



Canterbury District Newsletter

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From the Editor

The Newsletter is distributed by email every three months, and is also available to view on the Association website (www.kcacr.org.uk), in the **Canterbury District** section.

If you have any ringing-related news from your tower that you would like to feature in the newsletter, please send them to me at cantdistrictnews@gmail.com, or have a word with me if you see me at a meeting. It would be appreciated if all items could be with me no more than a week before the next Quarterly Meeting

Jane

Cover Image:

St Nicholas, Thanington

By Tony Martin

Chairman's Message

Hi Canterbury District

Well this year is flying past hope you all are well and enjoying our meetings so far.

The meetings in January and March have been well attended and the extra help given to Wickhambreaux and Eastry have been well received and helpful; also the ringing school held in February was very successful and well attended.

The AGM is going to be held at Willesborough in the Ashford District on Easter Monday and I would encourage you to go and have your say.

Our next meeting is at Margate n April 14th and looking forward to seeing you all there.

Best wishes

Mike

Ringling Master's News

Ringling Schools

The Canterbury District held two Ringling Schools on Saturday 10th February at St Laurence-in-Thanel and Bekesbourne.

There was a strong turnout of learners and helpers for the Ringling School on Grandsire Caters at St Laurence-in-Thanel. Learners started by ringling Plain Hunt on 9 in order to get used to ringling changes on 9 bells, before moving on to ringling plain courses of Grandsire Caters. Touches of Grandsire Caters were rung to push on ringers already familiar with the plain course, and Plain Hunt on 10 was also attempted too. It was a very productive session and the improvement over the course of the morning was very encouraging. Many thanks to the St Laurence ringers for the use of the bells and providing tea, coffee and biscuits during the break!

A Plain Hunt and Plain Bob Ringling School was held at Bekesbourne. There was a prompt start at 10.30am with around 25 people covering learning the basics of Plain Hunt with competent ringers to assist. The morning progressed by putting 1 or 2 learners in with the helpers filling in the band to give them the best opportunity. We also rang some nice touches of Plain Bob Doubles and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place Doubles. Many thanks to the Bekesbourne ringers for providing the refreshments and the use of the church. Thanks also to everyone who came along to assist in the successful morning.



District News

Cracking Catering at St Lawrence

It was quite an ambitious project – Grandsire Caters had been requested as the focus for one of this year's Ringing Schools. This would need a goodly number of experienced ten-bell ringers, in order to provide the best possible learning conditions for prospective students. As ever, the Canterbury District rose to the occasion and on a crisp February morning an army of students and helpers, led by Ringing Master Ben, made their way up the stairs, across the roof and through the little 'Hobbit hole' door to assemble in the St Lawrence ringing chamber.

It soon became apparent that most of the company needed time to settle on the bells and get used to striking so we started off with a few courses of Plain Hunt on 9. For those who were unused to ringing on ten, this also helped with rope sight practice.

Then the Grandsire Caters began in earnest, and with a good band around them, plus a helper standing behind, each student had the opportunity to have a thorough grounding in our focus method. At the same time, of course, others were able to observe the work of different bells before attempting it themselves. Some had even brought their print-outs with them – extra points for conscientiousness!



Plain courses of Grandsire Caters rang out across Thanet during the morning whilst those ensconced in the tower discussed the finer points of passing the treble, dodging accurately up and down at the back, and keeping an eye on the coursing order, among other immediate issues. Eventually it was time to take a break and partake of a well-earned hot drink, rustled up by the hospitable locals.



Then it was back upstairs again to consolidate learning and, in some cases, progress to ringing a touch. Towards the end of the session, it was decided to branch out a little and try some Plain Bob Royal, just for a change. And to crown a most successful Ringing School, all ten bells were expertly lowered in peal at the end.

The District Chairman took the opportunity to thank all who had participated, whether as a student or a helper, and especially Ben, who had taken the lead in organising and running the session. To everyone's great satisfaction, he declared there had been a

This had been a departure from the usual focus of Ringing Schools and yet it was overwhelmingly worthwhile, so don't be afraid to ask the Ringing Masters for assistance with whatever will help you to progress. They will do their best to 'cater' for all!

Isobel Legg

St Stephen's Hackington - Annual Meal

Traditionally St Stephen's Bellringers have staged an annual Christmas Dinner during the middle of December. This has always worked out well and is a very enjoyable evening at a local venue. It gives the ringers a chance to have a longer chat with each other - not always possible when we are busy ringing bells!!!!

However early in 2017 the ringers decided that we would change the timing of the meal for a very good reason. This was because St Stephen's was approached by the Canterbury District Committee of the Kent County Association of Change Ringers (KCACR) to ask if we would host the annual District Christmas Carol Service and Social. This we agreed to do and those who read this magazine regularly will have seen the report on this in February's edition. We therefore decided that because of the work involved in this plus everyone having the usual busy run-in's to the Christmas period that we would switch our annual meal to sometime in the new year.

I agreed to do the arrangements and as soon as we were in the first week of January I scoped four different venues in Canterbury that looked suitable for the occasion. These were put to the rest of the ringers along with date options in February. It was decided that we would go to 'The Parrot' Restaurant/Pub in the St Radigund's area of the city on Monday 19th February.

With deposits and menu choices submitted to the venue a week in advance the night finally arrived and 16 of us gathered at 'The Parrot'. With Monday not being the busiest night of the week we were very fortunate to be located in the beautiful upper room - which is very old and full of wood beams - and we had the room to ourselves.

We all enjoyed an excellent meal with good service. We finished off the evening with one of our number, Clive Bowley, giving us a very interesting talk about the history of the venue and the surrounding area. Clive has a very broad knowledge of historical matters in Canterbury with particular reference to buildings.

A great time was had by all.

Holiday Practices

Just a reminder our normal 'Holiday Practices' will be taking place on the following dates. Everyone is welcome and we ring whatever we for who comes!

Wednesday's 4th & 11th April - 10-45am to 12-30pm

Wednesday 30th May - 10-45am to 12-30pm

Adam Redgwell, Tower Captain

St Mary's Chilham

This news certainly cheered us up at our Chilham Ringers AGM in the White Horse (where else?) on 7th March. Now we've got to find a haulier who'll take our bell down to Matthew Higby & bring the Keltek exchange one back for as little as possible when the time comes. We count ourselves lucky to have the practical support of the Canterbury District of the KCACR, as we did when we had the crack welded by Soundweld just over twenty years ago, double the ten years they said was their minimum weld life. It still sounds OK to the layman, and was turned in for a quarter peal of Cambridge Surprise Major in 44 minutes by a mainly Gloucestershire band only a week before writing this.

Some readers may have watched the BBC1 Bronte drama "To Walk Invisible" just after Christmas 2016 whose opening credits were dominated by the sound of our cracked tenor (rung extremely slowly by our captain Philip Bedford). The writer/director contacted Whitechapel asking to be put in touch with a tower with a cracked bell, and a BBC recordist attended our practice night in the Autumn. For good measure he recorded (from different places) a range of our normal practice ringing on different combinations including what Philip calls the pretty six (1,3,4,5,7,8 I believe). Some of this was used for Haworth bells heard from within the Bronte vicarage, also the seventh alone for the sisters' visit to London. This caused speculation in the Ringing World that two different towers bells were used which Philip dispelled with an explanatory letter.

This won't happen for a few months, so why not visit us on a practice night (every Wednesday 7.30 to 9.00 pm) to try out our tenor before it goes, and later try out its replacement? An additional attraction is adjourning to the nearby White Horse. We ring mostly Doubles to Triples methods but with two or three visitors present we aspire to Surprise Major, and currently we have a couple of lads making good progress hunting to Grandsire Doubles.

Chris Godfrey

ART Training Day

On Saturday 24th March two ringers from Monkton Tower in Thanet attended the ART training scheme module 1- Teaching Bell Handling, at St Lawrence in Thanet tower.

Nerves were jangling and we were unsure of how the day would unfold as we felt we would be the novices. As it turned out the 8 ringers from other towers all felt the same.

We need not have worried as Roger Booth guided us through a well-structured day, with each section beginning with a short theory lesson and power point display, then moving on to a practical session in the ringing room. He began with how to teach learners the basic components, through safety and on to the tricky area of putting the two strokes together. The last session covered how to solve common handling problems.

It was not easy to try and be a learner again and to overcome our fear of roll play, but everyone said it was a brilliant day and all felt they had become more confident and ready to support a learner. Before we left, Roger had one more thing for us to try. We were all right handed ringers so he asked us to ring left handed. Well, it takes you right back to being a learner once again. Have a go!!

Thank you to Tony Goodman for organising a lovely lunch for us too.

Rachel (tower captain) and Heather

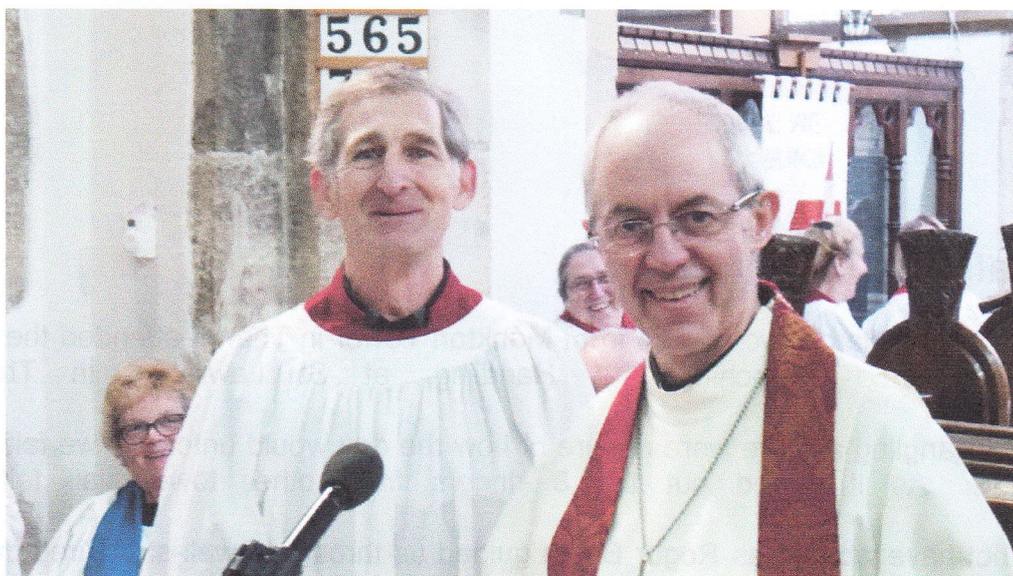
All Saints Birchington

On the occasion of a visit from the Archbishop of Canterbury the band decided to ring a new variation as shown below:-

Sunday, 25 March 2018 (8-2-17 in A)
1260 Archbishop Of Canterbury Doubles
Worcestershire Bob with a Plain Bob plain

- 1 David Sheekey
- 2 Tim Attride (C)
- 3 Douglas Neve
- 4 Emma Tapsell
- 5 Michael Little
- 6 Stuart Willmott

Rung on the occasion of the visitation of the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby.
The band would like to name this variation "Archbishop of Canterbury"



Tim Attride



The Cinque Ports Ringing Centre at Dover

A touch of some 600 changes rung at St Mary's, Dover, is reported in The Bell News of 1898 as "being the first ringing on these bells since 1844 the tower having been deemed unsafe". A hundred years later the "go" of the bells had become so bad that in July 1998 the ringers and congregation of St Mary's, Dover, launched an appeal to have the bells restored once more. The re-hang in a new frame and a ringing room on the remodelled gallery was intended as a millennium project but funds took longer to raise than anticipated. It wasn't completed until September 2002.

In the mean time the Worshipful Company of Founders had made available to the Exercise a grant of £50,000 for training more ringers. The Central Council of the day decided that the best way to use the money would be to set up a network of "Ringing Centres". The Dover project met all their criteria to qualify for a share in this bonanza so we applied for and were awarded funding for training facilities. With it we bought a complete "Ringleader" simulator system from David Bagley; it still functions reliably after fifteen years' use. So it was that the Cinque Ports Ringing Centre came into being.

During our first year of operation we ran a series of bi-monthly "First Steps" day courses ranging from elementary work through to Stedman and Surprise. Although these were very successful the administrative effort involved benefited only a few delegates and we felt that we ought to be catering more for the needs of a much wider audience. We came up with the idea of weekly practices to help learners with bell handling faults and problems with bell control. Starting in January 2004 and with very few exceptions they continued every Saturday morning for fourteen years.

During the last two years or so however our small team have found it increasingly difficult to sustain a weekly effort. The last regular Saturday practice was in January of this year. Having considered various possible rescue options, we had to accept the fact that the Centre would have to close. There'll be a final business meeting at the end of June. In the mean time we shall be running a special practice on the first Saturday in each month while we formulate proposals for disposing of the Centre's assets.

There are four more Saturday practices to come. They will start at 10 am and will aim to finish at 12.30:

7th April - Elementary Ropesight and Plain Bob

5th May - Variations on Call Changes

2nd June - Methods for Learners

30th June - General Ringing followed by a Business Meeting at 11.30

mailto:ptdale@dsl.pipex.com to say that you're coming would be appreciated.

Demand for teaching at elementary level is now as great as it ever was but the ringing scene has moved on since the Cinque Ports Centre began. With the formation of ART there are now more properly trained instructors in the County, and centres other than ours are also offering high-quality teaching. The original remit of the Ringing Centre movement was to lead the way in furthering better teaching. We trust that our Centre has played its part in doing just that, with grateful thanks to all our regular supporters past and present.

Peter Dale



For those that are unaware the draw year now runs from April to March. Renewal forms were sent out mid March to tower secretaries. If you are a current member and have not yet received the renewal form please either contact me, or below is an application form which can be used. If anyone else would like to join it is only £10 for the year. There are 9 draws a year with 1st prize of £35, 2nd of £20 and 3rd of £10. The 10th draw at the Christmas social is 1st £100, 2nd £30 and 3rd £20. If you would like to join please print and send the form below to me. All profit goes to the BRF. Email 120clubcanterbury@gmail.com

Here is a list of winners for all the draws in the last year.

April 2017

123 - Allan Chandler
12 - John Paramor
84 - Chris Godfrey

May 2017

43 - Jo Horton
25 - Robyn D'Albertanson
104 - Leo Basford

June 2017

44 - Jane Chaloner
195 - Liz Shearman
14 - Freda Parker

July 2017

63 - Bill Evans
52 - Romany Cowans
84 - Chris Godfrey

September 2017

12 - John Paramor
8 - Wingham Tower Fund
10 - Sarat White

October 2017

93 - Peter Freeman
43 - Jo Horton
16 - Jim Phillips RIP

November 2017

1. 2 - Tim Attride
2. 93 - Peter Freeman
3. 28 - Emily Smith

December 2017

1. 67 - Malcolm Withers
2. 7 - Simon Friend
3. 103 - Suki Basford

January 2018

1. 117 - Len Huckstep
2. 59 - Tina Bouldin
3. 53 - Zoe Story

March 2018

1. 77 - Len Dumper
2. 7 - Simon Friend
3. 79 - Mike Little

Phil Elderton

2017 Membership List – 120 Club

Number	First Name	Surname
1	Jill	Elderton
2	Timothy	Attride
3	Brian	Pollett
4	Christna	Walker
5	Timothy	Attride
6	John	Haimes
7	Simon	Friend
8	Wingham	Tower Fund
9	Tony	Martin
10	Sarat	White
11	Lionel	Carpenter
12	John	Paramor
13	Mike	Little
14	Freda	Parker
15	Len	Huckstep
16		
17	Marilyn	Barden
18	David	Claringbold
19	Jane	Huxley
20	Anthony	Bridges
21	Hazel	Basford
22	Jane	Duckworth
23	Sarah	Smith
24	Jim	Mitchell
25	Robyn	D'Albertanson
26	Len	Huckstep
27	Gary	Styles
28	Emily	Smith
29	Christine	Le June
30	Jane	Millyard
31	Denise	Copeman
32	Catherine	Davis
33	Peter	Freeman
34	Waltham	Tower Fund
35	Christine	Atkins

Number	First Name	Surname
36	Janet	Godfrey
37	Michael	Keeler-Walker
38	Annette	Garner
39	Douglas	Neve
40	Judy	Young
41	Jane	Chaloner
42	x	
43	Jo	Horton
44	Jane	Chaloner
45	Herne	Tower Fund
46	Stuart	Wilmott
47	Malcolm	Smith
48	Hazel	Basford
49	Brenda	Davies
50	David	Cawley
51	Pauline	Murrell
52	Romany	Cowans
53	Zoe	Story
54		
55	Eastry	Tower Fund
56	Eastry	Tower Fund
57	Steve	Marsh
58	Angela	Le Beton
59	Tina	Bouldin
60	Bekesbourne	Tower Fund
61	David	Burton
62	Jill	Elderton
63	Bill	Evans
64	Kim	Curtiss
65	Paul	Curtiss
66	Tom	Davis
67	Malcolm	Withers
68	x	
69	Gill	Moon
70	Sturry	Tower Fund

Number	First Name	Surname
71	Samuel	Keeler-Walker
72	Ann	Davies
73	Jacqui	Webber
74	Sue	Bones
75	John	Sim
76	Clare	Bellis
77	Len	Dumper
78	Zoe	Story
79	Mike	Little
80	Sue	Bones
81		
82	Mary	Mannings
83	Bonnie	Basford
84	Chris	Godfrey
85	Jane	Chaloner
86	Herne	Tower Fund
87	Jane	Chaloner
88	St. Dunstons	Tower Fund
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92	Petham	Tower Fund
93	Peter	Freeman
94	Ben	Paterson
95	Luke	Paterson
96	Charlie	Paterson
97	Ollie	Paterson
98		

Number	First Name	Surname
99	Ian	White
100	Wickhambreaux	Beer Fund
101	Andy	Brett
102	Len	Dumper
103	Suki	Basford
104	Leo	Basford
105	Liz	Shearman
106	Mary	Bridges
107	Douglas	Beake
108	Tony	Goodman
109	Eastry	Tower Fund
110	Tessa	Van Der Vliet
111	Felicity	Lewis
112	Stuart	Wilmott
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117	Len	Huckstep
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120	Ann	Martin
121		
122	Harry	Smith
123	Allan	Chandler
124	Allan	Chandler
125	Lyminge	Tower Fund

Minutes of Past Meetings

The KCACR Canterbury District Quarterly Meeting Saturday 13th January 2018 at St Mary of Charity, Faversham.

Ringling began at 11am under the guidance of the ringing masters. The Service at 12.30am was conducted by Simon Young with Patti Whaley playing the organ. Lunch was served in the Church by the Faversham ringers led by Jennifer Holden.

1. Welcome. The chairman, Mike Little, opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to Faversham.
2. Apologies for absence were received from Alan Andrews, Hazel Basford, Paul Curtis, Brenda Davies, Rev. Stanley Evans, the Hills family, Adam Jastrzebski, Paul Johnson, Rosemary Kirk, Felicity Lewis, John Paramor, Freda Parker, Debra Stickels, Malcolm and Zoe Story and the St Peters band
3. Minutes of the last meetings, as printed in the January newsletter, were taken as read on a proposal from Len Huckstep seconded by Rev. David Cawley.
4. Matters Arising. There were no matters arising.
5. Election of New Members

From Elham, Fiona Turney and Morgan Turney were proposed by Nicky Crowhurst and seconded by Emma Edwards and Henry Warren, also from Elham was proposed by Nicky Crowhurst and seconded by Tony Martin. All were elected and welcomed by the members present.

6. Presentation of Certificates.

Certificates were presented to Maggie Young from Lyminge and Clair Stay from Herne.

7. Treasurer's Report 2017.

In her absence Cathryn Hills had sent copies of the balance sheet. No questions were asked of the figures.

A copy of the balance sheet is attached to these minutes.

8. The Collection amounted to £36.40 split £18.20 to Faversham and £18.20 to the BRF.

9. Report from the County Committee Meeting on 25th November.

Jo reported that there is no minimum age for insurance but the upper limit is 70 years. The committee would like to raise this to 80.

There are a lot of older members who do not pay subscriptions. This means that subs may have to be increased.

Some districts take a float and repay this later but it is depleting the general fund. It was suggested that each district should be given £1,000 as float.

Funding for out of county trips (mainly young ringers outings) is coming from the general fund when it should be taken from the training fund.

Currently the training fund has £8,350 the general fund £6,695 the subscription account £10,652 and the BRF £36,818. There is £102,000 on deposit.

Next year the youth competition will be in the Canterbury District. Sturry was suggested. Jo will look at the church calendar.

The 2018 AGM will be held at Willesborough. Canterbury District will host the AGM in 2019.

10. Forthcoming Events:

Saturday 10th February: Ringing School. Times to be arranged to suit students.

The ringing masters need to know what people would like to learn so they can arrange for schools to take place where they are required. A school was to be held at St Laurence-in-Thamet for Grandsire Caters and a Plain Hunt/Plain Bob Doubles was planned possibly to be at Sandwich.

Sunday 11th February: Quarter Peal Week to follow the ringing school.

Anyone wanting help with a first quarter, with raising a band for a quarter or calling a quarter should contact the ringing masters as should other requests for help and guidance.

Wednesday 14th February: Holiday ringing at St Stephens 10.45 – 12.30

All standards catered for, the more ringers the more we can achieve. Please encourage everyone to attend.

Saturday 10th March: Bye meeting at Barham. Ringing at 11am Service at 12.30pm followed by lunch, meeting and ringing at Bekesbourne afterwards. Names for lunch to namesfortea@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible please.

Special methods: Winchendon Place Doubles and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place Doubles.

Saturday 24th March: District Surprise Major Practice at St Stephens at 7.30pm.

Saturday 14th April: Quarterly Meeting at Margate. Ringing at 3pm Service at 4.30pm followed by tea, meeting and further ringing. Names for tea to namesfortea@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible please.

Special methods: Single Oxford Bob Triples and Plain Bob Major.

Easter Monday 2nd April: County Annual General Meeting at Willesborough. Details will follow later.

John Haines announced that there was to be a district practice at Wickhambreaux on Thursday 25th

January at 7.30pm.

11. Members achievements. There was nothing to report.

12. 120 Club.

1st	£35	No 117	Len Huckstep	St Dunstans
2nd	£25	No 59	Tina Bouldin	Sturry
3rd	£15	No 53	Zoe Story	St Laurence-in-Thamet

13. Any Other Business.

There was no other business to discuss.

14. Vote of Thanks:

Sam Keeler-Walker gave the vote of thanks to all those involved in the organisation of the meeting. Members showed their appreciation in the usual way.



Make Sure to check out the District Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/canterburydistrict/>

**The KCACR Canterbury District
Bye Meeting
Saturday 10th March 2018 at St John the Baptist, Barham.**

Ringling began just after 11am under the guidance of the ringling masters. The service at 12.30pm was conducted by Rev. Stefan Thomas with Rod Spencer playing the organ. Lunch was served in the church by the Barham ringlers.

In the absence of chairman Mike Little, Len Huckstep chaired the meeting and welcomed everyone to Barham.

1. Apologies for absence were received from Rev. David Cawley, Allan Chandler, Paul Curtis, Philip Elderton, Rev. Stanley Evans, Andrew Hills, Paul Johnson, Michael Keeler-Walker, Rosemary Kirk, Mike Little, John Paramor, Freda Parker, Wendy Rogers, Zac Rogers, Malcolm Story and Zoe Story.

2. Election of new members.

There were no new members to elect.

3. Presentation of Certificates.

There were no members present who were due to receive certificates.

4. The Collection amounted to £48.00 with £24.00 going to Barham and £24.00 to the BRF.

5. Forthcoming Events.

Saturday 24th March. District Surprise Practice at St Stephens at 7.30pm.
Ben asked that people let the ringling masters know if they were planning to attend so they had an idea of numbers.

Monday 2nd April: Annual General Meeting at Willesborough.

The brochure is on the County website. Ringling routes into and away from Willesborough were published but did not go from the Canterbury district. General ringling was scheduled from 11 to 11.45

when an invited band would ring the service touch. Lunch was to be served in the church and would cost

£16. The chairman was due to stand down at the end of his three years in office. The secretary had indicated that he would resign on the spot if the proposals for change were not passed by the membership. He would not continue with an organisation which wasn't looking to the future.

Saturday 14th April: Quarterly Meeting at Margate Ringling at 3pm, Service at 4.30 followed by tea, meeting and further ringling. Names for tea to namesfortea@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible please.

Special methods: Single Oxford Bob Triples and Plain Bob Major.

Saturday 12th May. Striking Competition at Wickhambreaux. Draw at 2.45pm, ringing at 3pm followed by Service. Tea will be served during the competition. There will be a short meeting at which the result will be announced. Names for tea to namesfortea@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible please.

An application form will be in the April Newsletter.

Saturday 9th June: Bye Meeting at Hernhill. Ringing at 3pm, Service at 4.30 followed by tea, meeting and further ringing. Names for tea to namesfortea@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible please.

Saturday 14th July: Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich.

Ben announced that the next district practice was to be on Wednesday 25th April at Faversham at their usual practice time.

6. 120 Club Draw

1st	£35	No. 77	Len Dumper	Wingham
2nd	£25	No. 37	Michael Keeler-Walker	Wickhambreaux
3rd	£15	No. 79	Mike Little	All Saints Birchington

7. Any Other Business.

Flavia Faedo had been persuaded to ring her first peal at Petham on Saturday 3rd March. She was congratulated and also wished well for her upcoming return to Uruguay for six months.

The county secretary had sent several items from the central council regarding a revision of the rules and the details of the upcoming elections. Also information about new publicity leaflets and flyers. All these documents are available on the county website and will be circulated to all tower contacts.

Jo Horton asked about the situation with the Cinque Ports Ringing Centre at Dover. They are currently running one practice a month and were looking for help to run the centre. The county committee had been made aware of the situation but felt that the centre was in the wrong place for the county to make regular use of it. They had received an offer from Tom Winter to run things with help from Becky Denne.

Rev. David Cawley had sent an email today pointing out that the deadline to order 2018 handbooks was Friday 9th March which was yesterday. There had only been 60 orders so far so the county committee felt that this showed that members did not want them. The secretary had ordered a few which would be given to new members as they were elected.

8. Vote of Thanks: Felicity Lewis gave the vote of thanks to everyone involved with organising the meeting. Members showed their appreciation in the usual way.

Members then moved on to Bekesbourne for further ringing.

Statement of Accounts 2017

Brought Forward £2.03

Subscription Account

142 Full members @ £10.00	£1,420.00
8 Junior members @ £5.00	£40.00
1 Junior half year @ £2.50	£2.50
5 Student members @ £5.00	£25.00
105 OAP members @ £5.00	£525.00
1 Associates @ £5.00	£5.00
1 Associates @ £1.00	£1.00
1 Life @ £150.00	£150.00

Banked Bell Restoration Fund	£1,173.34
Banked Subscription Account	£2,098.50

Banked Subscription Account by County Treasurer	£70.00
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Secretary's expenses	£50.00
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Treasurer's expenses	£30.00
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£2,170.53

General Fund

Monies from Main KCACR A/C	£100.00
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£2,270.53

Bell Restoration Fund

Donations	£10.00
	£65.00
Part Collections	£130.09
Bell bucket	£56.25
Raffle	£52.00
2016 120 Club Proceeds	£520.00
2017 120 Club Proceeds	£340.00

£1,173.34

Carried Forward	£22.03
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£3,443.87

£3,443.87

District Quarter Peals

Quarter Peals rung from 1st January to 30th March 2018 are as follows:

Date	Rung at	Changes and Method	Conductor
01/01/2018	Lyminge (SS Mary and Ethelburga), Kent	1260 St Simon's Bob Triples	Adrian Hackford
02/01/2018	Thanington (St Nicholas), Kent	1260 Doubles (3m)	Tony Martin
07/01/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1400 Armistice Doubles	Michael Little
07/01/2018	Thanington (St Nicholas), Kent	1260 St Simon's Bob Doubles	Tony Martin
09/01/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Lenton Doubles	Tim Attridge
10/01/2018	Dover (St Mary the Virgin), Kent	1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor	Clare Bellis
11/01/2018	Thanington (St Nicholas), Kent	1260 St Martin's Bob Doubles	Tony Martin
14/01/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Twbnarlwm Doubles	Michael Little
14/01/2018	Canterbury Cathedral, Kent	1259 Grandsire Caters	Mark Chittenden-Pile
17/01/2018	Dover (St Mary the Virgin), Kent	1260 St Simon's Bob Triples	Stephen J Davis
20/01/2018	Birchington (Waterloo Tower, Quex Park), Kent	1280 Plain Bob Major	Michael Little
21/01/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Tregaer Doubles	Michael Little
21/01/2018	St Laurence in Thanet (St Laurence), Kent	1260 Doubles (10m/V)	Thomas A Winter
24/01/2018	Chartham (St Mary), Kent	1260 Grandsire Doubles	Clare Bellis
25/01/2018	Chilham (St Mary), Kent	1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor	Clare Bellis
26/01/2018	Ospringe (SS Peter and Paul), Kent	1260 Stedman Doubles	Philip H Larter
27/01/2018	Elham (St Mary the Virgin), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Doubles	Tony Martin
28/01/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Llanover Doubles	Tim Attridge
04/02/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Redwick Doubles	Tim Attridge
06/02/2018	Thanington (St Nicholas), Kent	1260 Grandsire Doubles	Tony Martin
06/02/2018	Westgate on Sea (St Saviour), Kent	1260 St Simon's Bob Doubles	Clare Bellis
09/02/2018	Chilham (St Mary), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Triples	Andrew J Corby
11/02/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Dingestow Doubles	Tim Attridge
12/02/2018	Canterbury (St Dunstan), Kent	1260 Grandsire Doubles	Len Huckstep
12/02/2018	Lyminge (SS Mary and Ethelburga), Kent	1260 Doubles	Tony Martin
13/02/2018	Sheldwich (St James), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Barnaby Larter
13/02/2018	Waltham (St Bartholomew), Kent	1260 Grandsire Doubles	Len Huckstep
14/02/2018	Herne (St Martin), Kent	1260 Grandsire Triples	Susan E Record
16/02/2018	Ash next Sandwich (St Nicholas), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Malcolm Barden
16/02/2018	Whitstable (St Alphege), Kent	1260 Stedman Triples	Susan E Record
17/02/2018	Canterbury Cathedral, Kent	1282 Cambridge Surprise Major	Andrew M Hills
17/02/2018	Chartham (St Mary), Kent	1260 Stedman Singles	William N Evans
17/02/2018	St Peter-in-Thamet (St Peter the Apostle), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Doubles	Mike Little
18/02/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Quarndon Doubles	Michael Little
18/02/2018	Canterbury (St Stephen, Hackington), Kent	1260 Mixed Doubles	Adam C Redgwell
18/02/2018	Faversham (45 Bramley Avenue), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Philip H Larter
19/02/2018	Graveney (All Saints), Kent	1260 Singles	Adam D Moore
21/02/2018	Dover (St Mary the Virgin), Kent	1260 Grandsire Triples	Andrew J Corby
25/02/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Ken Schneider Doubles	Tim Attridge
25/02/2018	Canterbury Cathedral, Kent	1289 Stedman Caters	Andrew M Hills
25/02/2018	St Laurence in Thanet (St Laurence), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Doubles	Thomas A Winter
27/02/2018	Canterbury Cathedral, Kent	1260 Grandsire Triples	Mark Chittenden-Pile
28/02/2018	Dover (St Mary the Virgin), Kent	1260 St Clement's College Bob Minor	William N Evans
03/03/2018	Ospringe (St Peter and St Paul), Kent	1280 Ospringe Surprise Major	Philip Larter
04/03/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Valerie Prior Doubles	Tim Attridge
04/03/2018	Canterbury (St Stephen, Hackington), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Triples	Tony J Martin
07/03/2018	Whitstable (All Saints), Kent	1320 Kent Treble Bob Minor	William N Evans

09/03/2018	Thanington (St Nicholas), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Doubles	Flavia Faedo & Brenda Davies & Jane Huxley & Tony Martin
11/03/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Fortieth Birthday Doubles	Tim Attride
11/03/2018	Canterbury Cathedral, Kent	1260 Plain Bob Royal	Mark Chittenden-Pile
12/03/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1272 Plain Bob Minimus	Michael Little
14/03/2018	Dover (St Mary the Virgin), Kent	1320 Ipswich Surprise Minor	Clare Bellis
18/03/2018	Canterbury (St Stephen, Hackington), Kent	1260 Doubles (2m)	Tony Martin
21/03/2018	Dover (St Mary the Virgin), Kent	1260 Kearsney Abbey Bob Triples	Andrew J Corby
25/03/2018	Birchington (All Saints), Kent	1260 Archbishop Of Canterbury Doubles	Tim Attride
25/03/2018	Thanington (St Nicholas), Kent	1260 Doubles (1p/3m)	Tony Martin
30/03/2018	Faversham (45 Bramley Avenue), Kent	1260 Grandsire Doubles	Philip Larter

District Peals

Peals rung from 1st January to 30th March 2018 are as follows:

Date	Rung at	Changes and Method	Conductor
05/02/2018	Boughton under Blean (SS Peter and Paul), Kent	5024 Spliced Surprise Major (10m)	Philip Rogers
22/02/2018	Selling (St Mary the Virgin), Kent	5058 Glasgow Surprise Major	John B Keeler
03/03/2018	Petham (All Saints), Kent	5040 Doubles (21 M V P)	Andrew M Hills
25/03/2018	Hernhill (St Michael), Kent	5040 Grandsire Triples	Philip H Larter

Bye Meeting - Saturday 9th June at Hernhill

Erin Triples

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Plain Bob Major

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Canterbury District Officers

As of the 2017 Annual District Meeting, the officers of the Canterbury District currently stand as follows:

Chairman	Mike Little	01843 843065	guexmaster@hotmail.com
Secretary	Tony Martin	01227 769686	canterburysecretary@kcacr.org.uk
Treasurer	Cathryn Hills	01795 533809	(No calls after 8pm please)
Competition Secretary	Andrew Hills	01795 533809	amhills@hotmail.co.uk
Ringing Masters	Ben Legg	07818 434350	benlegg87@hotmail.com
	John Haines	07714 860399	johnhaines@hotmail.com
District Reps	Brenda Davies	01227 738492	bdavies5040@gmail.com
	Jo Horton	01227 711138	jo.horton@which.net
Newsletter Editor & Press Rep	Jane Huxley		cantdistrictnews@gmail.com
120 Club Promoter	Phil Elderton		120clubcanterbury@gmail.com
Committee Members	Len Huckstep	01227 362733	lenhuckstep@gmail.com
	Michael Keeler-Walker	01227 720121	mckeeler@hotmail.co.uk

Forthcoming Events

Quarterly Meeting - Saturday 14th April at Margate

Ringling at 3pm, Service at 4.30 followed by tea, meeting and further ringing. Names for tea to namesfortea@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible please.

Special methods: Single Oxford Bob Triples and Plain Bob Major.

Striking Competition - Saturday 12th May at Wickhambreaux

Draw at 2.45pm, ringing at 3pm followed by Service. Tea will be served during the competition. There will be a short meeting at which the result will be announced. Names for tea to namesfortea@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible please.

Rules of the competition and an application form are printed elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Bye Meeting - Saturday 9th June at Hernhill

Ringling at 3pm, Service at 4.30 followed by tea, meeting and further ringing. Names for tea to namesfortea@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible please.

Quarterly Meeting - Saturday 14th July at Sandwich

Ringling at 3pm, Service at 4.30 followed by tea, meeting and further ringing. Names for tea to namesfortea@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible please.

Holiday Practices – St Stephen’s Hackington

All are welcome and we ring whatever methods we have the people for from complete beginners to advanced levels.

Wednesday's 4th & 11th April - 10-45am to 12-30pm

Wednesday 30th May - 10-45am to 12-30pm



Member's details:

Full name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Phone No. _____

e-mail _____

Home tower _____ No of Entries: _____

Amount due (£10 per entry) £ _____

Special number request (s) _____ Signature _____

Cheques to KCACR Canterbury District 120 Club.

Please send this form with payment to:

Phil Elderton, 8 Lamplight Gardens, Aylesham, Canterbury, CT3 3GP

KCACR Canterbury District

District Striking Competition Rules

(Adopted at the ADM in October, 1990, amended at the ADM in October 1999 and further amended in October 2006)

1. The competition shall be held annually within the District at a location and on a date to be decided by the District Committee and shall be subject to the following rules.
2. The Competition shall be organised by the Assistant District Secretary in consultation with the District committee.
3. The object of the competition is to improve the standard of striking through friendly competition between bands representing towers in the District in union with the Kent County Association of Change Ringers.
4. All members taking part shall be members of the Kent County Association of Change Ringers and regular Sunday service ringers at the tower they represent.
5. Bands shall be named on the entry form provided by the Assistant District Secretary, although not necessarily in the order of ringing in the test piece.
6. No ringer may ring more than once or represent more than one tower in the same competition.
7. A draw for the order of the bands competing shall be made by the leaders of each band before the competition, bands to be known by numbers only not by name. No two bands shall be in the ringing chamber at the same time. A steward shall be in the tower for the better observance of these rules and shall see that the bells are raised and rung beforehand.
8. Each band shall be allowed one continuous period of two minutes for a trial round of changes at the end of which the bells shall be set. A whole pull is to be rung on the treble to indicate to the judge(s) that the band is ready and the test piece will then commence and continue to its end without break.
9. Subject to any alteration arising from the application of rule 10 the test piece shall consist of either 240 changes of doubles on five or six bells or 240 changes of minor or, if the band entered is incapable of ringing changes (to a reasonable standard to be determined by the District Committee), the equivalent length of call changes, in which case there must be at least 24 different changes at regular intervals with at least five working bells.
10. The competition organiser may halve the length of the test piece stated in rule 9 if a) More than 8 teams have entered the competition or b) The competition is unduly delayed. In event that the test piece length is altered due to a delay after the competition has started then the bands that have rung the full length shall only be judged on the first 120 changes of their test piece and any marked rounds. Any band ringing call changes shall only be required to have 12 different changes at regular intervals with at least five working bells.
11. The first 10 whole pulls of rounds in the test piece shall not be marked. All faults in subsequent rounds and changes shall be penalised and the competition judged on the total number of faults recorded subject to any adjustment allowed under rule 10.

12. Any band failing to complete the test piece shall be disqualified.
13. There shall be one or two judges, preferably independent of the District, who shall know only the numbers of the bands competing. Their decision shall be final, subject to the observance of these rules, and the judge(s) shall give the results and comments at the meeting following the competition.
14. The Frank Knight Cup will be awarded, with a certificate, to the winning tower, who will be responsible for its safe keeping. It shall be returned in a clean condition to the Honorary District Secretary before the next competition or after a period of one year if no competition is held within that period.
15. The decision of the District Committee as to the interpretation and observance of these rules shall be final and binding on all parties. Such decisions shall be by a simple majority of the Committee present and voting.

Kent County Association of Change Ringers

Canterbury District Striking Competition

The 2018 Striking Competition will be held on
Saturday 12th May
at
Wickhambreaux

The draw for order of ringing will take place at 2.45pm. Competition ringing to start at 3pm with the service at 5pm followed by a short meeting at which the results will be announced. Tea will be available during the competition.

The Competition Organiser must be notified of teams wishing to take part by Saturday, 6th May and any team that is unable to attend for the whole competition should inform the Competition Organiser as soon as possible.

Full copies of the rules are available from the Competition Organiser on request. The main points are:-

- 1) Ringers must be practicing members of the Canterbury District of the KCACR and ring regularly at the tower they are representing.
- 2) 240 Changes of Doubles or Minor must be rung (subject to Rule 10).

Please complete the entry form and return it to the Competition Organiser, Andrew Hills, 58, Bramley Avenue, Faversham, Kent. ME13 8LP amhills@hotmail.co.uk Tel: 01795 533809

Names for tea to namesfortea@hotmail.co.uk or phone 01227 720121 as soon as possible please.

<u>KCACR Canterbury District Striking Competition 2018</u> <u>Entry Form</u>	
Tower	
Team Organiser	Telephone: <hr/>
	E-mail <hr/>
Team Members 	

All entry forms **must** be returned to the competition organiser by Saturday, 5th May, 2018.