

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS

LEWISHAM DISTRICT NEWS

Issue 3

July 1988

Hello again. We open this month with a correction to the Association Handbook. Paul Winter's telephone number is 01-464-0921, not as printed on page 20.

The quarter peal week for the Bishop of Rochester was a great success with 29 out of 34 attempts being scored, and a total of 125 ringers attempting quarters during the week. Below is a list of all the quarters attempted and also the names of all the ringers who achieved a first of some kind.

Sat 23 April	ASH-BY-WROTHAM	1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Fri 29 April	BECKENHAM	1288 Grandsire Triples
Sun 24 April	BEXLEY	1260 Stedman Triples
Sat 30 April	BEXLEY	1280 Cambridge Surprise Major
Sun 1 May	BEXLEY	1280 Cambridge Surprise Major
Wed 27 April	BIGGIN HILL	1260 Doubles (3 methods)
Sun 24 April	BROMLEY COMMON	1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Sun 24 April	CHELSEFIELD	1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor
Sun 1 May	CHELSEFIELD	1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Thu 28 April	CHISLEHURST (An)	1280 Kent Treble Bob Major
Sun 1 May	CHISLEHURST (St N)	1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Tue 26 April	CRAYFORD	1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Sat 30 April	DARTFORD	1280 Plain Bob Major
Mon 25 April	DOWNE	1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Tue 26 April	ELTHAM	1260 Stedman Doubles
Sun 24 April	ERITH (CC)	1250 Yorkshire Surprise Major
Tue 26 April	ERITH (CC)	1260 Plain Bob Triples
Sat 30 April	ERITH (St.J)	1250 Rochester Surprise Major
Thu 28 April	FARNINGHAM	1260 Doubles (2 Methods)
Wed 27 April	FOOTS CRAY	1320 Plain Bob Doubles
Sun 1 May	GREENWICH	1259 Grandsire Caters
Sun 24 April	HAYES	1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Sun 1 May	LEWISHAM	1280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major
Wed 27 April	PENGE	1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Sat 23 April	ST. MARY CRAY	1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Wed 27 April	SIDCUP	1260 Plain Bob Doubles
Sun 24 April	WEST WICKHAM	1320 Plain Bob Doubles
Fri 29 April	WOOLWICH	1320 April Day Doubles

Also rung to mark the retirement of the Bishop:

Sun 8 May	DEPTFORD	1250 Cambridge Surprise Major
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The following quarter peals were attempted during the week, but failed:

Sun 24 April	BROMLEY PARISH	Stedman Triples
Thu 28 April	CUDHAM	Plain Bob Doubles
Sun 24 April	DEPTFORD	Little Bob Major
Sat 30 April	EYNSFORD	Grandsire Triples
Wed 27 April	SHOREHAM	Grandsire Doubles

The following ringers are to be congratulated on scoring firsts during the week:

FIRST QUARTER PEAL.

Jenny Williamson	Doubles (3 Methods)	cover	Biggin Hill
Ann Barram	Plain Bob Doubles	treble	Chelsfield
Alison Rayner	Plain Bob Doubles	treble	Crayford
Sally Hall	Plain Bob Doubles	inside	Crayford
Joan Robinson	Plain Bob Doubles	treble	Downe
P.Alexander	Plain Bob Doubles	cover	Downe
S.Stickling	Plain Bob Doubles	inside	Hayes

FIRST AWAY FROM COVER.

M.Caswell	Doubles (2 Methods)	treble	Farningham
M.J.Buller	Plain Bob Doubles	treble	Hayes
P.Alexander	Plain Bob Doubles	treble	Sidcup

FIRST INSIDE.

D.A.Scott	Plain Bob Doubles		Bromley Common
Rosina Cole	Plain Bob Doubles		Downe
M.Luffman	Doubles (2 Methods)		Farningham
N.Pointer	Plain Bob Doubles		St Mary Cray

FIRST AS CONDUCTOR.

Veronica Grover	Plain Bob Doubles		Foots Cray
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FIRST ON 8.

Ruth Hardy	Grandsire Triples	cover	Beckenham
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FIRST OF MAJOR.

J.J.Rooke	Kent T.B. Major	inside	Chislehurst (An)
R.A.Long	Kent T.B. Major	inside	Chislehurst (An)
Margaret Macey	Plain Bob Major	treble	Dartford

FIRST TREBLE BOB ON TREBLE.

P.Winter	Cambridge Surprise Major		Bexley
J.J.Hardy	Kent T.B. Major		Chislehurst (An)

FIRST SURPRISE INSIDE.

D.Miller	Cambridge Surprise Major		Bexley
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FIRST IN METHOD.

J.J.Hardy	Grandsire Triples		Beckenham
Sara Hall	Kent T.B. Major		Chislehurst (An)
Launa Mills	Stedman Doubles		Eltham
D.Miller	Stedman Doubles		Eltham
I.Mills	Stedman Doubles		Eltham
Mabel Bowsher	Plain Bob Triples		Erith (CC)
J.R.Bowsher	Plain Bob Triples		Erith (CC)

M.Liebenrood	Double Norwich C.B.Major	Lewisham
J.Odell	April Day Doubles	Woolwich
R.D.Bing	April Day Doubles	Woolwich
P.Irwin	Cambridge Surprise Major	Deptford

FIRST BLOWS IN METHOD.

Ann Saunders	Rochester Surprise Major	Erith (St J.)
Diana Young	Rochester Surprise Major	Erith (St J.)
Anne Martin	Rochester Surprise Major	Erith (St J.)
A.Britton	Rochester Surprise Major	Erith (St J.)
A.Baker	Rochester Surprise Major	Erith (St J.)
A.Young	Rochester Surprise Major	Erith (St J.)
N.Parsons	Rochester Surprise Major (cond)	Erith (St J.)

FIRST IN METHOD / VARIATION AS CONDUCTOR

W.Lanyon	April Day Doubles	Woolwich
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Also M.Liebenrood rang his 50th quarter - Grandsire Triples at Beckenham.

The County Chairman, Tim Wraight was very impressed by the effort put into the venture by the ringers in the Lewisham District. At least one quarter was attempted in every tower in the district.

There are four more firsts which deserve a mention although they were rung for other occasions.

Vanessa Watts rang her first quarter - the treble to Plain Bob Doubles at Foots Cray.

Sally Brazier rang her first quarter - cover to Plain Bob Doubles at Addington Surrey.

Ruth Hardy rang her first quarter inside - Plain Bob Doubles also at Addington.

Mark Liebenrood conducted his first quarter of Plain Bob Major at Streatham.

Well done everyone. If anyone in your tower rings a quarter worthy of note please let me know - I will gladly publish the details.

There have been some changes at Beckenham recently. After many years as tower captain Sam Nicholls decided to retire at the end of May. Tony Baker accepted an invitation to take over, although Sam will remain as a member of the band and as tower secretary. Practice night is still on Thursday 7-45 to 9-15.

Saturday 25th June saw not only the Lewisham District striking competition at St Mary Cray but also the County 8 bell competition at East Farleigh.

The results of the District competition were:-

FIRST	Bexley
SECOND	Lewisham
THIRD	Erith (CC)
FOURTH	St Mary Cray
FIFTH	Cudham

Unfortunately the band from Lewisham contained two non-members and so they were not eligible to enter, therefore the certificates for second and third place were awarded to Erith and St Mary Cray respectively.

In the County 8 bell competition the Lewisham District band was victorious for the third consecutive year, beating the Maidstone District band by 2 faults.

As mentioned in the last issue it is now possible to covenant your subscription to the Association. For further details please contact Mary Andrews on 0322-523071.

If anyone would like to become the proud owner of an Association sweat shirt or tee shirt they are available by order only from Margaret Bellinger. You can contact Margaret on 0322-54804.

Sweat shirts£8.50

Tee shirts£3.50

Several ringers from the district will be attending the Central Council Ringing School at Pershore in July. I hope to include a full report in the next issue.

Congratulations are due to Jon Fry and Judith Dance who were married at West Wickham on April 16th. Quarter peals were rung at Beckenham and West Wickham to celebrate.

Congratulations to Nigel and Penny Parsons on the birth of a son - Simon Peter, a brother for Martin.

Now here are the dates for your diaries.

Saturday July 23rd.....QUARTERLY MEETING at ASH-BY-WROTHAM

 Ringing 3-00pm.....Service 4-30pm..Tea and meeting in the Church
 Evening ringing until 8-30pm
 Names for tea to Lyn Briers (0474-872379) by Wednesday July 20th.

Sunday August 7th.....TOWER OPEN DAY at DOWNE

 Ringing demonstrations 2-30pm to 5-00pm
 Teas will be served by the ringers in the village hall.
 Any offers of help with the demonstrations please contact Patrick Braund on 0689-50397.

Saturday August 20th.....DISTRICT PRACTICE AT PENGE

 Treble Bob Minor workshop.....6-30pm to 7-30pm
 General Ringing.....7-30pm to 8-30pm Look up Hull S. Minor

Saturday September 3rd....CHELSFIELD TOWER OUTING

 Further details from Anne Martin 0689-30661

Saturday September 10th...FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS & BELLS at BEXLEY

This is advertised in the Association Handbook on page 21.
The Jubi-peal will be there as well as a demonstration of bell casting, and an electronic ringing machine.

Sunday September 11th.....AS ABOVE plus.....

Celebration of Parish Communion 6-30pm

Anyone who can help on either Saturday or Sunday please contact Mary Andrews 0322-523071. There will be Cheese and Wine for ringers and helpers on Saturday evening.

Saturday September 24th...DISTRICT PRACTICE at ELTHAM

Plain Bob Triples & Major workshop.6-30pm to 7-30pm
General ringing.....7-30pm to 8-30pm Look up Stedman Triples

Saturday October 22nd.....ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING at BROMLEY PARISH.

Further details in the next issue.

Saturday October 29th.....ASSOCIATION DINNER at LEEDS CASTLE

Tickets cost £19.50 including wine, and are available from Anne Martin, 31 Repton Road, Orpington, Kent. Please enclose an S.A.E. and a list of names.

Saturday December 3rd.....TOWER CAPTAINS COURSE at LEEDS

There will be 20 places on the course and it will cost £5.00 including lunch. Further details from Anne Martin on 0689-30661.

Please try to support as many of these events as you can.

I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to this edition of the news letter. If you have any ideas for the newsletter please contact the editor. I would also find it helpful if tower captains would let me know how many copies of the newsletter they need for their tower, as I am just guessing at the moment.

Closing date for news to be included in issue 4 is 30th September 1988

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