



# Annual Report 2023

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# THE SURREY ASSOCIATION OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

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## ANNUAL REPORT 2023

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PRESIDENT Robert Cooles

VICE PRESIDENTS The Bishops of Southwark, Guildford, Croydon,  
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Malcolm McAlister (BRF Secretary), Mortlake; Noel Gibbin, Caterham St. John; Simon (Sid) Bensberg, Croydon Minster; Gail Terry, Redhill; Kate Wills (SD representative), Betchingley; ND representative currently vacant

### TRAINING GROUP 2022/2023

Ian Griffiths (Training Officer), Oxted; Wendy Archibald, Barnes; Paul Beeken, Dorking; Noel Gibbin, Caterham St. John; Trisha Hawkins, Barnes.

The General Master is ex officio member of all Committees.

# PRINCIPAL OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FROM FOUNDATION

## PRESIDENTS

1883 - 1895	Archbishop of Canterbury	1938 - 1971	Bishop of Southwark
1896 - 1906	Bishop of Rochester	1972 - 1976	Bishop of Croydon
1907 - 1926	Bishop of Southwark	1977 - 1995	Roydon Davies
1927 - 1929	Vacant	1996 - 2014	Eric G H Godfrey
1930 - 1937	Bishop of Croydon	2014 -	Robert J Cooles

## MASTERS

1912	Dr Arthur B Carpenter	1981 - 1983	Carol Gosling
1913 - 1927	James Drewett	1984 - 1986	Jeremy D Cheesman
1928 - 1945	D Kenneth C Birt	1987 - 1989	Stuart J Flockton
1946 - 1953	Daniel Cooper	1990 - 1992	Nigel J Goodship
1954 - 1956	Roydon Davies	1993 - 1995	Robert J Cooles
1957 - 1959	Frederick E Collins	1996 - 1998	Robin A Grant
1960 - 1962	Frank E Darby	1999 - 2001	Stewart F Kimber
1963 - 1964	A Patrick Cannon	2002 - 2003	Robin A Grant
1965	Frederick E Collins	2004 - 2006	Sheila M Cheesman
1966	A Patrick Cannon	2007 - 2008	Anthony W Gordon
1967 - 1969	Frank E Darby	2009 - 2011	Sheila M Cheesman
1970 - 1972	Christopher F Mew	2012 - 2014	Patrick M Wills
1973 - 1974	A Patrick Cannon	2015 - 2017	Kate Flavell
1975 - 1977	Stewart F Kimber	2018 - 2021	Noel JR Gibbin
1978 - 1980	Eric G H Godfrey	2022 -	Paul Flavell

## SECRETARIES

1880 - 1882	Revd A S W Young	1959 - 1963	Raymond I F Parsons
1883	A W B Perceval	1964 - 1967	William Parrott
1884 - 1892	Dr Arthur B Carpenter	1968 - 1970	Colin H Cook
1893 - 1896	R B Blanchard	1971 - 1973	Barbara Hawkins
1896 - 1910	Charles Dean Jr	1974	Robin A Grant
1911 - 1921	Cyril F Johnston	1975 - 1977	Christopher F Mew
1922 - 1926	Charles Dean Jr	1978 - 1986	Stuart J Flockton
1927 - 1936	Charles H Kippin	1987 - 1993	Eric G H Godfrey
1937 - 1946	Edward G Talbot	1994 - 2018	Richard J Wallis
1947 - 1949	Claud S C Parks	2019 -	Ann Beirne
1950 - 1958	William F Oatway		

## SUBSCRIPTION RATES FOR 2023

Resident Members.....	£5.00 per annum
Junior Resident Members.....	£3.00 per annum
Non-resident Members .....	£5.00

All resident subscriptions become due on First January. Junior members are those under 18 years of age on 1st January, or still receiving unpaid full-time education. Subscriptions should be paid via [MemberMojo](#).

# MASTER'S REPORT

I was honoured to be elected Master at the AGM in May and thank you all for your support.

Firstly, thank you to Noel Gibbin for his excellent stewardship over the last four years, especially as we have gone through such challenging times for our towers with the pandemic. Noel oversaw the introduction of Member Mojo, kept people interested with the on-line Ringing Room programme, and launched the Ringing Recovery group to help ringers and towers.

Bellringing is a skill gained over many years and it is imperative that our experienced ringers help our learners and pass on those skills now or they will be lost forever. Success stories and good ideas should be shared too. Jackie is doing an excellent job with the Newsletter. We also have an excellent website and Facebook page and Member Mojo system and some towers have their own Instagram pages – please do use all these resources to see what is happening and to share your stories.

We rang with joy for the Platinum Jubilee and we rang with sadness for the death of the Queen in September. The Ring for the King programme is a great way of getting new recruits for your tower and we are already seeing new learners coming through. The Association also hosted SEECON, a competition for young ringers, on 1 April 2023.

At Kingston we have a number of new learners and we are teaching them using our ART techniques. ART is an excellent teaching method as many of you will know, but all experienced and competent teachers are worth their weight in gold when we have a lot of new learners to teach. Intensive one to one sessions 'accelerated learning' certainly speed up the process and keep the learner interested and making progress.

The Training Group have finalised the full training programme for 2023 and the training events are designed to help ringers progress to the next step of ringing, e.g. call changes to Plain Hunt, Plain Hunt to Plain Bob and so on.

Surrey entered a team in the London 12 bell competition held on the challenging bells of St Paul's Cathedral, with its 62cwt tenor and 70 foot rope draft. We had a couple of practices and with our limited squad the team rang as well as could be expected on the day. We are not used to ringing on such heavy bells so we can be proud of our performance.

We are sorry to hear that Michael Chilcott passed away recently with his son Mark by his side. He was 88 years old and had been a ringer at Beddington and St Paul's Cathedral for many years. Mike and Kath had been members of the Association for over 60 years.

Eric Godfrey died on 18th December. He was a Surrey stalwart having held the positions of ND Master, Secretary, General Master and President. He was tower captain for many years at Addington which had one of the best six bell bands in the country at the time. Eric also held the important positions of Secretary of the Central Council and Treasurer of the Millennium Fund. We pass our condolences on to Margaret his widow and their two daughters Alison and Judith.

Bob Cooles has stood down as President. Bob is also standing down as DAC Bells Advisor and we thank him very much for his work with the Association. I'd also like to thank all the General and District Committee members for their contribution over the last few years and in particular Pam and Paul for managing their districts so well. We warmly welcome all new committee members to their posts. Your contribution is vital to the smooth running of the Association.

Many of you will have had tower AGMs as well and we do appreciate and thank all of you who hold tower posts such as ringing master, secretary, treasurer and steeple keeper. Running a tower is a big commitment and without you, many towers would not be ringing at all. If you have people with talents in your band then make sure to use them!

I look forward to continuing as your Master for the year ahead and hearing of the success stories from Ring for the King as well as the progress for our many new recruits. We will prioritise training for the new recruits to ensure they become valuable members of their local bands.

Paul Flavell [master@surreybellringers.org.uk](mailto:master@surreybellringers.org.uk)

# PROGRAMME FOR 2023/2024

## Association and District Events:

As we recover from the effects of Covid more events are being organised and regular activities being held and details finalised. Please see the events calendar on the Association website for details of events <https://www.surreybellringers.org.uk/events/>, and notices will be sent around by email.

Events are generally organised as follows:

*1<sup>st</sup> Saturday – Training event (T); 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday – Northern District (ND); 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday – Southern District (SD); Association (A).*

### 2023

<b>January</b>	21	Sat	ND	Annual District Meeting
<b>February</b>	4	Sat	T	Listening skills
	25	Sat	SD	Annual District Meeting
<b>April</b>	1	Sat	A	SEECON young ringers contest (Caterham St Mary)
	5	Wed	A	Quiz (Banstead Institute Hall)
	13-15	w/e		Essex ringing course
	28-30	w/e	A	Peal Weekend
<b>April 22<sup>nd</sup> to May 28<sup>th</sup></b>			A	Quarter Peal month for the Ring for the King Coronation event
<b>May</b>	8	Mon	SD	10 Bell Open Practice (Dorking)
	13	Sat	A	AGM (Barnes)
	20	Sat	ND	Allcomers Practice
<b>June</b>	3	Sat	T	Steeple Keeping (Oxted)
	17	Sat	ND	Learners outing
	24	Sat		National 12 bell Striking Competition (Sheffield Cathedral)
<b>July</b>	1	Sat	T	Plain Hunt on 5 & 6 (TBC)
	15	Sat	A	Six bell call striking competition (Ockley)
	23	Sat	SD	6-bell summer outing
<b>August</b>	5	Sat	T	Ringing Up & Down in peal (Caterham St John)
	10-13	w/e		North West course
	17-20	w/e		Bradfield (Reading) Course
	19	Sat	ND	12-bell all-comers practice at Kingston
<b>September</b>	2	Sat	T	Getting the best from Simulators
	3	Sun		CCCBR AGM (Ipswich)
	9	Sat		Essex Trophy 10-bell striking competition (TBC)
<b>October</b>	7	Sat	T	Moving on with Surprise Minor (TBC)
	7	Sat	A	Six and eight bell striking competitions (East Molesey)
	28	Sat		London 12-bell competition (Magnus the Martyr, London Bridge)
<b>November</b>	4	Sat	T	Tower Management (Kingston)
	4	Sat		Brockham Bonfire (for BRF)
	18	Sat	ND	District practice and Nomination Meeting
	25	Sat	SD	Autumn Business Meeting
<b>December</b>	2	Sat	T	Plain Hunt to Plain Bob (TBC)
	16	Sat	ND	Open practice (Battersea)
	TBC	Sat	SD	Event TBC

<b>2024</b>				
<b>January</b>	20	Sat	ND	Annual District Meeting
<b>February</b>	16–18	w/e	A	Peal Weekend
	24	Sat	SD	Annual District Meeting
<b>March</b>	27	Wed	A	Quiz
<b>May</b>	11	Sat	A	AGM (TBC)

### **Regular Practices:**

Many regular practices have restarted following the COVID restrictions. Those that have started are shown below. It is hoped more will restart in due course. Please see the events calendar on the Association website for details of events (<https://www.surreybellringers.org.uk/events/>), and notices will be sent around by email.

### **Most months (Usual location)**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Mon	A	Peripatetic Practice (Varies)	10:30
1 <sup>st</sup>	Tue	ND	Open 12 Bell Practice (Croydon Minster)	20:00
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wed	SD	Surprise Minor Practice (Buckland)	13:15
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Fri	SD	Conducting (Nutfield)	19:00
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sat	SD	Surprise Major Practice (Varies)	10:00
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Fri	ND	Surprise Major Practice (Carshalton)	19:30
4 <sup>th</sup>	Mon	SD	Advanced 6 Bell Practice (Varies)	19:30
4 <sup>th</sup>	Wed	A	8 Bell Practice (East Molesey)	13:00
4 <sup>th</sup>	Thu	ND	8's Great! Practice (St John the Divine, Merton)	19:30
4 <sup>th</sup>	Thu	A	Advanced 12 Bell Practice (South Croydon)	20:00
4 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	A	Young Ringers' Practice (Varies)	13:00

*A = General Association    T = Training Committee events, generally held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month  
 ND = Northern District    SD = Southern District*

**Please check website (<https://www.surreybellringers.org.uk/events/>) for any changes and times before making a journey.**

## **DISTINGUISHED MEMBERSHIPS** (as at December 2022)

### **Members with over 60 years membership**

Alan Bagworth	Kathleen Chilcott	Robert Cooles	Christopher Mew
Alan Millidge	Ann Murrells	Paul Richardson	Michael Uphill

### **Members with over 50 years membership**

Derek Atfield	Jeremy Cheesman	Sheila Cheesman	Carole Ann Cooles
Marion Dallison	William Day	Martin Foster	Margaret Godfrey
Robin Grant	Bernard Hawkins	David Hawkins	Nigel Humphries
Charlotte Kirwan	Rosemary Lilley	John Maybrey	Shirley McGill
Emily Richardson	Derek Spittle	Ray Talbot	Wendy Wallace
Ian Wiltshire			

### **Members with over 40 years membership**

Anne Anthony	Leslie Burnett	Chris Cooper	Lawrence Davies
Jo Drew	Hilary Ely	Kate Flavell	Caroline Flockton
Stuart Flockton	David Gilmore	Sarah Gilmore	Nigel Goodship
Roger Grieve	Elizabeth Grover	Eddie Hartley	Norma Henderson
Martin Higgins	Martin Horn	Chris Kimber	Keith Matthews
Kathie Matthews	Angus Moore	Michael Moreton	Ed Muller
Val Muller	Lorna Nunn	Tony Nunn	Andrew Oliphant
Brian Parnell	Geoffrey Paul	Margaret Paul	David Pelham
Jeremy Pratt	Caroline Prescott	Christopher Rance	Sue Reilly
Diane Reynolds	Christopher Ridley	Francis Ring-Davies	Alan Roberts
Claire Roberts	Michael Rogerson	David Sayce	Margaret Shelley
Bernard Stone	Michael Sutcliffe	Gail Terry	Jennifer Terry
Nigel Thomson	John Ticket	David Whitehead	

## **HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS RESIDENT OUTSIDE THE COUNTY**

Alan Bagworth	Susan Bailey	Andrew Brown	Kathleen Chilcott
Rosemary Cryle	William Day	Jo Drew	Caroline Flockton
Stuart Flockton	Martin Foster	Margaret Godfrey	Nigel Goodship
Anthony Gordon	Revd Derek Harding	Andrew Holland	Jane Holland
Martin Horn	Pat Jenkins	Kathie Matthews	Keith Matthews
Christopher Mew	Alan Millidge	Gillian Parsons	Ray Parsons
Jeremy Pratt	Irene Rich	Anne Richardson	Emily Richardson
Paul Richardson	Derek Spittle	Chris Stanley	Heather Steere
Norman Steere	Bernard Stone	Juliet Stoy	Ray Talbot
Jennifer Terry	Nigel Thomson	Tom White	Jill Wigney
Mike Wigney	Ian Wiltshire		

## **NEW NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS IN 2022**

Laurence Bourton	Elliot Hughes	Richard Pendlebury	Caleb Saunders
Chris Weavers			

## **RESIDENT MEMBERS TRANSFERRED TO NON-RESIDENT**

Suki Edge-Partington	Sarah Jane Sherlock	Georgina Stein-Hemmings
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# TOWER DETAILS AND MEMBERSHIP LIST

## Northern District

*256 Members (as at 31st March 2023); 33 Towers with members*

**ADDINGTON** St Mary, Addington Village Road, CR0 5AS. (OS Ref: 372640, /// button.fact.front)  
6 bells, 6.75 cwt (347kg) in B.

*Sunday: 9.30-9.55am Practice: Monday 6.00-7.00 beginners then 7.00-8.00pm. Simulator*

**C David Whitehead (020 8681 0386, whitedw@btinternet.com)**

**S David Whitehead, (020 8681 0386, whitedw@btinternet.com)**

Sheila Davison (L)	Philip Healey	Daniel Hughes	Patrick Hughes
Anne Leakey	Edwina Morris	Lindsay Ould	Catherine Savova
Claire Shapiro	Fraser Storie	Joanne Storie	Dawn Symes
Ruth Symes	Wendy Wallace (L)	David Whitehead (L)	

**BANSTEAD** All Saints, High Street, SM7 2NG. (OS Ref: 254597, /// lakes.sunset.length)

8 bells, 21.25 cwt (1,079kg) in E flat. *Sunday: 8.55-9.25am, 6.00-6.30pm (evenings 3rd and 5th only, check first). Practice: Wednesday 8.00-9.30pm*

**C Elizabeth Grover, (07970 842894, mumliz@uwclub.net)**

Anne Anthony (L)	Richard Anthony	Elizabeth Grover (L)	Richard Groves
John Tickett (L)			

**BARNES** St Mary, Church Road, SW13 9HL. (OS Ref: 222766, /// logs.flight.flown) 8 bells,

10.75 cwt (542kg) in G#. *Sunday: 9.20-9.55am (other services by arrangement)*

*Practice: Friday 7.30-9.00pm, Saturday 9.00am - Noon (Training and beginners)*

**C Wendy Archibald, (07973 817539, towercaptain@stmarybarnes.org)**

**A Trisha Hawkins, (07730 988370, bells@stmarybarnes.org)**

Wendy Archibald	Beverley Blanning	Michael De Freitas	Giles Dimock
Mark Fielker	Eddie Hartley (L)	Trisha Hawkins	Eddie Heath
Andrew Howard-Smith	Dominic Johnson	Katharine Malvern	Sara Selwood
James Stevenson	Joanna Teverson	Owen Toller	Monica Trow
Emma Wellesley	Jill Wigney (L)	Mike Wigney (L)	

**BATTERSEA** St Mary, Battersea Church Road, SW11 3NA. (OS Ref: 268769, /// cared.empty.loaded)

8 bells, 13.75 cwt (697kg) in F. *Sunday: 10.30-10.55am.*

*Practice: Monday 7.30-9.00pm*

**C Caroline Prescott (020 8942 7832)**

Louis Benne	Nicola Buckthorp	Bridget Cassey	Martin Hadley
Richard Harris	Karen Hayon	Asher Kaboth	Charlotte Kirwan (L)
Kevin Perkins (L)	Caroline Prescott (L)	Kate Wallis	Rex Wickham
Benjamin Woolley			

**BEDDINGTON** St Mary the Virgin, Church Road, Beddington Park, SM6 7NH.

(OS Ref: 295653, /// remit.walks.patio) 10 bells, 18.5 cwt (945kg) in E flat.

*Sunday: 8.55-9.30am, 5.55-6.30pm Practice: Thursday 7.45-9.30pm*

**C Jill Pidler, (07305 752174, jillpidler5@gmail.com)**

**S Richard Fitch, (020 8647 5304, richard.fitch2@gmail.com)**

Dan Dawson-Taylor (L)	Richard Fitch	Jo Fitzgerald	Sandra Gates
Elizabeth Griffiths	Christopher Kimber (L)	Russell King	Jill Pidler
Linda Wood			

**BENHILTON** All Saints, All Saints Road, SM1 3DA. (OS Ref: 258653, /// games.sleeps.tricky)

8 bells, 13.5 cwt (689kg) in F sharp. *Sunday: 8.55-9.30am Practice: Tuesday 7.45-9.15pm*

**C Sheila Cheesman, (07703 533985, sheilacheesman@btinternet.com)**

Jeremy Cheesman (L)	Sheila Cheesman (L)	Linda Hadcocks	Liz Hardcastle
Alyson Larrey	Abigail Lock	Sara Mcmanus	Ann Murrells (L)
Helen Wright	John Wright		

**BERMONDSEY** St James, Thurland Road, SE16 4AA. (OS Ref: 342794, /// park.spike.lobby)  
8 bells, 14.25 cwt (731kg) in F sharp.  
*Sunday: 10.00-10.30am, evenings by arrangement. Practice: Tuesday 7.30-9.30pm*  
**C Colin Friend, (07747 011688, friend.colin@gmail.com)**  
Louise Booth

**CAMBERWELL** St Giles, Camberwell Church St, SE5 8RB. (OS Ref: 330767, /// nodded.drops.actual)  
10 bells, 22.25 cwt (1,130kg) in D flat.  
*Sunday: 2nd only 9.30-10.00am. Practice: First Friday: 7.00-8.30pm*  
**C Alec Gray (a.509@btinternet.com)**  
David Cloake                      Alexander Gray                      Tue Sando

**CARSHALTON** All Saints, High Street, SM5 3PD. (OS Ref: 280645, /// rash.orders.cubs)  
8 bells, 11 cwt (562kg) in F sharp. *Sunday: 10.00-10.30am Practice: Monday 8.00-9.30pm*  
**C Rosemary Lilley, (07793 045540, rosemarylilley@blueyonder.co.uk)**  
**S Arthur White, (020 8669 8569, chalkie11@btinternet.com)**  
Linda Aldroish                      Hilary Browning                      William Brueton                      David Fisher  
Rosemary Lilley (L)                      Christopher Mclean                      Angus Moore (L)

**CHEAM** St Dunstan, Church Road, SM3 8QH. (OS Ref: 242639, /// noises.attend.calms)  
6 bells, 11 cwt (505kg) in G. *Sunday: 8.45-9.30am*  
*Practice: Thursday 7.30-9.00pm (Occasional practice, phone to check)*  
**C William Scotney, (020 8642 1321, w.scotney@btinternet.com)**  
**A Adrian Yardley, (020 8643 2101, adrian.yardley1@btinternet.com)**  
**S William Scotney, (020 8642 1321, w.scotney@btinternet.com)**  
Lucy Brice                      Michael Rogerson (L)                      Adrian Yardley

**CLAPHAM COMMON** Holy Trinity, Rookery Road, SW4 0QZ. (OS Ref: 292754, /// varieties.bunks.needed)  
6 bells, 6.25 cwt (314kg) in B flat.  
*Sunday: 9.00-9.30am. Practice: No practice*  
**C Madeline Johnston, (07748 515718, johnston.madeline@gmail.com)**  
**A Marion Prideaux (020 7622 7457)**  
James Ansell                      David Beamish (L)                      Martin Carr                      Madeline Johnston (L)  
Marion Prideaux (L)                      Helen Widgery

**CLAPHAM COMMON** St Mary (RC), Clapham Park Road, SW4 7AP. (OS Ref: 295753, /// natively.liner.relax)  
8 bells, 8.75 cwt (440kg) in F sharp. *Practice: Ringing suspended due to the state of the tower so Ellacombe chiming frame in regular use. Chiming taster sessions available. 2x sets of handbells.*  
*We are currently seeking an existing or would-be Steeple keeper willing to provide occasional*  
**C Mike Shelley, (020 8764 8634, mikeshelley64@gmail.com)**  
**S Mike Shelley (0208 764 8634, mikeshelley64@gmail.com)**  
Mike Shelley

**COLLIERS WOOD** Christ Church, Christ Church Road, SW19 2NY. (OS Ref: 268701, /// regime.inches.long)  
6 bells, 6.25 cwt (313kg) in B flat.  
*Sunday: 10.30-11.15am Practice: Thursday 7.30- 9.00pm (2nd and 4th, phone to check)*  
**C Bernard Fanthom, (07590 815871, bernard.fanthom@gmail.com)**  
Jonathan Fletcher Rogers                      Peter Judge

**CROYDON** Minster Church of St John the Baptist, Church Street, CR0 1RN.  
(OS Ref: 319655, /// fork.boat.port) 12 bells, 36.75 cwt (1,875kg) in C sharp.  
*Sunday: 9.20-10.00am, evenings by arrangement. Practice: Tuesday 8.00- 9.30pm*  
**C Shirley Mcgill, (07747 897001, semcgill@blueyonder.co.uk)**  
**A Simon Bensberg, (07436 052693, scbensberg@gmail.com)**  
**S Simon Bensberg, (07436 052693, scbensberg@gmail.com)**  
Simon Bensberg                      David Hodge                      Hilary Jacques                      Shona Joyce  
Shirley Mcgill (L)                      Geoffrey Radford                      Mark Smith                      Thomas Wood

**EAST MOLESEY** St Mary the Virgin, Bell Road, KT8 0SS. (OS Ref: 146679, /// pulse.ends.seats)  
8 bells, 10 cwt (508kg) in G.

Sunday: 8.30-9.00am Practice: Tuesday 7.45-9.15pm

**C Jane Marsters, (020 8942 0886, maljan@ic24.net)**

Andrew Fisher	Joanna Hoad	Tim Hoad	Nicola Kirk
Jane Marsters	Alison Stone		

**EGHAM** St John the Baptist, High Street, TW20 9HL. (OS Ref: 13713, /// pasta.delay.rises)  
10 bells, 17 cwt (863kg) in F.

Sunday: 8.45-9.15am, 10.30-11.00am. Practice: Thursday 7.45-9.15pm

**C William Burgess, (01784 439583, eghamten@gmail.com)**

**EWELL** St Mary, London Road, KT17 2AY. (OS Ref: 220629, /// ground.mint.limit)  
8 bells, 12.5 cwt (636kg) in F sharp.

Sunday: 9.00-9.30am, (Occasional evening ringing, phone) Practice: Tuesday 7.30-9.00pm

**C Jeff Cousins, (020 8394 0572, towercaptain@stmarysewell.com)**

**S Jeff Cousins, (020 8394 0572, towercaptain@stmarysewell.com)**

Jeff Cousins (L)

**KINGSTON UPON THAMES** All Saints, Market Place, KT1 1JP. (OS Ref: 179693, /// device.down.pink)  
12 bells, 19 cwt (965kg) in E flat.

Sunday: 8.30-9.30am, 5.00-6.00pm Practice: Wednesday 7.45-9.30pm

**C Kate Flavell, (07768 798395, kateflavell1@gmail.com)**

**A Paul Flavell, (020 8942 1662, paulflavell53@gmail.com)**

So-Shan Au	Michael Bangham	Colin Birt	Anthony Bishop
Deborah Bishop	Andrew Bolton	Shirley Bolton	Gavin Collins
Kate Corney	Kate Flavell (L)	Paul Flavell (L)	Dwenna Georges
Linda Georgiades (L)	Roshan Jathanna	Amanda Makin	Isabelle Mcgrath
Geoffrey Paul (L)	Margaret Paul (L)	Diane Pratt (L)	Anthea Rata (L)
David Robinson (L)	Adrian Wheeler (L)	Heather Wilson	

**LAMBETH** St John the Evangelist, Waterloo Road, SE1 8TY. (OS Ref: 312801, /// coherent.entry.occurs)  
8 bells, 17.75 cwt (895kg) in E.

Note: the church will be closed from July 2021 for a year for renovations.

Enquire before attending. Sunday: 10.00-10.30am Practice: Sunday 12.00-1.30pm. Simulator

**C Trisha Shannon, (07833 664475, trishashannon@gmail.com)**

**A Edmund Wratten, (07421 099467)**

Richard Gates	Delroy Osborne	Trisha Shannon
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**MERTON** St John the Divine, High Path, Merton, SW19 2JY. (OS Ref: 258698, /// baked.leans.flank)  
10 bells, 12 cwt (609kg) in.

Sunday: 9.00-9.30am Practice: 1st, 3rd & 5th Thursday evening (Phone to check)

**C Bernard Fanthom, (07590 815871, bernard.fanthom@gmail.com)**

Audrey Bowerman	Andy Coles	Bernard Fanthom	Chris Stanley (L)
Geoff Strawbridge	Jason Tilbrook		

**MERTON PARK** St Mary, Church Lane, SW19 3HJ. (OS Ref: 251695, /// crest.cook.tiles)  
6 bells, 7.25 cwt (367kg) in A.

Sunday: 8.50-9.30am and usually 5.55-6.35pm (phone to check)

Practice: Monday 7.45-9.15pm (phone to check)

**C Edward Gosden (07809 353887, edgosden@me.com)**

**A Daphne Perry, (07963 618542, bells@stmarysmerton.org.uk)**

**S Duncan Hay, (duncan.hay@hotmail.co.uk)**

Janice Cameron	Maggi Chick	David Delpy	Edward Gosden
Duncan Hay	Annette Kothari	Kevin Laws	Elizabeth Mogg
Lorna Nunn (L)	Daphne Perry	Jeffrey Perry	Andrew Robinson (L)
Nicola Simpson	Niki Tompkinson (L)		

**MITCHAM** St Peter St Paul, Church Road, CR4 3BP. (OS Ref: 271687, /// hits.stale.crisp)  
8 bells, 14.5 cwt (746kg) in F. *Sunday: 9.15-9.55 am. Practice: Monday 7.00-8.30 pm*

**C Norma Vieira, (07912 357056 or 020 8241 4307, norma.vieira@virginmedia.com)**

**A Father David Pennells, (020 8646 0666, fatherdavid@btinternet.com)**

**S David Coggins, (07518 770650, davidcoggins@aol.com)**

David Coggins	Pam Donovan	Geraldine Kelly	Andrew King
James Moore	David Pennells	Norma Vieira	Elisha Willoughby
Heavenleigh-Angel Willoughby		Reuben-Zebidiah Willoughby	
Peter Wright			

**MORTLAKE** St Mary the Virgin, High Street, SW14 8JA. (OS Ref: 208760, /// yoga.skill.super)  
8 bells, 14 cwt (710kg) in F. *Sunday: 9.30-10.00am Practice: Second Wednesday 8.00-9.15pm*

**C Francis Ring-Davies, (07956 624380, ringdavies@gmail.com)**

Jaquie Brown                      Malcolm Mcalister                      Francis Ring-Davies (L)

**PUTNEY** St Mary, Putney High Street, SW15 1SN. (OS Ref: 242756, /// eaten.sank.demand)  
8 bells, 12.75 cwt (651kg) in F sharp. *Sunday: 9.30-9.55am, evenings by arrangement.*

*Practice: Monday 7.30-9.00pm*

**C Paula Greenwood, (07941 089093, pag.greenwood65@gmail.com)**

**S Gerrard Ryan, (07525 944779, gdryan@gmail.com)**

Michael Bull (L)	Christine Day	Paula Greenwood	Fiona Pilkington
Gerrard Ryan	Cherry Steward (L)	David Underdown	Michael Uphill (L)

**RICHMOND** St Mary Magdalene, Paradise Road, TW9 1SN. (OS Ref: 179748, /// zest.joins.across)  
8 bells, 18.5 cwt (940kg) in F. *Sunday: 9.00-9.25am*

*Practice: Tuesday 7.30-9:00pm, except first Tuesday (Call before practice)*

**C Jackie Harrison, (07747 111525, jackieharrison456@gmail.com)**

Amanda Adams	Donatella Astratti	Martin Crick	Jackie Harrison
Andrew Harvey	Barbara Hicks	Johanna Kitson	Sarah Percival
Richard Reger			

**ROTHERHITHE** St Mary with All Saints, St Marychurch Street, SE16 4JX.

(OS Ref: 352798, /// cloud.salsa.beside) 8 bells, 10.5 cwt (536kg) in A flat. *Sunday: 9.15-9.45am No practice.*

**C Colin Friend, (07747 011688, friend.colin@gmail.com)**

Simon Fraser                      Steve Johnson                      Bogumila Myers                      Piers Myers

**SOUTH CROYDON** St Peter, St Peter's Road, CR0 1EZ. (OS Ref: 326644, /// cried.silly.stem)  
12 bells, 30.25 cwt (1,533kg) in D. *Sunday: 10.30-11.00am*

*Practice: Monday 7.30-9.00pm infrequently (Phone to confirm all ringing)*

**C Samuel MacMahon, (07949 176511, sam\_macmahon@hotmail.com)**

**A Michael Moreton, (020 8688 6373)**

Geoff Fairbairn                      Samuel Macmahon                      Michael Moreton (L)

**SOUTHWARK** Cathedral Church of St Saviour & St Mary Overie, London Bridge, SE1 9HG.

(OS Ref: 327803, /// sleepy.throw.puzzle) 12 bells, 48.75 cwt (2,477kg) in B flat.

*Sunday: 10.15-11.00am. Practice: Almost all Wednesdays 6.30-8.30pm (door is locked at 7pm).*

*Phone to check or see www.southwark-bells.org.uk for practice timetable.*

**C Rachel Prior, (07933 776079, secretary@southwark-bells.org.uk)**

**A Luke Camden, (lukeocamden@gmail.com)**

Gavin Bennett (L)                      Jason Hughes                      Rhiannon Meredith

**SOUTHWARK (BOROUGH)** St George the Martyr, Borough High Street, SE1 1JA.

(OS Ref: 325798, /// logic.turned.rally) 8 bells, 14.75 cwt (748kg) in F.

*Practice: First Tuesday 5.30-7.00pm (Phone to check)*

**C Max Roberts, (07976352595, robertsmax@gmail.com)**

**STREATHAM** St Leonard, Tooting Bec Gardens, SW16 1RB. (OS Ref: 300718, /// invite.moth.remit)  
8 bells, 12.75 cwt (650kg) in G.  
*Sunday: 9.30-9.55am. Practice: Tuesday 7.30-9.00pm*

**C, S Tony Nunn, (07951 722270, tony@elderberry.co.uk)**

**A Gill Tomlinson, (07891 269439, gill@elderberry.co.uk)**

John Garner	David How	John Loughrey	Chris Mahalski
Tony Nunn (L)	Gill Tomlinson (L)	Cynthia Westley	

**THAMES DITTON** St Nicholas, Summer Road, KT7 0QQ. (OS Ref: 161673, /// item.season.goats)  
6 bells, 8 cwt (407kg) in A flat.

*Sunday: 9.30-10.00am Practice: Monday 7.45-9.15pm (Phone or email to check)*

**C Pamela Rider, (07410 703569, pamelarider@hotmail.com)**

Pamela Rider

**TOOTING GRAVENEY** All Saints, Franciscan Road, SW17 8DQ. (OS Ref: 282718, /// lion.stream.steps)  
8 bells, 7 cwt (356kg) in B. *All ringing by arrangement.*

**C Please contact the General Secretary in the first instance**

**A Parish Office, (email@allsaintstooting.org.uk)**

Heather De Mello

**WALWORTH** St Peter, Liverpool Grove, SE17 2HH. (OS Ref: 325781, /// played.muddy.send)  
8 bells, 3.75 cwt (200kg) in E flat. *Sunday and Practice: 12.15pm on 1st, 2nd and 5th Sunday*

**C Kevin Mitchell, (07968 364141, kevmitch77@hotmail.com)**

Jenna Birley	Lois Clifton	Latoya Constantine	Kaiden Erogbogbo
Kristen Frederickson	Kevin Mitchell	Anastasia Moughtin-Mumby	
Joy Moughtin-Mumby	Zoe Moughtin-Mumby	Elizabeth Ogundere-Faloye	
Julius Olu-Jones	Luke Perkins	Max Roberts	

**WANDSWORTH** All Saints, High Street, SW18 1EP. (OS Ref: 255747, /// legs.hopes.afford)  
8 bells, 15.5 cwt (786kg) in F.

*First Sunday: 4.30-4.55pm, and occasionally other Sunday evenings (Please phone to check)*

**C Jonathan Startup, (020 8789 1914, jonathan.startup@outlook.com)**

**A Parish Office, (0208788 4606)**

**WANDSWORTH** Holy Trinity, Beaumont Road, SW19 6SP. (OS Ref: 241740, /// boats.foods.given)  
8 bells, 15 cwt (763kg) in F sharp. *Sunday: 10.00-10.25am.*

*Practice: Friday 8.00-9.30pm. (Please phone to check)*

**C Jonathan Startup, (020 8789 1914, jonathan.startup@outlook.com)**

**A Parish Office, (0208788 4606)**

Phill Ridley	Jonathan Startup	Denise Welch	Natalie Welch
Louis Wild			

**WIMBLEDON** St Mary, St Mary's Road, SW19 7BP. (OS Ref: 245715, /// desk.about.skin) 8 bells, 10.75 cwt (553kg) in A flat. *Sunday: 8.45-9.25am, evenings by arrangement. Practice: Wednesday 7.30-9.00pm*

**C Lawrence Davies, (07505 900905, familydavies@care4free.net)**

**A, S John Coatsworth, (07757 112954, john.coatsworth@btinternet.com)**

John Coatsworth (L)	Lawrence Davies (L)	Reece Davies	David Pelham (L)
Judith Pelham (L)	Christopher Rance (L)	Susan Rance (L)	Chris Rusby
Irene Sweet (L)	Richard Sweet (L)	Mark Underwood	Richard Verrall

#### **UNATTACHED**

David Bassford	Kathleen Chilcott (L)	Carole Ann Cooles (L)	Martin Cooles
Robert Cooles (L)	Jo Drew (L)	Caroline Flockton (L)	Stuart Flockton (L)
Helen Hughes	Jane Humphries	Nigel Humphries (L)	Jonathan Hutton
Christopher Mew (L)	Helen Noble (L)	Loretto Puckey	Susan Reed
Christopher Ridley	Daniel Smith	Peter Smith	Susan Whittaker
Ian Wiltshire (L)			

## Southern District

257 Members (as at 31st March 2023); 33 Towers with members

**ASHTHEAD** St Giles, Park Lane, KT21 1EJ. (OS Ref: 193580, /// weep.buns.speaks)  
8 bells, 13 cwt (660kg) in F.  
*Sunday: 10.00-10.25am; 5.30-6.00pm (phone to confirm) Practice: Thursday 8.00-9.30pm*  
**C Sarah Huck, (07790 605771, towersecretary@ashteadparish.org)**  
**A Richard Trueman, (01372 277323 ringingmaster@ashteadparish.org)**  
Alan Brown

**BETCHWORTH** St Michael, Church Street, RH3 7DN. (OS Ref: 211497, /// relay.trips.bets) 8 bells, 11 cwt (563kg) in A flat. *Sunday: 9:25-10.00am (1st and 3rd, alt 5th with Buckland) Practice: Tuesday 8.00-9.30pm*  
**C Hugh Frayling, (07519 595801, frayhugh1920@gmail.com)**  
**A Bernard Hawkins, (07947 446466, bernhawk57@btinternet.com)**  
June Baldwin Hilary Ely (L) Hugh Frayling Alison Hedges (L)  
Martin Higgins (L) John Miller Andrew Oliphant (L) Sophia Oliver  
Alan Webb Sarah Webb Michael Willans

**BLETCHINGLEY** St Mary the Virgin, High Street, RH1 4PD. (OS Ref: 327508, /// claps.fend.zest)  
10 bells, 16.5 cwt (836kg) in E. *Sunday: 9.00-9.30am*  
*Practice: Wednesday 7.30-9.15pm(Coffee 8.30pm) Simulator and two dumb bells: Saturday morning monthly drop-in sessions, and practice nights.*  
**C Ed Muller, (01883 742799, ed.muller@talk21.com)**  
**A Angela Price, (07884 967296, aprice753@talktalk.net)**  
Yvonne Cooper (L) Sandie Hooper Christine Markham Ed Muller (L)  
Valerie Muller (L) Angela Price (L) Kate Wills Patrick Wills

**BUCKLAND** St Mary the Virgin, Reigate Road, RH3 7BQ. (OS Ref: 222508, /// firmly.flute.bind)  
6 bells, 4.5 cwt (230kg) in B. *Sunday: 9:25-10:00am (4th, alt 5th with Betchworth).*  
*Practice: Friday 8.00-9.30pm by arrangement*  
**C David Sayce, (07539 742598, drsayce@ntlworld.com)**  
**A Bernard Hawkins, (07947 446466, bernhawk57@btinternet.com)**  
Alexia Beale Julie Beale Brian Boustred (L) Vivienne Boustred (L)  
Martin Boyce Sheena Boyce Bernard Hawkins (L) Stephen Mott  
David Sayce (L)

**BURSTOW** St Bartholomew, Church Road, RH6 9RG. (OS Ref: 313413, /// firm.lately.bless)  
6 bells, 9.5 cwt (483kg) in G. *Sunday: 9.30-10.00am (Special occasions and festivals). No Practice.*  
**C Please contact the General Secretary in the first instance**

**CAPEL** St John the Baptist, The Street, RH5 5JZ. (OS Ref: 175408, /// misty.spend.roofs)  
6 bells, 6.75 cwt (346kg) in A. *Sunday: 10.00-10.25am Practice: Wednesday 7.45-9.00pm (1st only)*  
**C Corinne Jay, (07718 346294, capelbelltower@gmail.com)**  
**A Norman Ede, (07885 439079)**  
**S Mike Jay, (07568 395791, mikey\_\_mike@hotmail.com)**  
John Dale Norman Ede Clay Griffin Corinne Jay  
Michael Jay

**CATERHAM** St John the Evangelist, Clareville Road, CR3 6LA. (OS Ref: 343553, /// gangs.lived.skill)  
8 bells, 17 cwt (856kg) in E flat. *Sunday: 9.15-9.55am Practice: Monday 7.45-9.15pm.*  
*Simulator: Two stations with single or multiple bells*  
**C Noel Gibbin, (01883 343509, ngibbin@btinternet.com)**  
**A Alan Cooke, (01883 370059, amigacooke@googlemail.com)**  
**S Ken Allen, (01883 342457)**  
Kenneth Allen Caroline Ballantyne Simon Beirne Danae Bird  
Andy Colman Alan Cooke Elly Davis Noel Gibbin (L)  
Ruth Gibbin Susan Gibbin (L) Morag Hebal Milica Reardon  
Denise Sayles

**CATERHAM** St Mary the Virgin, Church Road, CR3 5RA. (OS Ref: 336555, /// cloak.broken.hike)  
8 bells, 12.5 cwt (645kg) in F sharp.

*Sunday: 9.00-9.30am Practice: Friday 8.00-9.30pm*

**C Frances Clementi, (01883 348848, clementifrances@gmail.com)**

**A John Clarke, (01883 345383)**

Penny Brown	Anne Brownless	John Clarke	Chris Clementi
Frances Clementi	Kris Daniels	Laurie David	Janine Hercock
Maddalena O'Donoghue	Matteo O'Donoghue	Mirella O'Donoghue	Brian Rochester

**CHARLWOOD** St Nicholas, 2 Sydney villa, RH6 0ED. (OS Ref: 240411, /// firm.glare.spice)  
6 bells, 11.5 cwt (592kg) in F sharp. *Sunday: 9.00-9.30am Practice: Tuesday 7.30-9.00pm*

**C Mark Davies, (01293 862056, mark@mini850.co.uk)**

Peter Comport	Marion Dallison (L)	Mark Davies	Oliver Davies
Tina Davies	Mark Patton	Sam Songhurst	

**CHIPSTEAD** St Margaret, Star Lane, CR5 3RD. (OS Ref: 283564, /// anyway.loaf.loudly) 5 bells, 11 cwt (560kg) in A flat. *Sunday: Swung chime only. Practice: Fourth Thursday 7.00-8.00pm, please phone.*

**C Ian Poole, (01737 557136, eve\_and\_ian@hotmail.com)**

Sandy Boyden	Katy Deragon	Richard Duck	David Maccullum
Abigail Page	Harriet Page	Ian Poole	Geraldine Stephenson
Conny Viol			

**COBHAM** St Andrew, Church Street, KT11 3EG. (OS Ref: 108598, /// transfers.barks.locate)

8 bells, 9.75 cwt (499kg) in G. *Sunday: 9.30-10.00am Practice: Thursday 7.30-9.00pm by arrangement*

**C Peter Bound, (07779 757184, peterbound2000@yahoo.co.uk)**

**A Roger Tompsett, (07777 663178, rogertompsett@btinternet.com)**

Peter Bound

**COULSDON** St John the Evangelist, Canons Hill, CR5 1HA. (OS Ref: 313582, /// pure.fight.factories)  
5 bells, 10.75 cwt (538kg) in A flat.

*Sunday: 9.00-9.30am Practice: Tuesday 8.00-9.30pm*

**C Tim Roberts, (07544 584814, tim.j.roberts11@gmail.com)**

Martin Burke	James Howell	Tim Roberts	Meriel Spalding
Donna Warburton			

**DORKING** St Martin, High Street, RH4 1DS. (OS Ref: 165495, /// being.porch.spices)

10 bells, 18.5 cwt (935kg) in E. *Sunday: 9.30-10.00am (not 2nd). Practice: Monday 7.30-9.15pm*

**C Andrew Dorman, (01306 743587, andrew.dorman@btinternet.com)**

**S Bill Hibbert, (01372 451468, bill@hibberts.co.uk)**

Carole Avis	Paul Beeken (L)	Sharon Buchanan	Alison Dibden
Andrew Dorman	Sophie Dorman	Helen Flanagan	Bill Hibbert
Richard Hoey	Lynda Maclean	Jules Shipton	Kathryn Skelton
Chris Turner	Heather Woods		

**EPSOM** St Martin of Tours, Church Street, KT17 4PX. (OS Ref: 214605, /// wished.winter.title)  
10 bells, 16 cwt (814kg) in F.

*Sunday: 9.20-10.00am. Practice: Monday 8.00-9.30pm*

**C Ros Hallett, (roshallett@btinternet.com)**

**S Roger Tompsett, (07777 663178, rogertompsett@btinternet.com)**

Richard Browne	Jennifer Heyworth	Roger Tompsett
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**EPSOM COMMON** Christ Church, Christchurch Rd, KT19 8NE. (OS Ref: 195609, /// bands.foil.powers)  
8 bells, 8.5 cwt (433kg) in A.

*Sunday: 9.30-10.00am Practice: Wednesday 8.00-9.30pm*

**C Mark Hodgson, (07923 499451, mark@epsomcommonringers.org.uk)**

Mark Hodgson	Mavis Oakeshott (L)	Jacqueline Patel
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**ESHER** Christ Church, Esher Green, KT10 8AA. (OS Ref: 138647, /// added.soup.chair)

8 bells, 7 cwt (375kg) in A flat.

*Sunday: 10.00-10.30am Practice: Wednesday 7.30-9.00pm (Phone to confirm)*

**C Jennifer Meade, (01372 463129, jennifercmeade@btinternet.com)**

Ann Battensby

Amanda Doyle

Katharine Lankey

Jennifer Meade (L)

Morgan Rook

**GODSTONE** St Nicholas, Church Lane, RH9 8BW. (OS Ref: 357515, /// index.sector.melt)

8 bells, 12 cwt (611kg) in G. *Sunday: 10.00-10.30am Practice: Thursday: 7.30-9.00pm*

**C Diane Grose, (01883 742983, di.grose@btinternet.com)**

**A Alison McCormick, (01883 744883, alison.mccormick@mac.com)**

Nick Barker

Diane Grose (L)

Siu Ning Catherine Hung

Alison McCormick (L)

Katharine O'Carroll

Sue Reilly (L)

Matthew Rose (L)

Margaret Shelley (L)

Christine Sparrowhawk

Melanie Underwood

Richard Wallis (L)

**HORLEY** St Bartholomew, Church Road, RH6 8AB. (OS Ref: 276427, /// lined.gross.ruby)

8 bells, 12 cwt (608kg) in E sharp. *No regular ringing, please phone.*

**C Robin Grant, (01293772725, rag5040@icloud.com)**

Robin Grant (L)

Roger Grieve (L)

Neville Morley (L)

Sian Morley

**KINGSWOOD** St Andrew, Brighton Road, KT20 6QE. (OS Ref: 243556, /// dads.table.unable)

6 bells, 17.5 cwt (894kg) in E. *Sunday: 10.15-10.55am Practice: Thursday 8.00-9.30pm*

**C Peter Taylor, (07947 119633, narasdad@hotmail.co.uk)**

**A Claire Roberts, (01737 832586, roberts.mugswell@btinternet.com)**

David Hawkins (L)

Alan Roberts (L)

Claire Roberts (L)

Michael Sutcliffe (L)

Barbara Taylor

Peter Taylor

**LEATHERHEAD** St Mary and St Nicholas, Church Road, KT22 8BD.

(OS Ref: 167561, /// rewarding.lock.hooks) 10 bells, 19 cwt (971kg) in E flat.

*Sunday: 10.00-10.30am. Practice: Tuesday 7.45- 9.15pm*

**C Please contact the General Secretary in the first instance**

**A Julian Steed, (01737 842220, jjsteed100@gmail.com)**

**LEIGH** St Bartholomew the Great, Church Road, RH2 8NJ. (OS Ref: 224469, /// crowd.rewarding.into)

6 bells, 7.75 cwt (390kg) in A.

*Sunday: 9.25-9.55am Practice: 1st 3rd & 5th Thursday of the month 7.30-9.00pm*

**C Colin Clement, (07833 240167, colin.clement@hotmail.com)**

**A Anthony Vere Hodge, (01306 611212)**

Bob Barnes

Colin Clement

Darren Flashman

Richard Perkins

Anthony Vere Hodge (L) Helen Vere Hodge (L)

**LIMPSFIELD** St Peter, High Street, RH8 0DG. (OS Ref: 405532, /// ideas.indoor.lands)

6 bells, 15 cwt (757kg) in F sharp.

*Sunday: 9.30-10.00am Practice: Tuesday 7:45-8:45pm (please check beforehand)*

**C Marianne Bell, (01883 712970, marlizbell@btinternet.com)**

**A David Bell, (01883 712970, dbell1141@btinternet.com)**

David Bell (L)

Marianne Bell (L)

Lynda Boast (L)

David Daruval

Douglas Fisher

Nancy Fisher

Helen Ireland

Andrew Smith

Annabelle Smith

**LIMPSFIELD CHART** St Andrew, St Andrew's House, Kent Hatch Road, RH8 0TB.

(OS Ref: 427518, /// fast.lend.dogs) 6 bells, 10.5 cwt (530kg) in G.

*Sunday: 9.15-9.50am Practice: Wednesday 6.45-7.45pm (Phone to confirm)*

**C Rev. Paul Perkin, (01883 412454, paul.perkin6@gmail.com)**

Ian Day

Paul Perkin

**LINGFIELD** St Peter & St Paul, Church Road, RH7 6AH. (OS Ref: 389437, /// wipes.gold.cracks)  
8 bells, 16.5 cwt (838kg) in E sharp.

*Sunday: 9.30-10.00am. Practice: Thursday 8.00-9.30pm*

**C Chris Baldwin, (07595 536282, [chris.baldwin65@gmail.com](mailto:chris.baldwin65@gmail.com))**

Lisa Carey	Trevor Crowhurst (L)	Adey Grummet	Ian Henderson (L)
Norma Henderson (L)	Sheila Marsh	Carol Nelson	Philippa Nelson

**MERSTHAM** St Katharine, London Road, RH1 3BJ. (OS Ref: 290538, /// movies.precautions.gone)  
8 bells, 13.5 cwt (686kg) in F.

*Sunday: 9.20-10.00am Practice: Wednesday 7.45-9.15pm*

**C Ann Beirne, (07771 651164, [ann.beirne@outlook.com](mailto:ann.beirne@outlook.com))**

**A Jack Pease, (07443 033294, [peasealt@gmail.com](mailto:peasealt@gmail.com))**

Julie Barclay	Ann Beirne	Peter Bignell	Emily Cousins
Elinor Dudman	Isabel Dudman	Eleanor Evans	Daniel Isard
Sarah Isard	Samantha Latty Dennison		John Leighton
Heather Mathews	John Miles	Sophie Mills	Jack Pease
Dave Rowe	David St Marcus	Finley Towner	Jane Wilcock

**NEWDIGATE** St Peter, Village Street, RH5 5DL. (OS Ref: 198421, /// races.line.piano)

6 bells, 8 cwt (407kg) in B flat. *Sunday: 9.30-10.00am Practice: Tuesday 7.45-9.15pm*

**C Simon Everett, (01306 711325, [simonlyn.everett@btinternet.com](mailto:simonlyn.everett@btinternet.com))**

**S Lloyd Chapman, (01737 768275, [lloydchapman@onetel.com](mailto:lloydchapman@onetel.com))**

Rohan Agarwal	Lloyd Chapman	Tanya Clarke	Simon Everett
Ian Macro			

**NUTFIELD** St Peter and St Paul, Church Hill, RH1 4JA. (OS Ref: 309508, /// wizard.guides.point) 6 bells,  
11.5 cwt (585kg) in G. *Sunday: 10.30-10.50am Practice: Tuesday 6:30-7:00 Kaleidoscope, 7.00-8.00pm*  
*General Practice. Friday 7:00-8:00pm Focused (see events calendar for details)*

**C Vicky Williams, (07955 123126, [buckruddles@gmail.com](mailto:buckruddles@gmail.com))**

Leslie Burnett (L)	Libby Powell (L)	Oliver Thompson	Vicky Williams
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**OCKLEY** St Margaret, Coles Lane, RH5 5LS. (OS Ref: 157407, /// chemistry.assure.gratitude)

6 bells, 13.5 cwt (688kg) in F sharp.

*Sunday: 9.00-9.25am Practice: Wednesday 7.45-9.15pm (except first)*

**C Sue Dixon, (07777 676550, [srsjdixon@btinternet.com](mailto:srsjdixon@btinternet.com))**

**A Margaret Zandona, (07712 684766)**

Alexander Dixon	Stuart Dixon	Sue Dixon	Graham Hunt
Jo Hunt	Margaret Zandona		

**OUTWOOD** St John the Baptist, Brickfield Road, RH1 5QF. (OS Ref: 319460, /// sank.retain.things)

4 bells, 4.5 cwt (230kg) in E flat.

*Sunday: By arrangement. Practice: Wednesday 7.30pm, by arrangement*

**C Sue Turner, (01342 841985, [suelewisturner@hotmail.com](mailto:suelewisturner@hotmail.com))**

**A Jose Case-Green, (01342 842373, [nickandjose@btinternet.com](mailto:nickandjose@btinternet.com))**

José Case-Green	Chris Cooper (L)	Ingrid Rolland	Sue Turner
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**OXTED** St Mary the Virgin, Church Lane, RH8 9NB. (OS Ref: 391530, /// lands.rank.shall)

6 bells, 12 cwt (611kg) in F sharp. *Sunday: 8.55-9.25am Practice: Monday 7.00-9.00pm Simulator with 6 individual workstations running Abel. Use of simulator may be available by arrangement.*

**C Ian Griffiths, (07484 717542, [griffian25@gmail.com](mailto:griffian25@gmail.com))**

**S Ian Griffiths, (07484 717542, [griffian25@gmail.com](mailto:griffian25@gmail.com))**

Stuart Brett	Nick Carruthers	Rosalyn Dale	Emily Forrest
James Forrest	Ian Griffiths (L)	John Kempton	Jackie Lomas
Nikki Paintin	Brenda Ramsden	Dominic Starr	

**RANMORE** St Barnabas, Ranmore Common Road, RH5 6AZ. (OS Ref: 146505, /// shows.hatch.stamp)  
8 bells, 19.75 cwt (1,000kg) in E.

*Sunday: 10.25-11.00am; Practice: Wednesday 7:30-9:00pm (please check)*

**C Phil Madden (07814 498718, filmadn@gmail.com)**

**S Andrew Dorman, (01306 743587, andrew.dorman@btinternet.com)**

Hilary Bartlett	Steve Biffen	Chrissy Hill	Laura Lister
Phil Madden	Reyna Mcmillan	Jan Wildman	

**REDHILL** St John the Evangelist, Pendleton Road, RH1 6QA. (OS Ref: 274494, /// note.farmer.basin)

8 bells, 13 cwt (664kg) in F.

*Sunday: 10:00-10.30am. Practice: Thursday 7.30-9.00pm*

**C Gail Terry, (01737 762592, gail.terry@btinternet.com)**

**A Anne Rueff, (07812 744770, anne.rueff@googlemail.com)**

Derek Atfield (L)	Emma Booth	Anselm Hartley	Valerie Roopun
Anne Rueff (L)	Thomas Sibley	Gail Terry (L)	John Verity
David Wallis (L)			

**REIGATE** St Mary Magdalene, Chart Lane, RH2 7RN. (OS Ref: 259502, /// else.quite.dots)

10 bells, 19.75 cwt (1,003kg) in D. *Sunday: 9.45-10.30am (2nd & 4th Sundays),*

*5.45-6.30pm (1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays) Please check in advance Practice: Wednesday 7.45-9.15pm*

**C David Gilmore, (01293 776593, irishdg@blueyonder.co.uk)**

**A Parish Office, (01737 221100)**

Christopher Burgess	Derek Cork	Alison Elson (L)	David Gilmore (L)
Sarah Gilmore (L)	Andrew Hamilton	John Humphreys	Sarah Mitchell
John Squirrel	Edward Stonard	Mark Thurgood	Nikki Weeds
Philip Williams	Anne Wood		

**STOKE D'ABERNON** St Mary, Stoke Road, KT11 3PX. (OS Ref: 129584, /// wheels.kicked.skirt)

6 bells, 3.75 cwt (195kg) in E flat. *Sunday: 9.25-9.55am; Practice: Monday 7.45-9.15pm*

**C Sarah Taylor-Clark, (07968 960883, sarah.taylorclark@ntlworld.com)**

Antony Green Phil Watkins (L)

**TANDRIDGE** St Peter, Tandridge Lane, RH8 9NN. (OS Ref: 374512, /// gravel.orange.plug)

5 bells, 4 cwt (200kg) in D. *Unringable.*

**C Ian Griffiths, (07484 717542, griffian25@gmail.com)**

**WALTON-ON-THAMES** St Mary, Church Street, KT12 2QT. (OS Ref: 102665, /// open.fever.coach) 8 bells,  
21.5 cwt (1,095kg) in E. *Sunday: 10.30-11.00am (although not currently ringing on Sundays) Practice: Friday  
7.30-9.15pm*

**C Andy King, (07773780144, andyking15@hotmail.com)**

Christine Bentley	John Burnett	Gillian Cox	Michael Fuller
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#### **UNATTACHED**

Chris Baldwin	James Belshaw	Matt Cousins	David Finch
Nigel Goodship (L)	Andrew Holland (L)	Jane Holland (L)	
Patricia Hoverd-Hughes	Andrew Howell	Nick Macmahon	Kathie Matthews (L)
Keith Matthews (L)	John Maybrey (L)	Alan Millidge (L)	Diane Reynolds (L)
Carol Riddington	Tom White (L)	John Young	

## MEMBERSHIP LISTS

(L) after a member's name indicates Honorary Life Membership of the Association.

**C** indicates the tower's main correspondent to which general enquiries and requests for outings etc. should be directed. **A** is included in case people cannot reach the first contact and want to check this week's practice is still on or the time of Sunday ringing. **S** the tower's steeplekeeper

Postcodes are given for the churches to assist Sat Nav users. Occasionally they may not be the church itself (where post is not usually delivered) but the nearest building instead. Also given are the Ordnance Survey grid reference. Finally, after "///", are the *what3words* reference. The *what3words* algorithm takes complex GPS coordinates and converts them into unique 3 word addresses. It means anyone can talk about anywhere with 3 simple words.



<https://membermojo.co.uk/surreybellringers>

# FELLOWSHIP GRANTS

One of the objectives of the Association is stated as:

“to promote fellowship and harmony among bellringers generally including organising social meetings and making gifts on behalf of the Association and to promote goodwill and understanding between bellringers and the general public;”

The Association will make funds available to local bands of ringers to support initiatives that achieve the purpose of the objective.

For example this might include (but is not limited to):

- Holding outreaching social events e.g. that are open to the district or wider community
- Improvement of ringing chambers
- Installation of belfry cameras and monitors visible to the public
- Production of local publicity material
- Gifts for individuals whose contribution to local ringing is worthy of recognition by the association
- Expenses for attendance at national events where the Association would not otherwise be represented such as the Ringing World National Youth Contest striking competition

Grants would not be awarded for:

- Any belfry maintenance or restoration work that would normally be considered for a grant from the BRF
- Any training or associated activity that would normally be considered by the Training Group

## Guidelines

1. Bands of ringers within the Association may apply for a Fellowship Grant not exceeding £200 in any one year.
2. The amount awarded for a Fellowship Grant will be no more than 50% of the total expected cost of the initiative.
3. Grants will be funded from the General Funds of the Association.
4. The total value of grants made in any calendar year will be capped at an amount agreed from time to time by the General Committee. The limit is currently £2,000.
5. Applications for Fellowship Grants should be made to the General Secretary and sponsored by at least two other current members of the General Committee.
6. Provided the sponsors and the General Secretary all agree the application achieves the objective and meets the conditions of a Fellowship Grant it shall be awarded immediately following submission of receipts.
7. If no such agreement exists the Grant shall be referred to the General Master whose decision shall be final.
8. At least once a year the General Committee will discuss the Fellowship Grants awarded and revise its guidance for future grants if it is thought necessary.
9. Details of Fellowship Grants awarded during each year will be published in the Annual Report.

**One grant was paid in 2022 to Redhill Ringers**

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## GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS

Under the provisions of the above Regulations, members of the Association are advised that the membership records are kept about them for the purpose of administration of the Association. They are not made available to anyone for commercial purposes - and anyone who obtains these details is expressly forbidden from using any information given here for such purposes.

If anyone requires their details to be omitted from future editions or to inspect these records, please contact the General Secretary.

# GENERAL SECRETARY AND TREASURER REPORT

Ringling recovery continued slowly from early 2022, then with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations, the quarter peal month and our regular practices across the districts many towers and ringers returned. Resulting in a great recovery.

District meetings and events also had a welcome return to face-to-face gatherings. The annual quiz was again held at Banstead with a fish and chips supper served during the evening and Sarah Isard from Merstham as our quiz master. There were fewer teams, just 8 and 64 attendees but an overall great success. Redhill, team name "We've got no creativity" retained the trophy.

Similarly the AGM resumed to "in person" with a mini tower tour (Caterham - St John, Merstham, Bletchingley) followed by a short service, delicious tea and meeting at St Mary's Bletchingley. 41 members attended. During the meeting Noel was presented with a gift as outgoing General Master and he welcomed and handed over to Paul as the incoming Master. Alongside the usual Officer reports and agenda items an update was given on the Membership Development initiative by Martin Crick, this focused on the Membership system Membermojo which now includes online payment of membership fees and a platform for communication with members.

Association members increased slightly in 2022 with a total 583 member records in Membermojo as at the end of the year. We welcomed 43 new members including 5 young ringers and 5 non-residents. Honorary Life memberships were awarded to Sheila Davison, Noel Gibbin, Susan Gibbin, Ian Griffiths, Francis Ring-Davies, Chris Stanley and Gill Tomlinson. Also of worthy note is that Kathleen Chilcott has a 70 year distinguished membership in 2023.

The Bank balances remain healthy with a total of over £38,000. Expenditure in 2022 totalled just over £4,000 with the major spend being the platinum jubilee commemorative badges. There was further spend on the tower inspection grants with benefit to 2 towers. £239 was spent on recruitment banner grants, another scheme from the ringling recovery group. In addition £186 was paid as a tower grant towards the simulator setup for Ockley tower. With income from membership fees and donations the year ended with a decrease of just under £3,000 in total funds.

There were eight Association peals rung in 2022, a very pleasing increase of six over the previous year. The peals included first peals for 4 ringers. In December a peal was rung at Addington in memory of Eric Godfrey. Eric was a former tower captain at Addington and the Association president from 1996 to 2014 as well as General Master 1978 to 1980, he also took a term as General Secretary from 1987 to 1993. The peal was also significant as the band members included three former and current Association ringling masters and an Addington band first pealer. More details and photographs of the peals are included later in the report. Congratulations to all the peal bands.

Over the year an impressive number of 193 quarter peals were rung across 57 towers. Many of these were rung during the quarter peal month and included a great number of firsts. We should aim to beat this in 2023 and include those towers where a quarter peal was not achieved.

During the year we learned with sadness of the death of the following members:- Michael Chilcott a non-resident Life member, Jenny Clarke a Life member from Newdigate, Eric Godfrey a non-resident Life member, John Munton, Life member from Epsom Common, Tim Pryke from Ockley.

With the Ring for the King initiative which launched towards the end of the year, we have already recruited new members and gained returning ringers; we hope to continue this throughout 2023.

**Ann Beirne**

**GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022  
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

	2022	2021	2020
	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>			
Resident Levy	1,082.40	1,211.40	1,355.40
Non-Resident Subscriptions	35.00	15.00	6.00
Donations	140.45	1,966.78	0.00
Training	0.00	(130.00)	70.72
Quiz surplus	47.96	0.00	200.00
Interest received (Gross)	71.77	0.80	17.33
Total income for the year	<u>1,377.58</u>	<u>3,063.98</u>	<u>1,649.45</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Public Liability Insurance	599.82	565.94	533.99
Annual Report	176.08	162.22	208.97
Training equipment *	186.00	950.79	250.00
Belfry maintenance grants *	441.00	4,466.00	0.00
Fellowship Grants	200.00	0.00	0.00
Initiative grants	239.25	64.54	0.00
Donations	150.00	303.00	0.00
Central Council - Affiliation fees and expenses	160.00	160.00	160.00
Central Council Library	10.00	30.00	0.00
Meeting expenses	293.40	0.00	0.00
Promotional materials	607.98	0.00	0.00
Website	170.70	166.73	143.86
Ringling World National Youth Contest	200.00	210.00	0.00
MemberMojo - Membership system	140.00	109.18	75.00
Stripe fees	65.56	0.00	0.00
The Violet Potter Award	0.00	0.00	0.00
Training	331.94	0.00	0.00
Sundry expenses	248.45	71.94	3.03
Total expenditure for the year	<u>4,220.18</u>	<u>7,260.34</u>	<u>1,374.85</u>
<b>Accumulated (Deficit)/Surplus for the year</b>	<u><b>(2,842.60)</b></u>	<u><b>(4,196.36)</b></u>	<u><b>274.60</b></u>

\* Expenditure against Legacy Fund

**Independent Examiner's Reports**

The original, signed independent examiner's reports on the accounts are available for inspection at the Annual General Meeting on 13 May 2023 or at any time on application to the appropriate Secretary.  
The accounts of the Peal Fund and the Bookstall have not been independently examined.

## GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

BALANCE SHEET	2022	2021	2020
	£	£	£
<b>Assets</b>			
Deposit at COIF	6,679.81	6,615.26	6,614.46
Cash at Lloyds Bank	24,462.38	27,560.15	30,289.57
Cash at Pay Pal	0.00	0.00	391.66
District Levy owing	1,071.40	1,241.40	638.60
Balance in Stripe	61.89	0.00	0.00
Other debtors	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total assets	<u>32,275.48</u>	<u>35,416.81</u>	<u>37,934.29</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Expenses	0.00	130.00	519.85
Donations due to BRF	71.00	165.00	0.00
2023 subscriptions in Stripe	60.00	0.00	0.00
Subscriptions due to district funds	1,769.00	1,903.73	0.00
Total liabilities	<u>1,900.00</u>	<u>2,198.73</u>	<u>519.85</u>
Net Assets	<u>30,375.48</u>	<u>33,218.08</u>	<u>37,414.44</u>
Represented by:			
<b>Accumulated Fund</b>			
Brought forward	33,218.08	37,414.44	37,139.84
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	<u>(2,842.60)</u>	<u>(4,196.36)</u>	<u>274.60</u>
	<u>30,375.48</u>	<u>33,218.08</u>	<u>37,414.44</u>

### PROPERTY REGISTER at 31 December 2022

The General Master, Paul Flavell, holds the new Master's badge.

Kingston holds the Pat Cannon Trophy for the Eight Bell Striking Competition.

Kingston holds the Taylor Trophy for the Six Bell Striking Competition.

Redhill holds the Sid Saban Trophy for the Call Change Striking Competition.

Richard Wallis, holds the complete TSB Bank Trophy for the Call Change Striking Competition.

Redhill holds the Inter Tower Quiz Trophy.

The Archivist, Sue Dixon, holds the Archive section of the Library.

Richard Wallis holds the Book Collection section of the Library.

Paul Flavell, holds the gavel and hammer.

Caroline Prescott and Sue Dixon hold the display boards.

### NOTE

COIF is the *Charities Official Investment Fund* from CCLA Investment Management Limited (Registered in England No. 2183088, authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority). Funds are not covered by the £75,000 deposit guarantee of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme as it is not a bank.

# NORTHERN DISTRICT REPORT

District ringing got off to a slow start in 2022 when the January Saturday practice had to be cancelled because of concerns about the omicron Covid variant. Our first Saturday practice was held in February at Putney, and after that we held an event on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month except September, when the planned practice at Beddington was cancelled following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The Saturday practices have all been well attended and the nine practices for which records were kept were attended by ringers from a total of 27 different towers. We joined the Middlesex County Association for a very enjoyable outing in the Docklands area in March and held a successful 12 bell practice at Kingston in August.

The monthly all-comers 12 bell practices at Croydon and the monthly surprise major practices have taken place regularly during the year and I would like to thank Shirley McGill and Paul Flavell for arranging and running these.

A new initiative this year was the monthly 8's Great! practice at Merton. This is a practice for competent six-bell ringers who want to progress to ringing triples. During the year ringers from 8 different towers have come to practise plain hunt on 7 or Grandsire Triples. People who came to these practices had a range of previous experience, from no experience at all on 8, through already being able to ring plain hunt on 7, to people who could already ring the treble to triples or a plain course of Grandsire Triples inside. I am pleased to report that everyone who has been able to come regularly has made appreciable progress, and two participants mastered touches of Grandsire Triples during the year and been promoted to "helper" status. This means that we now have space for one or two new participants so if anyone is interested in coming please do get in contact with me. I would particularly like to thank all the helpers for making these practices possible.

The established regular District practices will be continuing in 2023 and I am planning to hold some additional one-off practices focussing on particular methods. All practices are advertised on the Association events calendar, so please do check the website for details. Ann Beirne, our Association Secretary, compiles a list of the practices and events arranged by both Districts, the Association and the Training Group in the form of an A4 poster, which she sends to all tower contacts, so if you have difficulty accessing the website please do look out for this poster in your tower and speak to your tower contact and find out what's going on.

I've always enjoyed visiting other towers, and being the District Master has given me an excellent excuse for gate-crashing other people's practices! During 2022 I have visited practices at 14 towers in the Northern District and had a wonderful welcome and a very good time at all of them. On these visits I've seen for myself how depleted many of our bands are following the anti-covid restrictions. I've also seen that many bands are currently teaching learners or have novice ringers making progress with call changes and plain hunt, so I'm confident that we will work through this difficult period and build up our numbers again. I've also seen that many towers are blessed with regular visitors who are a great support to the practices. Please, please do visit your neighbouring towers. You don't need to be an advanced method ringer to be a big help – there are towers out there who are unable to ring call changes on 6 without outside support and currently more than half the 33 towers in the Northern District cannot ring bob doubles without visitors. Even if you only visit occasionally your contribution will be appreciated.

I hope that the Northern District can help local bands by providing opportunities for ringers from different towers to come together and ring things which at present they can't ring in their own towers. The "Ring for the King" recruitment drive has now been launched and if this is successful our towers will gain new ringers – and for the next year or so we will all be ringing lots of rounds and call changes! One of my aims as your District Master is to provide more advanced ringing at District level for existing ringers, so that they can sustain their interest in ringing even if their own local practice currently can't offer them many development opportunities.

We've had a good year in 2022, coming more or less from a standing start. I'd like to thank the District committee members and Paul Flavell, our Association Master, for their support, and I'd particularly like to thank all members of the Northern District, the Southern District and neighbouring associations who have come to our events this year. I hope you've all enjoyed yourselves as much as I have.

**Pam Donovan**

# NORTHERN DISTRICT ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	2022 £	2021 £	2020 £
<b>INCOME</b>			
Subscriptions (net of levy)	367.20	446.40	482.40
Donation and profit	7.00	-	25.00
Interest received (gross)	<u>21.36</u>	<u>0.25</u>	<u>5.74</u>
<b>Total income for the year</b>	<b><u>395.56</u></b>	<b><u>446.65</u></b>	<b><u>513.14</u></b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Postage	20.52	-	-
Stationery	10.98	-	-
Cost of District meetings	<u>41.50</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total expenditure for the year</b>	<b><u>73.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>
<b>Surplus for the year</b>	<b><u>£322.56</u></b>	<b><u>£446.65</u></b>	<b><u>£513.14</u></b>

## BALANCE SHEET

	2022 £	2021 £	2020 £
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Deposit at COIF	2,210.95	2,189.59	2,189.34
Cash at Bank and in hand a/c 00524280	4,265.32	4,083.92	4,483.52
Levy due from a/c 46508662	<u>357.20</u>	-	-
<b>Total assets</b>	<b><u>6,833.47</u></b>	<b><u>6,522.91</u></b>	<b><u>6,672.86</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Amounts received in advance	-	12.00	-
Levy due to General Fund	-	-	608.60
Accrued expenses	-	-	-
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>12.00</u></b>	<b><u>608.60</u></b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b><u>£6,833.47</u></b>	<b><u>£6,510.91</u></b>	<b><u>£6,064.26</u></b>
Represented by			
<b>Accumulated Fund</b>			
Balance at 1st January	6,510.91	6,064.26	5,551.12
Surplus for the year	<u>322.56</u>	<u>446.65</u>	<u>513.14</u>
	<b><u>£6,833.47</u></b>	<b><u>£6,510.91</u></b>	<b><u>£6,064.26</u></b>

### PROPERTY REGISTER at 31 December 2022

The Darts Trophy is held by Colliers Wood.  
The Collection Bell is held by Malcolm McAlister.

## SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORT

2022 will be remembered as the 'Recovery from Covid' year. I know that quite a few towers were effected not only by Covid but, like Dorking, their bands shrank in size and years of not being able to ring meant that their ability to ring methods also deteriorated.

The committee wanted to be able to help bands recruit and teach more ringers. We negotiated that a tower could claim money from us to buy a banner which could be used to attract new people to the tower, some of which might want to ring. We are also putting on a Learners practices at Bletchingley on a regular basis, every month, trained, experienced teachers give up their morning to help accelerate the beginners by working on their handling techniques.

We have continued to hold practices on the fourth Saturday of the month although the number of attendees is lower than the pre-Covid numbers. I always feel that these Practices allow us to chat to other ringers and provide a social time as well. I would like to thank Matt for organising the Christmas outing– I felt that it provided a confirmation that things were turning back to normal.

I would like to thank Noel for running a Surprise Practice on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month. Again, the number of attendees is lower than Pre- Covid.

We have tried to encourage ringers to visit and help other towers and will continue this, this year. Paul Flavell has encouraged me to start an open 10 bell practice; there is now a regular 10 bell open practice in the second week of the month – its aim is to get ringers more used to ringing 10 bells and allow those who can to help others.

Unfortunately, the year will be remembered as the year the Queen passed away and I know that most bands were able to commemorate this by ringing in her memory and I know that we are trying hard to train new ringers to ring for our King in May.

I would like to finish this report by saying that I have been pleased by the recovery and the help that the Southern District have been able to give and look forward to some more this year.

**Paul Beeken**

# SOUTHERN DISTRICT ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

INCOME	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>		<u>2020</u>	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions (current year - gross)	<b>886.00</b>		946.00		1,053.00	
Levy to General Fund	<b>531.60</b>		567.60		631.80	
Net Subscriptions		<b>354.40</b>		378.40		421.20
Donations		<b>5.00</b>		33.00		15.00
Interest received		<b>50.96</b>		0.60		13.70
<b>Total income for the year</b>		<b><u>410.36</u></b>		<b><u>412.00</u></b>		<b><u>449.90</u></b>
 <b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
Tower Donations		<b>105.00</b>		15.00		30.00
Meeting Expenses		<b>0.00</b>		0.00		0.00
Ringling World notices		<b>0.00</b>		0.00		11.52
Postage		<b>23.55</b>		0.00		1.97
Stationery		<b>0.00</b>		0.00		0.00
<b>Total expenditure for the year</b>		<b><u>128.55</u></b>		<b><u>15.00</u></b>		<b><u>43.49</u></b>
 <b>Surplus/(Deficit) for the year</b>		<b><u>281.81</u></b>		<b><u>397.00</u></b>		<b><u>406.41</u></b>

## BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>		<u>2020</u>	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand		<b>1,272.38</b>		<b>970.53</b>		669.33
Deposit in COIF Account		<b>5,273.42</b>		<b>5,222.46</b>		5,221.86
Amount Due from Surrey Association		<b>340.40</b>		<b>415.40</b>		321.20
Ringling World advance		<b>39.49</b>		<b>39.49</b>		39.49
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b><u>6,925.69</u></b>		<b><u>6,647.88</u></b>		<b><u>6,251.88</u></b>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>						
Subscriptions to be repaid		<b>0.00</b>		4.00		5.00
Subscriptions received in advance		<b>-</b>		-		-
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b><u>0.00</u></b>		<b><u>4.00</u></b>		<b><u>5.00</u></b>
 <b>Net Assets</b>		<b><u>£6,925.69</u></b>		<b><u>£6,643.88</u></b>		<b><u>£6,246.88</u></b>
 <b>Represented by:</b>						
Accumulated Fund						
Balance at 1st January		<b>6,643.88</b>		6,246.88		5,840.47
Surplus/(Deficit)		<b>281.81</b>		397.00		406.41
<b>Balance at 31st December</b>		<b><u>£6,925.69</u></b>		<b><u>£6,643.88</u></b>		<b><u>£6,246.88</u></b>

### PROPERTY REGISTER

The Collection Bell is held by the Secretary, Sue Dixon.  
The Meeting Gavel is held by the Secretary, Sue Dixon.  
The Richard Wallis Trophy is held jointly by Betchworth and Buckland.

## **BELFRY REPAIR FUND**

At the end of the first full year since the lock-down, the fund stands fractionally above its level at the close of 2020, at £21.5k. Receipts have been slightly higher than in the previous two years, but are not back to the preceding levels. Meanwhile, although one possible grant application has been discussed extensively and two others have been mooted, there have been no disbursements.

Clothing purchases were ordered on behalf of ten ringers this year, up from five in 2021 thanks to Kate Wills. Cash collections at meetings rebounded after inevitably low levels in the previous two years. Numbers Club membership grew slightly further and contributed 46% of all BRF receipts; apologies to the handful of good-hearted players who were accidentally bounced into doubling their subscriptions! A doughty team of ringers manned a car-park for Brockham Bonfire, as in pre-lockdown days, earning a very useful contribution to the fund, despite complications arising from the preceding deluges of rain. The Association Quiz again made a very welcome contribution.

The committee, comprising Malcolm McAlister, Gail Terry, Russell King, Kate Wills, Noel Gibbin, Sid Bensberg and Paul Flavell, have been active in discussions of projects and awards as well as in the running of the Numbers Club and the compilation of clothing orders.

Donations were received during the year from the towers of St John's, Caterham and All Saints, Kingston; and the PCCs of Beddington, Oxted and St John's, Egham. Mention should also be made of our donors with regular standing orders, who have long been the bed-rock of the fund.

**Malcolm McAlister**

## **STATUTORY DECLARATIONS**

### **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Charity Number: 260561  
Registered Address: 143 Lichfield Court, Sheen Road, Richmond, Surrey, TW9 1AY  
Governing Document: The Surrey Association of Church Bell Ringers' Rules 40 – 42  
Bankers: Barclays Bank Plc, Shirley, Croydon, Surrey.  
Independent Examiner: Gavin Collins.  
None of the Fund's assets are a permanent endowment.  
The Fund has no borrowing powers and no specific investment powers.

### **NARRATIVE INFORMATION**

The objects of the Charity are to provide "for or towards the cost of bells, their fittings, or repairs thereto or any structural or mechanical work essential to the proper functioning of bells ringing full circle provided always that the bell or bells concerned are located within the county" (of Surrey as recognised in 1880).

The Charity is part of The Surrey Association of Church Bell Ringers (the "Association") which is managed by a General Committee elected by members annually.

The BRF Committee members are the Managing Trustees of the fund, a registered charity, but with the decision as to whether to give Grants or not in the hands of the Custodian Trustees - the General Committee - so as to give proper a protection for the charitable funds.

The BRF Committee shall comprise as a minimum the following:

- The elected BRF Secretary
- One of the Association General Master, General Secretary or the Assistant General Secretary
- One member of the Southern District Committee, nominated each year by the Southern District Committee
- One member of the Northern District Committee, nominated each year by the Northern District Committee

The Committee may co-opt other Association members to join the Committee as desired and as necessary from time to time, particularly in relation to any specific projects. The Committee shall elect its Chairman from among its members.

Current members are: Malcolm McAlister (BRF Secretary), Paul Flavell (General Representative), Noel Gibbin, Simon (Sid) Bensberg, Gail Terry, Kate Wills (SD representative)

## BELFRY REPAIR FUND RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
Donations: Gift Aided	280.00	292.00	340.00
Not Gift Aided	170.00	45.00	140.00
Towers	150.00	250.00	25.00
PCCs	140.00	140.00	140.00
Tax refund on Gift Aid for previous year	73.10	117.87	235.29
Cash collections: Northern District	-	-	80.00
Southern District	42.60	-	51.00
General Meetings	135.78	-	-
Clothing: Income	435.58	178.55	-
Expenditure	(384.84)	(165.15)	-
Brockham Bonfire	550.00	-	-
Surrey Association Quiz	129.70	224.00	-
Numbers Club	1,083.98	1,016.10	965.80
Interest	48.98	86.01	-
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b><u>2,854.88</u></b>	<b><u>2,184.38</u></b>	<b><u>1,977.09</u></b>
<b><u>PAYMENTS</u></b>			
Grants	-	(4,564.50)	-
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>(4,564.50)</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>
Excess Receipts over Payments	2,854.88	(2,380.12)	1,977.09
Add Funds at 31 December 2021/ 2020 / 2019	<u>18,647.72</u>	<u>21,027.84</u>	<u>19,050.75</u>
<b>Funds at 31 December 2022 / 2021 / 2020</b>	<b><u>21,502.60</u></b>	<b><u>18,647.72</u></b>	<b><u>21,027.84</u></b>
<b><u>DISPOSITION OF FUNDS</u></b>			
Barclays Current Account	6,194.47	3,388.57	5,854.70
Virgin Charity Deposit Account	15,308.13	15,259.15	15,173.14
	<b><u>21,502.60</u></b>	<b><u>18,647.72</u></b>	<b><u>21,027.84</u></b>

## BRF NUMBERS CLUB RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>			
Stakes	£2,340.00	£2,388.00	£2,088.00
Donation		£12.00	£1.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£2,340.00</b>	<b>£2,400.00</b>	<b>£2,089.00</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
Prizes	£1,245.76	£1,204.77	£1,183.05
To BRF	£1,109.08	£1,028.10	£965.80
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>£2,354.84</b>	<b>£2,232.87</b>	<b>£2,148.85</b>
Excess receipts over payments	-£14.84	£167.13	-£59.85
Add Funds at 1 January	£1,278.01	£1,110.88	£1,119.63
<b>Funds at 31 December</b>	<b>£1,263.17</b>	<b>£1,278.01</b>	<b>£1,059.78</b>
<b><u>Application of Funds</u></b>			
Subscriptions received in advance	£1,034.00	£1,016.00	£874.53
Quarterly prize fund	£29.45	£28.63	£23.40
Annual prize fund	£199.82	£193.75	£161.85
	<b>£1,263.27</b>	<b>£1,238.38</b>	<b>£1,059.78</b>
<b><u>Adjusting Items</u></b>			
Understatement of numbers in March 2021:			
- reduced prizes		£0.55	
- reduced payment to BRF		£0.45	
Understatement of subscriptions received in advance			
Residual difference		£38.63	
Total adjusting items	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£39.63</b>	
<b><u>Disposition of Funds</u></b>			
Barclays Current Account Balance	<b>£1,263.27</b>	<b>£1,278.01</b>	

## NUMBERS CLUB WINNERS IN 2022



Draw	Number	Amount	Winner
January	31	£25.00	Simon Fraser (Rotherhithe)
	198	£25.00	Libby Powell (Nutfield)
February (quarterly)	196	£110.06	Benhilton Ringers (Benhilton)
	151	£25.00	John Verity (Redhill)
March	14	£25.00	Richard Fitch (Beddington)
	102	£25.00	Gavin Collins (Kingston)
April	135	£25.00	Jo Teverson (Barnes)
	9	£25.00	Ruth Goodsir (Bletchingley)
May (annual)	22	£332.73	Carole Cooles (Battersea)
May (quarterly)	58	£107.59	David Sayce (Buckland)
	144	£25.00	Chris Clementi (Caterham)
June	40	£25.00	Susan Bailey (Beddington)
	137	£25.00	Caroline Stockmann (Barnes)
July	84	£25.00	Chris Rogers (Guildford Cathedral)
	36	£25.00	Jeremy Cheesman (Benhilton)
August (quarterly)	198	£108.40	Libby Powell (Nutfield)
	64	£25.00	Jane Wilcock (Merstham)
September	17	£25.00	Rhiannon Meredith (Southwark Cathedral)
	171	£25.00	David Rowe-Lister (Merstham)
October	81	£25.00	Simon Fraser (Rotherhithe)
	199	£25.00	Libby Powell (Nutfield)
November	14	£111.98	Richard Fitch (Beddington)
	50	£25.00	Carshalton Ringers (Carshalton)
December	168	£25.00	Andrew Harvey (Richmond)
	47	£25.00	Carshalton Ringers (Carshalton)

The Numbers club makes a profit of exactly 45%, which automatically goes to the Belfry Repair Fund to be used to help pay for any repairs and modifications that may become necessary in towers throughout the county (and sometimes to help towards new bells).

You can join the number club, as an individual or a band, by sending an e-mail to [brfsectreas@surreybellringers.org.uk](mailto:brfsectreas@surreybellringers.org.uk) or [malcolm.mcalister@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:malcolm.mcalister@yahoo.co.uk) applying for as many numbers as you would like. It is a great way to help ringing in the Surrey area, while giving yourself a possible financial windfall to look forward to (particularly useful at this time of the year).

# TRAINING GROUP REPORT

As with the two previous years, 2022 started with Covid lockdown with very little ringing being done. The Training Programme continued the theme of the previous year of “Helping Others to Ring” and “Return to Ringing” and events were run with Covid limitations in place such as using well-ventilated towers and limiting the number of attendees. Two ART teaching courses were run, a Module 1 (Bell Handling) at Barnes and Module 2 F to C (Foundation to Change Ringing) Upgrade at Oxted, the first time ART had run this particular course.

Several events were oversubscribed and a subsequent follow up was arranged to accommodate those unable to attend the earlier session. As the year progressed a sense of normality returned and more events were organised. As it turned out a virtually full programme of monthly training courses were provided.

Training events run in 2022 were:-

- 5 February: Plain Hunt/Plain Bob Doubles. Thames Ditton.
- 5 March: Up and Down in peal. Caterham St John's.
- 2 April: ART M1 course. Barnes.
- 7 May: Plain Hunt on 7. Benhilton.
- 2 July: Up and Down in peal. Caterham St John's.
- 6 August: ART M2C to M2F. Oxted.
- 10 September: Calling call changes. Cheam.
- 1 October: Calling Bob Doubles. Merstham.
- 5 November: Calling Call changes. Reigate.
- 3 December: Cambridge Surprise Minor. Thames Ditton.

All events were well attended and appreciated by those attending. Reports of many events were published in the Association Newsletters.

The Training Group had several meetings on Zoom throughout the year. The programme for 2023 has been prepared and published on the Association website ([Surrey Association Training \(surreybellringers.org.uk\)](https://surreybellringers.org.uk)) where Members can book to attend a course. This programme includes several more advanced events in an attempt to move the level of training forward and includes events not previously run. The programme includes links to several external Residential Courses which may be of interest to Members.

Both the Northern and Southern Districts run regular practice sessions, some of which **are linked to the Training Courses program to ensure there are follow up practices**. It is noted that Members, after attending a training course need to practice the skills learnt and attending a practice session is recommended. Members are also reminded that several Association Towers now have ringing simulators and additional practice can be obtained using these.

*Jan Griffiths*

## PROPERTY REGISTER

The Training Officer, Ian Griffiths holds the travelling case, flasks, beakers and flip charts.

# SIMULATORS

Simulators for ringing – why would you want to do that when the real things are just hanging around waiting for you?

The Coronavirus situation is a good example of why the modern simulators are so useful. As a direct result of the lockdown, one of the latest entrants to simulators, or virtual ringing, is Ringing Room ([www.ringingroom.com](http://www.ringingroom.com)) which allows groups of up to 16 to join a virtual ringing group and ring together. It has helped many towers and groups of ringers to keep their hand in, but also gives the opportunity, particularly for the less experienced ringers, to learn methods without the need for worrying about handling their bell. It is hoped that some of what is learnt will translate back into the tower and that there may be a place for it in the future even when permitted to ring real bells.

Many of the currently available systems can, as well as being directly linked to real bells, be used independently on a wide range of systems including mobile phones. No longer are we tied to our ropes, we are freed to explore methods in the comfort of our homes, on our way to work, and anywhere we want!

The bells, other than the one we're trying to ring, never go wrong and always strike at the right time allowing the learner to focus on their own mistakes. They don't get bored or frustrated and they don't shout at us which allows us to try, try and try again and then again, until we're satisfied or need a break. Then they're ready the next time we want to practice.

Good ringing requires a combination of rhythmic, aural and visual skills however when learning many of us rely heavily of visual clues e.g. movement of the other ropes (ropesight). Whilst extremely useful this leads to less accurate ringing as it doesn't always accurately reflect the timing of striking). The non-Tower simulators focus us on learning Methods, touches, rhythm, listening all of which can help with improving striking, some will also simulate the delay between "pulling" and the bell sounding which further improves the timing aspect and further focuses on the listening aspect.

There are a range of skills needed by bellringers and most, but not all, are improved using simulators:

- Handling – the co-ordination of hands and arms, the accurate and consistent catching of ropes. A tower simulator will help here as the ringer is still using a real bell
- Listening/Timing – understanding when a bell strikes vs. when the rope is pulled as well as the relationship of the ringer's bell striking and when other bells strike.
- Dynamic handling – accurately controlling the bell during changes
- Methods – learning complex sequences of changes

Within the Association we have a growing number of towers with Simulators. If you want to know more or are interested in having a go do contact the correspondent at the relevant tower or join in at one of the events that might be organised at that tower.

## **List of towers with Simulators**

Addington

Barnes

Bletchingley - Simulator and two dumb bells

Caterham, St John - Two stations with single or multiple bells

Lambeth

Nutfield

Oxted - Simulator with six individual workstations running Abel

# COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER REPORT

I was elected as Communications Officer at the AGM in May 2022 but continue to work with Chris Baldwin who maintains the Association website and Alan Cooke who looks after our social media accounts. The website is an extremely valuable and well used resource not only for local ringers but also visitors looking for opportunities to ring in Surrey.

The home page has three side by side spaces in the main body which we rotate and keep fresh with the most important links. In 2022, the ringing recovery section was withdrawn and since October, the central space on the home page has displayed the Ring for The King logo with focus on recruitment.

Following the death of the Queen, we paid tribute to her majesty during the period of mourning with a plain background, black and white logo and black highlight as well as a photo on our home page.

As part of his handover as Communications officer, Chris produced some new versions of the Surrey Association logos. We now have some slightly higher resolution images and vector graphic versions in both black and white and colour: <https://www.surreybellringers.org.uk/about-us/rules-and-policies/logo/> These should only be used according to the Terms of Use on that page.

Alan Cooke a.k.a. the Facebook guy took over the Twitter account from Chris and is doing a great job looking after our social media accounts and promoting their use. 50 followers were added to the Facebook page in 2022 making a total of 426 and 351 have liked the page. The Reach (the number of people who saw any content from or about the association page) in 2022 was 9,324.

I was granted admin rights on Facebook and Caroline Prescott editor rights so that she can post news about the Surrey Young Ringers.

Thanks to Ann Beirne who introduced a new events poster for display in Towers to further publicise practice and training opportunities.

4 editions of the newsletter were published and posted on the website: [Newsletter - The Surrey Association of church bell ringers \(surreybellringers.org.uk\)](#) where back copies can also be found.

Alan and I are always looking for more news so if you have any stories, photos, or information to share please do send them to us. And if you have an idea for the website or want to comment on any of our communications, please do email me: [communications@surreybellringers.org.uk](mailto:communications@surreybellringers.org.uk)

**Jackie Harrison**

# THE BOOKSTALL

A selection of books is available from Lawrence Davies, 020 8947 5092, mobile 07505 900905.

The books are on sale at many Northern District and Association meetings. Below is a list of some of the books available. Contact me for a full list.

**Lawrence Davies**

## CENTRAL COUNCIL PUBLICATIONS

The New Ringer's Book £10.00  
 Beginner's Handbook £2.50  
 Towards Better Striking £1.50  
 Raising and Lowering £2.00  
 Ringing Jargon Made Easy 5 for £1.50  
 Beginners' Grandsire £1.50  
 Beginners' Plain Bob £1.50  
 Ringing Circles – A Guide to Basic Methods £3.50  
 The Learning Curve Vol. 1-4 £3.00 each  
 Ringing Basics for Beginners £2.50  
 Listen to Ringing 1 CD £8.00; 2 (live) CD £9.00  
 Beginner Guide -Change Ringing-Handbells £2.50  
 Change Ringing on Handbells £2.50  
 Standard Eight Surprise Major £6.00  
 Service Touches £1.50  
 A Tutor's Handbook £4.50  
 Teaching Unravalled £3.00  
 Teaching from Rounds to Bob Doubles £1.50  
 Kaleidoscope Ringing – A Change Ringers  
 Alternative to Called Changes £2.50  
 Teaching Tips £4.00  
 Manual of Belfry Maintenance £12.00  
 Towers and Bells Handbook £10.00  
 Organising a Bell Restoration Project £4.00  
 Splicing Bell Ropes Illustrated £4.00  
 Dove's Guide (11th ed) £15.00

Judging Striking Competitions £3.50  
 Belfry Offices £3.00  
 Various history books

## Sherbourne Teaching Aids

### WHITING SOCIETY

From Rounds to Ropesight (inc DVD) £10  
 Carry on Counting £3  
 How to Learn Methods £4  
 Plain Bob Minor - A Mine of Information £6  
 Come on! Listen to it! (inc DVD) £15  
 Doubles or Quit-or How to Conquer Plain Bob  
 Doubles £6  
 Forbidden Methods £4.50

### SNOWDON SERIES – various books

### LONGRIDGE BOOKS

Method 300 £3.95; Method 400 £7.50  
 Standard 90 £7.50  
 Composition 500 - 502 £4 each or £10 a set  
 Compleat Cambridge £5  
 Conducting and Coursing order £2.95  
 Quarter 500 £5  
 Raising and Lowering £5  
 Treble Bob Major Variations £2.50

## BOOKSTALL ACCOUNTS - YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

	2022 - £	2021 - £	2020 - £
<b>INCOME- Sales</b>	70.37	0.00	6.00
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Value of books at 1 January	1,745.04	1,745.04	1,751.04
Purchases	<u>25.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	1770.04	1745.04	1,751.04
Value of books at 31 December	<u>(1,699.67)</u>	<u>(1,745.04)</u>	<u>(1,745.04)</u>
Cost of sales	70.37	0.00	6.00
<b>Surplus for the year</b>	<b><u>£0.00</u></b>	<b><u>£0.00</u></b>	<b><u>£0.00</u></b>

### BALANCE SHEET

	2022 - £	2021 - £	2020 - £
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash in hand	1,285.44	1,240.07	1,240.07
Books at cost	<u>1,699.67</u>	<u>1,745.04</u>	<u>1,745.04</u>
Total assets	<b><u>£2,985.11</u></b>	<b><u>£2,985.11</u></b>	<b><u>£2,985.11</u></b>
Represented by: Balance at 1 January	2,985.11	2,985.11	2,985.11
Surplus for the year	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	<b><u>£2,985.11</u></b>	<b><u>£2,985.11</u></b>	<b><u>£2,985.11</u></b>

# YOUNG RINGERS REPORT

## Surrey Strikers (AKA Surrey Young Ringers)

The Surrey Young Ringers group has been running for a few years now. It is a group where the focus is gathering together the young ringers of the Surrey Association into a ringing social group, as opposed to a group that teaches young people to handle bells.

We try to meet once a month. The date is not set and varies between a Saturday and a Sunday to enable those young people working or taking part in sport on a Saturday to come along. Announcements via Member Mojo and the Association website show when events are taking place. We also open the events to young ringers in neighbouring counties, and often attract ringers from Middlesex and Guildford.

The beginning of 2022 saw us going to practices at Barnes and Addington organised by members of the group. These are well attended and enable all the ringers to consolidate things being learnt in their home tower, as well as often trying something new.

Outings are always popular! The Berks and Bucks Young Ringers are our outing companions. We meet on the first Saturday of the February and Autumn half term. February 2022 saw us visit Kensington, Chelsea and Rochester Row. St Barnabas Pimlico was a top 10 favourite for many. In November we headed to North London visiting Holloway, Islington, Dalston and South Hackney.

Striking competitions also give a focus to the group. We were unable to enter the SEECOM competition in April due to exam commitments by many of the regular group. A team were able to attend the National Youth contest in Exeter in July. I however had to be left behind due to Covid, thanks to Jason Hughes who picked up the mantle for the day!

We are always looking to boost our numbers with young ringers from across the Association so do contact me to find out what we are planning so that you can get involved.

**Caroline Prescott**



## VIOLET POTTER AWARD FOR YOUNG RINGERS

Violet Potter was a ringer for over 60 years in Surrey, initially at St Peter, South Croydon and then St John, Caterham. In this time she was a great supporter of young ringers and went out of her way to encourage them. In her will, she left the Association a sum of money and the General Committee decided to start this award with that legacy. It is designed to provide a small goal for ringers who are not yet 18 years old to aim for and provide recognition for an achievement that is within their reach.

### Details

- Every member of the Association who has not yet reached their 18th birthday (at the time of ringing) is eligible for this.
- When they ring or they conduct their first peal or quarter peal (treble, tenor or inside), they will be offered £15 towards a book or voucher. This will be presented at the next suitable opportunity.
- Application must be made to the General Secretary within 3 months of the peal or the quarter peal.
- Limited funds that will be used until the legacy runs out. Current balance is £94.80
- Only one award per person.

No awards were made in 2022.

## PEALS RUNG IN 2022

St Mary, BARNES, Greater London

Saturday February 12, 2022 in 2h 52 (10-2-20 in G)

### 5040 Grandsire Triples

Composed by J J Parker (12 part)

- |   |                    |   |                          |
|---|--------------------|---|--------------------------|
| 1 | Mary E Gow         | 5 | James White              |
| 2 | Michael J Wigney   | 6 | Ian G Campbell           |
| 3 | Christopher Ridley | 7 | Stephen J F Mitchell (C) |
| 4 | Dominic J Johnson  | 8 | Wendy Archibald          |

*First peal: 4 and 8, both of whom have learnt to ring at Barnes in the last few years.*

*For the 70th anniversary of the accession of Queen Elizabeth II.*

*Also to congratulate Trisha Hawkins on completing 10 years as tower captain at Barnes , and Wendy Archibald on taking over this position today.*



Chris, Ian, Steve, Dominic, Wendy, James, Mike, Mary

## St Mary, ROTHERHITHE, Greater London

Saturday February 19, 2022 in 3h 7 (10-2-5 in Ab)

### 5040 Plain Bob Triples

Arrangement by J W Belshaw

1	James W Belshaw (C)	5	M Louise Booth
2	Stephanie J Pattenden	6	Caleb R D Saunders
3	Bogumila Myers	7	Laurence P J Bourton
4	Colin Friend	8	Piers Myers

*First peal: 8. First peal on 8 bells: 3. Rung on the Surrey Association peal weekend.*

## St. Peter, WALWORTH, Greater London

Sunday March 6, 2022 in 2h 37 (2-2-20 in Eb)

### 5040 Minor (3m)

(1-2) Double Oxford, (3-4) St Clements College Bob, (5-7) Plain Bob

1	Bogumila Myers	4	Elliot J Hughes
2	Julius Olu-Jones	5	Caleb R D Saunders
3	Colin Friend	6	M Louise Booth (C)

*Postponed from 18 February for the Surrey Association peal weekend, when Storm Eunice prevented the attempt. Wishing Kevin Mitchell, who had been due to ring with us, a speedy recovery. Celebrating ART's 10th birthday; Bo & Julius are both ART LtR level 5.*

*First peal: 2. First minor: 4*

## St Andrew, COBHAM, Surrey

Wednesday May 18, 2022 in 2h 46 (9-3-9 in G)

### 5056 Medway Surprise Major

A J Cox

1	Nicola J Turner	5	David Kirkcaldy
2	Anne L Rueff	6	Colin M Turner
3	David N Wallis	7	John B Keeler (C)
4	Beryl R Norris	8	Richard L Thumwood

## St Peter and St Paul, NUTFIELD, Surrey

Monday October 3, 2022 in 2h 48 (11-2-2 in G)

### 5040 Surprise Minor (11m)

1 Warkworth; 2 Westminster, Allendale; 3 London, Wells; 4 York, Durham; 5 Beverley, Surfleet; 6 Norwich; 7 Cambridge

1	Shirley E McGill	4	David Kirkcaldy
2	Beryl R Norris	5	John B Keeler (C)
3	Anne L Rueff	6	Claire F Roulstone

*To mark the Accession to the throne of King Charles III*

## Holy Trinity, West Hill, WANDSWORTH, Greater London

Saturday October 15, 2022 in 3h 1 (15-0-2 in F#)

### 5056 Cambridge Surprise Major

Composed by C Middleton

1	Michael J Uphill (C)	5	Paul J Flavell
2	Elliot J Hughes	6	Dylan J Thomas
3	Caleb R D Saunders	7	Alex W Tatlow
4	Dominic J Johnson	8	Philip P Ridley

*First of Major and of Surprise – 4. 300th peal as conductor*

## St Mary, GUILDFORD, Surrey

Tuesday December 27, 2022 in 2h 57 (15-0-21 in F)

### 5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

720 each: Carisle, Cunecastre, London, York, Bourne, Beverley, Cambridge

1	Jackie Roberts	4	Ian Roulstone
2	Anne L Rueff	5	John B Keeler (C)
3	David C Bath	6	Claire F Roulstone

*700th together 2,5. A Christmas Peal for the townfolk of Guildford*

## St Mary, ADDINGTON, Greater London

Thursday December 29, 2022 in 2h 38 (6-3-9 in B)

### 5040 Multi Doubles

720 Stedman, St Nicholas Bob, Winchendon Pace, St Martin's, Grandsire, St Simon's and Plain Bob

1	Paul J Flavell	4	Noel J R Gibbin
2	Nigel J Goodship	5	Jason W Hughes (C)
3	Daniel E Hughes	6	Patrick C Hughes

*Arranged in memory of Eric Godfrey, former Tower Captain at this Church and prominent member of the Surrey Association. Rung by 3 former and current Association Ringing Masters, a former District Ringing Master and two ringers who learnt to ring here.*

*First peal: first attempt : 6*

*First doubles: 3, 4*



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A peal can be recognised as having been rung for the Association provided that the majority of the band are members of the Association (e.g. on 8 bells 5 ringers must be members allowing for a maximum of 3 non-members to be in the band) and the composition meets the standard accepted by the CCCBR. (*Rule 37*)

**Peal Weekend 2023**

Friday 28 - Sunday 30 April

**Peal Weekend 2024**

Friday 16 - Sunday 18 February

*Marking the anniversary of the first peal for the Association  
on 18<sup>th</sup> February 1881 at Kingston.*

## **INSURANCE**

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If you are engaged in a major restoration or installation or have any queries regarding insurance cover, please contact the General Secretary for further information in the first instance.

# TOWER REPORTS AND QUARTER PEAL DETAILS

## Northern District

### ADDINGTON

27-Nov 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Jason W Hughes

Ringer numbers remained very low following on from losing members over the last two years. We were able to ring a few bells on Sundays most of the time, but increasing use of our Ellacombe system had to suffice, some Sundays the bells were silent.

A banner campaign late in the year led to five new learners joining and we were hopeful that things would look up in 2023.

### BANSTEAD

15-May 1260 Stedman Triples

Jeremy Cheesman

### BARNES

07-Jan 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Dominic Johnson

14-Jan 1260 Grandsire Doubles

Malcolm McAlister

21-Jan 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Dominic Johnson

28-Jan 1272 Plain Bob Minor

Tony Nunn

25-Feb 1260 Stedman Triples

Jeremy Cheesman

04-Mar 1280 Cambridge Surprise Major

Paul Flavell

08-Apr 1280 Plain Bob Major

Jeremy Cheesman

22-Apr 1272 Cambridge Surprise Minor

Tony Nunn

06-May 1260 Grandsire Doubles

Malcolm McAlister

20-May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Wendy Archibald

27-May 1260 Grandsire Triples

Jeremy Cheesman

03-Jun 1296 Cambridge Surprise Minor

Gill Tomlinson

10-Jun 1260 Grandsire Triples

Jeremy Cheesman

17-Jun 1288 Grandsire Triples

Tony Nunn

22-Jul 1280 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Jeremy Cheesman

12-Aug 1260 Doubles (2m)

Gill Tomlinson

02-Sep 1260 Grandsire Doubles

Dominic Johnson

09-Sep 1260 Grandsire Triples

Mike Wigney

16-Sep 1260 Old Bob Doubles

M Louise Booth

30-Sep 1280 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Jeremy Cheesman

07-Oct 1260 Plain Bob Minor

Malcolm McAlister

04-Nov 1296 Stedman Triples

Tony Nunn

11-Nov 1380 Doubles (2m)

Dominic Johnson

18-Nov 1260 Stedman Doubles

Tony Nunn

25-Nov 1280 Cambridge Surprise Major

Jeremy Cheesman

09-Dec 1280 Bristol Surprise Major

Jeremy Cheesman

16-Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

M Louise Booth

2022 witnessed a gradual return to the ringing we were party to prior to the pandemic. We have rung every Sunday throughout the year. Saturday handling and improvers practices have run successfully. Friday night Quarter Peal attempts and practices have thrived with 27 Quarter Peals, including 20 firsts.

The Barnes Music Festival opened with our presentation, 'The Music of the Bells'. In July, our Tower Opening saw us not only raising £370.90 for tower funds, but, witnessing a young couple becoming engaged on the tower roof! Then followed the Barnes Summer Trip; five days based in Himley West Midlands.

The Queen's death saw many of us ringing on fully muffled bells (with the tenor open at backstroke) for the first time. Our ringing included 96 whole pulls shortly after the announcement and a QP of Grandsire Triples in her memory.

2023 has begun with a flurry of 'Ring for the King' recruits enticed by several media events; with the second of our two training bells recently installed being very timely indeed.



James, one of our ringers, assisting with the installation of our second training bell

## BATTERSEA

30-Jul 1344 Grandsire Triples

Michael Uphill

Ringling at Battersea underwent some substantial changes in 2022. Bob and Carole Cooles moved away to be nearer their family just outside Godalming. although not a long distance, enough to mean we do not see as often two of our stronger ringers and life long friends.

We continue to build in strength however with a loyal and keen band. We rang at least 6 every Sunday morning, and always have enough to practice on a Monday evening.

In the Autumn we had a wonderful weekend away on the Isle of Wight and were blessed with glorious weather, however only one person managed a paddle in the sea!

On the wall in Battersea tower is a photo of the Battersea ringers in 1922, and we have always thought what fun it would be to replicate that photo with the band of today and 2022 seemed the year to do it. Bridget thought we ought to do it in similar hat attire! We always comment that the band from 1922 was all male, and quite often we are an all female group, times have changed (for the better !)

In January of 2023 we hosted Bellringer's Sunday, a feature now being taken up by the Central Council! We had a great response from the congregation, and hoped to put bellringing in the minds of all those who attend the church.



Battersea August 9<sup>th</sup> 1922



Battersea August 9<sup>th</sup> 2022

## **.BEDDINGTON**

28-May	1260	Doubles (11m/v)	Christopher McLean
23-Dec	1320	Christmas Angel Doubles	Christopher McLean

## **BENHILTON**

06-Feb	1270	10 Plain Hunt & 1260 Grandsire Doubles	Jeremy Cheesman
02-Jun	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Jeremy Cheesman
04-Jun	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Jeremy Cheesman

## **BERMONDSEY**

05-Jun	1260	Old Bob Doubles	M Louise Booth
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## **CARSHALTON**

06-Feb	1270	Doubles (1m/10v)	Christopher McLean
21-Mar	1280	Grandsire Doubles	Oliver Thompson
22-Apr	1280	Yorkshire Surprise Major	Jeremy Cheesman
22-May	1260	Doubles (11m/1v)	Oliver Thompson
31-Jul	1260	Plain Bob Triples	Christopher McLean
23-Dec	1260	Plain Bob Triples	Christopher McLean

## **CHEAM**

28-May	1440	Doubles (12m/v)	Christophe McLean
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## **COLLIERS WOOD**

13-May	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Chris Stanley
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## **CROYDON**

05-Feb	1287	Stedman Cinques	Anthony P Matthews
07-May	1311	Stedman Cinques	Michael Uphill
11-Dec	1260	Grandsire Triples	Jason W Hughes
18-Dec	1259	Grandsire Caters	Simon D G Webb

## **EAST MOLESEY**

21-Jun	1260	Grandsire Triples	Paul Flavell
01-Nov	1259	Grandsire Doubles	Paul Flavell

The start of the year saw us hosting the Chertsey District ADM on 8<sup>th</sup> January – the first live meeting since pre-covid which was. On 2<sup>nd</sup> February we celebrated the Queen's 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of accession to the throne by firing – 7 lots of 10 interspersed with 2 whole pulls of Queens.

We had our AGM and curry on 12<sup>th</sup> April at Phewa Dining in East Molesey – delicious Nepalese food and afterwards they gave us a cake they'd made. I think they were as pleased as we were to be able to celebrate and eat together since pre-covid.

The delayed Guildford Guild Open day on 18<sup>th</sup> April brought us a few visitors. One poor chap arrived on a bike just in time to ring down with us – he'd had a puncture on his way to us from Ockham! We did some firing and Queens to celebrate the Queen's birthday and rang a QP of Grandsire Triples for her Jubilee. This with the help of experts Paul Flavell, Noel Gibbon, Graeme Booth and Mike Bangham. Alison as always a steady tenor, a first for Tiana on the treble for triples and first inside for Giles – so celebrations all round.

One practice night in August was enlivened by the loss of the clapper on bell 5. On investigating horrible noises from above we found the clapper hanging by a thread and bashing the floor. Despite the best efforts of Giles and Andrew it proved impossible to fix – the thread in the staple bolt had completely gone. We had

to cancel our regular 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday afternoon 8 bell practice due the following day but decided to ring for Sunday service nevertheless to see if anyone noticed. Nicholson Engineering proved extremely efficient at manufacturing a new staple bolt and John Young, with the help of Andrew, refitted it perfectly. This proved extremely timely as news broke of the Queen's death. Muffles were hastily put on and we rang half muffled rounds at noon the following day. I had hoped to fully muffle but the task of putting prongs through holes in leather straps when I couldn't see what I was doing proved too difficult. We got a bit confused about unmuffling for the King's accession announcement – was it centrally or locally? I don't think we were alone in the great muffle kerfuffle. Anyway we decided not to bother – sorry Charles – we'll do better for your coronation – but tolled them half muffled on 19<sup>th</sup> September before the Queen's funeral.

We rang a QP of Grandsire Doubles for the SA QP fortnight on 1<sup>st</sup> November This was a first QP for Jo who rang the treble – well done Jo ! Paul Flavell conducted for us and John Young kindly stepped in for me as I'd done my shoulder in hauling myself about the frame putting muffles on.

We took part in the Tear Fund Big Quiz night in November as The Eight Belles and distinguished ourselves by coming last. An enjoyable evening nevertheless and our reward was a tin of chocolates. We rang for all the Christmas services and met to ring the New Year in with a bit of fizz and nibbles after. A good way to start 2023 with ringers, partners, family & friends I am grateful to the band and visitors who come regularly to practice and Sunday service ringing throughout the year and retain their enthusiasm and sense of humour whatever the circumstances. It makes for a friendly and welcoming atmosphere which we hope will help us retain any recruits gained from our efforts with the "Ring for the King" initiative.

## KINGSTON UPON THAMES

13-Feb	1263	Stedman Caters	Michael Uphill
13-Mar	1280	Cambridge Surprise Major	Paul Flavell
08-May	1280	Lincolnshire Surprise Major	Paul Flavell
02-Jun	1260	Stedman Triples	Jeremy Cheesman
12-Jun	1260	Grandsire Triples	Paul Flavell
10-Jul	1259	Grandsire Doubles	Paul Flavell
14-Aug	1344	Grandsire Doubles	Fraser A Storie
21-Aug	1282	Yorkshire Surprise Royal	Noel Gibbin
22-Aug	1250	Stedman Cinques	Lucinda J Woodward
11-Sep	1296	Stedman Cinques	Lucinda J Woodward
09-Oct	1331	Grandsire Caters	Paul Flavell
13-Nov	1280	Superlative Surprise Major	Paul Flavell
18-Dec	1260	Grandsire Triples	Paul Flavell

I'm very pleased to say that we are enjoying good attendances on Sundays and Wednesdays when we can usually ring 10-12 bells. Attendance at some practice nights has been astonishing – 24 at one practice!

Wednesday practices are run by different people to give them the opportunity to manage a practice and to do different things to keep everybody interested.

We are delighted to welcome Jacob Blackwell and we're very pleased that David and Judith have returned to ringing. They are also holding handbell sessions which is greatly enjoyed and helping the ringers understand plain hunting for example. On the other side we were very sorry to say goodbye to Graeme and Heather.

So-Shan, Gavin and Colin are making good progress and we are currently teaching some new learners who are also doing well, including Chris, Roshan, Junnun, Hongli, Katie and Joey.

We have had regular visitors to the tower including Jackie and her learners from Richmond and Thomas from Twickenham. Other ringing visitors were from Newcastle, Nottingham, Leighton Buzzard and Wellington New Zealand!

We make our visitors very welcome and try and include ringing for everybody to have made progress and that they will want to come again.

Key ringing events in 2022 were of course ringing for the platinum jubilee in June and we rang half-muffled for the death of the Queen in September.

## MERTON, St John the Divine

19-May 1260 Mixed Doubles (2m)

Lawrence Davies

## MERTON PARK, St Mary

22-May 1320 Plain Bob Minor

Ed Gosden

29-May 1260 Plain Bob Minor

Ed Gosden

13-Nov 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Niki Tompkinson

## MITCHAM

04-Jun 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

David P Pelham

02-Nov 1260 Grandsire Triples

Paul Flavell

Throughout 2022 we rang the bells at Mitcham regularly for Sunday services and on practice nights. It's been a year of special occasions, some happy, some sad, and the local ringers were pleased to ring call changes for the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II in January, then for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June and finally for the Accession of King Charles III in September. A single bell was tolled during the period of official mourning for the Queen and on the day of her funeral.

This year we rang two quarter peals which included members of the local band. Heavenleigh Angel rang her first quarter in June as part of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations, and during the Surrey Autumn Quarter Peal week a quarter was rung before the Memorial Service on All Soul's Day. This was in memory of all the departed but especially Hazel Jacques and Margaret and John Goodair. John was the Tower Captain at Mitcham for many years and Margaret was also a local ringer so we were particularly pleased to be able to mark their passing with special ringing. Thank you to all the ringers who came to make up bands for these two quarters and special thanks to David and Paul for conducting them.

During the summer six local ringers completed their assessments for Level 2 in the ART Learning the Ropes scheme and after one of our practices in October Father David had the pleasure of presenting their certificates in the church.



Quarter peal band



Mitcham ringers receiving ART certificates

## MORTLAKE

22-Jan 1289 Plain Bob Doubles

Fraser A Storie

11-Mar 1302 Grandsire Triples

Gill Tomlinson

13-May 1288 Plain Bob Triples

Gill Tomlinson

## PUTNEY

18-Jan 1260 Grandsire Triples

Michael Uphill

14-May 1260 Grandsire Triples

Michael Uphill

26-May 1260 Grandsire Triples

Christopher Mew

28-May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Michael Uphill

## **RICHMOND**

02-Jun	1260	Grandsire Triples	Paul Flavell
02-Nov	1259	Grandsire Doubles	Paul Flavell

The quarter in November was the first rung by 5 Richmond Ringers since 2015. We hope to ring more at Richmond in future.

We gained 3 new ringers in 2022 – two learners, Alison and Richard and one lapsed ringer, Jo who, although not having touched a bell rope since she was a teenager, was ringing for Sunday Service after only one practice session.

Having struggled to fit our muffles for Remembrance in 2021, we ordered a set of Bif Wilfs which are not only much easier to use but enabled us to ring fully muffled for the Queen in September.

We continue to work closely with the two Twickenham towers and join the 10-bell practice at All Hallows on the first Tuesday of each month. On Christmas Day we rang 7 bells for the first time in many years – with the support of 2 ringers from All Hallows.

## **ROTHERHITHE**

03-Jun	1260	St Clement's College Bob Minor	M Louise Booth
07-Aug	1260	St Clement's College Bob Minor	M Louise Booth

## **SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL**

04-Dec	1280	Cambridge Surprise Major	Phillip P Ridley
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## **STREATHAM**

24-May	1344	Plain Bob Major	Tony Nunn
04-Sep	1288	Grandsire Triples	Tony Nunn
13-Sep	1296	Stedman Triples	Tony Nunn
01-Nov	1260	All Saints Doubles	Tony Nunn

## **THAMES DITTON**

30-May	1269	Plain Bob Doubles	Paul Flavell
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## **WANDSWORTH, ALL SAINTS**

18-Dec	1250	Cambridge Surprise Major	David A C Matthews
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## **WANDSWORTH, HOLY TRINITY**

02-Apr	1280	Cambridge Surprise Major	Phillip P Ridley
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## **WIMBLEDON**

21-Apr	1270	Stedman Triples, Cambridge Surprise Major	Phillip P Ridley
18-May	1296	London and Cambridge Surprise Minor	Chris Rusby
23-May	1280	Rutland Surprise Major	Ed Gosden
15-Jun	1296	Stedman Triples	Tony Nunn
14-Sep	1296	Stedman and Grandsire Triples	Chris Rusby



Band for fully muffled quarter peal of Stedman and Grandsire Triples on 14 September for Her Majesty the Queen

## Southern District

### ASHTEAD

02 Jun	1260	Plain Bob Triples	Richard M Trueman
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### BETCHWORTH

06 Feb	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	Hugh Frayling
04 May	1280	Yorkshire Surprise Major	Michael J Uphill
05 Jun	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	Hugh Frayling
11 Nov	1260	Stedman Triples	Jeremy Cheesman

We have now returned to regular ringing without Covid restrictions and have been very active ringing for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and sadly for her funeral. We have become expert at fitting and removing muffles and at raising and lowering the flag in accordance with the etiquette of the day. We also rang for the Proclamation of the reign of King Charles and look forward to celebrating his coronation in May. Ringing continues with well attended practices and a number of regular visitors including the District Master. Social events have included a joint meal in Martin and June's garden in May and an annual outing to Sussex '...hurst' villages. A new idea has surfaced recently so don't be surprised to hear Twinkle, Twinkle coming pedantically from the tower on occasion.

### BLETCHINGLEY

28 Feb	1287	Stedman Caters	John Hawes
05 Jun	1320	Plain Bob Doubles	Oliver H J Thompson
11 Jul	1320	Cambridge Surprise Minor	Oliver Thompson

### BUCKLAND

19 Nov	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	G Mary Coe
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Friday night practices have not resumed for a variety of reasons but we hope to re-establish them during 2023.

### BURSTOW

17 Jun	1260	Doubles (2m)	Chris McLean
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### CAPEL

23 May	1272	Plain Minor (2m)	Oliver Thompson
01 Jun	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Alexander Dixon
19 Nov	1260	Plain Bob Minor	Colin Friend
07 Dec	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Alexander Dixon



Capel band with their two first quarter peelers

## CATERHAM, ST JOHN

31 Mar	1260	Stedman Triples	Jason W Hughes
04 May	1280	Farnborough Treble Bob Major	Paul Flavell
02 Jun	1260	3m Doubles	Noel Gibbin
12 Sep	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	Milica Reardon
19 Sep	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Noel Gibbin
02 Oct	1260	Grandsire Triples	Richard Wallis
06 Nov	1260	Plain Bob Triples	Noel Gibbin
19 Dec	1260	Doubles (3m)	Noel Gibbin
29 Dec	1260	Grandsire Triples	Noel Gibbin



Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration bands

## CATERHAM, ST MARY

03 Jun	1260	2m Doubles	Noel Gibbin
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It was great to get back to some normality in the tower after the problems of recent years. We even rang for two weddings. However, we were asked to stop ringing at the first wedding as the guests couldn't hear the photographer, and the bride was over an hour late for the second wedding!

We were so pleased to ring for our late Queen's Platinum Jubilee in February. We then joined with towers everywhere to ring half-muffled on the day of her funeral in September.

Over many years in our belfry, we have suffered from stiff ropes due to the weather – but not any more! We now leave the ropes untied in a large bag containing socks full of clean cat litter before tying the bag and hoisting it up on the spider. It works like magic!



Queen's Platinum Jubilee quarter peal band

## CHARLWOOD

25 May	1260	Doubles (11m/v)	Christopher McLean
11 Jul	1260	Plain Bob Minor	Oliver Thompson
11 Jul	1260	Plain Bob Minor	Oliver Thompson
23 Aug	1250	Bourne Surprise Minor	Paul Flavell

## COBHAM

01 Jun	1280	Gittisham Treble Bob Major	Martin Turner
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## DORKING

06 Feb	1289	Plain Bob Doubles	William A Hibbert
04 Jun	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	William A Hibbert
19 Jun	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Alexander Dixon
31 Oct	1280	Double Norwich Court Bob Major	Paul Flavell

## EPSOM

06 Feb	1259	Grandsire Triples	Mike Bale
12 Jun	1260	Plain Bob Minor	Mike Bale
12 Aug	1260	Plain and Little Bob Minor	Mike Bale
09 Sep	1260	Grandsire Triples	Mike Bale
19 Sep	1260	Grandsire Triples	Mike Bale

## EPSOM COMMON

14 Mar	1260	Stedman Triples	Martin J Turner
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## ESHER

09 Feb	1280	Esher Treble Bob Major	Paul Flavell
23 Mar	1260	Grandsire Doubles	John G Young
23 May	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	John G Young
01 Jun	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	John G Young
29 Jun	1260	Doubles (1m/1v)	John G Young

## GODSTONE

06 Feb	1260	Plain Bob Minor	Richard Wallis
04 May	1280	Cambridge Surprise Major	Michael J Uphill
21 May	1260	Doubles (2m)	Richard Wallis
05 Jun	1270	Doubles (2m)	Richard Wallis
04 Sep	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	Richard Wallis
22 Oct	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	Richard Wallis
06 Nov	1260	Plain Bob Minor	Richard Wallis
31 Dec	1260	Stedman Doubles	Richard Wallis

2022 was the year ringing returned to something close to normal and will be remembered as the year we rang for the Queen. In February and May for her Accession anniversary and Platinum anniversary and then sadly in September, bells fully muffled for her death.

Quarter peals in general picked up with ringing for the confirmation service and COP27 and a highlight, Katharine O'Carroll's first quarter of Stedman Doubles.

We have been fortunate to have been joined by two new learners (Christine and Catherine) who are reminding us, by their excitement and enthusiasm why we enjoy bell ringing so much.

I must finish by thanking our friends from neighbouring towers who support our practice nights and have enabled us to keep practicing.

## HORLEY

Tower and spire currently under repair. Shingles on both need replacement, but on stripping old shingles from the tower this exposed some seriously decayed oak. It has been suggested that without the steel frame put in to support the bells in the 1970 restoration, the tower might not be there today.

## KINGSWOOD

25 May	1320	Doubles (5m/v)	Christopher McLean
15 Nov	1296	Norwich Surprise Minor	Paul Flavell

## LEATHERHEAD

09 Jan	1320	Cambridge Surprise Minor	Richard M Trueman
01 May	1264	Plain Bob Major	Richard M Trueman
08 May	1260	Plain Bob Royal	Richard M Trueman
22 May	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Lizzie C M Watts
29 May	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Ann Steed
28 Aug	1260	Grandsire Doubles	John Swanson
11 Sep	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Ann Steed
23 Oct	1259	Grandsire Caters	K Roger Tompsett

## LEIGH

17 Jun	1260	Plain Bob Minor	Noel Gibbin
23 Jun	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	Anthony Vere Hodge

## LIMPSFIELD

04 Jun	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Noel Gibbin
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## LIMPSFIELD CHART

17 Jun	1296	Cambridge Surprise Minor	David Wallis
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## LINGFIELD

17 Jun	1260	Grandsire Triples	Richard Wallis
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## MERSTHAM

30 May	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	Richard Wallis
21 Nov	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	Nigel J Goodship
12 Dec	1280	Cornwall Surprise Major	Jeremy Cheesman

We started the year struggling to fill our lovely bells regularly and have finished the year back to our pre-covid normality of having plenty of ringers making time for ringing and chatting! We have been successful at recruiting and training learners and our average age has been markedly lowered by the welcome addition of a handful of young ringers who of course learn quickly. We now have enough good ringers to be able to get through methods and improve our striking with the very welcome help of our regular visitors, whom we'd like to thank.

Informally we have buddied up with a nearby tower who are short of ringers - they come to help us and we help to keep the bells ringing every few weeks - a perfect win-win. Our tower continues to be popular for both visiting bands and Association events. Towards the end of 2022 we successfully rang an important quarter peal, with the assistance of a previous tower captain. This was in celebration for the life of the Reverend Val Williams who was also a bell ringer.

## NEWDIGATE

23 May	1272	Burnaby Delight Minor	Stanley Jenner
02 Jun	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Alexander Dixon
23 Aug	1296	Norwich Surprise Minor	Paul Flavell
25 Oct	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Alexander Dixon

## NUTFIELD

30 May	1260	Doubles (11m/v)	Christopher McLean
11 Jul	1260	Plain Bob Minor	Oliver Thompson
11 Jul	1260	1 M and 11 V Doubles	Chris McLean
19 Aug	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Vicky Williams
19 Aug	1320	Stedman Doubles	Vicky Williams
10 Sep	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Richard Wallis
19 Sep	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	Libby Powell
15 Nov	1296	Warkworth Surprise Minor	Paul Flavell

## OCKLEY

23 May	1296	Minor (2m)	Paul Flavell
04 Jun	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Alexander Dixon
30 Jul	1260	Grandsire Doubles	Alexander Dixon
17 Sep	1380	Grandsire Doubles	Alexander Dixon

In 2022 we started to see a return to normality though sadly losing some old friends at the beginning of the year, including Tim Pryke, former tower captain. We were pleased to be able to ring a quarter in July in his memory on what would have been his birthday. We also marked the occasion of the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Queen's accession in February and the Platinum Jubilee. A visiting ringer now living in Australia was staying locally for several weeks and helped us immensely with all the extra ringing in May and June. He happens to be coming again in 2023 in time for the coronation of King Charles III, so we are hoping to be able to ring with him again.

We were very saddened by the death of the Queen but had been prepared for the event, renovating some old muffles which enabled us to ring fully muffled with the tenor open at backstroke for the Queen's funeral in September as well as ringing a quarter peal in memorium. We were honoured to be able to ring in this way, not having experienced it before.



Ockley Jubilee  
quarter band

## OUTWOOD.

25 May

1272 Minimus (3m)

Christopher McLean

We have only 2 regular ringers at Outwood at present, but have a couple of new ringers learning with the help of Bletchingley ringers. Our hope is to have Sunday ringing and more regular practice nights in the future.



Platinum Jubilee celebrations from Outwood ringers and guests

## OXTED

02 Jun

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Heather E Griffiths



## RANMORE

20 Apr

1260 Union Triples

P Quentin Armitage

27 Apr

1260 Plain Bob Minor

William A Hibbert

11 May

1260 Double Grandsire Triples

Richard M Trueman

08 Jun

1260 Stedman Triples

Peter Emery

14 Sep

1296 Stedman Triples

P Quentin Armitage

19 Nov

1320 Plain Bob Minor

Christopher J Ridley

14 Dec

1280 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Richard M Trueman

For a number of years, Ranmore had no ringers of its own. However, a new band is being recruited and trained. The band formally came into existence by ringing Sunday Service for the first time on 5 February 2023. The ringing facilities are being updated by the purchase of new ropes, the installation of weather proofing above the bells in the steeple and the implementation of bell sounding technology so that ringing can take place at any time of the day.

## REDHILL

02 Jun	1260	Grandsire Triples	Richard Barclay
05 Jun	1260	Grandsire Doubles	David Wallis
19 Sep	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	David Wallis
19 Nov	1260	Plain Bob Triples	M Louise Booth

We are now ringing regularly at Redhill on Sunday mornings and for practice. Numbers vary, and we usually welcome one or two visitors most Thursdays to swell the numbers. We have been joined by a new recruit and a returning ringer who are now valuable members of the band. Another recruit moved away from the area. We were delighted to win the Association quiz in 2022, and after a two year gap we returned to Blo' Norton in March for a weekend of ringing and friendship.

## REIGATE

Ringing at Reigate has continued throughout 2022 and it is pleasing to note that the band more regularly is able to ring on all ten bells. Royal events were all marked at St Mary's, including the 70th anniversary of the Queen's accession in February, the death of Prince Philip in April, the Platinum Jubilee of the Queen in June and finally her death and funeral in September. We continue to support Association events and opened the tower for Heritage Day. Visitors are always welcome, either on practice evening or at Sunday services.



## STOKE D'ABERNON

16 Jun	1260	1 M and 10 V Doubles	Christopher McLean
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## WALTON ON THAMES

03 Jun	1260	Plain Bob Doubles	John G Young
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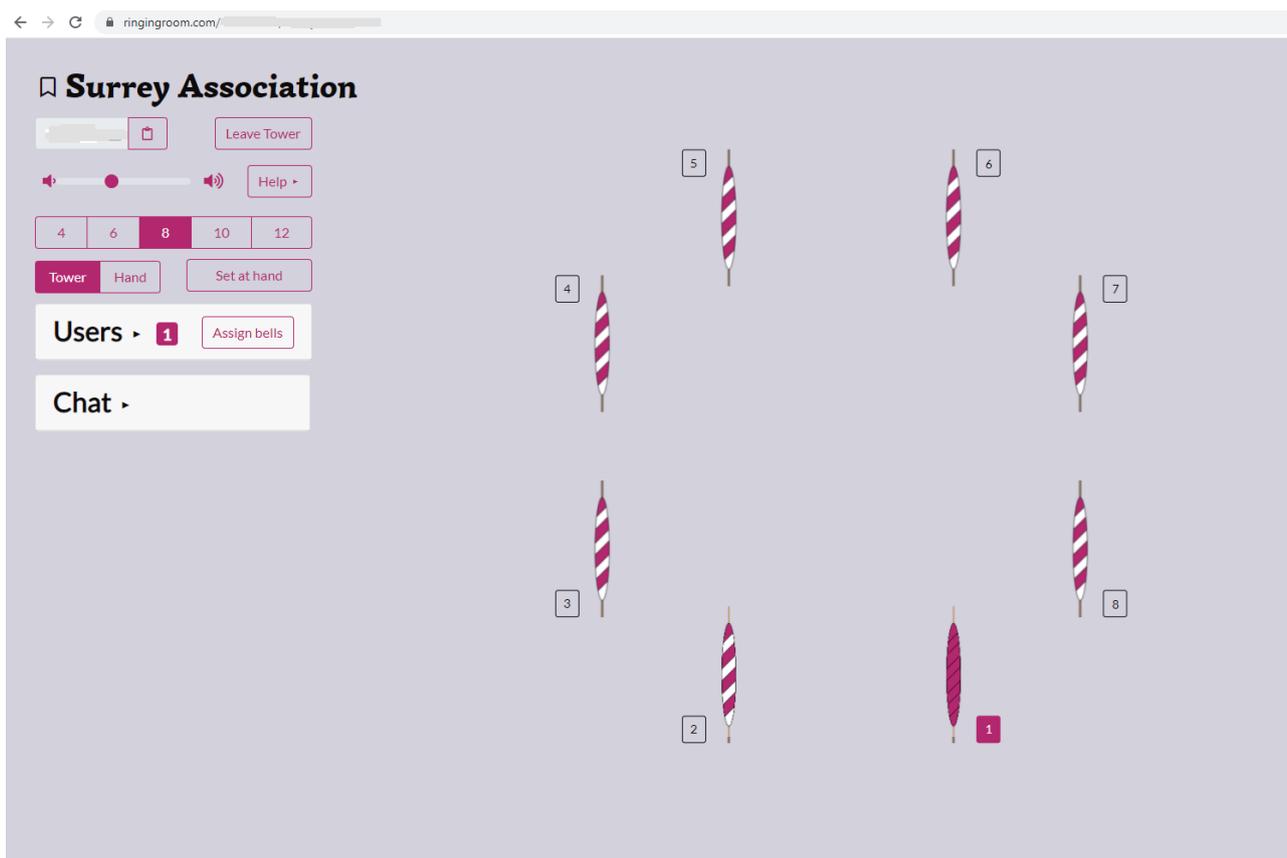
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## Quarter peals rung in Ringing Room 2022

The Ringing Room online platform for virtual ringing was launched in March 2020. It was built for change ringers to continue ringing with one another even when socially distanced. It was developed as a joint venture by Leland Paul Kusmer and Bryn Marie Reinstadler, both ringers in the Boston, Massachusetts area of America. The tower bell audio is provided by Bill Hibbert. With additional sound editing by Jack R Pease.

2	Mar	1288	Plain and Little Bob Minor & Grandsire Doubles	Fraser A Storie
8	Sep	1260	Stedman Doubles	Vicky Williams
19	Sep	5880	Stedman Doubles	Vicky Williams
12	Nov	1260	Stedman Doubles	Vicky Williams



# PRACTICE NIGHTS

This list of practice nights is included as a quick reference guide to which towers practice on each day. You can use it in conjunction with the map on the back cover to help you decide which tower to visit. Most towers have a regular practice but visitors are advised to check the details in the tower lists in this report and to contact the tower secretary or the alternative contact for confirmation.

## SUNDAY

Walworth # ..... 12:15pm

## MONDAY

Addington ..... 7.00pm  
 Battersea ..... 7.45pm  
 Carshalton ..... 8.00pm  
 Caterham, St John ..... 7.45pm  
 Clapham Common, Holy Trinity ..... 6:30pm  
 Dorking ..... 7.30pm  
 Epsom ..... 8.00pm  
 Merton Park ..... 7.45pm  
 Mitcham ..... 7.00pm  
 Outwood # ..... 7.30pm  
 Oxted ..... 7.30pm  
 Putney ..... 7.30pm  
 South Croydon # ..... 7.45pm  
 Stoke D'Abernon ..... 7.45pm  
 Thames Ditton # ..... 7:45pm

## TUESDAY

Benhillton ..... 7.45pm  
 Bermondsey ..... 7.30pm  
 Betchworth ..... 8.00pm  
 Charlwood # ..... 7.30pm  
 Coulsdon ..... 8.00pm  
 Croydon Minster ..... 8.00pm  
 East Molesey ..... 7.45pm  
 Ewell ..... 7.30pm  
 Horsell ..... 7:45pm  
 Leatherhead ..... 7.45pm  
 Limpsfield ..... 7.45pm  
 Newdigate ..... 7.45pm  
 Nutfield ..... 7.00pm  
 Richmond ..... 7.30pm  
 Southwark # ..... 5.30pm  
 Streatham ..... 8:00pm

## WEDNESDAY

Banstead ..... 8.00pm  
 Bletchingley ..... 7.45pm  
 Burstow # ..... 7:30pm  
 Capel # ..... 7.45pm  
 Epsom Common ..... 8.00pm  
 Esher # ..... 7.30pm  
 Horley # ..... 7:45pm  
 Kingston upon Thames ..... 7.45pm  
 Limpsfield Chart # ..... 6:45pm  
 Merstham ..... 7.45pm  
 Mortlake # ..... 8.00pm  
 Ockley # ..... 7.45pm  
 Ranmore ..... 7:30pm  
 Reigate ..... 7.45pm  
 \*Southwark Cathedral # ..... 6.30pm  
 Wimbledon ..... 7.45pm

## THURSDAY

Ashtead ..... 8.00pm  
 Beddington ..... 7.45pm  
 Cheam # ..... 7.30pm  
 Chipstead # ..... 7.00pm  
 Cobham ..... 7:30pm  
 Colliers Wood # ..... 7.30pm  
 Egham # ..... 7.45pm  
 Godstone # ..... 7:30pm  
 Kingswood ..... 8.00pm  
 Leigh # ..... 7.30pm  
 Lingfield ..... 8.00pm  
 Redhill ..... 7.30pm

## FRIDAY

Barnes # ..... 7.45pm  
 Buckland # ..... 8.00pm  
 Camberwell # ..... 7.00pm  
 Caterham, St Mary ..... 8.00pm  
 Walton on Thames ..... 7.45pm  
 Wandsworth Holy Trinity ..... 8.00pm

\* Central London Congestion Charge applies:  
 Monday to Friday, 07.00 to 18.00, Saturday,  
 Sunday and bank holidays 12:00 to 18:00. No  
 charge between Christmas Day and New Year's  
 Day bank Holiday (inclusive).

The Ultra Low Emission Zone and Low Emission  
 Zone affect parts of London, check the postcode  
 using <https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/driving/>

# indicates further information on tower listing  
 page (e.g. not every week, not all year, etc.)

# SAFEGUARDING

As the Surrey Association of Church Bell Ringers we are committed to helping safeguard all of our members. We work in accordance with the national legal and procedural framework for safeguarding children and adults who may be vulnerable, in particular The House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy 'Promoting a Safer Church'.

The care and protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults involved in ringing activities across the Surrey Association is the responsibility of all participants. Susan Gibbin, our Safeguarding lead is available to help shape our advice and guidance, linking closely with the CCCBR and the Southwark the Diocesan Safeguarding team to:

- signpost people to training
- provide links with key agencies who can help where and when safeguarding issues arise
- provide all those with leadership roles at Tower, District and Association level with advice on keeping themselves and their members safe.

Members are reminded that good safeguarding practice is as important as ever when using digital platforms. For more information please visit the Association website and notifications via MemberMojo <https://www.surreybellringers.org.uk/resources/safeguarding/>

**Susan Gibbin**

## HOLDING A TOWER OPEN DAY?

You could borrow the display boards

We have two sets of display boards which towers are welcome to use for their own promotional events. These 3-panel sets are lightweight and designed for tabletop use.

They are full of colourful displays featuring ringing in The Surrey Association and designed to appeal to all age groups. Content can be varied to suit your promotion.

Look at the website [www.surreybellringers.org.uk](http://www.surreybellringers.org.uk) to view them and other promotional material.

To make a booking, email Caroline Prescott at [carolineprescott@btinternet.com](mailto:carolineprescott@btinternet.com) for Northern District and for Southern District email Sue Dixon at [srsjdixon@btinternet.com](mailto:srsjdixon@btinternet.com)

# MEMBERSHIP



<https://membermojo.co.uk/surreybellringers>

## Membership system for the Surrey Association of Church Bell Ringers

- The system allows members to manage their Surrey Association membership online, pay fees and provide / update contact details
- It provides a platform for communication with and between members
- It eases the burden on volunteer administrators
- It ensures the Association is GDPR compliant

**Paying fees:** We encourage members to pay online if possible as it greatly reduces the administrative burden on our volunteer administrators. MemberMojo uses Stripe an online payment platform. Where fees are paid by the Church or Tower they can be paid by bank transfer or via the Tower contact. A guide to membership renewal can be found via the following link: [MemberMojoMemberRenewal.pdf](#)

**Emails:** All members can subscribe or unsubscribe to these groups by ticking or unticking the appropriate option in their MemberMojo membership form. Emails from the group also contain an unsubscribe link at the bottom. Those subscribed to a network group may send email to the group. Northern District: [ndnetwork.surreybellringers@membermojo.co.uk](mailto:ndnetwork.surreybellringers@membermojo.co.uk)  
Southern District: [sdnetwork.surreybellringers@membermojo.co.uk](mailto:sdnetwork.surreybellringers@membermojo.co.uk)

Replies to emails sent to the network groups are only sent to the originator of the email. If you want to send to all subscribed, you must add the network group name to the address field of your reply.

Groups can be created for the use of individual, or groups of, Towers. If you wish to make use of this please contact the system manager via [memberadmin@surreybellringers.org.uk](mailto:memberadmin@surreybellringers.org.uk)

**GDPR:** The data collected MemberMojo is used and saved in accordance with our published Data Policy, which may be found on our website [GDPR pages](#). The MemberMojo system is held on secure UK based servers. Your data is visible only to our administrators (the Secretaries you elect) or a limited subset of it in the Membership Directory if you opt-in to that feature.

## **ASSOCIATION RULES last updated: 11 May 2019**

### **TITLE**

- 1 The title of the Association shall be "The Surrey Association of Church Bell Ringers".

### **DEFINITIONS**

- 2 In these rules the following expressions shall have the following meanings:
  - a "the County" shall mean the County of Surrey as recognised in 1880;
  - b "Ordinary Resolution" and "Special Resolution" shall mean a motion passed by a simple majority and a three-quarters majority respectively of those members voting and entitled to vote at the meeting at which it is moved;
  - c reference to "meetings of the Association" and, where the context admits, to "the Association" shall mean "the Association in General Meeting" and shall not extend to meetings of a District;
  - d "the Council" shall mean the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers;
  - e words importing the masculine gender shall, where the context so admits, also import the feminine gender.

### **OBJECTS**

- 3 The objects of the Association shall be:
  - a to promote, advance, maintain and support the ringing of bells for services;
  - b the recognition of bellringers as church workers;
  - c to facilitate and assist in the instruction and practice of both the art and science of change-ringing;
  - d to institute schemes for, supply information as to, and to assist in, the provision, repair, maintenance or transfer of church bells and their fittings and necessary apparatus including equipment for sound control measures whether through the administration of the Belfry Repair Fund or otherwise;
  - e to promote fellowship and harmony among bellringers generally including organising social meetings and making gifts on behalf of the Association and to promote goodwill and understanding between bellringers and the general public;
  - f in construing and of the paragraphs (a) to (e) of this Rule, no paragraph shall be deemed to be predominant and no object shall be deemed to be subsidiary to another;
  - g to commission, print, publish, and distribute and/or sell, in any part of the world, literature relating to all or any of the above objects and to the history of bells and bellringing;
  - h to do all such other lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of any of the above objects and in particular (but without raising any loan save with the authority of a Special Resolution of the Association) to expend monies on or in furtherance of any of the above objects. Such monies may be expended on the authority of an Ordinary Resolution of the General Committee or (if part of the funds of a District) of its District Committee and in such case the members from time to time of such committees acting in good faith shall not be responsible for loss.

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- 4 Pursuit of the objects shall be conducted usually within the County but shall not be limited thereto.
- 5 The County shall be divided into such number of Districts with such boundaries as the Association by Special Resolution shall decide from time to time.

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

- 6 The types of membership recognised by the Association are detailed in the table below:

Membership	Qualifying criteria	Subscription	Affiliation	Voting Rights*
<b>Resident Ringing Member</b>	A ringer (or lapsed ringer) resident in or ringing frequently for Sunday Service within the County and meeting one of the following criteria:	Annually renewable at the rate below		
Adult	An adult who does not fall under other Resident Ringer categories.	Full	District	Yes
Student	A young ringer who has not yet reached their 18th birthday at the 1st January or is still in full time education.  Note: Resident Ringing Members may be attached or unattached to a tower, but shall be affiliated to a District.	Student Concession	District	Yes
<b>Honorary Life Member</b>	Awarded on the achievement of thirty years as a Resident Ringing Member.  The total of thirty years membership does not need to be accumulated in a single continuous period.	Exempt	District or Association	Yes
<b>Non-Resident Ringing Member</b>	A ringer who is not resident and does not ring frequently for Sunday Service within the County.	Single payment on first joining as a member	Association	No

\* All Members eligible to vote shall receive a copy of the Association Annual Report.

## JOINING THE ASSOCIATION

- 7 (i) A new member satisfying the criteria for membership can join the Association on completion of a membership form with sponsor and on payment of the current year's subscription.
- (ii) All new members must agree to be bound by the Rules of the Association and have their application sponsored. Sponsors must have been a Resident Ringing Member of the Association for at least the preceding two calendar years, or be an Honorary Life Member.
- (iii) Resident Ringing Members shall be affiliated with the District in which they are resident or most frequently ring. New members eligible for more than one District may choose their affiliation by writing to the relevant District Secretary.
- (iv) Although common it is not necessary to be attached to a tower to be a member of the Association. Ringers who are unattached to a tower but otherwise qualify as a Resident Ringing Member may join the Association and choose their affiliation to a District.
- (v) An existing Resident Ringing Member may choose to change their District affiliation provided they qualify by residency or place of ringing by notifying, in writing, both District Secretaries.
- (vi) A ringer who is not resident in the County and is not a frequent Sunday Service ringer in the County may join as a Non-Resident Member, on completion of a membership form with sponsor and on payment of the subscription.

## SUBSCRIPTIONS

- 8 (i) The subscription and concession rates shall be kept under review by the General Committee and set by a Special Resolution of the Association for the following year.
- (ii) The methods of payment and collection of subscriptions shall be agreed by the General Committee and be appropriate to the type of membership, affiliation and processes available for collection at the time.
- (iii) The total subscription raised each year shall be shared between the Association and the Districts. The basis on which subscriptions are shared shall be determined by a Special Resolution of the General Committee.
- (iv) Annually renewable memberships shall be continuous with all subscriptions becoming due on 1st January each year.
- (v) The subscription of any annually renewable membership commencing on or after 1st October shall run to 31st December of the following year.
- (vi) A member resigning or being expelled before their subscription is paid shall not be liable for that year's subscription. Once paid no refunds shall be given for resigning or expelled members.

## CONDUCT OF MEMBERS

- 9 (i) Members eligible to vote may only do so in person at a meeting of the Association.
- (ii) Members with voting rights will be eligible to vote at all meetings of the Association and at meetings of the District to which they are affiliated. Honorary Life Members may vote at all meetings of the Association and at any District meeting regardless of their affiliation.

## LEAVING THE ASSOCIATION

10 Membership of the Association shall cease if a member dies, resigns, lapses or is expelled.

- (i) Resigns by notifying the District or General Secretary they no longer wish to be a member of the Association.
- (ii) Lapses by failing to pay their subscription renewal within 12 months of the date it became due.
- (iii) Expulsion on completion of the process for expulsion of a member (see below).
- (iv) A Resident Ringing Member who moves away from or ceases to ring within the County may transfer their membership to a Non-Resident Ringing Member upon notification, in writing, to the General Secretary or the appropriate District Secretary.

## EXPULSION OF A MEMBER

- 11 (i) The General Committee shall consider any case for expulsion of a member and may, after an Ordinary Resolution, invite a member to resign within a given time period.
- (ii) If no such resignation is received within the time given the General Secretary shall organise an Extraordinary meeting of the Association and propose a motion for Special Resolution at that meeting for the expulsion of the member.
  - (iii) The member has the right to be informed of any complaint against them and be invited to speak at any meeting where a proposal has been made to expel them.

## OFFICERS

- 12 The Association by Ordinary Resolution shall appoint any person as President of the Association for a term not exceeding five years. This rule shall not prevent any person being re-elected for a further term or terms of years.
- 13 An honorary life member may by Special Resolution of the Association be appointed a Vice-President of the Association to hold office for life. The Bishops of Southwark, Guildford, Croydon, Kingston-upon-Thames and Woolwich shall, ex-officio, be Vice-Presidents of the Association.
- 14 The Association annually by Ordinary Resolution shall appoint any person as Independent Examiner to independently examine the accounts of the Districts and of the Association. They may not hold an office which confers membership of the General Committee.
- 15 The Association shall be affiliated to the Council and Representatives shall be elected in accordance with the Council's constitution for the time being. The Association shall recognise and abide by the rulings of the Council and shall pay the reasonable travelling and incidental expenses of such Representatives in attending the meetings of the Council.

- 16 The General Officers (in order of seniority and their responsibilities) shall be a General Master (who shall, inter alia, be the Chairman at the business meetings of the Association and of the General Committee and shall organise ringing meetings of the Association), a General Secretary (who shall, inter alia, act as Treasurer of the Association, conduct all correspondence on behalf of the Association and the General Committee and maintain a register of members and their respective classes), an Assistant General Secretary (who shall, inter alia, take minutes of business meetings of the Association and the General Committee and perform all such other functions as the General Secretary may delegate to him from time to time), a Belfry Repair Fund Secretary (who shall, inter alia, coordinate the belfry repair activities of the Association including keeping accounts and compliance with the requirements of the Charity Commission, a Training Officer (who shall, inter alia, coordinate training within the Association), and a Communications Officer (who shall, inter alia, advise the General Committee on matters relating to member and public communication, edit the Association's newsletter and coordinate the Association's online presence).
- 17 District Officers shall be a District Master, a District Secretary, an Assistant District Secretary (who shall perform the same functions for their District as the corresponding General Officers perform for the Association respectively) and three District Committee Members.
- 18 Only a resident ringing member or honorary life member is eligible as General Officer or District Officer. No member may be General Master for more than three consecutive years. A Resident Ringing Member is only eligible as a District Officer for the District to which they are affiliated for the time being.
- 19 No member may be elected to more than one General and one District post at any one time. Officers shall be elected in order of seniority. Newly elected officers come into office at the close of the meeting at which they are elected, save for a Master who comes into office immediately upon election.
- 20 The General Officers shall be elected annually by Ordinary Resolution at the Annual General Meeting. District Officers shall be elected annually by Ordinary Resolution at their District's Annual District Meeting. Casual vacancies among Officers may be filled by Ordinary Resolution of the relevant District Committee or, in the case of a General Officer, of the General Committee.

## COMMITTEES

- 21 A District Committee shall consist of the District Officers for the District of whom three shall form a quorum. The General Committee shall consist of the members of all District Committees and the General Officers of whom seven shall form a quorum.
- 22 A Committee meeting shall be convened forthwith upon the request of any member thereof to the appropriate Secretary who shall give at least three days' notice of such meeting to all members of that Committee. The power of the Committee is unlimited within the Rules and objects of the Association. It may delegate such power to whom it thinks fit and may revoke such power provided that any such revocation shall have no effect until received by the delegate and shall be void in so far as it purports to be of retrospective effect.

## MEETINGS

- 23 The General Secretary and each District Secretary shall produce accounts annually to the Independent Examiner and seek the approval thereto of a meeting of the General Committee (and of the Annual General Meeting) and of the District Committee (and the Annual District Meeting) respectively.
- 24 The appropriate Committee shall arrange the times, dates and venues of all meetings of the District or of the Association and shall have power to alter such arrangements save that the date of the Annual General Meeting shall be held on a Saturday in May and an Annual District Meeting shall be held by each District on a Saturday in January or February.
- 25 An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Association or of a District shall be convened within 42 days of the receipt by the appropriate Secretary of the instruction of the appropriate Master, or of the written requests of at least 12 members (other than non-resident members) who shall in the case of such requests in respect of a District be attached to that District.
- 26 No business shall be transacted at a meeting of the Association or at an Annual District Meeting unless a quorum of members entitled to vote at such meeting is present. A quorum shall be twenty in the case of a meeting of the Association and ten in the case of an Annual District Meeting.
- 27 The resident ringing members and/or honorary life members frequenting a particular tower shall cause their District Secretary to be told of a tower correspondent to receive postal and/or email notices of meetings. All notices will also be placed on the Association's website. Accidental omission to give any (but not all) such notices shall not invalidate the meeting concerned.
- 28 At least 14 clear days' notice and 28 clear days' notice shall be given of Annual Meetings and Extraordinary General Meetings respectively.

## CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

- 29 Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the law of England and Wales and the General Committee may prepare standing orders in accordance therewith for the guidance of chairmen.
- 30 If the appropriate master is at any time absent from a meeting it shall forthwith proceed by Ordinary Resolution to elect a member to act as chairman in the Master's absence. Such election is to be conducted by the appropriate Secretary or other member, on a show of hands.
- 31 Save as otherwise provided in these Rules, a proposal for a motion must be made in writing to reach the appropriate Secretary at least 28 clear days before the meeting at which such motion is to be voted upon. All motions require a seconder before being put to the meeting. Alterations, additions or deletions to the Rules or any matter directly concerning finance (save for the adoption of the accounts) may only be effected by Special Resolution. Notwithstanding the foregoing the meeting may by Special Resolution agree to discuss and to vote upon a motion received within less than the stipulated notice.
- 32 All motions for the election of Vice-Presidents, an Independent Examiner, Council Representatives and General Officers shall be proposed either orally at an Annual District Meeting or in accordance with the immediately preceding Rule. Motions for the election of District Officers shall be proposed either orally at the Nomination Meeting or in accordance with the immediately preceding Rule.
- 33 If no motion is proposed for the election of any member to an office (other than that of Vice-President) the chairman of the meeting in his discretion may accept the proposal of one or more motions for the election of members to that office notwithstanding the immediately preceding Rule.
- 34 If the motion for the election of an officer is contested, the resolution of the meeting shall be decided by secret ballot. The chairman shall appoint such tellers to conduct the ballot as are willing to do so and who shall, if possible, not be members of the Association. A motion proposed and seconded for the election of a member to an office for which no other member has been moved shall be declared duly carried by the chairman of the meeting without voting.
- 35 Any other business is to be restricted to discussion and the raising and answer of queries.
- 36 No notice need be given of motions for the adoption of minutes, reports or accounts.

## MISCELLANEOUS

- 37 A peal can be recognised as having been rung for the Association provided that the majority of the band are members of the Association (eg. on 8 bells 5 ringers must be members allowing for a maximum of 3 non-members to be in the band) and the composition meets the standard accepted by the CCCBR.
- 38 The Association by Special Resolution may dissolve and provide for the disposal of its net assets, provided always that except when such dissolution is with a view to reconstruction or amalgamation, the Belfry Repair Fund shall be administered by the Council.

## LIBRARY

- 39 The Association shall maintain a library and the General Committee shall be responsible for the annual appointment of a Librarian and instructing him in the proper administration of the Library and providing for the housing and adequate insurance of the Library.

## BELFRY REPAIR FUND

- 40 The Association shall hold a Belfry Repair Fund, to be administered by the General Committee through the Belfry Repair Fund Secretary. The Fund shall be registered as a charity. The General Committee shall have the same unrestricted power of investment of the Fund as if it were absolutely entitled thereto and when acting in good faith shall not be responsible for loss.
- 41 The General Committee may in its absolute discretion make a grant out of either the capital or income of the Belfry Repair Fund for or towards the cost of bells, their fittings or repairs thereto or any structural, mechanical or sound control work for the proper functioning of bells ringing full circle provided always that the bell or bells concerned are located within the County.
- 42 The Belfry Repair Fund Secretary shall maintain account of the Belfry Repair Fund distinguishing monies in the Fund from all other monies held in the name of the Association. Collections shall be taken for the Fund at every meeting of the Association and at every business meeting of the Districts, such monies as are collected shall be passed to the Belfry Repair Fund Secretary.

(Surrey Association Belfry Repair Fund: Registered Charity Number - 260561)

Note 1: 'Written notification' is deemed to include electronic communication such as emails, but not texts

Note 2: Rule 8iii - the share of the subscriptions is currently set as 60% Association: 40% Districts.

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# SURREY ASSOCIATION MAP

