



# 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 (<u>www.kcacr.org.uk</u>), 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 <u>cantdistrictnews@gmail.com</u>, 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: Boughton-Under-Blean Taken from the internet

# **Chairman's Message**

Hi Everyone

I hope this finds you well!

Probably by the time you read this I hope you all have enjoyed Christmas and new year as best as you can.

This situation doesn't seem to be going away but hope it won't be long before we can meet up and enjoy our meetings in 2021.

Best wishes

Mike

# Secretary's Message

With all district meetings etc being put on hold for the past several months the committee have been looking towards next year and have rolled the 2020 programme of events forward into 2021. No towers have yet been approached and we doubt we will be able to meet up in the usual way until April at the earliest.

The proposed list of towers is printed elsewhere in this newsletter.

At the same time the county committee have been busy trying to improve the way in which the association is managed. There are two main proposals:

- 1. For the association to become a registered charity.
- 2. For members to pay their subscriptions individually, either online or in the way they have always done in the past. This is due to come into effect on 1st January 2021 and we are waiting on detailed instructions due to be distributed to towers shortly. You will be able to pay via Paypal from an account or by debit/credit card. You can also pay by cheque or cash individually, for someone else, or by tower.

Hope you have had an enjoyable Christmas and stay safe until we can all meet and ring again.

Tony

#### Letter from the KCACR Chairman – Update October 2020

Dear member

I am writing to update you with some news about the Association's plans to register as a charity.

Notice has been given of a proposal to the 2021 Annual General Meeting the aim of which is to register the whole Association as a charity and to merge it with the Bell Restoration Fund, which is already a charitable fund.

The wording of the motion states specifically that the Association will be registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (one of a number of potential structures for a charity) and we have received a number of queries and feedback since notice of the motion was given.

As a result the principal officers together with David Grimwood, who had led the work for the General Committee, have revisited the precise forms of charity structure that are possible to see which seems best suited to the Association's current needs and which will mean the least change in how the Association runs on a day to day basis.

There are two structures that the KCACR might adopt: a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) or an unincorporated Charitable Association. Both forms allow the KCACR to register for Gift Aid, to apply its funds not only for Bell Restoration but also for other charitable works in connection with ringing including training and development of ringers and to elect Trustees thus increasing accountability to members and our communities and churches.

The principal difference is that incorporation would give the KCACR a separate legal status as a "corporate body", which in itself provides some individual protection for trustees and would allow it to employ staff or own premises (e.g. as a training centre or headquarters). While these features have some attractions they come with a more rigid set of legal requirements which would mean some quite significant changes to how the KCACR is run and even which of our officers are elected and which are appointed.

On balance, we are coming to the view that the Association should aim to register as a Charitable Association rather than as a CIO. The financial benefits are the same and the enhanced governance and accountability from having elected charity Trustees are the same. It would however have less effect on our day to day running than becoming a CIO. Should we ever wish to expand our activities in a way that the benefits of incorporation outweighed the downsides then we could apply to convert to a CIO structure.

With best wishes.

Phillip Barnes

Chairman

#### Extract from the letter to Districts from the county chairman

As you know the Association membership records are held in a secure online database to which all District Secretaries have access. It is from this that the list of current members for the Handbook is produced.

From next year we are going to allow individual members to update their information so we have better contact details and, hopefully, better membership records for everyone. Some members will be starting to pay their subs directly although the management of most membership matters will remain done at District level.

All of this means that it is crucial that Districts manage all aspects of membership through the central membership database and that when subscriptions are paid to the District Treasurer or Membership Secretary, the database gets updated straight away.

The General Committee, led by David Grimwood, are putting forward a proposal for the 2021 AGM to make the KCACR into a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. The formal proposal reads:

# 'That the KCACR be registered with the Charity Commission as a charitable incorporated organisation, and merged with Registered Charity No. 261294 The Kent County Association of Change Ringers' Bell Restoration Fund'

#### Would the KCACR benefit by being a charity?

#### The benefits of being registered as a charity

- Able to claim gift aid.
- increasing the value of subscriptions (paid by taxpayers) by 25%.
- other associations have benefited significantly.
- Access to funding, grant-making bodies and trusts.
- enabling potential projects to access grants.
- many funding bodies limit their support to registered charities.
- Members elect trustees to manage the Association.
- ensuring accountability.

#### The benefits of being incorporated

- Incorporation means that the KCACR would become a legal entity in its own right.
- Financial and legal liabilities fall to the Association rather than the members and officers personally.
- for example, liability for payment to a supplier would lie with the organisation, not the officer or member who made the purchase, as at present.
- Provides legal protection to members, officers and trustees (except for illegal activities or negligence).

#### The benefits of becoming a charitable incorporated organisation

- A charitable incorporated organisation is a legal structure, approved by the charity commission.
- designed for a membership body such as the KCACR.
- with a robust constitution covering all legal and statutory requirements.
- based on the charity commission's extensive experience.
- members would continue to elect the trustees, officers and the committee.
- The Association would be able to make rules as necessary for the management of KCACR activities (much as now).

#### Worth noting

- There would be no financial liabilities for members should the charity have to be wound up with debts outstanding.
- The existing Bell Restoration Fund charity would be transferred to the new Association charity, its funds remaining restricted, that is, ring fenced.
- Registering as a charity ensures accountability to members and the general public.

#### Next steps

- Members are invited to consider the General Committee's proposal to incorporate the Association as a registered charity.
- To ask a question or offer feedback about this proposal please contact David Grimwood, on behalf of the General Committee.
- training@kcacr.org.uk.
- tel 07960 369681.
- Agreement will be sought at an AGM.

### **District News**

#### We are in it for the long haul

Words for once won't come and feel in short supply Words are suppressed, stifled about what is taking place. What has happened in this short time? How has this been able to happen to us? People have stopped talking, and mutter. Even shopping feels like a lottery for your life.

But we are in it for the long haul and rhyming poetry is what we need. Even when the shops are empty of flour and toilet paper are harder to obtain than weed. (apparently)

Remote working whatever that seems to mean, I think it's code for let's forward lots of emails just to show we're really keen.

"The online meeting "or as I like to think let's judge your home décor, can be really distracting as I often forget what the meeting has been for.

In between remote working and emails there's just time for friends to call. And don't forget planting food for England just in case the supermarkets fall.

So let's unite in the long haul and look after each other and smile Normal service will resume one day, but not for a little while.

**Becky Holliday** 

#### Some of Mike's memories!



Concentration is what you need!





Life as we knew it!

#### St Nicholas, Ash

It occurred to me that Nigel probably has one of the most interesting voluntary jobs going. And having started doing it shortly after a huge refurbishment in the church tower in 1978, an impressive 40+ year tenure at doing it too.

He is probably the longest serving steeple keeper in the history of the village!

We find ourselves in a bubble (being as Nigel is also my dad) for Lockdown 2.0 and I realise that I am in a unique position to be able to not only interview him about what he does but also to visit and climb the bell tower with him to see the church tower, its clock and its bells first hand.

Over the years it has been observed by some that Nigel is peculiarly interested in making sure that the church clock tells the right time. The village benefits from a very accurate church clock and locals frequently use this clock as a method of checking the correct time on their own time pieces. The clock is rarely more than a few seconds astray ... and more often than not it is exactly right.



#### Keeping time

It might seem like a straightforward task – to manage the relationship between the clock, its time, and the bell that sounds on the hour but, as I discovered, a fair amount of dedication is needed for these things to happen smoothly ...

Two days ago the clock was about 30 seconds out. Dad had visited the tower to add a couple of washers to the pendulum to correct it. Later that evening we went outside and listened to the bell chime over the sound of traffic at 6pm. It was still not quite right. Time being of particular interest and importance for the forthcoming Remembrance Sunday. (He is currently going to the tower about twice a week in the name of time keeping due to the malfunction of the bespoke automatic clock time keeper in the tower)

#### Listening to bell chiming church clock time

Another visit to the tower was needed to make another adjustment to the church clock and this time I jumped at the opportunity to go with him!

#### Climbing the tower

It was a beautiful sunny afternoon as we approached the small door to the tower, hidden at the rear of the church and currently surrounded by scaffolding. The church tower is in the process of having all the lead on it removed, in order to melt it down and re-shape it and return it to the tower. It is a huge undertaking and worthy of a blog post in its own right.









The steps to the clock and the bells beyond are narrow stone spiral steps. There are 106 steps to the top. 39 steps to get to the ringing chamber, another 29 to get to the clock chamber, and another 13 odd to get to the bell chamber. And if you're lucky enough to have access another 26 to the flat roof of the steeple base.

#### The self winding clock

The earliest church clock predates church wardens accounts for this church which start in 1633. There have been four clocks at the church. The current clock was installed in 1931 when the cost of heavy repairs to the old clock (which was installed in 1848) compared unfavourably to the cost of a new clock from Gillett and Johnson of Croydon.

The present clock is a fine example of its type by the leading maker of the time. Until 1978 it sat alone on its wooden horse surrounded by autographs of a century of clock winders. Now it is no longer necessary for the clock to be wound up twice a week as it had a self winding mechanism installed as part of the refurbishment work.

Having to step over a huge pile of lead on the way into the clock chamber which had been removed by the workmen and was making its way down to the ground for melting down. The clock chamber is an amazing room.



#### Climbing on up to the bell chamber...

The earliest record of bells in the church is in the year 1496. In the eighteenth century there were five bells in the church tower.

The original five bells were installed between 1581 and 1641. These bells were replaced by eight bells which were cast in Whitechapel Bell Foundry by Thomas Mears in 1790.

There is a statement on the wall that gives information about the eight Whitechapel Bell Foundry bells, the notes that they make when rung and their weights.

The statement does not make mention of the fact that, until 1978, the bells cast by Thomas Mears, whilst tuneful, were also very heavy. The combined effect of the weight of the bells, the height of the tower and the design of the frame meant that prior

to 1978 the steeple structure moved alarmingly as the bells were rung.

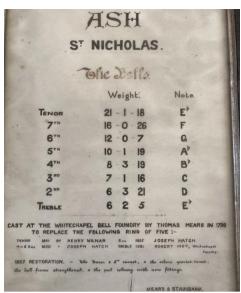
A decision was made to replace the wooden bell frame with a cast iron frame and to increase the stability of the tower by lowering the bells a few feet... and that, at the same time, if the new frame was designed to contain a total of 10 bells it might be possible to add two lighter bells, easier for beginners to learn on.

Therefore, in 1978 the additional two smallest bells were added courtesy of Dr Cave and Mr Foat making a set of 10 bells. At the same time, the original eight bells were taken down to be re-tuned and re-hung on the new frame by John Taylor and Co and to allow the two new bells to be rung as part of the same 'family' of bells.

# It is most unusual to have ten bells in a church tower

Most churches will have no more than six or eight. In less social distanced times, Campanologists from around the country make special trips to visit this tower to ring these ten bells.





#### These are strange times

Normally on a Remembrance Sunday a service would be held at the War Memorial in the village and the bell would ring to mark the time at 11 o'clock. This year there is no service being held at the War Memorial in the village so a single bell is being used to mark the 2 minutes silence instead. And it falls to Dad to ring it.



#### The bells remember

Dad rings a solitary bell for Remembrance Sunday. And pauses at 11am for the clock to strike and then mark a 2 minute silence.

And then rings again to mark the end of silence.

Taken from http://wewalktogether.uk/2020/11/08/the-bells-remember/

#### Hilary Hazell

Hilary was a member of the Dover band during Godfrey Gray's captaincy, and for several years after that. She lived in Kingsdown village and used to drive to ringing at St Mary's in her rather sporty little car until eventually failing eye-sight meant that she had to rely upon transport with other ringers. She carried on ringing well into her eighties, for as long she was able to stand to a rope.

She learnt to handle a bell as a young girl during the wartime ban on ringing. This was probably at Ss Peter & Paul in her home village of Moulton in Northamptonshire where there were only six bells at that time. I said to her once that she was surely one of the 43-ers but she protested indignantly that she'd learnt to ring before then! She would cycle around the area to ring at other towers including St Edmunds, Northampton.

After this church was demolished in 1980 the bells, together with the peal boards, were shipped to New Zealand. Hilary renewed acquaintance with them on family visits to one of her daughters; she said it was quite strange to see names of those who had taught her on the ringing room walls of Wellington Cathedral.

She enjoyed very much ringing with the EFTA mid-week ringing group (Every Four Tuesdays) and came with us on many of our annual junkets to Flanders. She was always a most entertaining raconteur at the after-ringing palavers in the bar or restaurant. I recall squeezing on to the carillonneur's bench with her and David Manger as we tapped out Grandsire Doubles on the clavier at Bergues, much to the bewilderment of the local inhabitants.



Hilary passed away in a West Malling care home on 19<sup>th</sup> December a few days after contracting the Corona virus. A much loved character, she had celebrated her 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday on 15<sup>th</sup> November. I shall remember her with affection as indeed will the many ringers who were fortunate to have known her.

Peter Dale

# **Minutes of Past Meetings**

# The KCACR Canterbury District Annual District Meeting

Wednesday 14th October 2020 at All Saints, Birchington.

With the restrictions placed upon everyone by the Covid-19 pandemic the meeting was held in the church with other members joining remotely on zoom.

The Chairman, Mike Little opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and stating that the meeting would only last for forty minutes as this was the time allowed on the zoom connection.

**1. Present in person:** Andy Brett, Rev. David Cawley, Allan Chandler, John Haimes, Jo Horton, Len Huckstep, Ben Legg, Mike Little, Stephen Marsh, Tony Martin, Peter Russell and Claire Stay.

**On Zoom**: Malcolm and Marilyn Barden, Phillip Barnes (county chairman), Susan Bassett (general secretary), Sue Bones, Peter Dale, Andrew and Cathryn Hills, Jane Huxley, Felicity Lewis, Donald and Ruth Niblett, Stuart Palin, Freda Parker, Bob and Lindsay Powell-Williams, Keith and Susan Record, Jen Thomas and Elizabeth Treweeks.

Apologies for Absence were received from, Ann Davies.

#### 2. Secretary's Report.

There was little to say. A bye meeting was held in November at Westgate-on-Sea, the Carol Service and social was hosted by Ash, The quarterly meeting in January took place at Dover, following an hour of ringing at Alkham, and the March bye meeting was squeezed in on 11<sup>th</sup> March before everything had to stop as the country was put into lockdown.

Thanks to all the incumbents, churchwardens and local ringers for allowing the use their buildings and bells.

#### 3. Treasurer's Report.

A copy of the interim accounts is attached to these minutes. Copies were handed out to those present.

Cathryn reported that most towers had paid their subscriptions but some members were still to pay. Income from the 120 club would be down this year due to the change to an April to March year, but this will be offset by monies raised by hosting the AGM on Easter Monday.

Subscriptions for the coming year will be £15 for adults and £7.50 for under 18s and are due on 1st January. The county committee are imposing a cut off date for payment. Those who do not meet this date will have their names removed from the handbook.

#### 4. Ringing Master's Report

In what has been a challenging year for ringing in general, it is good to see that some ringing activity in the form of change ringing on handbells and using ringing programs online is still happening, and that some physical service ringing has also returned. Before the Covid lockdown happened, we had enjoyable ringing at district meetings and hosted the KCACR Young Ringers Contest at Sturry. We hope that ringing has been beneficial to everyone who came to any district meeting with the aim of trying to ring something

new, broaden their experience of district towers, and to meet with old friends and make new acquaintances.

A successful ringing school was held in February, focusing on Plain Hunt on 5 and 6 and held at Ash. We hope that everyone who attended feels that they gained from taking part. At this time, we don't know whether it will be possible to organise a ringing school for February next year, but we hope that it may be.

We have held District Plain Triples and Major practices at St Stephen's, Canterbury and a District Surprise Major practice that turned into a Surprise Minor practice at St Peter-in-Thanet. We enjoyed these special practices and again hope that the time for putting on similar events will not be too far off.

The Canterbury District hosted and entered the KCACR Youth Ringers Contest at Sturry and came a very creditable 4<sup>th</sup>, especially considering that the band was unable to meet to practice before the day of the contest! Four members of the Canterbury District band – Phoebe, Morgan, Dylan and Merrick were also taking part in the contest for the very first time.

Towers and groups of more geographically dispersed ringers have been exploring ways of keeping change ringing going under the current restrictions, which is very heartening to hear about. If any District ringers have suggestions for the District as a whole, or would like some help setting socially-distanced ringing events up, please do get in touch! We are encouraged by the creative ways we have seen of keeping ringing activity alive, and hope initiatives continue to grow in number as we build towards a time when restrictions on ringing and social activity in general are permanently lifted.

#### 5. 120 Club Report.

As the 120 Club runs from April to March it had been suspended for this year. It will start again on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021.

#### 6. Report from the County Committee Meeting.

There was nothing to report which wasn't to be covered on the agenda.

#### 7. Rule change for Central Council Reps.

The proposal to change the rule regarding the election of central council representatives annually rather than triennially was explained to members. This reflects the fact that the central council no longer runs on a three year basis.

#### 8. The proposal for the Association to become a registered charity.

The district chairman read a letter from the County chairman explaining the latest situation with regards to this idea. It was suggested that this not be discussed at this meeting but that members should take the matter back to their towers and send their responses to the district officers.

Malcolm Barden asked if the trustees would be a layer above the normal officers to which Phillip Barnes replied that they would be some of the officers. Current thinking was that they would be the association chair, secretary and treasurer plus one senior official from each of the districts. Phillip went on to add that one reason for changing the proposal from becoming a CIO to a CO was that under a CIO members did not elect the chair, but as a CO they could.

Members were asked to submit their questions to Mike, Tony or Phillip. There will be further consultation in the future.

#### 9. Collection of subscriptions for 2021.

Details of this had been emailed to members and the chairman read out the proposal that members should pay their subscriptions directly to the association online. The system was being road tested now. Len asked if members could pay in the normal way. Sue Bassett replied that the new normal will be online. When pressed she said that cheque payments will be allowed. Andrew Hills asked if more than one method of payment would be allowed. The reply was that we must move with the times and Doug Davis is trying to make it as user friendly as possible. No details had yet been finalised and members should write now if they have issues with this. Freda Parker felt that a standing order will be easier. Sue replied that a standing order will be ok but the membership database details should be updated to match subscriptions. Stuart Palin asked if switching to online payment would lead to a big drop in uptake. Lots of members have only a loose connection with the association. Sue said there would be a need to liaise with treasurers and secretaries to chase up payments. Philip added that the general committee have been discussing this idea for some time and it was not a sudden new proposal. There had not been a catastrophic loss yet this year. This had been brought up at the Maidstone District ADM. If members are not interested should the association be taking subscriptions from them. Standing Orders and Direct Debits have issues so members can still pay by cheque.

Bob Powell Williams asked if membership numbers would stay the same. The answer was yes. Claire Stay mentioned that some towers pay for all their members and would this still be possible. Philip said that there would be a function to allow members to pay for others as well as themselves.

#### 10. Election of Officers for 2021.

At the last committee meeting in August, due to the current circumstances, all the existing members agreed to carry on for another year. It was therefore proposed they be re-elected en bloc unless anyone else wished to stand for any of the posts. There were no nominations. The committee for 2021 is therefore as follows:-

Chairman	Mike Little	Secretary	Tony Martin
Assistant Secretary	Rev.David Cawley	Treasurer	Cathryn Hills
Ringing Master 1	Benjamin Legg	Ringing Master 2	John Haimes
District Rep	Jo Horton	120 Club Organiser	Philip Elderton
Newsletter Editor	Jane Huxley	Extra Three	Len Huckstep
Extra Three	Michael Keeler-Walker	Extra Three	Claire Stay

11. Towers for 2021/2. The following programme was put to members.

Month	Tower	Meeting
January 9th	Boughton under Blean	Quarterly Meeting.
March 13th	St Nicholas at Wade	Bye Meeting.
April 10th	Lyminge	Quarterly Meeting.
May 8th	Waltham	Striking Competition.
June 12th	Monkton	Bye Meeting.
July 10th	Faversham	Quarterly Meeting.
September 11th	Sturry	Call Change Competition.
October 9th	St Dunstans	ADM.
November 13th	Chartham	Bye Meeting.

December 11thBirchingtonCarol Service and Social.January 8th 2022St Peter in ThanetQuarterly Meeting.

None of these towers have yet been approached as we don't know when district activities will be allowed to restart.

#### 12. Forthcoming Events.

These will be organised as soon as circumstances allow. .

#### 13. Any Other Business.

David Cawley mentioned that this was the first ADM since Rev. Stanley Evans had died and asked that members stand for a minutes silence in his memory.

Jen Thomas announced that she was organising a presentation on change ringing on handbells which members might be interested in. She was asked to pass the information on to Tony when ready and he can send it out to members.

Jo Horton asked how many towers were ringing on Sundays. It appeared that there were 10 or more known to those present.

There being no other business to discuss the meeting ended at 8.10pm with thanks to all those attending in person and online.

# Statement of Accounts KCACR - Canterbury District 12/10/2020

Balance brought Forward	£7.03			
Membership				
Current membership			Banked main subscriptions all	£933.50
208 Full members @ £15.00	£3,120.00		Banked Canterbury all	£2,347.50
16 Junior members @ £7.50	£120.00			
1 Associate @ £1.00	£1.00		Banked direct to main all	£142.50
1 Associate @£2.50	£2.50			
3 Associate @ £5.00	£15.00		Cash in hand	£59.80
1 Non resident life member at £11.25	£11.25			
Arrears				
3 full members at £10.00	£30.00			
4 Junior members at £5.00	£20.00			
		<u>£3,326.78</u>		
Bell Restoration Fund				
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120club profit	£95.00			
Individual donations 2	£30.00			
Part Collections	£18.52			
Tea profit	£13.00			
		<u>£156.52</u>		

Total

£3,483.30 Total

£3,483.30

# **District Ringing**

#### Ringing Lengths rung from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 are as follows:

Date	Place	Length / Method	Conductor
Tuesday, 7 April 2020	Faversham (45 Bramley Avenue), Kent	1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor	Philip H Larter
Monday, 20 April 2020	Faversham (45 Bramley Avenue), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Philip H Larter
Wednesday, 22 April 2020	Faversham (45 Bramley Avenue), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Barnaby R Larter
Thursday, 23 April 2020	Faversham (45 Bramley Avenue), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Clare J Larter
Sunday, 26 July 2020	Faversham (St Mary of Charity), Kent	120 Plain Bob Minimus	Adam Moore
Friday, 14 August 2020	Sheldwich (1 Hunters Way), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Stuart Palin
Saturday, 22 August 2020	Canterbury (15b Burgate), Kent	1320 Kent Treble Bob Minor	Andrew M Hills
Friday, 28 August 2020	Sheldwich (1 Hunters Way), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Adam Moore
Thursday, 3 September 2020	Teynham (7 Triggs Row), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Stuart Palin
Friday, 4 September 2020	Sheldwich (1 Hunters Way), Kent	1256 Spliced Plain & Little Bob Minor	Barnaby R Larter
Friday, 4 September 2020	Sheldwich (1 Hunters Way), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Stuart Palin
Thursday, 10 September 2020	Canterbury (15b Burgate), Kent	1280 Plain Bob Major	Andrew M Hills
Sunday, 13 September 2020	Faversham (45 Bramley Avenue)	1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor	Barnaby R Larter
Friday, 18 September 2020	Teynham (7 Triggs Row), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Stuart Palin
Sunday, 20 September 2020	Canterbury Cathedral, Kent	448 Plain Bob Major	Andrew M Hills
Sunday, 20 September 2020	Canterbury (15b Burgate), Kent	1264 Plain Bob Major	Andrew M Hills
Friday, 9 October 2020	Teynham (7 Triggs Row), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Adam Moore
Friday, 16 October 2020	Teynham (7 Triggs Row), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Stuart Palin
Sunday, 18 October 2020	Canterbury Cathedral, Kent	448 Plain Bob Major	Andrew M Hills
Sunday, 18 October 2020	Canterbury (15b Burgate), Kent	1264 Plain Bob Major	Andrew M Hills
Friday, 30 October 2020	Teynham (7 Triggs Row), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Adam Moore
Wednesday, 4 November 2020	Sheldwich (1 Hunters Way), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Stuart Palin
Friday, 18 December 2020	Canterbury Cathedral, Kent	480 Plain Bob Major	Andrew M Hills
Wednesday, 30 December 2020	Faversham (45 Bramley Avenue), Kent	1260 Plain Bob Minor	Barnaby R Larter

# **Canterbury District Officers**

As of the 2020 Annual District Meeting, the officers of the Canterbury District currently stand as follows:

Chairman	Mike Little	01843 791117	quexmaster@hotmail.com
Secretary	Tony Martin	01227 769686	canterburysecretary@kcacr.org.uk
Treasurer	Cathryn Hills	01795 533809	(No calls after 8pm please)
Assistant Secretary	Rev. David Cawley	01227 479871	davidl.cawley@btinternet.com
Ringing Master 1	Ben Legg	07818 434350	benlegg87@hotmail.com
Ringing Master 2	John Haimes	07714 860399	johnhaimes@hotmail.com
District Rep	Jo Horton	01227 711138	jo.horton1260@gmail.com
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Extra Three	Michael Keeler-Walker	01227 720121	mckeeler@hotmail.co.uk
Extra Three	Claire Stay		claire.stay@mac.com

# facebook.

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

# Programme of Events 2021 / 2022

Date	Venue	Event	Start
Saturday 9th January.	Boughton-under-Blean	Quarterly Meeting	11am.
Saturday 12th February.	Various venues	Ringing School	tba
Saturday 12th March	St Nicholas at Wade	Bye Meeting	11am
Saturday 10th April.	Lyminge	Quarterly Meeting	3pm.
Saturday 8th May.	Waltham	Striking Competition	2.45pm.
Saturday 12th June.	Monkton	Bye Meeting.	3pm.
Saturday 10th July.	Faversham	Quarterly Meeting	3pm.
Saturday 11th September.	Sturry	Call change competition.	2.45pm.
Saturday 9th October.	Canterbury St Dunstans (6)	Annual District Meeting.	
Saturday 13th November	Chartham	Bye Meeting	11am
Saturday 11th December.	Birchington	Carol Service & Social	tba
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Saturday 8th January	St Peter in Thanet	Quarterly Meeting	11am
Saturday 11th March	Littlebourne	Bye Meeting	11am

No towers have yet been approached for any of these meeting. We don't expect to be able to meet again until April at the earliest.