

Biographical Record

William HOLMES (1869 – 1955)

Represented the Durham and Newcastle Association on the Central Council from 1898 - 1905
and attended 0 meetings

He was born in 1869 at Mirfield in Yorkshire, where he learned to ring in 1887.

Subsequently he was attached to St. John's Newcastle, Newcastle Cathedral and Jesmond.

He rang his first peal, Kent Treble Bob Royal, at Mirfield on April 6th 1889.

In 1893 he rang in the first peal, Grandsire Triples, at Durham Cathedral.

He called the first peal, Kent Treble Bob Royal, on Newcastle Cathedral bells.

He rang and conducted many good peals, ringing about 160 peals in total.

He was Assistant Secretary for the Durham & Newcastle Association from 1900-1903 and served on the Committee for 18 years.

On February 15th 1897 he was presented with a set of handbells at a dinner in Newcastle.
(See article in 'Bell News' March 6th 1897.)

He died in 1955, aged 85, in the Newcastle on Tyne area.

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