1 Christopher M Mundy
 - 2 Paul J Lewis
 - 3 Darren R Moore
 - 4 Georgina Barrett
 - 5 Roger J Lawson
 - 6 Malcolm Murphy
 - 7 Martin S Davies
 - 8 Timothy R Payne (C)
- A compliment to Tim Payne and Kate Tennant on their forthcoming marriage.

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SUSSEX C.A.

ARUNDEL, Sussex
S Nicholas
Sat Apr 29 1995 2h49 (14)
5152 Yorkshire S. Major
Comp. C P Starbuck
1 Geoffrey H Lee
2 Valerie J Howard
3 Margaret L Sherwood
4 John Ashcroft
5 Edward E Woodward
6 Christopher E Slade
7 Alan R Baldock
8 R M Cox (C)

WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSN.

KINVER, Staffs., S Peter
Tue May 16 1995 2h50 (12)
5040 Plain Bob Triples
Comp. Charles Ravenscroft
1 J Harold White
2 Marie J Pennington
3 H T Keith Haslam
4 Stuart M Brydges
5 Andrew N Stubbs
6 Alan Roberts
7 Martin D Fellows (C)
8 Leonard Hanby
50th for the Association; 2.
First peal 'inside'; 4.

HANDBELL PEALS

BATH & WELLS D.A.

BACKWELL, Avon
S Vincent
Thu Apr 27 1995 2h31 (15)
5056 Plain Bob Major
Comp. Nolan Golden
1-2 Jennifer M Taylor
3-4 James R Taylor
5-6 Paul K Williamson
7-8 Barrie Hendry (C)
First of Major in hand as conductor. Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the first peal by Paul Williamson, when he rang 5-6 to Plain Bob Major in hand.

DERBY D.A.

DERBY, Derbys.
122 Drewry Lane
Thu May 25 1995 1h46 (11)
5040 Kent T.B. Minor
1-2 Anthony P Cotton
3-4 Ruth Jopp
5-6 Paul Jopp
First T.B. Minor; 1-2 & 3-4.

HERTFORD C.A.

BOREHAMWOOD, Herts.
10 Red Lodge
Sun May 14 1995 1h57 (13)
5040 Spiced S. Minor
(22m: (1) Carlisle, Northumberland, Sandiacre; (2) Cambridge; (3) Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Rossendale, Stamford, Netherseale, Annable's London; (4) Norwich; (5) York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham; (6) Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull; (7) Cambridge)
1-2 Richard J Tibbetts
3-4 John R Mayne (C)
5-6 Dorothea M Robotham

PERMANENT RINGING EXHIBITION

The Ringing Exhibition in memory of George Elphick was dedicated on Sat 29 April at the church of St Nicholas, Arundel. With a peal in the morning and final preparations preceding a quarter peal prior to the service, several of us were kept very busy throughout the day. The service, taken by the Reverend Canon Michael Weaver, was attended by 70 members, including George's widow Molly and his daughters with their families.

The dedication of the exhibition took place in the gallery, a camera relaying pictures to a monitor at the front of the church for the benefit of the congregation. The procession back down to the church was accompanied by a plain course of Oxford Bob Triples on the simulator.

Following the dedication, everybody had a chance to view the exhibition, and have a go on the model bell hung for ringing and connected to the simulator. The display includes George's model of a bellfoundry, three display cabinets showing various ringing objects, and a display board stand in the central area depicting recruitment and bell restoration. Our thanks go to all who helped with the preparation of the service tea and the exhibition, it is a wonderful tribute to George and will be enjoyed by many.

The final cost of putting the exhibition together will be £1600; we have so far received £290 into the George Elphick Memorial Fund (see R.W. p343, April 7th). Further contributions will of course be welcomed.

Arundel, Sussex. 29 April, 1260 Grandsire Triples: C E Slade 1, Margaret E Oram 2, Janet Lacy 3, Revd P R Blackman 4, A Tunnell 5, A R Baldock 6, R M Cox (C) 7, E M L Macadam 8.

WATFORD, Herts.
15 Harford Drive
Wed May 17 1995 2h15 (13)
5120 Spiced S. Major
(12m: 1280 London; 640 Bristol; 320 Cambridge, Ealing, Leatherhead, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative, Watford, Wembley, Yorkshire: 129 com.)
Comp. J R Mayne
1-2 S Kathleen M Baldwin
3-4 John R Mayne (C)
5-6 David C Brown
7-8 Dorothea M Robotham

LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH D.A.

CARDIFF, S Glam.
7 Thompson Avenue, Victoria Park
Wed May 10 1995 2h22 (12)
5088 Lincolnshire S. Major
Comp. W Barton
1-2 Helen Dancer
3-4 Robin R Churchill
5-6 Robert E Hardy
7-8 Marcus A G Williams (C)
25th peal together; 1-2 & 5-6. First of Lincolnshire in hand; 5-6, 7-8, and for the Association. £1

TAFFS WELL, Mid Glam.
104 Glan Y Ffordd
Tue May 16 1995 2h22 (12)
5152 Rutland S. Major
(27 course block reduced)
1-2 Helen Dancer
3-4 Robin R Churchill
5-6 Robert E Hardy
7-8 Marcus A G Williams (C)
First of Rutland in hand; 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, and for the Association. 200th peal of Surprise and 150th peal in hand; 5-6. £1

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MIDDLESEX C.A. AND LONDON D.G.

TEDDINGTON, Middx.
70 Stanley Gardens Road
Mon May 1 1995 2h41 (15)
5039 Grandsire Caters
Comp. Albert M Tyler
(Comp. 500 p49)
1-2 Philip A B Saddleton
3-4 Christopher M Gould
5-6 David C Brown (C)
7-8 Roger Bailey
9-10 Stephen J F Mitchell
First of Grandsire on handbells; 9-10.

VERY LATE PEAL

PETERBOROUGH D.G.

NORTHAMPTON, Northants, S Peter
Fri Dec 30 1994 2h41 (12)
5056 Spiced S. Major
(8m: 768 London, Rutland; 640 Bristol; 576 Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Yorkshire: 142 com.)
Comp. N Smith
1 Alison R Wilgress
2 Peter M Fleckney
3 Joanne C Lovell
4 David P Westerman
5 Michael P A Wilby (C)
6 Christopher J Groome
7 David Kingman
8 Andrew W R Wilby
First 8-spiced; 3. £10

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YORKSHIRE ASSN.

LEEDS, W Yorks.
S Anne's Cathedral
Wed Apr 26 1995 2h36 (9)
5152 Superlative S. Major
Comp. A J Cox
1 Jeffrey P Cooper
2 Philip G Clark
3 Stephen Ollerton
4 Peter C Kirby
5 Simon J T Smith
6 Robert A Appleby
7 Catherine M Ladd
8 C Barrie Dove (C)

LEEDS, W Yorks.
S Anne's Cathedral
Wed May 3 1995 2h31 (9)
5056 Bottesford S. Major
Comp. C Middleton
1 Philip G Clark
2 Frances A G Leng
3 C Barrie Dove (C)
4 Simon Ogier
5 Gordon J Yarnold
6 Robert A Appleby
7 Stephen Ollerton
8 Simon J T Smith

THIRSK, N Yorks.
S Mary the Virgin
Mon May 8 1995 2h49 (14)
5024 Rutland S. Major
Comp. A J Cox
1 Wendy M Lens
2 Frances A G Leng
3 Julia S Blatchford
4 Gordon J Yarnold
5 Andrew Simpson
6 John G Hallett
7 Simon J T Smith
8 C Barrie Dove (C)
First Surprise; 5. First Rutland; 3.

LEEDS, W Yorks.
S Anne's Cathedral
Wed May 10 1995 2h29 (9)
5056 Christchurch S. Major
Comp. C Middleton
1 Philip G Clark
2 Frances A G Leng
3 Gordon J Yarnold
4 C Barrie Dove (C)
5 Trevor C Ledger
6 Robert A Appleby
7 Simon Ogier
8 Simon J T Smith

Doubles Variations Named

An extent of each of the following variations was rung in quarter peals at St Michael's, Lichfield on 5/12/19 Feb 95. They are all based on Shipway Place (CC100). The calling used for each of the variations was SSBPEPBESSP.

100u/c/f/d	Hengwm	100u/c/g/d	Lwyd
100u/c/h/d	Dillw	100u/f/g/d	Gwngu
100u/f/h/d	Claerwen	100u/g/h/d	Brochan
100u/c/f/g/d	Elan	100u/c/f/h/d	Claerddu
100u/c/g/h/d	Dulas	100u/f/g/h/d	Trannon
100u/c/f/g/h/d	Cledan		
100u/c/f/e	Gam	100u/c/g/e	Rhiw
100u/c/h/e	Mule	100u/f/g/e	Mynach
100u/f/h/e	Ceirw	100u/g/h/e	Medrad
100u/c/f/g/e	Gelyn	100u/c/f/h/e	Conwy
100u/c/g/h/e	Cynfal	100u/f/g/h/e	Glasgwm
100u/c/f/g/h/e	Rhydyrhalen		
100u/c/f/p	Eidda	100u/c/g/p	Dwyrd
100u/c/h/p	Glaslyn	100u/f/g/p	Bontfaen
100u/f/h/p	Henwy	100u/g/h/p	Dwyfor
100u/c/f/g/p	Gaseg	100u/c/f/h/p	Stwlun
100u/c/g/h/p	Teigl	100u/f/g/h/p	Cothl
100u/c/f/g/h/p	Honddw		

An extent of each of the following variations was rung in quarter peals at St Michael's, Lichfield on 26 Feb/5/9/12 Mar 95. They are all based on Shipway Place (CC 100). The calling used for each of the variations was SSBPEPBESSP.

100u/c/f/q	Cledau	100u/c/g/q	Hepste
100u/c/h/q	Gronw	100u/f/g/q	Gwili
100u/f/h/q	Solva	100u/g/h/q	Taf
100u/c/f/g/q	Towy	100u/c/f/h/q	Cynlun
100u/c/g/h/q	Loughor	100u/f/g/h/q	Egel
100u/c/f/g/h/q	Rheidol		
100w/c/f/d	Chum	100w/c/g/d	Kenn
100w/c/h/d	Hayle	100w/f/g/d	Helford
100w/f/h/d	Kenwyn	100w/g/h/d	Percuil
100w/c/f/g/d	Allen	100w/c/f/h/d	Fowey
100w/c/g/h/d	Looe	100w/f/g/h/d	Tiddy
100w/c/f/g/h/d	Lynher		
100w/c/f/e	Tavy	100w/c/g/e	Ottery
100w/c/h/e	Deer	100w/f/g/e	Claw
100w/f/h/e	Plym	100w/g/h/e	Walkham
100w/c/f/g/e	Meavy	100w/c/f/h/e	Datt
100w/c/g/h/e	Thrusshall	100w/f/g/h/e	Dalch
100w/c/f/g/h/e	Coly		
100w/c/f/p	Anker	100w/c/g/p	Barle
100w/c/h/p	Botham	100w/f/g/p	Brede
100w/f/h/p	Bride	100w/g/h/p	Cary
100w/c/f/g/p	Cerne	100w/c/f/h/p	Chater
100w/c/g/h/p	Chet	100w/f/g/h/p	Cuckmere
100w/c/f/g/h/p	Dehen		
100w/c/f/q	Glen	100w/c/g/q	Leam
100w/c/h/q	Lowman	100w/f/g/q	Lunden
100w/f/h/q	Lydden	100w/g/h/q	Lyde
100w/c/f/g/q	Madford	100w/c/f/h/q	Meese
100w/c/g/h/q	Minram	100w/f/g/h/q	Nar
100w/c/f/g/h/q	Nene		

Quarter Peals

First Quarter Congratulations

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

Our congratulations to them.

Aston upon Trent, Derby. 29 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Holly Plackett (1st Q.) 1, I Plackett 2, P Stevenson 3, T Martin(C) 4, C Peck 5, M Crocker (1st Q.) 6. £2

Bath, Avon. (All Saints, Weston). 28 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Daniella Bertsch (1st Q.) 1, Lizzy Slade (1st inside) 2, Jody Hillier 3, James Hillier 4, Giles Wood(C) 5, Philippa Turner (1st Q.) 6. For Evensong. £1.20

Bosbury, Herefs. 28 May, 1260 Doubles (2m): Rebecca Lane (1st att.) 1, Ray Sayers 2, Nicky Seabright 3, Jane Mason 4, Frank Seabright(C) 5, Max Williams 6. £2

Chilham, Kent. 23 May, 1260 P B Triples: Phil Young 1, Chris Godfrey 2, Janet Godfrey 3, Jonathan Young 4, Mark Harding 5, Tim Dawes 6, Ian Young(C) 7, Alan Baker (1st Q) 8. For the golden wedding anniversary of Bill & Myrtle Caton. £1

Church Stretton, Salop. 8 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Kate Thorne (1st Q.) 1, Anne Hone 2, Simon Cleaton (1st inside) 3, Julia Williams 4, Andrew Buckley(C) 5, Andrew Chapman 6. For VE-Day. £2

DOUBLES VARIATIONS NAMED-continued

An extent of each of the following variations was rung in quarter peals at St Michael's, Lichfield on 19/25 Mar/2 Apr 95. They are all based on Shipway Place (CC 100). The calling used for each of the variations was SSEBPBPBESSP.

100w/c/f/p/q Pang	100w/c/g/p/q Perry
100w/c/h/p/q Rhee	100w/f/g/p/q Roach
100w/f/h/p/q Sence	100w/g/h/p/q Siemene
100w/c/f/g/p/q Tame	100w/c/f/h/p/q Teise
100w/c/g/h/p/q Ter	100w/f/g/h/p/q Tillingham
100w/c/f/g/h/p/q Tove	
100x/c/f/d Waldon	100x/c/g/d Wid
100x/c/h/d Wissey	100x/f/g/d Wreake
100x/f/h/d Yatty	100x/g/h/d Yox
100x/c/f/g/d Alport	100x/c/f/h/d Alwin
100x/c/g/h/d Ancholme	100x/f/g/h/d Ant
100x/c/f/g/h/d Belah	
100x/c/f/e Bleng	100x/c/g/e Blyth
100x/c/h/e Brant	100x/f/g/e Breamish
100x/f/h/e Browney	100x/g/h/e Caldew
100x/c/f/g/e Cock	100x/c/f/h/e Dane
100x/c/g/h/e Devon	100x/f/g/h/e Don
100x/c/f/g/h/e Douglas	

D. E. POMEROY.

Doubles Variations Named

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

11.2.95	Anderstaff Doubles	184x/bu
12/2/95	Garvellachs Doubles	173hn
26/2/95	Sandray Doubles	176hn
5/3/95	Zulu Doubles	178u/zu

The asymmetrical call zu does not appear to have been used previously and we would like to refer to it as a ZULU OMIT. It is used in Grandsire in lieu of a plain lead 60 changes apart when the chosen unaffected bell is to dodge 4-5 up in the composition BPBOBP x2 and transpositions, and obviates the need for singles by switching the hunt bells. The bobs can be u,x,w or y, or hn etc. The figures of the call are:

23514	
32154	Here 2 is unaffected, 3 is half-hunt, & 4 & 5 are
31254	switched
13524	
15342	
51324	
53142	
35412	

DEREK P. JONES.

Churchdown, Glos. 8 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Debbie Clarkson 1, Peter Clarkson 2, Alan Rothwell 3, Brian Dodimead 4, Dave Turner (1st as C.) 5, Mike Joy (1st Q.) 6. For VE-Day. £1.20

Darrington, W Yorks. 10 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Pam Poles 1, Stuart Raggett (1st inside) 2, Angela Poles 3, Susan Webb 4, David Reggett (1st att. as C.) 5, Angela Pearson 6. By members of the Tadcaster Sunday Service band. 60p

Friezland, Gtr Manchester. 28 May, 1260 Doubles (2m/1p): Fiona Tewson 1, Pat Haigh 2, Brian Heys(C) 3, Gavin Haigh 4, Stephen Kershaw 5, John Stevenson (1st Q.) 6. To mark the 145th anniversary of this Church. £1.20

Godalming, Surrey. 8 May, 1260 Doubles (2m): G R Rivers (1st Q) 1, Margery Coleman 2, Caroline G Bott 3, Rosemary Baker 4, S W Baker(C) 5, H F Jones 6. For VE-Day. 1st as an octogenarian (aged 83); 6. £1.20

Harrogate, Yorks. (S Wilfrid). 21 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Katie Donaldson (1st att.) 1, James MacDonald 2, Jean Hopper 3, Geoff Johnson (1st in m.) 4, Andrew Yardley(C) 5, Kath Day 6. To celebrate the confirmation of Lauren Coulbeck, Sally Morris and Jonathan Gill, all Harrogate ringers, on this day at this Church. £1.20

(Hastings, E Sussex). 8 May: Joyce Phillpot 1, Eleanor Chapman 2, Stephen Chambed (1st as C. aged 16) 3, Margaret Pink 4, Catherine Nevin 5, Michael Swift 6. (Place, No. of changes & method not given - assumed). £1.20

Morpeth, Northumberland. 27 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Roger Allen (1st att.) 1, Barbara Wheeler 2, Colin Wheeler 3, Jessica Davies 4, Ron Warford(C) 5, Gillian Chabryk 6. £2

Shrawley, Worcs. 21 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Rev Peter Heaps (1st Q.) 1, Mary Westwood 2, Monica Wood 3, John Westwood 4, David Beacham(C) 5, Michael Bendall 6. For Evensong. Also as a 60th birthday compliment to the treble ringer; also as a 20th wedding anniversary compliment to John & Caroline Westwood. £1.25

Stanbridge, Beds. 22 Feb, 1260 PB Doubles: Nicola Flecknell (1st Q) 1, Peter Holland 2, Linda Cooper 3, Laurence Cooper 4, Roger Kendrick(C) 5, Graham Rogers 6. Rung during the Luton District Quarter Peal Week.

Stanton Lacy, Salop. 26 May, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Maureen Foxall (1st Q.) 1, Elsie Clee (1st on 8) 2, Sheelagh Lewis (1st Grandsire triples) 3, Denise Fletcher 4, Desmond Ferguson 5, Henry Lewis 6, John Turney(C) 7, Graham Fletcher 8. 1st of triples on the bells. A birthday compliment to the C. £2

Tadcaster, N Yorks. 21 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Stuart Raggett 1, Angela Pearson 2, David Raggett 3, Susan Webb 4, Wendy Leng (1st as C.) 5, Pamela Poles 6. For Evensong. 60p

Whetton, Notts. 8 May, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Elizabeth Greasley (1st Q.) 1, Lynda Lazerini 2, John Rigby 3, Martyn Marriott 4, David Lazerini(C) 5, John Thacker 6. For VE-Day. £1

York, N Yorks. (S Michael). 26 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Becky Sugden (1st Q.) 1, Christine Potter(C) 2, Alison Edmonds 3, Tina Stoecklin 4, Tim Bradley 5, David Hull 6. 50p

Addington, Surrey. 29 Apr, 1296 Surprise Minor (2m): David Dudeney 1, Dianne Foster 2, Ian Wiltshire 3, Shirley McGill 4, David Whitehead 5, Eric Godfrey (C) 6. To welcome Robert John Christian Marns born on Easter Day. £1

Aldenharn, Herts. 24 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Franklin Lloyd 1, Fred Ellis 2, Roy Adcock 3, Stuart Talbot 4, Len North 5, Andrew Wootton 6, John Southey (C) 7, Wayne Flintham 8. A compliment to Roy Adcock on his 50th birthday. £1

Alwalton, Cambs. 2 Apr, 1260 Doubles (11m/v): Carolyn Chegwidden 1, Lesley Ely 2, Max Clarke 3, Graham Drage 4, Andrew Farmer (C) 5. For evensong. Most m/v for all except the conductor, and for the local band. £1

Amberley, W Sussex. 23 Apr, 1260 Doubles (5m): Jean Blackman (Chichester) 1, Judy Venn (Lechlade) 2, Ernest Treagus (Westbourne) 3, Revd. Peter Blackman (Chichester) 4, Edward Venn (C - Lechlade) 5. By members of the same family. £2.50

Amport, Hants. 21 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Jean Edwards 1, Martin Routh 2, Faye

Carre 3, David Richards 4, Colin Hares (C) 5, Heather Carre 6. £1

Angmering, W Sussex. 6 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Sarah Hammond 1, Caroline Jones 2, Martin Spencer 3, Alan Tetmar 4, Adrian West (C) 5, Gerry Plater 6. In memory of Geoffrey Lee, Snr who died recently. May He Rest in Peace. £1.50

Ash, Somerset. 25 Apr, 1272 L B Minor: Matthew Hillyard 1, Jan Sapiezynski 2, Terry Thomas 3, John Hayter (1st in m) 4, Patricia Tucker 5, Patrick Tucker (C) 6. £1

Ashbourne, Derbys. 16 Apr, 1260 Minor (2m): Keith Woolley 1, Jackie Burns 2, Kath Brown 3, Andrew Burns 4, Rev David Sansum 5, Maurice Starkey (C) 6. For Easter Day. £1.25

Ashwick, Somerset. 24 Apr, 1296 York S Minor: C G Bryant 1, E J Chivers 2, E T Lee 3, M R T Higby 4, A E Cox 5, J Brain (C) 6. By the Old Codgers as an 81st birthday compliment to the oldest Codger of all, Ralph Edwards. 60p

Backwell, Somerset. 14 Apr, 1260 Stedman Triples: P M J Gray 1, J Brain 2, A E Cox 3, E G Davey 4, Jennifer M Taylor 5, E T Lee 6, J R Taylor (C) 7, M Stranks 8. Traditional Half Muffled Q on Good Friday Evening. 80p

Barnby Dun, W Yorks. 23 Mar, 1296 London S Minor: E Ann Williams 1, R M Casserley 2, Clare Watson 3, Jennifer V Johnson 4, M Adams 5, B Bradstock (C) 6. Half muffled following the funeral of Frank Reed. £1

Basingstoke, Hants. (St Michael). 30 Apr, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Esme Weaver 1, Pauline Underwood (1st in m) 2, Chris Kippin 3, Heather Kippin 4, Keith Walpole 5, Peter Jordan 6, Barbara Foster 7, Michael Clay (C) 8. To welcome Rebecca Louise, Granddaughter of 2, born 14/4/95. For evensong. £1.60

Binsted, Hants. 22 Apr, 1260 Doubles (2m): Rachel Seamons 1, N J Ward (1st inside) 2, Ann Collins 3, R Barber (C) 4, B Underwood 5, R Sherfield 6. Prior to the institution of the Rev James Campbell as Rector of Bentley and Vicar of Binsted. £1

Birmingham, W Mids. (St Martin in the Bullring). 22 Apr, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Brian Downie 1, Mary Pipe 2, Clare McArdle 3, Richard Jones 4, David Ingram 5, Michael Rigby 6, Frances Dods (C) 7, Anthony Daw 8, Roderick Pipe 9, Stephen Horton 10. For the 50 years Victory Reunion for the Women's Land Army Society, held today in Birmingham. £2

Bishops Hull, Somerset. 22 Apr, 1266 Grandsire Doubles: Anne Stenning 1, Jeremy Harris 2, Sylvia Fuzzey 3, Peter Vauham 4, Ronald Trickey (C) 5, Fred Gardner 6. 60p

Blackburn, Lancs. (Cathedral). 9 Apr, 1282 Cambridge S Royal: Raymond Clayton 1, Jean Barner 2, Lindsey Smith 3, Margaret Crossthwaite 4, Cyril Crossthwaite (C) 5, Keith Taylor 6, Helen Thompson 7, Richard Palmer 8, Geoff Smith 9, Colin Tester 10. £2.60

Blockley, Glos. 24 Apr, 1250 Worthington S Major: F A Munday 1, D E Leaf 2, G D Payne 3, G Sandwell 4, J H Smart 5, C F Mew (C) 6, J W Nicholls 7, P J F Quinn 8. 1st in m for all. £2

Braintree, Essex. 14 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Clare Ould 1, Linda Ranby 2, Alan Syder 3, Graham Ranby 4, David Childs (C) 5, Bill Lewis 6. Fully muffled with the Tenor open at backstroke for Good Friday Walk of Witness. £1.20

Bredwardine, Herefs. 29 Apr, 1260 Doubles (2m): Diana Grice 1, Rachel Jones 2, Alison Alcock 3, Roger Bowen 4, Tony Price (C) 5, Clare Goss 6. Birthday compliment's to John Hope (who taught: 1,2,3,4&6 to ring) with our love & best wishes. £1.20

Brierley Hill, W Mids. 21 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Triples: S D Brown 1, Helen D Foley (1st inside) 2, I Mary Sluter 3, M Brown 4, A Jayne Foley 5, L J Cox 6, E Sluter (C) 7, J P Williams 8. To welcome David John and Emily Helen Sluter, born 13/3/95. 50p

Brightstone, Isle of Wight. 23 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Katy Davies (1st Quarter) 1, Beccy Noyes 2, Debbie Morris 3, Carol Maynard-Potts 4, Stephen Noyes (C) 5, Ann Morris 6. By local band for St George's Day. £1

Bristol. (Christ Church). 23 Apr, 1400 London (No3) S Royal: Margaret James 1, Jacqueline A Hobbs 2, Jennifer M Taylor 3, M J Hobbs 4, A E Cox 5, D J Carr 6, D W James 7, J Brain 8, A J Cox (C) 9, J R Taylor 10. For St George's Day. £1

Broad Chalke, Wilts. 5 May, 1260 Rev Canterbury Doubles: Judith Sampson 1, Edward Fry 2, Reg Jones (C) 3, Malcolm Penny 4, Michael Golden 5, Robert Fry 6. Half muffled in remembrance of Col G Jeans and also Mr P Topp. £1.20

Bromborough, Mers. 27 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: S W Hughes 1, E T Carvell 2, D Peers 3, P D Hughes 4, C J Hughes (C) 5, R T J Tinkler 6. To welcome Edward Tivey, son of the Rev Nick Tivey, Curate of this parish. £1.20

Buckland Newton, Dorset. 22 Apr, 1260 Doubles (10m): Ross Robertson 1, Judith Robertson (C) 2, Clare Larter 3, Susan Legge 4, Tim Andrews 5, Ivan Andrews 6. £1.50

Burwell, Cambs. 30 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: Brenda Carter 1, Joan Lonsdale 2, L H Harvey 3, M B Davies (C) 4, Evelyn Kirby 5, D W Sweet 6. For Nancy and Jim McCree's Silver Wedding and the Re-Affirmation of their Marriage Vows. £1.50

Buxted, E Sussex. 16 Apr, 1260 P B Triples: Eileen Naylor 1, Angela Dennison 2, Louise Hodsoll 3, Rosalind Cowsill 4, Simon Lawrence 5, Richard Gibson 6, Roger Cowsill (C) 7, Robert Harrison 8. For Evensong on Easter Day. £1

Cardiff, S Glam. 2 Apr, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Bob Hardy 1, Samantha Farrar 2, Zoe Barker 3, Evan Chapman 4, Katherine Wright 5, Richard Hall 6, Jack Prior 7, Julian Parker 8, Simon Farrar (C) 9, Matthew Turner 10. In thanksgiving for the life of Tony Baker. £1

Cassington, Oxon. 1 May, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: B J Curtis 1, R Barnes 2, Sally A Austin 3, M J Austin (1st S inside) 4, G J Clifton (C) 5, T M Martin 6. £1.20

Castor, Cambs. 25 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Graham Drage 1, Lesley Ely (25th Q) 2, John Armstrong 3, John Roffe 4, Tony Evans 5, Andrew Farmer (C) 6. 1st on more than 5: 1&2. £1

Catherington, Hants. 22 Apr, 1250 Cambridge S Minor: Gill Hales 1, Doug Boniface 2, Peter Boniface 3, Fred Hales (1st in m inside) 4, Michael Esbester 5, Mark Esbester (C) 6. To celebrate the retirement of Fred Hales. 60p

Cheadle, Staffs. (R.C.). 16 Apr, 1260 Doubles (2m): Sheila Allen (Snr) 1, Helen Matheson (1st Doubles) 2, Sheila Allen (Jnr) (1st Grandsire) 3, Christina Pearson 4, J G Pearson (C) 5, Anna-Marie Worthington (1st as Cover) 6. Before Mass for Easter. 60p

Chewton Mendip, Somerset. 10 May, 1280 Superlative S Major: Richard Bowden 1, John Brain 2, Alan Friskney 3, Clare Higby 4, Vivienne Rigby 5, Ralph Edwards 6, Leonard England 7, Michael Stone (C) 8. By the not so old codgers. 80p

Cobham, Surrey. 6 Apr, 1344 P B Major: Anne Wood 1, Jill Hill 2, A Collings 3, Edwina Roberts 4, C Hill 5, I Cole 6, R Wood 7, W Birmingham (C) 8. In thanksgiving for the life of Dr Harry Gabb, organist, 5/4/1909 to 16/3/1995. Formerly organist at Westminster Abbey. £2

Coggeshall, Essex. 30 Apr, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Karen Semken 1, Alistair Donaldson 2, Andrew Beckwith 3, Andrew Dickinson 4, Andrew Taylor 5, Michael Semken 6, Brian Meads 7, Adrian Semken (C) 8. £1.70

Coleerne, Wilts. 23 Apr, 1274 P B Triples: Ian Sheppard 1, Sara Bye 2, Jacqui Bradburn 3, Jenny Hancock 4, Fiona Hartley 5, Roger Haynes 6, Alan Hartley (C) 7, Richard Hunt 8. For the last evensong led by the Rev. Roger Clifton prior to leaving for Corsham. To celebrate the Baptism this day of Samuel Robert Edgar Haynes and Olivia Cecily Rose Prees. £2.50

Corfe, Somerset. 22 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: Ronald Trickey 1, Rachel Drew 2, Graham Button 3, Sylvia Fuzzay 4, Brian Horriel (C) 5, Terry Mogridge 6. 60p

Cottingham, Cambs. 16 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Peter Coe 1, Heather Wilkin 2, Simon Kerr 3, John Buttifant 4, John Gregory (C) 5, Roger Boysen 6. Prior to Easter Day Morning Communion Family Service, and as 81st birthday compliment's to Mary Stock, Mother in law to 1. £1

Cottingham, E Yorks. 30 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Jennifer Pybus 1, Jean Booth 2, J I Booth 3, G Pybus 4, T Nevell (1st Minor) 5, J Hollingshurst 6. On practice night. £1

Coughton, Warks. 23 Apr, 1260 Doubles (2m): Matthew Sreeves 1, David Sreeves 2, Jenny

Freeman 3, Francie Sreeves 4, A J Barnfield 5, Geoff Sreeves 6. For evensong. £1.30

Dover, Kent. 23 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Victoria Howard 1, G F Gray 2, Josaphine D Horton 3, P Larter 4, Clare Larter 5, J R Whittlesey 6, E C Westlake (C) 7, A L Andrews 8. In thanksgiving for the life of Wilf Palin. £1

Dundry, Somerset. 30 Apr, 1260 Doubles (3m): R Smith 1, C Lovell (1st in more than 1m inside) 2, Rosemary Smith 3, M J Horseman (C) 4, P Neil 5, E Taylor 6. For evensong and a birthday compliment to: 2. 60p

Dunstable, Beds. 14 Apr, 1560 Grandsire Doubles: Sarah-Louise Lloyd 1, George Reading 2, Richard Horne 3, John Ewer 4, Alan Shepherd (C) 5, Roger King 6. Half muffled on Good Friday to coincide with the procession of witness. £1

Eastham, Mers. 29 Mar, 1320 Minor (Cambridge & PB): R Maudsley 1, Janet Pratt 2, C J Hughes 3, S W Hughes 4, E T Carvell 5, R T S Tinkler (C) 6. 60p

Egham, Surrey. 16 Apr, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Joan Summerhayes 1, Ruth Blackwell 2, R E Finch 3, Clare Watson 4, D E Parsons 5, M Dammerell (C) 6, B Bradstock 7, D R Cox 8. For Easter Evensong. £1.50

Ellastone, Staffs. 21 Apr, 1260 Doubles (2m): Alyson Ashton 1, Andrew Burns 2, Jackie Burns 3, Richard Barnett 4, Maurice Starkey (C) 5, Keith Woolley 6. Probably the 1st Q on the newly available ring for somewhere. 90p

Erith, Kent. (Christ Church). 15 Apr, 1264 P B Major: Carol Eastaugh (1st Maj) 1, Diana Young 2, Sara Hardy 3, A J Britton 4, N Pointer 5, D Macey 6, J J Hardy 7, A M J Young (C) 8. For the wedding of Richard & Helen Banks of this Church. £1

Evercreech, Somerset. 24 Apr, 1263 Stedman Caters: E J Chivers 1, Valerie J Stone 2, D G Yeo 3, M J Horseman 4, A E Cox 5, C G Bryant (C) 6, J Brain 7, R G Edwards 8, M R T Higby (575th Q) 9, E T Lee 10. 80p

Flitwick, Beds. 23 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: Maria Calvey 1, R Frost (1st inside) 2, A S Hartfield 3, M S Hartfield 4, R Jackson (C) 5, M Ruskin 6. For evensong. £1.20

Folkestone, Kent. 16 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: Janice Leeke 1, Carole Moody 2, John Criddle 3, David Wilkinson 4, David Robinson 5, Mike Godfrey (C) 6. For Evensong on Easter Day. £1

Frome, Somerset. 7 May, 1280 Bristol S Major: George Massey 1, Kate Walker (1st in m) 2, Jacqueline Warnecke 3, David Buckley 4, John Ball 5, Tony Fortin 6, Matthew Higby 7, David Massey (C) 8. For Evensong on V E Sunday. 80p

Fulham, Middx. (All Saints). 30 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: Inga Edwards (1st Minor) 1, Jill Hupman 2, Michael Wigney 3, James Ingram 4, Christopher McLean 5, Jane Kostelnik (1st Minor as C) 6. For evensong and to celebrate "Tanz in Den Mai". £1.20

Gateshead, Tyne & Wear. 12 Apr, 2528 P B Major: R R Warford 1-2, G Jessica Davies 3-4, O D Cross 5-6, D G Walker (C) 7-8. 1st Major in hand 3-4 & 5-6. £1

Glastonbury, Somerset. (St John the Baptist). 1 May, 1250 Lincolnshire S Major: Valerie J Stone 1, A E Cox 2, E J Chivers 3, R G Edwards 4, D G Yeo 5, M J Horseman 6, E T Lee 7, J Brain (C) 8. By the Old Codgers for evensong on the Feast of SS Philip & James. 80p

Gloucester, Glos. (St Mary de Crypt). 2 May, 1280 Spl S Major (CSBL): Terry Jones 1, Isabel Hitchings 2, Helen Normington 3, James Normington 4, Catherine Leach 5, Colin Bramich 6, James Babbage (Most Spl) 7, Mark Davies (C) 8. With 40th birthday compliment's to Reg Hitchings. £2

Great Marlow, Bucks. 23 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Tina Ruff 1, D Young 2, Doreen Young 3, Josey McCloy 4, Elizabeth Wein 5, R W Mogg 6, E G Silvey (C) 7, T Gatland 8. For St George's Day Scout Service. £2

Guildford, Surrey. (Holy Trinity). 30 Apr, 1280 P B Major: Jennifer Hepburn 1, Ann Pierce 2, Sally Schupke 3, Jonathan Deane 4, Richard Marsh 5, Rod Pierce 6, Julian Morgan 7, Roger Bull (C) 8. For a civic service to mark the 50th anniversary of victory in Europe. £1.60

Halifax, W Yorks. (All Souls). 16 Apr, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Marcus Roy Mann 1, Arthur

Talbot 2, Margaret Perrott 3, Andrew Fawbert 4, Peter Kirby (C) 5, Neil Murray 6, John Thurman 7, Rev Gary Mann 8. For Easter. £1.60

Hambledon, Hants. 23 Apr, 1260 Doubles (2m): Colin Hares 1, Claire Gardner 2, Catherine Gardner 3, Raymond Walsh (350th Q) 4, Graham Hedges 5. £1

Hammerwood, Sussex. 16 Apr, 1260 Doubles (2m): Ann Smith 1, Vanessa V Mitchell 2, Betty Green 3, D J Love 4, I V J Smith (C) 5. For Easter Day. £1

Haselbury Plucknett, Somerset. 26 Apr, 1296 Spl S Minor (CBS - 53 com): Sandra Haines 1, Patricia Tucker 2, Jan Sapiezynski 3, Matthew Hillyard 4, Raymond Haines (1st Q of Spl S Minor) 5, Patrick Tucker (500th Q) (C) 6. A Birthday compliment to the Conductor. £1

Henfield, Sussex. 30 Apr, 1344 Grandsire Triples: Karen Williamson 1, Robin Green 2, Clare Larter 3, Simon Robertson 4, Ross Robertson 5, Judith Robertson (C) 6, Philip Larter 7, Michael Davies 8. For evensong and the 90th birthday of Stanley Harding, father of the conductor. £1.20

Hersham, Surrey. 23 Apr, 1260 Mixed Doubles (2m): Bernice Pugh (1st Doubles) 1, P Meador (1st Doubles) 2, Genebeth Webb 3, D Meador 4, C Webb (C) 5, Debbie Sharp (1st Doubles) 6. For evensong on St George's day. £1.20

Heston, Middx. 23 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: Kathy Walters 1, T R Palmer 2, J Barrance 3, Anita Adams 4, M J Palmer (C) 5, G Robinson 6. Farewell to Curate, Rev K Silvers on his promotion to vicar of St Matthias, Brighton. £2

Heswall, Mers. 18 Apr, 1320 Cambridge S Minor: P D Hughes 1, J S T Willasey 2, Margaret Allin 3, D Denson 4, P M S Newton 5, S W Hughes (C) (100th Q) 6. £1.20

Henley, Suffolk. 26 Mar, 1260 P B Minor: Philippa Rixon 1, R Rixon 2, Nicola J Burnett 3, P M L Day 4, R L K Whittell 5, S J Christian (C) 6. To welcome Toby Julian Gayfer, nephew to the conductor, born 18/3/95. £1.20

High Halstow, Kent. 30 Apr, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Linda M Beard 1, D R Moore (C) 2, A D Vidgeon 3, D W Moore (1st in P) 4, D W Jack 5, A C Driver 6. 57th wedding anniversary compliments to the parents of David Jack. £1.20

High Wycombe, Bucks. 16 Apr, 1320 Grandsire Cinques: Rebecca Bruce 1, George Whiteside 2, Susannah Bruce 3, Patricia Newton 4, Sheila Bruce 5, Ann Davies 6, Meryl Kennedy 7, Alistair Bruce 8, Charles Botting (C) 9, Peter Bruce 10, Robert Newton 11, John Hearn 12. 50th birthday compliment to Peter Bruce. For Easter. £1

Hill Farrance, Somerset. 22 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: Sylvia Fuzzey 1, Jeremy Harris 2, Stan Huish 3, Peter Vaughan 4, Ronald Trickey 5, Mark Harris (C) 6. 60p

Hodnet, Salop. 29 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: A H R Brierley 1, Rachel S Thompson 2, Sue Perry 3, G Mothershaw 4, G A W Smith 5, W H Tyler (C) 6. To celebrate on 30th April the Christening of Isabel Grace Brierley at St Margaret's Dunham Massey and also the 60th birthday of Sheila Brierley (neice & mother of 1). £1

Holborn, London. (St Giles in the Fields). 24 Apr, 1280 Ealing S Major: Katherine Parker 1, Stella M Shell (1st in m) 2, Keith Matthews 3, Peter Bennett (1st in m) 4, Richard Casserley (1st in m) 5, Nich Wilson 6, James Ingram (1st in m) 7, Dennis Ellison (C) 8. To celebrate the marriage of David Holdridge and Ruth Harrison. £1.60

Horsham, W Sussex. (74 Kempshott Rd). 29 Mar, 1280 Kent T B Major: Edgar Rapley 1-2, Simon Alford (C) 3-4, Stephen R T Pocock 5-6, Margaret J Tilley 7-8. 80p

Hucknall Torkard, Notts. 24 Apr, 1320 Doubles (11m/v): Helen Whiting 1, Graham Johnson 2, Patricia Nix 3, Christine McQuaid 4, Mark Roberts (C) 5, David Devonshire 6. Half muffled on the 80th anniversary of the Massacre of 1.5 million Armenians. By special request by the Armenian Authorities to coincide with a service in St Margaret's Westminster. £1

Keele, Staffs. (Woodlands). 12 May, 1260 P B Minor: Matthew Higby 1-2, Kate Walker 3, Ruth Halling 4, Philip Gay 5, David Bagley (C) 6. Prior to the N Staffs Open Day. 50p

Kersey, Suffolk. 10 Apr, 1260 P B Triples: Sarah J Titford 1, Ann Jessop 2, R C Whiting 3, Elizabeth J Parker 4, Kathleen D Bellman 5, E C Maynard 6,

N F Whittell (C) 7, R E Parker 8. In thanksgiving for the life and work of Frank P Bigg, for many years a ringer at this Church. £1.60

Kettering, Nthants. 24 Apr, 1259 Grandsire Caters: E R Berryman 1, B G Warwick 2, J Weaver 3, Winifred M Warwick 4, Susan M Jones 5, A A Paul 6, B P Morris 7, J Linnell 8, D J Jones (C) 9, G C Paul 10. Rung open in thanksgiving for the life of Kilby Holtom. £1

Kettering, Nthants. 30 Apr, 1302 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Pridmore 1, Jean Aldwinkle 2, J Weaver (C) 3, Bryony Dorrington 4, Pat Hooper 5, R L Hall 6, F E Coales 7, E R Berryman 8. In celebration of the life of Kirby R Holtom. £1

Kingskerswell, Devon. 20 Mar, 1440 Spl S Minor (6m): Mervyn Way 1, Robert Brown 2, Richard Shere 3, Tim Barnaby 4, Philip Stephens 5, Michael Mears (C) 6. £1

Kingston upon Thames, Surrey. 30 Apr, 1323 Stedman Cinques: Jeremy Pratt (C) 1, Chris Ridley 2, Jenny Orchard 3, Stephen Theobald 4, Simon Plackett 5, Chris Rogers 6, Nigel Orchard 7, David Robinson 8, Paul Flavell 9, Stephen Mitchell 10, Alistair Brown 11, Robert Wood 12. For evensong and the start of Kingston May Festival. £1

Knowle, Bristol. 10 Feb, 1250 Cambridge S Major: P Ebsworth 1, Pam Ebsworth 2, Christine Angell (1st S Major) 3, P Anne Harris 4, Mo Sweet (1st C S Major) 5, R Perry (C) 6, J A Dunstone 7, M J Freeman 8. £1

Lane End, Bucks. 23 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: Colin Hagger 1, Ian Sparrowhawk 2, Josie McCloy 3, Joel Reitz (1st inside) 4, Colin Meakes (C) 5, Andrew Connell 6. Before Evensong on St George's Day. £2.50

Limpsfield Chart, Surrey. 16 Apr, 1260 Doubles (3m): Yvonne Hamilton-Smith 1, Margaret Boosey 2, Douglas Weeks 3, John Hall 4, Keith Matthews (C) 5, Oliver Denniss 6. On Easter Day for early Communion. (We started at 7am). £1.20

Lingfield, Surrey. 20 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: Trevor Crowhurst 1, Rosalind Cowsill 2, Ian Walis 3, Ian Henderson 4, Roger Cowsill 5, Keith Matthews (C) 6. Rung to celebrate the birth of Sarah Stansfield. £1.20

Llandaff, S Glam. 30 Apr, 1282 Lincolnshire S Royal: P R Scofield 1, D J Llewellyn 2, J A Vesey 3, Elizabeth Byrne 4, P E R Brennan 5, J W Lewis 6, F M Byrne 7, Jane D Bull 8, J C Parker 9, A M Bull (C) 10. 1st blows in the method: 3,6,8&10. 1st in the m on the bells (but not on the metal). £1

Magor, Gwent. 23 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: Steve Randall 1, Fiona Price 2, Sue Prout 3, John Prout 4, David Price (C) 5, Malcolm Edwards 6. By an all Magor band after morning eucharist, as a farewell to Steve Randall who has moved to Tutshill after 10 years at Magor, including 4 years as Tower Captain, and also to Sue & John Prout who moved to Brinkworth after 4 years at Magor and also our vicar, Rev Peter Cobb who is retiring today after 26 years in Church Ministry, including 13 years Vicarship at Magor, Redwick and Undy. £2

Maidstone, Kent. (St Michael & A A). 1 May, 1280 Glasgow S Major: Frank Matthews 1, Diana Wraight 2, Douglas Davis 3, Tom Cullingworth 4, Tim Wraight 5, Neil Jones 6, Thomas Barlow 7, Michael Birkbeck (C) 8. £1.60

Mangotsfield, Bristol. 10 May, 1280 Yorkshire S Major: Henry Taysom 1, Ralph Edwards 2, Kate Walker 3, Michael Stone 4, Vivienne Rigby 5, Richard Bowden 6, Alan Friskney 7, Matthew Higby (C) 8. By the not so old codgers. 80p

Matching, Essex. 27 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: D G Barlow 1, F E Warboys 2, C Holman 3, C Moore 4, A Dodds 5, L Luck (C) 6. £1.50

Mells, Somerset. 21 Apr, 1250 Lincolnshire S Major: P Ebsworth 1, Pam Ebsworth 2, P Anne Harris 3, Christine Angell (1st N) 4, Mo Sweet (1st N) 5, R Perry (C) 6, J A Dunstone 7, M J Freeman 8. In memory of John Spencer Walton, died this day 1994. £1

Meopham, Kent. 22 Apr, 1280 Rutland S Major: Arthur Vidgeon 1, Diana R Wraight 2, Rhian Bagshaw 3, Frank Matthews 4, Janet Yeo 5, Timothy Wraight 6, Douglas David 7, Neil Jones 8. For Easter. (No C Given). £1.60

Morebath, Devon. 19 Apr, 1260 Doubles (8m/v/p): Bill Slocombe 1, John Levin 2, Wilf Dunn (C) 3, Richard Hartnell 4, Dean Bowden 5,

Brian Samuels 6. Loyal Greeting's to H M The Queen on Her Birthday. £1.31

Naunton, Glos. 22 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: M Wallis 1, R L Skeath 2, M J Austin 3, W P Nash 4, D I Tilbrook (1st Minor) 5, Sally A Austin (C) 6. A birthday compliment to David Tilbrook. £1.20

New Alresford, Hants. 30 Apr, 1280 Superlative S Major: Peggy Chalk 1, Lyn Breslain 2, John Davis (Circ twr) 3, Jacqueline Davis 4, Helen Winter 5, Elizabeth Johnson 6, Andrew Johnson 7, Sean Smith (C) 8. For evensong. In memory of Lizzie Wardle, this day would have been her 33rd birthday. Commissioned in aid of Church Funds. £1.63

Norton Fitzwarren, Somerset. 22 Apr, 1260 Rev Can Pleasure -: Jeremy Harris 1, Mark Harris 2, Stan Huish 3, Peter Vaughan 4, Ronald Trigkey 5, Sylvia Fuzzay (C) 6. 60p

Papanui, New Zealand. 18 Apr, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Patricia Reeve 1, C H Ward 2, C D C Oldham 3, P Perry 4, N F E Reeve 5, R H Idle (C) 6. Wedding compliment to Alison Bennett & Nigel Wallis married at Tai Tapu. £1

Piddletrenthide, Dorset. 22 Apr, 1260 Dragon Doubles: Ivan Andrews 1, Judith Robertson 2, Susan Legge 3, Clare Larter (C) 4, Ross Robertson 5, Tim Andrews 6. £1.50

Plymouth, Devon. (St Andrew). 19 Mar, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Yvonne Porter 1, Jan Yates 2, Margaret Reeves 3, Jim Jates 4, Chris Ricketts 5, Alenda Denning 6, John Steere 7, Chris Wardle 8, Fergus Tracey (C) 9, David Pike (1st on 10) 10. In thanksgiving for the life of Sid O'Shaughnessy who died this week. £1

Polstead, Suffolk. 23 Apr, 1284 Original Minor: John Hobson 1, Rolie Whiting 2, Christine Green 3, Richard Walker 4, Charles Ablitt 5, Ed Haynard (C) 6. For evensong. 1st Original for all. With thanks from the conductor from the rest of the band for their patience. £1

Pott Shrigley, Ches. 30 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: P C Whatmough 1, D M Matherson (C) 2, Kathleen M Matherson 3, Dorothy J Sharpley 4, B Schofield 5, D Warren 6. By a local band for the 50th birthday of 4. 60p

Preston Plucknett, Somerset. 8 Apr, 1260 Doubles (3m/p): Laura Bignell 1, Rebecca Axe 2, Susan Cave 3, David Hammonds 4, Lawrence Bignell (C) 5, Robert Field 6. £1

Radlett, Herts. 30 Apr, 1260 Doubles (2m): Julian Beardwell 1, Robert Ogden 2, Catherine Ladd 3, Alan Ladd 4, Jeff Ladd (C) 5, Adrian Beardwell 6. Before Parish Eucharist and Confirmation celebrated by John, Bishop of St Albans on his last visit to the parish before retirement. £1

Rayne, Essex. 9 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: Rebecca Fuller (1st Minor) 1, Phil Clarke 2, Nicola Meson 3, Johanna Withams 4, C John Warboys 5, Maurice Downs (C) 6. For Palm Sunday, when the Bishop of Colchester Blessed and distributed the Palms. £1

Rochester, Staffs. 21 Apr, 1260 P B Triples: Richard Barnett 1, Jackie Burns (1st in m ins) 2, Alyson Ashton 3, Andrew Burns 4, Colin Wheelodon (1st in m ins) 5, Derek Pipe 6, Maurice Starkey (C) 7, Keith Woolley 8. For the Queen's Birthday. 80p

Rotherfield, Sussex. 30 Apr, 1260 Oxford Bob Triples: Mark Dawkins 1, Ken Fradd (1st in m) 2, Nicky Dawkins 3, Mike Fradd 4, Pip Sadler 5, Linda Moores (C) 6, John Palmer 7, Tony Lovell 8. For evensong. £1.20

Rothwell, Nthants. 30 Apr, 1280 Bristol S Major: D J Jones 1, Delia Smith 2, M A Coleman (C) 3, Susan Riley 4, W J Riley 5, B Austin 6, R W Smith 7, D Kingman 8. For evensong. £1

Rye, E Sussex. 23 Apr, 1260 Stedman Triples: A J C Brown 1, Shirley Mc Gill 2, Malcolm Parry 3, Peter Humphries 4, Anne Anthony 5, J R Anthony 6, Richard Stevens (C) 7, Norman Steere 8. A compliment to Betty & Malcolm Parry on the occasion of their Ruby Wedding Anniversary. £5

Saddleworth, Gtr Man. 24 Apr, 1250 Rutland S Major: Elizabeth Calvert 1, Maurice Calvert 2, Karl Grave (100th Q) 3, Charles Morrish 4, Arthur Talbot 5, Iain Anderson 6, Brian Heys 7, Peter Kirby (250th Q) (C) 8. To celebrate the birth of Emily Mary Morrish (15th April), second daughter for Charles & Rachel. £1.60

Salford Priors, Warks. 24 Apr, 1280 Cray S Major: Steve Bowley 1, Roy Williams 2, Ross

Bradley 3, Sarah Morgan 4, Catherine Leach 5, Claire Redstone 6, A J Barnfield 7, Mark Davies (C) 8. £2

Sampford Brett, Somerset. 28 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Jane Whitfield 1, Robert Yandle 2, Fred Sweet 3, Martin Blazey 4, Adrian Somerfield (C) 5, Ann Somerfield 6. For St George's Day (Patron Saint of this Church) and also some special birthdays in the village, including a 90th and the Golden Wedding of a former Churchwarden & his wife. The locals much appreciate the support of ringers 3,5 & 6. £1.50

Shenfield, Essex. 16 Apr, 1260 Doubles (2m): Jill Evans 1, D G Mayell (C) 2, R G Butt 3, V J C Dale 4, H G Goddard 5. For Easter Sunday. 50p

Shinfield, Berks. 30 Nov, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Morris 1, Gill Tift 2, Rev Alan Holmes (1st G D) 3, Jeff Wallace 4, Bobbie May (C) 5, Frank Mitchell 6. Farewell to Alan Holmes, our N.S.M, leaving for a neighbouring parish. For evensong. £1

Sonning, Berks. 29 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: Vicky Elliston 1, Nicky Crowther 2, Pam Elliston (C) 3, Rob Needham 4, Andrew Elliston 5, Brian Snell 6. With the best wishes of the band to the Revd. Viv Brooks on her Ordination. £1

Southampton, Hants. (St Michael). 5 Mar, 1320 D Oxford Minor: Jennie Dieppe 1, Ian Woodward 2, Edie Robinson 3, Patrick Bosworth 4, Emma Southerington (C) 5, Christian Peckham 6. A 20th birthday compliment to SUGCR's "mistress". 95p

Southover, E Sussex. 16 Apr, 1260 Stedman Triples: Clare Cullen 1, Linda Etherington 2, Graham Heath 3, Tania Osband 4, Tom Reeves 5, Phil Nancarrow 6, Richard Neil (C) 7, Anne Sawyer 8. To celebrate the wedding of Tim Bagnell & Anne Robertson. £1.40

Sowerby, W Yorks. 27 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Calvert 1, Elizabeth Johnson 2, Kenneth Harrison 3, David Spaul 4, Maurice Calvert (C) 5, Peter Kirby 6, Charles Morrish 7, Ian Panton 8. To celebrate the birth of Emily Mary Morrish (15th April), a second daughter for Charles & Rachel. £1.50

Sproughton, Suffolk. 23 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: J Woolf (1st on treble) 1, Sue J Williamson 2, Tessa R Fortune 3, R N Earey (C) 4, J J Williamson 5, B Woolf 6. For St George's Day evensong and a birthday compliment to Freda Fortune. £1.20

St Albans, Herts. (Cathedral). 16 Apr, 1260 St Simons Triples: S Penney 1, Jennifer Johnson 2, I Galpin 3, G Dodds 4, Janet Penney 5, D Hodgskin 6, G Penney (C) 7, I Fraser 8. 1st in the method for all except the 3rd. For Easter Day. £1.60

St George in the East, London. 27 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Ruth Jakeman 1, Jeremy Platten 2, John Adams 3, Ruth Foreman 4, Stephen Jakeman 5, Ron Brown 6, Andrew Barham (C) 7, Peter Madden 8. For Patronal Festival Service and in thanksgiving for the life of Tony Baker, who rang in this tower. £3

Staveley, Derbys. 30 Apr, 1260 P B Triples: Anne Parsons 1, Alison C Yeomans 2, Nichola J Yeomans 3, Ian Ridgeway 4, Nigel Ball 5, Paul Parsons 6, Matthew R Yeomans (C) 7, Victor Nixon 8. For evensong. £1

Stirling, Central. 23 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: Liz York 1, Rev George Cringles 2, Isla Mc Geoch 3, Christopher Bragg 4, Robert McGowan 5, Magnus Peterson (C) 6. For Morning Service. £1.50

Stoke Poges, Bucks. 21 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Bryan Matthews 1, Bridget Farren 2, Robert Lister 3, Julia Mackie (1st inside) 4, Lloyd Cartwright 5, William Birmingham 6, Peter H Mackie 7, Rob Johnson 8. For Easter Sunday and also a tribute to Mr E C Hartley. M.B.E. Bellringer, Church Warden Supreme and Parish Councillor for 53 years. £5

Sturry, Kent. 17 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: Christina Bouldin 1, Keith Davies 2, Roger Button 3, Patrick Harrison 4, Roderick Glover 5, Martin Harrison (C) 6. To commemorate the 30th wedding anniversary of the 1st peal by each member of the band, Easter Sunday 1965. £3

Tanworth-in-Arden, Warks. 19 Apr, 1260 P B Triples: Beryl Hartley 1, Mathew Sreeves 2, Colin Baugh 3, Francis Sreeves 4, Jayne McKay 5, Derek Smart 6, Alan Hartley (C) 7, Ann Smart 8. Progress. £1.20

Tewin, Herts. 16 Apr, 1272 Bourne S Minor: J F Goodwin 1, Heather A Lloyd 2, S A Saunders 3, R Hornby 4, W R E T Goss 5, J J Ford (C) 6. £1

Tilehurst, Berks. 23 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Joanne P Druce 1, June D Winter 2, Daphne J Howcutt 3, Eunice A Wark 4, C R Cairns 5, D G Winter (C) 6, E J Wells 7, S R Smith II 8. For evensong on St George's day. £1

Todenham, Glos. 24 Apr, 1300 Doubles (3m): R Stansbury (1st away from cover) 1, M J Austin 2, Sally A Austin 3, R L Skeath (C) 4, D I Tilbrook 5, J E White 6. A birthday compliment to 1. £1.20

Tring, Herts. 17 Mar, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: Marion S Ainsworth 1, Val Korson (1st in m) 2, Jennifer V Johnson 3, Alan Ainsworth 4, H Collings 5, R M Casserley 6, D G Franklin 7, L Haines (C) 8. In memoriam Frank Reed on the day following his death.

Trowbridge, Wilts. 23 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Eileen Lucas 1, Gillian Lucas (C) 2, Brian Coward 3, Ian Mozley 4, Adrian Coward 5, Oliver Brown 6. To congratulate Vi & Bob Brunson on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary; Brian & Margaret Coward on their Pearl and the Rector Chris Brown on his 51st birthday. £1

Upper Cam, Glos. 17 Mar, 1260 Doubles (2m): Dave Hipwell 1, Lynne Clutterbuck 2, Terry Baker 3, Norman Martin 4, Ken Clutterbuck (C) 5, Clive Legg 6. In thanksgiving for the life of Madge Hedges. £1.20

Waltham St Lawrence, Berks. 29 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: Derek Titford 1, Pam Coles 2, Pam Elliston (C) 3, Bill Mills 4, Andrew Ellison 5, Tony Evans 6. Prior to the Village Concert. £1

Walton, Somerset. 1 May, 1260 Stedman Doubles: E J Chivers (C) 1, A E Cox 2, E T Lee 3, D G Yeo 4, J Brain 5. 60p

Wandsworth, London. (Holy Trinity). 23 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Kevin Perkins 1, Andrew Robinson 2, Mark Anderson 3, Joan Coatsworth 4, Nicholas Ley 5, Michael Uphill 6, Lawrence Davies (C) 7, David Hedges 8. £1.60

Ware, Herts. 23 Apr, 1260 P B Triples: Rachael Chivers 1, Felicity Burgess 2, Nich Wilson (C) 3, Heather Lloyd 4, Richard Wilsher 5, Roy Horby 6, Michael Chivers 7, Ian Munro 8. With best wishes to Bernard Barnaby, a member of the St Mary's band, on the occasion of his 60th birthday. £2

Wareham, Dorset. 29 Apr, 1280 Superlative S Major: Nancy Bramley 1, Ruth Blackwood 2, June Brown 3, Mary Garrard 4, Hilary Child 5, Jenny Elmes 6, Felicity Warwick 7, Judith Robertson (1st in m as C) 8. For the 90th birthday of Stanley Harding, father of the conductor. By East Dorset Branch Ladies. £1.20

Warnham, W Sussex. 16 Apr, 1250 Cambridge S Major: Margaret Oram 1, Ian Oram 2, Isabel Woodward 3, Carole Sweatman 4, Basil Pink 5, Edward Woodward 6, George Francis (C) 7, Leslie Weller 8. Best wishes to the conductor on his 65th birthday. For evensong. 80p

Weldon, Nthants. 30 Apr, 1260 Doubles (5m/v): Claire Jones 1, Susan M Jones 2, Karen S Eyres (Most m/v) 3, C P Eyres 4, D J Jones (C) 5, Sandra Whitlam 6. In memory of Kilby Holtom, sometime member of the band. £1

Wembdon, Somerset. 28 Apr, 1260 Minor (St Clements & PB): Andrea B Freeman 1, Marilyn Backhurst 2, Clare Higby 3, Mo Sweet 4, Valerie J Stone 5, Rosemary Ball (C) 6. By the Western District of the Ladies Guild. 60p

West Buckland, Somerset. 22 Apr, 1260 Doubles (5m/p): Rachel Drew 1, Sylvia Fuzzey 2, Terry Modridge 3, Brian Horriel 4, Ronald Trickey (C) 5, Graham Button 6. 60p

West Kirby, Merseyside. 7 Mar, 1320 P B Minor: Alison J Tinkler 1, Valerie Beecroft 2, A J Power 3, E T Carvell 4, P D Hughes 5, R T J Tinkler (C) 6. 60p

Westbury, Wilts. 5 May, 1220 Pudsey S Major: Margaret Chapman 1, Tom Chapman 2, George Massey 3, Brian Coward 4, Vivienne Rigby 5, Tony Fortin 6, Michael Stone 7, Matthew Higby (C) 8.

Wetherden, Suffolk. 23 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: Judy Frost 1, Margaret Wainwright (1st inside) 2, Ken Mulley 3, Basil Hart (C) 4, Gordon Slack 5, Dennis Frost 6. For Family Service. £1

White Waltham, Berks. 16 Apr, 1260 P B Doubles: Roger Martin 1, Virginia Coulson 2, Simon Smith 3, Derek Smith 4, David Court (C) 5,

Derek Brayne 6. To the Glory of God on Easter Sunday. £3

Windsor, Berks. (HM Chapel of St George) 21 Apr, 1260 Grandsire Triples: F T Blagrove (C) 1, D W Struckett 2, H Oglesby 3, N Phillips 4, J Brooks 5, V J Mitchell 6, I S G Blagrove 7, R Renn 8. For the Birthday of H M The Queen.

Windsor, Berks. (St John) 21 Apr, 1344 Grandsire Triples: Elsie Smith 1, F T Blagrove (C) 2-3, D W Struckett 4, H Smith 5, N Phillips 6, A Clark-Maxwell 7, B Matthews 8. For the Birthday of H M The Queen.

Wistaston, Ches. 23 Apr, 1280 Kent T B Major: M Clarke 1, F R Morton 2, C J Henshall 3, R A Galloway 4, B L Wetherall (1st Kent Major) 5, Hilary Howell 6, J A Howell 7, C P Cheshire (C) 8. For Evensong on St George's Day. 80p

Witham, Essex. 23 Apr, 1260 P B Triples: Anne Lee 1, Pat Chapman 2, Christine Edwards 3, John Watson 4, Sue Marriott 5, Eric Brown 6, Peter Chapman (C) 7, Albert Wiseman 8. For Evensong on St George's day. £1.60

Withycombe Raleigh, Devon. 25 Mar, 1264 P B Major: R T Perry 1, Celia M Acland 2, Maureen Hawkins 3, A J Morris 4, E Summers 5, D J Hawkins 6, N E Deem 7, D E Conway (C) 8. £1

Wraxall, Somerset. 17 Mar, 1250 Yorkshire S Major: P Ebsworth 1, Christine Angell (1st Y) 2, P Anne Harris 3, Mo Sweet 4, Pam Ebsworth 5, R Perry (C) 6, J A Dunstone 7, M J Freeman 8. £1

Wye, Kent. 26 Mar, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Wendy King 1, Maureen Popple 2, Rosemary Coney (1st Triples in m) 3, Janice Leeke (C) 4, Charlotte Edmond 5, Mike Godfrey 6, David Robinson 7, Arthur King 8. In celebration of the Christening here today (Mothering Sunday) of Sian Tabitha Robinson, Daughter of the 7 and God-Daughter of the 4. £2

Yateley, Hants. 30 Apr, 1260 P B Minor: Maria Gaskell 1, Patricia Johnson 2, Jackie Walker 3, Susan Thomas 4, M King 5, E N Thomas (C) 6. For evensong and a farewell compliment to the Revd. Rupert Martin and Sally. £1

Yoxall, Staffs. 16 Apr, 1260 St Simons Doubles: Jonathan Hamby 1, Rosemary Payne 2, Cheryl Dodge 3, Richard Hamby (C) 4, Michael Payne 5, Kevin Ryder 6. For the Easter Carol Service. £1.20

A Tricky Week

I had an interesting, but tricky week last week. Monday evening saw me at the local practice where, it must be said, the bells are, at 10-3-12, not that easy. I am always in moderately anxious mode when at my local.

Tuesday found me in The Grange (0-0-16) ringing round the front in a state of extreme nervous tension. Wednesday and Thursday were non clache nights and Friday delivered the spectacle of AJB, at The Farm, in a state of panic, in learner mode, trying to ring, full circle, with tenor weight of 0-0-1. And this was no ringers play time, this was serious. The ringing was tightly controlled, bands were placed, advice was given and disciplinary action was taken in the event of bad handling, striking or method ringing.

Before I had got the hang of ringing both hand stroke and back stroke I was instructed to turn the tenor in. It might have been the power of the rollups that shook me but I found that I was having considerable problems with my string-sight and this, along with my continual handling problems did not leave me covered in glory. I was not placed in the next touch. I was on the bench for disciplinary reasons.

As the evening wore on I got just a shade more competent and even ended up ringing the treble. Two things then began to concern me. The first was that ringing on these very light bells seemed normal and the second was, if the trend of the week continued, what was I going to be ringing on come Saturday.

A.J.B.

As the wedding drew to a close in Tring Parish Church, a furtive line of people could be seen creeping through the back door and up the tower stairs. These were Hertford C.A. Western District members come early to the monthly meeting so that they could ring the bride out and free the local ringers for such important tasks as sandwich making and table laying. By 3.30 there was quite a crowd in the ringing room and the ringing master was already experiencing a few problems over how to fit everybody in whilst keeping them happy. Two of the special methods, Superlative and Little Bob, were tried out very early on in the proceedings, and an encouraging number of people seemed to have done their homework, but the Bristol ringers did not appear in sufficient numbers until later on. Special requests for Lincolnshire or Grandsire were willingly complied with, and for the service touch we had a well-struck piece of Stedman. Included in the band for his was the new Association President, Len Luck from Widford, on his first visit to us. It was very nice to see him so early in his term of office.

Evensong was taken for us by the rector, the Rev John Payne-Cook, who had forgotten to turn the sound system on, but we still managed to hear him above the noise of a sudden heavy shower of rain pounding on the roof. (Alas, it did not last long enough to do any long-term good to the surrounding gardens.) The service was more musical than usual, with responses and psalms being sung, not said, thus enabling us to work up even more of a thirst for our tea. We were not disappointed. Once we were seated in the church hall, the teapots came round with unfailing regularity, and plates filled with sandwiches, French bread and home-made cakes soon began to look distinctly emptier. The ringers, on the other hand, began to look distinctly fuller!

The President, impressed by the numbers attending, was put in the chair for the business meeting, and we were soon in full flow. A brief resume of the AGM was given for those who had been unable to attend, and Philip Watson of Apsley End was congratulated on being this year's recipient of the Ursula Ferguson bequest. He will be off to Wisbech in July to learn all about Cambridge Royal and conducting. Members were reminded of the Coburn Trophy, for which we will be the hosts this year, and the ringing master expressed a wish to enter two teams as usual. Someone will no doubt volunteer to join his list of fifteen people! Four probationers were transferred to full membership, and they will be some of the first members to receive the President's new-style certificates of membership. This is a very handsome affair, with colour pictures of one tower from each District, and it will certainly be worth joining the Association in order to get one. Ringing Master George Reading congratulated bands at Berkhamsted, Apsley End, Hemel Hempstead, Kings Langley and Flamstead for having taken up his challenge and rung peals for VE Day. He hoped that forthcoming attempts at Little Gaddesden and Aldbury would be successful, and looked forward to VJ Day, when he hoped that the remaining towers in the District would also ring peals.

Evening ringing continued until 8 o'clock, and included Bristol and 8-spiced, as well as the simpler methods. A good crowd still remained at the end, and seemed somewhat loath to make their way down the stairs, but at last allowed themselves to be shepherded out and either into The Bell or home.

PENNY WATSON



The wedding party at Kensington.

L.C.A. Top Brass Wed

On Saturday 22nd April, the Secretary and Master of the London County Association, Ruth (nee Harrison) and David Holdridge were married at St Mary Abbotts, Kensington. This church was the obvious choice as not only is it their home tower, it is also where they first met.

The date was an auspicious one, as it was 60 years ago to the day since Ruth's grandmother was herself married. As a link to the past, Ruth carried the same prayerbook that her grandmother had with her on the occasion of her wedding.

The lesson was read by Paul Daybell and a personal touch was added to the wedding service by the address, given by the Reverend John Mullett, having known Ruth since childhood, he was able to give us some revealing insights into her early life. The congregation evidently enjoyed the three eminently singable hymns and the unusual organ music. This was especially true of the 'going out piece', *Sortie in E flat* by Lefebure-Wely, which had the bride and groom almost dancing down the aisle.

After the usual delays for photographs, during which we enjoyed some firing on the ten bells, the wedding party of about 75, including many ringers, made its way to the Kensington Palace Thistle Hotel for the reception. We were seated in a room that we comfortably filled and were presented with an excellent meal of generous proportions. I assume that everybody was satisfied as the wedding invitations had specifically asked if there were any dietary requirements. The party was then treated to some tune ringing on handbells, conducted by Stephanie Pattenden, which included 'On Ilkley Moor Bar t'Hat' (a reference to the Yorkshireness of the bridegroom). Unfortunately, it didn't seem appropriate to sing along. Just in case we were hankering after some changeringing, the tune ringing was followed by three leads of Kent.

There followed the cutting of the cake, a most professional joint production by Ruth's mother and aunt. There were various ringing references in the shape of the top storey and the decoration, and after eating this we were repeat, and in the mood for speeches. The bride's father, Will Harrison, offered some advice to his daughter on marriage, stressing the need for both tolerance and independence. David replied on behalf of the bride, and amused us with a postcard his mother had sent him years ago, hinting that it was high time he was married. After recording his thanks to all who had made the wedding such a happy occasion, it was the turn of the best man,

your correspondent. He gave examples of the groom's wisdom in all matters, except for a recent lapse, illustrated by a wee story which contained a revelation that evidently came as something of a surprise to David. Stephanie Pattenden rounded off the speeches rather more tastefully, with a few words from a personal viewpoint, and presented the couple with a record of one of several peals rung in honour of their wedding. This one had taken place at St. Mary Abbott's with the groom turning in the tenor for the first time, to 4-spliced *Surprise Royal*.

I hope I speak for all concerned when I say that it was a memorably enjoyable day, and that we wish David and Ruth a long and happy future together.

JONATHAN DEANE..

Three into six goes fourth

Readers may be interested in hearing of our three-bell tower's placing in the Leeds and District Branch Striking Competition on Saturday, 20th May. For the third consecutive year we entered a six-ringer call-change band comprising five of our own plus one volunteer borrowed from St Oswald's, Collingham. Previously we had been placed last and second to last but, this year, to our surprise and delight, we came fourth (yes, fourth) out of eight entries! (that's all there were). We know we had rung our changes well but we could not have been more elated if we had won the National 12-bell Competition (what a hope). One of the band, on hearing the results, said he did not believe it and even the Judge was complimentary about our performance.

Ages of our band range from 12 to 70+ and the youngest (treble) kept us in order so well, with the mutual help of her older sister and father. Needless to say the experience has given us all a tremendous boost; so watch out next year, you Leeds lot!

If, therefore, you ring at, or know of ringers at, three- or four-bell towers in your area, we suggest you be adventurous and have a go on higher numbers; you never know where you may end up but the Exercise will benefit for sure. (You need a nearby, friendly six or more bells towers, of course).

Many thanks to St Oswald's for use of their bells and to their ringers for help on practice-nights and on the day; we are convinced we could not have succeeded without you. Thanks also to the Branch and St Mary's, Kippax for allowing us to show off our acquired expertise. On behalf of St John's, Roundhay, Leeds, W. Yorks Six-bell call-change band.

D. R. HORNE.

Obituary



Robert S Anderson

Bob Anderson died on April 17th. He was born in 1907 at Gosforth, Newcastle-upon-Tyne and was the youngest of five children. He learned to ring at All Saints', Gosforth, where he was baptised and sang in the choir, in 1922, and joined the Sunday service band where his brother John, twelve years his senior, was also a ringer. He rang his first peal at Gosforth (Stedman Triples conducted by William H. Barber) in 1923 at the age of fifteen.

In 1926 he joined the Newcastle Cathedral Guild where he was a member of the band until he left the area in 1939. He was secretary of the Cathedral Guild from 1932 to 1935 and also held the offices of Secretary and then Vice-President of the Northern District of the Durham and Newcastle Association between 1932 and 1936.

Before he left the north-east of England he had rung sixty peals, forty three on tower bells and seventeen in hand. Most of his handbell peals were rung with his brother and almost all of them were conducted by W H Barber. The most famous of these performances was the peal of Grandsire Caters rung down a coal mine at Cramlington in Northumberland in 1930, conducted by W H Barber.

Bob married his first wife Ena in 1927 and had two children Billy and Roy before the family moved to Newcastle-under-Lyme 12 years later. He spent the rest of his life there, being a member of the band at St Giles church for most of that time and tower captain from 1954-63.

Bob served the ringing exercise in a variety of ways. At the time of his death he was the longest serving Honorary Life Member of the North Staffordshire Association, having served as Chairman for twelve years and a Central Council Representative for 27 years, and on the Council he was a member of *The Ringing World* Committee from 1952-1975, serving as its Chairman from 1964-069. His involvement with *The Ringing World* spanned the early years of its ownership by the Central Council and the sixties when the *Ringing World* was often the subject of heated debates at Council meetings. His professional expertise as an accountant was very beneficial to our paper. Deteriorating eyesight had restricted Bob's ringing in recent years, but

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he maintained a keen interest and was very pleased to be able to meet a number of old friends and colleagues when the Central Council came to Stafford last year.

While in Staffordshire he rang 30 peals for the North Staffs Association in the period 1939-68, including a number of firsts for the association on both tower and handbells, and a final one, on handbells, in 1989, which gave him a peal-ringing career lasting for sixty-six years. He was an excellent handler and striker who expected the same of others.

Away from ringing Bob was an active Freemason, and we remember the pride with which he gave some of us a guided tour of his lodge when the Association dinner was held three a few years ago. He was a keen member of the Stockton Brook Golf Club for 40 years, the first thirty as an enthusiastic player and the remainder as secretary – actually working on the books on the day he died. He was an active member of his parish church, who believed in the importance of maintaining close links between belfry and church, serving as both PCC secretary and churchwarden. A keen singer, he sang not only in church choirs from an early age but also with choral societies for most of his adult life. He was a very polished and unflappable lesson-reader in church, and impressed us a few years ago when the rector gave him the wrong chapter for the day's reading used at the service at the Association AGM. Bob read a difficult passage from Isaiah concerned mainly with fornication and adultery without turning a hair and with a passing sideling glance at the congregation.

Following the death of Ena in the early forties, he later married Cicely and had a further son John, who still lives locally. Bob became a widower for the second time three years ago. Members of his family were joined by a large congregation for the funeral service on April 24th, and Newcastle bells were rung half-muffled before and after the service by a band which included his nephew Jack.

JEA, PWG & DJP

Newcastle-under-Lyme, Taffs. April 24th 1299 Stedman Caters. Ray Ballard 1, Jack Anderson 2, Ken Brown 3, Jenny Beech 4, Wendy Daw 5, Ray Daw 6, Eric Nixon (C) 7, Ralph Mitchell 8, Michael Wilshaw 9, Geoff Burton 10. Rung half muffled following the funeral of Robert S Anderson.

Arthur J. Bryant

1935-19954

Arthur James Bryant of Shenfield, Essex, who died on March 2nd 1995, was born in Middleton, near Sudbury, on the Essex/Suffolk border, and he moved to Shenfield in 1938. He was an only child, the son of an army man. Arthur learnt to ring as a teenager, being taught by the late Harry Turner, and when Harry died in 1983, Arthur succeeded him as tower captain at Shenfield.

Apart from the 1960's he lived in Shenfield all his life; he went to school at St. Mary's C of E school, then to Chelmsford; he was also a scout. In 1959 he married Mary, whom he had met through ringing. Working all his life for what was later to become BT. International, his sphere of operation was satellites. Trouble somewhere in the world could mean returning to the office, at anytime to re-align a satellite in order to provide direct communication back to the U.K. Latterly, using a modem, such work could be done from home. Arthur attended international conferences, often in Geneva where he could use his German in which he was fluent.

Arthur was devoted to his family and proud of their achievements: he was a keen stamp-collector and was also in touch with many people as a radio ham. His loft was full of aerials and other associated equipment: a phone-call to Arthur was always answered by Mary who would give Arthur a shout. The caller would then have to wait while he "came down to earth."

Arthur's sudden and unexpected death was a shock to all who knew him. During the preceding week, one day he had rung seven quarter peals in Cambridgeshire, another day on seeing a neighbour struggling to paint his gutter, Arthur took the brush, climbed the ladder and did the job for him; the day before he died, he met with thirty ex-BT colleagues in London for their monthly lunch. This was a fairly typical week for a kind, helpful and modest gentleman who could have put a string of letters behind his name but chose not to.

Arthur rang 38 peals, most of these at Shenfield; he also rang 698 quarter-peals and most of these within the last ten years. He was rarely missing from practice-nights., weddings, special festivals and Sunday evening ringing at Shenfield. His passing leaves a gap in the Sunday-evening quarter-peal band.

Quarter peals were rung half-muffled at Shenfield, Ingrave and Hutton, and a peal at Shenfield on March 19th.

ADRIAN MALTON

Rev. Harold L. Swindells

1929-95

Harold Swindells was inducted as Minister of Christ Church, Port Sunlight, United Reformed Church in 1985 at which time I was Church Secretary as well as Tower Captain. This being the only URC church in the country with bells, this was obviously a new experience for Harold. However, he quickly acquainted himself with the band, being appointed president ex officio, but it was not long before he recognised the role of ringing in the life of the church and he was asking the band to ring quarter peals to mark special events. Within a short time, Harold's 'fame' had spread throughout the Wirral Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild of Church bell Ringers (and beyond!) and the Branch was pleased when he accepted the invitation to stand as Branch President for the two years 1988 and 1989, during which time he was regularly in attendance at the month meetings. Indeed, when his term of office expired, he was invited to continue for a further year.

Christ Church had always been a popular choice for weddings but never so much as when Harold was minister, and he would shortly have conducted his 1000th marriage there had circumstances permitted. In his 'record' year he conducted 138 marriages, which kept his ringers and choir busy most Saturdays! It was not that he couldn't say 'No' as much as he wanted to say 'Yes' to couples wishing to marry at his church, this being totally consistent with his inclusive and pastoral style of ministry in all situations.

Harold was due to retire on his 65th birthday last December but, with the wholehearted and enthusiastic support of the church membership, chose to continue for a further three years beyond retirement age. It was a devastating blow when, very shortly into this period, Harold was to learn of the seriousness of the illness which had started to afflict him. Indeed the ravages of the cancer were so rapid that it was only a matter of weeks from diagnosis to his demise on 2nd May. By coincidence I was also a patient at the hospital at the same time as Harold and I shall

always cherish the memory of sharing communion with him at the hospital chapel service that Passion Sunday.

Prior to the funeral service, which saw the church full with nearly 1000 mourners, including many clergy from all denominations, I felt privileged to toll 65 blows on the tenor bell, one for each year of Harold's life. After the committal to a grave at the foot of the tower, a half-muffled quarter peal was rung by a band comprising ringers drawn from the Branch. The usual Wednesday night practice was cancelled as a token of respect but a short piece of well struck call changes was rung in memoriam by our own ringers, this to enable all members of the band to participate in the gesture. This was followed by a quarter peal rung by Wirral branch ringers at St Oswald's church, Bidston.

He is survived by his daughter Karen and son Paul to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.

PETER HUMPHREYS.

Port Sunlight, Mers. 10 May, 1260 Plain Bob Triples: J M Pemberton 1, Lindsey C Jones 2, C B Pemberton 3, E T Carvell 4, P M S Newton 5, A J Martin 6, R J Tinkler (C) 7, T A Morgan 8. By Wirral Branch band immediately following interment.

Port Sunlight, Mers. 10 May, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Victoria C Hocker 1, R A S Mould 2, Brenda D Humphreys 3, Lindsey C Jones 4, G W Phillips (C) 5, D J Hocker 6. By local band on evening of funeral service.

Bidston, Mers. 10 May, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: C B Pemberton 1, P D Hughes (C) 2, E T Carvell 3, J M Pemberton 4, R R Moore 5, T A Morgan 6. All rung half-muffled in memoriam Rev. Harold L Swindells.



Joan Larter, Duncan Larter, Frank Healey, Derek Grey and Gilbert Larter.

"Frank Healey, at 71 plus, was one of Gimmingham's first new recruits. He had never missed a weekly practice, and showed great determination in learning to ring. He has become a staunch Sunday Service ringer. Well done, Frank."

Gimmingham, Norfolk. 27 Dec, 1260 Doubles (3m): Frank Healey 1, Gilbert Larter (C) 2, Joan Larter 3, Duncan Larter 4, Derek Grey 5. First quarter (at first attempt) for treble ringer (age 72) who has only been ringing for 2 years. Congratulations, Frank.

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Birth

GREEDY. Steve and Chris (née Testa) are delighted to announce the arrival of Peter James on 20/5/95. (For R & C sweepstake weight was 3050 grammes). 3131

Thanks

SWIFT. Michael and Jasmine would like to thank all ringing friends for their messages of sympathy and ringing tributes following George's death. They have been a source of great comfort. 3134

Changes of Telephone Number

BLACKWELL. Ruth's work number is now 0171-542 3414. Ad No 3133
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Holidays

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Tower Announcement

SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS. Great Ringing Day, Saturday 1st July 1995 (change of date). Open ringing 1.30pm to 3.00pm followed by service, further ringing by arrangement. 4143

University Announcement

C.U.G.C.R. Recently elected at the AGM on Sunday 7th May 1995 to serve the next term of office as Central Council representatives: Christopher E J Kilgour (St John's) & S Clarke Walters (Pembroke). Many thanks to the retiring officer, Philip J Agg. 0882

Annual Report

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD. The 1995 Report is now available price £2.40 (including postage) from: Robert J Perry, 11 Trevaylor Close, Truro, Cornwall TR1 1RP. Cash with order, please. 0860

Midweek Meetings and Practices

LEICS MID-WEEK. Meeting at Thurlaston on Tues June 20, 2-4pm. All welcome. 4130
LEICESTER D.G. Loughborough District. Evening Meeting, Wednesday June 21, Ravenstone (3), 7.00-7.30pm; Heather (6), 7.30-9.00pm. All welcome. 0875
OXFORD D.G. North Bucks Branch. Practice at North Crawley (6), Friday June 16, 7.30-9pm. Special methods: St Nicholas and Winchendon Place Doubles. 0814

SOUTHWELL GUILD. South Notts District Meeting at Edwalton (6), Wednesday June 28, 7.30-9pm. **PLEASE NOTE:** Meeting is Wednesday 28 NOT Thursday 29 as in Guild Report. 0901

Saturday Meetings and Practices

BATH & WELLS D.A. Dunster Branch. Sat June 17, Practice Meeting at Withypool, 7.00-9.00pm. Methods to include Grandsire Doubles and London Surprise Minor. 0888
E.D.W.N.A. Evening Meeting, Sat June 17 at Horsley, Derbys, 7-9pm. Everyone welcome. 0899
LADIES GUILD. National AGM, Saturday June 17. See RW April 21 for details. Phone to reserve tea and tower tickets (£5). 01275 856207. Rosemary Ball. 0885
WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. Northern Branch Quarterly Meeting will be held at Kinver on Sat June 17. Bells (8) available from 3pm and afterwards. Service 4.15pm followed by tea and business. Names for tea to Mrs R Lawley, 16 Foster Street, Kinver, Stourbridge, West Midlands DY7 6EB (01384 873389) by Thursday June 15. 0867

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Luton District. Out-of-District Evening Meeting, Saturday June 24, Wing (6), 6.30-8.30pm. Special methods: Winchendon Place Doubles and Double Bob Minor. Also picnic and rounders competition, Tilsforth Recreation Ground, 4.30pm. 0755

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. Wirral Branch. Meeting, Wallasey St Nicholas, Saturday June 24. Bells (8) 3pm. Service 5pm. Evening ringing 6.30-8pm. Tea **FREE** for those notifying Hazel Bailey 0151 630 4002 by Thursday 22nd at latest. 0900

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. Aylesbeare Branch. Sat June 24. Monthly Practice, East Budleigh, 7-9pm. All welcome. 0125

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. NE Branch. Quarterly Meeting, Saturday June 24. Ringing Burlescombe 3pm. Service 4.30pm. Names for tea to P J Walter (01823 672545) by Wednesday June 21. Evening ringing from 6.30pm at Holcombe Rogus. 0859

DONCASTER & DISTRICT SOCIETY. Meeting at Rawmarsh on Saturday June 24, 7.00-9.00pm. Special method Yorkshire Surprise. 0889

ELY D.A. Wisbech District. Joint Meeting with Western District of NDA at Stow Bardolph, June 24, from 3pm. Names for tea to Doreen Bainbridge by June 23. Visitors welcome. 0804

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL D.A. Bristol Rural Branch. Saturday June 24, an "Out-of-Branch" 10 bell Practice at Berkeley 7.30-9pm. All are welcome. 0902

KENT C.A. The Inter-District Eight Bell Striking Competition will be held at Cliffe on Sat June 24. Draw 3.45pm. Ringing 4pm. Districts confirm participation by Tel to Hon Gen Sec. This will be followed by a "Midsummers Madness" at Hoo, proceeds to BRF. All welcome. See additional advertisement for details. 0829

K.C.A.C.R. 8-bell Striking Competition, June 24 at Cliffe. Draw 3.45pm. Competition followed by "Midsummer Madness" Barbecue and Barn Dance at Hoo St Werburgh. Tickets £5 adult; £3 concessions. Towers open: Frindsbury 3-4pm. Higham 3.45-4.45. High Halstow 4.30-5.30. All proceeds to BRF. Tickets and further details from 01474 365566 or 01795 477172. Ad No 0850

NORWICH D.A. Western Branch. Saturday June 24, Joint Meeting with Wisbech Branch of Ely D.A. at Stow Bardolph. Ringing, tea, meeting, etc. starting 3.00pm. Names for tea to either Jenny Bell 01362 860371 or Doreen Bainbridge 01945 773479. Ad No 0878

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. EBSB. Branch Practice at Great Marlow. June 24, 7.00-9.00pm. All welcome. 0846

SALISBURY D.G.R. Salisbury Branch Meeting, June 24. Ringing 2.45-3.45, Communion Service 4.00 followed by tea and meeting, all at Steeple Langford. Evening ringing, Wylve. Names for tea: June Webb 01722 790299 by June 21. 0806

SALISBURY D.G.R. West Dorset Branch. Quarterly Meeting, Sat June 24 at Whitechurch Canonicorum (8). Ringing from 3pm. Service 4.30. Tea 5pm. Meeting. Ringing from 6.30 approx. All visitors very welcome. 0786

SUFFOLK GUILD. South West District Striking Competition and Meeting at Rattlesden on Saturday June 24. Draw at 6.30pm. The Striking Competition will be followed by a short meeting and BBQ. All welcome. 0886

SURREY ASSOCIATION. Southern District. Saturday June 24. Summer Business Meeting. Ringing at Godstone (8), 3.30-5pm. 5pm Service followed by Tea & Biscuits. Meeting and Barbecue at Godstone Farm. Names for Barbecue to Alison McCormick - 01883 345173 by Wednesday 21st at latest. 0887

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Saturday July 1st, Eight Bell Contest at Darley Dale. Draw 2.30pm. Ringing at Brassington 2.30-3.30pm; Winster 3.30-4.30pm; Youghreave 4.30-5.00pm. Service, Tea, Meeting and Evening Ringing at Youghreave. All welcome. P. Halls. 0809

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. Striking Competition Finals. Sat July 1st. 6-bell Hempstead, draw 2pm. 8-bell Ashdon, draw 7pm. Tea at Ashdon from 5pm, names to Jeni Dodds (01279 419140) by June 28. Note, Saffron Walden bells available from 2-3.30pm for Great Ringing Day. 0898

SUFFOLK GUILD. NW District. Sat July 8, Quarterly Meeting at Barrow, 6pm, followed by ringing and Barbecue, £6.00 a head. Names for Barbecue must be received by Weds July 5 by Janet Stannard, 01284 810866. Tickets available in advance. Bring own drinks. 0736

NORWICH D.A. Eastern Branch Barn Dance, Hall Farm, Hickling, July 1st, 7.30pm to midnight. Entry by ticket only from Lizzie High, 01603 720351. Ad No 0855

RINGING TOUR AND CANAL CRUISE SATURDAY 1st JULY 1995

PROCEEDS TO THE "COTSWOLD CANALS TRUST" RESTORATION PROGRAMME

10am-10.45	Cheriton	(5) 6 cwt
11am-11.45	Minchinhampton	(6) 12 cwt
— Lunch —		
1.30pm-2.15	Stonehouse	(6) 17 cwt
3/4 hour Cruise along the Stroudwater Canal followed by Cream Teas and ringing at:		
3.15pm-4.15	Eastington	(6) 11 cwt
4.30pm-5.15	Slimbridge	(6) 12 cwt
5.45pm-6.30	Thornbury	(8) 22 cwt

Charges: £1 per tower per ringer
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SATURDAY 8th JULY 1995

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OS Map Nos: 150/151/162/163

Towers open 1.5 hrs am & pm * am only + pm only # 1 hour only

Tower Location Grid Ref	Weight No AR bells/Total	Starting Time	Tower Location Grid Ref	Weight No AR bells/Total
North-West			South-East	
Red Marley	9	9.00 & 4.30	Avening	12.75
752312	4/6		879980	2/6
Ashleworth	15	9.30 & 4.00	Minchinhampton	12
819252	1/6		872008	1/6
Deerhurst	10	10.00 & 3.30	Woodchester*	9
870299	4/6		840027	2/6
Ashchurch	12	10.30 & 3.00	Cirencester*#	29
927333	5/6		023021	3/13
Kemerton	12	11.00 & 2.30	Withington	11
946368	5/6		032157	6/6
Chipping Campden+	22	11.30 & 2.00	Winchcombe	11
155395	1/8		023283	1/6
Prestbury	14	From 11.30am until 1.30pm	Coffee and	
970240	6/8	Back six all AR 1748	Light Lunches	
The other 12 towers to be arranged AFTER the Restoration			4144	

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD FESTIVAL

SOUTHERN BRANCH

SATURDAY, 24th JUNE 1995

09.30	Stamford St Martin	6	D	
09.50	Stamford All Saints	8	D	
10.20	Uffington (GF)	6	D	
10.40	West Deeping	6		
11.30	Deeping St James	6	D	
11.20	Market Deeping	6		
11.50	Baston (GF)	6	D	
12.10	Greatford (GF)	5	D	T R1
12.30	Braceborough (GF)	5		
12.50	Thurlby (GF)	6		
13.10	Bourne (GF)	6	D	T
13.30	Edenham	10	D	T
14.00	Morton	6	D	
14.30	Rippingale	6		
15.00	Sempringham	6	D	
15.30	Billingborough	8		T
15.50	Horbling	6		
16.10	Folkingham	6	D	
16.40	Newton (GF)	5	D	T R1
17.00	Heydour (GF)	8		
17.40	Ancaster	5		
18.10	Honington (GF)	5		
18.30	Barkston	6		T R2
19.00	Harlaxton	6		
19.30	Denton	6		
20.00	Stoke Rochford (GF)	5		
20.15	Skillington (GF)	5		T

All towers open for 1 hour

Day tickets £6 available at "D" towers
or 50p per towerProceeds for Lincoln DG Bell Repair Fund
T - ToiletR1 - Refreshments/Bar meals at "Hare & Hounds"
R2 - Refreshments at "The Stag" 0845**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**

COUNTRY MEETING

SATURDAY 8th JULY 1995

LANCASHIRE

Southport	8	9.00-10.00
Ormskirk	8	10.15-11.15
Standish	8	11.00-12.00
Bamber Bridge	8	1.30-2.30
Whittle le Woods	8	2.00-3.00
Leyland	10	3.00-4.00

Meeting, Leyland Church Hall, at 4.15

Supper and evening gathering,
The Railway Inn, Leyland, 5.30Names for supper,
enclosing payment - £5 - please,
to J Regin, 31 Bentley Park Road, Longton,
Preston, Lancashire PR4 5ZT, by June 28th
Peal enquiries to S J Davies,
01322 525335 or 0181 741 3141Accommodation enquiries to Miss J. Leggitt,
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Sunday ringing plans include Liverpool
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This year's Horsley Cup, the Derby D.A.'s six
bell contest, was held on 20th May at Horsley
but had a different format.It had been decided to merge the
Association's two six bell contests into one with
teams competing for either the Horsley Cup
(change ringing) or the Arthur Ashby Cup (call
changes).Paul Flavell ably assisted by his wife Kate,
was given the task of sorting the order out of the
five teams who qualified for the Horsley Cup
and the three teams for the Arthur Ashby Cup.
In his summing up Paul commented on the high
standard of ringing in both competitions.The winners of the Arthur Ashby Cup were
Etwell 215.5 pts; followed by Denby 208 pts
and Old Brampton 201.5 pts. The winners of the
Horsley Cup were Derby Cathedral 'A' 231.5
pts, second Old Whittington 224.5 pts and third
Darley Dale 221.5 pts.The Association's president Canon Frederick
Ross presented the two cups to the Captains of
the winning teams - John Chadwick (Etwell)
and John Heaton (Derby Cathedral).**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**

OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 19th AUGUST 1995

WEST DORSET

Approx 26 towers open in aid of Llewellyn
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BELLROPES

Declining attendance a problem

The 49th A.G.M. of the Southwell D.G. was held at Southwell on Saturday, 20th May, when some 55 members were in attendance, and were welcomed to the Meeting by the Guild Chairman, Beryl Reed. The Secretary was thanked for the Meeting arrangements, which had proved to be rather traumatic this year and apologies made for the incorrect teas telephone number. Beryl was also sorry to inform the Meeting, that a well known founder member, Harold Denman, was seriously ill in hospital at the moment. (Harold unfortunately passed away during the day).

After the customary list of apologies and a moment's silence to remember passed members, the Minutes of the 48th Meeting were accepted as a true record and signed. Under matters arising Richard Allton requested members to let him have details of any incorrect peal totals that were contained in the Annual Report, otherwise they would continue in future years.

The Guild Treasurer, Elizabeth Beardsley, was pleased to report a slight profit on the Guild's general account, in addition some £3,000 had been paid out of the B.R.F., to four towers within the Guild.

Guild Editor, Raymond Fanthorpe, was sure members would have noted that a new printer had been used for the 1994 Annual Report and showed considerable improvement, there was still of course the odd error, the worst being in the index of towers section, where there were apparently some 15 amendments to be made.

After the election of one new member, the present Guild Officers were re-elected, with the exception of the Guild Vice Chairman, John Coates, who had indicated that he wished to stand down this year. Bryn Richards was elected to this office. Prior to Bryn taking up this new post, a presentation was made to John, by Bill Midwinter, who thanked him on behalf of the Guild for all his work over the last 12 years. The Meeting was informed that no nomination had been received for the office of Assistant B.R.F. Secretary and districts were asked to see if they could find someone to fill this post. In addition to the elections above, the C.C.Repts., for the years 1996-98 were also elected.

Various Guild functions for the year were confirmed, along with a handbell concert at Arnold, 25th November and the Guild ringing course (maintenance) which is to be held on 2nd September.

Mick Exton was pleased to report that the Guild Insurance was cheaper this time round (35p), still it all helps, and the Health and Safety inspections were now assisting in getting necessary work done at some of the towers in the Guild.

A motion by Robin Woolley that the Half Yearly Meeting be moved to November, starting in 1996, to avoid the large number of events in October was agreed by the Meeting.

A full report of the preparations for the 50th Anniversary of the Guild in 1996 was given, these included a calendar which would be available in August, a limited edition of china mugs which would be cheaper to order prior to being available. In addition, to help to swell the funds an inter-districts skittles match had been arranged for the 22nd July, at The Anchor, Gunthorpe.

The arrangements for the 50th Annual General Meeting of the Guild was confirmed. This is to be held at Southwell, on the 18th May. Thanks were recorded to John Meredith the Verger at Southwell who had assisted with the arrangements.

Nick Parkes raised the question of the Crawford Cup rules, which in view of recent events, seemed to be in need of updating to bring them into line with modern thinking. It was suggested by the Secretary and accepted by the Meeting, that it would be best to arrange a Special General Meeting to discuss the existing rules and amend as necessary.

The problems of the declining attendance was brought to the attention of the Meeting by the Secretary. It appeared that more and more members were finding it difficult to attend an afternoon event, should we consider moving the Meeting to the evening? Districts were asked to consider this at their Meetings, to allow further discussion by the Committee.

A 'vote of thanks' was proposed by John Coates to the Minster authorities and ringers for the Meeting arrangements along with the forthcoming tea. There being no further business the Meeting was closed.

R. B. MILLS.

Not a joke – more of a York

Perhaps the day before April Fool's Day was not the best time for Nick Davies' article on Little Bob Triples (p.321) to be published! However, I think he's got his Little Bobs in a twist – it's Minor for which obtaining 720s is not easy. A quarter of Little Bob Triples *can* be done, but you have to know the trick. Trying to produce a quarter of a method with only three leads in the plain course is a real headache, so the way to get round it is to think bob courses. If you ring Little Bob, but ring bobs when the conductor says nothing, and plain leads when the conductor says 'bob' (singles stay the same), you get York Little Bob, which is actually a proper method by Central Council rules. Technically it's a twin-hunt little method, with the fourth as a second hunt bell, hunting to fourths and back (as it makes all those uncalled bobs) 180° out of phase with the treble. The important practical point is that quarter peals of York Little Bob Triples can be done. In fact, the maximum possible without variable hunt is 2880 changes. Given below is one such 2880, as well as a quarter peal (with the calls given from the point of view of the 6th) which packs a serious amount of music. (NB – in my book, a middle is 5/6 down.) Remember, a bob's a plain and a plain's a bob. Alternatively, the well-known rule for Little Bob could be adjusted to 'when you do you don't, and when you don't you don't either.' Who said Little Bob Triples was a joke?

R. A. PEARCE.

1280 York Little Bob Triples (6th observation)

H	W	M	
		2	234567
–	–		423567
3	–		457263
3	–	s	542367
2		3	523467
s		s	453267
2		–	324567

2 part

24 each 5678, 6578, 4678, 6478, 7568, 7468, 2468, 3468.

2880 York Little Bob Triples

	M	H	
2nds	–	3	52436
	–	3	42635
	–	3	62534
	a		34265

6 part

a=1 s3 s5 s10 11 12 (12 leads)

Corrections and amendments

Ringing World 1995:

- p.273 Peal at Bathwick. Ringer of 9th: **Michael J. Stubbs**. Time 3h6.
- p.472 Peal at Littleham. Method as submitted was **Yorkhouse S. Major** (not common or garden Yorkshire).
- p.524 Peal at Tonbridge Number of changes of Bristol: **736**.
- p.525 Peal at Countesthorpe was in 5 methods (method detail correct). Peal at Saltby was rung on 19 April.
- p.526 Peal at Shirley. Time was 2h29 as submitted.
- p.528 Coventry Guild handbell peal was rung on 10 April.
- p.550 Peal at the Bell Foundry, 24 April. Time was 2h25.
- p.606 Peal at Geddington. Ringer of 3rd **Bryony P. H. Dorrington**. This peal, the first by a local band, will be re-published.

And from the quarters. p.539 at York Minster, ringer of 3 was Tina Stoecklin. On p.498 quarter at Lancaster Priory was rung at Lancaster Cathedral.

On p.545 "A fantastic day" Peter (not Paul) Willan was made an Honorary Life Member. Finally John Gallimore points out a number of Italian name mis-spellings.

Campe p.428 should read Campana.

Gommasi p.453 should read Tommasi.

Massiroo Granezazo p.494 should read Massimo Granuzzo.

Brantigani p.494 should read Brentegani.

Primo p.494 should read Premio.

Guillenno p.512 should read Guillermo.

In last week's issue p.627 the last line in the first column should have read "far from time consuming for the names of no" etc.

The Essex Association's AGM was held on Monday, 29th May in Chelmsford Cathedral, where all the Association Officers were elected to serve for a further year. This year we elected our Central Council Representatives for the next tri-enium. They are Fred Bone, Dr John Armstrong, Adrian Semken and David Sparling. Choosing not to stand for re-election were Frank Lufkin, who has been continuously re-elected for the past 50 years, and David Sloman who had served on the C.C. for 25 years. The Essex Association owes a great debt of gratitude to both Frank and David for the great service they have given. Peter Childs was elected a Life Member of the Association for his work within his tower and the South-Eastern District.

Following the meeting a spicy lunch was served by members of the Northern District and the day continued with afternoon ringing and tea organised by members of the South-Eastern District.

M. A. BISHOP.

I am writing to put in my five pennith (or is it about £1.50 these days) into the debate on backs and ringing. For a period that lasted the worst part of some 10 years I had recurrent back problems. Indeed, at one point I gave up ringing for six months to see if that would help. It did not.

From personal experience I would agree with the comments made so far. In particular, I watch little TV but go ringing instead. A good mixture of different activities helps and as far as ringing goes, I avoid peals, keep clear of bells big and small, and avoid anything that looks a bit nasty.

However, the one thing that really turned things round for me was selling my push bike so if you do not possess one I should buy one quick.

A.J.B.

Around and about

We regret to report the death of Roydon Davies, President of the Surrey Association, on Sunday 11 June, aged 88.

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We regret to report the death of John T. Parsons on Friday 9th June; a ringer at Whittle-Woods and past Treasurer of the Lancashire Association. Funeral at 1.30 p.m., on Thursday 15 June at Whittle. Ringing at 1.00 p.m. Interment at St. Andrew's, Leyland. Refreshments later. J.T.

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We regret to report the death of Mr. Charles Blain of Sandy, Bedfordshire on Monday 5th June.

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We hear that viewers to Welsh Channel 4 TV who watch the evening programme "Hel Straeon" on 18th or 25th June may well see Paul Williams interviewed in Welsh about ringing.

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The rededication of the bells of Sherborne Abbey will take place at 6.30 p.m. Evensong on Sunday 2nd July.

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Lundy Festival Week, July 1-8; two places available. Contact Joanne Lovell, 01327 353300.

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On 8th May a quarter peal of Plain Bob Doubles was attempted at St. Mary's, Elloughton (N. Humberside) in celebration of the peace of VE Day and as a prayer for future world peace. The band included a Dutch ringer who learnt to ring at St. Mary's, Beverley. This was her first attempt and she did extremely well. Until, that is, the conductor and the "overseer" disagreed about where the bob should have been called! The band was met at the foot of the tower by the Vicar, delighted that his church was able to participate in the celebrations. Well done to Gerrie and thanks to the whole band, listed below in thanks for their effort and patience!

1 Helen Billany, 2 Heather Taylor, 3 Val Wood, 4 Anne Mearns (C), 5 Simon Mearns, 6 Gerrie Hogenbirk.

ANNE MEARNs.

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Following the publication of the first compositions of Stedman Triples with bobs only, the Chairman of the Compositions Committee asked whether a composition was possible that a mere mortal could call. Andrew Johnson has now produced a reply - his 10-part peal, containing 438 bobs, was rung at Cholsey by a Cambridge University Guild band on Sunday 11 June.

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Now all of us proud mums of ringing prodigies will have to eat dust and ashes. The achievement of Jennifer Mackenzie (Thorpe le Soken RW p.580) has to be unbeatable: first quarter inside age 2! Amazing - but whatever the misprint, congratulations anyway.

C. M. LADD.

GUILD AND ASSOCIATION SECRETARIES

Many thanks to those of you who have responded to the request for 1996 diary entries. May we remind you others that details for the 1996 diary should be received by June 20

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"Millennium Bells": If you are going to write to Lin Forbes or Stella Bianco (see Bellfounders Page) a stamped addressed envelope would be appreciated.

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On Sunday 18 June following morning ringing, the ringers of Portsmouth Cathedral will be removing all ten clappers from the bells and transporting them to Whites of Appleton for an overhaul.

The work will also include the replacement of the existing "SG" tenor clapper with a new wrought iron one, regreasing the main bearings and providing a new pulley for the 9th. The bells are expected to be ready for ringing again for practice on Thursday 29th June.

RICHARD HARRISON,
Tower Captain.

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"The peals at Backwell (handbells) and Bishops Lydeard in this week's issue are part of the Paul Williamson celebrations. 12 spliced at Clevedon - already published was rung on the 50th anniversary of his first peal. The handbell peal of Bob Major was rung a month later when he rang the same pair (5-6) as in his first peal and the Bishops Lydeard peal was rung on his actual 70th birthday. In a meteoric early ringing career he went from his first peal in March 1945 (handbells) to his first tower bell peal in September 1945 and in 1948 only three years later rang in the record length of 12000 Stedman Cinques at Oxford, Christ Church. Paul is well known locally as the man who tackled everything from big peals to walking the Scottish Munros, to Alpine mountaineering to playing 'cello. He is also well known for stamping his foot at us lesser mortals when we fail to ring to his standards! He is still fit and well and we look forward to many more peals with him.

B.H.

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Reference Mr. Moreton's letter on page 544 of *The Ringing World*, Kent Little Court was named and rung for the first time, spliced with Special Alliance methods, in a peal of Minor in 70 methods at Algakirk on Saturday December 5th 1936 by my band. At that time it was the greatest number of methods rung in a peal.

VERNON TAYLOR.

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Church appeal: Members of St. James' Parish Church in Poole are inviting people to join them for the launch of a £400,000 appeal for the historic civic church.

The appeal to redecorate and refurbish the church, including its ten bells, will be launched at 11 a.m. this Sunday by the guest preacher, Assistant Bishop of Salisbury, the Rt. Rev. John Cavell.

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I had a phone call from our Vicar to say that the ringers wouldn't be needed for the June 10th wedding - the couple had decided to have bagpipes instead!

MIKE EAST.

A "skirlilous" decision - Ed.

BELL CLUB AWARDS

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

Green

Helen Symons and Jenny Critcher (Leigh on Sea), Philip Ladd and Alison Moreton (Wakefield) and Matthew Arnold (Abbots Bromley).

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Menna Faulke has been a stalwart member of the band at St. Michael's, Garston, Liverpool since its re-formation in 1982. It was no surprise that when she announced her wedding she was determined that bells would play a central part. Her husband-to-be is a Roman Catholic and in the interests of ecumenical equality, ceremonies were held at both St. Michael's, Garston and St. Michael's R.C., Kirkby. The tower bells were rung before and after the service at Garston. John Wilton and Len Mitchell joined members of the local band to ring handbells during the signing of the register and again to ring the Bride and Groom into church at Kirkby.

The happy couple are to make their home in the bell-less wastes of Kirkby but Menna intends to retain her links with Garston.

A complimentary quarter peal was rung on the Sunday prior to their wedding.

Liverpool, Merseyside (Garston). 21 May, 1260 PB Doubles: Robert Thrush 1, Christina D A Hassard-Jones 2, Edmund Crighton 3, Hugh Hassard-Jones 4, Peter L Furniss (C) 5, Barry Lewis (1st Q) 6. A wedding compliment to Menna Faulke and Brian Rusk.

MORE NOTICES

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Fylde Branch meeting at St Anne's, St Annes on Sea, on Saturday June 24. Ringing from 3-5pm. All visitors welcome. 0911

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Western Branch. Thursday June 22. 10 and 12 bell practice, Bradford Cathedral, 7.30-9pm. All welcome. 0903

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JOINT BRANCH PRACTICE

SATURDAY 24th JUNE 1995

ASHTON KEYNES (6) 15.00-16.15

OAKSEY (6) 16.30-17.30

(Oaksey churchyard is ideal for a picnic tea)

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LINCOLN D.G. FESTIVAL

The Festival advertised in last week's issue (p.630) is to be held on

Saturday 24th June

Full details are re-published in this issue. Please note Deeping St James time is 11.00, Newton should not be indicated as D T R I, and Skillington should not promise a T