# Look to



THE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE TONBRIDGE DISTRICT OF THE KCACR: WINTER 2019

#### Happy New Year!



As we kick-off 2019 with a busy calendar of events, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the previous committee members for their efforts and hard work last year, without their input we wouldn't be starting this year with such a varied and fun programme.

The new committee has met twice since the annual district meeting, finalising the annual programme of events and also agreeing what we want to try and achieve this year. As a district we can be proud of the fact we are a very active community, with

towers helping each other out, many training opportunities available and a good number of Peals and Quarter Peals taking place throughout the district. As a committee we will continue to support the ongoing activity as needed and will also focus on what we can do to:

- Increase attendance at district events.
- Continue to identify training needs and offer opportunities to increase standard of ringing.
- Raise awareness and skills in bell maintenance.
- Work with towers which need support with service ringing.

In addition to the elected members of the committee I would like to thank Mike Worthington and Steph Rueff who have agreed to assist us. Mike continues his invaluable work co-ordinating the district training days and Steph will be working with Richard Dyson to publicise events and district news on social media and the website.

One of the next events we have in the diary is the Trivia Evening on 19th January. Whilst there won't be any ringing on the night, there is lots of fun to be had and the chance to pit your wits against some of the best quizzers in the district! This year the questions are being set by the Edenbridge A team (although I think the B team had the right idea by not winning, as becoming quizmaster for the next year isn't my idea of a good prize!). I look forward to seeing you there and at other events throughout the year!

**& Louise Nightingale,** District Chairman



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#### ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING

THE ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING OF 2018 was held on Saturday 6th October at St Mary, Goudhurst at 6pm.

#### • Welcome

Chairman Mike Bullett gave a warm welcome to all members and guests and particularly Phillip Barnes, Chairman of the Kent County Association of Change Ringers.

### • Remembering Tony Harris, Shipbourne, and Norma Neal, Goudhurst

The meeting stood for a minute's silence as a tribute to Tony Harris (Shipbourne) and Norma Neal (Goudhurst), District Ringers who have recently passed away.

#### • Vote of thanks

The Chairman thanked the Rector the Reverend Hugh Nelson for leading the Service of Evening Prayer, the Church Wardens and PCC of St Mary's Goudhurst for kindly allowing Tonbridge District Ringers to hold their Annual District Meeting at St Mary's Church and for the use of the bells. Thanks were also given to David Denton for playing the organ at the Service of Evening Prayer. The Chairman thanked Rosemary Southon and Carol Eglise for providing the lovely tea. (Rosemary added her thanks to those who had left food after Norma's Funeral and from a clothing sale held previously in the day).

- Minutes of the DQM, 7th July, St Mary the Virgin, Speldhurst and matters arising The minutes were signed as an accurate record of the meeting. There were no matters arising.
- Chairman's Review of 2017/18 District Chairman Mike Bullett, delivered his review of the year.

### • Tonbridge District 120 Club review of 2017/18

In the absence of Ray Taylor, who sent his apologies, Chairman Mike Bullet read out the 120 Club Review of the Year 2017/18. On behalf of the District Membership the Chairman thanked Ray Taylor for his work towards the 120 Club throughout the year.

#### Proposed new members

Lucy Harvey (Hadlow) - proposed by Phil Jarvis, seconded by Stan Jenner. Christopher Horseman (Speldhurst) - proposed by Eric Roughley, seconded by Anthony

The candidates were duly elected unopposed to the KCACR.

#### Proposed KCACR rule changes

The KCACR Chairman Phil Barnes reminded members that any proposed rule changes must be discussed at District AGMs before being debated at The KCACR AGM in April 2019.

This year two rule changes are proposed:

- 1. To reduce The KCACR General Committee quorum from 8 to 6 required no debate (this has come about following last year's restructuring meaning the General Committee now has fewer members).
- 2. The restructuring of the current KCACR subscription scale.

Phil Barnes explained that the KCACR currently has a number of concessionary subscription rates. The General Committee decides how to allocate subscriptions collected, between the various KCACR accounts: The Bell Restoration Fund (BRF), the General Fund and the Training Fund. The KCACR has been running at a significant loss for several years and subscription rates have not risen for 5 years.

Currently 50% of the membership pays a full subscription. This subscription entitles members to a certain degree of insurance (which reduces after the age of 75 and ceases after the age of 80) and a free Handbook. Phil Barnes pointed out that a quarter of the subscriptions collected go towards the production costs of the Handbook.

The restructuring proposed would involve:

- Concession for students to be withdrawn.
- Concession for aged 65+ to be withdrawn.
- Concession for unbroken 25 year membership to be withdrawn
- Members aged 75-79 would pay 75% of subscription base rate.
- Members aged 80+ receive free membership
- Full subscription rate to be raised to £12 from April 2020.
- Life membership to be 20 x annual rate.

Members discussed this second proposal raising the following issues :

- -£10 per annum is a very small amount to pay for membership, £12 will be equally small in a year's time. Bell ringing is a very cheap hobby.
- This subscription fee is comparable with many other Bell Ringing Associations.
- Subscriptions entitle members to insurance cover and a Handbook.

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- 50% of current membership will be affected by this change.
- Those members who currently pay concessionary rates may lose the privilege if these changes are approved.
- The KCACR finances may become precarious in the near future therefore it seems sensible to make these changes.

#### • District Events from the last quarter

- RWNYC, London, Saturday 7th July
- DQM, Speldhurst, St Mary the Virgin, Saturday 7th July
- Evening Practice, Hawkhurst, St Laurence, Saturday 21st July
- London Outing, Saturday 11th August
- District Training Day, Saturday 1st Sept
- County 6-bell Striking Competition, Upchurch, Saturday 22nd September

#### • Forthcoming events

- District Quarter Peal Fortnight, Saturday 20th October – Sunday 4th November
- County Youth Striking Competition, Sat 3rd November at Kingsnorth
- Morning Practice, St Michael, East Peckham, Saturday 3rd November 10am – 12:30pm
- 10/12 Bell Practice, St George, Benenden, 17th November, 10am 12 noon
- District Training Day, Saturday 1st December
- District Carol Service, St Giles, Shipbourne, Saturday 8th December, 4:30pm for 6pm
- DQM, SS Peter & Paul, Tonbridge, Saturday 5th January, 9:45am – 2pm

#### • KCACR General Committee news

As reported in Look To.

In answer to a question posed by Angela Clark, the KCACR Chairman Phil Barnes confirmed that the KCACR General Committee Members had raised the possibility of moving the traditional date of the KCACR AGM from Easter Monday to hold the meeting on a Saturday instead. No conclusion had yet been reached.

### • Election of Officers to Tonbridge District Committee

The following were elected by the membership at the meeting to the positions given below:

• District Chairman : Louise Nightingale

• District Secretary : Richard Dyson

• District Treasurer: Hamilton Woods

- Ringing Master : Daniel Jarvis
- Assistant Ringing Master : Richard Barclay
- District Youth Rep : Jen Thomas
- Committee Member : Emma Tamkin
- Committee Member : Steve Newlands
- District Rep on KCACR : Richard Barclay

Outgoing Ringing Master, Jen Thomas, thanked the District for its support during her tenure as Ringing Master. It was with regret that Jen had decided she should step down, but she was particularly pleased to have been able to enable more 10 and 12 bell District quarters.

#### • Any other business

- On behalf of the District, Louise Nightingale presented outgoing Chairman Mike Bullett with a small gift as a token of appreciation for his hard work over the past three years.
- Stan Jenner also asked for thanks to be recorded for all other retiring officers.
- •Angela Clark recorded the meeting's thanks to Steve Newlands for his editorship of District magazine Look To and also to Caroline Levy-Cooper for her management of the District Bookstall.

The meeting closed at 19:18

#### 120 CLUB RESULTS (6 OCTOBER)

16, John Harrison, Otford

8, Jane Nielson, Chevening

130, Caroline Stockmann, Sevenoaks

113, Ian Henderson, Edenbridge (Bonus)

#### 120 CLUB RESULTS (17 NOVEMBER)

34, Hilary Bavey, Cowden

49, Jean Dillon, Kemsing

12, Eric Roughley, Speldhurst

#### 120 CLUB RESULTS (1 DECEMBER)

36, Stan Jenner, Hadlow

106, Janet Beeken, Cranbrook

85, Stella Wooldridge, Leigh

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#### TRAINING MATTERS

#### Plain Bob Doubles - Otford, 1st December

On a cold and wet morning on 1st December, Daniel Tierney, Rob Chandler-Bordon and myself attended a Bob Doubles training day at St Bartholomew Church, Otford which was led by Catherine Lewis.

We started our morning with 30 minutes of theory which was then followed by trying to put the theory into practice.

The helpers were all very patient, repeating Bob Doubles many times. After a break of tea, coffee, home made cake, biscuits and mince pies we returned to the ringing room.

Catherine thought it would be beneficial to try Bayles, a method to help with our dodges when practicing bob doubles. I certainly found this very helpful in realising how much you need to shorten the rope especially in the 3/4 up dodge. The time seemed to fly by and suddenly it was 1.30pm and time to finish after a great morning. A huge thank you to the helpers Catherine Lewis, Mike Worthington, Elaine Merrylees, Ray Price, Fraser Clift, Bobbie Fairclough and Nick Byrne.

**❖ JanVerrall,** Otford

### Strange singing heard coming from Tonbridge Belfry

A very unusual occurrence puzzled members of the public in mid October when strange singing was heard coming from Tonbridge Church Tower. The singing appeared to be coming from the belfry. Snippets were heard from the Chicago song "If you leave me now, you'll take away the biggest part of me...."

Then followed a creditable rendition of the Communards "Don't leave me this way, I will surely miss your tender touch, so don't leave me this way" A performance quite evocative and moving, according to bystanders.

It seemed that the ghostly concert continued with The Three Degrees song "Oo-oo, precious moments, when will I see you again? When will we share precious moments? Will I have to wait forever?.....When will I see you again?"

Inspection in the Belfry revealed it was the fourth lamenting the sudden and unexpected departure of the clapper!

Cub Reporter

#### A NEW LOOK CAROL SERVICE

#### Shipbourne, Sat 1st December

What a pleasure it was to attend this year's Carol service at Shipbourne—definitely very different. Poor attendance over recent years has meant that this event was, I suspect "under review".

General ringing took place beforehand and then local ringers welcomed us at the door and the most enthusiastic incumbent conducted the service. It included guest handbell ringers from his previous parish in Cambridge, the local primary school singing and a beautiful local choir.

The first and last of five readings were new to me and the carols (of which there were not nine and which mercifully did not include "Ding dong merrily on High") even had alternative tunes to some of them.

The congregation included a lot of parents and relatives of the performers but even so, there were about 30 ringers - more than usual, that's for sure.

Mulled wine, provided and served by the Jarvis family, and a plentiful and varied supply of donated mince pies concluded the proceedings. So a very successful event and proof indeed that if "tweaked" a little, this cheery religious celebration can continue apace. Put it in your diary for 2019 - it is after all a Bell ringers event arranged for us at the end of the year and needs enthusiastic support to enable it to continue.

**❖** Tessa Worthington



#### **Guess the decade competition**

This photo of a Bellringers outing long ago hangs in the ringing room of St Mary's Church, Eccleston (8—26cwt) in Cheshire. Can you guess the decade in which it was taken? The winner giving the first correct answer will be announced in the next issue.

One of the hardest things for non-ringers to understand is the warm welcome that an email or a phone call can guarantee, as a visitor to any tower in Britain, and indeed the world. When I started ringing in my teens, little did I know how many times I would be grateful for that global fellowship.

I have been travelling for many years now through my work in the natural gas sector, and in 2014, with a semi-permanent move to Houston on the cards, a call to one of the local Tower Captain's was top of my priorities. After a few weeks, I had been welcomed as one more in a string of English itinerant bell ringers, mostly connected with the energy business. With two practice nights per week, and at least two service ringing opportunities on a Sunday, ringing soon became a wonderful conduit into a social world outside work.

Travelling around the US and Canada, whether for work or pleasure, a few minutes of pretrip planning, researching practice nights and service times, its been possible to ring at a number of other North

American towers. These have included such iconic destinations as Trinity Wall Street, and the National Cathedral in DC. Of course, what passes for a district meeting in Texas takes on a somewhat different nature compared to its UK equivalent, with towers hundreds of miles apart. Ringing weekends in Little



Rock, and Texarkana have added two more Dove entries I never thought I would ever see, let alone ring at.

As if to underline how global bell ringing has become, a conversation in Texarkana, also meant that a recent cycling trip to Belgium was able to take in the unique St George's Memorial church in Ypres, all the more meaningful in the centenary year since the signing of the Armistice.



A casual offer to organize a week's ringing in England for my US friends proved the spark for two memorable tours in 2016 and 2017 when I took pleasure in being able to reciprocate the welcome I had enjoyed in Houston. A ringing trip afloat on the Thames, and another visiting Tonbridge, and many of the surrounding towers in Kent and Sussex, including Canterbury Cathedral, has resulted in a lasting friendship between the tower that has been home for over 45 years, and the ringers who so generously adopted me in Texas.

With a few trips to Australia being included in my travels, I had the opportunity to join in with district ringing events in Sydney, Perth and Brisbane, including a couple of quarter peals here and there.

#### BELLRINGING'S GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP



Now, with Singapore, one of my regular stops, shortly joining the ranks of change ringing locations, future visits represent an opportunity to join in with what will be the very start of their bellringing journey, which I am hoping will be one of the ringing highlights of 2019 to look forward to. Its hard to think of any pastime

that offers quite such a guaranteed welcome around the world for a traveller like me. When I reflect on what ringing has offered me since those first tentative pulls on the rope in the early 70s, I give thanks for the wonderful experiences that have followed and the global fellowship of bell ringers that has provided them. Long may it last.

❖ Nick Fulford, Palmer Memorial Episcopal Church, Houston, Texas

#### AROUND THE DISTRICT - ARMISTICE DAY RINGING AT HADLOW



Hadlow was one of a number of towers in the district which took part in the 2018 CCCBR Ringing Remembers campaign, which also sought to help recruit 1,400 new ringers nationally to symbolically replace those ringers who lost their lives in WW1.The campaign finished very successfully with around 2,600 people having become regular ringers for their towers. Pictured here taking part in the Armistice Day ringing on Sunday 11th November are Hadlow's four new recruits.

L to R: Lee Kirt, Lucy Harvey, Olivia Parsons, and Rev'd Nicky Harvey

**Emma Jarvis,** Hadlow

#### **Rosemary Southon Goudhurst**

What was your line of work outside ringing? I qualified as an Occupational Therapist many moons ago and although trained in both the psychiatric and physical fields I spent my career within the physical fields. My first job was at Pembury and I followed this at Shoreham-by-Sea. Later I moved to Preston Hall and then spent several years rotating round the new DGH, Linton Hospital and the Churchill Centre. Later I returned to work at Pembury within a NHS community based team. I then took a slightly early retirement partly due to the driving involved.

### What attracted you to ringing and how did you get started?

That's a good question. I think a part of it was that my grandfather used to work out number patterns with me from quite a young age. I didn't find out until much later that he used to ring at West Malling—possibly stopping after the war. Anyway there was a request in the village for new ringers and I volunteered.

### Who taught you to ring, and where did you start your early ringing career?

It was Frank Pattenden at Kilndown. I learnt the technique of the vertical ladder as a teenager! His son in law was George Waghorn (ringer) also from Kilndown. The other one who helped was Gordon Russell from Lamberhurst, which was my second tower, so I was used to long draughts early on, as Lamberhurst was ground floor in those days.

### Did you ring with many of the notable local ringers in the early days?

The other people I didn't mention were the Lamberts, Bob and his sons Mick and Reg. They always visited Kilndown for one evening service a month. I was allowed one ring per session and somehow learnt to ring treble to methods using my own technique. I don't remember having any theory lessons, but anyway I was in with a known group.

### Did the ringing culture differ greatly in those days compared to now?

In many ways as a learner you just sat with perhaps one ring an evening. When I went to college at Northampton I joined the local group and went on a few outings. As with all ringers I



was welcomed as a visitor wherever I went when I had various training placements at Hounslow, St Alban's and other places. More locally there were various ringers who regularly seemed to shout, but people seemed to accept it and stick with it.

### In your view which of the local ringers had the fiercest reputations in your early days?

A tricky question best not answered! However some of the "shouters" were also very helpful if asked.

### What would you say to encourage visitors to ring quarters or peals at Goudhurst?

On the whole the village enjoys the sound of the bells and is usually complimentary. (I sometimes have to keep my thoughts to myself).

### What has been your funniest or most memorable ringing moment to date?

There are two occasions. Lamberhurst, when it was ground floor and the ringers were there for a wedding. I won't name anyone but it might be obvious from my previous comments. The bride had arrived, the congregation was seated in the pews nearest to the tower, and ringers were distributed around the base of the tower. There then began a heated discussion about the merits

#### **Rosemary Southon ......continued**

of Fuggles or other types of hops, all with a good broad Kentish accent. Slowly the back pew occupants began to turn around to stare at us! The other occasion was when I was in Northampton and we visited an edge of town tower. I remember a circular tower with a long draught which didn't bother me (from my Lamberhurst days). There sat an old codger, who didn't ring all evening but just observed. Anyway I quite spoiled his evening as after I'd rung his comment was along the lines of "you've rung on long ropes before!" He was obviously anticipating fun.

A very memorable occasion was when I went out to visit relatives in New Zealand back in 1976. Unknown to me my uncle spoke to the Auckland tower captain and I was invited to ring for the Midnight Service.

#### Any alarming ringing moments?

As tower captain yes—having to rescue a flying rope. At Kilndown this included the rope hitting a light bulb and causing an explosion. At that precise moment the vicar was also switching the Christmas lights on and thought he'd shorted the electrics. His head rose slowly above the pulpit edge to see what damage he'd done.

**Do you have any favourite rings of bells?** I haven't got a favourite but I can fall out with awkward ones.

Most satisfying ringing achievement so far? My first peal, but then I hadn't learnt the art of jiggling about a bit so when we finished my knees were solid and I couldn't bend them properly to sit down. I learnt quickly.

### Do you have a current ringing ambition of any kind?

Getting on a bit now!!

### What do you find to be the most personally enjoyable aspect of ringing?

Meeting other people and being able to ring in other places.

#### AROUND THE DISTRICT

### Quarter peal fortnight - 20th October to 4th November 2018

This years Tonbridge district quarter peal fortnight was a success with 22 quarters rung in total across 14 towers in our district, covering roughly half our ringable towers (last year was represented by 12 towers in our district). Out of these 22 successful quarters, 12 included some form of first (last year delivered 10), the most significant being Christine Smith ringing her first quarter peal at first attempt at Lamberhurst.

Cowden were the winning tower with the most quarter peals during the fortnight (4, this being one more than last year). Amongst these was Andy Wickenden's first quarter as conductor.

Another noteworthy ringer this year was Emma Tamkin, who had conducted her first quarter peal in last years quarter peal fortnight. This year she conducted for the first time quarters of minor, triples and major.

Thank you very much for your effort this year, I think the statistics prove that these quarter peal fortnights significantly increase the progression of our ringers.

**Dan Jarvis,** Ringing Master, Hadlow

### Tonbridge District—Top Towers by Quarter Peals rung in 2018

Out of interest as we start the new year here is the list of the top 5 district towers ranked by number of quarter peals rung in 2018.

- 1. Cowden 19
- 2. Tonbridge 18
- 3. **Hadlow 15**
- 4= Edenbridge 14
- 4= Speldhurst 14

(Source: KCACR website / Bellboard)

Collectively a total of 179 quarters were rung in the Tonbridge District in 2018, which was slightly up on 2017. Here's to more in 2019!

Congratulations are also due to the two leading district ringers Dan Jarvis who rang 106 and Janice Byrne who rang 105 quarter peals in 2018.

**♦** Look To Editor

### A Nightingale rang, for the rings of a Dove

The photo for the Caption Competition in the Summer 2018 edition of 'Look to' rang a bell for me - it was the same picture I used to illustrate my 'Book Corner' piece 'Don't do That' in the 2012 Fourth Quarter issue. However, what I hadn't remembered was the location, and I'm fairly certain no name was given for the lady.



I don't look at BellBoard very often, but a short time ago I did, and for some reason (maybe something stirred in the deepest recesses of my brain) I looked at the picture accompanying the peal at East Hagbourne, rung on 7th November, 2018. To my surprise the same illustration appeared! It was captioned "Local curiosity! Taken at East Hagbourne in the early 1900s, and the lady may\* be a Miss Nightingale, who rang a peal at Blewbury (neighbouring village). The (Hagbourne) bells were rehung in a metal frame in the 1920s".

Janet Stevenson's 'A History of the Ladies Guild of Change Ringers 1912 - 2000', published in 1999 ('Look to' Summer 2017), tells us that a Miss Mary W. Nightingale took part in the first (failed) peal attempt by an all ladies band, which took place on 1st July, 1911, at Cubitt Town. The first successful all ladies' peal was at the same place on 20th July 1912 (Look To Summer2017) but Miss

Nightingale was unable to take part.



I then recalled that at the end of the Preface to her book, Janet had reproduced the picture of 'The lady in the bell', but did not identify the lady's name.

Miss Nightingale was obviously a very accomplished ringer. The peal she rang at Blewbury was of Grandsire Triples, and took 2 hours 58

minutes, with the tenor, weighing 20 cwt., being strapped (probably plain bearings at the time). Whatever, I think Astrid's approach to measuring up to a bell is rather safer, especially in these days of 'elf and safety'!



And now, from nightingales to doves. Recently, in my searches, I came across an item of music



s an item of music entitled 'The Ringing Isle' (Faber Music Ltd., 2003). The composer apparently got his inspiration from Handel who, on arriving in London in 1714, heard bells everywhere, from church bells to handbells, and coined the expression 'The Ringing Isle'.

#### FRASER'S BOOK CORNER

The music is described as being for a symphonic wind band, and celebrates British musical life. Dove was commissioned by BT (apparently even the composer sees the funny side of that - perhaps he should have been engaged!) for the 1997—1998 BT Celebration Series in honour of the 50th Anniversary of the Association of British Orchestras. The piece incorporates patterns from Grandsire Doubles and Oxford Treble Bob Minor, and his own take on Plain Bob Major. The choice of the composer resulted in quite a coincidence, as Jonathan Dove does not appear to be related to 'our' Ronald Dove, the compiler of eight editions of 'The Church Bells of Great Britain' between 1950 and 1994, with a further two produced by the CCCBR in 2000 and 2012, and another on the way.

**\*** Fraser Clift, Kemsing

\* One of the East Hagbourne ringers has told me that an old ringer from Blewbury (who has now died) confirmed the lady in the bell is definitely Miss Nightingale.

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#### TONY HARRIS

Tony Harris, former Tower Captain at Shipbourne, was born and brought up in Tonbridge. He learned to ring at Hadlow whilst a teenager and went on to teach many to ring. He was an electrician and when employed by Tonbridge Council, was a familiar sight scaling lamp-posts in the High Street and fixing Christmas lights. Visitors to Shipbourne were assured of a warm welcome from Tony and he joined many ringing outings, especially to the Romney Marsh area. He and his wife Phyl were great dog lovers, taking in many rescue dogs, which were well cared for and much loved.

Tony was elected to the KCACR in 1971. He was a Hadlow member through the 1970s before moving to Shipbourne tower in 1981, where within a few years he soon became tower captain until 2005.

A service of interment of Tony's ashes took place at Shipbourne churchyard on 7th November attended by Phyl and members of her family. Many ringers were also there and the bells were rung prior to the service. A most fitting service was held and a well researched eulogy was given by local ringer Alice. Following the service we were invited to the Chaser (next door) for coffee and biscuits.

The good wishes of the ringers go to his wife Phyl.

Angela Clark, Tonbridge

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS.....

Between now and the next edition of Look to: -

19th January Trivia Quiz Evening Hildenborough Village Hall - 7.15pm prompt

2nd February Morning practice - Leigh, 10am to 12.30pm

16th February Surprise Major Practice (CYNS) - Edenbridge, 7pm to 9pm

2nd March Training Day Towers to be confirmed

16th March 10 Bell practice Staplehurst, 10am to 12noon

6th April District Quarterly Meeting Chevening, 4pm to 5.30pm ringing,

5.30pm tea, business meeting, further ringing to 8pm, Compline

#### Look to

## Always needs your articles and contributions to fill its pages!

- a write up of your tower outing (+ photos)
- ringing tips & hints (anything from learning bell handling to spliced surprise)
  - questions you might have
    - Historical snippets
  - anecdotes from a tower visit
    - · announcements

Please feel free to send a photo with your article to:

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The deadline for copy for the next edition is Saturday 23rd March 2019.

#### **CARRY ON CLANGING!**

Thanks to our spotter this issue for the following contribution:

The scene is St Nicholas, Ringwould (6) the last tower of the day on a quarter peal outing to East Kent. After a difficult and unsuccessful attempt at Annable's London Surprise minor, a restart is eventually decided against after the lament from a lady ringer about unfavourable tower conditions "I'm sorry, but the tenor shouts, they aren't very well hung, and there's generally not much to get hold of"

#### KCACR AGM - PLEASE ATTEND!

The new KCACR subscriptions proposal as outlined by Chairman Phil Barnes at the District ADM in Goudhurst (reported earlier in this issue) will attract different views and opinions on how best to proceed.

If you have strong views on the matter the District Committee encourage attendance at the KCACR County AGM on 22nd April at Chilham in the Canterbury District, as this will be the most appropriate forum for members opinions to be heard on the alternative options.

The proposal to change the date of the KCACR AGM from 2020 onwards will also be discussed at this meeting.

Ringing, the chance to meet fellow KCACR members from different districts, a lunch, and having your say! What's not to like?!



Engraving showing a view of the peal of bells in St Paul's Cathedral, London

#### RINGING DURING THE 4TH QUARTER OF 2018

#### PEALS

### Farnborough Tuesday 23rd October 5040 Doubles

1 extent of Stedman, 9 extents of Grandsire, and 8 extents each of Reverse Canterbury, St Simon's, St Martin's, and Plain Bob Doubles Terence Barnard 1, Amber Cusick 2, Jacqueline Barlow 3, Nicholas Wilkins (C) 4, Catherine Lewis 5, Robert Lane 6.

First peal : 2 Circled tower : 4

### **Brasted** Friday 9th November **5040 Grandsire Triples**

Composed by E Taylor
Jennifer Thomas 1, Anne Rueff 2, Lesley
Barclay 3, Catherine Lewis 4, James Austin 5,
Nicholas Wilkins (C) 6, Richard Barclay 7,
Alexander Runting 8.

First on 8 : 5

Rung half muffled for the fallen of WW1.

### East Peckham Saturday 8th December 5040 Minor

720 changes of Single Oxford Bob, 2160 changes of each: Single Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Plain Bob. This combination replicated the peal board in the tower from 27th December 1913.

Adam Moore 1, Philip Jarvis 2, Stephen Davis 3, Nicholas Wilkins 4, Phillip Barnes 5, Daniel Jarvis (C) 6.

Rung in remembrance of the 3 bellringers of this parish who made the ultimate sacrifice during the Great War:

George Henry Saunders - d.1915 George Henry Bishop - d.1916 William Honey - d.1916 First on 6 as Conductor: 6

### Sevenoaks Saturday 15th December 5120 Spliced Surprise Major

768 each Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Superlative, Yorkshire, and 512 each Bristol, London, Pudsey, Rutland.

Susan Marsden 1, Caroline Stockmann 2, Jacqueline Barlow 3, Adam Brady 4, Nicholas Wilkins 5, Nicholas Elks 6, Thomas Lawrance (C) 7, Michael Birkbeck 8.

First of spliced: 2

### Hadlow Saturday 29th December 5024 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Composed by A J Cox

Emma Jarvis 1, Ann Jenner 2, Jacqueline Barlow 3, Catherine Heathcote 4, Darren Elphick 5, Philip Jarvis 6, Daniel Jarvis 7, Stanley Jenner (C) 8.

To mark the 60th anniversary of Ann's first peal.

#### **QUARTER PEALS**

### Hadlow Monday 1st October 1260 Doubles

660 Grandsire, 600 Plain Bob Lucy Harvey 1, Ann Jenner 2, Daniel Jarvis (C) 3, Jacqueline Barlow 4, Stanley Jenner 5, Philip Jarvis 6.

First quarter at first attempt: 1 Rung to celebrate Reverend Nicky Harvey's priesting on Saturday 29th September at Rochester Cathedral, mother of the treble ringer.

East Peckham Thursday 4th October 1260 Single Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minor Adam Moore 1, Jacqueline Barlow 2, Fraser Clift 3, Lesley Barclay 4, Philip Jarvis 5, Daniel Jarvis (C) 6.

### Speldhurst Saturday 6th October 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Jane Wroe 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2, Steve Newlands 3, Catherine Heathcote 4, Emma Tamkin (C) 5, Carl Nightingale 6. For Liz, who enjoys listening to the bells.

### **Hadlow** Sunday 7th October **1440 Lincolnshire Surprise Major**

Composed by Daniel R Jarvis
Terence Barnard 1, Ann Jenner 2, Jacqueline
Barlow 3, Darren Elphick 4, Philip Jarvis 5,
Howard Rogers 6, Stanley Jenner 7, Daniel
Jarvis (C) 8.

### **Tonbridge** Sunday 14th October **1260 Plain Bob Triples**

Gordon Hill 1, Angela Clark 2, Stella Wooldridge 3, Emma Tamkin 4, Eric Roughley 5, Howard Rogers 6, Darren Elphick (C) 7, Steve Newlands 8.

For evening service.

### Cowden Saturday 20th October 1260 Doubles

600 Grandsire, 660 Plain Bob Clive Lumsden 1, Steve Newlands 2, Caroline Levy-Cooper (C) 3, Oliver Engleback 4, Andy Wickenden 5, Carl Nightingale 6.

Rung before the start of the Great War Walk starting at the war memorial in Cowden, via the memorials in Holtye and Hartfield, and ending in Coleman's Hatch.

### Seal Saturday 20th October 1260 Doubles

180 Stedman, 240 St Simon's, 360 Plain Bob, 480 Grandsire

Emma Tamkin 1, Dee Clift 2, Bobbie Fairclough 3, Fraser Clift 4, Eric Roughley (C) 5, Paul Thompson 6.

For Dot.

### Seal Chart Saturday 20th October 1260 Doubles

60 Stedman, 240 Grandsire, 480 St Simon's, 480 Plain Bob

Emma Tamkin 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Astrid Fairclough 3, Fraser Clift (C) 4, Eric Roughley 5, Phil Jones 6.

Rung for the KCACR Tonbridge District Quarter Peal Fortnight.

### Edenbridge Sunday 21st October 1260 Doubles

60 Stedman, 600 Grandsire, 600 Plain Bob Robin Rouse 1, Lizzie Longhurst 2, Richard Dyson 3, Louise Nightingale (C) 4, Andy Wickenden 5, Carl Nightingale 6. Most methods in a QP: 2 and 3 Rung before Evensong on the anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar.

### Chelsfield Monday 22nd October 1260 Doubles

480 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place, 240 each St Simon's, St Martin's, Grandsire and 60 Plain Bob

Richard A V George 1, Amber Cusick 2, Debra Say 3, Catherine Lewis 4, Nicholas Wilkins (C) 5, Edward George 6.

Most methods: 2

Rung to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Alice and Richard George (Treble) and the 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Edward George (Tenor), their son.

### Cowden Monday 22nd October 1260 Minor

720 St Clement's College Bob, 540 Plain Bob Andy Wickenden 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2, Steve Newlands 3, Fraser Clift 4, Louise Nightingale (C) 5, John Palmer 6. First of St Clement's College Bob as conductor:

### **Horsmonden** Monday 22nd October **1263 Stedman Triples**

Jacqueline Barlow 1, Darren Elphick 2, Pam Thomas 3, Catherine Heathcote 4, Fraser Clift 5, Terry Barnard 6, Neil Jones (C) 7, Barry Roberts 8

 $2,300^{th} QP: 2$ 

Rung to mark the Centenary of the death of Private Edwin Lambert (East Surrey Regiment), a ringer and clerk at this church.

#### Hurstpierpoint Wednesday 24th October The Wickham Ring 1260 Stedman Triples

William Stafford 1, Catherine Lewis 2, Frances Gilbert 3, Jamie Austin 4, Molly Smith 5, John Norris 6, David Kirkcaldy (C) 7, Joshua Hutchinson 8.

First of Stedman Triples: 3,4, and 5. In memory of Peter Hurcombe, past Tower Captain at Hurstpierpoint, Vice President and past Master of the Sussex County Association.

# Cowden Friday 26th October 1260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place Robin Rouse 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2, Andy Wickenden 3, Louise Nightingale (C) 4, Carl Nightingale 5, Clive Lumsden 6. First of method: 5 Rung as a birthday compliment to Charlie Nightingale, son of 5.

### Edenbridge Saturday 27th October 1263 Stedman Triples

Eric Roughley 1, Emma Tamkin 2, Peter Richardson 3, Philip Jarvis 4, Louise Nightingale 5, John Palmer 6, Neil Jones (C) 7, Carl Nightingale 8.

First in method: 2 and 5

#### Speldhurst Saturday 27th October 1260 Plain Bob Triples

Hamilton Woods 1, Eric Roughley 2, Angela Clark 3, Caroline Levy-Cooper 4, Emma Tamkin (C) 5, Catherine Lewis 6, Anthony Leeves 7, Gordon Hill 8.

In memory of Tony Streeter who died 21st October 2018. He was a member of St Mary's choir for over 70 years and verger here for many vears. First triples as conductor: 5

#### Cowden Sunday 28th October 1260 Plain Bob Minor

Carl Nightingale 1, Robin Rouse 2, Jane Wroe 3, Caroline Levy-Cooper 4, Louise Nightingale 5, Andy Wickenden (C) 6. First OP as conductor: 6 Rung before service.

#### Hadlow Sunday 28th October 1344 Plain Bob Major

Steve Newlands 1, Emma Jarvis 2, Jennifer Thomas 3, Louise Nightingale 4, Richard Dyson 5, Emma Tamkin (C) 6, Daniel Jarvis 7, Richard Barclay 8. In recognition of the hard work of those committee members who stood down this year.

First major as conductor: 6

First major: 5

#### Tonbridge Sunday 28th October 1260 Stedman Doubles

Fraser Clift 1, Angela Clark 2, Stella Wooldridge 3, Stephen Coaker 4, Adam Brady (C) 5, Ray Price 6.

#### Hever Monday 29th October 1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor

Emma Jarvis 1, Stephanie Rueff 2, Michael Stuttard 3, Philip Jarvis 4, Richard Barclay 5, Daniel Jarvis (C) 6. First of surprise: 3

#### Lamberhurst Wednesday 31st October 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Christine Smith 1, Laura Byrne 2, Janice Byrne 3, Emma Tamkin 4, Catherine Heathcote (C) 5, Steve Newlands 6.

First quarter at first attempt: 1

East Peckham Thursday 1st November 1260 Single Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minor Emma Jarvis 1, Fraser Clift 2, Pam Thomas 3, Philip Jarvis 4, Ray Taylor 5, Daniel Jarvis (C) 6.

#### Kemsing Thursday 1st November 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Dee Clift 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Jeremy Boulton 3, Fraser Clift (C) 4, Stella Wooldridge 5, Susan Stacey 6.

Rung for the KCACR Tonbridge District Ouarter Peal Fortnight.

#### Kemsing Friday 2nd November 1260 Doubles

60 Stedman, 240 Grandsire, 960 Plain Bob Jenny Williamson 1, Dee Clift 2, Bobbie Fairclough 3, Fraser Clift (C) 4, Michael Williamson 5, Rebecca Giddings 6. Rung for the KCACR Tonbridge District Quarter Peal Fortnight.

#### Tonbridge, 2A Cranford Road Friday 2nd November

#### 1260 Plain Bob Minor

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

#### Leigh Saturday 3rd November 1260 Plain Bob Minor

Frances James 1, Ann Jenner 2, Eric Roughley 3, David James 4, Emma Tamkin (C) 5, Stanley Jenner 6.

First minor as conductor. Rung to celebrate the life of John Caley.

#### Hawkhurst Saturday 3rd November 1260 Grandsire Triples

Richard Barclay (C) 1, Alison Parsons 2, Emma Jarvis 3, Stephanie Rueff 4, Christopher Horseman 5, Catherine Heathcote 6, David Lyddiatt 7, Phil Jarvis 8.

Rung to commemorate the 100th anniversary, on 2nd November 2018, of Private Frank Chapman who was the only Hawkhurst ringer to lose his life in the First World War.

#### Hadlow Sunday 4th November 1274 Plain Bob Triples

Lucy Harvey 1, Ann Jenner 2, Philip Jarvis 3, Ray Taylor 4, Emma Jarvis 5, Howard Rogers 6, Stanley Jenner (C) 7, James Evans 8. First on 8:1

For Choral Evensong.

#### Otford Tuesday 6th November 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Jennifer Thomas 1, Stephanie Rueff 2, Andrew Alford 3, Alexander Runting 4, Stephanie Runting (C) 5, Richard Barclay 6.

First as conductor: 5

#### **Speldhurst** Saturday 10th November 1260 Grandsire Triples

Penny Gerrard 1, Liz Ruch 2, Michael Worthington 3, Zena Seal 4, Eric Roughley (C) 5, Peter Ruch 6, Emma Tamkin 7, Crispin Saunders 8.

With best wishes from the local band to Anthony Leeves, Tower Secretary, on his 70th Birthday.

#### **Cowden** Sunday 11th November 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Carl Nightingale 1, Robin Rouse 2, Caroline Levy-Cooper (C) 3, Louise Nightingale 4, Steve Newlands 5, Andy Wickenden 6. Rung open at 12.30pm as part of "Ringing

Remembers" on the occasion of the Centenary of the Armistice.

#### East Peckham Sunday 11th November 1260 Doubles

60 Erin, 360 each Stedman and Grandsire, 480 Plain Bob

Emma Jarvis 1, Emma Tamkin 2, Daniel Jarvis (C) 3, Ray Taylor 4, Philip Jarvis 5, Michael

Rung half-muffled in remembrance of the 44 members of this parish who made the ultimate sacrifice during World War One, including three bellringers, three choir members, and the organist.

#### Edenbridge Sunday 11th November 1260 Doubles

540 Grandsire, 720 Plain Bob with 768 cover Robin Rouse 1, Richard Dyson 2, Lizzie Longhurst 3, Andy Wickenden 4, Louise Nightingale (C) 5, Lynne Proudfoot 6, Carl Nightingale 7, Scott Baldock 8.

Rung for "Battle's over" starting at 7.05pm on Armistice Day.

Remembering Sgt Lawrence Bull (Welsh Fusiliers), grandfather of 6.

First quarter: 6

#### Hever Sunday 11th November 1260 Grandsire Doubles

Serafina Wilson 1, Jane Rosam 2, Richard Barclay (C) 3, Stephanie Rueff 4, Alison Wilson 5, Jack Read 6.

Rung in memory of those who gave their lives in World War One.

#### Kemsing Sunday 11th November 1260 Doubles

60 Stedman, 240 Grandsire, 960 Plain Bob Jenny Williamson 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Dee Clift 3, Fraser Clift (C) 4, Michael Williamson 5, Susan Stacey 6.

Rung in memory of Charles William Scott, the seventeenth of twenty Kemsing men to die in World War One, who died on this day 100 years ago. His brother, Arthur, was killed just over two months before him.

Also rung in memory of Wilfred Lacey, whose name appears on the Kemsing War Memorial, but who has only recently been positively identified. He was posted missing on 31st March, 1918. Also rung in memory of his wife, Eleanor (nee Covill) of Kemsing. She gave over 6,000 hours of voluntary service to the Kemsing VAD Hospital, joining on its first day, and leaving on its last.

#### Tonbridge Sunday 11th November 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Jacqui Fletcher 1, Gordon Hill 2, Pam Thomas 3, Stephen Coaker 4, Catherine Heathcote (C) 5, Howard Rogers 6.

Rung in memory of June Wolfe, mother of the treble ringer, and Tony Harris, ringer at Shipbourne.

#### Tunbridge Wells Sunday 11th November 1344 Plain Bob Major

Tessa Worthington 1, Emma Tamkin 2, David Featherstone 3, Stephanie Rueff 4, Hugo Tracey 5, Catherine Heathcote 6, John Palmer 7, Richard Barclay (C) 8.

Rung to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of World War One. Also, in memoriam Corporal Edward James Crocker, a ringer at Tunbridge Wells. Died 07/11/1918 age 24. Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment) 10th Bn. Service No.200957. Commemorated at Anzegem Communal Cemetery, Belgium, Grave in East corner. Born 4th quarter 1894. One of three children; all surviving at the 1911 census. Son of Edward John Crocker and Susan Crocker of 36 Bayhall Road, Tunbridge Wells. At the time of the 1911 census, he was working as a clerk. He saw service in Gallipoli as well as on the Western Front. Born: Kensington, London. Enlisted: Tunbridge Wells.

### Hever Monday 12th November 1260 Plain Bob Minor

Serafina Wilson 1, Laura Byrne 2, Amber Cusick 3, Stephanie Rueff 4, Janice Byrne 5, Richard Barclay (C) 6.

Rung in fond memory of Steve Bateman.

First of minor: 1

50th quarter as conductor and circled tower as conductor: 6

Rung by a band with an average age of less than 30, in anticipation of Richard's significant birthday. The band would like to associate Daniel Jarvis with this performance.

### **Speldhurst** Tuesday 13th November **1260 Doubles**

540 Grandsire, 720 Plain Bob Lesley Smith 1, Emma Tamkin 2, Michael Worthington 3, Janice Byrne 4, Anthony Leeves (C) 5, Nick Byrne 6.

To celebrate the Ruby Wedding of Stuart and Lesley Smith (11th Nov).

### Cowden Wednesday 14th November 1260 Doubles

180 Stedman, 120 each St Simon's Bob, April Day, Southrepps, 240 each Grandsire (Morris') Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place, Plain Bob Robin Rouse 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2, Louise Nightingale (C) 3, Steve Newlands 4, Alex Staff 5, Richard Dyson 6.

Rung as a 70th Birthday compliment to HRH Prince of Wales.

Most methods (7) in a QP: 2 and 4 50th QP as conductor: 3

### **Hadlow** Saturday 17th November **1280 Superlative Surprise Major**

Graham Heath 1, Ann Jenner 2, David James 3, Frances James 4, Alexander Runting 5, Howard Rogers 6, Rupert Cheeseman 7, Stanley Jenner (C) 8.

### **Tonbridge** Sunday 25th November **1260 Minor**

720 Cambridge Surprise, 540 Plain Bob Jacqui Fletcher 1, Howard Rogers 2, Catherine Heathcote 3, Lesley Barclay 4, Darren Elphick 5, Daniel Jarvis (C) 6. For evensong.

**Tonbridge, 2A Cranford Road** Wednesday 28th November

#### 1260 Plain Bob Minor

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

### East Peckham Thursday 29th November 1260 Plain Bob Minor

Emma Jarvis 1, Michael Stuttard 2, Louise Nightingale 3, Lesley Barclay 4, Philip Jarvis 5, Daniel Jarvis (C) 6.

### Cowden Friday 30th November 1260 St Clement's College Bob Minor

Ann Jenner 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2, Janice Byrne 3, Steve Newlands 4, John Palmer 5, Stanley Jenner (C) 6.

### Lamberhurst Saturday 1st December 1320 Oxford Treble Bob Minor

Shona Clark 1, Pam Thomas 2, Jacqui Fletcher 3, Terence Barnard 4, Darren Elphick (C) 5, Philip Jarvis 6.

First in method: 2,3,and 4.

### Hadlow Sunday 2nd December 1288 Middlesex Bob Triples

Lucy Harvey 1, Ann Jenner 2, Stanley Jenner 3, Pam Thomas 4, Ray Taylor 5, Howard Rogers 6, Philip Jarvis (C) 7, Emma Jarvis 8.

### **Speldhurst** Sunday 2nd December **1260 Grandsire Triples**

Eric Roughley 1, Elizabeth Ruch 2, Michael Worthington 3, Michael Bullett 4, Emma Tamkin 5, Peter Ruch 6, Anthony Leeves (C) 7, Crispin Saunders 8.

For Advent Sunday Evensong

### East Peckham Thursday 6th December 1320 A Christmas Carol Delight Minor

Emma Jarvis 1, Howard Rogers 2, Laura Byrne 3, Pam Thomas 4, Philip Jarvis 5, Daniel Jarvis (C) 6.

### Farnborough Tuesday 11th December 1320 Single Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minor Thomas Parlow 1. Apr. Sounday 2. Jacquelina

Thomas Barlow 1, Ann Saunders 2, Jacqueline Barlow 3, Caroline Levy-Cooper 4, Steve Newlands 5, Nicholas Wilkins (C) 6. *First in method : 2,4,and 5.* 

### **Speldhurst** Monday 17th December **1260 Doubles**

660 Grandsire, 600 Plain Bob Roberta Weatherley 1, Steve Newlands 2, Anthony Leeves 3, Eric Roughley 4, Janice Byrne (C) 5, Gordon Hill 6.

### Chevening Friday 21st December 1288 Chevening Alliance Major

Ann Jenner 1, Anne Rueff 2, Jacqueline Barlow 3, Margaret Oram 4, Ian Oram 5, Thomas Barlow 6, David Smith 7, Stanley Jenner (C) 8. In memory of John Westacott, a member of the local band, whose funeral took place yesterday. First quarter in the method.

### Edenbridge Friday 21st December 1260 Grandsire Triples

Jane Wroe 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2, Mark Dawkins 3, Robin Rouse 4, John Palmer 5, Louise Nightingale (C) 6, Andy Wickenden 7, Carl Nightingale 8.

Rung to celebrate the shortest day of the year!

### **Tonbridge** Sunday 23rd December **1260 Stedman Triples**

Janice Byrne 1, Jacqueline Barlow 2, Oliver Engelback 3, Stephen Coaker (C) 4, Jacqui Fletcher 5, Pam Thomas 6, Rob Lane 7, Carl Nightingale 8.

Remembering Peter Jefferson Smith who passed away on 22nd December 2018, a former ringer at Holy Trinity, Clapham and St Johns' Waterloo, also father in law of the 3rd.

### Cowden Monday 24th December 1260 Single Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minor

Carl Nightingale 1, Caroline Levy-Cooper 2, Robin Rouse 3, Louise Nightingale 4, Andy Wickenden 5, Daniel Jarvis (C) 6.

First in method: 3,4,and 5.

### **Hadlow** Wednesday 26th December **1260 Plain Bob Doubles**

Emma Jarvis 1, Lucy Harvey 2, Daniel Jarvis (C) 3, Louise Nightingale 4, Philip Jarvis 5, Carl Nightingale 6.

First inside: 2

### Edenbridge Thursday 27th December 1296 Plain Bob Major

Composed by Daniel Jarvis

Amber Cusick 1, Stephanie Runting 2, Jamie Austin 3, Alexander Runting 4, Adam Moore 5, Matthew Jerome 6, Barnaby Larter 7, Daniel Jarvis (C) 8.

First quarter of Major for the Society of Kent Young Ringers.

### **Seal Chart** Friday 28th December **1260 Grandsire Doubles**

Christine Tatler McCluggage 1, Bobbie Fairclough 2, Margaret Funnell 3, Susan Bailey 4, Helen Webb (C) 5, Gill Rannard 6. Rung for the centenary year of some women in the UK first getting the vote.

### Sevenoaks Friday 28th December 1280 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Cathy Cheeseman 1, Caroline Stockmann 2, Catherine Lewis 3, Rupert Cheeseman 4, Richard Barker 5, Philip Jarvis 6, Daniel Jarvis 7, David Hilling (C) 8.

### Sevenoaks Sunday 30th December 1260 Plain Bob Triples

Sam Chard 1, Caroline Stockmann 2, Catherine Lewis 3, Bobbie Fairclough 4, Isabel Pearce 5, Michael Stuttard 6, Astrid Fairclough (C) 7, Phil Jones 8.

Fondly remembering Dot Twiner, a member of our band who died on Friday. Sevenoaks band all wish to be associated with this quarter peal.

#### **MILESTONES**

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

#### Richard Dyson

First of 3 methods First major

#### Amber Cusick

First of 5 methods First peal

#### Jamie Austin

First of Stedman triples First peal on 8

#### Carl Nightingale

First QP of Reverse Canterbury

#### Louise Nightingale

First of Stedman triples
First St Clement's College Bob as conductor
50th QP as conductor
First Single Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minor

#### Caroline Levy-Cooper

Most methods (1p, 2v, 4m) First Single Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minor

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

#### **Lucy Harvey**

First quarter at first attempt First quarter on 8 First quarter inside

#### Lizzie Longhurst

First of 3 methods

#### Steve Newlands

Most methods (1p, 2v, 4m) First Single Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minor

#### **Emma Tamkin**

First of Stedman triples First triples as conductor First major as conductor First minor as conductor

#### Andy Wickenden

First quarter peal as conductor First Single Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minor

#### Robin Rouse

First Single Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minor

#### Michael Stuttard

First of surprise

#### **Christine Smith**

First quarter peal at first attempt

#### Lynne Proudfoot

First quarter

#### Serafina Wilson

First of minor

#### Richard Barclay

50th Quarter as conductor Circled tower (Hever) as conductor

#### **Stephanie Runting**

First quarter as conductor

#### Pam Thomas

First Oxford Treble Bob Minor

#### Jacqui Fletcher

First Oxford Treble Bob Minor

#### **Daniel Jarvis**

First peal on 6 as conductor

#### Caroline Stockmann

First peal of spliced surprise major

### Quarterly Training Day 2nd March 2019

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- Plain Bob Doubles
- Grandsire Doubles
- Treble Bob Hunting

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Courses will be arranged subject to demand and availability of helpers and towers. Please assist by making requests for places as soon as possible, as last minute requests are unlikely to be met.

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**❖** Mike Worthington



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