

Look to



THE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE TONBRIDGE DISTRICT OF THE KCACR SPRING 2015

Six-bell Striking Competition

The Six-bell Striking Competition this year is on 9th May at Hever. I find taking part in a striking competition is a lot of fun. *No hope of winning? So what?* For most of us that is the norm but it's enjoyable. It's an opportunity to see how you compare with other towers and, rest assured, not everyone can come last. I'll bet some who thought they were not up to much are better than they thought. It's an opportunity to get out of the comfort zone and have a go on someone else's bells. You will leave as a better ringer than when you came.

Some towers don't have enough ringers on the day to field a full band but towers can amalgamate to form one. So there are few obstacles in joining



in – send a band; join with another tower; or come individually and Tiffy will make a band for you to ring in.

It's a good event. I always enjoy myself. *So will you!*

❖ *Angela*

The Call Change trophy getting a buff-up prior to presentation at Shipbourne in 2014.

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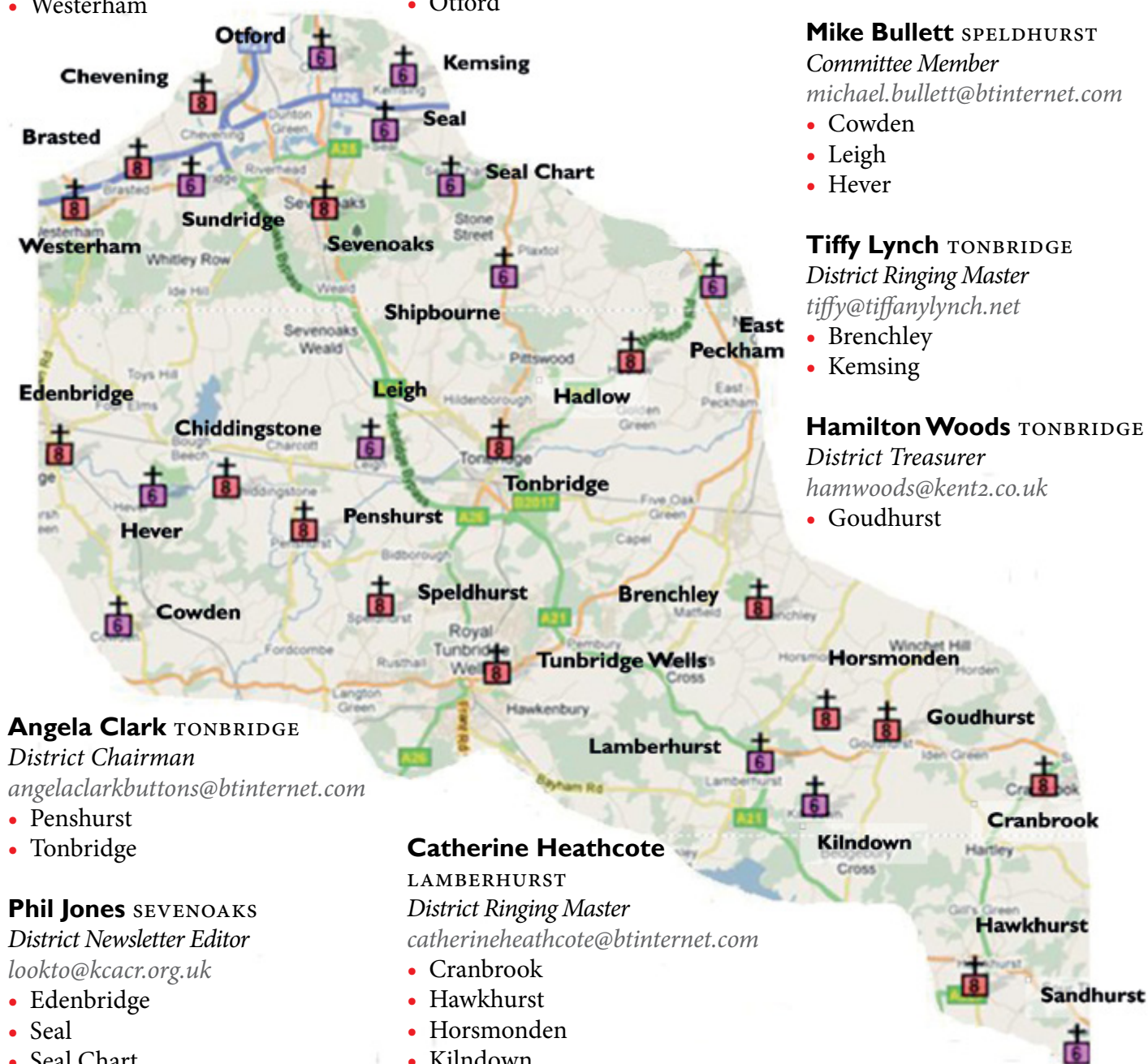
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DISTRICT QUARTERLY MEETING

THE FIRST DISTRICT QUARTERLY MEETING OF 2015 was at St Nicholas, Sevenoaks on Saturday 3rd January.

☞ ANGELA CLARK opened the meeting with a warm welcome to everyone, saying how pleased she was to see that so many [46] had attended, and also gave a special welcome to David Manger, one of the KCACR Vice Presidents.

☞ A VOTE OF THANKS was proposed by Catherine Lewis to the PCC of St Nicholas for the use of the bells and facilities; to the curate, Revd Andy Fearnley, who took the service; to Isabel Pearce, the organist; and to Tessa Worthington and her team for providing a wonderful tea and making all the arrangements.

☞ THE MINUTES of the Annual District Meeting on 4th October 2014 had been circulated in advance and, there being no amendments, Angela signed them as a true record. There were no matters arising.

☞ THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS WERE ELECTED AND WELCOMED:

Philip Dunster, Graeme Dykes (Brenchley), Ray Price, Elizabeth Longhurst (Leigh), Graham Edwards (Shipbourne), Isaac Strand (Speldhurst), Romilee Clarke (Edenbridge, junior), Alan Turner (Battle, non-resident life member).

☞ MATTERS TO REPORT

- **Surprise Practice, Edenbridge** 18th October was well attended, rang lots of methods.
- **Afternoon Practice, Lamberhurst** 1st November; a good practice with several new faces.
- **District QP Week** 8–18th November; see write-up in previous *Look to*, a good effort with a lot of ‘firsts’.
- **10-bell Practice, Staplehurst** 15th November; lots of people attended and ringing included all from rounds to Kent Royal, a very good evening. NB this event moves to August in 2015.
- **Training Day, GD/PH** 6th December; good demand: two groups of 2 and 3 students respectively.
- **Carol Service, Brasted** 13th December; good service and great hospitality.

☞ FORTHCOMING EVENTS

KCACR AGM, Marden, Maidstone District, 6th April: see p6, and the website for the ringing routes and do come along to the meeting to learn what KCACR is all about.

☞ FUTURE OF RINGING IN TONBRIDGE DISTRICT:

Tiffy explained that after two meetings of tower representatives in 2014 Mike Worthington has kindly taken on arranging future training events, including the usual four training days but also trying to broaden the appeal by arranging tower-based bespoke training sessions for those who want a group of helpers in their own tower and by starting up centrally organised

training so that, for instance, if a new ringer joins a tower they can be sent to a particular ‘centre’ for initial ringing training. The Chairman thanked the Ringing Masters, tower representatives and Mike for their thoughts and enthusiasm.

☞ ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

• **Training:** Mike Worthington spoke on his article in *Look to* and particularly drew attention to the forthcoming bell maintenance course being organised by Brian Butcher on 1st April and an ITTS module 1 session being organised in the county later in the year, with a request for those interested to sign up as soon as possible.

• **Under 18s:** Catherine Heathcote attended a session at Otford for younger ringers, arranged by Mike Worthington, which was very exciting and successful.

• **Subs:** Ham thanked all towers who had forwarded their subs in good time, only those from Westerham were now outstanding.

After the 120 Club draw, the meeting was followed by ringing until 8.30pm.



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**where you will find a
downloadable A4 size District
programme for 2015–6**



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120 CLUB RESULTS

January

103 Otford, 65 Hadlow, 110 Sandhurst

February

117 Sandhurst, 47 Tunbridge Wells, 92 Brasted
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COUNTY GENERAL COMMITTEE

Points from February meeting

The following is an abbreviated summary of the salient points of the meeting held on 28th February:

- § A proposal for a new membership category, 'Members in Training' was discussed but not agreed.
- § It was agreed that the six bells donated to the Association by Revd David Cawley would be named the 'KCA Mobile Ring' or similar.
- § It was agreed that the Handbook would be published either without accounts or with unaudited accounts depending on what was received from the Treasurer by 15th March.
- § The work on the Handbook is on schedule and hopefully an index of towers will be added this year if time allows.
- § The following grant application was considered and awarded as follows: Walmer: £1,500.

§ A proposal to order KCACR badges to sell through the bookstalls was not agreed.

§ It was agreed that we would order more KCACR membership certificates and arrange for new 50-year certificates to be printed based on the same design.

§ It was agreed that Catherine Lewis would arrange for a reprint of a flyer about the KCACR and ringing.

§ The 2015 County 8-bell Striking Competition would be held on 4th July at Headcorn, draw at 2.45pm; method will be Little Bob Major.

§ The 2015 County 6-bell Striking Competition would be held on 26th September at Godmersham, 2.45pm draw.

§ The 2016 AGM to be held in the Rochester District will be at Tunstall on 28th March.

§ The dates of future general committee meetings in 2015 were confirmed as 25th April, 1st August and 28th November

❖ *Doug Davis, General Secretary*

TRAINING MATTERS

District training 2015

On 7th March four groups met, three for Plain Bob Doubles and one for Plain Hunt

Next Events will be:

11th April **Raising and Lowering in peal**

16th May **Leading up and down in peal**

6th June **Topics depending on demand**

I will schedule some non-standard training topics for second half of the year. Tower contacts will be informed and the district training page will contain details.

CONTACT: Mike Worthington (01732 457745) or email <tondist.training@hotmail.co.uk>

The County Bell Maintenance workshop on

18th April is now full but another is planned for 26th September (*see p.10*). Booking details on the county training pages. Check on the county page also if you are hoping to attend an ITTS course.

Mike Worthington and Catherine Heathcote attended the Association of Ringing Teachers Conference in Birmingham. Topics discussed included general issues around teaching and specific case studies on recruitment and teaching, including one on the Birmingham Ringing School. In addition there was a bell maintenance course and a conducting session run by Simon Linford. More details in *The Ringing World*.

❖ *Mike Worthington*

Bob Doubles training day at St Peter's Hever

It was a beautiful sunny morning as three 'students' met their trainer on March 7th.

Our first challenge was to reach the ringing room. Up the ancient but solid ladder, then a round turn before stepping across the Great Gap to the safety of the carpeted floor. Having negotiated this we had twenty minutes of theory instruction while the simulator was being set up.

We rang Bob Doubles on different bells until we were proficient at a plain course. Then it was time to re-bridge the Great Gap and go downstairs for welcome coffee and delicious cake baked by tower secretary Louise, and an opportunity to see more of the church too. Soon it was back to the ringing room for varying touches of Bob Doubles giving different students differing exposure to bobs and to being unaffected. This required some brain work from the conductor. By half past one it was time to disperse, Phil to his bee club, Louise to prepare for a quarter peal that afternoon while a few simply crossed the road for a drink and lunch at the Henry VIII.

Many thanks to trainer Catherine Lewis, Louise Nightingale and the five other helpers.

❖ *Caroline Berry, Sevenoaks*

Plain Hunting at Hadlow

Three eager pupils, Jan Verral, Cheryl Bradley and myself, arrived bright, keen and early on 7th March at St Mary's, Hadlow for the plain hunt training. We were quickly introduced to our host Alex Staff and even though all three delegates were nervous and excited, Alex quickly put us at ease and calmly started to explain the theory behind what we had to learn. Alex also pointed out the trap door, that you have to stand on while ringing the treble! An interesting feature for a beginner.

We started with half an hour of theory, with Alex explaining some of the terms used that we may not be familiar with and also the areas that he would like us to think about and concentrate on.

Then it was on to the practical session and we were joined by six willing helpers who repeatedly rang in time so that we learners would be the only ones making mistakes and thereby, hopefully, see what we were doing wrong. Using the front six bells, the pupils took it in turns to ring with five of our experienced hosts and started with some call changes, with Alex standing by to assist. We were given the opportunity to familiarise ourselves with the bells and practise ropesight, by calling out aloud where the other bells were in relation to ours.

Following a much needed break with tea and cakes, we headed back for the second half where we were shown



how to plain hunt. Despite many mistakes, we gradually improved. The patience of Alex and his team was fantastic and this was a really excellent environment in which to learn. All three of us found the training really useful and were amazed how quickly the four hours whizzed by. We just need to practise our new-found skills.

A huge thanks to Ann and Stan Jenner, Jacqui Fletcher, Gordon Hill, Angela Clark, Fraser Clift and of course Alex Staff for giving up their time to help us in learning to plain hunt. To anyone who has any hesitation in signing up for a course like this, it is a great way to learn new skills in a relaxed way.

❖ *Graham Edwards, Shipbourne*

AROUND THE DISTRICT

All change at Tonbridge

Tiffany Lynch has been Tower Captain at Tonbridge for the past 21 years but decided it was time someone else took on this role and relinquished the post at the 2015 tower AGM. The new Captain is Hamilton Woods who is also the District Treasurer, so Ham will now be a very busy man. The job is far from easy, the Friday practice nights are well attended and visitors are always welcome. We also ring for both morning and evening Sunday services and this involves a lot of organisation.

A collection was taken amongst the tower members for a gift to show our appreciation for Tiffy's help and support and, following the AGM, she was presented with a bottle of Jamiesons and a gift voucher.

Another change at Tonbridge resulted in Hamilton losing his job as Steeple Keeper, for which he was probably extremely grateful. The post has been taken on by Gavin Knight who insists he is called Tower Keeper as he maintains he has looked long and hard but cannot identify a steeple. Gavin and Ham have worked well together on the various tasks to keep the

bells and the tower in good order and, fortunately, will continue with their double act.

The posts of Treasurer, Vice-Captain, and Secretary remain unchanged.

❖ *Angela Clark*

Doris Colgate's books

As a result of the sale of books owned by Doris, her family have sent a cheque for the Bell Restoration Fund of £250 from the proceeds. Angela has written to Doris's nephew to thank the family for their kindness. [See *Look to* 2012 Fourth Quarter for an appreciation of Doris.]

I wonder how many are familiar with this quotation from the great conductor Toscanini:

'GOD HAS TOLD ME HOW HE WANTS THIS PIECE OF MUSIC PLAYED; AND YOU – YOU HINDER GOD.'

I also wonder how many conductors have thought that about my ringing, but perhaps I would rather not know.

❖ *Anthony Leeves*



KCACR AGM

Easter Monday

6 April 2015

hosted by the Maidstone District

SERVICE: 12:00 noon, St Michael and All Angels, Marden TN12 9HP (TQ744446). General ringing 11.00-11.30, invited band from 11.30

LUNCH: 13:00, Marden Memorial Hall, Goudhurst Road, Marden TN12 9JX (TQ740445) Cost £10 for 3-course meal inc tea/coffee. Licensed bar. **Limited space, advance booking essential, tickets issued on first-come-first-served basis.**

LUNCH BOOKING:

- Online (preferred) to *KCACR Maidstone District A/C 83298878, 60-60-08* ref *AGM Meal*, letting Sue Bassett (maidstonesecretary@kcacr.org.uk) know that you have done so. There will be email acknowledgment.
- Otherwise cheque made payable to "KCACR" to Mrs Sue Bassett, 23 Hanmer Way, Staplehurst, Tonbridge TN12 0NR. For acknowledgment enclose SAE. NB: No tickets will be issued, but there will be a list of names at the door.

MEETING: 14.30 at Marden Memorial Hall as above.

PARKING at the Hall is limited and should only be used by those of limited mobility. There is a free public car park behind the Library, High Street TN12 9DP (TQ746445) just east of the church, about 5 minutes' walk from the Hall.

TOWER ROUTES to and from Marden will be listed on the Maidstone District Website www.kcacr-maidstone-district.org.uk or can be obtained from Sue Bassett as above (please enclose SAE). Those receiving acknowledgment for lunch will automatically receive a tower list.

CONTACT INFO

Lunch: Sue Bassett 01580 891917 (lunch places cannot be booked by phone)
Towers: Roy Barclay 01580 890247 or mobile 07718 216762 on the day.
Or District Secretary at maidstonesecretary@kcacr.org.uk.

The Trivia Evening

The Tonbridge District's annual Trivia Evening took place on Saturday 17th January at Hildenborough Village Hall, when 22 teams sat down to battle it out for the 22nd successive year.

In continuance of the long-standing tradition started in 2011 the previous winners (The Dream Team from Chevening) had the task of setting the questions and acting as quizmeisters, a shared job ably undertaken by Ben Rogers and Julian Fairclough. Ticket sales came to £1355 (£1257 last year) and the raffle raised £433 (£359 last year).

Chairman Angela Clark writes that mention must be made of:

- the Chevening band, in evening dress, who set the questions and organised the quiz;
- the kitchen ladies: Janice Byrne, her friend Kate, and Carole Cresswell;
- raffle and lucky ticket draw organiser Tiffany Lynch who this year arranged for the tickets to be drawn electronically random, which saved time, as the prizes were also pre-selected. It resulted in one person winning two prizes and one person winning the prize they had donated!!
- the committee who made all the arrangements: setting up the hall, booking the mics, screen, and kitchen equipment. They also joined the kitchen helpers in preparing the chicken casseroles and the vegetarian option, brought it to the hall for reheating on the night;
- each team, who provided lovely puddings
- Ham Woods, our treasurer, who brought all the equipment in his car, then loaded it up and took it home again for storage, as well as looking after the cash.

Apologies to anyone I've forgotten!

❖ *Angela Clark*

Here are the results for the top three teams:

- 1 Shipbourne Shambles 69
- 2 Bells and Bowls 67
- 3= Bluebells 65
- 3= Leight Fantastic 65
- 3= Minstrels 65
- 3= Rita's Elite 65
- 3= Sevenoaks Supremos 65

Full results are on the KCACR website.



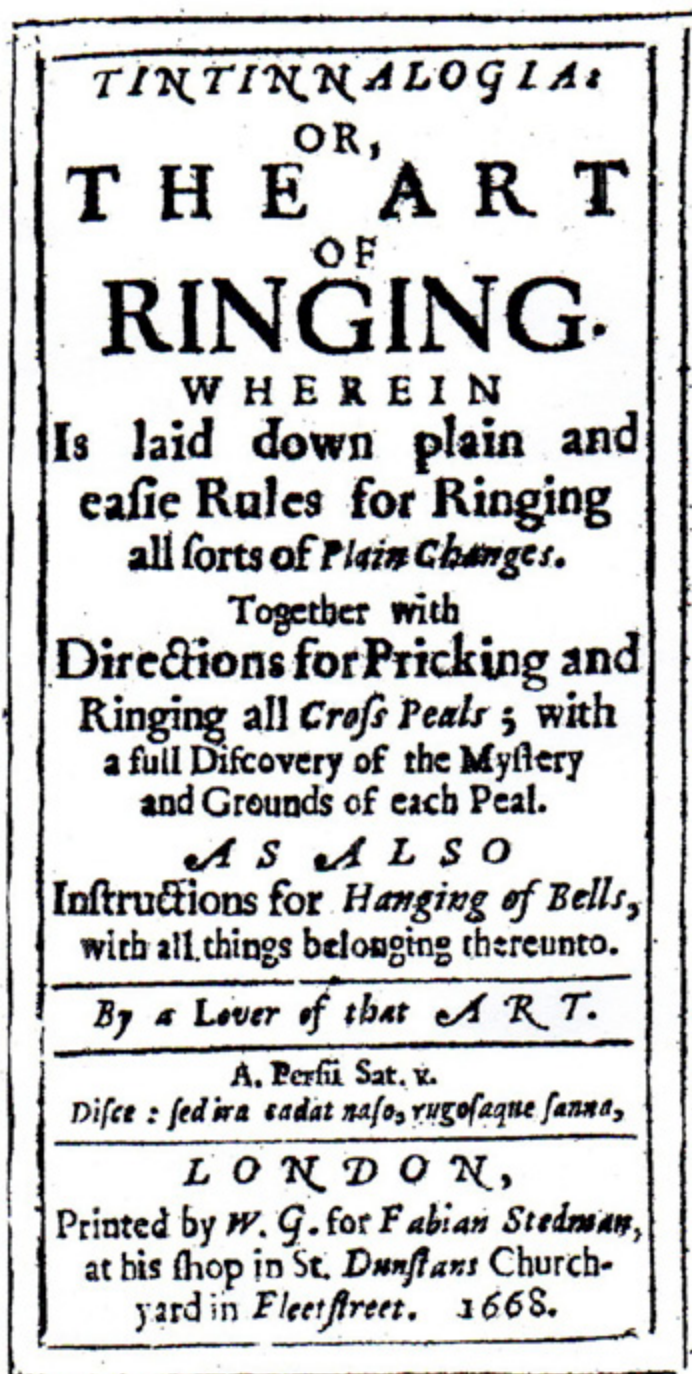
FROM TOP: Scorer Tony Cresswell, with quizmeisters Julian Fairclough and Ben Rogers, in all their sartorial elegance

The traditional queue for the puds . . .

The Shipbourne Shambles, the evening's winners: left to right: Robin Hill, Emily ffrench, Gordon Hill, Peggy Hill, Paul Britton

[THANKS TO FRANK FOR PHOTOS & TEXT]

17TH Century Ringing Books

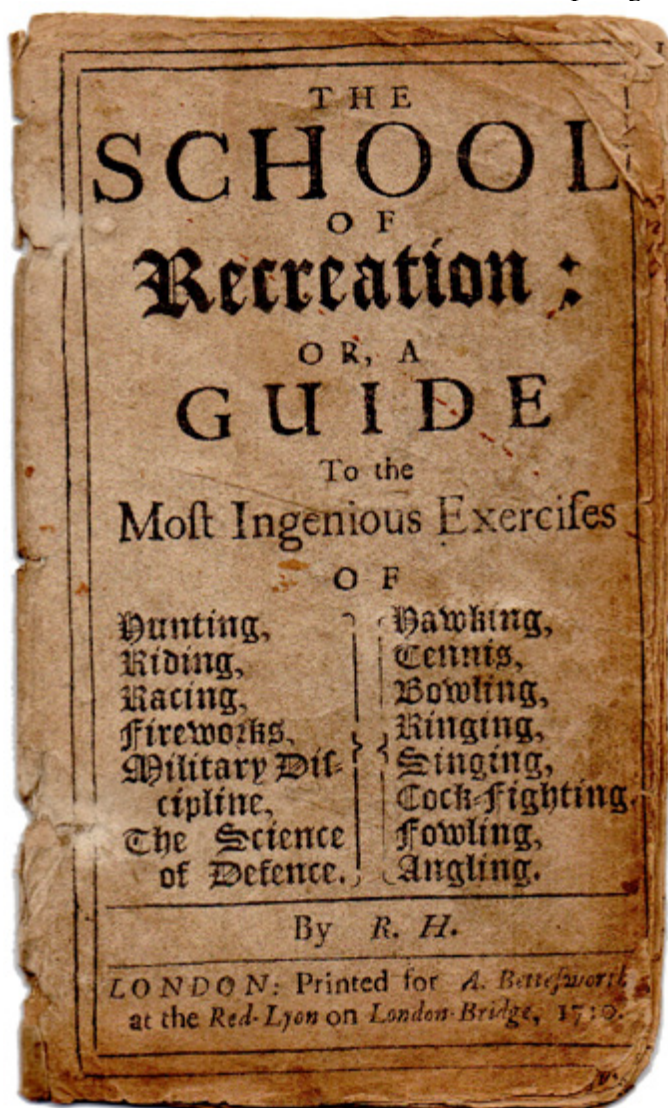


The first book on ringing, published in 1668, was *Tintinnalogia: or The Art of Ringing* [ABOVE]. It is believed to have been written by a Richard Duckworth. This is probably the Richard Duckworth who was about this time the Rector of St Martin's, Oxford, when its five bells were recast, and a sixth added, by Richard Keene of Woodstock. All that now remains of the church is Carfax Tower and the bells. The book was printed by W. G. (possibly W. Godbid – see next paragraph) at his shop in St Dunstan's Churchyard in Fleet Street, for Fabian Stedman. It is very scarce, with only a handful of copies in existence now. Even rarer, though, is the second edition, of 1671, of which only one copy is known to survive.

Tintinnalogia was followed, in 1677, by *Campanalogia: or The Art of Ringing Improved*. This was probably written by Stedman himself. It was printed by W. Godbid for W. S. who is believed to be William Smith, a member of the Society of College Youths, and one of the Stewards of the Society in 1678–9. The first edition of the book is also extremely uncommon, but, like *Tintinnalogia*, it is the second edition which is rarer. I believe only one copy of this is known, and it sold at Sotheby's in 2005 for £4,560 (hammer price with buyer's premium).

No other books devoted entirely to ringing were published in the 17th Century, but two others included chapters on ringing. R. H. (R. Howlett) produced *The School of Recreation* in 1684, subtitled 'A GUIDE TO THE MOST INGENIOUS EXERCISES OF HUNTING, RIDING, RACING, FIREWORKS, MILITARY DISCIPLINE, THE SCIENCE OF DEFENCE, HAWKING, TENNIS, BOWLING, RINGING, SINGING, COCK-FIGHTING, FOWLING, ANGLING'.

The book must have been popular, since it was reprinted in 1696, 1701, 1710, 1732, and 1736. Whether this was because of the ringing content, or the other delights, we will probably never know! The title page of the 1710 edition is shown below. The first paragraph



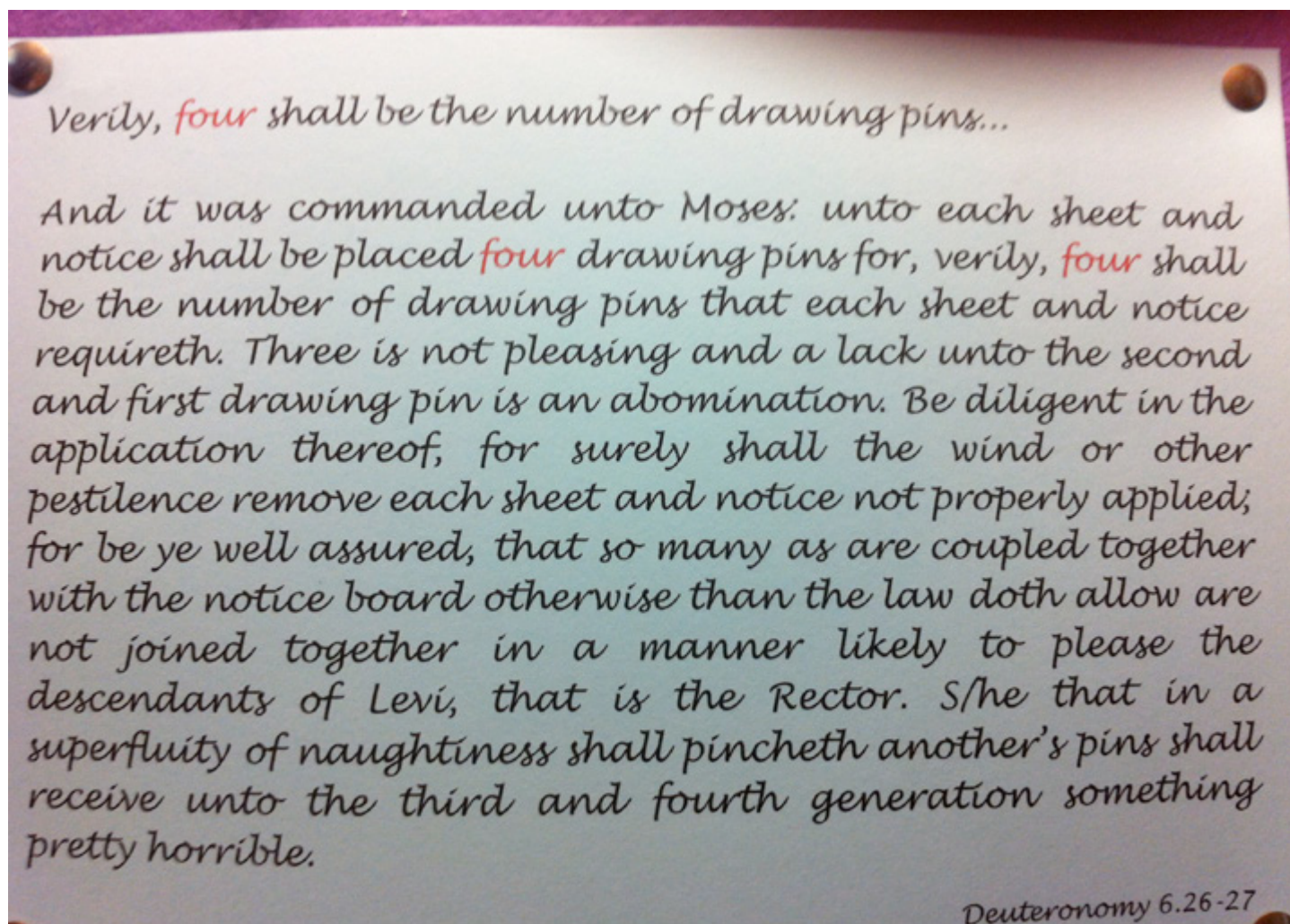
of the preface to this edition is 'READER, IN THIS SMALL BOOK YOU WILL FIND SUCH VARIETY OF RECREATIONS, THAT NOTHING OF THE NATURE EVER APPEAR'D SO LIKE ACCOMPLISH'D IN ANY ONE VOLUME, OF WHAT LARGENESS SOEVER...'

The second book published in the 17th century with some ringing content was *The Art of Ringing, also Artificial Fireworks, likewise the Art of Gardening*, by R. White, and published around 1698.

One more book worth mentioning just missed the 17th century, but its writing could well have been started in that century. It is *Campanalogia Improved*, published in 1702, and which ran to five editions between then and 1766.

For anyone interested in these books, one or more edition of each of the first two books mentioned has been reprinted at some time or other – *Tintinnalogia* in 1895 (by 'Bell News', the precursor to *The Ringing World* – not in facsimile), and again in 1970 (by Kingsmead), and *Campanalogia* which was reprinted in 1990 in facsimile by C. Groome. The 1733 (third) edition of *Campanalogia Improved* (in facsimile) was reprinted by C. Groome in 1983. Copies of the reprints occasionally turn up on the internet book sites, and in second-hand bookshops.

❖ Fraser Clift



Thanks to Peggy Hill (Tonbridge) who saw this on a notice-board at St Nicholas, Chislehurst.



Kent County Association Training

Bell Maintenance Course

Saturday 26 September 2015

St Mary Magdalene, Cobham

9.30 am to 1.00 pm

Course fee £6 payable when booking
(includes booklet and tower donation)

Presenter: *Brian Butcher*

(Bell Restoration Officer - Kent County Association)

- Slide presentation
 - “Hands-on” practical session
 - Your questions answered
 - Free copy of Central Council maintenance booklet
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Booking Procedure

Please complete the Application Form and post it, with your cheque payable to “KCACR”, to Peter Dale (Maintenance), 9 Chisnall Road, River, Dover CT17 0RH.

The course fee of £6 per delegate must be paid at the time of booking.

Closing date: 29 August 2015. There are limited places so early booking is advised. Programme details are available from training@kcacr.org.uk Technical questions should be directed to brf@kcacr.org.uk

The form is available from the KCACR Training group on Facebook and will also be in the winter editions of District newsletters. It may also be found and printed off via the training section of the KCACR website, otherwise mail training@kcacr.org.uk to request a form.



KCACR Training

RINGING DURING THE 1ST QUARTER OF 2015

PEAL

Hadlow Monday 29th December

5040 Plain Bob Triples composed by S. Jenner

Ann Jenner 1, Emma Jarvis 2, Jacqueline Barlow 3

Daniel Jarvis 4, Philip Jarvis 5, Howard Rogers 6

Stanley Jenner [c] 7, Raymond Taylor 8

First peal at first attempt: 4 (aged 13)

QUARTER PEALS

Sevenoaks Saturday 13th December in 1h 17mins

2160 Plain Bob Minor Composed by Trad.

Jessica Bache 1, Caroline Stockmann 2

Catherine Heathcote 3, Michael Worthington 4

Jack Gunning [c] 5, Ian Mills 6

Longest length: 1

Hever Sunday 14th December

1290 Grandsire Doubles

Robin Rouse 1, Louise Nightingale 2, Hugo Tracey 3

Alan Turner 4, Alex Staff [c] 5, Carl Nightingale 6

First conducting method

*In thanksgiving for the life of Patricia Staff,
grandmother of the 5th.*

Tonbridge Sunday 14th December

1259 Grandsire Doubles

Hamilton Woods 1, Angela Clark 2

Tiffany Lynch [c] 3, Jacqui Fletcher 4

Gavin Knight 5, Gordon Hill 6

First inside: 5 Rung for evening service

Hever Sunday 21st December

1260 Doubles 60 Grandsire; 1200 Plain Bob

Carl Nightingale 1, Jane Rosam 2, Louise Nightingale 3

Hugo Tracey 4, Alex Staff [c] 5, Kevin Agate 6

First of mixed doubles: 2

Rung for Hugo's birthday & as the 3rd quarter of Advent

Speldhurst Wednesday 24th December

1260 Grandsire Triples from Parker's 12 part

Penny Gerrard 1, Frank Lewis 2, Bobbie Fairclough 3

Stella Wooldridge 4, Fraser Clift 5, Alan King 6

Anthony Leeves [c] 7, Crispin Saunders 8

Ruby Wedding compliment to

Bobbie & John Fairclough (28th Dec)

Hever Saturday 27th December

1260 Doubles 300 Grandsire; 960 Plain Bob

Carl Nightingale 1, Jane Rosam 2, Louise Nightingale 3

Alex Staff 4, Alan Turner [c] 5, Hugo Tracey 6

First quarter rung on a simulator for all ringers.

Rung in celebration of fitting the new simulator

(successfully!) and as the fourth quarter of Advent.

Otford Sunday 28th December

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Bobbie Fairclough 1, Astrid Fairclough 2

Tessa Worthington 3, Fraser Clift [c] 4

Mike Worthington 5, Juliet Austin 6

*Followed by 40 Grandsire Doubles. Rung to celebrate
the ruby wedding anniversaries today of Bobbie & John,
and their good friends Jill & Nick White.*

Cowden Tuesday 30th December

1260 Doubles 540 Grandsire 720; Plain Bob

Louise Nightingale 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2

Alex Staff [c] 3, Andy Wickenden 4, Hugo Tracey 5

Steve Newlands 6

*To mark the end of the year and tenor ringer's first
quarter at home tower.*

Hever Tuesday 30th December

1300 Plain Bob Doubles

Jane Rosam 1, Louise Nightingale 2, Robin Rouse 3

Alex Staff [c] 4, Hugo Tracey 5, Carl Nightingale 6

*Rung to celebrate 60th birthday of Kevin Agate,
Hever bellringer.*

Edenbridge Wednesday 31st December

1260 Grandsire Triples

Jane Rosam 1, Louise Nightingale 2, David Threlfall 3

Andy Wickenden 4, Alan Turner [c] 5, Hugo Tracey 6

Alex Staff 7, Carl Nightingale 8

First of triples: 1, 2 & 8 First in method: 4

Rung to celebrate the New Year and lots of firsts.

Speldhurst Sunday 4th January

1260 Grandsire Triples

Penny Gerrard 1, Stella Wooldridge 2,

Michael Bullett 3 Fraser Clift 4, Anthony Leeves 5,

Catherine Heathcote 6, Eric Roughley [c] 7

Crispin Saunders 8

For evensong

Edenbridge Wednesday 7th January

1280 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Ann Jenner 1, Tessa Worthington 2, Eric Roughley 3

Janice Byrne 4, Jacqui Fletcher 5, Howard Rogers 6

Anthony Leeves [c] 7, Stanley Jenner 8

Hever Wednesday 7th January

1260 Grandsire Doubles

Louise Nightingale 1, Jane Rosam 2, Andy Wickenden 3
Hugo Tracey 4, Alan Turner [c] 5, Carl Nightingale 6
First in method: 2 Rung for Epiphany

Otford Wednesday 7th January

1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor

Bobbie Fairclough 1, Mike Worthington 2
Lesley Barclay 3, Pam Thomas 4, Hugo Tracey 5
Fraser Clift [c] 6
Belated birthday salutations to Bobbie

Hever Saturday 10th January

1290 Doubles 240 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place;
450 Grandsire; 600 Plain Bob

Jane Rosam 1, Louise Nightingale 2, Alex Staff [c] 3
Andy Wickenden 4, Hugo Tracey 5, Carl Nightingale 6
Je suis Charlie
*I do not agree with what you have to say, but I'll defend
to the death your right to say it. VOLTAIRE*

Otford Sunday 11th January

1260 Doubles

300 Grandsire; 480 St Simon's; 480 Plain Bob
Janet Whitehead 1, Jack Barker 2, Bobbie Fairclough 3
Fraser Clift [c] 4, Stella Wooldridge 5
Alexander Runting 6
*Rung to celebrate the recent silver wedding
anniversary of Donna & Richard Worssam, and the
90th birthday today of Richard's mother Beryl.
Richard is vicar of Otford.*

Tonbridge Sunday 11th January

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Steve Newlands 1, Tiffany Lynch [c] 2
Hamilton Woods 3, Angela Clark 4, Jacqui Fletcher 5
Gordon Hill 6
First on a working bell: 1 For evening service

Farnborough Wednesday 14th January

1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor

Bobbie Fairclough 1, Dee Clift 2, Lesley Barclay 3
Nicholas Wilkins [c] 4, Pam Thomas 5, Fraser Clift 6
First of Cambridge inside: 2
Thinking of absent 'second Wednesday' friends.

Hever Sunday 18th January

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Carl Nightingale 1, Jane Rosam 2, Louise Nightingale 3
Hugo Tracey [c] 4, Andy Wickenden 5
Steve Newlands 6
*First quarter peal conducted by Hugo as a member of
Hever band. Rung for evensong.*

Hever Wednesday 21st January

1260 Plain Bob Minor

Jane Rosam 1, Jane Wroe 2, Louise Nightingale 3
Alex Staff 4, Hugo Tracey 5, Alan Turner [c] 6
*First of minor: 1 & 3. Rung to mark the anniversary of
the first Concorde jets carrying commercial passengers
which simultaneously took off at 11.40am in 1976 from
London Heathrow and Paris Orly*

Kemsing Friday 23rd January

1260 Doubles 60 Stedman; 240 Grandsire;
480 St Simon's; 480 Plain Bob

Jenny Williamson 1, Dee Clift 2, Bobbie Fairclough 3
Fraser Clift [c] 4, Michael Williamson 5
*To celebrate the 85th birthday today of Eve Norris, and
also to celebrate the life of our friend George Smith who
died on 31st December 2014 aged 89.*
George was a ringer at Sundridge for a short time.

Cowden Saturday 24th January

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Steve Newlands 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2
Louise Nightingale 3, Hugo Tracey [c] 4
Grant Pyner 5, Carl Nightingale 6
*Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the
death of Sir Winston Churchill.*

Hever Saturday 24th January

1260 Doubles 480 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place;
120 Southrepps; 360 Plain Bob; 300 Grandsire
Carl Nightingale 1, Jane Rosam 2, Louise Nightingale 3
Hugo Tracey 4, Alan Turner [c] 5, Kevin Agate 6
*Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the
death of Sir Winston Churchill.*

Hever Wednesday 28th January

1300 Doubles 180 Grandsire; 1120 Plain Bob

Carl Nightingale 1, Robin Rouse 2, Louise Nightingale 3
Hugo Tracey 4, Alan Turner [c] 5, Kevin Agate 6
First of mixed doubles: 2
*Rung to commemorate the anniversary of the death of
King Henry VIII on this day in 1547*

Speldhurst Wednesday 28th January

1280 Pudsey Surprise Major

Eric Roughley 1, Catherine Lewis 2, Ann Jenner 3
Janice Byrne 4, Jacqui Fletcher 5
Michael Worthington 6, Anthony Leeves [c] 7
Stanley Jenner 8
First of Pudsey inside: 4

Edenbridge Saturday 31st January

1280 Cambridge Surprise Major

Hugo Tracey 1, Caroline Stockmann 2, Janice Byrne 3
Michael Worthington 4, Pam Thomas 5, Alex Staff 6
Anthony Leeves [c] 7, Tiffany Lynch 8

First of treble dodging major: 2

Hever Sunday 1st February

1260 Reverse Canterbury Doubles

Carl Nightingale 1, Jane Rosam 2, Louise Nightingale 3
Hugo Tracey 4, Alan Turner [c] 5, Steve Newlands 6

Rung for Candlemas

Speldhurst Sunday 1st February

1260 Stedman Triples

Eric Roughley 1, Janice Byrne 2, Stella Wooldridge 3
Fraser Clift 4, Michael Bullett 5, Catherine Heathcote 6
Anthony Leeves [c] 7, Crispin Saunders 8

For evensong

Otford Wednesday 4th February

1260 Doubles 60 Stedman; 240 Grandsire;

480 St Simon's; 480 Plain Bob

Bobbie Fairclough 1, Janice Byrne 2, Jacqui Fletcher 3
Fraser Clift [c] 4, Mike Worthington 5

Crispin Saunders 6

Hever Sunday 8th February

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Hugo Tracey 1, Jane Rosam 2, Alex Staff 3
Louise Nightingale [c] 4, Alan Turner 5,
Carl Nightingale 6

First quarter as conductor. Rung to celebrate 3 year anniversary of Carl & Louise learning to ring!

Tonbridge Sunday 8th February

1260 Stedman Doubles

Jacqui Fletcher 1, Angela Clark 2, Hamilton Woods 3
Tiffany Lynch [c] 4, Pam Thomas 5, Gavin Knight 6

For evening service.

Welcoming Ham Woods as Tower Captain, taking over from Tiffany Lynch after her 21 years in the role.

Chiddingstone Saturday 14th February

1260 Doubles Grandsire 660; Plain Bob 600

Ian Clarkson 1, Janice Byrne 2, Stella Wooldridge 3
Fraser Clift 4, Eric Roughley [c] 5, John Palmer 6

First quarter: 1

Speldhurst Friday 20th February

1280 Warwickshire Surprise Major

Tessa Worthington 1, Ann Jenner 2
Jacqueline Barlow 3, Janice Byrne 4, Eric Roughley 5
Michael Worthington 6, Anthony Leeves [c] 7
Stanley Jenner 8

Cowden Saturday 21st February

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Sue Shepherd 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2
Clive Lumsden 3, Andy Wickenden 4, Alex Staff [c] 5
Steve Newlands 6

Rung as a 50th birthday compliment to ringer of tenor, & also to ringer of 2, whose birthday was on the same day.

Horton Kirby Sunday 22nd February

1280 February Surprise Major

Lesley Barclay 1, Rupert Cheeseman 2
Michael Worthington 3, Ray Taylor 4
Steve Coaker [c] 5, Pam Thomas 6, Fraser Clift 7
David James 8

First in method by all

Tonbridge Saturday 28th February

1320 Double Oxford Bob Minor

David Threlfall 1, Michael Moreton 2, Alex Staff 3
Tiffany Lynch [c] 4, Hugo Tracey 5, Oliver Thompson 6

First Double Oxford: 5

On meeting short for a peal attempt. Marking Tiff's 'retirement' as Tower Captain after 21 years.

Edenbridge Sunday 1st March

1260 Grandsire Doubles

Louise Nightingale 1, Jane Wroe 2, Alex Staff [c] 3
Richard Dyson 4, Andrew Wickenden 5
Ian Henderson 6

First in method: 4

Rung for evensong and as a compliment to Fiona, daughter of the 6, & Gerry Glidewell who were married in this church on 12th July 2014.

Otford Sunday 1st March

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Alexander Runting 1, Catherine Lewis 2
Bobbie Fairclough 3, Fraser Clift [c] 4
Rebecca Stuttard 5, Martin Whitehead 6

1st on treble: 1

Otford Wednesday 4th March

1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor

Janice Byrne 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Lesley Barclay 3
Jacqui Fletcher 4, Hugo Tracey 5, Fraser Clift [c] 6

Hever Saturday 7th March

1260 Grandsire Doubles

Louise Nightingale 1, Robin Rouse 2, Hugo Tracey 3
Jane Rosam 4, Alan Turner [c] 5, Carl Nightingale 6

First in method: 2

Rung to celebrate the birth of Georgia Rose Wood, niece of 1.

Leigh Saturday 7th March
1440 Matt Jack Treble Place Minor
Bobbie Fairclough 1, Fraser Clift 2, Pam Thomas 3
Steve Coaker [c] 4, Alex Staff 5, Tiffy Lynch 6
First blows in method by all

Hever Wednesday 11th March
1300 Doubles (1P, 7M, 3V) *Stedman; Grandsire; Reverse Canterbury PP; Plain Bob; April Day; Kennington; Southrepps; St Simons; St Martins; Winchendon Place; St Nicholas*
Jane Rosam 1, Louise Nightingale 2, Alex Staff 3
Fraser Clift 4, Alan Turner [c] 5, Andy Wickenden 6
First in 11 P, M & V: 1, 2 & 3

..... MILESTONES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Jessica Bache

LONGEST LENGTH

Janice Byrne

FIRST OF PUDSEY INSIDE

Ian Clarkson

FIRST QUARTER

Dee Clift

FIRST OF CAMBRIDGE INSIDE

Fraser Clift

FIRST FEBRUARY SURPRISE MAJOR

FIRST MATT JACK TREBLE PLACE MINOR

Steve Coaker

FIRST FEBRUARY SURPRISE MAJOR

FIRST MATT JACK TREBLE PLACE MINOR

Richard Dyson

FIRST OF GRANDSIRE

Bobbie Fairclough

FIRST MATT JACK TREBLE PLACE MINOR

David James

FIRST FEBRUARY SURPRISE MAJOR

Daniel Jarvis

FIRST PEAL AT FIRST ATTEMPT

Gavin Knight

FIRST INSIDE

Tiffy Lynch

FIRST MATT JACK TREBLE PLACE MINOR

Steve Newlands

FIRST ON WORKING BELL

Carl Nightingale

FIRST OF TRIPLES

Louise Nightingale

FIRST OF TRIPLES

FIRST IN MINOR

FIRST QUARTER AS CONDUCTOR

FIRST IN 11: P, M, & V

Jane Rosam

FIRST OF MIXED DOUBLES

FIRST OF TRIPLES

FIRST GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

FIRST OF MINOR

FIRST OF 11: P, M, & V

Robin Rouse

FIRST OF MIXED DOUBLES

FIRST OF GRANDSIRE

Alexander Runtig

FIRST QUARTER ON TREBLE

Alex Staff

FIRST CONDUCTING GRANDSIRE

FIRST MATT JACK TREBLE PLACE MINOR

FIRST OF 11: P, M, & V

Caroline Stockmann

FIRST OF TREBLE DODGING MAJOR

Ray Taylor

FIRST FEBRUARY SURPRISE MAJOR

Pam Thomas

FIRST FEBRUARY SURPRISE MAJOR

FIRST MATT JACK TREBLE PLACE MINOR

Hugo Tracy

FIRST DOUBLE OXFORD MINOR

Andy Wickenden

FIRST GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Mike Worthington

FIRST FEBRUARY SURPRISE MAJOR

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Name that font.

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6th April KCACR AGM Marden, Maidstone District see page 6

11th April Training day: Raising and lowering in peal

venue to be confirmed 9.30am–4pm

9th May District 6-bell striking competition Hever draw at 9.45am

16th May Training day: Leading up and down in peal

venue to be confirmed 9.30am–1.30pm

6th June Training day details to be confirmed

13th June Surprise Minor/Major practice Hadlow 7–9pm

4th July County 8-bell striking competition Headcorn

4th July Quarterly Meeting Brenchley 3–8.30pm

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