

Biographical Record

David MARTIN (1944 – 1986)

Represented the Durham and Newcastle Association on the Central Council
from 1975 – 1986 and attended 10 meetings

David was born on November 8th 1944 at St. Helier in Surrey.

He learned to ring in the summer of 1961 at Whitley Bay. Between October 1963 and June 1966 he rang at both the towers in Dundee, where he was at University.

He rang his first peal at Lanchester on October 2nd 1965. The methods in this peal were Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet Surprise Minor.

His 100th peal was at Blackhill on 6th October 1976 and his 200th at Gravesend on 27th May 1981. He circled St. John, Newcastle on Tyne to peals on January 23rd 1980.

He rang 256 peals in total, 230 of them being for the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.

David was Secretary and Chairman of the Northern District of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association 1966-1970. He also became District Ringing Master in 1969. In 1980 he was elected Association President.

He held a senior position in the computing section of the North Eastern Electricity Board.

He was a member of the British Computer Society; his other interests included orienteering, fell walking and playing squash.

He died on 6th December 1986.

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