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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE TONBRIDGE DISTRICT OF THE KCACR SECOND QUARTER JANUARY 2014

DISTRICT QUARTERLY MEETING



A welcome return of Alex Staff reporting on October's Quarterly Meeting held at Brasted.

The Tonbridge District met for the third time this year at St Martin's Brasted [8, 9-2-2 in Gb], now quite established as an eight-bell tower since the augmentation. Ringing commenced at 3pm under the guidance of Tiffany Lynch and Catherine Heathcote, and consisted of call changes, plain methods and Stedman. The aim was, as always, that there should hopefully be something for everybody. The service touch was Grandsire Triples. The service was lead by the Revd Linda Green, to whom – along with the PCC – Richard Dyson proposed a vote of thanks for variously taking the service and allowing the use of the bells. Richard also expressed the district's thanks to Richard Walshaw for playing the organ and Catherine Lewis and the Brasted ringers for making arrangements and providing tea. This included a remarkably wide selection of cakes.

Chairman Angela Clark opened the meeting by

asking for a short silence in honour of Giles Corby of Canterbury, grandson of Lucile Corby of Sevenoaks and son of Andrew Corby, who had died at an unexpectedly young age in the days before the meeting. The district held the family in its thoughts during the intercessions in the service.

The meeting deferred apologies for absence whilst the list circulated with the attendance book, and moved on to further business, including welcoming new members Joanna Gregory, Elaine Bayley and James Menday (junior) of Hadlow, and Noemi Austin (junior) and James Austin (junior) of Brasted. The chairman welcomed all to the Association and appreciated the attendance of Noemi and James, who were able to be present. The chairman's report was read out and accepted, and outgoing treasurer Mike Bullett gave a review of the Tonbridge District's finances during 2012-13. The chairman thanked Mike for his hard work during his eight years in the position. Tessa Worthington read out Ray Taylor's 120 Club report, which noted that the resale of shares this year had been much quicker, and that many shareholders had used internet banking to ease Tessa and Ray's work. Ray and Tessa's efforts in running the 120 Club were also appreciated by the chairman, who also thanked Margaret Webb from Westerham who kindly continues to take shorthand notes at the district's quarterly contd p3 meetings.

DISTRICT EVENTS...

between now and the next edition of Look to

Evening Practice Otford 6 7-9pm Saturday 1st February

Surprise Minor/Major Practice Sevenoaks 8 7–9pm Saturday 15th February

Quarterly Meeting Westerham 8 Saturday 5th April 2014 3-8.30pm

KCACR AGM Lewisham District Saturday 21st April 2014

Deadline for the next edition Friday 21st March



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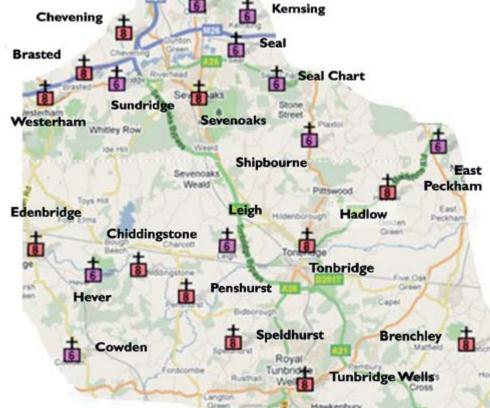
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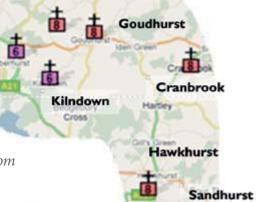
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- Kilndown
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- Sandhurst





The previous quarter's events were touched upon and the meeting's attention drawn to the events of the next quarter. These included the district quarter peal week at the end of October, and the Stedman Tercentenary in the first half of November. Eric Roughly of Speldhurst presented a summary of Stedman's involvement with ringing and his relevance in establishing change ringing, and warmly condoned marking the Tercentenary. Also approaching were the practice on higher numbers at Benenden and the Carol Service at Hever in mid December, since when tickets for the Trivia Evening have also been on sale.

The ADM saw the election of district officers and committee, with firstly Angela Clark of Tonbridge being re-elected to the chair. Hamilton Woods of Tonbridge was elected treasurer and Tiffany Lynch of Tonbridge and Catherine Heathcote of Lamberhurst re-elected as ringing masters. Tony Creswell of Chevening was re-elected as district secretary and Phil Jones of Sevenoaks as editor of Look to. Mike Bullett was elected as a further committee member. The District's representatives on the county committee continue to be Mike Worthington from Sevenoaks and Eric Roughley from Speldhurst. Although all were unopposed, there was some slight confusion of electoral procedure, and one ringing master elected before the floor had been asked for further nominations for the post, beyond the two which had been received in advance. There however being no others, these elections were confirmed.

The meeting heard that the district had organised ringing to accompany the Brenchley Flower Festival, and the appreciation for this would warrant the event becoming a permanent fixture in the district programme in the future. Catherine Heathcote reported on her attendance on an ITTS Course, devised by the Ringing Foundation. We are acutely aware that recruiting and retaining new ringers is extremely difficult, and that new volunteers are worth their weight in gold. The rate at which new ringers are recruited is significantly less than the rate at which experience is lost. Beyond this, at present the practise of the exercise appears to only be destined generally to be reduced qualitatively and technically to a considerably less accomplished level. The Ringing Foundation was established by a group of ringers active in the Central Council to try and address the dying out of ringing, foremostly concerned with increasing the number of ringers who are able to safely teach bellhandling, and also promote ringing as a pastime as contemporary and proficiently organised as any other comparable sporting, cultural or creative community activity. These issues have also been a topic of discussion on many occasions for the District's ringing masters. Catherine Heathcote proposed setting time aside at

the January 2014 meeting to discuss a number of points that the ringing masters have drawn up.

The closure of the meeting was followed by the 120 Club draw, which could include a bonus draw because of the timely return of share renewals. Congratulations to Tunbridge Wells' T. J. Costen and V. Costen, Otford's Colin Fleetwood and Chevening's Carole Cresswell!

Ringing continued until 8.30pm, and included Stedman Singles, Cambridge Surprise Major and Tiffany Lynch sprinting downstairs after two famished ringers from Hever who, after just about managing to get to the business meeting following a rugby match, escaped to find food before being able to ring in the evening! • *Alex Staff

make a note in your diary that the

2014 Trivia Evening

WILL TAKE PLACE ON

Saturday 18th January

at Hildenborough Village Hall

7.15 for a prompt 7.30pm start

Tickets include supper & will be on sale at the January Quarterly Meeting

St Mary's, Dover

Now that winter is upon us the ringers at Dover are making good use of the curtains to keep warm on the gallery. This means that they can no longer monitor activity in the church during the ringing, so it has become necessary sometimes to lock the outside door. Would visiting ringers please note that, if they do find themselves locked out, there is now a bell push mounted at the top right hand corner of the door for them to attract attention. This is the North Door, at the side facing the Parish Centre and Co-op car park. Please be patient and someone will come to let you in.

❖ Peter Dale

COUNTY GENERAL COMMITTEE

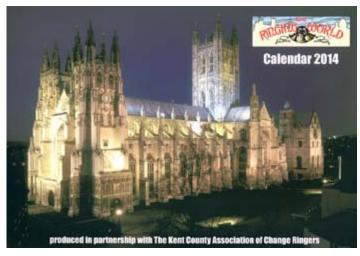
Points from the November meeting

- § Ringing World calendars are selling well and we are now in profit but still need to sell more.
- § It was agreed to purchase the online facility 'Survey Monkey' to assist with collating information [for the Central Council meeting in 2014]. This can be used by Districts if required. Cost £199 for one year.
- ♦ Letter from Kate Flavell re. open days this has already been circulated to District secretaries.
- § Life Members who have moved from the area need to apply to the Handbook editor for their Handbook.
- § It was suggested that the Association should be more committed to ITTS.
- § Handbook editor will be sending out requests for information for next year's handbook.
- § Frank Lewis needs more advertising for the Handbook cost is £40 per page or £25 per half page.
- ♦ There is a change to DBS (previously CRB) registration any problems speak to Nigel Spencer.
- § It was agreed to purchase the old Seal Chart tenor bell at a cost of £5,000. This can be used by Minster in Thanet if they wish to make their minor five into a major five.
- Should Character Character
- § It was agreed that Brian Butcher could rent a garage at £30 per month in order to store [BRF] materials and spare parts etc.
- § More volunteers are required for the Central Council visit in May next year. Names to David Manger.
- § A new General Secretary is required as from April.
- § 8-bell striking competition is to be held on Saturday 5th July 2014 at Brenchley, draw at 9.45am, ringing to commence 10am.

Method to be rung is 216 Stedman Triples.

- § 6-bell competition will be held on 27 September in the Ashford District (venue tba).
- § Revd David Cawley has purchased a light six bells (tenor ¾ cwt) and wishes to present them to the Association. They will need hanging and could be used as a portable ring or hung in a church.
- § It has been suggested that the venue for the general committee meetings should be changed as the tower room at Leeds is not really large enough. It has been suggested to go to Kennington but suggestions for venue are requested.

* Margaret Funnell, General Secretary



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Rebecca's World Challenge

Rebecca Stuttard, aged 14, a member of both Sevenoaks and Brasted towers, has a big event coming up. She is participating in a World Challenge next summer, travelling to Croatia and Montenegro for 10 days, and raising the funding for the trip of £1,400 herself. The World Challenge is an experience which involves developing leadership skills in an outdoors, challenging environment – Rebecca will be hiking, camping, white water rafting and preparing for all of this as part of a team of students from her school.

Rebecca has raised money so far through various sales, a tombola at her school fair and even providing expert foot massages! But on 23rd April, in honour also of St George's day, Rebecca will ring her first half peal, at Eynsford. She will be trying to raise significant sponsorship for this, so please do let her know, if you cannot catch her personally, if you would like to sponsor her by writing to becca7stuttard@gmail.com with your pledge. She will also be approaching those of you at the Trivia Evening, so watch out!

Thanks in advance, also to those helping in organising and ringing this special next step for Rebecca!

* Caroline Stockmann CFO Save the Children International What a pleasant way to spend a sunny and warm early autumn afternoon driving out to the Kent countryside and being presented with sandwiches overflowing with filling, cakes to die for, biscuits galore and ladies eager to ply you with tea? Added to that there were friends to chat with and a stroll with church bells ringing out across the meadows to complete the scene. What more could you want? Bliss. But I am forgetting something.

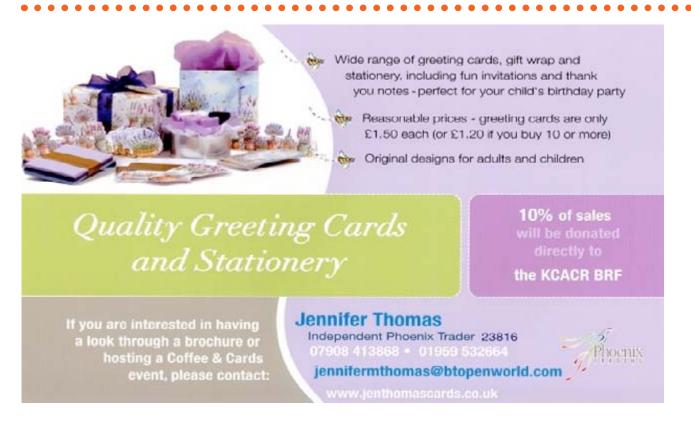
This piece of idyll was the Saturday afternoon of 28th September where we gathered at Lamberhurst for the County Six-bell Striking Competition. All six districts were represented by teams from Chelsfield, Ashford, Canterbury, Tonbridge, Staplehurst and Rochester Cathedral. Under Tiffy Lynch's organisation the judges, Jonathan and Ann Franklin from Ringmer, were set in position and Chelsfield commenced the battle. All completed, the judges were introduced by Mike Little, Chairman of the KCACR, who congratulated everyone on the standard of ringing.

The judges said that the ringing overall was excellent and for them it had been a very nice afternoon. They gave the following results:

TOWER	RANG	COMMENT	% POSITIVE SCORE	PLACE
Chelsfield	1st	Slowest ringing of the day taking 9m 29s. Steady, measured, but could have flowed a bit more. Overall, good ringing.	78	5th
Ashford	2nd	At 8m 23s with a good rhythm especially in the second half and overall good ringing.	84	4th
Canterbur	y 3rd	Fastest of the day at 7m 54s - stylish, confident and a pleasure to hear.	93	First
Tonbridge	4th	8m 50s with very nice ringing. Lovely to listen to and they extracted the hum from the bells.	89	2nd
Staplehurst	5th	8m 30s. Very commendable ringing but with a few clips.	88	3rd
Rochester Cathedral	6th	8m 15s. A bit hesitant ringing which included some clips.	69	6th

So the trophy went to Canterbury and congratulations to them. Thanks to all who helped to make the afternoon a success: the bands who came to ring, Tiffy Lynch, Mike Little, Ann and Jonathan Franklin and Catherine Heathcote and the Lamberhurst ringers who organised the tea. That reminds me, there's not another sandwich or cake going spare, is there?

* Cub Reporter



Otford Tower Outing, or ringing The Grand Mix Up

T'was a fine September sunny day When the Otford band went on its way To ring at four bell towers tall Some with large bells and others small

At Ockley t'was a fine delight
The bells were sweet and rang just right
And then on to Capel t'was rather tight
But we made the bells sound nice and bright

Now Charlwood we arrived at noon To dine at a pub named the Half Moon We fed and watered, what a delight Another tower, we felt just right

We climbed the tower full of glee
To find the sallies were all green
Where is the treble we did request
The man there pointed, he did his best

And then the clanging it went on
And on and on and on and on
Our timing it was all awry
We scratched our heads and almost cried

The treble lead, but we tried in vain
To follow, but the clanging sounded just the same
Ring after me! No in front of him!
We continued valiantly but what a din.

The bell's up wrong so ring it down And up and down and up and down The man there sat with head in hands And surmised we were an awful band

We stopped, considered solutions all
The trebles not the treble after all
It is the tenor! I thought it heavy?
And now we ring the bells both sweet and steady

Then a fourth tower to seal our fate
A wooden tower at Newdigate
Now the bells they swung to and fro
While the wooden tower creaked and groaned

A final touch of Cambridge to end the day And then we were on our way So thanks to those who gave a helping hand To guide and improve the Otford band



The Otford band relax after ringing their newly composed method.

Cowden annual outing

On 19th October the Cowden Bellringers were joined by ringing friends from Edenbridge, Hever, Lingfield and Speldhurst for our annual outing which, this year, saw us ring at five churches in East Sussex, starting with Salehurst, ending with Northiam and with Sedlescombe, Battle and Brede in between.

At Battle we were lucky to be invited to climb further on up the narrow stone spiral steps leading to the ringing chamber and to walk out onto the roof, clambering over the lightning conductor as we went! The view of Battle Abbey from above was wonderful and very clear, but unfortunately the weather was not good and the distant views of towns such as Rye and Eastbourne were marred by dense, low cloud. The eight bells at Battle were the heaviest of the day, with a tenor weighing just over 21 cwt (about three times the weight of the tenor at Cowden). Here we also had very precise instructions as to where to stand to ring the treble as the rope travelled up through the box housing the clock mechanism and was liable to snag! I think that everyone will agree that it is all these little foibles that make ringing at other churches so interesting and enjoyable.

We had a very good lunch at the Red Lion at Brede, which is well worth a visit, and is, conveniently, just over the road from the church.

Caroline Levy-Cooper

* Martin Whitehead

Oh no! Horrific sartorial faux pas at Hevencowbridgeden

The band which rings at what is slowly becoming Hevencowbridgeden are caught up in a giddy social whirl of practice nights and service ringing, where one sees and is seen. An ever present and very pressing worry for a young man respectable gentleman about town village is: what to wear? A pair of desert tan walking boots with contrasting Gore-Tex breathing areas would be the very model of understated cool for a country ringing practice in the 21st century. Or, indeed, the C21. Imagine, then, the private horror of one ringer who noticed recently at Cowden, that both he and another member of the band had made exactly the same choice in footwear. Except for this contributor, to whom the owner of one of the pairs of feet pointed the issue out, this inexcusable faux pas mercifully went unnoticed. And, while the feet in question will remain safely anonymous, the approaching Trivia Evening – without doubt the District's social highlight - will surely now be a significant source of angst.

Gary who?

One of the guests at a December wedding held at Penshurst was Gary Barlow. There was an apparent family connection since two of the bridesmaids and one of the ushers was also named Barlow. The wedding was due to begin at 4pm and the bride was half an hour late, so there were no photos taken outside due to total darkness which added to the wind and the rain. Ringing before and after allowed the ringers to sample the Leicester Arms, which had reopened the previous day.

A London bus had been provided to transport guests to the reception at Wadhurst. We found it rather confusing because another bus was also booked for a different wedding in Penshurst Place at the same time.

Mr Barlow appeared to like our ringing as he stood and watched us with some interest, however, the name Gary Barlow was rather wasted on Eric, who thought he was something to do with Coronation Street.

* Angela Clark

* Alex Staff

Embroidered KCACR clothing - Colours and sizes

T shirts (R180M) £14

XS: Black, Bottle Green, Bright Red, Bright Royal, Classic Red (more 'blue'), French Navy S, M, L, XL, 2XL: Black, Bottle Green, Bright Red (more 'orange), Bright Royal, Classic Red (more 'blue'), Convoy Grey, French Navy, Light Oxford, Olive, Orange, Sky, White, Yellow

3XL and 4XL: Black, Bottle Green, Bright Royal, French Navy, White



XS, S, M, L, XL, 2XL: Black, Birch, Bottle Green, Bright Red, Bright Royal, Burgundy, Classic Red, French Navy, Graphite, Light Oxford, Pure Gold, Purple, Sky, White, Winter Emerald, Yellow

3XL, 4XL: Black, Bottle Green, Bright Royal, Classic Red, French Navy, Light Oxford, White

5XL, 6XL: Bright Royal, French Navy, White

Classic sweatshirts (762M) £20

XS, S, M, L, XL, 2XL: Black, Bottle Green, Bright Red, Burgundy, Classic Red, Grey, Light Oxford, French Navy, Purple, Bright Royal, Sky, White, Winter Emerald.
3XL, 4XL: Bottle Green, Bright Royal and French Navy

Full / Quarter zip fleece (870M / 874M) £26

XS, Ś, M̄, L, XL, 2XL: Black, Bottle Green, Bright Royal, Burgundy, Classic Red, Convoy Grey, French Navy, Orange, Sky

3XL, 4XL: in full zip only

Colour chart available on www.kcacr.org.uk/colourways

Other items: Children's sizes, women's sizes (more fitted and usually less suitable for ringing) and other items are in the catalogue, which is available at District Quarterlies.

Ordering: Ordering by 3 weeks before a District Quarterly should enable delivery at the meeting. There will also be an order form at the meetings and an order sent off soon after. Orders in between may be subject to delay. Payment with order. If not at the meeting, please send to Mallans, 27 Main Road, Sundridge, Sevenoaks TN14 6EF (cheques to me) or to cmlewis@btinternet.com (bank account & sort code can be provided for electronic transfer).

Catherine Lewis (01959 563767)



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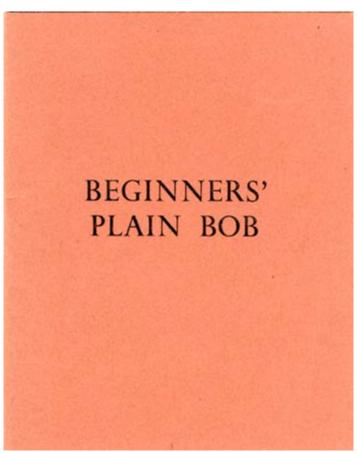
In the last *Look to* I described a booklet on change ringing, which ran to four editions. In this issue I will look at two books which have only managed three editions, so far! The origin of these little volumes is much closer to home than the first book.

They are *Beginners' Grandsire* and *Beginners' Plain Bob*, both written by Alex Waddington, who was a master at Ashford North Modern Boys' School, and who was a member of the KCACR. The first editions were printed by hand on an Albion Press at the school, by members of the PRINTERS' GUILD, under Alex's direction, and published by the S. James' Society of Bellringers (Egerton St James, 6-10cwt. approximately, anti-clockwise). They were published in 1951 (*Grandsire*) and 1952 (*Plain Bob*), in editions of 100 and 120 respectively.

error in the commentary to the Plain Bob Doubles diagram, which was corrected by hand. It was corrected in the second edition with an overprint amendment, indicating that the original typesetting was used (*see image p9*). The CCCBR edition was reset, but in virtually the same format.

John Eisel, CCCBR Librarian from 1992 – 2011, produced an Essay for the Friends of the CCCBR Library in February 2005, entitled *An Exercise in Printing – Beginners' Grandsire and Beginners' Plain Bob*. With his kind permission, I quote biographical details about the author:

Alexander ('Sandy') Waddington was a member of the Kent County Association for over 50 years. He learnt to ring at Charing, cycling over there from Egerton, and his name first appears in the Kent County Association report for 1926 under that tower, but disappears in 1928. He started a change ringing band at Egerton, and his name appears



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PRINTERS' GUILD
Ashford North Modern Boys' School
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A. Waddington
Master

First Edition of 120 copies
1952

Second editions were produced by The Peregrine Press, for *Grandsire* in 1954, and *Plain Bob* in 1956. The third editions were published by Central Council Publications in 2003. The covers of all editions disguise the pleasures to be found within. They are beautifully produced, and printed in two colours – mainly black, with red for the title, treble's path, particular instructions, and, in the case of *Beginners' Plain Bob*, helpful hints at the bottom of each page. The first edition of *Beginners' Plain Bob* contained an

in the report of 1930 as secretary of that band. He conducted the first peal on Egerton bells (of Grandsire Doubles).

Alex Waddington remained as a member of Egerton tower until his death in 1984, but he also helped round about and taught several other bands. He taught many ringers at Egerton, although his manner was rather abrupt. One appreciation after he died recorded: 'My first venture into the ringing chamber was preceded by a family warning, "not to

be put off by Sandy's shouting – he doesn't mean it". For those who had witnessed or even worse, borne the brunt of his shouting, to be told that "he doesn't mean it" is hardly comforting. The best strategy was to consider it a back-handed compliment; he never shouted at anyone unless he considered them capable of ringing.'

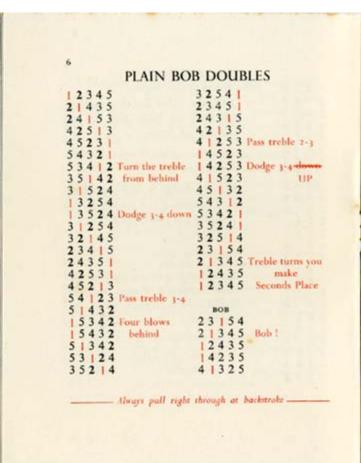
Two of the helpful hints referred to above are shown in the third illustration. Others included 'Grasp the sally with All the fingers of Both hands', and 'Keep the little bells clear of the big ones'. I won't list them all, since you can buy your own ccbr edition through the District bookstall, price £1 each – contact Trevor Nicholls (trevor@redleafcottage.co.uk) – and jolly good value! The cost of the first editions was not stated, but the seconds sold for 1s 9d (just under 9p), post free. Copies of earlier editions would be somewhat dearer, if you could find them. Nevertheless, I would be very interested in purchasing either, or both, of the first

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PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

IT must be emphasised that Plain Bob is essentially a method for an even number of bells. When adapted for an odd number there is always an odd bell with no dodging partner which must perform the dull and unmusical task of lying four blows behind. This is the only additional work to be memorised after learning Bob Minimus.

Pass treble 3-4, lie four blows behind

Owing to the odd number of bells the whole pulls behind will be wrong, that is, backstroke then handstroke. This does not affect the normal rule for dodging in Plain Bob:

cut at backstroke dodging up wait at backstroke dodging down

The calling is very simple. A bob is called each time any chosen bell, say the 5th, is due to lie four blows behind unaffected by the Bob. This comes every 40 changes, so three bobs produce the extent of 120 changes. The other bells are affected as in Bob Minor (see page 10). No single is necessary in Doubles.

-Pull backstroke in smartly when taking a bell off the lead-

editions! As it is, I had to borrow copies of these from the CCCBR Librarian, Alan Glover, for which I am very grateful.

* Fraser Clift

Yet another crossword contribution

The first two, or more, across clues in *The Daily Telegraph* Quick Crossword always read as, or sound like, another word or phrase. In the crossword on Saturday 14th December 2013 the first three clues were:

- 1A Tent site (4)
- 3A Boleyn (4)
- 9A Science (facetious) (5)

ANSWERS ON BACK PAGE

* Fraser

QUARTER PEAL WEEK

Eric Roughley reports on the District Quarter Peal week 26th October – 3rd November

In some respects not the most successful quarter peal week that the District has held but let's start with the good news: we did achieve nine quarters out of ten attempts and that must be a pass in anyone's book. Also, we had three 'firsts' which is always encouraging and the camaraderie in the far west of the District has to be admired.

It was a little disappointing that only ten towers got involved and even more so that only about 13 per cent of the members took part. However, when I look through these quarters I can see some really important personal achievements and that means it will be worth doing it all again next year.

Seal 26th October 1260 Doubles (1p 4m)

Eric Roughley 1, Michael Bullett 2, Bobbie Fairclough 3 Fraser Clift [c] 4, Anthony Leeves 5, Phil Jones 6

Seal Chart 26th October 1260 Doubles (2m)

Fraser Clift 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Michael Bullett 3, Eric Roughley [c] 4, Anthony Leeves 5, Phil Jones 6 First quarter on the bells following reconfiguration as a lighter ring with two new trebles

Tonbridge 27th October 1260 Doubles (1p 4m)

Angela Clark 1, Rhoda Willson 2, Tiffy Lynch [C] 3, Martin Willson 4, Catherine Heathcote 5, Hamilton Woods 6 For evening service

Otford 28th October 1260 PB Doubles

Martin Whitehead (1st on Treble) 1, Dee Clift 2, Bobbie Fairclouigh 3, Fraser Clift [c] 4, Pam Thomas 5, Phil Jones 6 *To wish Pam a happy birthday*

Hever 30th October 1260 PB Doubles

Jane Rosam 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2, Andy Wickenden 3, Louise Nightingale (1st inside) 4, Alison Wilson 5, Kevin Agate 6. Conducted by Alex Staff.

By a local band remembering Mark Mead who would be pleased with the tower's progress. Carl Nightingale and Joanna Wade would like to be associated with this quarter peal

Cowden 1st November 1260 Grandsire Doubles

Sue Shepherd 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2, Andy Wickenden 3, Michael Bullett 4, Eric Roughley [C] 5, Frank Shepherd 6

Speldhurst, 3rd November 1260 Grandsire Triples

Bobbie Fairclough 1, Ray Taylor 2, Fraser Clift 3, Anthony Leeves 4, Michael Bullett 5, Catherine Heathcote 6, Eric Roughley [c] 7, Crispin Saunders 8 *For evensong*

Kemsing 3rd November 1260 Doubles (1p 4m)

Rebecca Prinsloo 1, Dee Clift 2, Bobbie Fairclough 3, Fraser Clift [c] 4, Michael Williamson 5, Martin Whitehead 6 With best wishes to Jenny Williamson for a speedy recovery

Edenbridge 3rd November 1260 PB Doubles

Clive Lumsden 1, Jane Wroe 2, Louise Nightingale [c] 3 Ian Henderson 4, Andy Wickenden 5, Carl Nightingale 6 *Conducted by Alex Staff* For evensong. In loving memory of Barbara Nightingale, a former bellringer

QUARTER PEALS

Rung during the 3rd quarter of 2013

Lamberhurst Wednesday 25th September 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Tiffany Lynch [C] 1, Angela Clark 2, Martin Willson 3, Jacqui Fletcher 4, Rhoda Willson 5, Catherine Heathcote 6

Otford Sunday 29th September 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Janet Whitehead 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Tiffany Lynch 3, Ben Rogers 4, Catherine Lewis [c] 5 Astrid Fairclough 6 *Rung following confirmation by Bishop James Langstaff of Rochester.*

Speldhurst Sunday 6th October **1280 Plain Bob Major**

Eric Roughley [c] 1, Catherine Lewis 2, Janice Byrne 3, Stella Wooldridge 4, Michael Bullett 5, Catherine Heathcote 6, Frank Lewis 7, Anthony Leeves 8 For evensong. Also a Ruby Wedding (today) compliment to Crispin & Diana Saunders. 1st of major as c.

Otford Sunday 6th October

1260 Doubles (1 principle, 3 methods) 60 STEDMAN, 240 GRANDSIRE, 480 ST SIMON'S, 480 PLAIN Bobbie Fairclough 1, Tessa Worthington 2, Jacqui Fletcher 3, Fraser Clift [c] 4, Howard Rogers 5, Michael Stuttard 6 To celebrate the licensing of Mags Southgate, of Otford, as a Reader (at Rochester Cathedral, on Saturday 5th October), and the baptism of Joshua James Tappin at Otford, whilst this quarter was being rung.

Hadlow Sunday 6th October

1260 Doubles 300 GRANDSIRE, 960 PLAIN BOB

Daniel Jarvis 1, Ann Jenner 2, Emma Jarvis 3,

Howard Rogers 4, Stanley Jenner [c] 5, Ray Taylor 6

Rung before Harvest Festival Eucharist with the

band's congratulations and best wishes to Mark &

Rachel Lewis, who celebrated their Golden Wedding

Anniversary yesterday.

Chevening Monday 7th October **1472 Yorkshire Surprise Major**

Eric Roughley 1, Catherine Lewis 2, Tessa Worthington 3, Janice Byrne 4, Fraser Clift 5, Ray Taylor 6, Anthony Leeves [c] 7, Frank Lewis 8

Hever Wednesday 9th October 1260 Bob Minor

Michael Stuttard 1, Michael Moreton 2, David Threlfall 3, Christopher Cooper 4, Hugo Tracey 5, Alan Turner [c] 6 *First Minor:* 1

Brasted Sunday 20th October **1260 Plain Bob Triples**

Caroline Stockmann 1, Yvonne Cooper 2, Rebecca Stuttard 3, Bobbie Fairclough 4, Ben Rogers 5, Janice Byrne 6, Anthony Leeves [C] 7, Catherine Heathcote 8 *For evensong*

Tonbridge Sunday 10th November **1260 Stedman Doubles**

Rhoda Willson 1, Angela Clark 2, Jacqui Fletcher 3, Martin Willson 4, Tiffany Lynch [c] 5, Hamilton Woods 6 For evening service and with congratulations to Anthony Leeves for his 65th birthday today.

Speldhurst Saturday 16th November **1260 Stedman Triples**

Eric Roughley 1, Janice Byrne 2, Alan King 3, Catherine Lewis 4, Catherine Heathcote 5, Ray Taylor 6, Anthony Leeves [c] 7, Crispin Saunders 8 For the tercentenary of the death of Fabian Stedman.

Otford Sunday 17th November 1260 Stedman Doubles

Eric Roughley 1, Ray Taylor 2, Stella Wooldridge 3, Fraser Clift 4, Anthony Leeves [c] 5, Bobbie Fairclough 6 *For the tercentenary of the death of Fabian Stedman*.

Brasted Sunday 17th November **1260 Plain Bob Triples**

Sarah Hope 1, Frank Lewis 2, John Palmer 3, Anthony Leeves 4, Bobbie Fairclough 5, Catherine Lewis [c] 6, Eric Roughley 7, Tony Cresswell 8 First on eight: 1 For Evensong

Kemsing Wednesday 20th November
1260 Minor 720 CAMBRIDGE, 540 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Eric Roughley 1, Janice Byrne 2, Eileen Butler 3,
Fraser Clift 4, Anthony Leeves 5, Bruce Butler [c]
Rung to celebrate the 50th & 25th anniversary of
learning to ring for Bruce & Eileen respectively.

Horsmonden Thursday 21st November 1260 Bob Minor

Robin Rouse 1, David Threlfall 2, Alan Turner 3,

Andy Wickenden 4, Hugo Tracey 5, Christopher Cooper [c] 6, First quarter peal since c1968 1; First of Bob Minor 4; 50th quarter peal this year 5 Rung on the original old 6, which were rung to so many famous peals by the Lambert brothers in the late 19th & early 20th centuries, before the augmentation.

Kilndown Friday 22nd November 1296 Plain Bob Minor

Benjamin Denton 1, Eric Roughley 2, Angela Clark 3, Adrian Malton 4, Robert Denton 5, Daniel Denton [c] 6 200th quarter 3;

Rung prior to memorial service for Jim & Jean Denton, parents of Robert & grandparents of Benjamin & Daniel. Also in memoriam Joyce Denton, grandmother of Robert all of whom died during 2013.

Otford Sunday 2th November 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Janet Whitehead 1, Catherine Lewis 2, Bobbie Fairclough [c] 3, Fraser Clift 4, Frank Lewis 5, Martin Whitehead 6 Rung for the baptisms of twins, Henry William & Natalie Marie Shilling.

Brasted Wednesday 4th December 1280 Lincolnshire Surprise Major

Ann Jenner 1, Tessa Worthington 2, Janice Byrne 3, Eric Roughley 4, Catherine Lewis 5, Ray Taylor 6, Anthony Leeves [c] 7, Frank Lewis 8

First of Lincolnshire: 3

120 CLUB RESULTS

October: (double prizes) 43 Tunbridge Wells, 61 Otford, 44 Tunbridge Wells, 10 Chevening (the bonus prize) **November:** 102 Shipbourne, 54 Leigh, 95 Speldhurst

December: 93 Tunbridge Wells, 90 Brasted, 80 Leigh

Edenbridge Saturday 7th December 1280 Kent Treble Bob Major

Edmund Hartley 1, Monica Trow 2, Alan Turner 3, Mike Wigney [C] 4, Linda Foddering 5, Gill Tomlinson 6, Hugo Tracey 7, Tony Nunn 8 *In celebration of the life of Nelson Mandela*. On Hugo's quarter peal day 1 of 4

Penshurst Saturday 7th December 2013 1344 Plain Bob Major

Composed by T. Lawrence, 14-part cyclic Mike Wigney 1, Alan Turner 2, Edmund Hartley 3, Monica Trow 4, Hugo Tracey 5, Linda Foddering 6, Gill Tomlinson 7, Tony Nunn [c] 8 On Hugo's quarter peal day, 2 of 4

Chiddingstone Saturday 7th December 1344 St Clements College Bob Major

Mike Wigney [c] 1, Hugo Tracey 2, Monica Trow 3, Edmund Hartley 4, Alan Turner 5, Linda Foddering 6, Gill Tomlinson 7, Tony Nunn 8

On Hugo's quarter peal day, 3 of 4

Tunbridge Wells Saturday 7th December 1288 Grandsire Triples Composed by Tony Nunn Monica Trow 1, Mike Wigney 2, Linda Foddering 3, Edmund Hartley 4, Gill Tomlinson 5, Alan Turner 6, Tony Nunn [c] 7, Hugo Tracey 8 On Hugo's quarter peal day, 4 of 4

Tonbridge Sunday 8th December **1260 Plain Bob Minor**

Gordon Hill 1, Jacqui Fletcher 2, Hamilton Woods 3, Angela Clark 4, Rhoda Willson 5, Tiffany Lynch [c] 6 *For evening service. First minor:* 1

Sevenoaks Sunday 15th December 1344 Plain Bob Major

1 Frank Lewis 1, Jess Bache 2, Tessa Worthington 3, Astrid Fairclough 4, Isabel Pearce 5, Catherine Lewis [c] 6, Mike Worthington 7, Jack Gunning 8 To honour the life and achievements of Nelson Mandela on the day of his burial. First inside on 8: 2

PEALS

Rung during the 3rd quarter of 2013

Leigh Saturday, 23rd November in 2h 39m (8-2-0) 5040 7 Minor Methods

1 EXTENT EACH LONDON S, NORWICH S, BEVERLEY S, SURFLEET S, CAMBRIDGE S, ST CLEMENT'S, PLAIN BOB Pam Thomas 1, Phillip Barnes 2, Lesley Barclay 3, David Holdridge 4, David James 5, Nicholas Wilkins [c] 6 Rung 100 years after the birth of Benjamin Britten.

MILESTONES

Congratulations to:

First on 8: Sarah Hope

First Minor: Gordon Hill, Michael Stuttard,

Andy Wickenden

First of Lincolnshire: Janice Byrne

First inside on 8: Jess Bache

First quarter since 1968: Robin Rouse 50th Quarter this year: Hugo Tracey

200th Quarter: Angela Clark

ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD CLUES ON PAGE 9 'camp', 'Anne', and 'ology'.

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