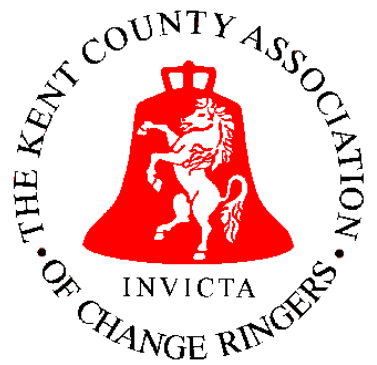


Look to



The Newsletter of the
Tonbridge District of the KCACR

2009 Third and Fourth
Quarter Edition

The Quarterly Meetings

The second quarterly meeting of 2009 was held at Brenchley [8, 17-3-24 in E]. Catherine Lewis writes:

It was good to see so many people up the tower in the afternoon. At the moment Brenchley bells are not easy to ring well and so the ringing was mostly *Call Changes*, *Grandsire Triples* and *Plain Hunt* on seven, with some *Stedman* and a service touch of *Grandsire Triples*. There were fewer people in the evening, when, in addition, we rang some *Single Oxford Bob Triples*, *Oxford Treble Bob*, *Bob Triples* and a course of *Cambridge Major*.



The Churchyard of All Saints, Brenchley.

The third quarterly meeting of 2009 was held at Goudhurst [8, 23 ½ cwt in D].

Ringing at the third quarterly meeting in Goudhurst began at 3:00 pm, and continued until the service, which was taken by the Rev'd Bill Hornsby. Chairman Jane Nielson proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Goudhurst for taking the service, and for the use of the bells, also to Rosemary Southon and the Goudhurst band for providing tea and making the arrangements. The chocolate cake that was served made such an

impact, that it appears in the minutes of the meeting!

Forthcoming Events...

Between now and the next edition of the *Look to*:

Surprise Major Practice

Saturday 17th October 2009

Chevening [8, 10-1-13 in G]

7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

DISTRICT QUARTER PEAL WEEK!

Saturday 24th October 2009

to Sunday 1st November 2009

Everywhere!

Afternoon Practice

Saturday 7th November 2009

Kemsing [6, 4-1-5 in D, GF]

2:30 pm to 4:30 pm

10-Bell Practice

Saturday 21st November 2009

Bletchingley [10, 16-1-22 in E, GF]

7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Training Day

Saturday 5th December 2009

Plain Hunt and Ropesight, and Grandsire Doubles

District Carol Service

Saturday 12th December 2009

Shipbourne [6, 9-3-2 in G]

Ringing from 4:30 pm, service at 6:00 pm.

Deadline for the next edition

Friday 25th December 2009

Quarterly Meeting

Saturday 2nd January 2010

Horsmonden [8, 17-2-10 in E^b]

3:00 pm to 8:30 pm

The Trivia Evening

Saturday 23rd January 2010

Hildenborough Village Hall

7:15 pm for a **prompt** 7:30 pm start.

The meeting stood in memory of Alan Broad, and it was noted that Trevor Nicholls, newly arrived at Penshurst [8, 17-2-11 in E^b, GF], has agreed to lead the ringing there.

Seven new members were elected to the Association. A warm welcome to Brasted's Daniel Bishop, Seal's Paul Thompson and Sally Thompson, Hever's Patricia Emery, Jane Rosam and Kevin Agate, and Trevor Nicholls of Penshurst.

The issue of scratch bands turning up at the District Striking Competition was discussed, and passed to the committee. The Canterbury diocesan rules governing criminal checks of church workers who work with children were also questioned. Efforts are being made to standardise the guidelines for ringers.

Finally congratulations to Hadlow's Gordon Bubb, Janet Beeken of Cranbrook, and Chevening's Lea Weavers, who came out on top in the 120 club draw!

If you would like to add to your band's profile in your church, why not put a copy of the [Look to on your bookstall?](#)

Advance Warning!

Catherine Lewis has pencilled a note into the diary...

The General Committee has invited the Central Council to Kent for its 2014 meeting. The CC agreed to accept at Worcester this May. So there will be a lot going on (and plenty of work to do) in the county over the late May bank Holiday weekend in 2014. Something to look forward to.

The Day the Earth stood still?

Catherine Lewis' tireless engagement for the District is appreciated by many members who have benefitted from her, not least, masterminding of the District's unique and independent programme of training days. Catherine Lewis has also served on the District Committee, making sure (as Ringing Master and elsewhere) that District events run smoothly. At the October meeting, she will leave the Committee, as well as stepping back from the position of ringing master, to concentrate on a national ringing role:

Sadly I must stand down from the District Committee and as District Ringing Master at the ADM in October. I have been asked to become Chairman of the Central Council Education Committee, which I feel is an opportunity to take on some very important challenges. It really isn't

possible to carry on attempting to fulfil both roles. I thought long and hard about this before I took on the new job, but realised that maybe it was time for a change anyway. Of course I won't be disappearing altogether and would hope to still be able to support the District, although from a slightly different angle.

Catherine Heathcote has agreed to take over the organisation of the next training days; please note the change of contact details at the end of the [Training Days](#) section.

Training Days

Training days took place on Saturday 6th June 2009 for Plain Hunt and Grandsire Doubles, and on Saturday 5th September 2009 for Rounds and Call Changes and Plain Bob Doubles.

The Plain Hunt group at Speldhurst [8, 13-1-26 in F[#]] on 6th June made use of the simulator for a session from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm. The students came with little or no experience of *Plain Hunt*, and, after a theory session, were introduced to *Plain Hunt* on two (i.e. making seconds place and leading for whole pulls). Having mastered this, the helpers were challenged to ring *Bastow Little Court* so that the students were making seconds over different bells.

Following a well-earned coffee break in the *George and the Dragon* across the road, the students received some bell handling tips to help them change the speed of their ringing as required in hunting. Ringing was switched from the front six bells to the back six to provide them with bells closer to the weight that they were used to ringing, and *Plain Hunting* to third's place followed.

Kathy Butler was a student for Grandsire on the 6th June 2009.

Training days can on occasion be quite stressful and nerve wracking, so it was with great relief that I arrived at Kemsing [6, 4-1-5 in D, GF] to find that Frank was "in charge" with lots of other friendly faces to jolly us along.

Alan, John and I had a varying knowledge of Grandsire but after going through the basic theory we all got down to trying some plain courses.

After a much appreciated coffee break in the pub, with delicious cakes kindly supplied by Bobbie and Tessa, we hit the ropes again.

By the end of the morning we all felt that progress had been made. Alan and I had a good shot at plain courses and even eventually coped with the

odd Bob being called, whilst John was happy to ring a touch.

I think that Alan, John and I much appreciated the friendly help and relaxed atmosphere generated by our helpers. It is always easier to make progress when you don't feel under pressure and with Frazer around it had to be fun! So a big thank you to Frank, Bobbie, Tessa, Stella, Pam and Frazer for giving up their morning.

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Since writing the above I have heard the sad news about Alan Broad. Having only just met Alan on the training day I feel very shocked at what has happened, and want to express my sympathy to his family.

On 5th September, Trevor Nicholls was a student on the Plain Bob Doubles morning.

My first foray into the world of training days, must say I was very nervous and spent my drive to Otford [6, 10-1-7 in A^b, GF] chanting 2453 and other such Buddhist things.

Once the whole team had arrived – six helpers, Catherine Heathcote the ringing master and four students – we were then given an introduced by Catherine. Fantastic, they were going to cater for our individual needs: just what I wanted because I am struggling with ropesight.

Catherine is a school teacher, and like good students we sat down on a bench, while she tutored us on theory and how we were going to walk out Bob Doubles. We each had a number and acted out the changes, a great success. A very good way of getting complex tasks across in a simple and fun way.

We then progressed to individual training on the bells, which was free from pressure; we all found ourselves ringing new things, which was a great feeling. It is lovely to ring with all the other bells in the right place and those smiling faces, peeking from behind the ropes when you need them.

Eric Roughley brought his new dog with him; those that know Eric expected the dog to ring in to some *Bob Doubles*, probably on four. Later in the day Eric kept calling “LEAD! LEAD!” while I was ringing. I assume he was talking to the dog!

During a break Catherine showed us how owls can see all the bells at once, Bobbie taught us how to silence a bell with a bicycle inner tube, and all this was followed by tying a figure of eight knot to shorten ropes.

The day was a great success, all the students enjoyed themselves and felt they achieved a lot

towards ringing Bob Doubles, I recommend this to anyone; do not be afraid, it is great fun.

Our thanks to Catherine and all the Helpers for the time and effort they put in, and to Bobbie for arranging the use of the tower.

Forthcoming Training Events **Plain Hunt and Ropesight, and Grandsire Doubles**

Saturday 5th December 2009

Rounds and Call Changes, and Plain Bob Doubles

Saturday 6th March 2010

If you see a training event that catches your eye, book straight away! This allows the event to be as promptly and as best organised as possible. Contact Catherine Heathcote to book a place or request a training event:

- 01892 785 577
- catherineheathcote@btinternet.com

Visit the KCACR website to keep up to date with the Tonbridge District and KCACR's news!

www.kcacr.org.uk

120 Club

The ADM marks the start of the new year for the District 120 Club. Organiser Ray Taylor writes:

Another successful year for the Tonbridge District 120 Club, with all shares sold and £ 640 soon to find its way towards the maintenance and restoration of bells within our county. Thank you to everyone who has contributed, particularly to those who are non-ringers or have moved out of the county but continue to support the KCACR.

The 2009/10 series of draws will commence at our ADM on 3rd October 2009, so please buy your shares before then. Here's how it works:

Anyone over 16 can buy shares in the Club (registered charity) at £ 10 each – it's not restricted to KCACR members or even to ringers. Each share has a number which goes into a draw at a District event, starting with the ADM in October and ending with the quarterly meeting in July. There are no draws in August or September. The prizes are usually £ 20, £ 15 and £ 10, but they are doubled in the months of October and January. All numbers go

into the draws, whether taken up or not, and the proceeds from the 120 Club go to the KCACR Bell Restoration Fund, which is also a registered charity. If 120 shares are sold then that amounts to £ 640 a year after paying the licence fee.

The 120 Club draws for the second quarter of 2009:

April	104	Otford
	97	Leigh
	26	Brenchley
May	65	Otford
	49	Kemsing
	51	Lamberhurst
June	97	Leigh
	45	Hadlow
	2	Sevenoaks

The 120 Club draws for the third quarter of 2009:

July	40	Hadlow
	107	Cranbrook
	31	Chevening
August	---	<i>End of series</i>

September	---	<i>End of series</i>

If you would like to buy a share then please contact Ray Taylor:

- 07973 123 323
- ray.taylor@easynet.co.uk

Or download an application form from:

- www.kcacr.org.uk

Letter to the editor

The Editor notes with surprise the second ever letter to an editor of the *Look to* in the past decades.

Trivia?

I was obviously not a member of the Sevenoaks winning team or they would not now be in receipt of the winners' shield. However, one slight criticism of the write-up. Need there have been a comparison of their lesser score with last year's winners? I suggest not. Surely they won, whatever the score?

Disappointed, Sevenoaks.

A postcard from the editor...

...who found a campanological curiosity in the Tümlauer Koog.



Dear Tonbridge District

Firstly an apology for not having the time at the start of the summer to produce the third quarter issue. To say the least the summer job I was working in was not ideally staffed, and given that we were caring for children in a summer camp, we couldn't not work. It was a rather intense experience for several weeks until the situation improved in the course of the summer, but eventually far too late for the quarterly meeting. I am sorry.

I am now finished for the time being in Germany, and will now be edit the "Look to" while studying for my final year in Brighton. Tremendous thanks are due to Bobbie Fairclough for receiving the "Look to"'s post for the past two years, and to Catherine Lewis for printing it. (Please note the "Look to"'s change of postal address.)

My last postcard is of a strange curiosity I found, virtually on my German doorstep. When Nordfriesland finally had some good weather in spring, I fulfilled an ambition to walk out to the lighthouse at Westerheversand, near the seaside resort of Bad St Peter Ording (B-SPO for short). Approaching the sea-dike, I found this campanile in the small, isolated hamlet in the Tümlauer Koog. It is appropriately thatched with reeds from the North Frisian Marsh but, devoid of church, and - in all honesty - almost everything else, there is little indication for its existence!

Gruss allerseits,

Alex

Quarter Peal Week

(And a bit.)

Quarter peals are one way to good striking, when you have a chance to settle down into a method you've chosen and ring it over a longer length. The District Quarter Peal Week (and a bit) from Saturday 24th October 2009 to Sunday 1st November 2009, will be a time when the district concentrates its energies on ringing quarter peals for a variety of reasons and causes, ranging from providing practice in a method to scoring a few firsts, from bagging new towers with a significant piece of ringing, to ringing something simple and straightforward, and making it sound good.

Wishes and requests for help (if you need it) can be directed to, amongst other likely candidates, your tower steward.

Whilst we're on the subject, **Ray Taylor, the tower contact for the redundant church at East Peckham, asks...**

Please contact Ray Taylor if you would like to attempt a Quarter Peal at East Peckham during Quarter Peal Week, on:

- 07973 123 323
- ray.taylor@easynet.co.uk

District Striking Competition

Frank Lewis reports.

The District striking competition took place at Otford [6, 10-1-7 in A^b, GF] on 2nd May 2009 and ten teams took part (one more than in 2008). Once again we ran two consecutive contests, one for call changes and one for methods, with six entries for the former and four for the latter (one more than last year).

The judges were Anne Rueff and Kate Desbottes from Redhill and Bletchingley respectively. They judged the two parts of the contest separately, giving the results after each section.

In introducing their decisions they said that they'd enjoyed the ringing, and mentioned that they felt the tenor had an unfair burden in striking contests, because it's the bell most easy to hear – and therefore the bell most likely to be criticised, but as ever some bands had coped better than others.

The chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the judges, the vicar for the use of the bells, and to all others who had worked to make a successful event – especially the local ringers who played tea ladies for the afternoon. The final results were declared as follows:



The Tonbridge team that won the method ringing competition.

Call Changes Competition

Team	Rang	Faults	Position
Tonbridge	2 nd	16	1 st
Otford	1 st	20	2 nd
Brasted	3 rd	26	3 rd
Sevenoaks	5 th	46	4 th
Lamberhurst	4 th	50	5 th
Scratch Team	6 th	12	Unplaced Scratch Team

Method Ringing Competition

Team	Rang	Faults	Position
Tonbridge	2 nd	11	1 st
Sevenoaks	4 th	11++	2 nd
Brasted	3 rd	--	Disqualified
Scratch Team	1 st	7	Unplaced Scratch Team

Alan Broad, RIP

Angela Clark writes:

I regret to advise you that Alan Broad, tower captain at Penshurst, died on 13th June following a massive brain haemorrhage. His eldest son David was staying at the house and accompanied him to Maidstone hospital. Dianne was also with him.

The funeral was at Penshurst on Wednesday 24 June, followed by private interment at Poundsbridge. The service at Penshurst was attended by a congregation which packed the church. Donations may be made either to the Hospice in the Weald or the Saving Penshurst Church appeal. Suitably designated cheques should be sent to H J Johnston & Son, Chiddingstone Causeway, Tonbridge TN11 8LE.

Trevor Nicholls adds further:

A Quarter Peal was rung in memory of Alan Broad who was our Church Warden and Tower Captain.

The quarter of Grandsire Triples was rung successfully after Morning Service on 6th September.

A large number of people attended to listen along with Dianne Broad and other family members.

A bench has been placed in front of the southern face of the church tower, in memory of Alan, rather apt as he loved bells and especially Penshurst church.

The bench has been made by Alan's brother from an old oak Penshurst pew.

The ringers were assembled from people who have been loyal supporters of Penshurst and Alan in the past:

Eric Roughley, Nicholas Butcher, Tim Lynch, Catherine Heathcote, Stella Wooldridge, Jacqui Fletcher, Rhoda Willson and Martin Willson.

The Penshurst ringers were also there to watch and support. [Details of the Quarter to be submitted.]



The band which rang for Alan Broad on 6th September.

Around the District

Tessa Worthington writes of the presentation made to Doris Colgate for 75 years of membership of the KCACR.

“How can I thank all those who contributed to my moment in the middle of the service on Sunday morning? No-one had breathed a word and I was dumbfounded when it happened and quite unable to say a proper thank-you.”



From left to right: County Chairman, Peter Sims, Doris Colgate, Lucile Corby, and District Chairman Jane Nielson, at St Nicholas Sevenoaks, on Sunday 14th June.

Photo: Warren Taylor / Website.

So wrote Doris following the surprise presentation to her in church on 14th June. Everyone was very generous in their donations and Peter Sims, K.C.A.C.R. chairman, kindly came over to Sevenoaks to do the honours. Doris was given a specially made 75 year K.C.A.C.R. membership certificate, a replica model of Big Ben suitably engraved, a handsome cheque along with a bouquet from the church and several cards. A quarter peal had been rung in her honour at her local church of St. Nicholas Sevenoaks the previous Sunday. All in all it was a memorable occasion and one which both Doris and those of us present will remember for quite some time.

Tony Cresswell

The *Look to* extends its best wishes for Chevening's Tony Cresswell's continuing recovery, after falling 20 ft whilst working with the BRF gang at Northfleet [8, 16-0-0 in F] church. Whilst beginning the initial dismantlement before the replacement of the bells' bearings, a portion of the floor gave way beneath him. The fall led to significant injuries and a lengthy hospital stay, with concerns about damage to his spinal chord.

Tony is since at home, and there is optimism that bone damage originally thought to require further surgery no longer does so. The summer's saga can be found documented in the recovery blog on the KCACR website.

Angela Clark has been out and about...

For anyone visiting the Droitwich area I can recommend that you contact the local ringers and join them on a Sunday morning. We spent a week there and I could not have been made more

welcome. They are a roving Sunday band because of a lack of ringers and car share owing to parking restrictions.

The standard of ringing is very good with a variety on the six at Salwarpe [6, 11-2-5 in A^b] and all eight raised in peal at Hanbury [8, 12-1-15 in F[#]]. I was delighted to discover that the church in The Archers (St Stephens) is in fact Hanbury, much featured locally, so I was Shula Archer for the day.

After ringing they all meet for coffee and discussions on which practice nights they can best support. There is an excellent community spirit and they even asked if I could ring for weddings whilst in Droitwich.

I urge all District ringers to help out when you visit new areas, you will find it most rewarding.

Ringling at Leigh [6, 8-2-0 in A]...

...has resumed after the completion of repair work to the tower roof.

Mike Bullett records a birthday compliment.

On Friday 11th September, Catherine Heathcote organised a quarter peal of 1,320 changes of Cambridge Surprise Minor at Kilndown as an 80th birthday compliment to Patrick Mayhew (Lord Mayhew) who is a local ringer at Kilndown. The quarter took around 41 or 42 minutes.



From left to right: Tim Lynch, Anthony Leeves, Mike Bullett, Eric Roughley, Patrick Mayhew, Andrew Fellows, Hugo Tracey, Catherine Heathcote, Carol Eglise, Annie Fellows.

The bells were raised by a mix of local ringers, including Patrick Mayhew, and the quarter peal band and some call changes followed before the quarter peal band took the ropes.

After completion of the quarter peal Patrick Mayhew kindly supplied some refreshment suitable for the occasion and we were joined by his wife Jean (Lady Mayhew) who took a few photographs.

The quarter peal band was:

- 1 Hugo Tracey
- 2 Eric Roughley
- 3 Anthony Leeves
- 4 Mike Bullett
- 5 Catherine Heathcote
- 6 Tim Lynch (C)

The local ringers were Patrick Mayhew, Annie Fellows and Carol Eglise.

Much Ringing in the Marsh by Peggy Hill, who nevertheless had other ringers with her to help.

Saturday 9th May saw members of Shipbourne tower embark upon our second Annual Outing, augmented by our good friends from Leigh and Tonbridge. A band of twenty-two bodies sallied (sorry!) forth... fourteen ringers, a patient young son and two dogs with five Wags. By popular request we revisited Romney Marsh, with an Austin Healey 3000 open-top sports car adding an air of distinction to our fleet.



Shipbourne outing's Tonbridge contingent travels in style.

Our adventures began with a spot of impromptu mountaineering to scale the tricky entrance to the ringing chamber at St Mary the Virgin, Rolvenden [8, 15-0-7 in F[#]]. Somewhat easier to climb to within the church is the Squire's Pew, an upstairs room complete with Chippendale chairs, where those from the 'Big House' would attend church and look down (their noses?) on the congregation. We rang *Rounds and Call Changes* and *Plain Bob Doubles*. The bells sang sweetly and our day had started well!

Leaving uphill Kent, resplendent with horse chestnut and hawthorn blossom, we headed for the flat fields of rape and sheep in the marshlands. On arrival at Lydd, the Austin Healey elite magically

conjured up hot coffee to sup in style from posh china cups. At All Saints [8, 15-2-7 in F#], known as the ‘Cathedral of the Marsh’, *Rounds and Call Changes*, *Grandsire Doubles* and *Plain Bob Minor* were rung, thus warming up the bells nicely for an afternoon wedding.



The outing party at lunch!

Lunch was at the Royal Oak at Brookland, close to the church. Both afternoon churches had ground floor ringing chambers, so chance to look around between rings. Idiosyncratic St Augustine [6, 8-2-0 in A, GF] has a detached octagonal wooden bell tower, Georgian box pews and a 12th century lead font decorated, curiously, with the Signs of the Zodiac. By the door is an incongruous wooden sentry-box, called a ‘hud’, used from the 18th century by ministers when conducting graveside funeral services in the rain, in the days before umbrellas were in common use. Supposedly designed to protect their wigs! Our ringing comprised *Rounds and Call Changes*, *Plain Hunt* and *Plain Bob Doubles*, attracting an appreciative (maybe?!) audience.

Lastly we set off for Newchurch, tucked away in a labyrinth of lanes in the depths of the marshes. Smugly, cars disappeared in different directions ... only to arrive at almost the same time. At St Peter and St Paul [6, 10-3-1 in F#, GF] we tried *Rounds and Call Changes*, *Plain Bob Doubles* and *Grandsire Doubles*. Because building started on unstable reclaimed marshland, stone columns in the tower lean at a most alarming angle. The tower was stabilized with buttresses and the roof completed some 70 years later, resulting in an extraordinary bend where the columns join. In the church, ancient agricultural implements and a large rusty plough feature among the oddly eccentric exhibitions.

After finishing our ringing we strolled along to Newchurch House, encountering a group of lycra-brigade, possibly deaf, cyclists who told us how much they had enjoyed our ‘concert’! Michelle welcomed our large party to her sunny garden for a splendid cream tea with warm home-made scones and jam, eliciting satisfied purrs such as “This is the icing on the cake” and “Perfect end to the day”.

Thank you... to the Tower Secretaries who greeted us, to the Experts who so kindly guided the Inexpert, to Stan Jenner for invaluable tower advice (including where not to go!), to Gordon Hill the master-planner, and to everyone for making it a jolly day.

See you all next year? But *not* at Romney Marsh again...

Caroline Levy-Cooper reports on Cowden's experience with the Trafford Mini-Ring

On the last Saturday in June – a glorious sunny day – the Cowden bellringers hired The Trafford Mini-Ring for the village fete. The ring arrived on the back of a large trailer and was erected by Chris Trafford and his ‘band’ within 30 minutes. This was a fascinating procedure which ran like clockwork with each person knowing exactly what to do next, down to the last nut and bolt and the fixing of the lovely clock which is a new addition to the ring. We had also borrowed the KCACR publicity banners (available from the Publicity Officer) and had these tied firmly to the legs of our gazebo. We had leaflets to hand out from the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers and the green *20 Questions and 19 Answers about English church bells and bellringing* (a Sherbourne Teaching Aid). Chris Trafford also provided a short information sheet about the mini-ring, so that all-in-all we had a pretty organised stall.

We had not really considered this as a fund-raising exercise – although the mini-ring would work very well for this purpose – but more for raising interest in ringing bells. We had a steady stream of people willing to ‘have a go’ and we mixed this with demonstrations of call changes and method ringing. We can certainly recommend hiring the mini-ring. Information can be found on the KCACR website.

Errata

From the second quarter edition:

- Clive Lumsden of Cowden was not recorded under *Milestones* for his first peal on 8.
- Stanley Jenner of Hadlow was not recorded under *Milestones* for his 800th peal as a conductor.

The editor will be happy to publish in the 2010 first quarter edition, any peals or quarter peals from the second quarter of 2009 which he has not been able to persuade *campanophile.co.uk* to show him.

Peals

Rung in the third quarter of 2009

Brasted Wednesday 19th August 2009

5088 Spliced S Major (5m)

(5m: 1344 Rutland; 960 Lincolnshire, Yorkshire; 928 Cambridge; 896 Superlative; 107com, atw)

Composed by: P G K Davies

Mervyn C Way 1, Paul J Pascoe 2, Raymond Haines 3, Thomas J Waterson 4, D John Hunt 5, Robert J Perry 6, Pauline Champion 7, Ian V J Smith (C) 8

Guild of Devonshire Ringers

Quarter Peals

Rung in the second quarter of 2009

Brasted Sunday 12th April 2009

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Eric Roughley 1, Eleanor Stephens 2, Juliet Austin 3, Fraser Clift 4, Catherine Lewis (C) 5, Frank Lewis 6.

Otford Sunday 17th May 2009

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Janet Whitehead 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Tessa Worthington 3, Fraser Clift 4, Catherine Lewis (C) 5, Frank Lewis 6.

In celebration for those confirmed today by the Bishop of Tonbridge and as a birthday compliment to Patsy Groom.

Brasted Sunday 31st May 2009

1260 Plain Bob Triples

Eric Roughley 1, Carole Rumsey 2, Bobbie Fairclough 3, Jennifer Thomas 4, Juliet Austin (1st in m) 5, Frank Lewis 6, Catherine Lewis (C) 7, Catherine Heathcote 8.

Remembering Sue Edgar. 1st Triples inside: 2.

Chevening Sunday 21st June 2009

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Tony Cresswell 1, Carol Scott 2, Tessa Worthington 3, Jennifer Thomas 4, Catherine Lewis (C), Frank Lewis 6.

For the patronal festival and the "Good News" Flower Festival. First away from cover: 1.

Brasted Monday 22nd June 2009

1260 Grandsire Triples

Melanie Creasey 1, Eric Roughley 2, Bobbie Fairclough 3, Frank Lewis 4, Juliet Austin 5, Catherine Lewis (C) 6, Anthony Leves 7, David Edgar 8.

Remembering Sue Edgar, mother of Melanie and wife of David.

Rung in the third quarter of 2009

Speldhurst Saturday 4th July 2009

1260 Grandsire Triples

Penny Gerrard 1, John Palmer 2, Stella Wooldridge 3, Eric Roughley 4, Alan King 5, Frank Lewis 6, Anthony Leves (C) 7, Graham Everett 8

In memory of Alan Broad, church warden and tower captain at Penshurst, who regularly rang at Speldhurst on Sundays and practice night.

Otford Tuesday 21st July 2009

1320 Kent Treble Bob Minor

Juliet Austin (1st TB) 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Fraser Clift 3, John Barnes 4, Frank Lewis 5, Catherine Lewis (C) 6.

With best wishes to Tony Cresswell.

Hadlow Hunters Lodge Wednesday 22nd July 2009

1260 Plain Bob Minor

Ann Jenner 1-2, Ray Taylor 3-4, Stanley Jenner (C) 5-6

Otford Thursday 20th August 2009

1260 Grandsire Doubles

Shirley Raynor 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Isabel Pearce 3, Tessa Worthington 4, Catherine Lewis (C) 5, Fraser Clift 6.

To celebrate the Golden Wedding anniversary this day of Brian and Janet Raynor.

Leigh Saturday 29th August 2009

1320 Wallace & Gromit Treble Place Minor

720 Wallace, 600 Gromit

Bobbie Fairclough 1, Pam Thomas 2, Stella Wooldridge 3, Fraser Clift 4, Howard Rogers 5, Nicholas Wilkins (C) 6

Golden Wedding Anniversary compliment today to Mr & Mrs Michael Doggett. Birthday (and get well!) compliment to Tim Lynch.

Brasted Sunday 30th August 2009

1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Gemma Rumsey 1, Carole Rumsey 2, Juliet Austin 3, Tessa Worthington 4, Catherine Lewis (C) 5, Frank Lewis 6.

For evensong and with best wishes to Gemma who is off to boarding school this week.

Hadlow Sunday 30th August 2009

1260 Grandsire Triples
Janice Massy 1, Celia Dickinson 2, Peter Dickinson 3, Rachel Lewis 4, Alan Phipps 5, Howard Rogers 6, Stanley Jenner (C) 7, Ray Taylor 8

Rung before Parish Eucharist to celebrate the baptism of Bethany Smith, granddaughter of Peter and Rev Gwen Smith.

Oxford Tuesday 1st September 2009

1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Janet Whitehead 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Fraser Clift 3, Catherine Lewis (C) 4, Frank Lewis 5, Martin Whitehead 6.

To mark the Ruby Wedding Anniversary of Janet and Martin, the birth of their third grandchild, Felicity Davis, and the marriage of their daughter, Susannah, to Ben Farrow. First Quarter: 6.

Brasted Thursday 3rd September

1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Frank Lewis 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Jennifer Thomas 3, Catherine Lewis (C) 4, Mike Worthington 5, Dan Bishop 6.

An 18th birthday compliment to Dan. First Quarter: 6.

Kilndown Friday 11th September 2009

1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor
Hugo Tracey 1, Eric Roughley 2, Anthony Leeves 3, Michael Bullett 4, Catherine Heathcote 5, Tim Lynch (C) 6

Birthday compliments on the occasion of the 80th birthday of Patrick Mayhew (Lord Mayhew of Twysden), Kilndown ringer, who rang with the band prior to this quarter.

Tunbridge Wells Saturday 12th September 2009

1260 Grandsire Triples
Pamela A Manger 1, Alison P Parsons 2, Louise G Pink 3, Frances P Bradford 4, Hugo Tracey 5,

David C Manger (C) 6, Peter M J Bradford 7, David W Threfall 8

Rung to celebrate a local wedding.

Speldhurst Sunday 13th September 2009

1260 Plain Bob Minor
Eric Roughley 1, Penny Gerrard 2, Ray Taylor 3, Michael Bullett 4, John Palmer 5, Anthony Leeves (C) 6

For Harvest Songs of Praise.

Tonbridge Sunday, 13th September 2009

1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor
Rachel Lewis 1, Jacqui Fletcher 2, Catherine Heathcote 3, Martin Willson 4, Rhoda Willson 5, Tim Lynch (C) 6

For Evening Service and to welcome new curate Rev Peter Goodridge. Also marking the 60th anniversary of Rachel learning to ring.

Milestones

Congratulations to...

First quarter	Dan Bishop Martin Whitehead
First away from cover	Tony Cresswell
First triples inside	Carole Rumsey

See your name in print!

The **Look to always** needs your articles to fill its pages! Whoever you are, wherever you ring, whatever you ring, feel free to commit pen to paper, or fingers to keyboard, and send in your contributions on:

- A write-up of your tower outing (and a photo or two!)
- Your ringing tips and hints (anything from learning bell-handling to spliced surprise) and questions you might want answered
- Historical snippets from your tower
- Anecdotes from an interesting practice you attended on holiday
- Other announcements

Always feel free to send a photo (electronically or hard-copy) with your article to Alex Staff:

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