

KCACR 8-Bell Striking Competition, EGM, Barbecue and Open Towers Event

Dear Members,

District teams are practising hard for the forthcoming competition to be held at the Waterloo Tower, Quex Park, Birchington (CT7 0BH) on Saturday 22nd June and I would like to invite you all to come along to the events that day.

Please see the map below for access to the Waterloo Tower, do not try to use the public entrance.

Please note that there are NO TOILETS at the Waterloo Tower. The nearest toilets are about 800yds away at the Quex Barn Farm Shop which is by the main road entrance.

The timetable for the day will be as follows:

09:45 Draw for the competition

10:00 8-bell competition.

The test piece is 280 changes of Canterbury Pleasure Bob Triples. The competition will be judged by Paul and Kate Flavell from Kingston-upon-Thames.

Light refreshments will be available.

12:00* KCACR EGM to discuss the proposed changes to the wording of rules 2 and 6 in the Bell Restoration Fund Rules.

12:30* Competition Results

13:00 Barbecue (£5.00 per head).

Please book in advance by sending an email to namesfortea@gmail.com

13:00 – 15:30

General ringing on the bells at the Waterloo Tower (12, 14^¾ approx. in F) and the brand new Central Council Mobile Belfry (6, 0-1-22 in E).

15:00 – 16:00

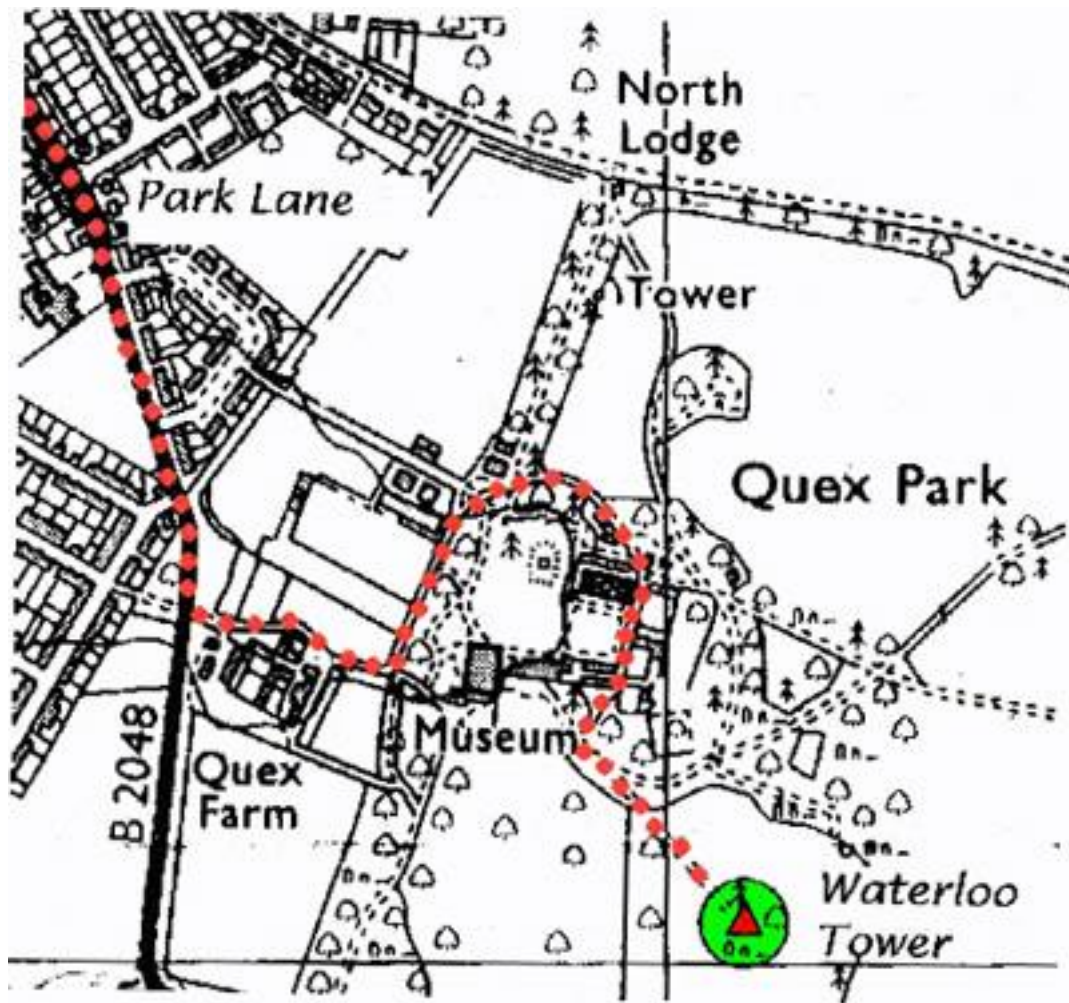
General ringing at All Saints, Birchington (8, 8-2-17 in A). CT7 9TB

15:30 – 16:30

General ringing at St Nicholas at Wade (6, 21cwt approx. in E)

*Approximate start times

Directions to The Waterloo Tower



From All Saints, Birchington, go down Park Lane (opposite eastern end of church) for approximately a quarter of a mile. The entrance to the Park is on the left shortly after the start of a belt of trees.

After a few hundred yards there is a white gate which is the entrance for the Museum and its car park. Turn left in front of the gate and follow the roadway marked "Private, Farms only". At each junction bear right, until reaching a garage yard. Leave the garage yard by going straight on from the point you entered it. The roadway swings sharply to the left. About fifty yards further on there is a trackway on the right hand side. This leads to the gate to the field surrounding the tower. This field will be available for parking for the competition.

Please remember the Park is part of a working farm. Please make sure all gates are securely fastened. Do not obstruct any roadways with parked vehicles.

If there are cattle or horses in the field, please do not take dogs, even on a lead, across to the tower.

BEWARE OF SPEED BUMPS ON THE PARK ROADS

KCACR Inter-District 8-bell striking competition

- 1) The competition will be open to one band from each district.
- 2) The ringers taking part shall be Practising Members of The Kent County Association of Change Ringers.
- 3) The test piece shall be determined each year by the General Committee at the November committee meeting preceding the competition.
- 4) Up to five minutes of trial ringing shall be allowed and the bells shall then be set before the test piece is rung.
- 5) A maximum of 20 whole pulls of rounds may be rung in the competitive ringing before going into changes, and these rounds will not be judged.
- 6) There shall be two judges (competent ringers who are not Practising Members of the Association) whose decision in case of doubt will be final.

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