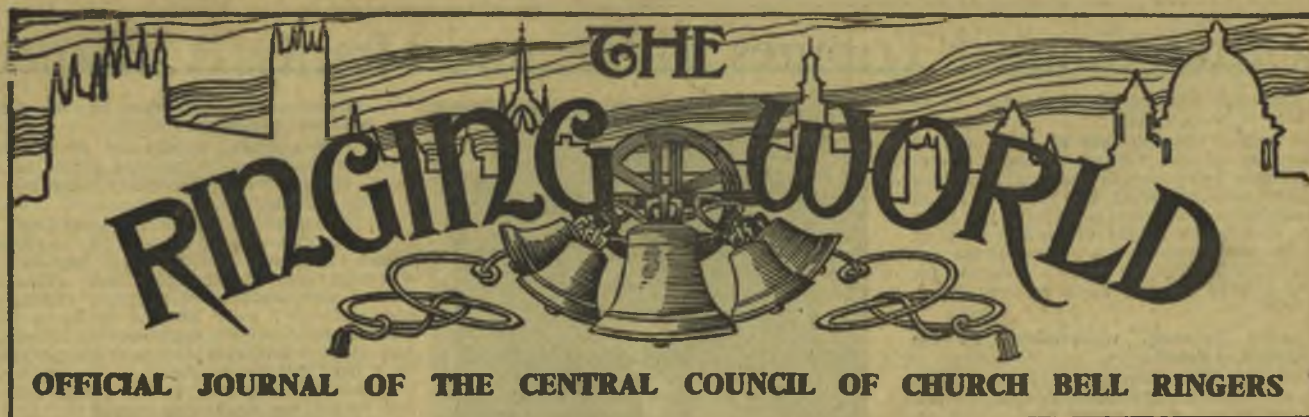




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EDWIN AND OLIVE BARNETT

By Canon Gilbert Thurlow

(President of the Central Council)

THE Exercise is served today by a large and increasing number of brilliant personalities. Outstanding amongst these is Edwin Barnett, who, with Olive his wife, has rendered such signal service as Secretary and Treasurer of the Central Council during these last fourteen years.

As a ringer, his career has been remarkable, indeed. First and foremost, like his father and grandfather before him, he has devoted himself to his own parish church. Saint Paulinus, who proclaimed the Gospel in Kent many centuries ago, must surely rejoice at the way in which the bells of his church at Crayford, rung by the Barnetts and their fellow ringers, proclaim it today. Teddy's father has rung there for sixty-five years, and his grandfather rang there for forty-three years.

Teddy Barnett, born in 1918, rang his first peal at the age of eleven. When he was twelve he conducted a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. By the time he was thirteen he had rung peals of Surprise Major in the four standard methods, and had conducted a peal of Cambridge Major from a working bell. How proud his grandfather must have been of him on that day — the last peal in which Grandfather rang. At fourteen he was ringing peals of Spliced Surprise Major and Cambridge Royal. At fifteen he was conducting peals of Yorkshire and Pudsey, and at seventeen he was calling peals of Bristol. He conducted the first peals ever rung of Painswick, College and Pulford Bob, Erith, Little Bob Royal and Canterbury Pleasure Triples.

On handbells he was equally brilliant and his peals include 6,240 and 13,664 Double Norwich, which is the record. In the field of composition he has distinguished himself by producing many fine compositions, and his knowledge of the subject is immense.

During the last war he served in the R.A.F. and at its conclusion was attached to the Air Ministry. Illness has curtailed his peal ringing activity, but he is still as active as possible in this direction. Meanwhile his services to

the Exercise were developing in other directions. He was elected to the Central Council in 1945 as Kent County Association representative, and served on the Biographies, Methods, and Peals Collection Committees.

Apart from this brilliant record — well summarised by Jafus in a previous 'Ringing World' — I, like all Central Council members, have reason to be deeply grateful to Teddy for his work as Secretary to the Central Council. This involves a wide variety of activities. Inquiries about every kind of topic connected with bells and ringing constantly come to him directly or eventually, and invariably receive an expert and courteous reply. There are from time to time financial questions demanding a balanced opinion such as an experienced financier would give. In so varied an institution as the Exercise, there can easily arise questions involving differing personalities, and opposing views each backed by apparently adequate data; all seem to receive a balanced judgment uncoloured by personal feelings.

Teddy is invariably helpful to diocesan and county association secretaries and members during the year previous to the Council meeting in their territory. His bearing all through the Council meetings, of both the Standing Committee and the full Council, and during the other Whitsun events, is most helpful to all concerned. He is never ruffled, never without an answer adequate in itself yet without attempting to dictate opinion — what a town clerk he might make! Even after the President had made an unusually inane remark followed by "I was only trying to clarify the issue" his calm was unruffled. Mailing and minute keeping form a huge task, kindly shared by others.

In all this and much more, he is most ably assisted by Olive — whom he married in 1942, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hairs and granddaughter of the late Frank Bennett. She has made a major contribution to the success of his work as Secretary, and her knowledge, charm and tact amply match his. Their daughter Jean is following splendidly in the family tradition.

Secretarial activities these fourteen years have meant that they cannot "enjoy" Council meetings as fully as those who can spend Whit Monday and the nearby days ringing and meeting old friends. Whilst the work is carried on in future years by another splendid couple, we look forward to seeing them gaily going about, unfettered by secretarial cares.

Central Council Tributes to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnett

Mr. Frederick Sharpe, Immediate Past President of the Council:

Few realise the enormity of the duties of a secretary of the Central Council, all of which have been carried out so admirably and with such apparent ease by Mr. E. A. Barnett for so many years. He was a great tower of strength to me during my term of office as president, and I am glad of the opportunity to express my sincere gratitude for all the help so willingly given by both Teddy and Olive.

Mr. John Freeman, vice-president of the Central Council:

I first met Teddy Barnett in 1947 and since then we have become good friends. When we have visited each other's home, peal attempts have been arranged and it says much for his prowess as a practical ringer (about which he is singularly modest) that in about 20 attempts, both in the tower and "in hand," there has been only one failure. Teddy was powerless to do anything on that occasion—I missed a bob!

Mr. F. E. Perrens, hon. librarian:

When Mr. E. A. Barnett became the Central Council's honorary secretary in 1952 I feel certain that he was determined to maintain the high standard of efficiency set by his predecessor, Mr. G. W. Fletcher, and that he has done most successfully throughout his 14 years in office.

Although I have been a member of the Central Council for many years, it is only since I have held office and so had the opportunity of seeing much of the secretary's correspondence that I have realised what a tremendous amount of work is entailed. The Council and the whole Exercise owe a great debt of gratitude to Mr. Barnett and also to his wife who, I am sure, has rendered valuable assistance.

Mr. W. B. Cartwright, legal adviser to the Central Council:

It is only when one comes into close contact with a person that one is able to appreciate his worth. I have met Teddy Barnett on many occasions when dealing with legal matters on behalf of the Central Council and have always found him most co-operative and helpful and it has always been a great pleasure to work with him.

Mr. J. F. Smallwood, life member, former convener of "The Ringing World" committee:

When, some 15 years ago, Albert Walker and I decided to nominate Teddy Barnett as secretary in opposition to the recommendations of the committee appointed to find a successor to George Fletcher, we felt that he was eminently suitable for the job, and his work has shown that we were well justified in our action. He has carried out his onerous duties with efficiency and dignity and has enhanced the prestige of the Council. His attractive wife, Olive, has also endeared herself to all members.

Mr. Harold N. Pitstow, convener of the Broadcasting and Television Committee and honorary auditor to the Council:

I have been associated with Teddy Barnett almost entirely in the work of the Central Council, and chiefly as auditor of the Council's accounts. Here I was able to see the very methodical and accurate way in which he worked. The audit has always been made as easy as possible by the orderly manner in which books and documents were presented.



**MR. EDWIN A. BARNETT,
Retiring Secretary and Treasurer.**

Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd, convener of Literature and Press Committee:

I feel that this occasion gives me an opportunity to express my deep appreciation of Mr. Barnett's advice and practical help in the production of "The Sound of Bells." But for him the project would never have been conceived, and without his patient examination of a vast number of recordings we should never have made a satisfactory disc.

Mr. N. Chaddock, convener of the Sunday Service Ringing and Education Committee:

I first met Teddy Barnett in a peal in Rotherham in 1936, again in Crayford in 1943.

In the years he has encouraged me in my branch of Council work my early impressions of him have remained. Always efficient and unfurried. We shall miss his calmness and clear judgment but, I hope, continue to enjoy the sincere courtesy which he and Mrs. Barnett have always extended to us.

Mr. Douglas Hughes, honorary treasurer "The Ringing World":

I was dismayed at last year's Council meeting when Teddy Barnett announced his intention to retire from office, for in our association with Council affairs over the last several years both he and Olive have always been so ready with help and advice.

The whole Exercise is indebted to them for 14 years of unselfish devotion to ringing affairs.

Mr. G. W. Pipe, convener of Overseas Committee:

I chiefly remember Edwin Barnett's work during my seven years in Australia. He has always been very enthusiastic about overseas activities and it was due in no small measure to his interest in ringing outside Britain that we were able to appoint an Overseas Committee.

I know, too, of the many letters he used to deal with from these territories before the committee was formed!

Mr. Walter Ayre, chairman of the Peals Analysis Committee:

As a long-serving member of the Council I should like to pay a personal tribute to the work of our retiring honorary secretary — "Teddy" Barnett.

I have served on committees since 1933, so have had somewhat to do with the secretaries during that time. To "Teddy" this was an unwanted job, thrust upon him. This he tackled with sincerity of purpose, enthusiasm and efficiency; kept hard at it by a very capable, hard-working assistant—his charming wife. As a convener I found out he could be a hard taskmaster, for if the report failed to reach him by the correct time, well—I had to do the duplicating myself!!

I am sure my committee will join with me in wishing them both the best of luck in the future, with many thanks for all their work.

Mr. Kenneth Arthur, Durham and Newcastle Association:

"Depositum Custodia" was the motto of an R.A.F. unit to which Teddy Barnett and I were both attached for a time during the last war and that precept I think aptly sums up his service to the Central Council. He has truly been a worthy custodian of the reputation of this organisation with its ever-widening influence.

He has not spared himself in his official capacity to support the work of member Guilds and Associations, and I recall with pleasure his attendance at the 80th anniversary celebrations of the Durham and Newcastle Association in Durham Castle in 1957. The man and wife team of Teddy and Olive, with their personal charm and quiet dignity, has contributed largely to the success of all the Council meetings I have attended and I feel privileged to have met under their direction.

Mr. P. M. J. Gray, Australia and New Zealand Association representative:

During Teddy Barnett's secretaryship the strength of ringing overseas has grown and the Council's attention to it has developed correspondingly. The rapid growth of International Outlook in ringing has been remarkable and Teddy has done much to foster it as a frequent correspondent to America, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, Africa and many other places. His handling of Foreign Affairs has been attended by the same ease and grace as his handling of Home Affairs.

Mr. F. E. Dukes, hon. secretary The Irish Association:

Ted Barnett was of tremendous assistance to us in Ireland. The way in which he was able to assist the writer with information and advice before and during the Central Council's visit to Ireland in 1958 stamped him as a first-class administrator. This is confirmed in the manner in which he prepared and handled the business for all Council meetings. At all other times he was a wise counsellor and a true friend. Best wishes from his Irish friends in his well-earned retirement and our gratitude for all his help and advice to us in the past.

Mr. C. Kenneth Lewis, convener of the Methods Committee:

I am glad to be able to pay tribute to Mr. Barnett and in particular I would refer to our work in presenting the present edition of Rules and Decisions. His technical knowledge coupled to his wide acquaintance of history and personal details of many celebrities made our task most interesting to me.

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Warm Appreciation of a Meticulous Secretaryship

Mr. Dennis Beresford, Master of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths:

At Council meetings a standing feature, which will have impressed most members, has been the efficiency of the secretary with his meticulous preparation, attention to detail and knowledge of the Council's Rules and Procedure. The standard of performance which he has set for himself as secretary is exactly that with which he approaches practical ringing, where only his highest personal standard is good enough.

At the many functions to which he has been invited, by virtue of his office in the Council, he has done much to enhance the dignity of his position by his scholarship and detailed knowledge of ringing and ringing history.

We are deeply grateful for his efforts, and in this Society (Cumberland Youths) are particularly proud of his achievements.

Mr. T. J. Lock, convener of the Biographies Committee:

Tom and Kathleen Lock have known Edwin A. for many years, remembering especially the youngsters' peal of Spliced Surprise Major at Crayford (average age 22 years) in 1935 and a peal for their wedding in 1938, when he assured them "I have booked April 23rd, 1988"!

Mr. A. D. Barker, senior member of the Central Council:

Having known four of the five previous secretaries of the Central Council, three of them as personal friends, perhaps I may be allowed to write a few lines about Teddy Barnett, especially as he is the third member of a well-known ringing family with whom I have rung over the last 60 years—Edwin senior, Long Teddy and Young Teddy.

To follow a line of giants of the Exercise on a task of such magnitude as secretary of the Central Council, was not easy, but he has achieved it with distinction and success, and the members will all be sorry that he has decided to relinquish the post.

Mr. Vernon Bottomley, president of the Yorkshire Association, nominated as honorary secretary of the Council:

It is to be hoped that members of the Council will not expect Teddy Barnett's outstanding qualities of cheerfulness and patience to be inherited by his successor.

Mr. R. S. Anderson, convener of "The Ringing World" Committee:

Although a member of the Central Council during the whole period of Mr. Barnett's term as our honorary secretary, my personal contacts with him were not frequent until I was appointed convener of "The Ringing World" Committee.

I would, however, for myself and members of the committee, pay tribute to the competent way he has carried out the many and varied duties of the office he is now vacating.

Mr. Peter J. Staniforth, Leicester Diocesan Guild:

"Teddy" Barnett to everyone in the Ringing Exercise is a walking "book of knowledge," his meticulous care in putting everything in the right place is akin to that other love of his, namely cricket. Just as he can recognise fluency in a batsman, we have been pleased to witness this guidance in him as secretary of the Council.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD West Dorset Branch

Netherbury Church, which stands on high ground overlooking the picturesque village, was the venue for the West Dorset Branch meeting on April 16th. The Vicar, the Rev. P. May, conducted the service, and local lady ringers prepared tea in the Village Hall.

At the business meeting tributes were paid to the late Mr. W. J. Bailey, a member of Beaminster tower for 40 years.

Fortcoming events: Combined meeting with Crewkerne Branch, Broadwindsor, May 21st; quarterly, Hawkechurch, June 11th; practices, Thornecombe June 8th, Askerswell June 22nd, South Perrott July 13th. J. D.



**MRS. OLIVE BARNETT,
The Assistant Secretary.**

Mr. P. A. Corby, hon. secretary Kent County Association:

I have known Teddy for 31 years, was best man at his wedding and godfather to his daughter, Jean. As a frequent visitor to his house, where he and Olive have ever made ringers welcome, I have seen at first hand the care and skill they have devoted to the affairs of the Council. As a practical ringer he has few equals on tower- or handbells, and but for a period of ill-health would have achieved even more in this field. He has a wonderful knowledge and experience of the technical side of ringing which, with a fine sense of history and a phenomenal memory, has equipped him superbly to guide ringing affairs, although his modesty and natural charm have tended to divert attention from the massive contribution he has made to the well-being of the Exercise. He deserves our thanks.

Mrs. J. S. King, president of the Ladies' Guild:

As a Central Council member for the last 12 years I have always admired "from afar" Mr. E. A. Barnett's interpretation and command of this most arduous office and feel very sorry that he is unable to continue.

In my opinion he is the most perfect secretary; he has always had the affairs of the Council "at his finger tips" and has conducted himself and the business in hand with quiet dignity and charm. I feel sure he has been a great comfort and support to the various presidents. No tribute would be right or complete without words of thanks to Mrs. Barnett, who has shared so wholeheartedly and graciously her husband's work for the Central Council.

Mr. Wilfrid G. Wilson, member of Editorial Committee, "The Ringing World":

Teddy and Olive Barnett have each the inestimable advantage of coming from well-known ringing families. They have each built so well on this foundation that in their own right they have fully earned the high regard of the Exercise.

I know personally how conscientiously all their work for the Central Council has been carried out and, in another capacity, how well Teddy has organised the ringing at St. Clement Danes' since it came into the care of the R.A.F. Following a number of peals, especially handbell peals, I can testify to his ability as a conductor and to his almost perfect style and striking. His invariable courtesy, tact and helpfulness are recognised by us all.

Mr. John Willis, chairman of Kent County Association:

When "E. A. B." was appointed secretary the Kent Association rejoiced. One of their most talented young men had attained high office.

Now "E. A. B." is retiring we can still regard him with pride. No one could have shown more efficient devotion to duty.

Mr. W. F. Moreton, secretary of the Yorkshire Association:

Mr. Barnett's friendliness when I first met him at the Exeter Council meeting was typical of the secretary we have been so fortunate to have, and it has been shown by him and his wife, especially to Yorkshire ringers at their annual Snowdon Dinners.

LUMLEY, 1966

"Boy Scout, are you willing to learn for one shilling

"To ring? Said the Scouter, "I will."
(With apologies to Edward Lear. "The Owl and the Pussy-Cat.")

A novel feature of the ringing course held at Lumley Castle, Chester-le-Street, on March 26th, was the presentation of a "bob-a-job" Boy Scout as a "guinea pig" for the class in the training of belfry recruits. Scout Stephen Hall had never entered a belfry before but after 40 minutes of intensive, specialised tuition he was handling a bell solo in creditable fashion and had become a prospective probationer for the local tower.

The attendance of 46 members was in sharp contrast with last year's record total of over 100 but this had its compensation in smaller and more tractable classes. Three streams of study were provided for on this occasion: Elementary Grade I for rounds beginners progressing to first steps in change ringing, with Peter Rock and Fred Hodgson as tutors; Elementary Grade II for "plain hunters" progressing to elementary method ringing, tutored by Ted Hudson and Roger Chicken; and an Advanced Grade for the more experienced ringer wishing to study a systematic method for the instruction of recruits, with Kenneth Arthur and Denis Bayles as demonstrators.

Once again we were privileged to enjoy ideal facilities for our project. The historic surroundings of Lumley Castle laid the scene for the introductory lectures and meals, while Bishopwearmouth Church Annexe was the venue for further talks in the Elementary Grades later in the day. Practical sessions for the elementary classes were held in the bell-fries of Holy Trinity and Bishopwearmouth Churches at Sunderland with a special bus being provided for inter-travel; and the Advanced class had practical demonstrations and ringing practice at Chester-le-Street tower.

The full course met together again in the evening for dinner in the Great Hall of the Castle and this was followed by the customary review of the day's proceedings. A verdict of "no complaints" was generally voiced and all agreed that another enjoyable and profitable day had been spent. Appreciation of the organisation of the course was expressed by Mr. W. Tyson, the president of the Durham and Newcastle Association, and in reply the Ringing Master recorded acknowledgments to the college authorities and to all the instructors. K. A.

OXFORD:—At St. Thomas' Church, on May 1st, 1.296 Cambridge 3. Minor: A. Foster 1, R. Wilson 2, S. Thomson 3, R. Yeates 4, R. Heyworth (cond.) 5, Hilary Pardoe 6.

CENTRAL FUND FOR BELL RESTORATION

Dear Sir,—The suggestion made by Mr. D. E. R. Knights in your issue of April 29th that there should be a country-wide bell restoration fund administered by the Central Council was also made by Mr. Alan Pink in a letter to me just over a year ago. It was considered by the Standing Committee at Northampton, but the general view was that problems of administration would be very great, even if it were possible to get such a fund going.

I am sure this is right. As a member of the committee of the Kent County Association, which has had a Belfry Repair Fund for over 50 years, I have taken part in a good many discussions on applications for grants from towers in the county in which there has been extreme difficulty in reaching agreement on the amount to be given; so much so in fact that I have begun to wonder whether the best thing would not be to wind up the fund altogether.

That is of course a domestic matter, but the point I want to make is this: If the committee of one Association can go away feeling, as has happened to me, that tower X has been unfairly treated compared with tower Y, how would those administering a centrally-run fund be in a position to determine the relative needs of a tower in Devonshire as against one in Durham? Has the first, on which £10,000 is being spent on a complete restoration but which is in a large and wealthy parish, a greater claim than the second, for which £500 is needed in a village of a few hundred people, many of whom are Non-conformists anyway? One might think the latter, but it then emerges that the wealthy parish has raised large sums only recently for other essential tasks and those responsible fear that local support will not unnaturally be slow in forthcoming: there has always been a strong local band there and the authorities value highly the ringers' efforts, whereas things are very different at the other tower. This is the sort of problem to which we in Kent haven't really found a satisfactory answer, which makes it the more certain that justice could never be done as between Devonshire and Durham.

This would not matter so much if money were forthcoming on the scale suggested by Mr. Knights, when grants could be substantial, but I question if it would be. If there are less than 6,000 ringers ready to pay three shillings a month for "The Ringing World," is it likely that 20,000 would contribute a very similar sum to a bell restoration fund? Perhaps 2,000 would—for a time. Then, as is happening with the Christian Stewardship scheme in my own parish, contributors would fall away and the amount available for distribution would be derisory in comparison with the number of claims.

There is no doubt that in these days ringers ought not to shrug off all responsibility in these matters, but I am certain that a central fund is not the answer.—Yours faithfully,

E. A. BARNETT,
Hon. Secretary, The Central Council.

ESSEX CHURCH BELLS

Dear Sir,—I have recently obtained a copy of "Essex Church Bells" by C. Deedes and H. B. Walters published in 1909 in Aberdeen, together with the original prospectus dated 1907. It appears from the prospectus that publication was limited to 250 copies. I would be interested to know how many of these copies are still in existence. Would those possessing copies please notify me, together with any interesting information as to how they obtained them?—Yours sincerely,

U. W. WILDNEY.

Cott. Edith Road, Kirby-le-Soken, Essex.

Letters

CENTRAL COUNCIL MOTIONS

Dear Sir,—I would like to comment upon the motions to be put to the Central Council at Bath on Whitsun Tuesday ("Ringing World," page 274).

(a) Non-resident membership fees. The word "favours" makes this proposition almost acceptable, but I think that all affiliated Societies are no doubt capable of managing their own affairs in a fair, honest and economic manner.

(b) Peal Fees. Surely the proposal stated in "The Ringing World" is quite meaningless and cannot be submitted as such to the meeting of the Council—how can . . . the names of those taking part in peals reported in "The Ringing World" be not published . . .? Should the proposal not read . . . reported to "The Ringing World"?

However, the acceptance of even a revised proposal of this nature could lead to a ludicrous and possibly an invidious state of affairs. In that case, should the refusal of one "offender" to pay preclude publication of a peal as a whole (which would be unfair to the rest of the band), or should the refusal merely preclude the printing of the name of the "offender"? One could then envisage a 12-bell peal rung by one "good boy" only, assisted by 11 blank spaces!

(c) Annual Donations by Societies. I am of the firm opinion that "The Ringing World" should be maintained solely by charging an economic price per copy. It should be evident that any such donation by all affiliated Societies would be merely an indirect method of increasing the basic cost per copy to each member of those Societies—whether that member takes the paper or not!

For example ("Ringing World," page 290). The donation of £21 from the Gloucester and Bristol Association, from (one assumes) 110 members, amounts to approximately 4½d. per capita! It would certainly ease the task of Association secretaries, treasurers and auditors were we all to pay 1s. per copy, and I am sure it would make life easier for you as Editor.

I would add that whilst this letter is not written on behalf of my own Association, it does reflect the general feeling of opposition to all three motions which was shown at our annual meeting recently.—Yours faithfully,
PHILIP MEHEW.

Hitchin, Herts.

THE ORIGIN OF TENOR

Dear Sir,—I, like many others, have often wondered why the lowest bell in a ring should be called tenor and not bass, and on several occasions have been asked that question. Although Mr. Wilby says he has never heard of a satisfactory explanation, he proceeds to provide one on page 292.

It reminds me of several years ago when a small band of us were trying to learn Grand-sire Triples on handbells. (Perhaps Mr. Harold Marcon, now at Loughborough, will remember.) One of our ringers liked to ring the tenor so that he only had one working bell to think about, but very often forgot to put in the covering bell.

A visiting aunt (a teacher) was looking on and asked if she could ring this bell, and with a bit of practice did it quite well. Next time she came to visit she was asked if she would ring the tenor again; she replied "No, I would rather ring the bass, then I can come last every time."—Yours faithfully,

C. V. CADE.

Scothern, Lincoln.

CENTRAL COUNCIL RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

Dear Sir,—I have had sufficient response for a coach tour to be arranged on Whit Monday for Council members and friends. This tour will therefore follow the Southern Route as given in "The Ringing World," and a lunch has been arranged. The cost of the coach will be approximately 15s. (less if well supported) and lunch will be 11s.

The Southern Tour will not now be available to "own transport" users and these are asked to take the other two routes. Any who wish to join the coach party should get in touch with me if they have not already done so.—Yours sincerely,

JOHN H. GILBERT.

13, Fenshurst Gardens,
Long Ashton, Bristol.

COMPOSITION OF 1966 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. Miles' letter in "The Ringing World" in which he questions the homing course of my "date touch" of 1966 Stedman Triples, I would like to set out the six-ends of this course to clear up any doubts there might be. The calling positions are the standard ones used in the Ringers' Diary.

4165237	2176354
1543672	1625743
1537426	1657234 14S
— 5714326 3	6713542
— 5743126 4	— 6735142 4
— 7351426 5	— 7561342 5
7312564	— 7513642 6
3276145	5374126
— 3261745 8	— 5341726 8
— 2137645 9	3152467
S 2176354 12S	— 3124567 10

Rounds occur at the second change of the last six. Whilst on the subject of date touches it might be worthwhile mentioning that a date touch of Stedman Triples is impossible for next year, 1967, unless a non-standard start is made to the changes. If a standard start is used, then rounds will have to appear as the third change of a quick six. The two previous rows will then be 2135476 and 2314567, which are, of course, the two rows rung at the start of a standard course in the method.

Perhaps an expert in the field of composition in this method would like to prepare a touch using a non-standard start, for example in the middle of a "slow" six. The possibilities are endless.—Yours sincerely,

MARTYN MARRIOTT.

Edinburgh.

IN MEMORY OF MR. G. J. CÆSAR

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. John C. Eisel's letter, it seems to me that the footnote to the peal rung at Chigwell on March 12th is a perfectly legitimate one. Notwithstanding the fact that it was rung three days too early, it seems to me that the gentleman in question is quite worthy of our remembrance and that, contrary to your correspondent's statement, he did nothing but good for the inhabitants of this island.—Yours faithfully,

B. R. DOUGLAS.

University College,
Gower Street, London.

SEND, SURREY.—On April 29th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: S. Strudwick 1, C. K. Hill 2, R. Collins 3, J. Collyer 4, P. J. Privett (cond.) 5, Miss V. Martin 6. In memory of W. A. Goldstone.

STORRINGTON, SUSSEX.—On April 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Sheila Goacher 1, Jean Horton 2, N. Davidson 3, M. Davies (cond.) 4, J. Taylor 5, C. Woods 6. For St. George's Day.

BELL ROPES

JOHN NICOLL

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Southwell Guild's Good Year for Restorations

THERE was a very good attendance at the 20th annual general meeting of the Southwell Diocesan Guild held at Southwell on April 30th. During the afternoon the president, the Bishop of Southwell (the Rt. Rev. G. D. Savage) was in the Minster and spent some time chatting to members. He also attended Evensong conducted by the Provost (the Very Rev. H. C. L. Heywood) but was unable to attend the business meeting owing to a previous commitment.

The business meeting, which followed an enjoyable tea prepared and served by members and friends of the Newark District in the Trebeck Hall, was presided over by the Guild chairman, Mr. F. W. Midwinter. He opened the meeting by extending a warm welcome to all members and visitors present, including the president of the Leicester Diocesan Guild, Mr. B. S. Payne, and Mr. and Mrs. John Segar, now resident at Skegness.

A minute's silence was observed for six members who had passed away since the last annual meeting, namely Mr. E. D. Priestley (North Collingham), Mr. M. Ward (St. Peter's, Nottingham), Mr. E. C. Thrale (Newark), Mr. A. T. Whitworth (Ruddington), the Rev. D. A. G. Brinn (Kirkby-in-Ashfield) and Mr. R. Lucas (Warsop).

The annual report having been in circulation for some time, it was resolved to take all the reports as read.

PEALS TOTAL 111

The Peal Committee reported that 111 peals had been rung during the year, a decrease of 10. Nineteen members rang their first peal, and five conducted their first peals. It is interesting to note that only nine of the 20 who rang their first peals in 1964 have rung peals for the Guild in 1965, and only four of the nine who conducted their first peals in 1964 also conducted peals in 1965. There were 29 different conductors and 136 ringers, 108 of whom are resident members. The leading conductor was Mr. G. A. Dawson (29), followed by Mr. W. L. Exton (20).

Three half peals were rung during 1965, and quarter peals number 134, Kirkby-in-Ashfield leading with 37, from Holme Pierrepont (20) and Gedling (14).

RESTORATIONS

The hon. general secretary (Mr. W. L. Exton) in his report gave details of bell restoration undertaken during the past year. St. Peter's, Nottingham, have been completely rehung in a new frame and augmented to 12: Willoughby-in-the-Wolds have been augmented to six, a new treble having been given by Mrs. Millard in memory of her late husband, Canon Millard, who was Vicar for over 30 years and was responsible for the rehanging of the bells in a new frame in 1939: Coddington bells have been rehung in a new frame and augmented to six, the new treble being donated by the Barron Bell Trust.

Mr. W. L. Exton also reported that the efforts of the Guild Committee to increase the income, and subsequently the donations made from the Bell Repair Fund, had borne fruit. Donations from the Parochial Church Councils and private means amounted to £96

6s., the ringers themselves had raised £75 2s. 7d., making a total of £167 6s. 1d. when all the expenses had been met. From this a donation of £50 had been made towards the restoration and augmentation at Coddington.

The retiring officers were thanked for their services to the Guild during the past year and re-elected to serve again for 1966.

One new vice-president, the Rev. C. J. Young (Kirkby-in-Ashfield) and three new ringing members H. Mabbott and D. Neale (Newark) and P. Elkington (Balderton)—were unanimously elected. The Rev. D. Leaning (Warsop) was appointed chaplain to the Mansfield District.

A proposal to amend the Guild Rules, to give the hon. general secretary 14 days' notice prior to the annual committee meeting instead of one month's notice prior to the annual general meeting of all nominations and amendments to rules, was proposed by J. C. Clarke and seconded by Mrs. C. W. Reed. This was carried, there being one vote against.

CENTRAL COUNCIL GOING TO NOTTINGHAM

The hon. general secretary reported that the Central Council had accepted the Guild's invitation and would be holding their annual meeting at Nottingham in 1967. In consequence of this the annual general meeting of the Guild in 1967 would be held in the Bingham District.

Advance notice was given of a proposed ringing festival and dinner/social, this to be held at Derby on September 16th, 1967, and to be organised and run by the Guilds and Associations which originally comprised the old Midland Counties Association.

Under the heading "Any Other Business," Mr. H. T. Rooke said that a peal had been rung at Warsop the previous Wednesday as an 87th birthday compliment to Mr. R. T. Flint. The hon. general secretary was instructed to write and send the Guild's congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Flint.

Mr. John Mayne Retires from Office

MR. JOHN R. MAYNE, the Ringing Master of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, announced at the annual meeting at Uxbridge on April 30th that he was not prepared to stand for office as Ringing Master or as a representative of the Guild on the Central Council. He was also resigning his membership of the Records and Methods Committees of the Central Council.

The announcement had been previously conveyed to the Standing Committee and was received with regret by the company present. Also retiring from the Central Council was Mr. F. W. Goodfellow. They were both thanked by Mr. T. J. Lock, who described their work as most helpful.

Earlier, Mr. Mayne presented his report as Ringing Master and said 1965 had been what one might term a steady year. "We need not congratulate ourselves too much but if we maintain our standard we shall be doing something." A most happy innovation in the South and West District was the introduction of a series of practice meetings in evenings, which had been most successful.

There were two nominations for Ringing Master in succession to Mr. Mayne—Mr. W. S. Deason and Mr. T. J. Lock. Election speeches were permitted by the chairman, Mr. D. Fowles, in the absence of the president, the Rev. G. C. Taylor. A ballot resulted in the election of Mr. Deason. The re-election of the other officers was automatic. Mr. F. W. Goodfellow continues as treasurer. Mr. J. J. Lock as hon. secretary. Miss Ruth M. Foreman assistant secretary. Mr. Maurice Hodgson hon. auditor. Mr. C. A. Parsons librarian. Messrs. A. Cutler, F. W. Goodfellow and T. J. Lock trustees. Central Council representatives elected were Messrs. F. T. Blagrove, J. Lock, G. W. Critchley and Miss R. M. Foreman. Mr. Critchley formerly represented the Herts County Association on the Central Council, but owing to the rearrangement of boundaries he now lives in

the area of the Middlesex Association. He thanked the meeting for permitting him to continue his membership of the Central Council.

LOSSES BY DEATH

Proceedings started with remembrance of losses by death. These were F. A. Barker (Finchley), W. T. Beeson (Cranleigh), P. Cook (Bolton), G. H. Cross (Chardstock), Mrs. G. W. Fletcher (Caistor-on-Sea), G. D. Ingham (Sunbury), H. Ive (Ruislip), F. C. W. Knight (Ramsgate), Rev. S. G. W. Knight (Edmonton), R. Sanders (Streatham), W. H. Southeard (Truro), A. J. Thurley (Chiswick), F. A. Vincent (Harrow Weald), J. W. Ward (Melbourn) and J. Wheadon (Wilmslow).

The accounts, presented by Mr. F. W. Goodfellow, showed an excess of payments over receipts of £32 2s. 1d. The Bell Restoration Fund had a balance of £90 16s. 11d. From this fund grants of £25 were passed for Cranford, Pimlico and Upper Clapton. Higher subscriptions came into force this year and should improve the financial position.

The hon. secretary's report stated that 17 District meetings and six joint meetings had been held. Sixty-three new members were elected, 101 quarter peals rung in 34 towers and 54 peals. The peal of Spliced Surprise Major in 23 methods rung at Headstone Lane contained the greatest number of Surprise Major methods rung on handbells, John R. Mayne being the conductor.

The 500th peal at St. Mary's, Willesden, was recorded in December and this number was only exceeded by the towers at Crayford, Erith and Loughborough Bell Foundry. Congratulations were extended to Mr. and Mrs. D. Gray (Upper Clapton) and Mr. and Mrs. W. Woodgier (Cranford) upon their golden wedding anniversaries, and Mr. A. Cutler was thanked for his 26 years' faithful and devoted service as Ringing Master of the North and East District.

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HALF PEALS

BRINKLOW, WARWICKS.—On April 9th, 2,520 Doubles (Grandsire and Reverse Canterbury): Julie Hopkins 1, L. A. Whewall 2, P. M. Edgson 3, J. G. Edgson 4, A. G. Eveleigh (cond.) 5, A. J. Bellamy 6. For the Festival of Easter.

CHARLWOOD, SURREY.—On April 30th, 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: Diane Wickens 1, Carol Wickens 2, D. Nicholson 3, J. Nicholson 4, E. Brazier 5, I. Wickens (cond.) 6.

ALBURY, SURREY.—On April 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Stacey 1, G. Charman 2, L. Warner 3, D. Stacey 4, H. Arthur (cond.) 5, A. Tidy 6. First quarter on the bells 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6.

ALDERTON, NORTHANTS.—On April 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Patricia A. Walker (first quarter) 1, Pauline M. Kingston (cond.) 2, I. C. Lambert 3, Daphne Webb 4, M. D. Chown 5.

ASM, SURREY.—On April 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Sharpe 1, Miss J. V. Reynier 2, Mrs. A. J. Smart 3, M. E. Denyer 4, D. P. Elsmore 5, P. G. Sherwood (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on May 7th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): E. A. Stevinson (cond., 780 Grandsire) 1, J. H. Payton (cond., 480 Plain Bob) 2, Miss R. Weal (first "inside" two methods) 3, T. J. Wellen 4, H. J. Rossel 5, Miss D. Cullen (first quarter) 6.

BABRACOMBE, DEVON.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Vivienne Smith (first quarter) 1, P. Lock 2, Valerie Stephens 3, G. Roberts 4, D. Roberts (cond.) 5, A. Garbett 6. Also on April 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Vivienne Smith 1, A. Garbett 2, Valerie Stephens 3, W. Simmonds 4, P. Lock 5, G. Roberts 6, D. J. Roberts (cond.) 7, L. Burton 8. 25th quarter together 4 and 7. For Evensong.

BALDOCK, HERTS.—On May 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. Hutton (first of Major) 1, E. Fearn 2, D. Sutcliffe 3, S. Hutton 4, E. Buck 5, A. Buck 6, J. Dear 7, M. Orme (cond.) 8.

BERKHAMPTED, HERTS.—On Feb. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: G. N. Whitfield (first attempt) 1, Doris V. Sennitt 2, G. A. Rees 3, J. Lawson 4, R. E. Sheppard (cond.) 5, K. Sheppard 6.

BICKER, LINGS.—On April 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Key 1, S. Fovargue 2, R. Reynolds 3, N. B. Fovargue 4, J. P. Morris 5, W. B. Dawson 6, P. Reynolds (cond.) 7, R. Howard 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. Jack Petch, of Boston.

BOSTON, LINGS.—On Feb. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Freeston 1, Mrs. R. Reynolds 2, R. Stephenson 3, R. Freeston 4, W. E. Clarke 5, W. B. Dawson 6, P. Reynolds (cond.) 7, T. Freeston 8. A farewell to Canon E. K. Ellis on retirement. Also on April 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Freeston 1, Mrs. R. Reynolds 2, R. Stephenson 3, A. Freeston 4, W. E. Clarke 5, W. B. Dawson 6, P. Reynolds (cond.) 7, T. Freeston 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Jack Petch.

BRANDON, SUFFOLK.—On May 5th, 1,320 Plain Bob: J. Y. Parker 1, J. A. Underwood 2, A. F. Ballam 3, L. Sharpe 4, E. Bishop 5, K. G. Brown (cond.) 6.

BUSHEY HEATH, HERTS.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. E. Norris 1, Miss S. Woolley 2, C. Cook 3, Miss M. Carruthers 4, J. Southey 5, L. North 6, T. Norris (cond.) 7, D. Murphy (first quarter) 8.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKS.—On March 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Corcoran 1, Dorothy E. Beamish 2, W. J. Day 3, G. A. Bell 4, M. Trevor 5, Muriel J. Mason 6, J. Draycott (cond.) 7, D. Dale (longest length) 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Muriel J. Mason.

CHOBHAM, SURREY.—On April 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Pickering 1, R. Collins 2, L. Ward 3, Miss J. Collins 4, G. Goldman 5, P. J. Privett 6, D. G. Blows (cond.) 7, K. Mumford 8. First "inside" 3 and 4.

COLCHESTER (Shrub End), ESSEX.—On April 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Bushell (first quarter) 1, P. Schaffe 2, D. Cobb 3, D. Whent 4, K. B. Good (cond.) 5, C. Coulson 6.

CRANLEIGH, SURREY.—On April 30th, 1,296 Plain Bob Major: A. Brown 1, C. G. Barnes 2, Miss C. Snelling 3, N. Thomson 4, C. M. Foster 5, K. Taber 6, N. G. T. Steere (cond.) 7, R. C. Stevens 8.

CROSTHWAITE, WESTMORLAND.—On April 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. P. W. Taylor 1, K. M. Price (first as cond. on tower bells) 2, M. Whalley 3, W. Kenyon 4, J. Whalley 5. First of Doubles by all.

FELMERSHAM, BEDS.—On April 23rd, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: S. Leabury (first Kent) 1, C. Payne 2, Ann Chettle 3, R. Lucas 4, E. Chapman 5, R. Coley 6, T. Smith 7, R. Cowley (cond.) 8.

QUARTER PEALS

HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.—On April 14th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. R. G. Spicer 1, D. F. Murfet 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, M. J. Dyer 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. A 25th wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. K. Martin, of Swasey.

HEMINGTON, SOMERSET.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jennifer Durston (cond.) 1, Sandra Weaver 2, P. Gould 3, R. Weaver 4, Bob Hawkins 5, E. Green 6. For Early Communion. Also on April 25th, 1,260 Reverse St. Bartholomew: Caroline Robbins (first quarter) 1, Sandra Weaver 2, R. Hawkins 3, R. Weaver 4, Jennifer Durston (cond.) 5, E. Penney 6. First in the method by all the band For Evensong.

HERSHAM, SURREY.—On May 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara Ward (first quarter) 1, Dawn Colcombe 2, Jean Warner 3, J. Bailey 4, J. King (cond.) 5, H. Colcombe 6. For Evensong.

HOLME LACY, HEREFORDS.—On April 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Ann Butcher 1, W. Nash 2, P. L. Hughes 3, A. T. Poulton 4, F. W. Oakley 5, R. I. Brewer 6, J. J. Webb (cond.) 7, C. E. Biggs 8. First on eight 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8. A farewell to the Vicar, the Rev. H. C. Eves.

KERESLEY, COVENTRY.—On April 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Allport 1, H. Folwell 2, C. Stowe 3, N. Stowe (cond.) 4, Thelma Bowcutt 5.

KIMPTON, HERTS.—On May 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Lorna V. Cull (first quarter) 1, Frances Dadds 2, Julia A. Fellows 3, A. R. Wilby 4, J. G. Cull (cond.) 5, Anne Wells 6. First of Doubles 3 and 4. For evening service on Kimpton May Festival Day.

KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.—On May 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Shelagh R. Collins 1, E. Howes 2, F. Sutton 3, W. W. Cousins 4, R. Newson 5, C. Cousins 6, N. V. Harding (cond.) 7, Rev. M. C. C. Melville 8. For Evensong.

KIRKBY-IN-FURNESS, LANCs.—On May 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: N. M. Newby 1, D. M. L. Nicholls 2, M. W. Whalley 3, J. Whalley 4, W. Kenyon 5, K. M. Price (first of Minor as cond. on tower bells) 6.

LANCHESTER, CO. DURHAM.—On March 27th, 1,440 Doubles (three methods): Miss C. Thompson 1, J. Tonks 2, Miss A. Whaley 3, H. P. Thompson 4, A. Walker (cond.) 5, R. Jackson 6. First in three methods 2 and 3. Also on April 3rd, 1,440 Doubles (four methods): Miss C. Thompson 1, J. Tonks 2, Miss A. Whaley 3, A. Walker 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, J. Stephenson 6. Also on April 24th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss P. Lees (first quarter) 1, Miss A. Whaley 2, A. Walker 3, H. P. Thompson 4, J. Tonks (cond.) 5, J. Stephenson 6. All for Evensong.

LONG ASHTON SOMERSET.—On April 22nd, 1,280 Superlative Surprise Major: J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 1, J. Brain 2, R. J. Bowden 3, Diana M. Chapman 4, P. J. England (first in the method) 5, E. T. Lee 6, M. J. Horseman 7, P. Bridle 8. Rung to mark H.M. Queen Elizabeth's 40th birthday, and also a compliment to the ringers of 4 and 8, on their engagement.

LOWER BEEDING, SUSSEX.—On April 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Carol Wickens 1, N. Elliott 2, K. G. Game 3, E. Brazier 4, A. P. Cannon 5, H. Burton 6, I. Wickens (cond.) 7, G. Wickens 8. In honour of the Queen's birthday.

LUPPITT, DEVON.—1,260 Doubles (three methods): T. Travers 1, A. Crabb 2, D. Salter 3, F. Stamp 4, W. Webb (cond.) 5, F. Lane 6. First in three methods 1, 4 and 6.

LYMPNE, KENT.—On May 1st, 1,320 Doubles (three methods): B. Butcher 1, Mrs. Myrtle Butcher 2, Elizabeth Todd (cond.) 3, H. P. Yates 4, R. P. Brotherton 5, R. Gemmell 6. For Evensong.

MARCH, CAMBS.—On April 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Gillian Anderson 1, T. A. Bevis (cond.) 2, W. Moore 3, P. H. Langton 4, A. Palmer 5, D. Feek 6. For Morning Prayer.

MARKET DRAYTON, SALOP.—On March 27th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: A. M. Hickman 1, B. Madeley 2, F. Price 3, R. Hazeldine 4, T. Price 5, W. H. Tyler 6, R. G. Edwards 7, Rev. R. O. Fry (cond.) 8.

MONKEN HADLEY, MIDDx.—On April 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Price 1, Miss P. Mant 2, M. J. Soper 3, R. Fraser 4, T. Pink (cond.) 5, W. Bradbrook 6, C. King 7, W. Langley 8. For evening service, and as a farewell compliment to Miss Penny Mant.

NORTHAW HERTS.—On April 17th, 1,440 Minor (St. Clement's and Kent): A. M. Pettitt 1, Paula Healing 2, D. Digby 3, Susan Farnes 4, A. T. Hawkins (cond., Kent) 5, B. B. Hullah (cond., St. Clement's) 6.

OLD WHITTINGTON, DERBYS.—On April 16th, 1,440 Morning Exercise Thirds Place Delight: Mrs. S. Lawrence 1, S. Lawrence 2, G. Newman 3, L. Gascoyne 4, T. Hughes (cond.) 5, A. Else 6. Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the death of Sir Arthur Heywood.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.—On April 17th, 1,260 St. Clement's Bob Triples: W. Ward 1, Liz Sandwell 2, G. Sandwell 3, F. May 4, R. Tomlin 5, D. Belcham 6, A. House (cond.) 7, G. Blower 8. Rung for Evensong.

RINGWOOD, HAMPSHIRE.—On Easter Day, 1,320 Surprise Minor (four methods): L. F. Cobb 1, D. Wilson 2, W. T. Perrins 3, A. W. Fry 4, J. L. Cloughton 5, W. E. Cheater (cond.) 6. Also on April 16th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Ruth A. Elmes 1, Mary E. Elmes 2, W. T. Perrins 3, G. W. Elmes 4, J. L. Cloughton 5, J. W. Blackwood 6, L. F. Cobb 7, W. E. Cheater (cond.) 8.

SCORTON, LANCs.—On April 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Margaret Crosthwaite 1, D. MacCormick 2, C. Watson 3, R. Palmer 4, C. Crosthwaite (cond.) 5, E. Bounphrey 6, S. Anderton 7, J. Jolleys 8. First in method 3 and 4. A birthday compliment to S. Anderton and for the 30th wedding anniversary of J. Jolleys.

STAUNTON-IN-THE-VALE, NOTTS.—On April 2nd, 1,350 Doubles (eight variations): Miss R. Blackshaw 1, Miss E. J. Foster 2, M. W. Harrison 3, S. Humphrey 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5.

STEVENAGE, HERTS.—On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Rumley 1, W. Brown 2, L. Cooper 3, H. Wittering 4, S. Gullick 5, W. Lawrence (cond.) 6, D. Gullick 7, W. Munson 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. S. Clark.

SUNNINGWELL, BERKS.—On April 14th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Corinne M. Dickson (first quarter) 1, Heather A. Alford 2, Barbara F. Banks 3, A. K. P. Poole 4, J. M. Elaine Dixon (cond.) 5, J. R. Poole 6. Rung after a wedding, for a silver wedding anniversary. Also on April 15th, 1,380 Spliced St. Clement's and Plain Bob Minor: A. K. P. Poole 1, J. R. Poole 2, Heather A. Alford 3, C. I. Rowson (cond.) 4, A. G. Rowson 5, M. C. E. Hodge (first on the tenor) 6. Rung by the Abingdon School Campanological Society.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.—On May 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Celia Chandler 1, Grace Burchnell (cond.) 2, Susan Moxon 3, Katharine Burchnell 4, Eleanor Rose 5, R. Beresford 6, A. Parsons 7, H. Hawcroft 8. For Evensong, and a farewell to Captain Jasper, C.A.

WETHERSFIELD ESSEX.—On April 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss E. Campbell 1, Mrs. J. Poulter 2, Rev. J. B. Macgowan 3, Miss C. Patey 4, R. Threadgold 5, F. Marshall 6. First quarter 1 and 3. For St. George's Day.

WEYBRIDGE, SURREY.—On April 30th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: J. Bailey 1, Dawn Colcombe 2, Jean Warner 3, H. Colcombe 4, B. White 5, R. Fentiman 6, J. King 7, A. Luxford (first of Major as cond.) 8. Rung for the wedding of the Rector's daughter.

WILBURTON, CAMBS.—On April 20th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: F. Sharp 1, G. Markwell 2, R. P. Turnill (first "inside") 3, D. F. Murfet 4, B. B. Hullah (cond.) 5, A. Yarrow 6.

WILTON, WILTS.—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Audley Trimby 1, Helen A. Hobbins 2, C. F. Haines 3, A. A. Newman 4, A. F. Haines 5, R. Haines (cond.) 6. Rung to mark the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John Kiddle.

WINSLOW, BUCKS.—On St. George's Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: G. Edmans 1, F. Vickers 2, R. A. Vickers 3, J. W. Hall 4, M. Jamieson 5, H. Wood 6, W. Yates 7, G. Holland (cond.) 8. In memoriam Canon G. Dixon, president of Central Bucks Branch, O.D.G.

WITHAM, ESSEX.—On April 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Winifred Mellin 1, R. Dorking 2, T. Monk 3, J. Warner 4, S. W. Butler (cond.) 5, H. Dorking 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. Harry E. Evers on the day of his funeral.

WONERSH, SURREY.—On April 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: N. G. T. Steere 1, R. C. Stevens 2, Miss C. Snelling 3, N. Thomson 4, C. M. Foster 5, A. Brown 6, K. Taber (cond.) 7, C. G. Barnes 8.

WOOKYER, SOMERSET.—On April 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. Cook 1, Miss P. Sturdy 2, E. F. Hancock 3, M. H. Gregory 4, V. Roberts 5, D. Huddleston (cond.) 6. Rung to celebrate 50 years of service to ringing by W. Cook, who started in this church.

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Basingstoke District

When the Rev P. W. R. Kennedy, Vicar of Heckfield, was a curate at St. Mary's, Southampton, he learned to ring. Being now incumbent of a church with bells he has, with an enthusiastic captain, assembled a band of ringers. Hence it was decided that the Basingstoke District would hold their spring meeting there.

After the afternoon ringing the Guild Office was taken by the Vicar, who in his address drew an analogy between a Christian returning to the Faith and a ringer returning to the Exercise.

A traditional sumptuous tea enabled the ringers to live up to their county nickname! The business meeting was conducted by the District chairman (Canon F. A. Sanders). Four new members (Peter and Timothy Mart and Richard J. Wilson of Basingstoke, and Miss Hamblyn of Yateley) were elected, and discussion of the proposed District boundary revision was aided by the attendance of a member of the Boundary Commission.

A presentation was made to Mr. J. Chesterman, who recently retired after 21 years as District secretary, having, as the chairman observed, followed in the footsteps of, inter alia, the distinguished ringer the Rev. C. D. P. Davies.

GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS South West Branch

An afternoon of good ringing and warm fellowship was provided when the South West Branch held a meeting at the rugged moorland church at Whitchurch. The six bells have been recently rehung and are manned by a band of young and enthusiastic ringers. The Branch officers—Messrs. T. G. Myers (chairman), D. R. Bould (Ringing Master) and R. A. Southwood (secretary)—rang a touch of Grandsire Doubles on handbells during the service conducted by the Vicar. A "high tea," provided by the ladies of Whitchurch, followed.

Preb. J. H. B. Andrews, president of the Guild, presented Guild certificates to the Misses Lynn Murkin and Linda Le Tissier and Robert Stead (Emmanuel, Plymouth), Mrs. R. J. Southwood (Plympton St. Mary) and G. Myers (St. Andrew's, Plymouth). Professor R. J. Brocklehurst (Newton Ferrers) and B. Knight and S. G. Pearce (Stoke Damerel) were elected to membership. Evening ringing was at Whitchurch and Tavistock.

Autumn meeting: Modbury, October 1st.

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OBITUARY

MR. FERNLEY G. PEARSON

The death has occurred under tragic circumstances of Mr. Fernley G. Pearson, aged 29.

On Easter Saturday, when returning from a motor cycle scramble, the motor cycle combination he was driving was in collision with a car at Gara Bridge, between Plymouth and Dartmouth, and he was fatally injured.

Fernley learned to ring at St. Saviour's, Dartmouth. Last year he married Miss Christine Dodridge a member of the newly-formed Devon Branch of the Ladies' Guild, and went to live at Ebford, near Exeter. Both he and his wife became regular members of the Clyst St. George band. Fernley was a very keen ringer and with his wife regularly attended branch and practice meetings, where he will be greatly missed. A. E. R.

MR. JACK PETCH

With deep regret we record the death of Mr. Jack Petch, of Boston, Lincs. After 15 months of a very painful illness he passed away at his home on April 7th at the age of 51.

Jack first learned to ring at Wisbech and came to work in Boston at the age of 23. Joining the Boston ringers, he soon found himself a great asset to the tower. A good back-ender and a good striker, his place will be hard to fill.

A large number of ringers and friends attended the funeral service in Boston Stump. He was liked by all who knew him. The deepest sympathy is extended to his widow and son. W. E. C.

MR. HARRY M. WHITE

St. Michael's, Bishop's Stortford, Herts, has lost its oldest ringer by the death on April 26th of Mr Harry M. White. He was 79 and had been a ringer for over 60 years. He was also associated with the choir for many years, which he joined at the age of 12.

Harry learned to ring as a pupil of the late Henry James Tucker and rang a few peals. He always enjoyed an occasional quarter. A devoted servant of the belfry, he had been a former secretary and took a pleasure in arranging the annual outings. Many of the peal boards in the belfry were his handiwork and were made at his own expense. Well liked by everyone, he could always be relied upon to give a helping hand.

For the funeral service at St. Michael's Church on May 4th the bells were rung fully muffled. The committal service was at Enfield Crematorium. As a fitting tribute to his memory the bells were rung half-muffled to 1,260 Grandsire Triples, those taking part being: K. Westwood 1, R. Hayden 2, H. Watts 3, F. Bird 4, P. Warboys 5, A. Richardson 6, D. H. Kingston (cond.) 7, D. Hutley 8. Well done, thou good and faithful servant. F. B.

SUFFOLK GUILD

The Central District quarterly meeting at Stradbroke on April 23rd was attended by District members and visitors from a wide area. Ringing in the afternoon was followed by a short service of welcome conducted by the Rev H. K. Florance. Tea was taken at the local café, followed by the business meeting. Ringing continued throughout the evening.

Next quarterly meeting at Barking has been postponed for one week to July 30th.

5,184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

By BRIAN V. MOUNTJOY

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BELFRY GOSSIP

Congratulations to the six who rang their first quarter peal at Holme Lacy, Herefordshire, on April 27th.

Mrs. Angela Newing and John Norris arranged a successful week's tour, despite the rain, in Derbyshire, starting on April 16th. Headquarters were at Matlock.

A performance without parallel in the art of handbell ringing was the peal of 5,120 Spliced Surprise Major in 25 methods rung by the Bushey band on May 2nd and 3rd. We understand that this was the zenith this intrepid band set themselves. They deserve warm congratulations on their achievement.

Nottingham University had a most successful day exploring the towers of Rutland on March 19th. "Bob" of Uppingham was the organiser, and after ringing there the Rev. and Mrs. Woodward provided the 13 thirsty ringers with quantities of tea and biscuits.

The Ancient Society of College Youths' "Out of Town" meeting at Gloucester was most successful, some 70 members attending the business meeting. These came from Yorkshire, Lancashire, Birmingham, Bristol, Kent, Bedford, South Wales and over 30 from London.

Mr. A. P. Cannon is the new Master of the Surrey Association in succession to Mr. F. E. Collins. At the annual general meeting on May 7th it was decided to invite the Central Council to Croydon for its 1968 meeting and to hold its next annual meeting at Guildford Cathedral, the headquarters of the Guildford Diocesan Guild.

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RANG FOR PARENTS 70th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The peal rung at Rogate, Sussex, on May 4th, was specially arranged to mark what must be a very rare occurrence. Mr. and Mrs. E. Munday, of Rogate, were celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary and their only surviving son, Mr. Jack Munday, was one of the participants in the peal, this being the tower in which he learned to handle a bell. Mr. E. Munday was a churchwarden of St. Bartholomew's, Rogate, for 20 years and was succeeded in that position by one of his sons and, currently, by a grandson.

The members of the band were most hospitably entertained to supper by Mr. and Mrs. Munday after the peal, and were interested to see the very many messages of congratulation which had been received including those from H.M. the Queen, the Lord Chancellor and numerous dignitaries of the Church.

BELLS FOR SALE

According to the "Manchester Evening News" the three bells at St. Mary's Church, Houghton Green, Denton, are for sale. They weigh four, five and six cwt. The Rector, the Rev. David Smethurst, states: "We plan to sell them for the highest price we can get. As scrap they are worth about £150." Our Rhodesian friends might be interested.

ROCHESTER STRIKING CONTEST

St. George's, Gravesend, with 14 faults, won the striking contest of the Rochester District held at Shorne on April 23rd. Closely behind them were Halling (15 faults) and Eastchurch (24). Other competitors were Frindsbury, Tunstall, Northfleet, Newington and Rainham. Mr. H. E. Audsley, of Crayford, and Mr. M. L. Howe, of Maidstone, were the judges and the winners received a cup donated by Mr. Edward Beer.

SOUTHWELL HAD 63 FOUNDER MEMBERS

To mark the 20th anniversary of the foundation of the Southwell Diocesan Guild a ringing festival and dinner will be held at Newark on June 11th. The Guild was founded in 1946 with the splitting into three of the Midland Counties Association. At the end of the first year Southwell Guild had a membership of 231, representing 37 towers in three Districts. Membership has now reached 484 with 63 who can claim founder membership. Two additional Districts have been formed and there are 66 towers.

DEVON RINGERS IN TAUNTON AREA

Mr. Aubrey Bennett organised a successful day's tour for members of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers in the Taunton area on May 7th. The help of Mrs. E. S. Powell and Mr. A. H. Reed, who were with the party, in arranging the tour was much appreciated.

Towers visited were Sampford Arundel; Bradford-on-Tone, where a well-struck six-score of Stedman Doubles was tape-recorded; Bishops Hull; Norton Fitzwarren; Staple-grove; West Monkton; Ruishon; Holy Trinity, Taunton, where the bells were found to be a novelty; and Ashbrittle.

The lunch interval was spent at the Cross Keys Hotel, Norton Fitzwarren. The ringing was in Doubles and Minor methods.

BARKING BELLS

From Barking, Suffolk, we have received encouraging news. Regular practices started again last October and there are four married couples who ring regularly for services. Dr. S. Harrison writes thanking Suffolk Guild friends for their help, as without them the band would not have been able to progress as it had.

The following poem, written by a villager after the augmentation to six by Alfred Bowell, might interest ringers who have visited the tower.

One evening when I rambled
Across Mount Lay for choice,
I stopped and listened to the bells.
"My dears, you have a different voice
Since to the founders you have been."
Their melody was grand and gave a charm
As it echoed around the Ladies' Walk
Then on to Bungeon's Farm.

You are the voice of the past, I cried,
For their tone was strong and good.
And then I rambled on again
Until I in God's acre stood.
Then from the tower the bells rang out
No uncertain sound they gave.
And then I wished the dead could hear
As stood I near a grave.

Ring out ye bells of Barking,
Over meadow, field and tree,
For when you ring you still will bring
Old memories back to me.
Just one more thing I wish to add
And think you will agree,
That Barking without bells and rooks
Can never, never Barking be.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD

At the annual general meeting held on April 27th in Clare College the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, W. J. Ridgman (Queens); treasurer, B. D. Threlfall (Trinity); Master, S. P. Darvill (Downing); secretary, E. N. Thomas (St. John's); librarian, R. H. Youdale (Emmanuel).

25 YEARS LATER

Behind the quarter peal rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. K. Martin, at Hemingford Abbots, there is the story of a war-time disappointment. The bride was then, owing to Government restrictions, denied wedding bells, although she was an ardent church worker. Her father, grandfather and brother-in-law were then members of the local band.

HIS FIRST OF YORKSHIRE

The peal of Yorkshire rung at Rayleigh on May 7th enabled Frank May to realise a long ambition, for although having rung several quarters in the method he had never been successful in his attempts for a peal. On this occasion the peal very nearly never started, as owing to a computer breaking down one member of the band was unable to leave work in time to reach the tower for the scheduled start. However, Jim Laker is to be thanked for coming to the rescue at 15 minutes' notice and very ably ringing the treble, thus enabling Frank to score his peal of Yorkshire.

FAREWELL AT MAIDSTONE

On Thursday, May 5th, the All Saints' ringers said a sad farewell to their captain, Leonard Mannering, on his retirement to Folkestone. He was presented with a clock, suitably engraved, for his past services to the tower, and Mrs. Mannering was given a box of chocolates. Len has been the captain for the past 15 years and will be difficult to replace. He joined the band in 1917, when at this time his father was the captain. The new captain, who was elected at the meeting, is Thomas Cullingworth.

READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

The following officers have been elected by Reading University Society for the session 1966-67; Master, Ronald E. Stillwell; secretary, Maurice G. Ingram; treasurer, Graham J. N. Colborne; lay members, Mary E. Marshall and Margaret A. Wilson. All correspondence should be addressed to: The Society of Change Ringers, The University, Reading, Berks.

The annual general meeting on May 4th was quite well attended. A full day's outing into Sussex at the end of the present term and a dinner on December 3rd are planned. Other Universities are requested to bear this latter date in mind. M. A. W.

TWERTON RINGERS WERE WELCOMED

In their day's tour in West Somerset on April 23rd Twerton-on-Avon ringers were welcomed by local ringers in eight of the nine towers visited which, our correspondent considers, added to the enjoyment of the day.

Bishop's Lydeard bells were better than anticipated although "the tower rolls." Combe Florey bells (6) were described as a lovely ring in a lovely church with an equally lovely setting. West Bagborough bells were quite tough to ring, and Crowcombe bells (6, anti-clockwise) are a majestic ring needing careful striking. Long draughts were experienced at Over Stowey and Nether Stowey, and the Rev. E. F. W. Awre and his daughter, Rosemary, joined in the ringing at the latter tower. There were two fine rings at Holford and Watchet, and the tour ended on the pretty five at Sampford Brett.

5,120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR (25 methods)

By JOHN R. MAYNE				Methods	
23456	M	W	H		
54632	—	—	3	East., Linc., Elf.,	Bris., Bris.
63542	—	—	—	Elf., Pains., Rut.	
56342	—	—	—	Ux., Lang., Wat.	
35642	—	—	—	High., Yorks., Ux.	
64352	—	—	—	Lon., Ald., Act.	
36452	—	—	—	Eal., Hit., Eal.	
43652	—	—	—	Wem., Sup., Lind.	
25364	—	—	—	Lind., Puds., Lon.	
62534	—	—	—	Berks., Rad., Ash.	
56234	—	—	—	Leath., Camb., Leath.	

4 x repeated.

Contains 320 each of Bristol, Ealing, Elford, Leatherhead, Lindum, London and Uxbridge, and 160 each of Acton, Aldenham, Ashted, Berkshire, Cambridge, Eastcote, Highgate, Hitchin, Langley, Lincolnshire, Painswick, Pudsey, Radlett, Rutland, Superlative, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire, with 149 changes of method.

Rung at 5, Moat Close, Bushey, on handbells, May 2nd and 3rd, 1966.

SOUTHAM RURAL DEANERY TOUR

To honour the 10th anniversary of the appointment of the Rt. Rev Cuthbert Bardsley as Bishop of Coventry.

ALL FOR THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

LADBROKE, Warwickshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Tues., April 26, 1966, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In seven methods/variations, being six extents each of Clifford's Pleasure Ryton, St. Miles, Winchendon, Little Aston, Southrepps Reverse Canterbury.

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in F sharp

*Harry Reeves Treble | *Richard M. Andrews .. 3

Stephen F. Royal 2 | John F. Thorne 4

Robert W. Sherriff Tenor

Conducted by Stephen F. Royal.

* Most methods/variations to a peal.

SOUTHAM, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Wed., April 27, 1966 in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb. in F.

Robert J. Edden Treble | *Stephen F. Royal 5

*Robert W. Sherriff 2 | *Terence G. Hill 6

*John F. Thorne 3 | Peter S. Bennett 7

*Richard M. Andrews .. 4 | *Michael Hill Tenor

Composed by J. J. Parker.

Conducted by Peter S. Bennett

* First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Grandsire Triples

‡ First peal.

PRIORS MARSTON, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Leonard

On Fri., April 29, 1966, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Oxford T.B., (2) Single Oxford Bob, (3) Kent T.B., (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) St. Clement's Bob, (6) Childwall Bob (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F

*Richard M. Andrews .. Treble | John F. Thorne 4

Anthony J. Cox 2 | Stephen F. Royal 5

†Terence G. Hill 3 | Robert W. Sherriff Tenor

Conducted by Stephen F. Royal.

* First peal of Minor. † Most methods to a peal.

NAPTON-ON-THE-HILL, Works.—At the Church of St. Lawrence

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in five methods: (1) Oxford T.B., (2 and 3) Kent T.B., (4) St. Clement's Bob, (5) Childwall Bob, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. in F

Anthony J. Cox Treble | Terence G. Hill 4

Alice E. J. Lester 2 | John F. Thorne 5

Stephen F. Royal 3 | *Richard M. Andrews .. Tenor

Conducted by Stephen F. Royal.

* First peal of Minor "inside."

HARBURY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Tues., May 3, 1966 in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Oxford T.B., (3) Double Court, (4) Kent T.B., (5) St. Clement's Bob, (6) Childwall Bob, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 lb in G

*Delphine Holman Treble | *Richard M. Andrews .. 4

†Judith A. Ashby 2 | Stephen F. Royal 5

Richard J. Danby 3 | Robert W. Sherriff Tenor

Conducted by Stephen F. Royal.

* First peal. † Most methods "inside." ‡ Most Minor methods

"inside."

OTHER PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

PRITTLEWELL, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., April 23, 1966, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS

Treble 18½ cwt.

Leonard J. Fox Treble | John W. Stephenson .. 6

Michael C. Austin 2 | Robert J. Chapman 7

John H. Crampton 3 | George W. Cecil 8

Raymond G. Cousins .. 4 | John Armstrong 9

*Anthony M. Faulkner .. 5 | Frank V. Gant Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts.

Conducted by John H. Crampton

* First peal of Stedman Caters

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.—At the Church of St. Michael and

All Angels.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. E. Groves' Variation of J. J. Parker's 12-Part.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb in F sharp.

*John H. Thompson (14) Treble | *Ian P. Cox (15) 5

Julian E. Newman 2 | Thomas W. Harris 6

*Robin L. Coles (15) .. 3 | Alan F. Lee 7

†David A. Burt 4 | *Michael J. Hawkins (16) Tenor

Conducted by Alan F. Lee.

* First peal on eight bells. † First of Grandsire Triples.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. and Mrs. Russell Kinsey.

BITTON, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 53 methods, comprising 96 changes each of Aldenham. Apsley, Barnsbury, Benington, Bristol, Cambridge, Campsall, Cherwell, Chester, Claybrooke, Cray Deben, Derwent, Dublin, Eastcote, Elford, Falmouth, Framley, Hanbury, Hitchin, Ickleton, Jersey, Langley, Lessness, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Maulden, Minsmere, New Gloucester, Northolt, Otley, Painswick, Pudsey, Pyrford, Radlett, Ramsey, Richmond, Rutland, Scawthorpe, Shoreditch, Stockport, Superlative, Thorne, Tring, Trowbridge, Uxbridge, Vauxhall, Warwickshire, Watford, Wembley, Wordsworth and Yorkshire, with 159 changes of method.

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in E.

*Diana M. Chapman .. Treble | James R. Taylor 5

Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 2 | †Brian Bladon 6

Michael J. Hobbs 3 | ‡Victor Griffin 7

†Anthony R. Peake 4 | *Peter Bridle Tenor

Composed by W. Eric Critchley. Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

* 25th peal together. † 225th peal together ‡ First of Major in

53 methods. The greatest number of methods to a peal on the

bells and for the Association

COMPTON BISHOP, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being seven extents each of Union and Reverse Canterbury, six each

Plain Bob, St. Simon and St. Martin, ten Grandsire.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

John Chapman Treble | Stanley Lewis 4

Marjorie Legg 2 | John Walton 5

John Coombs 3 | Kenneth Gatehouse .. Tenor

Conducted by Marjorie Legg

KILMERSDON, Somerset.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

Jennifer A. Durston .. Treble | Peter C. Gould 4

Henley Hawkins 2 | *Alan F. Lee 5

Gilbert R. Pomeroy .. 3 | Robert J. Hawkins .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan F. Lee

*150th peal. First peal on the bells for 15 years and since being

rehung by John Taylor and Co

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and

Ali Angels.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 26 cwt. 23 lb. in D

Alan A. Potts Treble | *John R. Bibby 7

John E. Bibby 2 | Basil Jones 8

Frank Osbaldiston .. 3 | †Ivor Nicholls 9

Harold C. Lonyon 4 | Edward Jenkins 10

C. Kenneth Lewis 5 | ‡Brian Harris 11

John Worth 6 | Robert B. Smith Tenor

Arranged by Brian Harris. Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

* First peal of Maximus. † First of Surprise Maximus. ‡ 600th

peal. The conductor's 100th 12-bell peal.

Rung as an engagement compliment to Anne P. Smith and Edmund

R. Wilkinson, both ringers at Marple.

MOTTRAM, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., April 16, 1966, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt.

Michael Platt Treble | Kenneth Davenport .. 5

Sidney Hough 3 | Philip G. K. Davies .. 6

Margaret Wright 3 | Neil D. Lomas 7

Denis Mottershead .. 4 | Jeffrey Brannan Tenor

Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by Jeffrey Brannan.

WILMSLOW, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

On Sat., April 12, 1966, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of York Surprise, London

Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford,

St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

Christine Andrew .. Treble | Philip G. K. Davies .. 4

Neil D. Lomas 2 | Dennis Latham 5

Denis Mottershead .. 3 | Jeffrey Brannan Tenor

Conducted by Jeffrey Brannan

SUTTON, Macclesfield, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Mon. April 25, 1966, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In six methods: One 720 each of Capel, London Scholars, and two

720's each of Kingston and Oxford T.B. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb.

Edna M. P. Lawton .. Treble | Hilary L. Horn 4

*David Salter 2 | Peter William Horn .. 5

Charles William Lawton 3 | Anthony William Lawton Tenor

Conducted by Charles William Lawton.

* First peal of Treble Bob in more than one method.

*Rung in memoriam J. W. L. Slack.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

FREES, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Chad.
On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of one extent St. Clement's, and two extents each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.
John Ryder Treble Edward V. Rodenhurst .. 4
Michael Thomson 2 Christopher J. Jones .. 5
Harold Worrall 3 Harry W. Howard Tenor

Conducted by Harry W. Howard.

BOSLEY, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Kent Treble Bob and three extents each of Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in A
*Keith W. Eaton .. Treble *John R. Scott 4
*Geoffrey A. Edwards .. 2 Gerald Parsons 5
A. Doreen Edwards .. 3 Frank R. Morton Tenor

Conducted by Frank R. Morton.

* First peal in three Minor methods.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., April 16, 1966, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 37 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in D flat.
Kenneth Lawson .. Treble Rodney A. Yeates 6
C. Duncan Davis 2 George S. Deas 7
Anne Lawson 3 James Crowther 8
Enid Lawson 4 Michael Maughan 9
Dennis A. Bayles 5 Eric N. Harrison Tenor

Composed by J. Reeves.

Conducted by Eric N. Harrison.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Iris Thomson and John E. Anderson, who were married earlier this day at St. James' Church, Benwell.

ALLENDALE, Northumberland.—At the Church of St. Cuthbert.

On Mon., April 11, 1966, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

C. Duncan Davis .. Treble Rodney A. Yeates 5
Ann Lawson 2 Eric N. Harrison 6
Enid Lawson 3 James Crowther 7
Kenneth Lawson 4 Michael Maughan Tenor

Composed by G. Lindoff.

Conducted by Michael Maughan.

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. F. Ross and Miss R. Bailly on their engagement. Tenor 10 cwt. 9 lb. in G.

HEXHAM, Northumberland.—At the Abbey Church of St. Andrew

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt.
C. Duncan Davis .. Treble James Crowther 5
John E. Anderson 2 George S. Deas 6
David J. Marshall 3 Michael Maughan 7
William G. Wilson 4 Eric N. Harrison Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

Conducted by Eric N. Harrison.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LONGSTANTON, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., April 22, 1966, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.
*Mary E. Elmes .. Treble *Anthony K. Fortin .. 5
Peter Woollven 2 *Graham W. Elmes .. 6
*George E. Bonham .. 3 Philip Mehew 7
*Ronald J. Snack 4 George E. Thoday Tenor

Composed by E. Timbrell.

Conducted by George E. Thoday.

* First peal in the method

EATON SOCON, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sun., April 24, 1966, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in F.
Robert D. Bellamy .. Treble George E. Bonham 5
*Mary E. Elmes 2 *Anthony K. Fortin .. 6
*Graham W. Elmes .. 3 Philip Mehew 7
*Ronald J. Snack 4 George E. Thoday Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by George E. Thoday.

* First peal in the method. The conductor's 300th peal of Surprise ((9 Maximus, 19 Royal, 196 Major and 76 Minor).

HUNTINGDON.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., March 24, 1966, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb.
*T. Raymond Garret .. Treble George E. Bonham 4
J. Richard Hough 2 Peter Woollven 5
Albert J. Davey 3 Harold S. Peacock Tenor

Conducted by Harold S. Peacock.

* First peal, first attempt. The ringer of the fifth has now "circled the tower."

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. H. T. W. Nesbitt on completion of two years as Rector of this parish; also with best wishes for the future to G. W. Massey, R.A.F., upon leaving the area

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

RAYLEIGH, Essex.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in F.
*James Laken .. Treble Christopher K. Cooper .. 5
Alfred J. House 2 Dennis A. Hewett 6
Donald Cobb 3 Dennis Ellidson 7
*Frank C. May 4 Ian R. Panton Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler.

Conducted by Dennis Ellidson.

* First peal in the method.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
PAINSWICK, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5015 GRANDSIRE CINQUES

Tenor 26 cwt.
Albert M. Tyler .. Treble John Brain 7
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. 2 David J. Forder 8
Arthur H. Reed 3 Richard J. Bowden 9
Allan Tubbs 4 Patrick J. Bird 10
Arthur C. Berry 5 Rev. Roger O. Fry 11
Michael J. Thomas 6 Frank D. Mack Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Albert M. Tyler.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

FARNBOROUGH, Hants.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 992 London, 768 Bristol, 1,664 Cambridge and 1632 Superlative, with 104 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 6 cwt. 57 lb. in B flat.
Jessie M. Kippin .. Treble Thomas H. Francis 5
*Beryl R. Simpson 2 Frank W. Lewis 6
Peter J. Joyce 3 W. Leslie Weller 7
Robert C. Kippin 4 Noel J. Diserens Tenor

Composed by H. G. Cashmore.

Conducted by Robert C. Kippin

* First peal of Spliced. First of Spliced on the bells.

HORSELL, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one 2,160 Kent Treble Bob and four 720's Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.
*Peter J. Privett .. Treble †Alan D. Flood 4
Roy Collins 2 Dennis G. Blows 5
*Christopher K. Hills .. 3 E. John Wells Tenor

Conducted by E. John Wells.

* First peal in two methods. † First of Minor.

An 80th birthday compliment for Chris Spiers.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.
Celia J. Bland .. Treble Geoffrey Dodds 5
Joyce Dodds 2 Martyn L. J. Jordan .. 6
Roger D. R. Brown 3 Gerald Penney 7
Keith J. Walpole 4 Antony R. Kench Tenor

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

First peal in the method by all the band except the ringer of the sixth.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. James the Apostle.

On Thurs., May 5, 1966, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.
H. George Hart .. Treble S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 5
Kenneth R. Dunstan .. 2 Vernon Green 6
*Sara K. D. Woolley .. 3 Roger Baldwin 7
†David Burbridge 4 Christopher W. Woolley .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

* First peal of Surprise "inside." † First peal in the method.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ERITH, Kent.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Fri., April 22, 1966, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Washbrook's variation. Tenor 15 cwt. in G.
*Joan A. Hayward .. Treble Bernard F. L. Groves .. 5
Arthur G. Mason 2 Christopher T. Osenton .. 6

* First peal in the method

* John W. Gander 3

† Martin L. Howe .. Tenor Herbert E. Audsley 7

Conducted by Christopher T. Osenton.

MAIDSTONE, Kent.—At the Church of All Saints.On Sat., April 23, 1966, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 20 lb. in C sharp.

Leonard Mannering .. Treble	Colin A. Tester 5
Olive D. Tester 2	W. Arthur Riddington .. 6
John A. Howard 3	Christopher T. Osenton .. 7
Frank H. Hicks 4	Bernard F. L. Groves .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Christopher T. Osenton.

First peal of Major on the bells.

Rung as a farewell to Leonard Mannering, captain at the tower, who has been a member of the band since 1918.

LEWISHAM, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

*Paul S. Royds-Jones .. Treble	Robin R. Churchill 5
†Jennifer Brown 2	Gerald W. Reynolds 6
Dr. David G. Hollis 3	Timothy G. Pett 7
Roger D. Bailey 4	John Pladdys Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.

* First peal of Major. † First "inside."

PETHAM, Kent.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being seven 240's and 28 extents, 10 callings. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr.	
*Jacqueline A. Stewart .. Treble	†John B. Keeler 5
†Patrick A. Harrison 2	Eric T. Eades 4
*Keith I. Davis 3	*William Epps Tenor

Conducted by Eric T. Eades.

* First peal. † First in method. ‡ First "inside." First as conductor.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancs.—At the Church of St. Peter.**

On Wed., April 13, 1966, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt.

John Gibbons Treble	David C. Walker 5
Michael Platt 2	Edward Jenkins 6
Margaret Wright 3	Philip G. K. Davies 7
Kenneth Davenport 4	Jeffrey Brannan Tenor

Composed by N. Smith.

Conducted by Jeffrey Brannan.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancs.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Thurs., May 5, 1966, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

27-course block reduced. Tenor 19 cwt.	
Hazel Schofield Treble	Peter J. Malloch 5
Christine Andrew 2	Edward Jenkins 6
Margaret Wright 3	Giles B. Thompson 7
Michael Platt 4	Jeffrey Brannan Tenor

Conducted by Jeffrey Brannan.

FARNWORTH, Lancs.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.

On Thurs., May 5, 1966, in 3 Hours,

A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt

Roger I. Kendrick Treble	Geoffrey R. Gardner 5
Kenneth R. Davenport 2	Dennis Latham 6
*Joyce Grainger 3	Denis Mottershead 7
William Birmingham, jun. 4	Neil D. Lomas Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts.

Conducted by Neil D. Lomas.

* First peal of Surprise "inside."

Rung to mark the 21st birthday of Joyce Grainger and her engagement to Geoffrey R. Gardner.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**HASELBECH, Northants.—At the Church of St. Michael.**

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 12 lb. in F sharp.

Roger S. Starbuck Treble	William A. Lacey 5
Malcolm E. Wade 2	Samuel J. Haines 6
W. Ernest Rawson 3	Roland H. Cook 7
Martin Green 4	R. Kingsley Mason Tenor

Composed by F. Dench.

Conducted by Roland H. Cook.

First peal in the method as conductor.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.SILK WILLOUGHBY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Denis.
On Mon., April 25, 1966, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Court, Single Court, Single Oxford and two of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb.

James A. D. Woolford .. Treble	Harry Barnes 4
William H. Dale 2	Leslie H. Squires 5
Richard A. Hunt 3	James H. Musson Tenor

Conducted by James H. Musson.

A birthday compliment to Jean F. Woolford, also to Mrs. Catherine M. Emson, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Barnes.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

CITY OF LONDON.—At the Church of St. Vedast, Foster Lane.

On Mon., May 2, 1966, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINORBeing two 2,160 blocks and one 720 in the following seven methods:
Bourne, York, Beverley, Durham, Surfleet, Ipswich and Cambridge.

Roger W. Powell Treble	Alan J. Frost 4
Edward D. Elderkin 2	Timothy G. Pett 5
Robert E. J. Dennis 3	Roger D. Bailey Tenor

Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.

Rung as a compliment to Pauline Fennell and James Dingley on their recent engagement. Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in F.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.****ALL RUNG AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.**

On Tues., March 15, 1966, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5152 RUGBY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

Joseph W. Cotton Treble	*Arthur E. Rowley 5
Richard J. Clifton 2	*Dan S. Pont 6
Derek P. Jones 3	*G. Ronald Edwards 7
Gordon H. Lane 4	*Roland Beniston Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* First peal in the method.

On Tuesday, March 22, 1966, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 STRATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

Joseph W. Cotton Treble	*Arthur E. Rowley 5
Richard J. Clifton 2	Derek P. Jones 6
*Edwin Deakin 3	*Dan S. Pont 7
Gordon H. Lane 4	*G. Ronald Edwards Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* First peal in the method.

On Tuesday, March 29, 1966, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

G. Ronald Edwards .. Treble	Joseph W. Cotton 6
Dan S. Pont 2	Derek P. Jones 7
Richard J. Clifton 3	Arthur E. Rowley 8
Rupert A. Clarke 4	R. Kingsley Mason 9
*Gordon H. Lane 5	Edwin Deakin Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal of Stedman Caters as conductor.

On Tues., April 5, 1966, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB ROYAL

G. Ronald Edwards .. Treble	Joseph W. Cotton 6
*Roland Beniston 2	†Arthur E. Rowley 7
Richard J. Clifton 3	†Gordon H. Lane 8
†Rupert A. Clarke 4	R. Kingsley Mason 9
David F. Moore 5	Derek P. Jones Tenor

Composed by G. Ronald Edwards. Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* First peal of Royal. First of Little Bob Royal. First in the method as conductor.

The composition contains the 6th. 48 courses in 6ths place, 24 of them being 8790 courses and 24 7890 courses; also all the 658790 and 657890 courses.

On Tues., April 19, 1966, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

B. Stedman Payne Treble	Joseph W. Cotton 6
Richard J. Clifton 2	*Arthur E. Rowley 7
Roland H. Cook 3	Derek P. Jones 8
David F. Moore 4	R. Kingsley Mason 9
*Gordon H. Lane 5	G. Ronald Edwards Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* First peal of Royal in the method. 400th peal as conductor.

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THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD—Continued.

On Tues., April 26, 1966, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

G. Ronald Edwards Treble	Joseph W. Cotton 6
Richard J. Clifton 2	*Arthur E. Rowley 7
Derek P. Jones 3	Samuel J. Haines 8
Rupert A. Clarke 4	B. Stedman Payne 9
*Gordon H. Lane 5	R. Kingsley Mason Tenor

Composer unknown.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* First peal of Royal in the method. 400th peal on tower bells as conductor.

On Tues., May 3, 1966, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In three methods, viz.: 1,760 Cambridge, 1,760 Yorkshire, and 1,600 Lincolnshire with 84 changes of method.

Arthur E. Rowley Treble	Samuel J. Haines 5
Richard J. Clifton 2	G. Ronald Edwards 6
*Gordon H. Lane 3	R. Kingsley Mason 7
Joseph W. Cotton 4	Derek P. Jones Tenor

Composed by Philip G. K. Davies.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* First peal of Spliced Surprise in three methods.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BANBURY, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 EVESHAM SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in E.

*Christopher I. Rowson .. Treble	Christopher C. Clarke .. 6
W. Bertram Kynaston .. 2	Sydney M. Bailey 7
Eric Sutton 3	Giles R. Shedden 8
Valerie Willard 4	George W. Holland 9
Michael Hatchett 5	Alan R. Pink Tenor

Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

* First peal on ten bells. First peal of Royal in the method by all the band, on the bells and for the Guild.

SLOUGH, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

*Joyce I. Barton Treble	Dennis Knox 6
†Robert H. Newton 2	Roy Woodruff 7
*Robin J. Lee 3	David A. Cornwall 8
John Young 4	Richard E. Dean 9
Derek Francis 5	L. Joseph Young Tenor

Composed by M. J. Morris.

Conducted by Dennis Knox.

* First peal on ten bells. † First of Caters. ‡ First of Grandsire.

CAVERSHAM, READING.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Mon., April 18, 1966, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.

Stephen J. Franklin .. Treble	G. Robert Mordaunt .. 5
John G. Pusey 2	Richard Wharton 6
*Henry Rossall 3	Anthony P. Foster 7
Christopher I. Rowson .. 4	Roger M. Heyworth Tenor

Composed by A. Craven.

Conducted by Roger M. Heyworth.

* First peal. First peal as conductor.

KIRTLINGTON, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin

On Sat., April 23, 1966, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 53 methods, comprising 96 each of Aldenham, Apsley, Barnsbury, Benington, Bristol, Cambridge, Campsall, Cherwell, Chester, Claybrooke, Cray, Deben, Derwent, Dublin, Eastcote, Elford, Falmouth, Framley, Hanbury, Hitchin, Ickleton, Jersey, Langley, Lessness, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Maulden, Minsmere, New Gloucester, Northolt, Otley, Painswick Pudsey, Pyrford, Radlett, Ramsey, Richmond, Rutland, Scawthorpe, Shoreditch, Stockport, Superlative, Thorne, Tring, Trowbridge, Uxbridge, Vauxhall, Warwickshire, Watford, Wembley, Wordsworth and Yorkshire, with 158 changes of method.

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

Maurice A. New Treble	Brian Bladon 5
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. 2	Anthony R. Peake 6
Michael J. Hobbs 3	Edward R. Venn 7
*John R. Mayne 4	James R. Taylor Tenor

Composed by W. Eric Critchley.

Conducted by John R. Mayne.

* First peal of 53-Spliced Surprise Major. First peal of 53-Spliced for the Guild.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Ebbe.

On Mon., April 25, 1966, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 VANCOUVER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt.

Charles Coles Treble	Frederick W. Soden 5
Christopher C. Clarke .. 2	Frank Reed 6
Brian W. Hall 3	D. Kay Adkins 7
Peter J. Heritage 4	Bertram J. Coggins Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

Conducted by D. Kay Alkins.

First peal in the method by all the band.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

WELLINGBOROUGH, Northants.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's Variation.	Tenor 28 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in D.
Roger W. Smith Treble	Alan A. Paul 5
Shirley Ruddlesden 2	Graham C. Paul 6
Barry E. Saunders 3	Malcolm J. V. Chown .. 7
Richard J. Danby 4	Barrie Hendry Tenor

Conducted by Graham C. Paul.

GAYTON, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Fri., April 29, 1966, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR

In 47 methods, viz.: (1) Fulbeck, Plain, Reverse, Canterbury Pleasure, Wavertree, St. Clement's, Thelwall, Double Oxford, Lytham, College, Double, Childwall and London Bob. (2) Oxford, Sandal, Capel, Kingston and London Scholars' Pleasure T.B. (3) Ockley, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Morning Star T.B. and Disley Delight, (4) Rossendale, Stamford, Annable's London, Lightfoot, Wearmouth and Netherseale Surprise. (5) Chester, Carlisle, Munden, Cuneastre Surprise and Glastonbury Delight. (6) Surfleet, Hexham, Durham, York, Berwick and Beverley Surprise. (7) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne Surprise, with 143 changes of method.	Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb.
James Linnell Treble	Alan A. Paul 4
Barry E. Saunders 2	Charles E. Truman 5
Roger W. Smith 3	Graham C. Paul Tenor

Conducted by Charles E. Truman.

First peal in 47 methods for all the band, on the bells and for the Guild.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

BROUGHTON, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Tues., April 12, 1966, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb.

Pamela E. Key Treble	*Eric Young 5
Albert H. Lawton 2	Ian Friend 6
Barnabas G. Key 3	†William Harris 7
E. Marion Key 4	William Watkins Tenor

Composed by J. J. Parker.

Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

* First peal in the method "inside." † First in the method.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

BULWELL, Nottingham.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Souls.

On Sun., May 1, 1966, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb.

John R. Pratchett Treble	Royston Blackler 5
Richard A. G. Inglis 2	Peter R. Humphrey 6
Elizabeth J. Foster 3	Simon Humphrey 7
Susanna Popplestone 4	George A. Dawson Tenor

Composed by S. Humphrey.

Conducted by George A. Dawson.

Rung as part of the centenary celebrations of St. Mary's C. of E. Primary School, Bulwell. Also a welcome to the Bishop of Southwell, the Rt. Rev. Gordon Savage, D.D., who preached at Evensong.

WARSOP, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Easter Day, April 10, 1966, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Tenor 14½ cwt.

Douglas H. Rooke .. Treble	Herbert T. Rooke 4
*Richard Spencer 2	Frank Cooke 5
Malcolm Foster 3	David Whetton Tenor

Conducted by Herbert T. Rooke.

* First peal.

Rung for Easter.

STAUNTON-IN-THE-VALE, Notts.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., April 23, 1966, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 14 methods/variations, being three extents each of Grandsire, Newborough, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, All Saints, Rushall, Reverse Canterbury, Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day and Seighford. Tenor 12 cwt.

W. Gordon Marsh Treble	*Ruth Blackshaw 3
Robert D. Marsh 2	*David Oliver 4

*Maurice W. Harrison .. Tenor

Conducted by Ruth Blackshaw.

* 25th peal together.

NORTH MUSKHAM, Notts.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Tues., April 26, 1966, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 11 methods/var., viz.: three extents each of All Saints, Rushall, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Kennington, April Day, Seighford, seven Plain Bob, six Grandsire and 240 Morris's

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.	
H. Geoffrey Wells Treble	Maurice W. Harrison .. 4
Ruth Blackshaw 2	David Oliver 5
Margaret E. Chilton 3	F. William Midwinter .. Tenor

Conducted by Margaret E. Chilton.

First as conductor in 11 variations/methods.

WARSOP, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
On Wed., April 27, 1966, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being a 720 each of London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Norwich Surprise, Kingston, London Scholars' Pleasure, Sandal and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 14½ cwt.

A. Catherine Rooke .. Treble	Frank Cooke 4
James T. Rooke 2	Frederick Flint 5
George Challans 3	Herbert T. Rooke .. Tenor

Conducted by Herbert T. Rooke.

Rung as a birthday compliment to T. Roland Flint on his 87th birthday. He was for many years a ringer and verger at this church.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ROGATE, SUSSEX.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

On Wed., May 4, 1966, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B., two extents of Cambridge Surprise and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

A. Patrick Cannon .. Treble	Cyril F. Low 4
Gillian A. Leale 2	Robin G. Leale 5
Ernest J. Munday 3	William S. Deason .. Tenor

Conducted by Robin G. Leale.

Rung to celebrate the 70th wedding anniversary on this day of Mr. and Mrs. E. Munday, of Rogate, parents of the ringer of the third.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

and
THE GUILD OF RINGERS OF ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY.
(Portsmouth Cathedral.)

PORTSMOUTH, Hampshire.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Thomas of Canterbury.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 25½ cwt. in E flat.

Arthur E. Hoodless .. Treble	Alan A. Buswell 4
George Love 2	K. Paul Gilliver 5
Ernest Treagus 3	Geoffrey J. Gammon .. Tenor

Conducted by K. Paul Gilliver.

First peal on the back six.

Rung to congratulate Thelma and Neville Haile (former Cathedral captain) on the birth of a daughter, Catherine Emma, on April 14th.

WARNFORD, Hampshire.—At the Church of Our Lady of Warnford.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb.

*Maureen J. White .. Treble	Charles E. Bassett 4
Ramon A. Stone 2	Patrick Page 5
Betty J. Daysh 3	John H. Hunt Tenor

Conducted by John H. Hunt.

* First peal of Minor.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

KIDDERMINSTER, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Sat., April 23, 1966, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

Frederick G. Handley .. Treble	*Robert Edwards 6
Clifford Skidmore 2	Peter J. Stretton 7
Peter L. Bill 3	Brian J. Luff 8
Michael J. Fellows 4	Martin D. Fellows 9
John C. Eisel 5	Edward W. Colley .. Tenor

Composed by J. Carter.

Conducted by Michael J. Fellows.

* First peal on ten bells.

For St. George's Day and as a compliment to Martin D. Fellows on his 21st birthday. Tenor 24 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in D.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

PONTEFRAC, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., April 23, 1966, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

David Atkins Treble	John Potts 5
Iris M. E. Lemare 2	Ronald J. Warford 6
M. Susan Jackson 3	Edward M. Bradley 7
Alan Sheppard 4	Kenneth B. Sissons .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. Wilde.

Conducted by Kenneth B. Sissons.

First in the method by all the band. Believed to be the first in the method for the Association.

BRADFORD, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity, Idle.

On Sun., May 1, 1966, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in F.

*Douglas P. Mayhew .. Treble	Frederick A. Munday .. 5
Stephen R. Munday 2	Peter M. Dawson 6
Mrs. H. B. Schofield .. 3	Sam Longbottom 7
S. Barrie Schofield 4	Harold B. Schofield .. Tenor

Composed by John Carter.

Conducted by Frederick A. Munday.

* First peal.

Rung half muffled in memoriam Thomas Hill, a ringer at this church for over 50 years.

NORTHOWRAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Graham K. Smith Treble	Richard D. Gibson 5
Ronald Ducker 2	Kenneth B. Sissons 6
M. Susan Jackson 3	J. Henry Fielden 7
*Robert C. Hawtree 4	Fred Ross Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts.

Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.

* First blows in the method.

(York Minster Society)

HUNTINGTON (by invitation).—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 5 cwt. 17 lb. in B flat.

*S. Francis Chapman .. Treble	R. Joy Watkin 4
Christina Faulkes 2	George Pluckrose 5
Rodney Smith 3	†Derek J. Jones .. Tenor

Conducted by Derek J. Jones.

* First peal. † First in the method.

HANDBELL PEALS

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

MARPLE, Cheshire.—In the belfry of the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., April 23, 1966, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

Alan McFall 1-2	Robert E. Smith 5-6
Neil Bennett 3-4	*John A. Booth 7-8

Composed by J. Nicholl.

Conducted by Neil Bennett.

* First peal of Treble Bob on handbells.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At 5, Moat Close.

On Mon., May 2, 1966, in 2 Hours and 8½ Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 25 methods, comprising 320 each of Bristol, Ealing, Elford, Leatherhead, Lindum, London and Uxbridge, and 160 each of Acton, Aldenham, Ashted, Berkshire, Cambridge, Eastcote, Highgate, Hitchin, Langley, Lincolnshire, Painswick, Pudsey, Radlett, Rutland, Superlative, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire, with 149 changes of method. Tenor size 13 in E.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1-2	Roger Baldwin 5-6
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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SHORNE, Kent.—At 14, Warren View.

On Sat., April 30, 1966, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5081 GRANDSIRE CINQUES

Cyril S. Jarrett 1-2	Edward J. Beer 7-8
Christopher T. Osenton .. 3-4	Stuart Sandford 9-10
Bernard F. L. Groves 5-6	Frank J. Matthews 11-12

Composed by A. Knights.

Conducted by Bernard F. F. Groves.

First peal of Grandsire Cinques "in hand" by all the band and for the Association. Tenor size 15 in C.

SHORNE, Kent.—At 14, Warren View.

On Sun., April 24, 1966, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Cyril S. Jarrett 1-2	Edward J. Beer 5-6
*Herbert E. Audsley 3-4	Christopher T. Osenton .. 7-8
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Composed by E. C. Shepherd. Conducted by Christopher T. Osenton.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At 5, Moat Close.

On Tues., May 3, 1966, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

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S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1-2	Roger Baldwin 5-6
John R. Mayne 3-4	Gerald Penney 7-8

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal of 25-Spliced Surprise Major on handbells for the Association.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

GAINSBOROUGH, Lincolnshire.—At 19, Gainus Avenue.

On Thurs., April 28, 1966, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor size 15 in C.

*Geoffrey R. Parker 1-2	A. Robin Heppenstall .. 5-6
*Margaret A. Parker 3-4	*Peter A. Sharp 7-8
Jack L. Millhouse 9-10	

Composed by J. A. Trollope.

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DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Final of Horsley Cup Contest, Horsley, May 21st, 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m.—D. J. Marshall. 9135

RINGERS' SERVICE will be held at Farnborough, Bath (A.39 Bath-Wells) on May 22nd at 6.30. Ringing at 5.30 and after service. Preacher, the Rev. C. J. B. Marshall, of Long Sutton. 9088

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MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Quarterly meeting, North Curry (8). May 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea, please.—A. H. Reed, Mimosas, George Street, Taunton. 9059

BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Glaston Branch.—Practice meeting, St. Benedict's, Glastonbury (6), Saturday, May 21st, 7 p.m. 9141

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coventry District.—Practice meeting, Atherstone, May 21st, 6 to 7.30 p.m.; Mancetter, 7 to 9 p.m. 9136

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting at Netherton, May 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15, followed by tea and business. Names for tea, please, to me.—M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs. 9064

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Half-yearly meeting at Southchurch, Bishop Auckland, on Saturday, May 21st. Ringing 2 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Shildon bells available 6.30-9 p.m. Names for tea to D. A. Bayles, 12, Crichton Avenue, Chester-le-Street, Co. Durham. 9092

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Huntingdon District.—Meeting at Eynesbury, Saturday, May 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 9106

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting at Foxearth on Saturday, May 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Wood, 10, The Causeway, Finchingfield, Braintree. 9066

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Stroud Branch.—Monthly practice, Bisley, Saturday, May 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names, please.—E. Cribley, France Lynch, Stroud. 9137

HAWKHURST AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Annual general meeting, May 21st. Bells available 3 p.m. Please make own arrangements for tea.—A. H. Kemp, Hon. Sec. 9115

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Kimpton, May 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to J. G. Cull, 5, The Green, Kimpton.—R. D. R. Brown, Dis. Sec. 9075

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Bishop's Stortford District.—Meeting at Standon on May 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. followed by meeting. No service. Ringing at Great Hormead in the evening.—D. Kingston. 9100

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Loughborough District.—Evening practice meeting, St. Botolph's, Shepshed, on May 21st. Bells (8) 4.30 p.m. Methods: Double Norwich and Superlative.—Pat Farmer, Dis. Sec. 9139

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Belton, Isle of Axholme, Saturday, May 21st. Bells (6) afternoon and evening. Service 4.15. Tea for those who notify Mr. M. Rose, 8, High Street, Belton, Doncaster. 9067

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—N. and E. District.—Barnet, Saturday, May 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Evening ringing.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 9090

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Pakefield on Saturday, May 21st. Bells (8) from 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Kindred, Bathford, Pakefield Street, Pakefield, Lowestoft.—N. C. 9058

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newark District.—Meeting and cup contest, Coddington, Saturday, May 21st. Contest 3 p.m. General ringing in evening. Names for tea to Mr. J. Kirtton, Sunnyside Farm, Coddington, Newark, please.—B. N. Reed. 9081

SUFFOLK GUILD.—South East District.—Practice meeting at St. Peter's, Henley (8) on Saturday, May 21st. 6.30-9 p.m. All welcome.—Winifred Lockwood, Dis. Sec. 9074

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North East District.—Meeting at Fressingfield on Saturday, May 21st. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Names for tea to the Rev. Pitts, The Vicarage, Fressingfield, Diss, Norfolk. 9102

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Quarterly meeting at Petworth, Saturday, May 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. Please notify for tea to R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester. 9103

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at the Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C.4, on May 24th at 8.15 p.m. Practices: May 24th, St. Paul's Cathedral; May 31st, St. Mary-le-Bow; June 7th, St. Andrew's, Holborn; June 14th, Southwark Cathedral.—J. G. A. Prior. 9124

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Practice meeting at St. John the Divine (10), Leicester, May 24th, at 7.30 p.m. All grades catered for, from Doubles to Royal. Everyone very welcome.—Ron Hughes, Sec. 9130

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Evening meeting, Rothley (6), Wednesday, May 25th. Ringing 7.30 p.m.—F. W. Faulkner, Hon. Dis. Sec. 9113

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Branch.—Practice meeting at Weston-super-Mare (8), on Saturday, May 28th, at 7.30 p.m.—M. Legg. 9126

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Meeting at Ash on Saturday, May 28th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea to Mrs. A. Smart, Okemead, Hutton Road, Ash Vale, Aldershot (Aldershot 25710), by previous Wednesday.—Mrs. B. R. Simpson, Dis. Sec. 9125

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Blackrod, Saturday, May 28th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m.—M. E. Fort. 9128

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Next meeting, Batley, on Saturday, May 28th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Lawrence Sheard, 20, Suffolk Avenue, Carlton Grange, Batley, by previous Friday, please. 9146

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Market Harborough District.—Meeting, Luhnham, on Saturday, May 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Husbands Bosworth not available.—L. W. Allen, Dis. Sec. 9150

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—Quarterly meeting at North Elmham on Saturday, May 28th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea to E. Howes, Park Farm, North Elmham, Dereham, Norfolk, by previous Thursday.—C Tovell. 9093

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Evening meeting at Iver (8 bells) on Saturday, May 28th. Ringing 6 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. All welcome.—Miss Hague, Hon. Sec. 9073

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Mansfield District.—Meeting and Cup Contest, Cuckney (6), Saturday, May 28th. Contest draw 2.30 p.m. sharp. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Evening ringing for all. Teas must be reserved; names to me, please, by Wednesday, May 25th as Peasholm, 17, Coach Drive, Eastwood, Nottingham.—D. J. Beach, Dis. Sec. 9127

SUFFOLK GUILD.—South West District.—Meeting at Clare, Saturday, May 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. S. J. Twichett, 3, Station Road, Clare, Sudbury, Suffolk, by May 25th, please. 9079

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, May 28th, Northiam. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. Ringing at Beckley in the evening. Names for tea to me by Wednesday, May 25th.—G. FitzHugh, Dis. Sec. 9086

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—The A.G.M. is to be held at Doncaster, not Tickhill, on May 28th (joint with Doncaster and District Society). Bells available: Arksey (8) 2.30-4; Bentley (5) 3.30-4.30; and Doncaster (8) 6-9. Make own arrangements for tea. Meeting in Doncaster belfry at 6 p.m. All welcome. New vice-president and a new General Committee representative to be elected. 1966 reports available—with subscription.—M King, Hon. Sec. 9116

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Walpole St. Andrew, Whit Monday. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Teas.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 9148

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The 87th annual general meeting will be held on Whit Monday, May 30th, at Chelmsford. Service at 11 a.m. Annual meeting immediately after in Chapter House. Coffee available in Cathedral Hall from 10.15-10.45 a.m. Lunch 1.30 p.m. (cost 6s.). Tea 5-6.15 p.m. (cost 3s.). Ringing. Cathedral, 10-10.45 a.m. and from 6-8.30 p.m. The following towers will be available from 3-6 p.m.: Great Waltham (8), Springfield (6), Terling (6), Great Leigh (5) and from 6-9 p.m.: Great Baddow (8), Gallevood (8), Boreham (8), Writtle (8), Little Baddow (5). Report books available (3s.), also tickets for annual dinner in Shire Hall, Saturday, October 29th (cost 21s.). Luncheon and tea cannot be guaranteed without tickets obtainable from general treasurer. S.A.E. to P. J. Eves, 8, Lordship Road, Writtle, by Wed., May 25th.—P W Saltmarsh, Gen. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Summer Festival, June 4th, 1966

RINGING ARRANGEMENTS
Egham, Chertsey .. 10.00-11.30
Chobham, Ottershaw .. 11-12.30
Horsell .. 11.30-1.00
Send, Ockham,
Old Woking .. 2.00-3.30
Weybridge, Esher .. 3.00-4.00
Hersham .. 3.30-4.30
Service and tea, Hersham .. 4.30
Hersham .. 6.00-7.00
Thames Ditton,
East Molesey .. 6.30-8.00
Oatlands Park, Walton 7.30-9.00
Names for tea to Mrs. K. King,
The Hut, Thrupps Lane, Hersham,
Walton-on-Thames, by June 1st.
9134

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—Meeting at Bentham on Saturday, June 4th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. until 7.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. T. Gerrard, 150, Thornton Road, Morecambe, not later than Tuesday, May 31st.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

ANNUAL FESTIVAL, WHIT MONDAY, MAY 30th, 1966, AT BROMYARD

Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by the Annual General Meeting. Names for tea (3/6) to me by Wednesday, May 25th, 1966.

RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

ROUTE 1	ROUTE 2	Times
Cleobury Mortimer:	Bodenham:	10.15-11.45 and 7-8.30.
Tenbury Wells:	Stoke Lacey:	11.15-12.45 and 7-8.30.
Clifton-on-Teme:	Pencombe:	12.15-1.45 and 6-7.30.
Whitbourne:	Bredenbury:	1.15-2.45 and 6-7.30.

ROUTE 3

Mathon: 10.30-11.45 and 6.30-8 p.m. Cradley: 11.30-12.45 and 6.30-8 p.m.
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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wimborne Branch.—Four-bell meeting, Winterbourne Zelstone, Saturday, June 4th, 3-4 p.m. Tarrant Keyneston 4.15-5.15; Shapwick 6.45-7.45. Own tea arrangements or local cafe. 9108

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Christchurch District.—Quarterly meeting. Hordle (6), June 4th, 3-4.30. Tea and meeting in Church Hall 4.45. Lymington (8) in evening. Names for tea to Mrs. M. Lewis, Cottesmore, Everton Road, Hordle, Lymington, Hants. 9144

WORCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Astley (6), June 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting in Village Hall; also Arley Kings (6) from 7 p.m.-8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. J. Stanier, Dis. Sec., 14, Canterbury Road, Worcester, not later than June 1st. 9138

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting at Holy Trinity, Llandudno, on Saturday, June 11th. Bells 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to Mr. W. Cathall, 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham. 9078

LATE NOTICE

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Gotham (5), Saturday, June 4th, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Barton (6) 6 p.m. onwards. Names for tea to Miss S. Popleston, 25, Hambledon Drive, Wollaton Road, Nottingham. 9151

QUARTER PEALS

CROYDON, SURREY.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist, on May 1st, 1,306 Stedman Cinques: R. C. Stevens (cond.) 1, Mrs. F. E. Collins 2, Miss C. Snelling 3, E. W. Razzell 4, R. Davies 5, G. H. Humphries 6, G. Fisher 7, N. Brown 8, I. M. Parry 9, K. Taber 10, F. E. Collins 11, A. Brown 12. First of Stedman Cinques 3, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12. By the local band for Evensong.

DRAYTON, SOMERSET.—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. T. Locke (cond.) 1, E. Hancock 2, S. Dabinett 3, R. Moore 4, R. Skeet 5, N. Attwell 6, D. Dabinett 7, M. Parsons 8. First quarter 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.

FARNBOROUGH, SOMERSET.—On May 1st, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): P. Perry (first quarter) 1, Rosemary Smith 2, A. Perry (cond.) 3, K. Baker 4, R. Smith 5, J. Coombs 6. For morning service, and a birthday compliment to J. Coombs.

FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.—On March 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J. Joyce (first on eight) 1, R. C. Kippin 2, S. Reed (first quarter) 3, Mrs. B. Simpson 4, Mrs. J. Kippin 5, G. S. G. Joyce 6, H. Reed (cond.) 7, W. W. Wright 8.

HARPENDEN, HERTS.—On April 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. W. R. Wilby 1, A. Day 2, Susan D. Cowan 3, Mary A. Coburn 4, J. D. Painter 5, T. J. Southam (cond.) 6, F. C. Jacklin 7, C. Hewitt 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam George Curl, sometime ringer and for many years verger at St. Nicholas', Harpenden.

HAWKHURST, KENT.—On May 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Rummary 1, E. Baker 2, S. G. Waters 3, W. Gorringe (cond.) 4, H. Pope 5, E. H. Kemp 6, J. Brown 7, E. West 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. M. Jarvis, wife of L. W. Jarvis, of local band. Funeral this day.

REIGATE, SURREY.—On May 1st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: G. Knipe 1, K. G. Game (cond.) 2, A. J. Bull 3, C. M. Foster 4, C. Dalton 5, W. Dunn 6, A. T. Shelton 7, W. Inwood 8, J. Euston 9, Joan Hanning 10. For Evensong.

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