



**The Essex Association  
of Change Ringers  
(Founded 1879)**

**ANNUAL REPORT  
2019**

With List of Officers  
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# THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS

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## MASTER'S REPORT

The Essex Association is one of the larger territorial associations in England and retains an important position in the ringing community.

In striking competitions this year, the Association continued to flourish. Our own Association finals were held in the Southern District, with Chelmsford Cathedral retaining the trophy in the 6 bell competition at Eastwood, and the South-East District winning the inter-district 8 bell competition on the challenging bells at Rochford. In regional competitions, the Ridgman trophy was held at the Norman Tower in Bury St Edmunds, where the Association band was placed 4th, ringing half a course of Cambridge Surprise Royal. In the Essex Trophy, held at Christ Church Southgate, the band were also placed 4th ringing 3 courses of Stedman Caters.

The Essex Young Eagles continue to awe me with their dedication and enthusiasm, attaining a well deserved 7th place in the Ringing World National Youth Contest, held at Liverpool, and in the South East England Youth Striking Competition (SEECON) held at Horton Kirby they were placed third. Striking competitions are an important part of our external face to the ringing and general public, and it's important that we take part in them. At times mildly stressful, they offer us an opportunity to show off our best ringing, but also to strive to do better and attain high standards, which can only be to our benefit.

The Association was also externally represented at the Central Council meeting, held at Goldsmiths College London in September. Our previous Public Relations Officer Emily Ashton presented a highly successful seminar on Social Media, an ever-increasing presence in our communication strategies nationally, and we continue to be well represented at high levels on the Central Council. That we are able to field such a strong representation to, and engagement with, the Central Council is testament to the dedication and commitment of our members and reflects well on us as an Association.

The Essex Course, the jewel in the educational crown of the Association, attracted 134 applicants in 2019 which is a new record. This year, Steve Nash (Life Vice President) conducted a comprehensive review of the Essex course, taking detailed feedback from participants, helpers and tutors and presented his findings to the Management Committee. Findings were largely positive, and particular highlights for further development included a request for online and modernised application processes, a desire for more handbell ringing, and advice on acceptance criteria and management of unsuccessful applications. These are being taken forward by the Essex Course Convenor Anne Bray, and I expect them to lead to ongoing improvements in future years.

For the first time, the Essex Course offered Module 1 and Module 2 courses from the Association of Ringing Teachers syllabus, led by Lesley Boyle and Gill Hughes, assisted by David Sparling. We have 4 trained ART assessors in the association, and a recent audit of EACR participation in ART activities showed that 89 Essex ringers had attended a Module 1 course, and 48 had attended a Module 2 course. However, only 24 of these people have proceeded to Module 1 accreditation, and 7 to Module 2 accreditation, with 22 active teachers (not all fully accredited) using the Learning the Ropes Scheme. As an Association, we have the ability to assist greater numbers than this towards full accreditation and work is ongoing towards this aim. The ART scheme is not the only way to teach ringing, but it is one of the few recognised and systematic methodologies available, with proven evidence of success, and a structured and popular curriculum for learners that suits older adults and young ringers alike. The Association has always had a strong reputation for teaching and training, and our ongoing participation in the ART scheme is very likely to deliver significant gains in both the number of ringers trained, but also the sustainability of our teaching.

The charitable objects of the Association are "to further the work of the Church by the ringing of bells and to promote all aspects of the same; the advancement of the education of the public in the art and science of bell ringing, by promoting and encouraging the practice of bellringing and by supporting the recruitment, training and development of bellringers". Our annual calendar of activities show that we are living these aims on a day to day basis. The Association is made up of over 1100 individuals, with varying ringing abilities, standards, beliefs and values. It draws together people from all walks of life, with diverse political affiliations and backgrounds, and celebrates what they have in common. The Association is going from strength to strength, supporting what ringers need in Essex, providing training and education, drawing together best practice, and is making sure that the art of ringing, which we all love, is preserved and nurtured.

To conclude my report for 2019, I would like to thank all the trustees of the Association in 2019, who have made my job as Master so much easier, but more than this, I would like to thank all of our members who make up the Association, for everything that they do.

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## SOCIAL MEDIA



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# CHARITY TRUSTEES REPORT FOR 2019

The format of the Charity Trustees Report is in line with the latest requirements of the Charity Commission. Sections 1 and 5 and Annex A of the full report list the particulars of the Charity and its Trustees and Governance Policies and are omitted from this Annual Report. Sections 2, 3, 4, 6 and 7 are the main body of the report and are reproduced below. The full report is available on request from the Association Officers or will be available through the Charity Commission website.

## 2 Objectives and Activities

### 2.1 Charitable Objects

The objects of the Association are as set out in rule 2:

- 🔔 To further the work of the Church by the ringing of bells and to promote all aspects of the same.
- 🔔 The advancement of the education of the public in the art and science of bell ringing, by promoting and encouraging the practice of bellringing and by supporting the recruitment, training and development of bellringers.

### 2.2 Public Benefit

The Association's Objects and Aims are focused towards two areas. First, the support of Christian worship by promoting the ringing of bells for Service and second the preservation of the tradition and heritage of change ringing and supporting the training and development of change ringers from all walks of society. The Association achieves this by:

- (a) encouraging the attendance of its members both at service ringing and at public worship;
- (b) encouraging the recognition of ringers as Church workers;
- (c) encouraging fellowship and communication among ringers;
- (d) recruiting and training new ringers, so that there may be regular service ringing in all the towers within the Association's boundaries where the bells are ringable; and
- (e) promoting interest in the care of all the bells and provision of new bells within the Association's boundaries.

Many members give up their time and talents in many ways volunteering to help ringing schools, individual towers and bell restoration projects as well as many different recruiting, training, fundraising and maintenance projects in furtherance of the objectives as laid down in the rules.

The Association maintains a website ([www.eacr.org.uk](http://www.eacr.org.uk)) which details many of the activities undertaken for its members. In addition some Districts maintain their own websites as well as holding many social and fundraising events throughout the year.

The public benefits through the preservation of a uniquely UK tradition and heritage, and because we assist them to participate in an inclusive activity that significantly benefits them both physically and mentally.

The Trustees paid due regard to the commission's guidance on public benefit in producing this statement

## 3 Structure, Governance and Management

### 3.1 Organisation

The Association is organised into six districts. The districts have their own officers responsible for encouraging good ringing in the churches with bells within their area and working within the charitable objectives of the Association as a whole. The districts hold their annual meetings in January and elect their officers. Regular practices, meetings, quarter peals and striking competitions are organised, as well as fundraising events with any surpluses going to the Bell Restoration Account (BRA).

The Association is affiliated to the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers and loyally abides by the rules and decisions thereof.

### 3.2 Management Committee

The Management Committee, which has two meetings each year, is responsible to the members, through the AGM, for the general running of the Association and reviewing its activities. The Districts are represented on the Management Committee. The Management Committee may appoint a Chaplain, Peals Secretary, Safeguarding Officer, Report Editor, Newsletter Editor, Webmaster, Essex Ringing Course Convenor, Social Committee Convenor, Youth Coordinator and Bookstall Administrator and any other officers as it may decide and may also appoint sub-committees as required. All such appointments shall be confirmed annually and reported to the Annual General Meeting. All appointed officers report to the full Management Committee at these meetings.

### 3.3 Sub-committees and working groups

The Association has two separate sub-committees:

- 🔔 a Grants sub-committee to review grant requests and make recommendations to the Management Committee. It met in September 2019.
- 🔔 a Social sub-committee which considers arrangements for the Annual Essex Dinner and catering for the Essex Ringing Course. It met by email during the year to consider arrangements for the Course and Dinner.

### 3.4 Membership

Membership is open to any person eligible according to the Association's rules (regardless of personal

background, faith, gender or personal circumstances) interested in bells and bellringing. Our membership categories include Ringing Members (including Juniors), Life Vice-Presidents, Life Members, Non-Resident Members and Friends of the Association.

## **4 Review of Progress and Achievements in 2019**

### **4.1 Overview**

The Association aims to offer support to its members to not only ring for Sunday service and practice nights but also to improve and progress their ringing. District events have been held across the Association including open practices, quarter peal weeks/months, training activities, outings and social gatherings. Whilst the number of people attending these events are difficult to gauge, a broad spectrum of the membership get involved with these and hopefully benefit from the opportunity to ring at different towers and meet other ringers.

2019 proved to be another successful year and the enthusiasm and passion for continuing our art remains as strong as ever. The efforts of all ringers within the Association to improve our ringing, support those around us to do so and to swell our numbers all contribute to furthering the aims and objectives of the Association, and to ensure that ringing may take place in as many towers as possible.

The Management Committee and District Officers' Meetings have, as always, included much constructive, friendly discussion and allow every member of the Association to contribute positively to the direction and form of the Association's forward movement.

As ever, it is our Districts that continue to provide the majority of work to support ringing in our towers, and their packed calendars help to entertain and join our members together.

### **4.2 Training**

In furtherance of the objectives the Association organises and encourages training sessions and bell ringing competitions. Training ringers is vitally important to maintain ringing in our towers.

The Association has two accredited Association of Ringing Teachers (ART) hubs: Arleigh Ringing School in the NE District and Willingale Ringing Centre in the NW District. Regular ringing centres at Prittlewell in the S District and Chigwell in the SW District run a varied programme of workshops, courses and practical sessions.

There have been many advances in simulator hardware and software in recent years and the functionality that is now available. Many towers are now installing simulator software or dumbbells to train new ringers effectively and to train more ringers than would otherwise be possible.

The Association runs the Essex Ringing Course, established in 1991, a three-day course based at the Honeywood School in Coggeshall, which is open to anyone to attend. The 2019 course took place from 11-13 April. 134 applications were received for the 2019 course, which is a record. 90 applications were from Essex (67%) with 19 other Counties represented by 1 or more applicants. On-line application was offered for the first time, which proved successful and assisted considerably with admin. 41% of applications were received on-line. 93 students were offered places across 14 groups ranging from bell-handling to treble bob minor. Plain major/triples and conducting did not receive enough applications to be viable.

A major initiative of the 2019 Course was the making of a link with ART, enabling us to offer groups M1 – teaching bell-handling and M2 – teaching rounds to plain hunt. Following the 1-day ART course, the M1 students were then able to assist as helpers with the bell-handling group. There was much positive feedback for developing the idea further. We aim to continue working with ART in this way next year. A course meeting was held in February and a wash-up meeting in May.

The Association Training Day, held in November in the NW District was well supported and offered sessions in Stedman Doubles, Plain Hunt and Plain Bob Doubles as well as ART module 1.

Training also occurs within the Association at District level with their own training officers, and many of our districts have and continue to run very successful training events of their own, tailored to the needs of their members. To date the Association has 89 members who have attended module 1 ART course with 21 passing their theory test. 16 members have attended module 2F and 32 people have attended module 2C. Of the 89 members 22 have students on the Learning the Ropes scheme. There are 5 assessors for module 1 in Essex and 2 assessors for module 2.

### **4.3 Young Ringers and the National Youth Contest**

It is extremely pleasing to be able to report that the Essex Young Eagles Youth Team is going from strength to strength. For the 2019 season practices were extremely well supported by the youngsters who maintained enthusiasm throughout the process and they all demonstrated an eagerness to learn and improve. The good work of the previous years in terms of developing and inspiring the younger team members paid dividends.

Whilst there is a focus on developing a good team to represent the Essex Association in the RWNYS, we do not neglect those youngsters who are not ready for selection or are too old. Practices continue to be managed in our usual way - that is with intensity and a strong focus on good striking but our young ringers respond to this approach very positively and there is plenty of laughter and banter along the way.

The ninth Ringing World National Youth Contest was held in Liverpool on 6 July. Essex once again entered a team. This year there were no heats and all teams rang at the one tower one after the other so the judges had an 8-hour session (assisted for the first time by HawkEar)! The band rang 160 changes of Rounds and Call changes as their test piece and were placed a very creditable 7th overall out of 24 teams

and an excellent 3rd out of 18 ringing call changes. The Essex Young Eagles also took part in the fourth SE England Youth Striking Contest (SEECON) held at Horton Kirby where they were placed third out of six teams.

The 2020 SEECON is being hosted by the Essex Association and the RWNVC is in York and we expect the Essex Association to have a presence once again.

#### 4.4 Striking competitions

The S District hosted this year's 6 and 8 bell striking competitions at Eastwood and Rochford respectively. Chelmsford won the 6-bell competition. The 8-bell test piece was a plain course of Alderney Surprise Major and was won by the South Eastern District.

The Ridgman Trophy 10 Bell striking competition was held at Bury St Edmunds on 15 June. The test piece was a plain course of Cambridge Royal. The Essex team were placed fifth.

The Essex Trophy 10 bell striking competition was held at Southgate on 14 September. The test piece was 327 changes of Stedman Caters. The Essex team were placed fourth.

#### 4.5 Other Activities

Ringing took place throughout the year for centenaries relating to WW1. The display board was used at Clavering and Goldhanger this summer and also at the Association Striking Competition Finals. The Association now has a social media presence via Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. A very successful Annual Dinner was held at Benton Hall Golf and Country Club near Witham in October with 95 members and guests attending.

There were, however, many events that members and individual towers have given attention to independently.

#### 4.6 Grants

The Association operates a Bell Restoration Account designed to assist bell restoration projects within the Association. Grants are given towards work to restore bells and their fittings to enable full circle ringing to take place. Grants are also given for augmenting and other ancillary work required to enable full circle ringing to continue or to be carried out. Applications are considered at the Management Committee meetings, in February and October. A permanent Grants sub-committee considers applications for financial assistance for bell maintenance and restoration and makes written recommendations for consideration at the next Committee meeting. Association members also provide practical assistance.

Fund-raising activities have increased the income to the Bell Restoration Account and thus enabling the Association to make substantial grants to churches undertaking bell restoration projects. No grants were paid out in the year but at the October Management Committee meeting it was agreed to support four projects with grants totalling £18,398. The Technical Adviser carried out several inspections and a number of applications will be forthcoming in 2020 and beyond.

### 6. Review of Financial Activities in 2019

- 6.1 The Association continues to maintain its good financial position. Total funds have increased by £9,457 to 31 December 2019.
- 6.2 **Membership** has remained steady over the year with 116 new members being elected with an overall increase of 29, the highest number of new members since 2000. 90% of members paid their subscriptions by 30 April (96% in 2018). However, 58 ringing members, 5 juniors and 2 friends (not included in the above total) were deemed to have withdrawn from the Association as their subscriptions remained unpaid as at 31 December.
- 6.3 **Interest rates:** The Virgin Charity Deposit Instant Access Account remains at 0.75% while the Cambridge and Counties Bank 95 Day Notice Account fell from 2% to 1.75% on 1 February. The 13 Month Fixed Rate Charity Bond (1.7%) with Cambridge and Counties Bank matured in August and was reinvested in a 2 Year Fixed Rate Business, Trust and Charity Bond offering 2%. Our day-to-day NatWest Community Account still offers free banking while the NatWest Business Reserve Account interest rate remains at 0.20%.
- 6.4 The **General Fund** has a surplus for the year of £777. Although income increased by 4%, administrative expenditure increased by 21% due predominantly to an increase of £750 in expenses relating to the Essex Young Ringers attendance at the National Youth Contest which took place in Liverpool. The **PR Account** currently stands at £1,366. There has been no income since 2014 and no expenditure since 2016. In 2018, the Management Committee agreed to suspend the annual transfer of £250 until further notice and in October 2019, they agreed to close the PR account at the end of the year and transfer the funds back to within the General Fund.
- 6.5 The **Essex Ringing Course** made a surplus of £345. Income increased mainly due to the running of additional groups and well-supported sales of Course clothing. Expenditure was also higher and although we were able to make some savings on school hire, catering increased significantly due to outside caterers being used for the buffet.
- 6.6 The **Recruitment and Training Fund** has a balance of £5,080 which includes £2,979 transferred from the Education Fund. Income was enhanced by the 25% proportion of subscriptions (£2,005) previously transferring to the BRA. Six junior members received grants amounting to £180.
- 6.7 The **Harry Turner Account** has a balance of £1,173, the **Chigwell Ringing School** a balance of £453 and the **St Mary's Stansted Mountfitchet Fund** has a balance of £3,999.

- 6.8** The **Bell Restoration Account** has increased by £6,089 to £79,125. No grants were paid out in the year but at the October Committee meeting it was agreed to support four projects with grants totalling £18,398.
- 6.9** Easyfundraising, the stream of donations which started in October 2016, has continued to make a valuable contribution to our funds. Our 40 supporters have raised a magnificent £868 in total. Please encourage members in your Districts to support this simple method of raising funds.
- 6.10** Income raised in 2019 amounted to £6,502. Regular fundraising included £2,070 from district events, a gift aid tax reclaim of £1,406, bank interest of £1,345 and £224 from the Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme (GASDS). The bookstall showed a surplus of £361 on sales of £1,330. Overall income to the account was down £2,414 mainly due to the loss of the 25% proportion of subscriptions.
- 6.11** The **Gift Aid** claims covering the period from 1 January to 31 October 2019, including some additional claims relating to 2017 and 2018, were paid in December. The percentage of members who currently gift aid their subscriptions and donations is 65%, the same level as for the previous three years. It would be good to see if this conversion rate could be increased towards 75%, the level which many fundraisers believe is achievable for smaller charities.

## 7. Membership for 2019

District	N		NE		NW		S		SE		SW		Total	
	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018
Ringling	132	128	121	132	178	174	190	182	220	211	116	108	957	935
Ringling under 18	13	12	3	3	18	11	13	11	9	11	3	2	59	50
Life	10	10	10	9	3	3	15	18	17	16	13	13	68	69
Paid life	-	-	7	7	2	2	2	2	4	4	2	2	17	17
Life Vice-Presidents	1	1	1	1	1	-	2	2	3	3	-	-	8	7
Total ringling	156	151	142	152	202	190	222	215	253	245	134	125	1,109	1,078
Friends	-	-	4	6	5	5	6	8	10	8	2	2	27	29
Honorary	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
	156	151	147	159	207	195	228	223	263	253	136	127	1,137	1,108
Non-resident (transfers)	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	9	5
Non-resident (elected)	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	2	3
Total	161	153	148	161	210	196	229	225	264	254	136	127	1,148	1,116

## Declaration

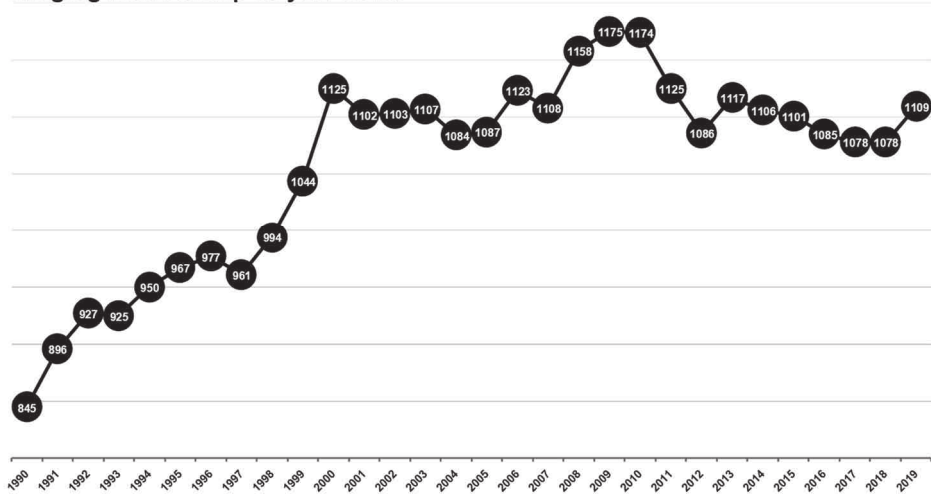
Approved by the Management Committee on 1 February 2020 and signed on its behalf by

**Dr A R C Kelso**  
Association Master

**Mrs S D Lacey**  
General Secretary

**Andrew Brewster**  
Association Treasurer

## Ringling Membership 30-year trend



# ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

## Summary

	General Fund	Public Relations Account	Essex Ringing Course	Recruitment and Training Fund	Education Fund	Bell Restoration Account	Harry Turner Account	Chigwell Ringing School	St Mary's Stansted Mountfitchet Fund	2019 Total	2018 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>											
District subscription income	6,016	-	-	2,005	-	-	-	-	-	8,021	7,908
District fundraising	-	-	-	199	-	2,070	-	-	96	2,365	2,554
Essex Ringing Course fees	-	-	4,425	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,425	4,220
Gift Aid tax recovered/GASDS	-	-	-	-	-	1,630	-	-	-	1,630	1,619
Bank interest	-	-	-	62	-	1,345	-	-	49	1,456	1,217
Other income	401	-	648	15	-	1,457	-	-	-	2,521	2,603
<b>Total income</b>	<b>6,417</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,073</b>	<b>2,281</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,502</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>20,418</b>	<b>20,121</b>
<b>2018</b>	<b>6,149</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,705</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>8,916</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>20,121</b>	
<b>Expenditure</b>											
Insurance	1,848	-	56	-	-	413	-	-	-	2,317	2,303
Annual Report	1,423	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,423	1,418
Essex Ringing Course	-	-	4,672	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,672	4,141
Bell Restoration grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000
Other expenses	2,369	-	-	180	-	-	-	-	-	2,549	1,649
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>5,640</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,728</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,961</b>	<b>14,511</b>
<b>2018</b>	<b>4,666</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,197</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>5,399</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,511</b>	
<b>Net surplus</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>2,101</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,089</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>9,457</b>	
<b>Transfer between funds</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,979</b>	<b>(2,979)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b>Net increase/ (decrease) in funds</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>5,080</b>	<b>(2,979)</b>	<b>6,089</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>9,457</b>	
<b>2018</b>	<b>1,483</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3,517</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(189)</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>5,610</b>	
<b>2018</b>	<b>(100)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
	<b>1,383</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3,517</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>(189)</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>5,610</b>	<b>5,610</b>
<b>Assets</b>											
Cash at bank/in hand										115,613	106,104
Stock										1,680	1,808
Other assets										1,236	1,496
Liabilities, less than one year										(1,208)	(1,544)
<b>Net assets</b>										<b>117,321</b>	<b>107,864</b>
Represented by:											
<b>Funds</b>	<b>21,333</b>	<b>1,366</b>	<b>4,792</b>	<b>5,080</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>79,125</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>3,999</b>	<b>117,321</b>	
<b>2018</b>	<b>20,656</b>	<b>1,366</b>	<b>4,447</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,979</b>	<b>73,036</b>	<b>1,073</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>3,854</b>	<b>107,864</b>	

## District Income and Expenditure Account

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>NW</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>SW</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>Income</b>	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Subscriptions</b>								
Ringing (full)	1,056	968	1,432	1,520	1,760	928	7,664	7,472
Ringing (full) arrears	-	8	-	-	8	32	48	144
Ringing (junior)	52	12	72	52	36	12	236	200
Friends	-	16	20	20	40	8	104	108
Friends arrears	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Non-resident	-	-	16	-	-	-	16	24
Proportion of paid life membership ( <i>note 1</i> )	-	16	8	3	30	-	57	62
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,108</b>	<b>1,020</b>	<b>1,548</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,874</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>8,125</b>	<b>8,014</b>
To Recruitment and Training Fund ( <i>note 1</i> )	(277)	(251)	(382)	(394)	(458)	(243)	(2,005)	(1,975)
<b>Net income</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>769</b>	<b>1,166</b>	<b>1,201</b>	<b>1,416</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>6,120</b>	<b>6,039</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>								
Striking competition expenses	-	-	-	-	41	-	41	20
Computer consumables	-	-	31	-	-	-	31	-
Postage	7	-	21	-	-	-	28	29
Printing, stationery etc.	-	-	4	-	-	-	4	57
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>106</b>
<b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>								
2019	824	769	1,110	1,201	1,375	737	6,016	
2018	816	853	1,089	1,149	1,346	680		5,933
<b>St Mary Stansted Mountfitchett Fund</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>NW</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>SW</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Steepleage at meetings	-	-	96	-	-	-	96	-
2019	-	-	96	-	-	-	96	-
2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Recruitment and Training Fund</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>NW</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>SW</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donation from District meeting	-	-	-	199	-	-	199	-
2019	-	-	-	199	-	-	199	-
2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Bell Restoration Account</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>NW</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>SW</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Raffles	-	-	-	139	530	-	669	517
Surplus from teas	81	40	45	243	42	61	512	584
Donations	103	7	31	46	67	32	286	337
Collections (net of church expenses)	29	-	-	224	-	-	253	500
Quiz evening	-	-	-	-	219	-	219	-
Surplus on outings	10	-	35	46	-	-	91	58
Ringing Festival	-	-	-	-	30	-	30	20
District social	-	10	-	-	-	-	10	411
Steepleage at meetings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	127
2019	223	57	111	698	888	93	2,070	
2018	298	351	218	840	804	43		2,554
<b>Total District Income</b>								
2019	1,047	826	1,317	2,098	2,263	830	8,381	
2018	1,114	1,204	1,307	1,989	2,150	723	8,487	

## General Fund

	2019	2018
	£	£
<b>Income</b>		
Net district income	6,016	5,933
Annual dinner		
Ticket sales	2,725	2,691
Expenses	<u>(2,538)</u>	<u>(2,628)</u>
	187	63
Annual General Meeting		
Surplus from teas	123	51
Expenses	<u>(24)</u>	<u>(6)</u>
	99	45
Proportion of peal fees ( <i>note 1</i> )	96	78
Profit on sale of badges	19	21
Annual Reports	-	9
	<u>6,417</u>	<u>6,149</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Personal accident insurance	1,848	1,848
Annual Report		
Printing	1,514	1,532
Advertisements	<u>(91)</u>	<u>(114)</u>
	1,423	1,418
Youth Coordinator's reimbursements re EYR (inc RWNYP fee)	909	159
Guests at annual dinner	210	178
Central Council affiliation fees	200	200
Hire of hall for Committee meetings	180	160
Newsletter	156	148
Donation to Chelmsford Cathedral	150	150
Treasurer's expenses	114	84
Trophy engraving	88	12
Donations in memoriam of LVPs	75	-
Ringing World advertisements	58	87
Website hosting and domain name	56	15
Secretary's expenses	41	69
Donation to AGM Choir	30	30
Printing and stationery	28	25
New members packs	20	11
Striking competition expenses	19	27
Friends of Essex Churches	15	15
Friends of CCCBR library	10	10
Friends of Chelmsford Cathedral	10	10
Presentations	-	10
	<u>5,640</u>	<u>4,666</u>
<b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>	777	1,483
Balance at 31 December 2018	20,656	19,273
	21,433	20,756
Transfer to Harry Turner Account	(100)	(100)
Balance at 31 December 2019	<u>21,333</u>	<u>20,656</u>
<b>Public Relations Account</b>	£	£
There was no income or expenditure during the year		
Balance at 31 December 2018 and 2019	<u>1,366</u>	<u>1,366</u>

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Essex Ringing Course</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
Course fees		4,425		4,220
Raffle		428		440
Course clothing surplus		220		45
		<u>5,073</u>		<u>4,705</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Catering				
Catering costs	1,761		851	
Sale of perishable goods	(56)		(54)	
		1,705		797
Hire of school and equipment		1,296		1,654
Tower donations		1,240		1,290
Tutors' dinner		155		176
Hire of mobile dumbbell and travel expenses		80		-
Lecturer expenses re rope splicing and whipping		73		-
Insurance		56		56
Ringing World advertisement		39		37
Printing and stationery		35		81
Miscellaneous		28		26
Course speaker expenses		21		-
Presentations		-		80
		<u>4,728</u>		<u>4,197</u>
<b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>		345		508
Balance at 31 December 2018		4,447		3,939
Balance at 31 December 2019		<u>4,792</u>		<u>4,447</u>

### Recruitment and Training Fund (2018: Education Fund)

	£	Income	Capital
	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>			
Proportion of subscriptions	2,005	-	-
District income	199	-	-
Interest received	62	30	-
Surplus on training day	15	-	35
	<u>2,281</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>35</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Sponsorship	180	60	-
<b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>	2,101	(30)	35
Balance at 31 December 2017		441	2,533
Balance at 31 December 2018		411	2,568
Transfer to Recruitment and Training Fund ( <i>note 2</i> )	2,979	(411)	(2,568)
Balance at 31 December 2019	<u>5,080</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

### Harry Turner Account

	£	£
Transfer from General Fund ( <i>note 2</i> )	100	100
Balance at 31 December 2018	1,073	973
Balance at 31 December 2019	<u>1,173</u>	<u>1,073</u>

### Chigwell Ringing School

	£	£
Purchase of Simbell wireless simulator system	-	189
Balance at 31 December 2018	453	642
Balance as at 31 December 2018	<u>453</u>	<u>453</u>

### St Mary's Stansted Mountfitchet Fund

	£	£
<b>Income</b>		
District income	96	-
Interest received	49	36
Donation from Stansted Mountfitchet Bellringers Fund	-	250
	145	286
Balance at 31 December 2018	3,854	3,568
Balance at 31 December 2019	<u>3,999</u>	<u>3,854</u>

## Bell Restoration Account

		<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>			
District income		2,070	2,554
Gift aid - income tax reclaimed on subscriptions and other donations	1,406		1,394
Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme (GASDS)	<u>224</u>		<u>225</u>
		1,630	1,619
Bank interest		1,345	1,151
Bookstall			
Books - Sales	1,330		900
Books - Cost of sales ( <i>note 1</i> )	<u>(1,026)</u>		<u>(666)</u>
	304		234
Other - Profit on sale of honey and EACR merchandise	<u>57</u>		<u>75</u>
		361	309
Collection at the Annual General Meeting		302	258
Raffle at the Annual Dinner		246	310
Donations		175	202
Easyfundraising		124	382
Proportion of peel fees ( <i>note 1</i> )		96	78
EACR Clothing			
Sales	359		-
Cost of sales	<u>(283)</u>		<u>-</u>
		76	-
Donation by Patricia Lindsell		50	50
Refreshments at Committee meetings		27	28
Proportion of subscriptions		-	1,975
		<u>6,502</u>	<u>8,916</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Public liability insurance		353	340
Handbell insurance		60	59
Bell restoration grants ( <i>note 1</i> )		-	5,000
		<u>413</u>	<u>5,399</u>
<b>Excess of income over expenditure</b>		6,089	3,517
Balance at 31 December 2018		<u>73,036</u>	<u>69,519</u>
Balance at 31 December 2019		<u>79,125</u>	<u>73,036</u>

## Bell Restoration Grants

	Date approved	Estimated cost £	Approved but unpaid		2019 Paid £	2018 £
			Brought forward £	2019 £		
<b>Bell Restoration Account</b>						
Bentley Common						
installation of rope guides	05.10.19	2,695	-	484	484	-
Braintree						
rehang and refurbishment	05.10.19	30,970	-	3,300	3,300	-
Kelvedon						
framework and recast 4th bell	05.10.19	10,389	-	7,000	7,000	-
Waltham Abbey						
recast 7th bell	05.10.19	7,614	-	7,614	7,614	-
Bradwell-on-Sea						
augmentation and rehang	04.02.17	52,020	-	-	-	5,000
Total all funds			<u>-</u>	<u>18,398</u>	<u>18,398</u>	<u>5,000</u>

## Balance Sheet at 31 December 2019

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b> (note 3)		-		-
<b>Current Assets</b>				
<b>Stocks</b>				
Books	1,207		1,277	
Badges	355		391	
Ringing course consumables	118		103	
Ringing course clothing	-		37	
		1,680		1,808
<b>Prepayments</b>				
Public liability insurance	267		265	
Ringing World	137		134	
Website hosting	97		153	
2020 Dinner deposit	-		100	
Essex Ringing course	-		25	
		501		677
<b>Other debtors</b>				
Accrued interest receivable	691		665	
Easyfundraising	40		135	
Peal fees	4		14	
Secretary - unbanked receipts	-		5	
		735		819
<b>Cash at bank</b>				
Nat West Community Account	3,749		4,680	
NatWest Business Reserve	14,849		5,809	
Virgin Money Charity Deposit Account	33,855		33,602	
Cambridge & Counties 95 Day Notice Account	32,139		31,554	
Cambridge & Counties 2 Year Fixed Rate Bond	30,949		30,388	
		115,541		106,033
<b>Cash in hand</b>				
Bookstall		72		71
		118,529		109,408
<b>Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year</b>				
<b>Other creditors</b>				
Balance of paid life membership subscriptions	613		670	
Essex Ringing course fees paid in advance	575		825	
Subscriptions paid in advance	20		48	
Secretary's expenses	-		1	
		1,208		1,544
<b>Net current assets</b>		117,321		107,864
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		117,321		107,864
<b>Funds</b>				
General Fund	21,333		20,656	
Public Relations Account	1,366		1,366	
Essex Ringing Course	4,792		4,447	
Recruitment and Training Fund (formerly Education Fund)	5,080		2,979	
Harry Turner Account	1,173		1,073	
Chigwell Ringing School	453		453	
St Mary's Stansted Mountfitchet Fund	3,999		3,854	
Bell Restoration Account	79,125		73,036	
		117,321		107,864

Approved by the Trustees on 1st February 2020  
and signed on their behalf by  
**Andrew P Brewster**  
Association Treasurer

## Notes to the Accounts

### 1. Accounting policies

- a) The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice *Accounting and Reporting by Charities* (March 2005).
- b) Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.
- c) Grant monies are paid when an agreed project has been completed to the satisfaction of the Technical Adviser, or such persons in whom authority is vested by the Management Committee.
- d) Subscriptions for life membership are taken to the General Fund in twenty equal annual instalments. Upon the death of the life member, any balance is taken to the General Fund.
- e) Unless requested otherwise, all donations, legacies and other voluntary income are taken to the Bell Restoration Account. In 2019, it was agreed that significant bequests should be unrestricted so that the Management Committee could decide how best to administer them.
- f) Fixed assets are initially recorded at cost or estimated value at time of donation.
- g) Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life.
- h) All money in the Association's funds not required for day-to-day working purposes is invested or deposited by the Treasurer, as directed by the Management Committee.
- i) Interest received from all the interest paying accounts are apportioned to the Bell Restoration Account, Recruitment and Training Fund and St Mary's Stansted Mountfitchet Fund in the ratio of their respective capital sums.
- j) 25% of ringing and non-resident subscriptions are taken to the Recruitment and Training Fund until further notice as agreed at the October 2018 Management Committee meeting. (2018: 25% of ringing and non-resident subscriptions were taken to the Bell Restoration Account.)
- k) 50% of peal fees are taken to the Bell Restoration Account. Total peal fees £192 (2018 £156).
- l) All funds are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (up to a value of £85,000).

### 2. Funds

**General Fund** - this fund covers the administration and management of the Association's activities and is spent in whichever way the Trustees in charge of the charity see fit, in accordance with the stated objectives of the charity.

**Public Relations Account** - income to this fund plus a sum set aside each year is used to fund public relations activities. In 2018, the Management Committee agreed to suspend the annual transfer of £250 until further notice. In 2019, the Management Committee agreed to take the PR Account back into the General Fund. This will take effect from 1st January 2020.

**Bell Restoration Account** - income to this fund is used to fund grants and other expenditure incurred in connection with the restoration and improvement of bells, bell frames and fittings.

**Chigwell Ringing School** - this fund, set up with a grant received from Essex County Council 'Arts in Essex' is for a ringing school based at St Mary's, Chigwell (*note 3*).

**Education Fund** - this fund was redesignated at 1 January 2019 and the income and capital balances transferred to a new Recruitment and Training Fund as agreed by a Motion, approved at the 2018 AGM.

**Essex Ringing Course** - this account covers the income and expenditure of the annual Essex Ringing Course.

**Harry Turner Account** - originally set up with a legacy, a sum is now set aside each year to replace technical and educational equipment.

**Recruitment and Training Fund** - income to this fund is used for the purposes of providing grant aid for recruitment and training projects to be determined and managed by the Management Committee.

**St Mary's Stansted Mountfitchet Fund** - the fund, together with the accumulated interest, is to be used for the running expenses, repairs and refurbishments to Stansted's bells, fittings and ropes and in the event of the bells becoming totally unringable the funds shall be used, at the discretion of the Management Committee, for other Association towers for the same purposes but not for social purposes. The Management Committee shall look favourably upon any request for funds by the Friends of St Mary's or the Churches Conservation Trust and make an appropriate donation bearing in mind that the preservation of the Church and its amenities are essential for the continuation of bellringing.

### 3. Fixed assets

The Association owns an overhead projector (fully depreciated) in the possession of the Property Trustees. The following assets have been fully written off. Three projectors in the possession of the Treasurer, Education Officer and the Ringing Course Administrator, and an odd-struckness meter held by the Technical Adviser, all purchased from the Harry Turner Account, (*note 2*). A ringing simulator and laptop installed at the Ringing School in St Mary's, Chigwell (*note 2*).

### 4. Other property

The Association also owns the following items not shown in the accounts.

One Master's badge of office (insured value £400) in the possession of the Master of the Association.

Set of twelve handbells in a case (insured value £6,008) in the possession of the Property Trustees.

A six bell, an eight bell and a ten bell trophy in the possession of Chelmsford Cathedral, the South-Eastern District and the Sussex County Association of Change Ringers respectively.

Books, videos and documents in the Association library, in the possession of the Property Trustees.

A set of display boards, a banner stand and a pop-up gazebo in the possession of the Public Relations Officer.

Two *Listening to Ringing* CDs and *Come On! Listen to it!* with associated DVD in the possession of the Ringing Course Administrator.

Each district owns a six bell striking competition trophy. The North-Eastern, North-Western, Southern, South-Eastern and South-Western districts also own call change striking competition trophies.

#### 5. Other matters

None of the trustees (or any person connected with them) received any remuneration during the year and no material transactions, contracts or other arrangements have been made with a trustee (or any persons connected with them).

No emoluments have been paid to any trustee neither has any remuneration been paid to the independent examiners.

Expenses of £1,383 were reimbursed to 11 trustees (2018 £813 to 11 trustees) covering stationery, telephone, computer consumables and other expenses of the Secretary and Treasurer, expenses of District Officers as shown in the District Income and Expenditure Account, expenses in connection with the production of the Annual Report and newsletters, the purchase of stock, the Annual General Meeting, the Essex Ringing Course and Essex Young Ringers.

Expenses are refunds by a charity of legitimate payments which a trustee has had to meet personally in order to carry out his or her trustee duties. In some cases, these expenses may be paid in advance. Reimbursement to trustees for purchases they have personally and properly made on behalf of the charity are not counted as expenses and are accounted for as part of the charity's general expenditure.

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## TREASURER'S REPORT

I am pleased to present my report and the accounts to members for the year ended 31 December 2019.

I would like to thank all District Treasurers for their support in collecting subscriptions and other monies throughout the year and forwarding their information to me promptly at the year end. It is not an easy task trying to reconcile the figures at the end of the year, especially when dealing with late, advance and arrears payments and without this help the onus on the Association Treasurer would be enormous. Many thanks to all those involved.

I am also grateful to all the members who pay their subscriptions promptly which helps the finances and running of the Association enormously. My thanks must also go to Neil Avis and George Thoday for independently examining the accounts.

The Association continues to be in good financial position. Donations from easyfundraising have contributed to the Bell Restoration Account. Income tax reclaimed under gift aid and monies raised by district events continue to make an important contribution to the BRA. My thanks must go to all those members who help the Association in this way. If you do not already gift aid, this is an easy way to make your subscription or donation worth more to the Association at no cost to yourself. Gift aid declarations are available from the EACR website homepage under 'About the Association'.

Subscriptions should be paid by 30 April 2020. After this date members will be deemed to be in arrears and will not be able to participate in Association activities until the subscription is paid in accordance with the current rules.

Please refer to the Trustees' Report for the formal review of the year's financial activities.

Andrew Brewster  
Association Treasurer  
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Thank you for your support.

Andrew Brewster, Association Treasurer




## INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

We report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2019.

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiners

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:



-  examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act);
-  follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act); and
-  state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

### Basis of independent examiners' report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

### Independent Examiners' statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

- (1) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  -  to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
  -  to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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30th January 2020





## PROPERTY TRUSTEES' REPORT

The property of the Association remains in reasonable order. The Association's handbells were made available to the Essex Ringing Course during the year. The Library collection remains in good order; the list was last published in the 2016 Annual Report. The remainder of the Association's property is listed in the Notes to the Accounts on page 16 of this Annual Report. Booking/hire forms are available on the website for display equipment which may be borrowed via the PRO and for projectors which may be borrowed by Management Committee members via the Property Trustees or direct from the specific custodians indicated in the Notes to the Accounts.

Research using the Library was undertaken during the year for a number of people, including continued work on compiling the list of members eligible for 50-years life membership, and research into early peals.

Items received for the library in 2019 were:

-  2018 Annual Report and 2019 Association Newsletters
-  SW Minute Book 1995-2017

Those wishing to view the Association Library or to perform research are advised to contact the Property Trustees to obtain advice on access or loan (email as below). Members may find it more convenient to write, or email, requesting the information that they are interested in as it can often be found quite easily without a personal visit.

Mary Bone, Colin Chapman, Andrew Taylor  
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## SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Annual District Meetings started in early 2019, in what was to become a very busy year for the Association with a number of events throughout the calendar.

The Management Committee met as usual in in February and October to receive and discuss reports from the elected and appointed officers. The main topics of discussion included the EACR Memorial in Chelmsford Cathedral and the Motions for the AGM to reduce the number of trustees and review the Rules. Both activities have meant a huge amount of work, and our thanks go to all those involved. We also received four grant applications for bell restoration, which are currently being reviewed by the sub-committee.

The 140th AGM was held at Chelmsford Cathedral on Monday 6 May 2019 and as usual the Cathedral bells were available for general ringing prior to the service before the invited band rang the service touch. Refreshments were served during general ringing and after the service by the South-Eastern District. The service was conducted Canon Alison Kennedy and the lessons read by Andrew Kelso, EACR Master and Revd Paul Watkin, EACR Chaplain. The address was given by Ven. Vanessa Herrick, Archdeacon of Harlow and Revd Paul Watkin led the Prayers. The service was also kindly supported by the Choir of St. Leonard's Church, Lexden, and their Director, Sarah Blake and organist Simon Eavery.

At the AGM, members approved the Accounts and Annual Report. The Meeting also accepted a Motion proposed by Colin Chapman, LVP and seconded by John Tipping to change the Rules to allow the election of just one Independent Examiner. Sharon Lacey was elected General Secretary, replacing David Sparling who had been acting in an interim capacity. Ian Kerwin was also elected Public Relations Officer as Emily Ashton was standing down. All other officers remained unchanged. Andrew Kelso thanked both David and Emily for their contribution and support. I would also like to personally thank David for the professional and well-organised hand-over and answering my numerous questions. Clive Stephenson (Hornchurch) and Brian Clayden (Bradwell-on-Sea) were both elected Life Members. With Fred Goodwin (Chigwell Row), David Rothera (Chelmsford Cathedral) and John Sparling (Kirby-le-Soken) becoming Life Members after 50 years membership. Mary Bone and Yvonne Towler were both elected Life Vice Presidents, both nominations had received unanimous support and Mary and Yvonne were presented with certificates. Following the AGM; the North Eastern District opened some of their Towers for ringing in the afternoon with an excellent tea at Tendring. I would like to thank all those involved in the day's arrangements.

This year the Association striking competition finals were held on Saturday 13th July. The Southern District hosted the event and the judges for both the 6-bell and 8-bell competitions were Tom Lawrance and Elizabeth LeMoine. The 6-bell competition was held at St Laurence & All Saints at Eastwood, the church is located at the alongside the runway at Southend airport which made for some great plane spotting and interesting ringing. Ten teams entered with representation from every district, there was some very good ringing despite a rather odd struck tenor. The results were: 1st Chelmsford Cathedral, 2nd Kirby-le-Soken, 3rd Coggeshall, 4th Writtle, Joint 5th Prittlewell and Bishops Stortford, 7th West Ham, 8th Shenfield, 9th Mistley, 10th Willingale. The judges gave their views and comments after an epic bell-ringers' tea in Eastwood Church hall, with thanks to Beth Johnson for organising the event and the Tower captain Peter Knight for manning the tower. After tea the judges and those competing in the inter-district 8 bell competition retired to St Andrew's Church, Rochford, for the 8-bell draw. This year's test piece was Alderney Surprise Major, the judges rang the bells and noted that the bells were very light and therefore hard to ring. Despite this the five teams rang well, the results were: 1st South Eastern, 2nd Southern, 3rd South Western, 4th North Eastern, 5th Northern Western. Many thanks to the Southern District Officers for organising a successful competition and wonderful tea

The Association also took part in the usual inter-county 10 bell striking competitions. The Ridgman Trophy 10-bell Competition was held on 15 June 2019 and won by the Hertford County Association; the Essex team was placed 4th out of the 8 teams competing. Next year's competition will be on 13 June and the method will be Grand sire Caters. The Essex Trophy 10-bell Competition was held at Southgate, Middlesex on 14 September 2019. The Essex team was placed 4th out of the 6 teams competing. Next year's Essex trophy will be on 12 September in Ashford and method will be Cambridge Surprise Royal. More details on these competitions are included in the Master's Report.

The 65th Essex Association Annual Dinner took place on Saturday 19th October at Benton Hall Golf & Country Club near Witham. Our guests for the evening were the Revd Paul Watkin, the Association's Chaplain; Alan Regis MBE, Steward of the Central Council's Rolls of Honour; and our newly elected Life Vice Presidents Mary Bone and Yvonne Towler, and newly elected Life Member Clive Stephenson. This was a splendid occasion with an excellent meal and a chance to socialise. We were especially pleased to welcome a table of Essex Young Eagles, the Association's young ringers' group. The newly elected Life Vice Presidents and Life Member were presented with framed certificates and our guests were toasted and thanked for their friendship and company. With thanks to Andrew Brewster and the Social Committee for arranging another great evening.

The 2020 Annual Dinner has now been confirmed as Saturday 10 October – book early to avoid disappointment.

The EACR Carol Service in December was well attended at St Peter ad Vincula, Coggeshall. The service and refreshments of wonderful mince pies and mulled wine were organised by the Northern District. Once again, another great event in our ringing calendar which saw the close of 2019.

I would like to thank all the District and Association officers who give of their time and effort to ensure that the Association runs smoothly. I would especially like to thank all those who have helped and supported me in my new role. Thank you for your help and patience.

Sharon Lacey  
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## PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Following the success of Ringing Remembers last year, this year hasn't seen as many enquiries or new members. During the year, the Association has continued to publicise the Essex Ringing Course, EACR training day and ART courses through EACR notices and social media.

### New Members

The year has been much quieter than recent years with only a handful of potential learners being passed through to the PRO, these have been forwarded to the relevant districts and ringing centres. The PRO continues to be the officer to whom potential recruits are passed.

### Promotional Material and Hardware

Clavering and Arkesden appreciated the use of the Promotional Material and equipment for their summer fetes. Goldhanger also borrowed equipment for their Heritage Open Days. Willingale was also featured in the advertising for the Heritage Open Days. The current promotional material is very dated and could do with an inspirational overhaul.

Thaxted hired the Charnborough mini ring which attracted great interest and was well supported by local ringers. In the weeks following, several interested people came to St John's to have a go at ringing the church bells, from this Thaxted have gained two new ringers.

### SOCIAL MEDIA

**Facebook** - The Essex Bellringers Group is closed and for members only. The Essex Young Ringers Facebook page is a closed group for the young ringers. The EssexBells Page is visible for anyone on Facebook to see and allows us to promote EACR and bellringing more effectively and to a wider audience. It allows for people to get in touch with us via messages – we have had some - and can promote our Association website. The more people who use this page to publicise events the better!

**Twitter** - @EssexBells currently has 284 followers. Quite a few followers are from beyond Essex including individual ringers, towers, associations and non-ringers and non-ringing bodies. It is primarily used to publicise events for our membership, post information and highlight other twitter posts that might be informative such as other societies events, national ringing events and things our members may be doing. This year it was used for live updates on the AGM, on our Striking Competition Finals and at the Annual Dinner. Essex performances on BellBoard are automatically tweeted using the @EssexRinging handle, which has 228 followers.

**Instagram** - EssexBells is used to post photos of events and Essex towers. It can be used for promotional activity linked with Facebook or on its own and was used as such to publicise the Essex Course, the Striking Competitions and the Annual Dinner as it happened.

**Other Social Media** - We have more younger members now and communicating with them regularly is really important for engagement, which will help retention - it is important because they expect it; it is a part of normal life for millennials and those born this century.

Please do use the Facebook, Twitter and Instagram logos and handles if you're communicating with our members. It gives us a much more immediate relationship with people and allows instant feedback.

### INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

The vast majority of internal/external communication is done via Facebook unless it is something that tower correspondents need to see and pass on. This typically comprises information from the District Secretaries/Treasurer/Secretary/Master that has already been posted using EACR-Notices.

I am grateful to Emily Ashton for continuing to look after the Social Media.

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## EDUCATION OFFICER'S REPORT

The Association Training Day took place on 23rd November 2019 and was hosted by the North Western District. Four groups were run: Plain Hunt, Plain Bob Doubles, Stedman Doubles and an Association of Ringing Teachers (ART) Module 1 training course. Thanks go to the other tutors, Roger Collins and Colin Chapman for the Plain Hunt and Stedman respectively, as well as to the towers where the groups were held; Manuden and Clavering for the Plain Hunt; Great Parndon for the Plain Bob Doubles and Henham for the Stedman. Many thanks also to Sue Evans, Liz Griffith-Jones and Ian Kerwin for helping with the arrangements.

Each of these three groups run by the Association had the full complement of six students although one person had to pull out at the last minute and there was no reserve for that group. I also need to thank all the helpers who came along on the day, training events such as this can't run without them.

The ART Module 1 training course, which is teaching bell handling, was held at Ashdon and run by Lesley Boyle with David Sparling, so thank you very much to them. I understand that there were 6 students on the course and there is a write-up of the day on the ART website written by Trevor Haynes.

It was intended to have an ART Module 2 course, which is foundation skills, however, it was very disappointing to find that there were not enough takers for this to be viable. The increasing use of the ART methodology of teaching is becoming more prevalent across the EACR. It is known that there are many who have done the Module 1 course but have not gone further. I would encourage anyone who is interested in teaching ringing to consider taking these ART modules as my experience has been that they are extremely useful both for those who have never taught before and for those who have done so for many years.

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## YOUTH COORDINATOR'S REPORT

During the last year nine "Association" Young Ringers Practices took place on the last Sunday of the month with an average attendance of 13. The aim of these practices is to encourage youngsters throughout the EACR to ring together. I would like to thank the incumbents and towers for hosting these practices and the experienced ringers who have attended to support and add strength when required.

Seventeen young ringers joined in the early Spring mini-outing visiting Great Amwell, Widford and Hunsden in Hertfordshire followed by ten pin bowling and a buffet meal in the evening. In September, we had a day outing to North Kent with ringing at six towers: Northfleet, Gravesend, Chalk, Shorne, Swanscombe and Stone by Darford. Nine Essex youngsters attended and it was greatly enjoyed by all.

The fourth **SE England Youth Striking Contest** was held at Horton Kirby in Kent and the Essex Young Eagles came third out of six. General ringing followed at three towers in the afternoon. With two new members in the band it was a very commendable test piece.

The **Ringling World** held the ninth **National Youth Contest** in Liverpool and Essex Young Eagles again took part: Sam Beech (N Ockendon and Conductor), William Beech (N Ockendon), Lucas Bent (Walthamstow St Mary), Josh Ashley (Epping), Oliver Lee (Harlow), Emily Brooks (Brentwood), Ethan Musham (Hornchurch) and Freja Steinke (Danbury). Emily Willson (Shenfield), Sarah Robbins (Shenfield) and Theo Johnson (Prittlewell) were the reserves. EYE rang fourth out of the 24 teams from all over the country and were placed an extremely creditable 7th overall and an excellent 3rd out of 18 bands ringing call changes. Drawn early the band were able to embrace all the open towers during the day including ringing at the twelves at Pier Head and Liverpool Cathedral. Essex Young Eagles are a real credit to the Essex Association.

### Coming up in 2020

- 🔔 The fifth **SE England Youth Striking Contest** – 4 April. This year it is to be hosted by the Essex Association and will be held at Writtle. This is an 8-bell competition bringing together youngsters from the SE of England with bands from Essex, Guildford, Hertfordshire, Kent, Surrey, Sussex, Winchester & Portsmouth and London/Middlesex.
- 🔔 **Ringling World National Youth Contest** – 4 July. This event is going to be held in York for the second time. The headquarters for the day will be York Minster and the contest tower will be All Saints, North Street. If more than 24 teams apply a draw will take place to determine who takes part. EYE will hear in the middle of March whether or not they have a place in this competition.
- 🔔 **Essex Young Ringers** practices will generally continue to take place on the last Sunday of January, February, March, April, May, June, July, October and November. Towers will be advertised closer to the date.
- 🔔 **Outings** are held in March (mini-outing) and September/October (day outing). The next one is 26 September.

Join the Facebook group, look at the webpage and watch out for emails on EACR-Notices or via your District Secretary to keep informed of practices, outings and events.

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Youth Co-ordinator

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**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/groups/youngsessexringers/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/youngsessexringers/)

## SAFEGUARDING OFFICER'S REPORT

Following adoption of the House of Bishops national Safeguarding policy, time has been spent working with the diocese updating all documentation following the change and to ensure all parties are in agreement. Old documentation on our web site has been removed and new will be added once agreed.

This process should have been straightforward, but a number of issues have been raised by the diocese that have not proved easy to resolve and have highlighted an unfortunate misunderstanding that the diocese has of the way the Association functions. In essence they believe we operate exactly the same as a Parish, adopting the "Safer Recruiting" process as required. Though in theory we do as its part of the overall policy, in practice our Tutors are checked by their parishes as required and at present none of EACR's training activities trigger the "regulated activity" process anyway. Also, managing Safer Recruiting on a county wide basis would be very difficult as all documentation has to be checked in person. This issue was highlighted as an unknown ringer applied for a DBS check via their parish, though he/she had no role in that parish. I offered to investigate but information was not forthcoming hence an impasse.

As a result of the above I have spoken at length with thirtyone:eight (used to be called CCPAS) who were very helpful but highlighted another anomaly as their trigger for a regulated activity is different to that of the church/diocese. At present I wait for feedback on the issue.

To assist the diocese I have put them in touch with ART's Safeguarding contacts and have provided them detail with how the ringing fraternity is structured.

The agreement between the diocese and the Association is also with the diocese team ready to sign off once all the issues are resolved.

As part of my own training I have recently attended the C2 training course.

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## TECHNICAL ADVISER'S REPORT

David Sloman and myself have visited Ashen twice to inspect the medieval ring of three. The bells hang with modern, timber canon-retaining headstocks in an ancient king-post frame. There is movement but not excessive and the bells are ringable. There is a longish draught but there are plans to install a kitchen and toilet and install a new ringing gallery approximately eight feet above the present ground floor.

In April, whilst ringing for service, the 7th at Waltham Abbey begun to lose its tone. It is one of the two remaining bells from the original ring of 8, cast by John Briant of Hertford in 1806. Upon my subsequent inspection, I found a crack in the soundbow, about 5 inches long. The decision was taken to recast both remaining Briant bells and new bells were cast at Loughborough in late November.

In July, I returned to Kelvedon. The tone of the 4th, cast by John Briant of Hertford in 1803 has deteriorated. I was unable to find a crack but am convinced that the bell is slightly cracked in the soundbow. There is a porous section in-line where the clapper strikes at the pulley end. I advised continued use but with regular monitoring until the crack becomes visible. Taylors have finally agreed to strengthen the upper tier with additional steelwork to place the loadings of the 7th and 2nd in shear. Taylors are carrying out the works recommended by myself and the structural engineer, Stuart Armitage. However, the agreed scheme has not met complete approval of the local ringers as there is no recommendation to rebuild the loose, north-south beams into the tower walls as Stewart Armitage does not wish to disturb the tower walls any more than absolutely necessary. Instead, he is placing reliance on the new east-west beams to stabilise the upper tier and transmit the loadings in shear. The ringers are to separately fund the rebuilding of the loose, n-s beam ends into the walls so the upper tier is properly built into all four walls.

I carried out an inspection and maintenance of the ring of three at Bowers Gifford. Rehung and augmented to three in 1911, they retain their canons and hang in well-constructed oak frame with elm headstocks and plain bearings. The frame and fittings are in good condition, and apart from oddstruckness, are quite easy to ring provided the bearings are lubricated beforehand.

A most interesting inspection was of the now derelict ring of eight at Widford. Once a popular ring with over a hundred peals recorded, they have not been rung since 1982. Nonetheless, I was shocked at the level of deterioration in thirty-seven years; part of the rims and shrouding are broken off most of the wheels and missing altogether from the two bells in the upper tier. Considerable corrosion present with the upper tier bearing the brunt owing to the wide spaced louvres offering limited protection. The exposed sections of bolts in the upper tier have wasted by between 30 and 50%. A new frame and fittings is the only sensible solution. It is a shame that this ring has been allowed to deteriorate to such an extent, especially as this was an important ring in the early days of the Essex Association and featured on an earlier design of EACR certificate. Tonally, the bells are not particularly pleasant, but would have sounded quite respectable outside owing to the large, hollow stone spire enhancing the acoustics.

In October, I inspected the Warner eight at Earls Colne. The frame is in good repair and the base was strengthened some years ago, but the fittings are in need of replacing and the bells would benefit considerably from external tuning, as successfully carried out at Old Harlow and All Saints, Maldon.

Following my inspection of the ring of ten at Braintree in 2018, the bells were dismantled in October 2019 and taken to Whites of Appleton for tuning. Rather than overhaul the existing, Howell fittings, they are to be replaced. This will make the bells much easier to ring well as the old hanging and wheel radii were poorly graded.

An arrears of maintenance inspection was undertaken at Coggeshall. The clapper bushes are worn, and I identified the reason why the 9th is difficult to ring up right-sided. Some adjustments were made to correct oddstruckness but another visit will be undertaken in the new year.

Also in October, I inspected yet another Warner eight: the complete, 1885 ring at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow. The frame and base beams are in very good condition, but the fittings are in a poor condition; in particular, the wheels are in a very fragile state, with shrouding loose or absent altogether. The bells are heavily 'stretched' and not tuneful, but the perceived sound is enhanced by the excellent acoustics. Like Earls Colne, this ring could be transformed into a very good octave with the application of external tuning, and with all new fittings would be very much easier to ring. This would be particularly beneficial to the large and enthusiastic group of people learning to ring at St. Saviour's.

I visited the ring of four at Langley, and we rang the bells, albeit with some difficulty. The frame has been repaired and strengthened, but the fittings are in a poor condition. I was particularly concerned with both the 3rd bell which is mechanically dead and goes exceptionally badly. I requested no further ringing takes place at Langley until I have carried out a further inspection in order to assess, and hopefully resolve, the issues with the 3rd bell.

In November, I inspected the ring of six at Sandon. The frame and fittings are in good condition, requiring attention to clappers and pulleys.

I have received requests to visit Little Baddow and South Benfleet, and will make return visits to Langley and Coggeshall. I will also visit Bentley Common. The light six are much easier to handle, following the installation of a rope guide. However, several of the bells are fitted with double pulleys but with the garter holes in the undrawn position, resulting in very little handstroke. I will adjust the garter hole positions which will improve the handling further.

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134 applications were received for the 2019 course, which I understand is a record. 90 applications were from Essex (67%) with 19 other counties represented by one or more applicants.

On-line application was offered for the first time, which proved successful and assisted considerably with admin. 41% of applications were received on-line.

93 students were offered places across 14 groups ranging from bell-handling to treble bob minor. Plain major/triples and conducting did not receive enough applications to be viable.

A major initiative of the 2019 Course was the making of a link with ART, enabling us to offer groups M1 – teaching bell-handling and M2 – teaching rounds to plain hunt, using ART tutors Lesley Boyle and Gill Hughes. Following the 1 day ART course, the M1 students were then able to assist as helpers with the bell-handling group (tutored by Nikki Thomas, ART tutor). Despite a few teething problems with registration of the ART students, there was much positive feedback for developing the idea further. We aim to continue working with ART in this way next year.

A further initiative, aimed at increasing the number of helpers and communication with them, was introduced in 2019. Local helper representatives were identified in each District to make personal contact with existing and potential helpers. Thanks to Julia Ibbotson (N), Gill Sparling (NE), Mary Bone (NW), Nigel Taylor (S), Jo Elliott (SE) and Sherry Moran (SW) who took on this role for their District. Also thanks to David Sparling and Hilary Donoghue for coordinating the Helper and District reps. It is planned to introduce on-line application for helpers next year.

In response to feedback, the tower arrangements were reworked to facilitate groups staying at the same tower for both sessions on one day, if possible. This meant that fewer towers were needed and rope time could be maximised by removing the need to travel at lunchtime. Feedback was generally positive,

We were able to offer 26 additional lecture sessions as well as providing the opportunity to try ringing with a simulator using Geoff Horritt's Dumb Bell.

The Semken Scholarship was awarded to Matthew Melton, who provided a report for the December Rounds and About.

Thanks to Andrew Brewster and team for all their work on finances and catering.

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## IN MEMORIAM

We regret to report the deaths of the following members:-

### **ABRAHAMS, MICHAEL (1949 - 2019) - Earls Colne**

It is with sadness I report the passing of Michael Abrahams, ringer at Earls Colne, Greenstead Green and adjoining Parishes. Michael came to ringing late in his life, starting only about 7 years ago but giving his full enthusiasm to ringing as he did to everything he did. Michael died suddenly on holiday in Italy 2 days before his 79th birthday in October. On the day of his passing he had been out walking, to the Opera, to a restaurant in the evening and had returned to his hotel, when he collapsed and could not be resuscitated. Perseverance was his watchword in his ringing and a mantra of enjoying life to the full. RIP.

Trevor Beadle

### **BARCLAY, DAVID R (1944 - 2019) - Great Totham**

David learnt to ring in 1982. He moved to Great Totham with his wife Jenny in 1969, following their marriage, where they attended St Peter's church. They had two sons, Michael and Kevin, born in the early 1970s.

During an interregnum at St Peter's in 1982, a visiting preacher asked why the bells were not being rung. This prompted David to make some enquiries. On 31st July a group of ringers from Danbury, led by Joe Roast, gave nine people (including David) their first bell handling lesson. David rang his first quarter peal on 27th April 1984 and rang the treble to a peal of Surprise Minor in 1994. His two sons learnt to ring during the late 1980s and on 25th September 1994 they rang a quarter peal together to celebrate David and Jenny's Silver Wedding Anniversary.

David was a regular Sunday service ringer and a supportive and enthusiastic member of the band for 37 years. He was involved with the refurbishment of the bells during 1991. He has been our secretary, treasurer, tower correspondent and steeple keeper. He was also an active member of the church. He was church warden for a number of years and was the church treasurer. He passed away in November just before his 75th birthday. At his funeral the church was absolutely full. He will be sadly missed.

Janice Spalding

### **BLOOMFIELD, PAUL J (1948 - 2019) LIFE MEMBER - Dagenham**

Paul was born in Stratford, East London. He was brought up in Dagenham when it was still a nice little village, and went along with his Mum to the Parish Church where he sang in the choir. In 1964, when his voice became unsuitable for the choir, the vicar sent him up the tower to learn to ring, as Brian Downie from Birmingham was trying to train a youth band. Not long after he started and Brian had moved on, John and Renee Armstrong moved in, and there started 45 years of Dagenham being the 'go to' tower for ringing Surprise and Spliced Surprise – and Paul was there from the beginning to the end.

After leaving college Paul went into teaching which at that stage in his life he thought was his calling. He then went on to teach at a junior school in Barking where he found teaching was not for him. He made the brave decision to leave teaching and join the police, initially as a traffic warden for half the pay. He went on to work for the Metropolitan Police in the Black Cab licensing office and the Claims Branch. He eventually retired from this in 2008.

His ringing career really started with his first peal in Dagenham in 1966 with four local first peelers in the band plus John Armstrong, Harry Turner (later MBE), Frank Gant and John Stephenson.

With the drive of John Armstrong, Dagenham became a centre of Surprise Major ringing. This soon became spliced, and Paul was a member of the first band to ring 23-spliced all the work for the Essex Association in 1975 – Norman Smith's composition. This built to a record 32-spliced all-the-work in 1983, and finally the first Chandler's 23 for the Essex Association in 2009. In his overall peal total of 351 peals, Paul's second most common peal method rung was 23 Spliced Surprise Major all the work! The band also expanded to Surprise Royal and rang 14-spliced all-the-work, again a first for the Association.

He had a real passion for Stedman and his finest achievement was eventually calling a peal of Stedman Triples, especially given he called it on the heavy eight of Mells in Somerset

However he was first and foremost a Sunday service ringer. Even though he ceased becoming a churchgoer he was very loyal to the Dagenham band and was always at Dagenham on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights, and was steeple keeper for over 40 years (and recent tower work has determined that the tower access breaches all Health & Safety guidelines!). He also served as District Master for the South West District of the Essex Association for a number of years and taught many ringers to handle. He was a Life Member of the Essex Association.

He had a passion and interest in history, notably the First World War. A particular highlight was the two coach trips to the Belgian and French battlefields organized for Essex ringers by John White who would drive the coach, whilst Paul would provide the commentary, history and insights from the courier seat. He was in his element and many enjoyed learning from him on these tours.

He was diagnosed with a blood disorder some years ago but this was drug-managed and had little impact on his health. But it was during his final peal in December 2017 that he felt unwell, and this led to a diagnosis of a more aggressive blood disorder shortly after his 70th birthday. He continued to ring quarters in 2018 but his

final ring was at Dagenham for 'Ringing Remembers' in November 2018. He battled hard as the symptoms of his disease became ever more aggressive through late 2018 and into 2019, and he had to deal with the devastating and unexpected loss of Maureen, his wife of nearly 50 years, in January 2019 from a brain haemorrhage.

Many ringers attended his funeral at the end of June, reflecting his long-standing involvement and influence on ringing in Essex. He will be missed by all of us.

Tony Bloomfield

### **BULLOCK, LEONARD W (1930 - 2019), LIFE MEMBER - Dagenham**

Len was born in Dagenham in 1930 and was one of six – an eldest sister and five boys. Their father, James Bullock senior was a renowned bell ringer, past master of ASCY and regular ringer at St. Pauls Cathedral. With such a father, the boys were clearly going to have no choice but to learn as well, and World War II did not get in the way. Len rang his first peal on handbells, Grandsire Doubles on 5-6 in in his own home in February 1940 just 11 days after his tenth birthday with his father and elder brother James.

One of Len's earlier peals was a 9,000 of Bob Royal in 5 hours and 35 minutes – the longest peal in the method at the time, when he was just seventeen. He soon took over ringing at St Edwards Romford where he regularly rang and conducted regular quarter peals, and met another local young ringer, Sheila Booth, who Len married in 1953. A year later, Len and Sheila had twins, and a few years later another daughter.

Len's spent a lot of the time in the 1950s ringing with the London County Association. He rang the occasional peal, and notably rang a handful at Southwark Cathedral, mainly on the tenth. But to show what a top-notch heavy bell ringer he could be he rang the tenor behind at Southwark in 1961 at a brisk pace of 3hr 42 minutes!

Len did drift in and out of ringing, and it is clear it is because for him family always came first. He was a warehouse manager at a drapery company in North East London and certainly from the memories and photographs shared at his funeral had a very active family and social life.

He eventually returned to ringing again in the 1980s along with his brother James to Dagenham where he met up again with John and Renee Armstrong. He and Sheila soon became fully involved in many of the social aspects of ringing, and were regularly supporters on outings and holidays. John encouraged him back to conducting and he conducted the occasional peal.

Being part of John Armstrong's band meant that Len could not escape having to ring Norman Smith's 23 Spliced which was standard practice night fare in those days and Len rang in a number of successful peals of 23 Spliced.

Len's calling card on practice nights was a big bag of strong peppermints. He also occasionally brought Boiled West Indian lime sweets but these were large and crunchy, and watching John Armstrong trying to call spliced whilst rolling one of these around his mouth was often amusing. The pub afterwards was also often good fun. Len held strong and forthright views on most things and was not afraid of sharing them. He could sometimes appear curmudgeonly or even aggressive to the uninitiated but there was always a twinkle in his eye – he had many an argument on politics or social issues in the pub afterward, but it would also be full of laughs and smiles!

To sum Len up he was a top-class old fashioned ringer. He was an excellent handler of a bell and rang heavy bells with ease – he had a great ear, was a top notch striker and really appreciated good simple ringing far more than the complicated stuff – he was rock solid in Stedman. His peal total was modest – we think 106 plus early handbell peals that maybe we have missed.

At his funeral, which was well attended by ringers from across Essex, it was clear how much he was loved by his family – Len and Sheila had been married for 66 years, he was a father, grandfather and great grandfather and seeing their love for him at his funeral was very touching – they emphasized with Len it was always family first.

Tony Bloomfield

### **COBB, DAVID I (1937 - 2019) - Layer-de-la-Haye**

David was born in 1937, the son of Revd Bruce Cobb, and his wife, Dorothy. The family moved around various parishes in Essex and outer London before arriving in Colchester. David attended grammar school in Buckhurst Hill and then went on to Southampton University to read Mathematics. After graduating, he qualified as a teacher and taught in Walthamstow. In July 1964 he was appointed to Colchester Royal Grammar School as a Mathematics teacher and became Head of Department in the early 1980s. He remained at the school until he took early retirement in December 1992. Throughout his life, David's character was shaped by a strong religious faith which underpinned all his actions. After coming to Colchester, he worshipped first at All Saints Shrub End, then at St Leonard's Lexden. He was an enthusiastic bell-ringer, and involved himself in a variety of church activities. He learnt to ring in the mid-60s and joined the Essex Association in 1965, he was a member at All Saints Shrub End until 2013 when he transferred to Layer-de-la-Haye. He was a regular helper at the Essex Ringing Course. He rang 10 peals, all for the Essex Association, and over 300 quarter peals, his last being in 2017.

He passed away peacefully at Colchester General Hospital, in June, aged 81. RIP

### **CROSS, PATRICK J F (1931 - 2019), LIFE MEMBER - Maldon All Saints**

I am really sad to have to report that Pat Cross of Maldon, All Saints, died in hospital in the very early hours of Tuesday 13th December 2019 at the age of 88.

Pat was taught to ring during the last year of the war by Harry Turner at Shenfield. He married Pam (also a ringer at Shenfield) in 1955. Pat moved to All Saints Maldon in 1966, and took over as Tower Captain from me when Yvonne and I were married in 1969, where he has been an absolute rock ever since. Pat and Pam were elected life Members of the Essex Association of Change Ringers in 2016 and a certificate was given to them at the Service of Dedication for the refurbishment and re-tuning of the original Bowell ring of 8 bells.

Pat rang his first peal at Shenfield on 8th June 1946, inside to 3 methods Minor, and rang a total of 19 peals, all for the Essex Association, he rang 9 at Maldon, his last on December 21st 2001.

Jim Towler

### **DALE, DOROTHY K (1934 - 2019), LIFE MEMBER - South Weald**

Dorothy grew up in Sussex and learnt to ring there, becoming tower captain of Findon which is where she met Vic Dale, when mutual friends introduced them one day knowing they were both ringers. After they married, Dorothy moved to Essex and lived in Pilgrim's Hatch, joining the band of St Peter's, South Weald. They had two daughters, both of whom learnt to ring in their teenage years. Dorothy was an active member of St Peter's throughout her life, as a ringer and particularly as a skilled flower arranger. She was made a Life member of the Association in 2012. She rang less in her later years but was always supportive of the band. She died only two months after Vic.

### **DALE, VICTOR J C (1930 - 2019), LIFE MEMBER - South Weald**

Vic learnt to ring at Bentley Common in the late 1950s and was elected a member of the Essex Association in April 1958 listed under Bentley Common initially, then under South Weald from 1962. He was made a Life Member of the Association in 2012.

Vic's first quarter peal was at Bentley Common in March 1959; it was the first for all the band.

It appears that young Vic was well and truly hooked with ringing, as his records show. He rang 166 peals, 161 for Essex. His first peal was at Findon in Sussex where he was visiting his soon to be wife Dorothy, and he stood in when the band met short. His second peal was at Bentley Common, his home tower, and his last was at Downham in 1997.

In regard to quarter peals, we don't have a final number; in 1994 he recorded his 1,000th, so it's a good guess that his ultimate total will be around 1,300. He rang extensively across Essex in many peals and quarters of note, especially with Bert and Francis Goddard, Des Mayell, Rowena Marshall and Adrian Malton, sometimes ringing four, five or six quarters in a day.

One peal and one quarter require a special mention. On his birthday, September 27th in 1986, he was back at Findon to ring his 100th peal to mark his and Dorothy's Silver Wedding, then in 2011, he was delighted to ring once again at Findon, a quarter of Cambridge to celebrate his and Dorothy's Golden Wedding.

Regardless of his ringing records, Vic was known throughout the area as someone who was always happy to help out, whether to complete a wedding band at a neighbouring tower or with some bell installation or maintenance. He was a dedicated and loyal member of the South Weald band for around 50 years.

### **DRINKELL, DAVID L (1955 - 2019)**

David Drinkell was born in Colchester on December 10th 1955 and from an early age showed his passion for the organ, giving his first organ recital at the age of eight years. In 1968, while still a pupil at Colchester Royal Grammar School, he was appointed as organist at Saint Mary's Church, Easthorpe. Two years later, in 1970, he became organist at Saint Leonard-at-the-Hythe, Colchester. It was during his time at Saint Leonard's that he was taught to ring by Bernard Fairhead and became a valued member of the band. On Sundays it was a case of ring the bells, then move quickly to the other end of the church to play an improvised piece of music before the service. Many times you would hear the notes of "Happy Birthday", or some other piece of music that he thought appropriate for the occasion, intertwined in his playing.

David was not a prolific peal ringer, ringing four peals in all, three for the Essex Association and one for the Suffolk Guild, but he did enjoy his ringing and the company of ringers. He particularly enjoyed visiting other churches on ringing outings, where it was not only the bells that interested him, but also the organ and its history and if he was lucky he would get to play it. David became an acknowledged authority on the organs of Norfolk and Suffolk.

In 1975 he went to Bristol University to read Music. While at Bristol he took part in many of the activities of the University of Bristol Society of Change Ringers and he also held the post of organist at Henbury. He then took a teaching diploma at Homerton College, Cambridge, which meant that at weekends he was back in Colchester, where he was able to be both organist and ringer at Saint Leonard's once again.

1979 saw David move north to teach music at local schools and become assistant organist to Harry Croft Jackson at Saint Magnus Cathedral, Kirkwall in the Orkneys. When Croft Jackson moved to join the BBC in London, David took over as organist and choirmaster. In 1988 David married Elspeth who he had met through the choir at Saint Magnus. Later in 1988, David and Elspeth moved to Belfast, Northern Ireland, where David became organist and choirmaster at the Cathedral Church of Saint Anne. During his time in Ireland he performed a recital at each of the 31 cathedrals in Ireland, with a different programme of music at each one, all

within the space of one week. In 1993, he was one of the eight Essex-born cathedral organists to take part in the 'Essex Man Organ Gala' at Saint Paul's Cathedral, London, to raise money for the Chelmsford Cathedral Music Foundation.

2002 saw another move for David and Elspeth, this time to Saint John's, Newfoundland, where in 2003, he was appointed as organist and choir director at the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist. While there he started a series of Wednesday lunchtime organ recitals which totalled over 500 during his 13 year stay. He also joined Queen's College, Saint John's, as Adjunct Professor of Church Music. In 2016 David and Elspeth moved from Saint John's to Fredericton, New Brunswick, where David became director of music at Christ Church Cathedral.

David once said "When you play a noisy beast like a church organ, you have to have a sense of humour. Life is too short to be serious."

Neil Avis

### **EVES, PETER J (1929 - 2019), LIFE VICE-PRESIDENT - Chelmsford**

Peter's long ringing career lasted well over 70 years and started when he was a teenager soon after the 1939/45 war, at St Michael and All Angels church Galleywood, where he was taught to ring by Bill Barrett and Bert Bartholemew. He soon mastered the fundamentals and became one of the better ringers in the district where he could ring, and conduct, all the standard methods being rung at the time. In 1950 he was a member of Frank Lufkin's band that rang the record peal of 12,740 changes of Plain Bob Royal in 8 hours and 22 minutes on the bells of St Mary, Prittlewell. Peter joined the Royal Navy soon afterwards and did a considerable amount of ringing around Portsmouth and Bath. A man of stocky build he was a good heavy bell ringer with an easy, unaffected style of bell handling and plenty of stamina.



His working life was with the Marconi Company in Chelmsford and he did much ringing with a post-war band of (mainly) young ringers that were operating in the Chelmsford area. In 1960 he married Pamela Dowsett and they settled into family life in Writtle where two children, Caroline and Robert, were born. For a few years his main priority was with the upbringing of the children and tower bell ringing took a back seat. Nevertheless, he joined the "Sound in Brass" handbell tune ringing ensemble which had been formed by Andrew Hudson and gave concerts all over Essex and beyond. After a period as an unattached member he joined the ringers at Chelmsford Cathedral where he remained until, in the last few years, he was unable to climb the stairs to the belfry.

After the death of his wife Pam in 2006 he continued to live alone in the house at Writtle where he was well looked after by family members. Andrew and Christina Brewster at Writtle looked after his ringing interests taking him to ringing meetings and he would often join them at the local practice and for the odd pint afterwards at a nearby pub.

From 1964 to 1977 he was the Essex Association's first treasurer when the office of Secretary and Treasurer and Report Editor was divided into three. An amusing incident occurred during this period when he attended an annual district meeting at Loughton. Coincidentally the Association Master and Secretary were also at the meeting and each were invited to speak about the work of the Association. Peter was then asked to say a few words. Rising slowly from his chair, and after a long pause, he declared 'Nothing' and sat down again. He received the most applause of the afternoon. He also represented the Association on the Central Council of Church Bellringers which met each Whit Monday at venues around the country.

On April 9th 1960, Peter was a member of the band that rang 22,400 changes of Plain Bob Major at Kirby-le-Soken. This was the greatest number of changes rung on church bells by one set of ringers. He was also a member of Frank Lufkin's band that attempted, and failed, to ring the Extent of Major 40,320 changes at the Loughborough Bell Foundry.

In recent times it was sad to see him so restricted in ringing due to his inability to stand without support. Living alone became too much for him and he moved into residential and then nursing accommodation, after which the house in Writtle was sold. After another fall and broken replacement hip he was admitted to Broomfield Hospital where he died on February 4th aged 89.

A man who was not afraid to express an opinion he had been a great servant to the cause of ringing in Essex and was elected a Life Vice-President of the Essex Association in 1977. One of the old school, Peter had strong, and sometimes unconventional views, on life and ringing. He was a one off and we shall not see his like again.

Upwards of 50 ringers attended the funeral at Galleywood on 28th February and a quarter peal was rung on the bells following the service. The family have expressed their gratitude to everyone for their support and those who enabled the events of the day to run smoothly.

Joe Roast

### **HARRISON, RICHARD (DICK) J (1934 - 2019)**

Sadly, I have to report the death of Richard (Dick) J. Harrison. He died on 7th September aged 85. He learned to ring at Broomfield in 1950/51, and was made a member of the Essex Association in 1952. In the 60's Dick moved to Sandon, and became the SE District Secretary from 1968-1972. He married Christine Murray from Danbury in 1973, and moved to Chichester. Dick rang a total of 186 peals, 147 being for the Essex Association.

Jim Towler

### **HEATH, DONALD C (1940 - 2019), LIFE MEMBER - Romford**

Donald was a somewhat shy person, clearly very intelligent but unable to integrate socially. He was happy to sit on the by-lines watching and listening to other people's conversations until something triggered him and he was off – mumbling facts and figures which may or may not have been relevant to the subject under discussion. At this point it was wise to just listen until he'd finished, as he didn't like being interrupted, or to leave him talking to himself. Most ringers had this experience.

He was born in March 1940 to elderly parents and lived in the house in Romford all his life. He remained single with only an old distant relative that could be called family. He went to the local primary school and then Romford Royal Liberty Grammar School – which he kept in touch with through reunions when they were arranged. Leaving school, he trained as a lab technician in one of the hospitals in Romford and continued to work at various hospitals in the area until he took early retirement in 1995.

His ringing career started in the late 1950s when he finally plucked up the courage to visit Romford tower, having been encouraged by a childhood friend and badgered by his mother for several years. He was taught by H Perry and was elected to the Essex Association in 1962. He clearly found a fascination in ringing and was soon turning up at practices and meetings all over the place. He became a useful and willing ringer, prepared to ring whatever was needed from rounds for a learner to methods in Chandler's 23-spliced to help a local band practise the composition.

He rang 114 peals, mostly for the Essex Association, but, curiously, his first and last were rung for the Middlesex Association. His repertoire included peals up to 69 doubles, 25 surprise minor, 10-spliced major (all the work) and one of Cambridge S Royal at Pontefract in 1991. This peal was arranged by E Viv Williams who called his first quarter peal at Romford in 1963 and was one of his early role models.

In addition, he rang nearly 1,000 quarters. He never conducted a peal but did call a few quarters including one of Stedman Doubles with 10 different extents – no mean effort.

More importantly, he was a regular and loyal supporter at many local practices around SW Essex and, in more recent years, for midweek service ringing at several London towers. Many tower captains had good reason to thank him. To acknowledge this help in SW Essex he was elected a Life Member of the Association in 1987 – no little honour and a suitable recognition of his dedication, something he retained to the end.

Ringers are going to miss the dishevelled-looking figure huddled in the corner mumbling into his beard when he was not ringing or spilling his beer down it in the pub, but miss him we will.

Gone but certainly not forgotten. RIP.

Dennis Ellisdon

### **LEATHERDALE, PETER AND PAULINE - Little Horkesley**

Peter and Pauline Leatherdale tragically died in a house fire in October 2019, both aged 75. They were members of Little Horkesley church and rang there for many years and had been members of the Essex Association. They were both members of the Wormingford handbell team, Peter being their conductor, and they gave many concerts around the district. They also rang for the North East District Carol Services many times and at handbell rallies. Peter was a first class organist and helped out at local churches on Sundays. They had both been very ill for two years and had to retire from ringing. A much loved couple.

Barry Gibbons

### **SADLER, BERNARD (1927 - 2019), LIFE MEMBER - Prittlewell**

Bernard was born in London and the family moved to Southend while he was still quite young but when war broke out Bernard was evacuated to the Manor at Mansfield, returning to Southend and finishing his education at the local High School, which he left in 1944. A year later he was called up for National Service and was posted to Egypt for two years. Bernard met Jose, his wife to be, before his National Service, and she, unbeknown to him, learnt to ring whilst he was away, giving him quite a surprise on his return home. They were married in 1951.

Bernard learnt to ring in 1943 and was taught by Frank Lufkin. Tied bell practices were irregular as Frank was a fireman who worked shifts but undeterred he went on to ring his first peal, Plain Bob Major, at Prittlewell on May 9, 1945 to celebrate victory in Europe. A second peal two days later at Leigh-on-Sea was the first on the bells. His last peal was of doubles at Great Wakering in 2004, a tribute to David Church who had been tower captain there for 15 years. He rang 251 peals in total.

One notable claim he had was to have rung the same bell to peals in two different towers. Firstly in the only peal at West Tilbury and then later he rang the same bell at Grays after its transfer to form part of the new 8. No record exists of his quarter peal tally.

He had rung at churches around the world in Australia, Canada, Ireland, Italy, New Zealand, South Africa and the USA.

Bernard was a long-serving member of the Essex Association and was elected a life member in 1983. He became ringing master at Prittlewell by default, around 1960, when others before him decided the role was not for them. He was not a particularly accomplished ringer, a prolific peal ringer or a conductor of methods but he brought with him the skills that served him in life namely dedication, devotion, care, patience, perseverance and humility. It was a role he settled into easily and its reward in the 60s was a growing youthful band, a legacy of which was to see several become tower captains elsewhere. Bernard stepped aside from his captaincy role in the 90s having looked after the ringing for 37 years. He remained an active member of the band until no longer

able to manage the stairs but his interest in ringing and ringers endured and he continued to ring where he could whilst still able.

Bernard was also a member of the 43ers, which he joined shortly after their formation and a member of the West Anglia Guild of Ringers, or WAGS, and would regularly attend their meetings whilst able to do so.

Bernard was a kind and generous person, never seeking to put himself before others and never seeking the limelight. He was very sociable, enjoyed his ringing, the company of others and his family. Together with his wife Jose, they made a very hospitable couple. They opened their house to friends and ringers alike and as many can testify you could call on Bernard and Jose at any time and would always receive a warm welcome.

### **TOVEY, NICK (1936 - 2019) - Sandon**

Nick Tovey was born in Surrey in 1936, near Guildford where his grandfather had been the Rector of the village church. He went to school at Eagle House preparatory school then to Public school in Bruton Somerset where, amongst other things, he learnt to ring bells. He also learnt to sail near Whitstable during many happy summer holidays.

Nick met Daphne, who was attending a nearby teacher training college, while he was doing his National Service in Berkshire. They married in 1958 and moved to their first home in Bicknacre, as by then Nick had started an apprenticeship with Marconi Communications as an Electrical Engineer. Fenella was born the year after and Peter 2½ years later.

During Nick's funeral it was noted how Nick had become keenly involved in sailing as part of the Marconi Athletic and Social club initially with an Enterprise dinghy but later graduating to sailing cruisers. He and the family regularly ventured into the North Sea and Channel during which time he showed his expertise in navigation with far less technology than currently available. Nick was also very active in the running of the club as Sailing Secretary and later as Rear Commodore, Vice Commodore, then a Vice President. Nick has passed his love of sailing on to his children.

In the mid 70s Nick and Daphne joined the congregation of St Andrews Church, Sandon, because Fenella wanted to join the choir with her friend. From that time they threw themselves full heartedly into the life of the church. Nick rekindled his love for bell ringing, and he too had a spell in the choir. He became Tower Captain eventually and also was in charge of heating in the church which he executed with his usual calm common sense and precision. He supported Daphne in her rolls as Church Warden, secretary to the PCC, Sandon WI, and organiser of the Flower Arrangers also assisting with scenery for St Andrews Youth Fellowship.

Nick and Daphne had a love of dogs and were introduced to the Saluki breed by Joan Davies, a Sandon resident. They showed and bred dogs, attending Crufts and many Championship shows across the country.

Throughout this time Nick was still working for Marconi – now Marconi Radar, working on joint projects with the Navy – which he loved. He recalled helicopter crash training and being hauled across to another ship, suspended over the ocean! Nick retired in 2002, after working for the same firm all his career.

Nick continued to attend the Church, ring bells at various local churches regularly, show dogs, and take great interest in the sailing antics of his children and 5 grandchildren: Jennifer, Rebecca, Nicholas, James and Michael. He was immensely proud of them and of their respective partners whom he warmly embraced into the family. Latterly he would beam with delight when in church, recounting the progress of his family.

Nick lived his life to the full, making a difference to many people, in a quiet, modest and generous way, with a dry sense of humour and paying attention to detail in all he did. On 9th April, Nick was buried with Daphne, who had died exactly 9 years before on 16th March 2010, and he was remembered by a quarter peal on 8th May.

He is much missed by all who had the privilege to know him.

Richard Cecil (with details from the Tovey family)

### **VALENTINE, IAN R (1934 - 2019) - Wivenhoe**

It is with great sadness to have to share with you all that Ian Valentine died on Wednesday 8 October 2019.

After retirement in 1997, Ian decided to rise to the challenge of becoming a bellringer in 2001, as by then he had had to give up choral singing due to increasing hearing difficulties. He started his ringing career whilst living in Goldhanger, where a new band was started, the bells having been silent for a while.

Ian continued his pursuit of the art of campanology when he, and his wife Jane, moved to Wivenhoe in 2009. In March 2019, at the age of 85 he reluctantly decided to "hang up his rope". He was a very active member of the Wivenhoe team, having arranged several tower outings for us, assisted with tower maintenance, as well as being a regular ringer for both service and practise evenings. We will miss him greatly, not only for his ringing prowess, but also for his participation in our après-ringing drinks after our Wednesday practise night, where a wide range of interesting topics were discussed.

We celebrated his last trip up the tower on 3 March by ringing for the confirmation service and giving Ian a token on our appreciation. A Memorial Service was held on Wednesday 6 November at 1.30pm at St Mary's Wivenhoe.

Adrienne Wood





## ANALYSIS OF PEALS RUNG DURING 2019

<b>MAXIMUS</b>		<b>SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR</b>		<b>SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR</b>	
Cambridge A & S	1	8 Methods	1	14 Methods	1
Yorkshire S	1			15 Methods	1
		<b>DELIGHT MAJOR</b>		16 Methods	1
<b>ROYAL</b>		Canfield	1	25 Methods	2
Cambridge S	1	Fairfax	1	30 Methods	1
Plain Bob	1	Kashmir	1		
				<b>MULTI- MINOR</b>	
<b>SURPRISE MAJOR</b>		<b>MAJOR</b>		3 Methods	1
Bristol	1	Double Norwich Court Bob	2		
Cambridge	3	Plain Bob	3	<b>PLAIN MINOR</b>	
Grahamston	1			Plain Bob	2
Lessness	1	<b>SURPRISE MINOR</b>			
London	1	7 Methods	10	<b>DOUBLES</b>	
Mororlessness	1	13 Methods	1	1p/7m	1
Phuket	1	14 Methods	1	8m	1
Superlative	2	17 Methods	1	11m	1
Uxbridge	1	20 Methods	1		
Yorkshire	3				

Congratulations to Paul Cammiade for reaching his 2000th peal, Jim Towler for his 1750th for the Association and Yvonne Towler for reaching her 1625th.

Conducting was shared by 13 ringers (one fewer than last year) - lead again by Alan Mayle; it is of note that 5 conductors are non-resident members and called well over one third of our peals again this year. The total number of ringers taking part in the peals was 70 (4 fewer than last year), noting that 33% of these are non-resident members and they rang on 20% of the bells in peals. 7 ringers rang 15 or more peals (compared to 7 in 2018, 9 in 2016, 12 in 2014, 17 in 2013, 5 in 2010, 17 in 2005 and 3 in 2000). 14 ringers rang 10 or more (compared to 9 in 2018, 14 in 2016, 23 in 2014 & 2013, 10 in 2010, 23 in 2005 and 9 in 2000) and 21 rang 5 or more (4 more than last year). For comparison: 125 ringers (21 conductors) rang in 52 peals in 2010, 230 ringers (33 conductors) rang 138 peals in 2004, 164 ringers (24 conductors) rang 69 peals in 2000; 331 ringers (53 conductors) rang 209 peals in Centenary Year 1979; 235 ringers (38 conductors) rang 112 peals in 1968 and 198 ringers (28 conductors) rang 73 peals in 1950.

The graph on page 32 compares the peal totals by year since the Association was formed and shows ringer, conductor and venue trends since 1950. The steady decline in numbers of ringers attempting peals since the mid 80s has continued, with few new ringers taking part. The number of successful peals this year, whilst significantly better than 2018, is continuing the low trend, whilst the major total has recovered to previous levels, the minor total is impacted by attempts for the 41 atw composition by Alex Holroyd.

We acknowledge use of data available on Andrew Craddock's website [pealbase.co.uk](http://pealbase.co.uk) and on The Ringing World's websites [BellBoard](http://BellBoard) and [peals.co.uk](http://peals.co.uk); the peals pages are compiled from data sent to the Peals Secretary and BellBoard. The peal totals in the Tower list at the end of this report have been checked against the records at [cccb.org.uk/Felstead](http://cccb.org.uk/Felstead) and a few adjustments made based on the latest Felstead records.

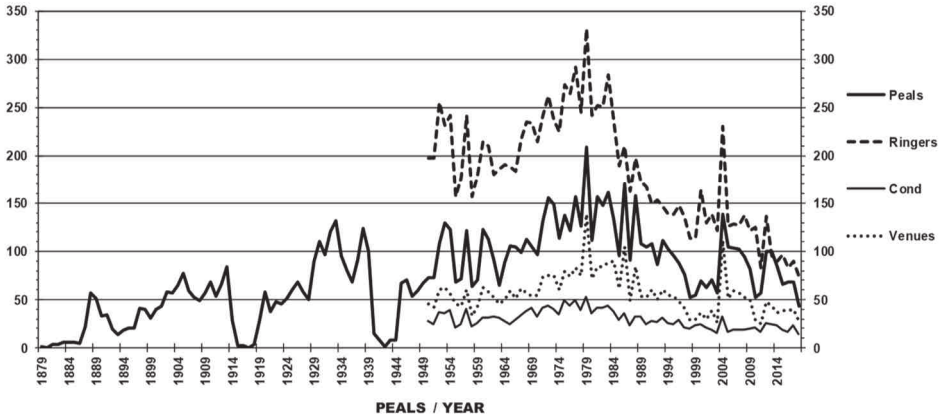
I have started compiling an index of all Association peals since there is no complete list available. This has entailed searching through Bell News and comparing the data with the available Annual Reports and the Peal Books, and the annual Association totals published by Bell News and the Central Council. So far it has shown that a significant number of peals are missing from our overall total (approx. 50 between 1879 and 1905). I will continue to build the list and investigate anomalies to ensure that there is no obvious reason why they may have been deliberately omitted. It is too early to revise the peal total, but I hope to be able to complete this during the next year or so.

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### FIRST PERFORMANCES FOR THE ASSOCIATION

Method	Date	Place	Conductor
<b>MAJOR</b>			
Mororlessness Surprise	23 Mar 2019	Little Baddow	Mayle, Alan P
Kashmir Delight	06 Jun 2019	Terling	Mayle, Alan P
Fairfax Delight	07 Jul 2019	Terling	Mayle, Alan P
Phuket Surprise	18 Aug 2019	Terling	Mayle, Alan P
Canfield Delight	22 Sep 2019	Terling	Mayle, Alan P
Grahamston Surprise	20 Oct 2019	Terling	Mayle, Alan P

## PEAL TRENDS



## PEALS RUNG IN ESSEX BY OTHER ASSOCIATIONS, GUILDS, OR SOCIETIES

Date	Place	Assn/Guild	Method	Conductor
05 Jan	Saffron Walden		Bristol S Maximus	P L H Brooke
24 Feb	Walthamstow St Mary		Spliced T D Royal (7m)	J E Page
09 Mar	Helions Bumpstead	Suffolk G	Painswick S Major	B E Whiting
30 Mar	Hornchurch	SRCY	London No.3 S Royal	C F Roulstone
18 Jun	Harlow Common	Ely DA	Root and Gaskill S Major	G R D Lay
29 Jun	Saffron Walden	Ely DA	Bristol S Maximus	P L H Brooke
24 Aug	Chelmsford	Derby D A	Cambridge S Maximus	S C W Hutchieson
14 Sep	Bishop's Stortford	Hertford C A	Yorkshire S Major	F Bone
01 Oct	Harlow Common	Ely DA	Mareham D Major	G R D Lay
03 Oct	Ardleigh	St James' G	Bolton S Major	S A Rudd
13 Oct	Romford		Uxbridge S Major	A C Malton
15 Oct	Harlow Common	Ely DA	York S Major	G R D Lay
31 Oct	Helions Bumpstead	Ely DA	Helions Bumpstead S Major	A P Mayle
16 Nov	Saffron Walden	Saffron Walden Soc	Cambridge S Maximus	P L H Brooke
17 Nov	Terling	SRCY	Yorkshire S Major	C F Chapman

## QUARTER PEALS REPORT

During 2019 there were at least 568 tower-bell quarter peals within the Essex Association boundaries, 54 more than reported in 2018. Most of the quarters were published in the Ringing World. These were rung in 113 venues including 5 handbell venues (10 more than in 2018).

The leading tower was Hornchurch followed by Sawbridgeworth, Langdon Hills and Waltham Abbey. The North Western is in the lead followed by the Southern District and Northern.

Congratulations to 30 members who rang their first quarter peal, the 6 who rang their first inside, the 4 who conducted their first quarter and the one who conducted their first in hand (I apologise to any that have been missed or have not yet been published). The details are as follows:-

### FIRST QUARTER PEALS:-

David Baker (Walthamstow St Mary 26/03), Alexandra Bessent (Terling 06/09), Alexander Bond (Romford 26/01), Sarah Coogan (Henham 30/08), Joshua Cooper (Stanford-le-Hope 11/04), Carolyn Corben (West Ham 10/03), Thomas Cubitt (Sawbridgeworth 03/02), Luke Dolan (27/01), Vanessa Ellams (Great Totham 28/04), Ryan Faulkner-Hatt (Prittlewell 15/12), Peter Harvey (Walthamstow St Mary 26/03), Joseph Hurley (Hornchurch 27/01), Theo Johnson (Prittlewell 02/02), Lennon Jones (Waltham Abbey 13/10), Denise Kerwin (Henham 25/04), Sharon Lacey (Sawbridgeworth 05/05), Sandra Murphy (Stisted 19/09), Robert Macaulay (Tendring 08/10), Katherine Marshall (Walthamstow St Mary 26/03), David Mead (Wethersfield 30/11), Zoe Purdie-Wood (West Ham 10/11), Sarah Robbins (Shenfield 23/02), Harry Saddleton (St Olave Hart St 08/11), Christine Sandy (Hadstock 05/04), Sarah Scannell (Great Totham 20/01), Helena-Katie Scholes (Hornchurch 21/02), Isaac Smith (Writtle 24/12), Janice Snell (Hadstock 05/04), Freja Steinke (Danbury, 08/12), Kieran Ward (Coggeshall 26/05), Simon Ward (Stanford-le-Hope 14/04),

### FIRST INSIDE:-

Helen Bridgman (Tendring 18/09), Emily Brooks (Shenfield 21/04), Graham Lennard (Little Baddow 24/02), Sharon Lacey (Sawbridgeworth 15/12), Carolyn McAllister (Fobbing 01/09), Sarah Robbins (Shenfield 28/07).

### FIRST AS CONDUCTOR:-

Samuel Beech (Ingrave 27/04), William Beech (North Ockendon 07/10), Kieran Ward (Witham 01/12), Ellis Whitehouse (Braintree 24/02).

### FIRST AS CONDUCTOR IN HAND:-

Andrew Kelso (Goldhanger 14/05).

### THE LEADING TOWERS FOR QUARTER PEALS ARE:-

	2018 -	2017 -	2016 -	2015 -	2014 -	
1. Hornchurch	47	47	43	37	38	SW
2. Sawbridgeworth	26	31	30	23	33	NW
3. Langdon Hills	25	28	21	17	17	S
4. Waltham Abbey	24	13	28	33	29	18 NW
5. Felsted	19	34	32	55	57	40 N
Shenfield	19	15	16	14	20	12 S
6. Fobbing	17	12	14	12	13	18 S
Hatfield Heath	17	11	19	15	15	13 NW
7. Henham	15	16	7	10	25	17 NW
8. Chelmsford	14	9	13	10	13	14 SE
9. Rayleigh	13	16	17	8	24	32 S
10. Braintree	12	6	10	9	3	1 N
Witham	12	7	9	8	8	9 N
11. Little Baddow	11	6	4	8	8	6 SE
North Ockendon	11	10	9	6	1	1 S
12. Woodford	10	5	4	6	2	3 SW
13. Thorrington	9	8	9	13	15	2 NE
14. Coggeshall	8	5	8	2	11	6 N
Wethersfield	8	10	9	7	11	6 N
15. Great Bentley	7	6	10	7	6	4 NE
Wormingford	7	12	4	2	9	6 NE
Writtle	7	10	12	9	14	1 SE

### LEADING CONDUCTORS IN EACH DISTRICT:

District	Lead Conductor(s)	Those calling 10 or more
N	Bradley Hill	Ian Cresshull, Bradley Hill, Roy Threadgold
NE	Brian Lord	Brian Lord
NW	Ian Cresshull	Fred Bone, Mary Bone, Ian Cresshull, Jane Walters
S	Steve Nash	David Buckley, Steve Nash, John Harpole
SE	Colin Chapman	Colin Chapman, Wendy Godden
SW	Clive Stephenson	Clive Stephenson
Overall	Clive Stephenson	

**PERSONAL LANDMARKS REACHED DURING THE YEAR INCLUDED:-**

3000th	David Belcham
2100th	Ian Cresshull
1875th	Dennis Ellisdon
1500th	Vicky LeFèvre
1400th	Stephen Nash
1350th	John Harpole
1000th	Cathryn Corns
500th	Margaret French
400th	Vicki Chapman
300th	Philip Denton
225th	Clare Beech
200th	Alwyn Brock, John Church, Vicky deVries
100th	Mark Button, David Buckley
75th	Vicki Elliott
50th	Samuel Beech

**BREAKDOWN OF QUARTER PEALS:**

The table below breaking down the quarter peals by district and stage continues to show the same emphasis on ringing Doubles and Minor. The leading method continues to be Plain Bob (173 quarters - 1 Minimus, 91 Doubles, 47 Minor, 19 Triples, 10 Major, 2 Caters, 3 Royal - 3 fewer than last year). The next most popular single methods were Grandsire (74 quarters - 41 Doubles, 24 Triples and 11 Caters - 7 fewer than last year) and Cambridge (30 quarters of Minor to Maximus, 6 more than last year). 125 multi-method quarter peals were rung (18 more than last year) comprising 98 of Doubles (2 to 28 methods), 2 of Doubles & Minor (2 to 3 methods), 12 of Minor (2 to 6 methods), 12 of Major (2 to 11 methods) and one of Royal (2 methods). 34 Surprise Minor, 56 Surprise Major, 12 Surprise Royal and 3 Surprise Maximus quarters were rung. 11 Handbell quarters were rung in Essex.

Conducting was shared by 116 (7 more than last year), a simple analysis of the leading conductors has again been included and the table below shows the number of conductors active in each district; approximately 33 conductors were active in more than one district. The leading member conducting was Clive Stephenson calling 49 quarters mostly in the SW district. 40 of the conductors are not resident in the Association, calling 75 of the quarter peals. The table below also shows the average number of quarters per tower and the proportion of ringable towers quarter pealed in each district. The chart opposite collects information from previous reports to show trends in quarter peals rung for the past 43 years.

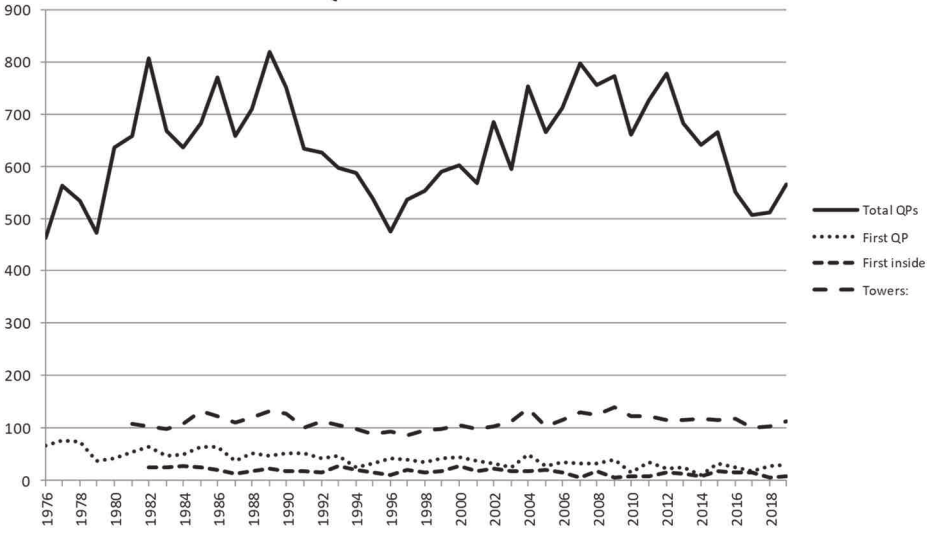
Of the footnotes for the Quarter Peals: a significant number were rung as a result of district Quarter Peal events, including marking the centenary of the formation of the Northern District; at least 40 In Memoriam plus those rung for Remembrance.

Thanks again to those who have provided details of their tower's quarter peals and their personal achievements. This data supplied by 35 towers/ringers provided 36 quarter peals not published in The Ringing World at the cut-off date and confirmed 307 of the quarter peals listed. Please continue to use the pro-formas available on the Association website to return your tower's data to me - the forms listed one quarter that had not been sent to BellBoard. Information in this report is based on quarter peals submitted to me direct, published in The Ringing World or submitted to BellBoard up to 7 February; checking the on-line sources found a further 33 quarters.

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District:	N	NE	NW	S	SE	SW	Total	%	2018
DOUBLES	37	39	53	68	33	17	247	43.5%	221.5
MINOR	28	17	55	25	8	6	139	24.5%	146.5
TRIPLES	12	3	1	8	5	25	54	9.5%	53
MAJOR	9	8	17	13	14	25	86	15.1%	71
OTHERS	3		4	6	15	14	42	7.4%	22
Totals:	89	67	130	120	75	87	568		
%	15.7%	11.8%	22.9%	21.1%	13.2%	15.3%			
2018	79	67	105	134	62	67			514
CONDUCTORS:	30	24	36	19	19	21	116		
Avg. per Cond.	3.0	2.8	3.6	6.3	3.9	4.1	4.9		
TOWERS RUNG:	16	18	24	20	21	14	113		
Avg. per Tower.	5.6	3.7	5.4	6.0	3.6	6.2	5.0		
Available Towers	48%	75%	55%	69%	62%	74%	63%		

# QUARTER PEAL TRENDS



## 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The **ONE HUNDRED AND FORTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Association was held on Monday 6 May 2019 at Chelmsford Cathedral with the Master in the chair. Prior to the meeting a service was held in the Cathedral led by Canon Alison Kennedy at which the Archdeacon of Harlow, Ven. Vanessa Herrick, gave the address. Afternoon and evening ringing was in the North-Eastern District with tea at Tendring .

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING

1. **To welcome visitors:** there were no visitors declared at the meeting.
2. **Apologies for absence:** the names of those submitting apologies for absence have been recorded in an Appendix to the Minutes placed in the Minute Book.
3. **The Roll:** was signed by 113 members representing 44 towers. The names have been recorded in an Appendix to the Minutes placed in the Minute Book.
4. **Minutes of the 2018 AGM:**
  - a) To confirm: Colin Chapman proposed, Anne Bray seconded, that the Minutes be adopted as a true record.
  - b) Matters arising: The Master noted that following the AGM of 2018, Tracey Southgate had been unable to act as Secretary and the Executive Committee had asked David Sparling to act as Interim General Secretary .
5. **Statement of Accounts:** The Treasurer presented his report and the accounts for 2018, once again encouraging members to Gift Aid. He also highlighted the Easyfundraising scheme which had raised £782 in the 18 months that it had been running. Ninety per cent of members had paid the 2019 subscription by 30th April 2019.

The Treasurer noted that the Management Committee had agreed to redirect the proportion of Annual subscriptions that had traditionally been allocated to the Bell Restoration Account into the new Recruitment and Training Fund that had been agreed at the 2018 AGM. This would be reflected in the 2019 Accounts. There were no comments or questions.

Thanks were given to Neil Avis and George Thoday for their Independent Examination of the accounts. They had provided an unqualified report.

Paul Bray proposed, Fred Bone seconded, that the meeting receive and adopt the 2018 Accounts. Carried unanimously.
6. **Annual Report:** The Master invited Colin Chapman, Report Editor, to introduce the Report. The Report was 88 pages long (4 pages fewer than the previous year) and included an overview of the ringing for the Centenary of the WW1 armistice. This runs to 5 pages and includes a report on the Ringing Remembers Campaign. The published information is a summary of the ringing posted on the Ringing World BellBoard site. To include all details included on BellBoard would have required 20 pages and even then this is known to be incomplete. The option exists to collate all the information into a separate publication, (along the lines of the excellent booklet produced by the SW District), so if other towers rang, but did not include the performance on BellBoard, it was requested that they send details to the Report Editor as soon as possible. The content had been sent to the printers on 5th March and was returned on 27th March. The cost of production of the Annual Report was £1.16 per copy – slightly more than we paid last year due to paper price rises but the same cost as we paid back in 1993. There were three paid advertisements in the 2018 Report– 1 less than last year. These generate only a small income but are a useful way of filling space. Any corrections should be notified to the District Officers in order for the information to be kept up to date. The 2019 Report will include post codes for towers as well as an indication of which towers have simulators fitted. Colin requested that all tower correspondents at towers with simulators let him know. Colin Chapman proposed, David Hengeli seconded, that the 2018 Annual Report be received and adopted. Carried nem. Con.
7. **Motion received:** A motion was received to change the Rules to allow the election of just one Independent Examiner but emphasising that our preference was for two.

Proposed: Colin Chapman      Seconded: John Tipping

In speaking to the proposal, Colin Chapman explained that the change was simply to legitimise the situation we had last year when only one Independent Examiner had been nominated. There was no legal requirement for us to have 2 examiners.

John Tipping in seconding the motion reported that his search of the Charity Commission website revealed only two organisations required to appoint two Independent Examiners – the EACR and The Central Council of Church Bellringers. He suggested that this was a meaningful vote and as it was a Rule change it required 2/3 of people present to support it.

There were no comments.

The motion was agreed by a majority vote with one against and no abstentions.
8. **Election of Honorary Officers:** There was only one nomination for each position with two changes of Officers; Sharon Lacey had been proposed as General Secretary, replacing David Sparling who had been acting in an interim capacity; Emily Ashton stood down as PRO and a late nomination of Ian Kerwin as the new PRO had been received. The Master invited Mary Bone and Fred Bone to speak and provide some biographical details of Sharon Lacey and the reasons why they were proposing and seconding her nomination as Secretary.

The following were declared duly elected:

Master	Andrew Kelso
Secretary	Sharon Lacey
Treasurer	Andrew Brewster
Education Officer	Richard Wilson
Public Relations Officer	Ian Kerwin
Technical Adviser	Nigel Taylor
Property Trustees	Mary Bone, Colin Chapman, Andrew Taylor
Independent Examiners	Neil Avis, George Thoday

Andrew Brewster stated, as a procedural note, that the National Westminster Bank requires a formal resolution to be passed to amend the authorised signatures of the Association's bank account. He proposed that we add Sharon Lacey to the authorised signatories and this was seconded by Vicki Chapman and carried nem. con.

#### **9. Election of Life Members:**

Two nominations for Life Membership had been received and considered by the Management Committee in February 2019:

Clive Stephenson, (Hornchurch)	Proposed: Chris Pain	Seconded: Jim Laken
Brian Clayden, (Bradwell-on-Sea)	Proposed: Ann Hart	Seconded: Jean Allen

Both of these nominations had received the unanimous support of the Management Committee. The Master invited Clive and Brian to leave the room and their proposers and seconders to speak to the meeting about why they had put these names forward.

Clive was elected nem. con with 1 abstention. Brian was elected nem. con. With 3 abstentions.

The Master presented Clive and Brian with Certificates. [Applause].

In accordance with the Rule 8.2 (c) those who have been Ringing Members for at least 50 years are entitled to become Life Members. The following members were made Life Members: Fred Goodwin (Chigwell Row), David Rothera (Chelmsford Cathedral) and John Sparling (Kirby-le-Soken).

#### **10. Election of Life Vice-Presidents**

Two nominations for Life Vice President had been received and considered by the Management Committee in February 2019:

Yvonne Towler	Proposed: Paul Cammiade	Seconded: David Hengeli
Mary Bone	Proposed: Colin Chapman	Seconded: Andrew Taylor

Both of these nominations had received the unanimous support of the Management Committee. The Master invited Yvonne to leave the room while Paul & David spoke about her work for the Association.

Yvonne's nomination was unanimously supported by those at the meeting and she was presented with her Certificate by the Master. [Applause].

The Master invited Mary to leave the room while Colin & Andrew spoke about her work for the Association.

Mary's nomination was unanimously supported by those at the meeting and she was presented with her Certificate by the Master. [Applause].

#### **11. To name Appointed Officers and to announce changes in District Officers:**

The Master named the appointed Officers and then referred to the list of the District Officers in the back of the 2018 Annual Report and highlighted the changes.

#### **12. Association Annual Dinner:**

The Master invited Andrew Brewster to speak on behalf of the Social Committee. Andrew Brewster confirmed that the Annual Dinner would take place on 19th October 2019 at Benton Hall Golf Club. The committee was offering an early bird booking discount and tickets, if purchased or pledged before the end of the day, would be charged a discounted price. Speakers were confirmed as Revd. Paul Watkin (EACR Chaplain) and Alan Regin MBE, (Steward of the Rolls of Honour, Central Council of Church Bellringers).

#### **13. Addition of Members' names to WW1 Memorial**

Vicki Chapman spoke about the Management Committee's initiative to add 9 new names of EACR Members recently revealed to have died as a result of WW1 who were unknown when the original Memorial in Chelmsford Cathedral was erected in 1920. These names were discovered after extensive research into all Ringers that were casualties conducted by Alan Regin, MBE in his role as Steward of the Rolls of Honour for the Central Council of Church Bellringers.

The idea was presented to Chapter in January 2019 and has received an encouraging response from the Dean. The work will require the addition of an extra stone to closely match the original and the repositioning of the existing memorial and the WW2 section. The approval process involves many different Church bodies and will take some time but the target completion is 2020 to mark the 100th anniversary of the original memorial.

Once a design and cost has been agreed it is proposed that we fund this by public subscription (as per the original memorial) with the EACR under-writing the current estimated cost of £6,000.

#### **14. Proposed Reduction in number of EACR Charity Trustees**

Colin Chapman presented the Management Committee's initial ideas to reduce the number of Charity Trustees. Currently all members of the Management Committee are Charity Trustees giving a possible 56 Trustees (including the new LVPs elected as the 2019 AGM). This is unwieldy in practice and the target is

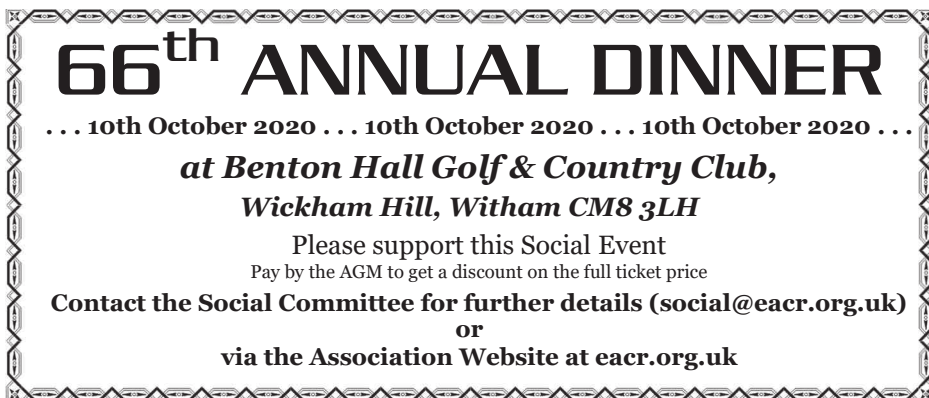
to reduce this to 12 – 14 people made up of appropriate Association Officers and District representation. These Trustees would constitute a new group, which could meet on a more frequent basis than the bi-annual Management Committee meetings, to oversee the main affairs of the Association. The Management Committee could continue largely unchanged below this new group to handle the work of the Association via a set of sub-committees as now.

A small sub-group has been set up to investigate options and report back to the October 2019 Management Committee Meeting. Details will then be circulated to all Districts for comment before a formal proposal to change the Rules is presented to the AGM in 2020.

**15. Any other business:**

- i) The Striking Competition finals are to be held on 13th July 2019, with the 6 bell at Eastwood and the 8 bell at Rochford, hosted by the Southern District. The test piece for the 8 bell is a plain course of Alderney Surprise Major.
- ii) Vicki Chapman reported that the Central Council AGM would be held from 6-8 September 2019 at Goldsmith's College, London. The Sunday Roadshow is open to everyone and will include a wide variety of stalls, simulators, bookstalls and speakers. Vicki will be speaking about the Ringing Remembers Campaign and Emily Ashton will be talking about the use of Social Media. Details will be published in the Ringing World.
- iii) Vicki Chapman also reported that she had been interviewed for the weekly 'Fun with Bells' podcast and that this would be available from Thursday 9 May 2019.
- iv) Steve Nash reported that he had received feedback as part of the review that the Master had asked him to conduct on the Essex Course but urged anybody who had not yet responded to let him have their thoughts.
- v) The Master reported that donations given in Memory of Donald Heath of Romford had totalled £530. He also reported that under the terms of his Will, Donald had bequeathed 50% of his estate to the Essex Association which could amount to some hundreds of thousand pounds once the estate was wound up. It would require careful thought to make appropriate use of this extraordinarily generous bequest.
- vi) The Master thanked David Sparling for his time as Interim General Secretary and for his support during his (the Master's) first year in office. The Master presented David with a 'Thank You' Gift. [Applause].

- 13. Vote of thanks:** The Master thanked the Cathedral authorities for allowing us the use of the Cathedral; the Cathedral ringers for allowing us to ring before the service; Colin Chapman for running the morning ringing and calling the Service Touch; Canon Alison Kennedy for leading the Service, Ven. Vanessa Herrick, Archdeacon of Harlow for the Address; Revd. Paul Watkin, Association Chaplain for leading the Prayers; The Dean of Chelmsford Cathedral for the use of the Cathedral; the Cathedral Verger, Alastair Dean; the Choir of St. Leonard's Church, Lexden, their Director, Sarah Blake and organist Simon Eavery; members of the South-Eastern District for providing refreshments and sidespersons, and the North-Eastern District for afternoon ringing and tea.  
The Master declared the meeting closed at 13:10.



**66<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL DINNER**  
... 10th October 2020 ... 10th October 2020 ... 10th October 2020 ...  
**at Benton Hall Golf & Country Club,  
Wickham Hill, Witham CM8 3LH**  
Please support this Social Event  
Pay by the AGM to get a discount on the full ticket price  
**Contact the Social Committee for further details ([social@eacr.org.uk](mailto:social@eacr.org.uk))  
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## 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The **ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Association will be held on Spring Bank Holiday, Monday 25th May 2020, and will be preceded by a service at 10.30 am in Chelmsford Cathedral.

The meeting will be held in the Cathedral to conclude not later than 1.00 pm. The Cathedral bells will be available from 9.15 to 10.15 am. when an invited band will ring a Service Touch. Afternoon and evening ringing and tea will take place in the North Eastern District. Details of further ringing arrangements can be obtained from the Secretary.

### AGENDA

1. **To welcome visitors.**
2. **Apologies for absence.**
3. **Please sign the Roll.**
4. **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2019**
  - a) to confirm
  - b) matters arising.
5. **Statement of Accounts 2019:** To receive and adopt.
6. **Annual Report 2019:** To receive and if thought fit to approve and adopt.
7. **Motions received:** The following three proposals have been received to amend the Association Rules:

- a) **Motion 1 - To incorporate rule changes that will allow the Association organisation and management to be modernised and become more agile.**

To reduce the number of charity Trustees from approximately 54 to 15 allow management of the Association to be more agile and responsive and to avoid all decisions having to wait for referral to the Management Committee. The 15 Trustees would be the Master, General Secretary, Treasurer, three Property Trustees, Technical Adviser, Education Officer, Communications Officer (PRO) and one representative Trustee from each District. The Governance of the Association would be by the Trustees normally operating through sub-committees and the existing Management Committee but would incorporate the ability to meet as frequently as required. Additional sub-committees are proposed, for Communications & PR to encourage a more structured approach to both internal and external communications (including the website and social media) and for Education & Training to encourage a more inclusive approach to recruitment and training across the Association. The existing Grants sub-committee would continue but renamed Bell Maintenance & Restoration to encourage a more co-ordinated approach to support all towers. Each sub-committee will have a 'sponsoring' Trustee to ensure good communication between the Trustees and the sub-committee and provide advice and support where needed.

The proposed changes to incorporate the Trustees are in the rules listed: 6, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.4, 11.5, 11.6, 11.7, 11.8, 11.12, 12 (incorporating old rule 14), old rule 12 is removed as activities are covered by the new Trustees role, 12.4 is moved from old 13.3 and the remainder of 13 is renumbered, 13.1, 13.2, 13.5, 13.8, 13.9, 13.11, 13.12 incorporates extended sub-committee proposals, 13.13, 14-23 are renumbered from old rules 15-24, 14.1, 14.2, 15.2, 16, 17, 19, 21.2.

A new Table 1 is added listing the officers, their eligibility requirements, means of election, etc., to provide a simple index of all officers.

Additional administrative changes are proposed in the rules listed: 5, 8.2a, 8.2c, 8.2d, 8.2e, 8.3, 9.1, 10.2, 10.4, 11.5, 11.6, 11.7, 12.2, 12.5, 13.1, 13.4, 13.5, 13.9b, 13.10, 13.13h, 14.1, 16, 23, these include: change of name of "Friends of the Association" to "Associate Members"; requiring Non-resident Life Members to be formally elected to Ringing Membership if they move into the area; change of name and role of PRO to Communications Officer to better reflect the activities required; clarification of aims in the Education Officer role; additional legal requirements around Independent Examiners; update of Charity Law references; update to expenses descriptions to reflect current practice; addition of grant-giving for training equipment and related support.

These changes are marked in italics in the proposed amended rules in the 2019 Annual Report at pages 78 to 85

Proposed by Colin Chapman

Seconded by David Sparling

- b) **Motion 2 - To allow all members to vote (except non-resident life members) in order to encourage all those interested in the aims and objects of the Association to support the Association and to allow non-ringing (or no longer ringing) members to hold some offices.**

- i) Change Rule 8.3 to add (e) and in Table 1 rename column "Required Member? (8.2abc)" to "Required Member? (8.2abce)" and

- ii) add an additional column to the new Table 1 headed "Required Ringer? (8.2abc)", to be the same as Required Member column, except rows Property Trustee, Webmaster, Newsletter Ed and Safeguarding to be marked NOT REQD, to indicate which roles could be held by non-ringing members. Replace note headed "Required Member ....." with "Required Ringer/Member - is the officer required to be a bell-ringing member or could they be an Associate Member? Or can they be a non-member? The Trustees may vary this by formal decision in specific cases only (i.e. an individual appointment or election, not as a permanent change)."

Proposed by Colin Chapman

Seconded by David Sparling

**c) Motion 3 - To change the majority required for Rule change approval:**

In Rule 22.2 (21.2) substitute for "eligible to vote" the word "voting".

Proposed by John Tipping

Seconded by Peter Sloman

**8. Election of Honorary Officers:** The following nominations have been received:-

Master	Andrew Kelso
Secretary	Sharon Lacey
Treasurer	Andrew Brewster
Education Officer	<vacant>
Public Relations Officer	Vicki Chapman
Technical Adviser	Nigel Taylor
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**9. Life Members.**

**10. To name Appointed Officers and to announce changes in District Officers.**

**11. Association Annual Dinner.**

**12. Any Other Business** - time permitting.

**13. Vote of thanks.**

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## ASSOCIATION MEMBERS FOR 2019

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Ordnance Survey grid references are shown in the alphabetical list of towers at the end of the Report.

✉ Many tower correspondents can also be contacted via email links included with the tower details at [www.eacr.org.uk/towers/ringable-peals.html](http://www.eacr.org.uk/towers/ringable-peals.html), the current list is included on page 92 of this report.

### NORTHERN DISTRICT

#### Master

Simon Ward, Coggeshall

#### Secretary

Ian Cresshull, Felsted

#### Deputy Master

Bradley Hill, Braintree

#### Treasurer

Mrs V. Elliott, Kelvedon

### DISTRICT REPORT

The 2019 ADM was held at Great Dunmow, where a new Deputy Master, Bradley Hill, was elected. District business meetings were also held in March at Braintree, in May at Castle Hedingham and in September at Great Bardfield. A total of 15 new members were elected throughout the year.

It had been hoped to hold a Saturday morning Ringing School for 6 weeks in February and March but there were insufficient students to make it viable. We did hold a successful training morning in March aimed at Grandsire Doubles and another in October aimed at Minor methods. Two theory sessions aimed at the basics of change ringing were held by Roy Threadgold in April and November.

The District 6 bell striking competition was intended to be held on the same day as the May business meeting but only two teams entered and so they automatically qualified to represent the District in the Association competition. Unfortunately, only one of these teams, Coggeshall, was able to take part in the Association competition. The District was unable to raise a band to take part in the 8 bell striking competition, partly due to sufficient suitable members being available on the day but also due to the lack of experience in the District to be able to ring the test piece.

A successful District outing was held in August to three towers in the North West Essex district. Regular monthly practices continue to be held at Coggeshall focussed on 10 bell ringing, at Braintree focussed on more advanced ringing and a Surprise Major practice at Felsted, the latter held jointly with the North West District. The Braintree practice will relocate to Bocking during the rehanging project at Braintree.

November was the District Quarter Peal month. It resulted in 12 quarter peals and 7 first performances. Also, in November we held a Quiz Night, with questions provided by Simon Ward, that raised money for Braintree rehanging project.

2019 ended with the District hosting the Association Carol Service at Coggeshall which approximately 100 ringers, families and friends attended. This was followed by much appreciated seasonal refreshments ably provided by the local ringers.

The centenary of the formation of the Northern District falls in 2019/2020. It is intended to hold the District business meetings at the same towers, where possible, as those used 100 years ago. In addition, celebratory Peal and Quarter Peals are being planned and it is hoped to have at least 100 quarter Peals rung in the District over the centenary period.

My thanks to everyone who has provided their support by ensuring that we had permission to ring and access to towers, provided catering for our meetings and, in particular, attended our District events throughout the year.

Ian Cresshull

# NORTH-EASTERN DISTRICT

## Master

Roger Carey-Smith, Great Bentley

## Secretary

Helen Bridgman, Clacton

## Deputy Master

Stephen Garner, Langham

## Treasurer

Andrew Burgoyne, Kirby-le-Soken

## DISTRICT REPORT

It has been a busy, but extremely interesting year in the NE District.

Ringling took place to mark numerous events and several members achieved personal milestones.

The district rang to support national events, notably St George's day, Remembrance Sunday and the Armistice.

The district quarter peal month took place in October and many towers rang 1 or more. 12 quarter peals were rung in total. A total of 56 quarter peals and 3 peals were rung in the district in 2019.

The NE ringing school continues to take place on Fridays having temporarily moved to Great Bentley from January to March this year whilst remedial works are carried out in Ardleigh church. This weekly event continues to attract members and new ringers who are ably supported to learn to ring from basic skills, advancing to change ringing.

There were three 8 bell practices in the district which were well attended and gave members the opportunity to ring and practice triples and major methods! The 10 bell practice took place in Coggeshall in March and was, again well attended.

A district doubles and minor practice was introduced of which 3 took place. Attendance gradually increased for this practice, there being 16 members present for the event in November. There were featured methods for each practice which many members were able to ring and practice for the first time.

Six bands entered the Striking competition with Kirby and Mistley going forward to the finals. Six bands entered the call change competition with Kirby-le-Soken being the winners. This event was combined with a barbecue which was well attended.

There was an extremely enjoyable district outing to Suffolk which was well attended.

The district supported the AGM by providing towers for association members to ring in and an excellent tea provided by the members from Tending.

Roger Carey-Smith

# NORTH-WESTERN DISTRICT

## Master

Ian Kerwin, Willingale

## Secretary

Sue Evans, Willingale

## Deputy Master

Mike Slowe, Great Parndon

## Treasurer

Fred Bone, Sawbridgeworth

## DISTRICT REPORT

The Annual District Meeting took place at Waltham Abbey on Saturday, 26th January, attended by 41 ringers and friends.

The NW District Meeting took place at Nazeing on Monday, 18th May followed by the Method Striking Competition, won by Sawbridgeworth with Willingale in second place. As Sawbridgeworth was unable to field a band for the final on Saturday 13th July, Bishop's Stortford joined Willingale in the finals at St Laurence and All Saints, Eastwood. On the same day, the District took part in the 8-bell competition at St Andrew's Church at Rochford, ringing Alderney Surprise Major on extremely light and challenging bells.

The District Meeting and Call Change Competition took place on Saturday, 5th October at Sawbridgeworth with a District record of ten bands participating. The competition was won by Willingale, with enormous praise going to the inspirational Thaxted/Fyfield/Willingale Young Ringers for their enthusiasm in taking part and doing so well.

The meetings held during the year in January, May and October were fairly well attended but it would be good to see more ringers attending these meetings – it is, after all, your District! The competitions have also been well supported this year [after a little arm twisting!] and I look forward to having more of the same in 2020.

The Spring and Autumn Ringing Schools at Henham were very successful. Many thanks to Liz Griffith-Jones for tutoring the students, Bill Griffith-Jones for his advice and the mid-morning coffee and to the helpers for coming along to share their knowledge and encouragement with the students. However, more helpers are always needed, so to those more experienced ringers, please offer your help and support to those less experienced ringers. The additional Saturday afternoon practices at Willingale also proved to be very successful and extremely well attended by not only NW District ringers but also ringers from other Districts.

Regular practices and courses have taken place throughout the year – the monthly Surprise Major practices at Felsted, joint with the Northern District, the monthly Stansted practices, the three-day Essex Course at Coggeshall and the Training Day in November. Unfortunately, the 10/12 bell practices at Waltham Abbey were unable to take place due to the bell situation.

Congratulations to Mary Bone who, at the Annual General Meeting in May, was unanimously elected as Life Vice President for all her hard work and support to learners and the EACR; Mary was presented with her certificate by Andrew Kelso, Association Master.

On the 10th August, Penny Browne arranged a District outing to six Suffolk churches, with 17 ringers of varying abilities attending, and it was a thoroughly enjoyable day.

Little did I know when I agreed to take on this role that bell ringing, across the board, would become such a large part of my life! Meetings, competitions, newsletters, training, general enquiries... and the list goes on, all making for another busy and eventful year. The newsletters are, however, dependent upon the information I receive, and to ensure they hold everyone's interest, do let me know what is going on in your tower - I am sure there are events taking place in the District of which I am unaware.

Finally, on behalf of the District Officers, I would like to thank everyone who has been involved throughout the year in providing venues, helping to organise events, practices and refreshments – your support is invaluable in making any events successful.

Sue Evans

# SOUTHERN DISTRICT

## Master

Nigel Taylor, Downham

## Secretary

Beth Johnson, Shenfield

## Deputy Master

Steve Nash, Langdon Hills

## Treasurer

Anne Porter, Prittlewell

## DISTRICT REPORT

Our Annual District Meeting was held at Prittlewell when 62 members and 6 visitors attended. Through the year we had had other District meetings at Basildon in March (32 attended), Downham in September (27 attended) and Leigh on Sea in November (35 attended). It might be interesting to note that attendances are roughly in line with the past 5 years – averages being 60.4 (ADM), 29.4 (slightly depressed due to snow in 2018), 27.6 and 35.8 for meetings respectively. Total membership numbers are relatively steady.

The District 6 bell striking competition was held in May at Stanford le Hope where 5 teams took part. They were Shenfield, Langdon Hills, Prittlewell, Downham and a scratch band. The District Trophy was presented to Prittlewell (again) with Shenfield second (for the first time).

In June we held a District Outing to Cambridge, and mini outings were also held by the Master in August and October to NW Essex/Hertfordshire.

There were eight teams in the Call Change competition in November which was held at St Clements, Leigh-on-Sea. Due to new rules that had been the result of discussion during the year, extra teams entered, especially as ringers can now ring in two teams. The teams included a “Juniors+1”, with a junior acting as the conductor. First place went to Prittlewell C, with St Clements Clangers second and Leigh Dodgers third, showing the benefit of putting in home bands. The judge was Brian Meads, and his helpful comments on competition ringing were much appreciated.

District Afternoon practices were held at Grays in February and Canewdon in October.

We have been continuing bi-monthly Surprise practices spread around the district and throughout the week. Attendances remain variable but a dedicated Project Pickled Egg method is generally rung at each practice.

Learners practices at South Ockendon continue on the first Saturday of every other month and these have now become well established and appreciated by those students who attend, supported by a group of helpers and run by the Education Officer.

The “Quarter Peal with a Difference Day” again took place in April, organised by Andrew Beech. Six out of six quarters were scored with two ‘firsts’. These days are an excellent introduction to ringing quarters away from a home tower, as part of a band that a ringer may not be familiar with - a great confidence booster.

Three members of the District died this year: Vic and Dorothy Dale, and Bernard Sadler. They were all extremely active ringers in their day, and well-regarded members of the District.

We are proud to have a group of young members progressing in their ringing and representing the District in Essex events. A quarter peal by an all under-18 band was scored at the first attempt at Shenfield in October, with Sam Beech conducting.

Ten District ringers have now embarked on ART training and several have either gained accreditation as Ringing Teachers or are on the pathway.

Thanks to all the towers who hosted events this year especially Downham standing in at late notice, and equally thanks to towers being so accommodating in planning the diary for 2020.

Beth Johnson

## **SOUTH-EASTERN DISTRICT**

### **Master**

D.M. Hengeli, Terling

### **Secretary**

Mrs J.D. Elliott, Great Baddow

### **Deputy Master**

Mrs C. Gebel, Goldhanger

### **Treasurer**

B. Holden, Great Baddow

### **DISTRICT REPORT**

Sadly, four of our members passed away this year: Peter Eves of Chelmsford Cathedral in February, Nick Tovey of Sandon in March, David Barclay of Great Totham in November and Pat Cross of All Saints, Maldon in December. Dick Harrison, a previous District Secretary and formerly of Broomfield and Sandon, passed away in September. We will miss them all very much as they have been our friends and fellow ringers for many years, and we extend our deepest sympathy to their families and acquaintances.

This has been a busy year in the South Eastern District with a full list of events on the 2019 programme. There were ten Surprise Practices and seven District Practices. We held four meetings; the ADM at Terling, District Meetings in March at Springfield and in May at Little Baddow with the Call Change & Striking Competitions. Our last meeting of the year was in September at Burnham-on-Crouch. All the meetings were well attended and during the year we enrolled thirty new members spread out over ten towers, with the majority being Ringing Remembers recruits. Our business now is to make sure that we encourage all our new members so that they continue to ring well into the future.

In April the district held its RingFest when we encouraged everyone to challenge themselves in an effort to ring lots of 'fives'. Five new towers, five new bells, five different methods or five of anything that would take members a little out of their comfort zone. That was very successful and was boosted by lots of quarter-peals, some of them rung during our Quarter-Peal Day with a Difference.

Chelmsford Cathedral hosted our 12-bell Practice in June this year, when 41 members from a number of Districts came to ring. Our District Training Day in September was very useful to all involved and our quiz at Springfield in November proved interesting and challenging. The 2019 programme also included Young Ringers' practices, outings and competitions arranged and organised by Christina and Andrew Brewster.

I would like to thank the incumbents of the churches used during the year, along with the ringers, friends and helpers who made the arrangements, made and served refreshments and welcomed us to their churches. Further thanks go to all officers and members of the Association and District for the energy they expend in keeping alive and promoting bellringing in Essex.

Jo Elliott

## **SOUTH-WESTERN DISTRICT**

### **Master**

Mrs E.R. Rayner, West Ham

### **Secretary**

Ms S. Moran, Leytonstone

### **Deputy Master**

B. Gaigher, Leytonstone

### **Treasurer**

M.J. Coggins, Theydon Garnon

### **DISTRICT REPORT**

An encouraging start to the year for South-West as we welcomed a total of 14 new members elected from Hornchurch, Chigwell, Woodford, Ilford, Leytonstone and West Ham at the January and June meetings. The district elected two new officers; Sherry Moran (Leytonstone) as District Secretary in January and Liz Rayner (West Ham) as District Master in June. A district plain hunt practice was held in January at Leytonstone. This was well attended by learners from Leytonstone, West Ham, Chigwell, and Romford.

During May and June Open Days were held at Barking and Great Ilford to encourage recruitment of new ringers. They were both well attended.

In June we held our Striking Competition and meeting at Hornchurch. Two teams entered, Hornchurch and West Ham. West Ham won and went onto the Association Striking final in July. In the final they came third and everyone was delighted to see a South-West team entered.

In September we held our 6 Bell call change competition and meeting at St Mary's, Chigwell. Three teams entered, West Ham, St. Mary's Walthamstow and Epping. The competition was won by Epping. November there was a half-muffled district practice held at West Ham.

Sadly the district saw the death of three long serving members, Donald Heath, Paul Bloomfield and Ken Day. District members played a key part in organising the funeral for Donald Heath and two successful Peals were held at Romford in Donald's honour and a peal board presented at the ADM at Romford in January 2020.

Paul Bloomfield's and Ken Day's funerals were also well attended by EACR members, with several quarter peals being rung at various towers in memoriam. They will be sorely missed by everyone in the district.

Thanks to all the towers and members who hosted or attended events and meetings throughout the year.

Sherry Moran

# PEALS FOR 2019

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## 19/01 FYFIELD, St Nicholas

Thu Jan 3, 2019 in 2h30 (6)

### 5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

(London, Bourne, Westminster, Caithness, Fryerning, Cambridge, Norwich)

- 1 David E Rothera
- 2 Nicola J Turner
- 3 Colin M Turner
- 4 P Mark Ogden
- 5 Alan Regin
- 6 Ian J Culham (C)

With the band's best wishes to David Salter.

## 19/02 HIGH ONGAR, St Mary

Thu Jan 3, 2019 in 2h54 (11)

### 5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

(Wells, Ipswich, Annable's London, York, Beverley, Norwich, Cambridge)

- 1 Ian J Culham
- 2 Nicola J Turner (C)
- 3 P Mark Ogden
- 4 Colin M Turner
- 5 Alan Regin
- 6 Brian G Meads

## 19/03 INWORTH, All Saints

Sat Jan 5, 2019 in 2h18 (5)

### 5040 Spiced S Minor (25m)

(25m: (1) Alnwick, Newcastle; (2) Carlisle, Chester, Munden; (3) London, Wells; (4) Lincoln, Coldstream, Redburn; (5) Westminster, Allendale, Fryerning; (6) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, Durham, York; (7) Cambridge, Ipswich, Primrose, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull)

- 1 David M Hengeli
- 2 Neil V Avis
- 3 James L Towler
- 4 Andrew R C Kelso
- 5 Paul A Cammiade
- 6 Alan P Mayle (C)

Birthdays compliment to 1.

## 19/04 ARDLEIGH, St Mary the Virgin

Wed Jan 9, 2019 in 2h53 (13)

### 5184 Bristol Surprise Major

Comp. J W Holdsworth

- 1 Neil V Avis
- 2 Paul A Cammiade
- 3 George E Thoday
- 4 David L Sparling
- 5 James L Towler
- 6 Alan Regin
- 7 Ian J Culham
- 8 Alan P Mayle (C)

In memory of Charles H Ablitt of Stratford St Mary.

## 19/05 HAVERING ATTE BOWER, St John the Evangelist

Wed Jan 16, 2019 in 3h4 (16)

### 5040 Minor (3m)

(3m: (1,2) Oxford TB; (3,4) Cambridge S; (5,6,7) Plain B)

- 1 George E Thoday
- 2 Alan Regin
- 3 James L Towler
- 4 P Mark Ogden
- 5 Alan P Mayle (C)
- 6 Ian J Culham

## 19/06 CHELMSFORD, Cathedral

Sat Jan 19, 2019 in 3h32 (34)

### 5080 Spiced Maximus (2m)

(2m: 40 Cambridge A; 5040 Cambridge S. 1 com)

Comp. Colin F Chapman

- 1 Paul A Cammiade
- 2 Anthony J Bloomfield
- 3 John P W Taylor
- 4 Cecile Cross
- 5 David L Sparling
- 6 Vicki L Chapman
- 7 David E Rothera
- 8 John G Harpole
- 9 Stephen C Wood
- 10 Colin F Chapman (C)
- 11 Matthew E Rayner
- 12 Ian J Culham

A belated 80th birthday compliment to 7, following an unsuccessful attempt on 5th January. Also fondly remembering Sue Rothera, who would have been in this peal had she still been with us.

First Cambridge S Maximus: 8. 100th together: 6 & 10. Method rung for the first time - Cambridge Alliance Maximus: &-3T-14-125T-36-147T-58-169T-3450-145T-3T lf f.

## 19/07 CLAVERING, SS Mary & Clement

Wed Feb 6, 2019 in 2h41 (9)

### 5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

(Chester, Stalmamikama, Dylan Thomas, Ipswich, Durham, Cambridge, Norwich)

- 1 Ian J Culham
- 2 George E Thoday
- 3 Jeremy W Spiller
- 4 P Mark Ogden
- 5 Fred Bone
- 6 Colin F Chapman (C)

To mark the 67th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's ascension to the throne.

In memory of Peter J Eves, Life Vice President of the Essex Association, who died on 4th February aged 89 years.

## 19/08 HORNCHURCH, St Andrew

Sat Feb 9, 2019 in 3h6 (18)

### 5184 Spiced S Major (8m)

(8m: 960 each Cambridge, Rutland; 768 Lincolnshire; 576 each Pudsey, Superlative, Yorkshire; 384 each Bristol, London. 143 com, 102 cru.)

Comp. Richard I Allton (No.448)

- 1 Jillian Laken
- 2 M Louise Booth
- 3 Colin G Wright
- 4 Stephen A Waters
- 5 Andrew D Hodgson
- 6 Jon Waters
- 7 Matthew E Rayner
- 8 Clive J Stephenson (C)

Remembering & in thanksgiving for the lives of Maureen Bloomfield (passed away 31/1/19), Peter Eves (4/2/19) & Phil Tookey (8/2/19).

Most methods as conductor.

## 19/09 WALTHAMSTOW, St Mary

Wed Feb 13, 2019 in 3h9 (17)

### 5040 Cambridge Surprise Royal

Comp. Daniel W Brady

- 1 Jeremy W Spiller
- 2 Cherril C Spiller
- 3 Paul A Cammiade
- 4 Simon J T Smith
- 5 David L Sparling
- 6 P Mark Ogden
- 7 Simon A Rudd (C)
- 8 James L Towler
- 9 Colin F Chapman
- 10 Ian J Culham

In memory of Walthamstow ringer, Pte Arthur Bullock of the Westmorland & Cumberland Yeomanry, Service No.315973, who died on 14th February 1919, aged 34.

## 19/10 TERLING, All Saints

Sun Feb 17, 2019 in 2h47 (11)

### 5120 Superlative Surprise Major

Comp. D F Morrison (No.250)

- 1 Andrew P Brewster
- 2 Yvonne A Towler
- 3 Neil V Avis
- 4 Christina D A Brewster
- 5 James L Towler
- 6 Stephen A Waters
- 7 Jon Waters
- 8 Alan P Mayle (C)

In memory of Peter J Eves, Life Vice-President of the Essex Association, who died on 4th February aged 89 years.

Rung on the eve of the funeral in Ballygally, Northern Ireland of Gerard Joseph (Gerry) McGarel (23), nephew of 1 & 4, who sadly died in The Royal Papworth Hospital on 11th February. 300th together: 5 & 8. 75th together: 1 & 5.

**19/11 GREAT PARNDON, St Mary**

Wed Mar 6, 2019 in 2h35 (9)  
**5040 Surprise Minor (7m)**  
(One ext each: Fryerning, Norfolk, Rossendale, London, Durham, Cambridge, Norwich.)  
1 Yvonne A Towler  
2 James L Towler  
3 P Mark Ogden  
4 Jeremy W Spiller (C)  
5 Christopher N McCarthy  
6 Ian J Culham  
For Ash Wednesday. 1750th for the Association: 2.

**19/12 WILLINGALE DOE, St Christopher**

Fri Mar 8, 2019 in 2h49 (8)  
**5040 Doubles (5m)**  
(5m: 8 ext each Plain B, Reverse Canterbury B, St Simon's B, St Martin's B, 2x240 and 6 ext Grandsire)  
1 Sue Evans  
2 James L Towler  
3 Yvonne A Towler  
4 Mary Bone  
5 Fred Bone (C)  
6 Ian D Kerwin  
1st peal at 1st attempt: 1. Belated 70th birthday compliment to 1.

**19/13 BACTON, Sfk, 2 Pretzman Avenue**

Fri Mar 8, 2019 in 1h48 (13)  
**5040 Plain Bob Minor**  
(7 different extents)  
1-2 Cherril C Spiller  
3-4 Jeremy W Spiller (C)  
5-6 Ian J Culham  
First in hand 5-6.

**19/14 TERLING, All Saints**

Sun Mar 10, 2019 in 2h50 (11)  
**5056 Yorkshire Surprise Major**  
Comp. Michael S Bruce  
1 Paul A Cammiade  
2 Yvonne A Towler  
3 Neil V Avis  
4 David L Sparling  
5 Christina D A Brewster  
6 Andrew R C Kelso  
7 David M Hengeli  
8 James L Towler (C)  
2000th peal - 1.

**19/15 HEYDON, Cambs, Holy Trinity**

Wed Mar 13, 2019 in 2h23 (6)  
**5040 Doubles (11m)**  
(11m: 240 Grandsire (L Morris) and 4 extents each of Reverse Canterbury, St Nicholas, Winchendon Place, St Remigius, Huntley Place, Plain Bob, St Simon's, St Martin's, St Osmund, Eynesbury.)  
1 Jeremy W Spiller (C)  
2 Jon Waters  
3 P Mark Ogden  
4 Colin F Chapman  
5 Ian J Culham  
50th Doubles as conductor. First on the bells since May 1989.

**19/16 GREAT BADDOW, St Mary the Virgin**

Sat Mar 16, 2019 in 3h (14)  
**5040 Plain Bob Major**  
Comp. Cornelius Charge  
1 Christina D A Brewster  
2 Stephen A Waters  
3 Yvonne A Towler  
4 Andrew P Brewster  
5 James L Towler  
6 David M Hengeli  
7 Jon Waters  
8 Clive J Stephenson (C)  
A short touch to celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the 'Quarter Peal' of 10,080 changes of the same method rung on 7th March 1819.  
125th Peal - 4.

**19/17 BACTON, Sfk, 2 Pretzman Avenue**

Fri Mar 22, 2019 in 1h45 (13)  
**5040 Plain Bob Minor**  
(7 different extents)  
1-2 Cherril C Spiller  
3-4 Jeremy W Spiller (C)  
5-6 Ian J Culham

**19/18 LITTLE BADDOW, St Mary the Virgin**

Sat Mar 23, 2019 in 2h47 (11)  
**5088 Mororlessness S Major**  
Comp. D F Morrison (No.1191)  
1 Yvonne A Towler  
2 Paul A Cammiade  
3 Neil V Avis  
4 David L Sparling  
5 James L Towler  
6 Andrew R C Kelso  
7 David M Hengeli  
8 Alan P Mayle (C)  
First peal in the method by all and for the Association.

**19/19 GOLDHANGER, St Peter**

Tue Apr 9, 2019 in 2h49 (8)  
**5088 Yorkshire Surprise Major**  
Comp. N J Pitstow  
1 Paul A Cammiade  
2 Stephen A Waters  
3 Yvonne A Towler  
4 Neil V Avis  
5 James L Towler (C)  
6 Andrew R C Kelso  
7 David M Hengeli  
8 David L Sparling  
55th anniversary of 3's 1st peal, here, on 09/04/1965.

**19/20 ARDLEIGH, St Mary the Virgin**

Wed Apr 10, 2019 in 2h53 (13)  
**5024 Double Norwich C B Major**  
Comp. A P Heywood  
1 Jon Waters  
2 Neil V Avis  
3 George E Thoday  
4 Jeremy W Spiller (C)  
5 James L Towler  
6 P Mark Ogden  
7 Nigel F C Gale  
8 Ian J Culham  
100th together: 1 & 5.

**19/21 INWORTH, All Saints**

Thu 18 Apr, 2019 in 2h26 (5)  
**5040 Surprise Minor (13m)**  
(13m: (1) Chester, Munden (2) London, Wells (3) York, Durham (4) Beverley, Surfleet (5) Bourne, Caithness (6) Cambridge, Ipswich (7) Norwich)  
1 Yvonne A Towler  
2 James L Towler  
3 Neil V Avis  
4 Ian J Culham  
5 Colin F Chapman  
6 Alan P Mayle (C)  
Rung in solidarity with the people of Paris following the devastating fire at the Notre Dame Cathedral.  
300th peal together - 2 & 5

**19/22 INWORTH, All Saints**

Wed May 1, 2019 in 2h25 (5)  
**5040 Surprise Minor (17m)**  
(17m: (1) Westminster, Allendale, Fryerning; (2) Netherseale; (3) London, Wells; (4) Durham, York; (5) Cambridge, Ipswich, Primrose, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull; (6) Beverley, Surfleet; (7) Norwich)  
1 Yvonne A Towler  
2 David L Sparling  
3 James L Towler  
4 Paul A Cammiade  
5 Colin F Chapman  
6 Alan P Mayle (C)

## **19/23 DOWNHAM, St Margaret**

Sun May 5, 2019 in 2h42 (7)

### **5040 Surprise Minor (7m)**

(Netherseale, York, Durham, Ipswich, Beverley, Cambridge, Norwich)

- 1 Stephen J Nash (1998-2008)
- 2 John G Harpole (2014-2018)
- 3 Andrew R C Kelso (2018-)
- 4 Paul A Cammiade (1987-1993)
- 5 David L Sparling (1993-1998)
- 6 Brian G Meads (2008-2014) (C)

By the present & past Masters of the Association. Remembering Peter J Eves, Life Vice-President 1977-2019.

Circled tower: 1.

## **19/24 INWORTH, All Saints**

Wed May 8, 2019 in 2h26 (5)

### **5040 Surprise Minor (20m)**

(20m: (1) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, York, Durham; (2) Carlisle; (3) London, Wells; (4) Cambridge, Ipswich, Primrose, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull; (5) Netherseale; (6) Westminster, Allendale, Fryerning; (7) Norwich)

- 1 Stephen A Waters
- 2 James L Towler
- 3 David L Sparling
- 4 Neil V Avis
- 5 Paul A Cammiade (C)
- 6 Colin F Chapman

A compliment to the newly elected Life Vice-Presidents & Life Members of the Essex Association of Change Ringers.

## **19/25 BACTON, Sfk, St Mary the Virgin**

Wed May 29, 2019 in 2h33 (8)

### **5040 Spiced S Minor (14m)**

(14m: (1) London, Wells; (2) Rossendale, Stamford; (3) York, Durham; (4) Norfolk, Primrose; (5) Cambridge, Ipswich; (6) Westminster, Fryerning; (7) Bourne, Caithness)

- 1 Simon J T Smith
- 2 Jeremy W Spiller (C)
- 3 P Mark Ogden
- 4 Jon Waters
- 5 Ian J Culham
- 6 Brian G Meads

Wishing 3 a happy birthday for Friday. 250th for Essex: 5.

## **19/26 TERLING, All Saints**

Thu Jun 6, 2019 in 2h46 (11)

### **5152 Kashmir Delight Major**

Comp. S Humphrey

- 1 Andrew P Brewster
- 2 Yvonne A Towler
- 3 Paul A Cammiade
- 4 Christina D A Brewster

- 5 James L Towler
- 6 Neil V Avis
- 7 Colin F Chapman
- 8 Alan P Mayle (C)

Rung to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the D-Day Landings on this day in 1944.

First peal in the method by all and for the Association.

## **19/27 ROMFORD,**

### **St Edward Conf**

Tue Jun 11, 2019 in 3h1 (15)

### **5120 Cambridge Surprise Major**

Comp. Noel J Diserens

- 1 Andrew P Brewster
- 2 Colin G Wright
- 3 Vicki L Chapman
- 4 David E Rothera
- 5 Colin F Chapman
- 6 Matthew E Rayner
- 7 Brian G Meads
- 8 Clive J Stephenson (C)

Rung open in thanksgiving for the life of Donald Christopher Heath 1940-2019, a regular ringer at this tower for 60 years.

## **19/28 SOUTH WEALD,**

### **St Peter**

Wed Jun 19, 2019 in 2h55 (14)

### **5088 Superlative Surprise Major**

Comp. N J Pitstow

- 1 Jeremy W Spiller (C)
- 2 James L Towler
- 3 P Mark Ogden
- 4 Stephen A Waters
- 5 Jon Waters
- 6 Christopher N McCarthy
- 7 Brian G Meads
- 8 Ian J Culham

In memory of David Cobb, ringer at Layer de la Haye.

Also a birthday compliment to David Sparling.

## **19/29 BURY ST EDMUNDS,**

### **Sfk, Cathedral of St James**

Sat Jun 22, 2019 in 3h25 (27)

### **5042 Yorkshire S Maximus**

Comp. I Butters (No.421)

- 1 Christina D A Brewster
- 2 Vicki L Chapman
- 3 Yvonne A Towler
- 4 Neil V Avis
- 5 Stephen A Waters
- 6 Ian J Culham
- 7 Andrew R C Kelso
- 8 Simon A Rudd
- 9 James L Towler
- 10 Colin F Chapman (C)
- 11 Brian G Meads
- 12 Nigel S D Taylor

With compliments to our Suffolk friends on the Suffolk Day 2019 Big Weekender. A farewell to 6, now posted to Salisbury for the next few years. 125th peal: 2.

## **19/30 INWORTH, All Saints**

Wed Jun 26, 2019 in 2h36 (5)

### **5040 Surprise Minor (7m)**

(Northumberland, Cuneastre, Durham, Netherseale, London, Cambridge, Norwich)

- 1 James L Towler
- 2 Yvonne A Towler
- 3 Gareth Davies
- 4 David L Sparling
- 5 Paul A Cammiade
- 6 John P Loveless (C)

To celebrate the life of David Bunting, a local farmer & supporter of this church, who died recently.

On the 60th anniversary of 1's 1st peal, treble to 7m Minor at Purleigh, Essex, on 26 June 1959, conducted by Howard W Egglestone.

## **19/31 TERLING, All Saints**

Sun Jul 7, 2019 in 2h47 (11)

### **5088 Fairfax Delight Major**

Comp. D F Morrison (No.7809)

- 1 Paul A Cammiade
- 2 Yvonne A Towler
- 3 David L Sparling
- 4 Andrew R C Kelso
- 5 James L Towler
- 6 Neil V Avis
- 7 David M Hengeli
- 8 Alan P Mayle (C)

1st in the method by all and for the Association.

## **19/32 INWORTH, All Saints**

Sat Aug 10, 2019 in 2h26 (5)

### **5040 Spiced S Minor (16m)**

(16m: (1) Carlisle, Chester, Munden; (2) London, Wells; (3) Durham, York; (4) Beverley, Surfleet; (5) Westminster, Allendale, Fryerning; (6) Bourne, Caithness; (7) Cambridge, Ipswich)

- 1 Yvonne A Towler
- 2 David L Sparling
- 3 James L Towler
- 4 Neil V Avis
- 5 Colin F Chapman
- 6 Alan P Mayle (C)

A diamond wedding anniversary compliment to Joe & Mary Roast of Danbury.

Yvonne has now pealed all 366 days of the year.

### 19/33 BOREHAM,

#### St Andrew

Sat Aug 17, 2019 in 2h52 (13)

#### 5056 Plain Bob Major

Comp. J R Pritchard

- 1 Jane Eastall
- 2 Debbie L Hill
- 3 Laura E Childs
- 4 Teresa C Meadows
- 5 Peter G Smith
- 6 John Everett
- 7 David A Childs (C)
- 8 Tom R Childs

65th wedding anniversary compliment to Peter & Kath Childs (31/07) & 90th birthday compliment to Kath Childs (12/08), by family & friends at their home tower.

1st peal: 1. 1st inside & on 8: 6.

### 19/34 TERLING, All Saints

Sun Aug 18, 2019 in 2h49 (11)

#### 5184 Phuket Delight Major

Comp. Alan G Reading

- 1 Andrew P Brewster
- 2 Yvonne A Towler
- 3 Paul A Cammiade
- 4 Christina D A Brewster
- 5 James L Towler
- 6 Andrew R C Kelso
- 7 David M Hengeli
- 8 Alan P Mayle (C)

First peal in the method by all and for the Association.

### 19/35 DOWNHAM,

#### St Margaret

Thu Aug 22, 2019 in 2h31 (8)

#### 5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

(7m: 1 ext each of York, Ipswich, London, Bourne, Cambridge, Norwich, Beverley)

- 1 Julia V Taylor
- 2 Yvonne A Towler
- 3 James L Towler
- 4 Paul A Cammiade
- 5 Simon A Rudd (C)
- 6 Ian G Campbell

### 19/36 EASTWOOD,

#### St Laurence and All Saints

Tue Aug 27, 2019 in 2h43 (9)

#### 5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

(Durham, Ipswich, Surfleet, Caithness, Fryerning, Norwich, Cambridge)

- 1 Ian J Culham
- 2 Jon Waters
- 3 Jeremy W Spiller
- 4 P Mark Ogden
- 5 Colin F Chapman (C)
- 6 Brian G Meads

### 19/37 SOUTH BENFLEET,

#### St Mary the Virgin

Tue Aug 27, 2019 in 2h53 (12)

#### 5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

(London, Wells, Beverley, Norfolk, Norwich, Primrose, Bourne)

- 1 Jeremy W Spiller (C)
- 2 Jon Waters
- 3 James L Towler
- 4 Colin F Chapman
- 5 Ian J Culham
- 6 Brian G Meads

1750th peal: 1.

### 19/38 BRENTWOOD,

#### St Thomas of Canterbury

Thu Aug 29, 2019 in 2h58 (18)

#### 5088 Lessness Surprise Major

Comp. S Jenner (rev.)

- 1 Ian J Culham
- 2 James L Towler
- 3 P Mark Ogden
- 4 Jeremy W Spiller (C)
- 5 Stephen A Waters
- 6 Jon Waters
- 7 Christopher N McCarthy
- 8 Alan Regin

6,000th tower bell peal - tenor.

### 19/39 TERLING, All Saints

Sun Sep 22, 2019 in 2h44 (11)

#### 5088 Canfield Delight Major

Gen. BYROC

- 1 Vicki L Chapman
- 2 Yvonne A Towler
- 3 Paul A Cammiade
- 4 Neil V Avis
- 5 James L Towler
- 6 Matthew J Bayley
- 7 Colin F Chapman
- 8 Alan P Mayle (C)

In celebration of the life of Richard J Harrison of Sandon, who served as EACR SE District Secretary in the early 1970s. He rang 18 peals at Terling.

1st in the method by all and for the Association.

### 19/40 INWORTH, All Saints

Fri Oct 4, 2019 in 2h28 (5)

#### 5040 Surprise Minor (14m)

(14m: (1) Munden; (2) Norwich; (3) Lightfoot; (4) Cambridge, Ipswich, Primrose, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull; (5) Westminster; (6) London, Wells; (7) Beverley, Surfleet)

- 1 Yvonne A Towler
- 2 James L Towler
- 3 Paul A Cammiade
- 4 Neil V Avis
- 5 Simon A Rudd (C)
- 6 Colin F Chapman

Golden wedding compliments to David & Jenny Barclay (27/09), Peter & Jo Brown (today), John & Suzanne Cousins (today).

### 19/41 CODDENHAM, Sfk,

#### St Mary

Wed Oct 16, 2019 3h1 (14)

#### 5088 Uxbridge Surprise Major

Comp. Stanley Jenner

- 1 Jeremy W Spiller (C)
- 2 Cherril C Spiller
- 3 David L Sparling
- 4 Stephen A Waters
- 5 Daniel Denton
- 6 Nigel F C Gale
- 7 Jon Waters
- 8 Colin F Chapman

50th together: 7, 8.

### 19/42 TERLING, All Saints

Sat Oct 19, 2019 2h54 (11)

#### 5088 London Surprise Major

Gen. BYROC

- 1 David Sloman (LVP)
- 2 Mary Bone (LVP)
- 3 Joanna K Doring
- 4 Andrew R C Kelso (Master)
- 5 David L Sparling (LVP)
- 6 Alan Regin
- 7 Clive J Stephenson (LM)
- 8 Colin F Chapman (LVP) (C)

For Association Dinner Day, with our guests Alan and Jo.

To celebrate the election of Mary Bone and Yvonne Towler as Life Vice Presidents, and Clive Stephenson and Brian Clayden as Life Members of the Association, May 2019.

Also rung to congratulate Philip Spalding (ringer at Inworth) and Alex, on their wedding day.

### 19/43 TERLING, All Saints

Sun Oct 20, 2019 in 2h47 (11)

#### 5088 Grahamston S Major

Comp. R D S Brown

- 1 Yvonne A Towler
- 2 Andrew R C Kelso
- 3 John P W Taylor
- 4 Neil V Avis
- 5 James L Towler
- 6 Matthew J Bayley
- 7 David M Hengeli
- 8 Alan P Mayle (C)

First peal in the method by all and for the Association.

**19/44 YPRES, Belgium,  
St George**

Mon Oct 21, 2019 in 2h32 (6)

**5056 Cambridge Surprise Major**

Comp: C Middleton (Johnson's var.)

- 1 Andrew P Brewster
- 2 Christina D A Brewster
- 3 Colin G Wright
- 4 Paul A Cammiade
- 5 Jon Waters
- 6 Stephen A Waters
- 7 David L Sparling
- 8 Brian G Meads (C)

Arranged as a birthday compliment to 5 on the 20th anniversary of his 1st peal.

Remembering Pte Arthur Brewster & Pte Samuel Gray, great uncles of 1 & 7, both of whom are commemorated on the Menin Gate.

**19/45 INWORTH, All Saints**

Wed Nov 6, 2019 in 2h28 (5)

**5040 Spiced S Minor (25m)**

(25m: (1) Alnwick, Newcastle; (2) Carlisle, Northumberland; (3) London, Wells, Cunecastre; (4) Lincoln, Coldstream, Redbourn; (5) Beverley, Berwick, Surfleet, Hexham, Durham, York; (6) Westminster, Allendale, Fryerning; (7) Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull)

- 1 James L Towler
- 2 Yvonne A Towler
- 3 Neil V Avis
- 4 Andrew R C Kelso
- 5 Colin F Chapman
- 6 Alan P Mayle (C)

Congratulations to local ringer Philip Spalding on his marriage to Alex Priestley at Gt Totham on 17th Oct.

Also remembering David Drinkell who was for many years organist & ringer at St Leonard's, Colchester. He had also been organist at St Magnus Cathedral Kirkwall, St Anne's Cathedral Belfast, St John's Cathedral St John's Newfoundland & Christ Church Cathedral Fredericton New Brunswick, where he was at the time of his death.

**19/46 DANBURY,**

**St John the Baptist**

Fri Nov 15, 2019 in 2h46 (10)

**5056 Cambridge Surprise Major**

Comp: C Middleton (Johnson's var.)

- 1 Linda M Garton
- 2 Peter G Brown
- 3 Yvonne A Towler
- 4 Paul A Cammiade
- 5 Stephen A Waters
- 6 James L Towler
- 7 John P Loveless
- 8 Alan P Mayle (C)

50th wedding anniversary compliment to 3 & 6, married here 50 yrs ago today, 1,625th peal: 3. 600th for the Association: 4.

**19/47 TOPPESFIELD,**

**St Margaret of Antioch**

Wed Nov 20, 2019 in 2h58 (14)

**5088 Yorkshire Surprise Major**

Comp: Nathan J Pitstow

- 1 Cherril C Spiller
- 2 Nigel F C Gale
- 3 Stephen A Waters
- 4 James L Towler
- 5 Jon Waters
- 6 Colin F Chapman
- 7 Jeremy W Spiller (C)
- 8 Brian G Meads

**19/48 INWORTH, All Saints**

Fri Nov 29, 2019 in 2h26 (5)

**5040 Spiced Surprise Minor (30m)**

(30m: (1) Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Rossendale, Stamford, Netherseale, Annable's London (2) Chester, Munden, Alnwick, Newcastle (3) Carlisle, Northumberland (4) London, Wells, Cunecastre (5) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, York, Durham (6) Westminster, Allendale, Fryerning (7) Cambridge, Ipswich, Primrose, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull)

- 1 James L Towler
- 2 Yvonne A Towler
- 3 Paul A Cammiade
- 4 Neil V Avis
- 5 Colin F Chapman
- 6 Alan P Mayle (C)

In thanksgiving for the life of David Barclay of Gt Totham.

**19/49 WRITTLE, All Saints**

Sat Dec 7, 2019 in 3h21 (31)

**5040 Plain Bob Royal**

Comp: Edgar Wightman

- 1 Christina D A Brewster
- 2 Stephen J Nash
- 3 Carol Brown
- 4 David L Sparling
- 5 James L Towler
- 6 Andrew P Brewster
- 7 Neil M Pasmore
- 8 Colin F Chapman (C)
- 9 Andrew R C Kelso
- 10 Brian G Meads

To welcome Rev. Tony Cant and his wife Zoë to their ministry in this Parish.

First Royal: 7. Circled the 10 to peals: 2.

**19/50 ARDLEIGH,**

**St Mary the Virgin**

Wed Dec 18, 2019 in 2h51 (13)

**5024 Double Norwich C B Major**

Comp: Sir A P Heywood

- 1 Neil V Avis
- 2 Cherril C Spiller
- 3 George E Thoday
- 4 P Mark Ogden
- 5 Stephen A Waters
- 6 Colin F Chapman
- 7 Jeremy W Spiller (C)
- 8 Ian J Culham

**19/51 INGRAVE,**

**St Nicholas**

Fri Dec 20, 2019 in 2h39 (10)

**5040 Surprise Minor (7m)**

(London, York, Ipswich, Caithness, Beverley, Cambridge, Norwich)

- 1 Stephen A Waters
- 2 Ian J Culham
- 3 Jeremy W Spiller
- 4 Jon Waters
- 5 Colin F Chapman (C)
- 6 Alan Regin

**19/52 HUTTON, All Saints**

Fri Dec 20, 2019 in 2h37 (6)

**5040 Doubles (1p/6m)**

(Extents 1-10 Stedman, 1\*240 Grandsire, 13-16 Grandsire, 17-20 & 37 Plain Bob, 21-24 & 38 Eynesbury, 25-28 & 39 St Osmund, 29-32 & 40 St Simon's, 33-36 & 41-42 St Martin's)

- 1 Ian J Culham
- 2 Paul A Cammiade
- 3 Jeremy W Spiller (C)
- 4 Jon Waters
- 5 Alan Regin

**19/53 NAVESTOCK,**

**St Thomas**

Mon Dec 23, 2019 in 2h36 (10)

**5040 Spiced S Minor (15m)**

(14m: (1) Norfolk, Primrose; (2) York, Durham; (3) Beverley, Surfleet; (4) London, Wells; (5) Westminster, Allendale, Fryerning; (6) Caithness, Bourne; (7) Cambridge, Ipswich)

- 1 Jeremy W Spiller (C)
- 2 James L Towler
- 3 Paul A Cammiade
- 4 P Mark Ogden
- 5 Alan Regin
- 6 Ian J Culham

**19/54 HORNCHURCH,**

**St Andrew**

Tue Dec 24, 2019 in 3h1 (18)

**5056 Plain Bob Major**

Comp: Arthur Knights

- 1 M Louise Booth
- 2 Ros C Skipper
- 3 John M Church
- 4 Colin Friend
- 5 William J Stungo
- 6 Roderic K Bickerton
- 7 Jon Waters
- 8 Clive J Stephenson (C)

Rung for The Festival of Christmas.

First inside - 2. First in method - 3.

**This peal is provisionally  
recorded as number 10352 in  
the Association records.**

# PEAL COMPOSITIONS

## 5184 Bristol Surprise Major

by James W Holdsworth

234567	M	B	W	H
52364		-		2
26354			2	
273546		sV		
435267		sF		
34625	2			2
42356		-		

Repeat twice.

Contains all 24 each 56s, 8765s, 5678s off the front and 8765s off the front, 12 each 6578s off the front and 8756s off the front, 44 each little bell rollups at the back and little bell rollups at the front, and back rounds.

Rung at Ardleigh on 9 January 2019.

## 5184 Spliced Surprise Major (8m)

by Richard I Allton (No 448)

23456	M	W	H	Methods	.
52436		-		RS•CSN	
34625	(-)			PPN•C•YCY	
62345		-	-	RN•R•	
36245			-	LPR•	
54263	-	-	-	R•S•BB•	
32465	-		-	L•CYNC•	.

6 part, calling (-) in alternate parts.

960 Cambridge, Rutland; 768 Lincolnshire (N); 576 Pudsey, Superlative, Yorkshire; 384 Bristol, London. 143 com, 102 cru.

Rung at Hornchurch on 9 February 2019.

## 5080 Spliced Maximus (2m)

by Colin F Chapman

M	W	H	23456
	2		34256
	-	ss	53246
s	s	3	43265
2	-		65432
-	-	-	23456

Call first lead Alliance, then change to Surprise

Contains: 40 Cambridge Alliance, 5040 Cambridge Surprise, 1 com; 18 56s (0f,18b), 18 65s (0f,18b), 191 4-bell runs (19f,172b), See-saw/Reverse Waterfall.

Rung at Chelmsford on 26 January 2019.

## 5088 Mororlessness Surprise Major

by Donald F Morrison (no. 1191)

23456	M	B	V	W	H
26354		-		-	-
53264			ss	-	s
43625	2	-			-
53246	s	-			-
34256				2	

Repeat twice.

Contains 88 combination rollups including all 24 each 56s and 65s, 18 8765s, and 12 each 5678s off the front, 6578s off the front, 8765s off the front and 8756s off the front.

Rung at Little Baddow on 23 March 2019.

## 5042 Yorkshire Surprise Maximus

by Ian Butters No.421

M	W	H	23456
		-	42356
	-		54326
s	s		24365
-	-		53462
	-		65432
-	-		34256
	-		53246
s	s		43265
-	-		62534
-	s		(32456)

15 56s (0f,15b), 12 65s (0f,12b), 365 4-bell runs (158f,207b), Backgrounds.

Rung at Bury St Edmunds on 22 June 2019.

## 5088 Willingale Surprise Major

By Donald F Morrison (no. 7809)

234567	M	B	V	W	H
62534		-	3	s	s
23645		-			
43265		In	-	-	
45362	s	-		-	s
237465		F			
342567		In			

Repeat twice.

Contains all 24 each 56s, 65s, 8765s and 7568s, 18 8765s off the front, 15 each 5678s off the front and 8756s off the front, 12 6578s off the front, 56 each little bell rollups at the back and little bell rollups at the front, and back rounds.

Rung at Terling on 7 July 2019.

**5184 London Surprise Major**

by Alan G Reading

M	B	V	W	23456
-	3			35264
	F/I			52436
2	I	-	-	32654
		-	-	42356

3 part

When rung to Phuket the composition contains:

36 5678s (12f,24b), 12 6578s (12f,0b), 84 crus (28f,56b), 184 4-bell runs (72f,112b), 576 5678 combinations (288f,288b), 36 8765s (12f,24b), Backgrounds.

Rung to Phuket Delight at Terling on 18 August 2019.

**5088 London Surprise Major**

by BYROC arr Colin F Chapman

M	B	W	H	23456
-	-			54632
-		-		26435
-	3	-	-	34256
-		-		52643
-		-		46325
-		-		23564

Repeat twice.

21 5678s (2f,19b), 6 6578s (2f,4b), 81 crus (12f,69b), 93 4-bell runs (42f,51b), 190 5678 combinations (95f,95b), 7 8765s (7f,0b), Tittums, Reverse Waterfall, Backgrounds.

Rung at Terling on 19 October 2019.

**5088 Canfield Delight Major**

by BYROC

23456	B	M	W	H
43652		-		
35426	-			
36425			s3	
23465			-	
62453	3	-	s	
34256	-		-	

3 part. S= 1256

71 crus, including 18 each 56's and 65's.

Rung at Terling on 22 September 2019.

**5088 Grahamston Surprise Major**

by R D S Brown

23456	B	W	M	H
43652			-	
43526	-			-
53624		'a'		-
53246	-			-
25634		-		-
42356		-		2

Twice repeated. 'a'= s3,s5,s5,s4

18 56s, 8765s and 5678s off the front.

Rung at Terling on 20 October 2019.

**5040 Plain Bob Royal**

by Edgar Wightman

W	M	H	23456
		2	34256
-	s	3*	62345
2		-*	32465

Repeat 3x, calling -s- for 3\* in parts 1 & 3 (or s for -\* in parts 2 & 4 as originally published).

Rung at Writtle on 7 December 2019.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2020**

Ringing Members: £8; Junior Ringing Members (aged 17 or under on 1st January): minimum £4; Friends £4; Non-Resident Life Members: £8.

Paid life membership: Ringing £160; Friends £80.

Peal Fee £0.50 per rope (or pair of handbells).

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You may join the Association at any District Meeting; membership application forms are available from District Secretaries or through the Membership link on the EACR web-site at eacr.org.uk

# QUARTER PEALS for 2019 - TOWER

## Ardleigh (2)

02 Mar 1250 Yorkshire S Major  
18 Dec 1440 Spliced S Major (11m)

## Arkesden (4)

24 Mar 1260 St Clement's College Bob Minor  
11 Jul 1260 Doubles (3m)  
11 Jul 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
31 Dec 1296 Joel Oliver D Minor

## Ashdon (2)

02 Apr 1344 Caldy S Major  
15 Jun 1344 Little Bob Major

## Barkingside (1)

01 Jan 1260 Double Grandsire Triples

## Basildon (2)

20 Jan 1280 Double Dublin S Major  
17 Sep 1344 St Martin's B Triples

## Bentley Common (5)

02 Jan 1260 Doubles (7m)  
08 Mar 1260 Doubles (2m)  
04 May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
07 Jul 1260 Doubles (2m)  
10 Nov 1260 Doubles (2m)

## Bishop's Stortford (1)

27 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

## Bocking (1)

14 Nov 1280 Forward Major

## Boreham (1)

27 Oct 1260 Grandsire Triples

## Bradwell-on-Sea (4)

27 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
25 May 1260 Doubles (7m)  
25 May 1280 Cambridge S Major  
27 May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

## Braintree (12)

20 Jan 1320 Plain Bob Minor  
24 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
24 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
01 Apr 1296 Spliced Minor (2m)  
03 May 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
13 May 1260 St Martin's B Doubles  
02 Jun 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
09 Jun 1260 St Clements C B Minor  
21 Jul 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
26 Aug 1260 Stedman Doubles  
13 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Royal  
20 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Triples

## Brentwood (1)

08 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Triples

## Bures (7)

03 Jan 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
29 Jan 1260 Doubles (2m)  
07 Apr 1264 Plain Bob Major  
21 Apr 1260 Doubles (2m)  
09 Jul 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
03 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
14 Nov 1264 Plain Bob Major

## Burnham-on-Crouch (2)

27 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
27 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Minor

## Canewdon (2)

04 Sep 1282 Cambridge S Royal  
06 Nov 1259 Grandsire Caters

## Castle Hedingham (2)

23 Mar 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
16 Nov 1260 St Clements C B Minor

## Chelmsford (14)

06 Jan 1280 Cambridge S Major  
03 Feb 1320 Little Bob Maximus  
24 Feb 1346 Yorkshire S Maximus  
07 Apr 1282 Prittlewell S Royal  
05 May 1250 Superlative S Major  
12 May 1277 Grandsire Caters  
02 Jun 1280 Turrumurra S Major  
02 Jun 1440 Cambridge S Royal  
09 Jun 1282 Cambridge S Royal  
07 Jul 1282 Yorkshire S Royal  
04 Aug 1280 Bristol S Major  
13 Oct 1282 Spliced S Royal (2m)  
03 Nov 1312 Spliced S Major (8m)  
01 Dec 1259 Grandsire Caters

## Chigwell Row (3)

21 Mar 1260 Grandsire Triples  
14 Oct 1260 Grandsire Triples  
16 Nov 1280 Cambridge S Major

## Chrishall (1)

31 Dec 1296 David Bassett S Minor

## Clavering (1)

24 Mar 1296 Bourne S Minor

## Coggeshall (8)

24 Feb 1260 Grandsire Triples  
28 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
26 May 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
23 Jun 1250 Cambridge S Minor  
24 Aug 1260 St Martin's B Doubles  
27 Oct 1320 Plain Bob Minor  
01 Nov 1259 Grandsire Caters  
14 Nov 1280 Reverse Yorkshire S Royal

## Colchester (St Leonard) (4)

21 Jun 1260 Doubles (2m)  
19 Jul 1260 Doubles (4m)  
16 Aug 1320 Doubles & Minor (2m)  
08 Nov 1260 Doubles (2m)

## Danbury (3)

04 May 1250 Superlative S Major  
03 Aug 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
08 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

## Downham (1)

29 Jul 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

## Epping (1)

21 Jan 1264 Double Norwich C B Major

## Felsted (19)

06 Jan 1260 Doubles (1p/5m)  
03 Feb 1260 Doubles (5m)  
03 Mar 1260 Grandsire Triples  
15 Mar 1320 Spliced P&L Bob Minor  
07 Apr 1260 Doubles (5m)  
05 May 1260 Doubles (1p/5m)  
09 May 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
24 May 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
02 Jun 1260 Doubles (1p/5m)  
07 Jul 1260 Doubles (1p/5m)  
02 Aug 1296 Cambridge S Minor  
04 Aug 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
06 Aug 1280 Felstead S Major  
14 Aug 1280 Uttlesford D Major

01 Sep 1260 Doubles (1p/1m)  
 03 Nov 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
 01 Dec 1260 Doubles (1p/5m)  
 22 Dec 1260 Doubles (1p/5m)  
 24 Dec 1260 St Nicholas Bob Triples

**Fobbing (17)**

06 Jan 1260 Winchendon PI Doubles  
 20 Jan 1269 Plain Doubles (2m)  
 03 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 17 Feb 1260 Plain Doubles (2m)  
 03 Mar 1300 Plain Bob Doubles  
 31 Mar 1260 Plain Doubles (2m)  
 07 Apr 1260 St Martin's B Doubles  
 05 May 1260 Doubles (2m)  
 19 May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 23 Jun 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
 07 Jul 1260 Plain Doubles (11m)  
 01 Sep 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 22 Sep 1260 Plain Doubles (3m)  
 06 Oct 1260 Plain Doubles (3m)  
 03 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 01 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 26 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Triples

**Fyfield (2)**

27 Jul 1320 Cambridge S Minor  
 23 Nov 1260 Doubles (2m)

**Galleywood (2)**

28 Feb 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 19 May 1260 Grandsire Triples

**Goldhanger (1)**

12 Oct 1344 Double Bob Major

**Gosfield (2)**

18 Jul 1260 Doubles (1p/2m)  
 18 Jul 1260 Plain Bob Minor

**Great Baddow (1)**

11 Oct 1290 Doubles (2m)

**Great Bardfield (4)**

07 Aug 1260 Double Oxford B Minor  
 07 Sep 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
 16 Oct 1280 Turramurra S Major  
 20 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Great Bentley (7)**

25 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 03 Mar 1280 Lincolnshire S Major  
 12 May 1260 Doubles (3m)  
 31 Aug 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
 17 Oct 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
 11 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 30 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Great Bromley (5)**

09 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 02 Mar 1320 Norwich S Minor  
 23 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 30 Jun 1260 Doubles (2m)  
 11 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Minor

**Great Dunmow (2)**

04 May 1344 Thulium S Major  
 14 Aug 1280 Double Norwich C B Major

**Great Holland (3)**

14 Mar 1264 Plain Bob Major  
 24 May 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
 11 Jun 1344 Plain Bob Major

**Great Ilford (2)**

30 Jan 1280 Rutland S Major  
 25 Sep 1280 Bristol S Major

**Great Parndon (1)**

12 Oct 1296 Hangover D Minor

**Great Tey (2)**

11 Oct 1320 Plain Bob Minor  
 14 Nov 1344 Dartford Little Bob Major

**Great Totnam (6)**

20 Jan 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 03 Mar 1272 Norwich S Minor  
 07 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 23 Apr 1260 Doubles (5m)  
 28 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 28 Jul 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Great Yeldham (3)**

31 Jan 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
 31 Jan 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 23 Mar 1320 Cambridge S Minor

**Hadstock (3)**

24 Mar 1260 Buxton Bob Minor  
 05 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 15 Jun 1296 Norwich S Minor

**Harlow (6)**

21 Jan 1344 Lea Bob Major  
 26 Feb 1344 Harlow S Major  
 08 May 1344 Double Dublin S Major  
 26 Jul 1280 Bristol S Major  
 12 Oct 1344 Spliced S Major (5m)  
 11 Dec 1280 Venusium S Major

**Harlow Common (6)**

21 Jan 1280 Florence S Major  
 08 May 1344 Spliced S Major (6m)  
 09 Jul 1296 Cambridge S Minor  
 26 Jul 1280 Glasgow S Major  
 12 Oct 1280 Turramurra S Major  
 11 Dec 1344 Spliced S Major (6m)

**Hatfield Broad Oak (2)**

12 Oct 1344 Pudsey S Major  
 26 Dec 1280 Bristol S Major

**Hatfield Heath (17)**

01 Jan 1260 Single Oxford B Minor  
 12 Feb 1272 Mis Chwefror D Minor  
 12 Feb 1260 Childwall B Minor  
 14 Mar 1320 Primrose S Minor  
 14 Mar 1296 Beverley S Minor  
 04 May 1272 Return Of The Jedi S Minor  
 20 Jun 1272 Kent T B Minor  
 23 Jun 1296 Cambridge S Minor  
 05 Jul 1272 Norwich S Minor  
 06 Sep 1272 Mis Medi D Minor  
 06 Sep 1272 Norwich S Minor  
 11 Oct 1272 Mis Hydref D Minor  
 05 Dec 1272 Mis Rhagfyr D Minor  
 13 Dec 1272 Friday The 13th S Minor  
 22 Dec 1440 Kirkstall D Minor  
 22 Dec 1440 Loch Ness T B Minor  
 27 Dec 1296 Cambridge S Minor

**Helions Bumpstead (1)**

02 Apr 1280 Lancashire S Major

**Henham (15)**

30 Jan 1272 Mis Ionawr D Minor  
 30 Jan 1272 Bourne S Minor  
 01 Mar 1272 Mis Mawrth D Minor  
 05 Apr 1272 Mis Ebrill D Minor  
 08 Apr 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
 25 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 04 May 1368 Forcett S Minor  
 21 May 1272 Mis Mai D Minor

21 May 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 26 Jun 1272 Mis Mehefin D Minor  
 25 Jul 1272 Mis Gorfennaf D Minor  
 07 Aug 1272 Mis Awst D Minor  
 07 Aug 1296 Cambridge S Minor  
 30 Aug 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 08 Nov 1272 Mis Tachwedd D Minor

**Hornchurch (47)**

06 Jan 1250 Yorkshire S Major  
 13 Jan 1280 Oxford T B Major  
 20 Jan 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
 27 Jan 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 03 Feb 1277 Grandsire Caters  
 10 Feb 1280 Kent T B Major  
 17 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
 21 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 24 Feb 1264 Plain Bob Major  
 03 Mar 1250 Lincolnshire S Major  
 24 Mar 1272 Double Oxford B Minor  
 31 Mar 1250 Superlative S Major  
 07 Apr 1280 Rutland S Major  
 14 Apr 1296 Stedman Caters  
 22 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
 28 Apr 1250 Cambridge S Major  
 05 May 2019 Yorkshire S Major  
 12 May 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 19 May 1250 Yorkshire S Major  
 26 May 1312 Double Norwich C B Major  
 02 Jun 1282 Cambridge S Royal  
 09 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 13 Jun 1259 Grandsire Caters  
 16 Jun 1272 Double Oxford B Minor  
 23 Jun 1280 Alderney S Major  
 30 Jun 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 07 Jul 1280 Cambridge S Major  
 21 Jul 1296 Plain Bob Caters  
 28 Jul 1260 Stedman Triples  
 04 Aug 1259 Grandsire Caters  
 11 Aug 1320 Cambridge S Minor  
 18 Aug 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 01 Sep 1250 Pudsey S Major  
 08 Sep 1260 St Simon's B Triples  
 22 Sep 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
 29 Sep 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 06 Oct 1259 Grandsire Caters  
 13 Oct 1272 Double Oxford B Minor  
 20 Oct 1280 Kent & Oxford T B Major  
 27 Oct 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 01 Nov 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 03 Nov 1280 Spliced S Major (8m)  
 17 Nov 1260 Stedman Caters  
 24 Nov 1264 Plain Bob Major  
 01 Dec 1296 Plain Bob Caters  
 08 Dec 1296 Stedman Caters  
 15 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Ingatstone (1)**

21 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Minor

**Ingrave (2)**

27 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 27 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Inworth (3)**

23 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 05 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 01 Nov 1260 Doubles (1p/4m)

**Kelvedon (3)**

03 Feb 1260 Doubles (3m)  
 26 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 21 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Minor

**Langdon Hills (25)**

13 Jan 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 24 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 10 Mar 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
 22 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 24 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 12 Apr 1300 Plain Bob Doubles  
 14 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 21 Apr 1260 St Martin's B Doubles  
 26 May 1260 P Doubles (7m)  
 09 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 16 Jun 1260 Plain Doubles (11m)  
 30 Jun 1260 Plain Doubles (5m)  
 04 Aug 1320 Spliced Doubles (14m)  
 11 Aug 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 18 Aug 1260 St Martin's B Doubles  
 08 Sep 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 15 Sep 1320 Spliced Doubles (21m)  
 13 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 20 Oct 1300 Plain Doubles (3m)  
 27 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 10 Nov 1260 Plain Doubles (5m)  
 15 Dec 1320 Spliced Doubles (28m)  
 22 Dec 1260 Plain Doubles (2m)  
 27 Dec 1260 St Martin's B Doubles  
 29 Dec 1260 St Martin's B Doubles

**Langham (1)**

02 Mar 1260 St Clements C B Minor

**Layer-de-la-Haye (1)**

05 Jun 1260 Doubles (4m)

**Leigh-on-Sea (2)**

23 Mar 1344 St Clements C B Major  
 17 Aug 1344 St Clements C B Major

**Leyton (1)**

28 Oct 1260 Grandsire Triples

**Leytonstone (1)**

26 Aug 1260 Grandsire Doubles

**Little Baddow (11)**

24 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 14 Apr 1260 Doubles (2m)  
 21 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 23 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 04 May 1280 Double Norwich C B Major  
 30 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 14 Jul 1260 Doubles (2m)  
 18 Aug 1260 Doubles (2m)  
 20 Oct 1260 Doubles (2m)  
 10 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 15 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Little Horkesley (6)**

24 Feb 1260 Doubles (1p/4m)  
 23 Apr 1260 Doubles (2m)  
 09 Jun 1260 Doubles (2m)  
 20 Oct 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
 23 Oct 1260 Doubles (4m)  
 27 Oct 1260 Doubles (6m)

**Loughton (4)**

24 Mar 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 10 Sep 1260 Grandsire Triples  
 27 Nov 1250 Lincolnshire S Major  
 30 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Maldon (All Saints) (2)**

01 May 1250 Lincolnshire S Major  
 12 Oct 1293 Stedman Triples

**Matching (1)**

23 Oct 1296 Lady Charlotte D Minor

**Mistley (2)**

18 May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
20 Oct 1260 Doubles (4m)

**Moreton (3)**

19 Jan 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
04 May 1320 Star Wars S Minor  
12 Oct 1320 Kangaroo T B Minor

**Navestock (1)**

06 Jul 1260 Doubles (2m)

**Nazeing (1)**

01 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**North Ockendon (11)**

04 Feb 1260 Doubles (3m)  
04 Mar 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
01 Apr 1260 April Day Doubles  
27 Apr 1260 Doubles (11m)  
27 Apr 1260 Doubles (4m)  
03 Jun 1260 Double Oxford B Minor  
16 Jun 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
28 Jun 1260 Minor (2m)  
22 Jul 1260 Antelope PI Doubles  
07 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
24 Dec 1320 Cambridge S Minor

**North Weald (1)**

12 Oct 1320 Double Oxford B Minor

**Prittwell (4)**

02 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
23 Feb 1260 Stedman Triples  
26 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Royal  
15 Dec 1260 Doubles (2m)

**Radwinter (2)**

15 Jun 1376 Superlative S Major  
06 Jul 1260 Plain Bob Minor

**Rayleigh (13)**

16 Mar 1344 Cooktown Orchid D Major  
24 Mar 1280 Plain Bob Major  
19 Apr 1260 Grandsire Triples  
02 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
20 Jun 1280 Plain Bob Major  
22 Jun 1250 Turramurra S Major  
04 Aug 1280 Plain Bob Minor  
13 Oct 1312 Painswick S Major  
09 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
09 Nov 1260 St Clements C B Minor  
24 Nov 1250 Yorkshire S Major  
01 Dec 1280 Lincolnshire S Major  
08 Dec 1296 Plain Bob Major

**Rayne (6)**

14 Mar 1260 Doubles (5m)  
14 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
16 Oct 1296 Cambridge S Minor  
01 Nov 1260 St Clement's College Bob Minor  
21 Nov 1260 Doubles (4m)  
29 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Minor

**Ridgewell (3)**

01 Mar 1260 Doubles (1p/2m)  
02 Apr 1296 Richmond D Minor  
30 May 1260 Doubles (6m)

**Romford (2)**

26 Jan 1260 Plain Bob Triples  
26 Mar 1280 Cambridge S Major

**Saffron Walden (3)**

26 Jan 1320 Little Bob Maximus  
22 Sep 1346 Cambridge S Maximus  
27 Oct 1346 Cambridge S Maximus

**Sandon (1)**

08 May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Sawbridgeworth (26)**

06 Jan 1296 Cambridge S Minor  
20 Jan 1260 St Clements C B Minor  
27 Jan 1260 St Andrew PI Doubles  
03 Feb 1260 Doubles (3m)  
10 Feb 1320 Kent T B Minor  
03 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
06 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
31 Mar 1260 Doubles (1p/5m)  
14 Apr 1260 Doubles (5m)  
28 Apr 1260 Doubles (2m)  
05 May 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
26 May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
02 Jun 1260 St Clements C B Minor  
30 Jun 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
07 Jul 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
21 Jul 1272 Ipswich S Minor  
01 Sep 1260 Doubles (2m)  
13 Oct 1260 Doubles (2m)  
20 Oct 1260 Minor (3m)  
03 Nov 1296 Cambridge S Minor  
10 Nov 1260 Doubles (4m)  
17 Nov 1296 Cambridge S Minor  
08 Dec 1260 Reverse Canterbury Plis PI Doubles  
15 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
22 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
31 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Shenfield (19)**

02 Jan 1260 St Clements C B Minor  
20 Jan 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
27 Jan 1260 Stedman Doubles  
23 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
21 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
27 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
27 Apr 1260 Doubles (4m)  
26 May 1440 Kent T B Minor  
06 Jun 1380 Doubles (3m)  
16 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
16 Jul 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
21 Jul 1260 St Clements C B Minor  
28 Jul 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
05 Aug 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
29 Sep 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
06 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
17 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
15 Dec 1260 Doubles (2m)  
22 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Minor

**South Benfleet (1)**

20 Jun 1260 Minor (2m)

**South Ockendon (3)**

28 Feb 1272 Plain Bob Minimus  
17 Mar 1260 St Clement's College Bob Minor  
13 Jul 1376 Alderney S Major

**South Weald (3)**

30 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
16 Jul 1260 St Peter Bob Triples  
05 Sep 1260 Doubles (2m)

**Springfield (6)**

17 Mar 1260 Doubles (3m)  
07 Apr 1260 Doubles (3m)  
05 May 1260 Doubles (5m)  
30 Jun 1260 Doubles (7m)  
06 Oct 1260 St Clements C B Minor  
03 Nov 1260 Doubles (2m)

**St Osyth (1)**

10 Nov 1260 Doubles (4m)

**Stanford-le-Hope (3)**

11 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

14 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

03 Aug 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Stisted (2)**

19 Sep 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

19 Sep 1260 Grandsire Doubles

**Takeley (1)**

22 Dec 1296 Scrooge T B Minimus

**Tendring (6)**

23 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Minor

27 May 1260 Doubles (4m)

27 Aug 1260 Doubles (5m)

18 Sep 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

08 Oct 1260 Doubles (2m)

29 Oct 1260 Doubles (3m)

**Terling (3)**

02 Jun 1260 Doubles (2m)

06 Sep 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

04 Dec 4032 Yorkshire S Major

**Thorpe Bay (1)**

23 Mar 1280 Spliced S Major (2m)

**Thorpe-le-Soken (1)**

07 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Minor

**Thorrington (9)**

16 Feb 1260 Minor (2m)

02 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Minor

23 Apr 1260 Grandsire Doubles

27 Apr 1260 Minor (2m)

26 Jun 1260 Doubles &amp; Minor (3m)

06 Jul 1260 Doubles (3m)

24 Jul 1260 Doubles (3m)

09 Nov 1260 Grandsire Doubles

14 Dec 1260 Minor (2m)

**Tillingham (2)**

27 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

27 Apr 1260 Doubles (2m)

**Tollesbury (1)**

05 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Waltham Abbey (24)**

06 Jan 1260 Grandsire Doubles

27 Jan 1260 Grandsire Doubles

03 Feb 1260 Grandsire Doubles

24 Feb 1260 Grandsire Doubles

10 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

10 Apr 1260 Grandsire Doubles

14 Apr 1260 Grandsire Doubles

19 Apr 1260 Grandsire Triples

21 Apr 1260 Grandsire Doubles

12 May 1260 Doubles (2m)

19 May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

26 May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

09 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

23 Jun 1260 Doubles (2m)

30 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

04 Aug 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

18 Aug 1260 Grandsire Doubles

08 Sep 1260 Grandsire Doubles

21 Sep 1440 Plain Bob Minor

13 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

27 Oct 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

10 Nov 1260 Grandsire Doubles

17 Nov 1260 Doubles (2m)

01 Dec 1260 Doubles (2m)

**Walthamstow (St Mary) (6)**

01 Jan 1350 Grandsire Caters

09 Feb 1259 Grandsire Caters

26 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

26 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

01 Jun 1259 Grandsire Caters

21 Dec 1440 Kent T B Royal

**Walthamstow (St Saviour) (2)**

09 Feb 1280 Cambridge S Major

26 Aug 1260 Grandsire Doubles

**Wanstead (2)**

01 Jan 1260 Stedman Triples

26 Aug 1344 St Simon's B Triples

**West Ham (5)**

24 Feb 1260 Grandsire Doubles

10 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

09 Jun 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

10 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

08 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Wethersfield (8)**

02 Feb 1272 Original Minor

17 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Triples

19 May 1260 Plain Bob Triples

06 Aug 1280 Semicentennial D Major

26 Sep 1260 Spliced Minor (2m)

23 Nov 1320 Cambridge S Minor

30 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

07 Dec 1296 Spliced Kent and Oxford T B Minor

**Willingale Doe (6)**

29 Jan 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

05 Apr 1260 Grandsire Doubles

06 Apr 1260 Grandsire Doubles

08 Apr 1260 Grandsire Doubles

26 Apr 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

27 Jul 1320 Morning Exercise D Minor

**Witham (12)**

26 May 1320 Minor (2m)

04 Aug 1260 Plain Bob Minor

03 Nov 1260 All Saints PI Doubles

10 Nov 1273 Grandsire Triples

14 Nov 1280 Spliced S Major (8m)

17 Nov 1260 Stedman Triples

24 Nov 1296 Double Norwich C B Major

01 Dec 1260 Grandsire Doubles

08 Dec 1288 St Nicholas Bob Triples

15 Dec 1260 Doubles (1p/9m)

22 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Minor

29 Dec 1260 Grandsire Triples

**Wivenhoe (2)**

01 May 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

06 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**Woodford (10)**

01 Jan 1250 Spliced S Major (2m)

17 Feb 1260 Grandsire Triples

02 Mar 1320 Plain Bob Minor

03 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Triples

13 Mar 1320 Cambridge S Minor

09 Apr 1260 Grandsire Triples

21 Apr 1260 Grandsire Doubles

11 Aug 1260 Doubles (2m)

24 Nov 1260 Grandsire Triples

22 Dec 1260 Grandsire Triples

**Wormingford (7)**

01 Jan 1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
 09 Feb 1260 Doubles (1p/2m)  
 02 Mar 1260 Daffodil Doubles  
 08 Mar 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 23 Apr 1260 Grandsire Doubles  
 18 Jun 1260 Doubles (2m)  
 18 Oct 1260 Doubles (5m)

**Writtle (7)**

14 Jul 1282 Lincolnshire S Royal  
 11 Aug 1275 Stedman Caters  
 08 Sep 1282 Cambridge S Royal  
 13 Oct 1280 Bristol S Royal  
 10 Nov 1280 Bristol S Royal  
 30 Nov 1260 Plain Bob Royal  
 24 Dec 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

**QUARTER PEALS - HAND****Coggeshall (2)**

23 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Minor  
 23 Feb 1260 Plain Bob Minor

**Goldhanger (9A Church St) (5)**

05 Feb 1272 Norwich S Minor  
 31 Mar 1344 Spliced Plain Major (2m)  
 10 May 1400 Kent T B Royal  
 14 May 1344 Plain Bob Major  
 11 Aug 1344 Spliced Plain Major (2m)

**Goldhanger (1)**

27 Aug 1440 Kent T B Royal

**Thorrington (Red Brick House) (1)**

23 Jul 1320 Surprise Minor (6m)

**Wickford (39A Friern Gardens) (2)**

12 Mar 1320 Surprise Minor (6m)  
 20 Aug 1272 Oxford T B Minor

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# RULES incorporating PROPOSED CHANGES (Motion 1 only)

- 1 The **ASSOCIATION** shall be called '**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS**'.
- 2 **OBJECTS**
- 2.1 The **OBJECTS** of the Association shall be:
  - (a) To further the work of the Church by the ringing of bells and to promote all aspects of the same;
  - (b) The advancement of the education of the public in the art and science of bell ringing, by promoting and encouraging the practice of bellringing and by supporting the recruitment, training and development of bellringers.
- 2.2 In furtherance of these objects the Association shall:
  - (a) encourage the attendance of its members both at service ringing and at public worship;
  - (b) encourage the recognition of ringers as Church workers;
  - (c) encourage fellowship and communication among ringers;
  - (d) recruit and train new ringers, so that there may be regular service ringing in all the towers within the Association's boundaries where the bells are ringable; and
  - (e) promote interest in the care of all the bells and provision of new bells within the Association's boundaries.
- 3 **THE ASSOCIATION** shall be registered with the **CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES** (registration number 292250).
- 4 **THE ASSOCIATION** shall be affiliated to the **CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS** and loyally abide by the rules and decisions thereof.
- 5 **THE PRESIDENT** shall be the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford. The Vice-Presidents shall be the Dean of Chelmsford Cathedral, the Area Bishops, Honorary Assistant Bishops and Archdeacons of the *Chelmsford* Diocese.
- 6 **THE ASSOCIATION** shall be **GOVERNED** by the Association Trustees (defined in Rule 12) and administered by them through the Management Committee and its sub-committees, and through the Districts and their respective District Committees and District Meetings. *The Trustees are responsible to the Membership via the Annual General Meeting. The order of precedence for Governance is: i) the Trustees, ii) the Management Committee, iii) the District Officers.*
- 7 **THE BOUNDARIES** of the Association shall be those defining the geographical County of Essex prior to 1st April 1965 and shall include towers in adjacent counties which are by tradition affiliated to the Association. The Association shall be sub-divided into **SIX DISTRICTS**: Northern, North-Eastern, North-Western, Southern, South-Eastern and South-Western, the boundaries of which shall be regulated by the Management Committee.
- 8 **MEMBERSHIP**
- 8.1 **MEMBERSHIP** shall be open to any person interested in bells and bellringing.
- 8.2 Membership categories shall comprise the following:
  - (a) **RINGING MEMBERS** able to *ring a tower bell unaided and* ring changes to a standard suitable for Sunday Service ringing on tower bells or to ring handbells. Changes shall be deemed to include method ringing, call changes and tenor cover on tower bells. Handbell ringers shall be capable of ringing methods on two bells retained in hand.
  - (b) **LIFE VICE-PRESIDENTS** are Ringing Members honoured by the Association for their exemplary service and substantial contribution to the operation of both a District and the Association for over 20 years.
  - (c) **LIFE MEMBERS** are Ringing *or Associate* Members honoured for their substantial contribution to their tower and district for an extended period (over 20 years) or who have been Ringing Members for at least 50 years.
  - (d) **NON-RESIDENT LIFE MEMBERS** who shall meet the criteria for Ringing Membership and who shall not be normally resident within the Association's boundaries. Ringing Members for five consecutive years, on moving from within the boundaries of the Association shall qualify as Non-Resident Life Members without election on payment of current subscriptions; ~~*Non-Resident Life Members on moving to within the boundaries of the Association shall qualify as Ringing Members without election, on payment of current subscriptions.*~~
  - (e) **ASSOCIATE MEMBERS** who wish to be associated with and support the objects and activities of the Association but who are not eligible for membership under any other category.
- 8.3 Members in categories 8.2 (a), (b) and (c), only, shall be entitled to vote at any meeting *and hold office unless otherwise stated in these rules.*
- 8.4 Any person whose name appears on the Sex Offenders Register is not eligible to become or remain a member of the Essex Association of Change Ringers.

## **9 SUBSCRIPTIONS**

- 9.1 **SUBSCRIPTIONS** shall be due on election and subsequent annual subscriptions on 1st January. Ringing and Associate Members may become life-paid members by paying a lump sum equal to not less than 20 times the annual subscription at the current time. Elected Non-Resident Life Members pay a one-off ~~full~~ subscription.
- 9.2 Those members whose annual subscriptions are not paid by 30th April each year shall not participate in or vote at meetings or ring peals for the Association until the subscription is paid and those not paid by 31st December shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the Association and their names shall not be published in the Annual Report for that year. Lapsed members may be readmitted to membership without election in the year following non-payment if payment of arrears and the current year's subscription are received by 30th April. After this date lapsed members shall be re-elected in accordance with Rule 10.
- 9.3 Ringing Members aged less than 18 years on 1st January shall be entitled to a 50% reduction in their subscriptions.
- 9.4 Life Members and Life Vice-Presidents shall become free from further subscriptions upon election.

## **10 ELECTION OF MEMBERS**

- 10.1 **ELECTION OF MEMBERS** (except Life Vice-Presidents and Life Members) may take place at any business meeting. Prospective members shall apply using the prescribed Application Form and may only be elected by a majority vote of members present. Election is only completed on payment of subscriptions.
- 10.2 Ringing Members and Non-Resident Life Members may be provisionally elected (via "Belfry Election") prior to a peal attempt by two Ringing Members of the Association and ratified at the next business meeting, the proposers being responsible for subscriptions and for ensuring the prescribed Application Form is completed. *The Peals Secretary shall be notified of such Belfry Elections immediately following a peal, including the name and address of each new member.*
- 10.3 **ELECTION OF LIFE VICE-PRESIDENTS** shall be by overall majority vote of members present at an Annual General Meeting. Nominations shall be forwarded by the Management Committee only if not less than four-fifths of the Committee Members present vote in favour. All nominations for Life Vice-President, including details of the work of the nominee, together with the names of proposer and seconder shall be submitted to the Association General Secretary in writing by 1st January for review at the February Management Committee Meeting.
- 10.4 **ELECTION OF LIFE MEMBERS** shall be by overall majority vote of members present at an Annual General Meeting. All nominations for Life Members, including details of the work of the nominee, together with the names of proposer and seconder shall be submitted to the Association General Secretary in writing by 1st December and all nominations shall be circulated to all District Secretaries by 14th December *for announcement to their members and at their Annual District Meetings.*

## **11 ASSOCIATION OFFICERS**

- 11.1 The **MASTER** shall promote the interests of the Association, control all ringing activities at General Meetings or gatherings of the Association (other than District meetings or functions), chair *Trustees*, General and Management Committee Meetings and deal with such other matters as may be provided for in these rules or as may be directed by the *Trustees or the Management Committee.*
- 11.2 The **GENERAL SECRETARY** shall record the Minutes of *Trustees*, General and Management Committee meetings, issue notices of all General Meetings of the Association and of the *Trustees and of the Management Committee*, and carry out such other duties as may be directed by *the Trustees or the Management Committee.*
- 11.3 The **TREASURER** shall give and receive vouchers for monies passed, maintain an up to date Membership List, keep proper books of account, ensure that proper financial records and procedures are maintained, prepare a balance sheet as at 31st December each year and an income and expenditure account for that year, or other such financial statement as prescribed by law, all of which shall be examined by the Independent Examiners or professionally audited if required. The income and expenditure account and the balance sheet shall be approved by the Trustees and *reported to the Management Committee* prior to being presented to the members at the next Annual General Meeting.
- 11.4 The **PROPERTY TRUSTEES** ("holding trustees") shall be vested with the title to all investments held by or on behalf of the Association and shall be responsible for the safe keeping of books and records and other property of the Association and shall maintain an accurate list of the property of the Association. The Master, General Secretary and Treasurer (the "Principal Officers") shall be ex-officio Property Trustees of the Association. All monies received by the Association shall be paid into bank or other accounts in the name of the Association as agreed by the *Trustees*; any two of the six nominated Property Trustees shall have the power to authorise payments. All money in the Association's funds not required for normal working purposes shall be invested or deposited by the Treasurer as may be directed by the *Trustees.*
- 11.5 The **COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER** shall be responsible for co-ordinating Association *communications within and beyond the Association including through social media and the website*, publicity including providing press liaison, a point of contact for public enquiries and sources of material for use by the Association Members for displays, exhibitions, *local publicity*, etc. *The Communications Officer shall normally chair the Communications & Public Relations sub-committee.*

- 11.6 The **TECHNICAL ADVISER** shall advise *the Trustees*, the Management Committee and Association on all matters relating to towers, bells and belfries and shall *normally* chair the *Bell Maintenance & Restoration Sub-Committee*. The Technical Adviser shall provide or solicit high quality and unbiased advice regarding all technical aspects of bells, bell fittings and bell hanging, etc., as requested, including inspection and approval of work prior to grant payment. This shall include providing advice and training for those considering DIY maintenance, etc., to any parish within the Association's boundaries and undertaking detailed inspections as requested providing a full written report including any recommendations.
- 11.7 The **EDUCATION OFFICER** shall provide advice and guidance on the recruitment and training of new and *existing ringers* and coordinate training events at Association and District level as required, *including working with recognised national bodies offering training and guidance*. *The Education Officer shall normally chair the Recruitment & Training Sub-Committee*.
- 11.8 The **DISTRICT MASTERS** shall promote the interests of the Districts, control all ringing activities at District Meetings, chair District Meetings and deal with such other District matters as may be provided for in these rules or as may be directed by the *Trustees or the Management Committee*.
- 11.9 The **DEPUTY DISTRICT MASTERS** shall deputise for the District Masters as mutually agreed.
- 11.10 The **DISTRICT SECRETARIES** shall arrange and publicise District Meetings and other events, record the Minutes, and carry out decisions thereof.
- 11.11 The **DISTRICT TREASURERS** shall be responsible to the Association Treasurer for collecting membership subscriptions, donations and other monies, maintaining an up-to-date District Membership List (including addresses) and making payments within their Districts, giving and receiving vouchers for monies passed, making prompt bankings and ensuring banking summaries are sent to the Treasurer, submitting accounts to the Treasurer not later than the 31st December. A statement of district accounts shall be prepared for presentation to their Annual District Meeting.
- 11.12 *All Officers and prospective Officers shall meet the eligibility requirements of Table 1 to these rules.*

## **12 TRUSTEES**

- 12.1 *The Trustees shall be the Master, General Secretary, Treasurer, three Property Trustees, Communications Officer, Technical Adviser and Education Officer as elected under Rule 14 and one Trustee per District as elected under Rule 15. No person may occupy more than one Trustee post. If at any time the number of Trustees has reduced to five or below, the remaining Trustees shall convene an Extraordinary General Meeting under Rule 14 to consider the future of the Association.*
- 12.2 The Trustees shall ensure that the Association complies with its obligations under all current legislation, including but not limited to the current Charities Act from time to time in force, with regard to:
- the keeping of accounting records for the Association;
  - the preparation of annual statements of account for the Association - *such accounts must be prepared in accordance with the provisions of any Statement of Recommended Practice issued by the Charity Commission;*
  - the preparation of an Annual Report and its transmission to the Charity Commission;
  - the preparation of an Annual Return and its transmission to the Charity Commission;
  - the determination of and the annual review of such financial policies as may be required, including Reserves, Expenses and treatment of Legacies;*
  - the review, approval and publication of role descriptions and terms of reference for officers and sub-committees.*
- 12.3 *The Trustees shall ensure that the Association complies with its Objects and Rules as set out in this document.*
- 12.4 The Trustees shall have full powers on matters not provided for in these rules.
- 12.5 All Trustees shall be at least 18 years of age and shall not be disqualified *from being* a Trustee by virtue of section 178 of the Charities Act 2011 (or any statutory re-enactment or modification of that provision). Prospective Trustees of the Association shall sign a declaration that they are not disqualified from becoming Trustees prior to *standing for election* and taking up office or attending a Trustees or Management Committee meeting, *the Trustees Declaration shall be sent to the Treasurer immediately after election. All Trustees and prospective Trustees shall meet the eligibility requirements of Table 1 to these rules.*
- 12.6 *The Trustees are responsible to the Membership for management of the Association. Whilst they would normally act within the parameters agreed through the AGM and Management Committee, they shall where necessary for smooth running of the Association or urgency make decisions including financial approvals. The Trustees may make temporary Officer appointments if an existing officer is unable to continue, such appointments may remain in place until the next ADM or AGM as appropriate. Such appointed officers shall not become Trustees until approved at a District or General meeting.*
- 12.7 *The Trustees shall meet independently of the Management Committee at least three time per year, to prepare/approve the Charity Annual Report and prepare for the Management Committee meetings and the Annual General Meeting. Additional meetings may be held face-to-face or via electronic means and shall take place as often as required to conduct normal or urgent business. Minutes of each Trustees Meeting, redacted for sensitive material if necessary, shall be published to the Management Committee within two weeks of each meeting.*

- 12.8 For all business except that conducted under Rule 19 the quorum for Trustees Meetings shall be two thirds of the elected Trustees (subject to a minimum of 5), and all decisions of the Trustees shall be by a two thirds majority of those present.
- 12.9 Trustees who do not take an active role and participate in at least two of the required meetings per year shall not normally be eligible to stand at the next election, unless in exceptional circumstances as recommended by the remainder of the Trustees and approved by the AGM or ADM prior to elections taking place.

### 13 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- 13.1 A **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** shall manage the routine affairs of the Association on behalf of the Trustees and shall comprise the Association Master, Secretary, Treasurer, Property Trustees, Communications Officer, Technical Adviser, Education Officer, the other Trustees, Central Council Representatives, Life Vice-Presidents, the officers from each District elected under Rule 15 and those officers and convenors of the sub-committees appointed by the Management Committee under Rule 13.5 excluding members co-opted under rule 13.7.
- 13.2 The quorum for a Management Committee Meeting shall be 20 including at least a quorum of Trustees as defined in Rule 12.8 (including two of the Principal Officers and one Property Trustee).
- 13.3 All decisions of the Management Committee shall be carried only by overall majority of members present, except as provided for in Rule 10.3.
- 13.4 The Management Committee shall determine subscriptions and peal fees and the proportion of subscriptions and peal fees transferred to bell restoration, education or any other purpose to meet the Association's Objects.
- 13.5 The Management Committee may appoint a Safeguarding Officer, Peals Secretary, Report Editor, Newsletter Editor, Webmaster, Chaplain, Ringing Course Administrator, Youth Co-ordinator, Bookstall Administrator and any other officers as it may decide and may also appoint sub-committees as required. All such officer appointments shall meet the eligibility requirements of Table 1 to these rules.
- 13.6 All acts and proceedings of any sub-committee shall be fully reported to the Management Committee at each meeting.
- 13.7 The Management Committee shall have the power to co-opt such persons as it considers necessary to assist its deliberations. The number of co-opted persons at any one Management Committee meeting shall not exceed three. All co-options shall be reviewed annually and only renewed if deemed necessary.
- 13.8 No aspect of control of the Association may be delegated to any person or persons not duly elected as Trustees or elected or appointed as members of the Management Committee.
- 13.9 The Management Committee shall meet on at least two occasions during the year to discuss matters concerning the Association:
- not later than the last day of February to prepare the Agenda and other arrangements for the Annual General Meeting; and
  - not later than the last day of October to: review the Association's financial affairs to date and to recommend budgets for the coming year for approval by the Trustees; and to appoint Auditors or suitably qualified Independent Examiners if the accounts for the current year are likely to exceed the legal thresholds for audit or qualified independent examination in place of the elected Independent Examiners if they are not qualified for such appointment.
- 13.10 Should no Auditors or qualified Independent Examiners be appointed and subsequently it is found necessary so to do then the Auditors or qualified Independent Examiners shall be appointed by the Trustees.
- 13.11 The Trustees acting through the Management Committee and its sub-committees shall have the power to raise funds by any lawful means other than permanent trading.
- 13.12 A number of sub-committees shall operate to coordinate work across the Association and its Districts. These shall normally include Communications & Public Relations, Recruitment & Training and Bell Maintenance & Restoration. Each shall be sponsored by a Trustee who shall normally attend the sub-committee meetings and act as the link between the Trustees and the sub-committee. It is preferable that each district shall be represented on each sub-committee. The three principal officers shall be ex-officio members of each sub-committee. Terms of reference for each sub-committee and details of the application processes for any applications for funding may be proposed by the Trustees or the Management Committee for approval by the Trustees. The Treasurer shall attend any sub-committee meeting at which funding requests are to be considered. The sub-committees shall decide how and when to meet and shall provide a written report for each Management Committee meeting.
- The Communications & Public Relations Sub-Committee shall comprise the Communications Officer, General Secretary, Master, Newsletter Editor, Webmaster and normally at least one member or officer active in Communications or Public Relations from each district. The convener shall be the Communications Officer or a member of the Management Committee. The Communications Officer shall be the sponsoring Trustee.
  - The Recruitment & Training Sub-Committee shall comprise the Education Officer, the Ringing Course Administrator, the Master and normally at least one member or officer active in Education and Training from each district. The convener shall be the Education Officer or a member of the Management Committee. The Education Officer shall be the sponsoring Trustee. Applications for training funding shall be considered by this sub-committee.

(c) *The Bell Maintenance & Restoration Sub-Committee shall comprise the Technical Adviser and normally at least one member or officer active in Bell Maintenance from each district. The convener shall be the Technical Adviser or a member of the Management Committee. The Technical Adviser shall be the sponsoring Trustee. This sub-committee shall consider applications for financial assistance for bell maintenance and restoration in accordance with Rule 13.13, meeting at least 30 days before each Management Committee meeting and making written recommendations for consideration at the next Committee meeting.*

13.13 The Management Committee shall have the power, after considering a recommendation from the *Bell Maintenance & Restoration Sub-Committee*, to approve financial assistance for maintenance and improvement of a bell installation, which shall be deemed to include the following:

- (a) Taking out an existing ring of bells, supplying and installing a new frame and fittings, recasting bells and erecting the same.
- (b) Taking out, overhauling and reclapping existing bells, supplying and installing a new frame and fittings, recasting or overhauling and re-erecting.
- (c) Taking out existing bells, overhauling existing frame and fittings, recasting or overhauling and reclapping same and re-erecting.
- (d) Augmentation and bringing existing bells, frames and fittings into an adequate state of repair.
- (e) All other major repairs to bells, frames, fittings and towers.
- (f) The provision of bells, frames and fittings and erection of same in Churches which previously had none.
- (g) The provision of sound regulation by means of adjustable equipment designed to facilitate ringing.
- (h) *Provision of Bell Simulators and audio-visual equipment to support training and practice.*

#### **14 GENERAL MEETINGS**

14.1 **THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** shall normally be held in Chelmsford on the May Day Bank Holiday and arrangements made for a special service. The following business shall be transacted: confirmation of Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting (and any Extraordinary General Meeting held since the previous AGM); adoption of reports and accounts; consideration of motions; matters recommended by the *Trustees or the Management Committee*; election of Officers whose nominations shall have been received by the General Secretary before 1st February: Master, General Secretary, Treasurer, three Property Trustees, Technical Adviser, Education Officer, *Communications Officer* and Central Council representatives as defined by the Council's rules; election of at least one and preferably two Independent Examiners; election of Life Vice-Presidents and Life Members. Notices of motion sponsored by at least two members must have been received by the General Secretary before 1st February. The closing date for nominations and notices of motion shall be published in accordance with Rule 23 in December of each year. Notice giving full details of the Agenda and other arrangements shall be delivered, in accordance with Rule 23, not later than 14 days prior to the Meeting.

14.2 **EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS** may be called by the General Secretary, either by request of *the Trustees or the Management Committee* or by written request, detailing the business or motion to be discussed, signed by no fewer than fifty members. The meeting shall be convened within two months of receiving a properly constituted written request or *Trustees/Committee* instruction. One month's notice of any such meeting shall be sent in accordance with Rule 23 stating the purpose for which it is called. No other business shall be transacted thereat.

14.3 50 Members shall form a quorum at any General Meeting.

#### **15 DISTRICT MEETINGS**

15.1 Each District shall hold at least three meetings yearly.

15.2 The first of the three meetings shall be the Annual District Meeting at which shall be elected four Officers and one Trustee. The *Officers* shall be District Master, Deputy District Master, District Secretary and District Treasurer. *The Trustee may be one of the District officers or another member who has the full support of the District; the Trustee attends Trustees Meetings with the full delegated authority of the District.* All of these may represent the district on the Management Committee. *In the event of a vacancy, a District may elect an Officer or Trustee at any business meeting.* The General Secretary shall be notified, in writing, of these District elections *and the Trustees Declaration sent to the Treasurer* immediately.

15.3 The quorum for District Meetings shall be 10 members of that District including at least two elected District Officers.

16 **THE EXPENSES** paid by the Treasurer from the Association Funds may be: those of the Annual General Meeting; the Essex Ringing Course; cost of printing and distribution of the Annual Reports; purchase of stock; travelling and other expenses of Officers; postage, stationery and incidental expenditure (including Audit or Independent Examination fees approved by the *Trustees*); Central Council affiliation fees; and, if pre-authorised by the *Trustees*, reasonable expenses of Representatives attending the Council; education and training expenses as approved by the *Education & Training Sub-Committee*; costs associated with the website; the cost of advertisements in *The Ringing World, on BellBoard and Social Media* and any other expenditure determined by the *Trustees or the Management Committee* year by year. No action involving expenditure in the name or on behalf of the Association shall be taken and no undertakings which would commit the Association to expenditure or other liability shall be made without the prior authority of a resolution of the *Trustees or the Management Committee*.

- 17** An **ANNUAL REPORT** for the year ended 31st December shall be printed and shall contain: Office for Belfry Use; a list of *Trustees*, Officers and Conveners of sub-committees; Trustees Report; Officers' reports for the year's work including Statement of Accounts signed by the Treasurer and the Independent Examiners/Auditors; a classified list of members, excluding those in Rule 8.2(d) elected prior to the current year; peals and quarter peals rung and other matters determined by the Management Committee. The Rules, list of Association Property as certified by the Property Trustees, Standing Orders and Striking Competition Rules shall each be printed in the Annual Report at least every five years.
- 18** **PEALS RUNG** by members which conform to the current regulations of the Central Council may be credited to the Association. Details of such peals shall be forwarded by the Conductor together with the peal booking fee charged at the time to the Peals Secretary. Peal Booking Fees for peals rung up to 30th November each year shall be forwarded by 14th December. Peals rung in December shall be notified to the Peals Secretary by 1st January and the Peal Booking Fees forwarded by 7th January.
- 19** **SUSPENSION or REMOVAL of OFFICE or MEMBERSHIP**
- 19.1** If in the unanimous opinion of *all* the Association *Trustees* any Officer is unfit to hold office or fails to carry out their duties to its satisfaction, it shall have the power to suspend the Officer immediately, advising the reasons for suspension, and confirming in writing within seven days. *If the Officer is also a Trustee then the remaining Trustees must be unanimous.*
- 19.2** If in the unanimous opinion of the *Trustees* a member has committed acts which have or are likely to damage the reputation of the Association, then their membership may be suspended with immediate effect, advising the reasons for suspension, and confirming in writing within seven days.
- 19.3** All suspensions shall be reviewed and confirmed or rejected at the next *face-to-face Trustees Meeting*, which shall be convened within 2 months of the suspension, whose decision shall be final. Members and Officers who are suspended shall be *invited to the meeting and* given the opportunity to make representation to the *Trustees* either in person or through an intermediary (*who shall not be a Trustee*) prior to the *Trustees* making *their* determination on *termination or reinstatement*. Membership or Office shall be terminated or reinstated if not less than four fifths of the Trustees present vote in favour. Life Vice-Presidents whose Office is suspended may retain their life membership but may not take part in Management Committee meetings or *act as Trustees*. Terminated members shall forfeit any payment made to the Association. *All suspensions, terminations and re-instatements shall be reported to the Management Committee members within 2 weeks.*
- 19.4** Terminated members may not seek re-election until at least three years after termination, or in the case of a custodial sentence, three years after release, and then not until a formal application supported by at least two members has been considered by the *Trustees* and approved by not less than four fifths of the *Trustees* present. Those terminated members whose application to rejoin has been approved must present themselves at a District Meeting for re-election and may not be re-elected by Belfry Election.
- 20** **STANDING ORDERS**
- 20.1** All Association and District business meetings shall use Standing Orders.
- 20.2** In the event of urgency the Chairman may accept a motion for the suspension of Standing Orders. A member proposing this motion must clearly state the urgency and the Standing Order numbers involved. The length of time of any suspension shall be subject to the discretion of the meeting.
- 21** **RULE CHANGES**
- 21.1** No alteration, addition or deletion of these rules shall be made except by a motion considered at an Annual General Meeting or at an Extraordinary General Meeting specially called for the purpose.
- 21.2** No alteration, addition or deletion of these rules shall be made so as to cause the Association at any time to cease to be a Charity in Law. No alteration, addition or deletion of these rules shall be made unless approved by a two thirds majority of those present and eligible to vote. No alteration, addition or deletion of these rules shall be made so as to cause the Association or its Officers to act or potentially act illegally. If at any time the Association Officers are advised that a rule is illegal, then the *Trustees* shall meet to review the matter, seeking such legal advice as deemed necessary. If the advice is upheld it shall issue a notice suspending the application of that rule with immediate effect and convene an Extraordinary General Meeting in accordance with Rule 14.2 to formally remove the rule or pass a legal alternative.
- 22** **DISSOLUTION**
- 22.1** If the members resolve to dissolve the Association (through a Motion at a General Meeting) the Trustees will remain in office and be responsible for winding up the affairs of the Association in accordance with this clause.
- 22.2** The Trustees must collect in all the assets of the Association and must pay or make provision for all the liabilities of the Association.
- 22.3** The Trustees must apply any remaining property or money:
- (a) directly for the Objects of the Association (defined in rule 2);
  - (b) by distribution for the purpose of bell maintenance and restoration equally among those Churches which at the time of the dissolution were in union with Association;
  - (c) by transfer to any Charity or charities for purposes the same as or similar to the Association;
  - (d) in such other manner as the Charity Commission for England and Wales ("the Commission") may approve in writing in advance.

- 22.4 The members may pass a resolution before or at the same time as the resolution to dissolve the Association specifying the manner in which the Trustees are to apply the remaining property or assets of the Association and the Trustees must comply with the resolution if it is consistent with paragraph 22.3 above.
- 22.5 In no circumstances shall the net assets of the Association be paid to or distributed among the members of the Association (except to a member that is itself a Charity).
- 22.6 The Trustees must notify the Commission promptly that the Association has been dissolved. If the Trustees are obliged to send the Association's accounts to the Commission for the accounting period which ended before its dissolution, they must send the Commission the Association's final accounts.
- 23 **NOTICES** shall be given by *any* of the following means: advertisement in The Ringing World; publication by electronic means. In addition Notices of Agenda for the Annual and Extraordinary General meetings shall be sent by mail to each Tower Correspondent (delivery of the Annual Report shall be deemed sufficient notice of the AGM).

These rules were adopted at the AGM on 2 May 2011 and amended at the AGMs on 6 May 2019 and xx May 202x.

Documents showing the proposed changes in colour for Motions 1 & 2 and in comparison with the existing rules for Motion 1 will be available on the EACR website at <https://www.eacr.org.uk/about/rules/rules-review.html> until after the May 2020 AGM.

## STANDING ORDERS

1. **AGENDA** - Items on the Agenda shall take precedence over other business, except matters of urgency, which may be moved only by permission of the meeting. Any member may introduce business, not requiring notice, for consideration after the items on the Agenda have been completed, time permitting.
2. **MINUTES** - The Minutes of the previous meeting shall be read and confirmed and signed by the Chairman (it shall not be necessary to read Minutes of any meeting which have been circulated to members). No discussion thereon shall be allowed except with regard to their accuracy before confirmation, after which relevant questions may be asked regarding matters arising therefrom. Debates on the policy outlined shall take place only by permission of the Chairman.
3. **SPEAKERS** - Speakers shall address the Chair, speak clearly and audibly, and announce their names and localities. When necessary the Chairman shall decide on the precedence to be given to the speakers. Time limits shall be: Movers of resolutions and amendments, five minutes; seconders and other speakers, three minutes; unless otherwise agreed. Movers shall be entitled to three minutes at the end of discussion. Members shall speak more than once, on a given proposition, only by permission of the Chairman.
4. **CHAIRMAN'S RULING** - The Chairman's Rulings on any question shall be final, unless challenged by not less than four members, and a majority of those present to the contrary.
5. **MOTIONS AND AMENDMENTS** - The first proposition on a matter shall be known as the 'Original Motion' and succeeding propositions known as 'Amendments'. Every motion or amendment must be properly seconded before discussion. It is permissible to address the meeting and conclude with a motion. When an amendment is moved no further amendment may be discussed until the first is disposed of satisfactorily. If an amendment is carried it disposes of the Original Motion, and becomes the Substantive Motion, whereupon a further amendment relevant to the Substantive Motion may be moved. After a vote on each succeeding amendment the surviving proposition shall be put, and if carried, shall then become a resolution of the meeting. No direct negative to any motion shall be taken.
6. **CLOSURES** - If he considers a matter sufficiently debated, the Chairman may move 'That the question now be put'. Closure may also be moved by a member who has not taken part in the debate. If the closure is carried, the mover of the Original Motion or Substantive Motion shall have the right to reply. Should the closure be defeated ten minutes must elapse before it can again be moved.
7. **VOTING** - Voting shall be by show of hands, unless otherwise decided by the meeting. In the event of voting being equal, the Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to his own, otherwise the motion shall be deemed to be lost. The Chairman shall declare a motion carried 'unanimously' when all present vote in favour; carried 'nem con' (none contradicting) where some abstain and none vote against; carried 'by majority' where a count has been necessary. No resolution shall be rescinded at the same meeting at which it is carried.

OFFICE	Qty	TRUSTEE (Rule 12)	Mgt Cttee Member (Rule 13)	Electing/Appointing Body				Required Member? (8.2abc)	Member- ship Length	Electing/ Appointing Rule	Role Definition
				AGM	District	Trustees	Committee				
Master	1	YES	YES	YES		#		YES	>2 yr	14.1	11.1 & 12
General Secretary	1	YES	YES	YES		#		YES	>2 yr	14.1	11.2 & 12
Treasurer	1	YES	YES	YES		#		YES	>2 yr	14.1	11.3 & 12
Property Trustee	3	YES	YES	YES				YES	>2 yr	14.1	11.4 & 12
Communications Officer	1	YES	YES	YES		#		YES	>2 yr	14.1	11.5 & 12
Technical Adviser	1	YES	YES	YES		#		YES	>2 yr	14.1	11.6 & 12
Education Officer	1	YES	YES	YES		#		YES	>2 yr	14.1	11.7 & 12
Central Council Rep	5	NO	YES	YES				YES	>1yr	14.1	NA
Life Vice-President	-	NO	YES	YES				YES	>20yr	14.1	NA (8.2b)
Independent Examiner	2	NO	NO	YES		IF REQD	IF REQD	NOT REQD	NA	14.1, 13.9/10	NA
Auditor	1	NO	NO	NO		IF REQD	IF REQD	NOT REQD	NA	13.9/10	NA
District Master	6	**	YES		YES	#		YES	>1yr	15.2	11.8
District Deputy Master	6	**	YES		YES	#		YES	>1yr	15.2	11.9
District Secretary	6	**	YES		YES	#		YES	>1yr	15.2	11.10
District Treasurer	6	**	YES		YES	#		YES	>1yr	15.2	11.11
(District) Trustee **	6	YES	YES		YES			YES	>1yr	15.2	12
Chaplain	1	NO	YES			IF REQD	YES	NOT REQD	NA	13.5	NA
Webmaster	1	NO	YES			IF REQD	YES	YES	>1yr	13.5	NA
Course Admin	1	NO	YES			IF REQD	YES	YES	>1yr	13.5	NA
Newsletter Ed	1	NO	YES			IF REQD	YES	YES	>1yr	13.5	NA
Report Ed	1	NO	YES			IF REQD	YES	YES	>1yr	13.5	NA (17)
Peals Sec	1	NO	YES			IF REQD	YES	YES	>1yr	13.5	NA (18)
Safeguarding	1	NO	YES			IF REQD	YES	YES	>1yr	13.5	NA
Youth Coord	1	NO	YES			IF REQD	YES	YES	>1yr	13.5	NA
Bookstall	1	NO	YES			IF REQD	YES	YES	>1yr	13.5	NA
Other appointments	-	NO	YES			IF REQD	YES	YES	>1yr	13.5	NA

**NOTES** # in emergency only, to be ratified at a District Meeting or General Meeting, may only observe at Trustees meetings until ratified.

**IF REQD** - Trustees or MC to appoint if required, or as urgent replacement.

**\*\*** District-elected Trustee normally expected to be one of the four District Officers but may be another member if the Officers do not wish to act as Trustees.

**Required Member** - is the officer required to be a bell-ringing member? Or can they be an Associate member or a non-member?

**Membership length** - the recommended minimum length of membership under Rule 8.2 immediately prior to standing for office (may be varied under exceptional circumstances by formal decision at the electing/appointing meeting, e.g. an experienced officer moving into the area from another association).

## ANNUAL STRIKING COMPETITION RULES

1. The Association Annual Striking Competition shall comprise a Six Bell Final and an Eight Bell Competition which shall normally be held on the second Saturday of July.
2. The Competition shall be hosted by a district, chosen each year in rotation. The District shall be responsible for organising a venue for each of the Six Bell and Eight Bell competitions, appointing persons to act as M.C., and making all local arrangements including refreshments.

### 3 OFFICIALS

The Association Secretary shall arrange the draw for the order of ringing at the appointed time. To overcome any attendance difficulties teams may with the consent of the Association Master and the other teams re-arrange the order in which they shall ring.

The Association Master shall appoint judges for each of the Six Bell and Eight Bell competitions. There shall be at least two judges for each competition who shall preferably not be resident within the Association's area.

An M.C. shall supervise the ringing. They shall be the only person in the Ringing Room with each competing team and will report to the judges as to method(s) rung and the truth of the ringing at the conclusion of the competition.

The Judges shall recognise each team by a number only. They will announce the result of the competition after each event and will be expected to give a report on each team's performance.

4. **A TROPHY** will be presented to the winning team after the Judges have given their decision. The holders shall be responsible for its safe-keeping whilst it is in their possession and shall ensure that it is returned to their District Master at least 14 days before the date on which the next Association Competition is to take place.
5. If necessary, ruling concerning any matter not covered by these rules shall be given by the District Master or their nominee in the case of a District Heat or by the Master or their nominee at the Final and any such decision shall be final. Rules 7.2, 7.3, & 7.5 below shall also apply to the District Heats, other requirements are at the discretion of the District Master.
6. These rules may be amended by the Management Committee.

### 7 SIX BELL COMPETITION

- 7.1 There shall be up to two teams from each District in the Six Bell Final. Each District must arrange and hold their Heat before the end of June and the winners and runners-up (or next available team) of each District Heat shall be entitled to compete in the Final. In the event of any District having fewer than three teams prepared to compete in the District Heat then that District may dispense with the District Heat and if applicable those teams who were prepared to compete shall be deemed to have qualified for the Final.
- 7.2 **THE COMPETITION PIECE** shall be 240 changes of either Minor or Doubles with tenor covering. Five bell towers may ring Doubles without a covering bell.
- 7.3 Practice rounds or changes of two minutes will be allowed before each team rings the competition piece. Commencement of the competition piece shall be indicated by an agreed signal.
- 7.4 Any team failing to complete the competition piece at the first attempt (unless due to a mechanical breakdown, e.g. broken rope) shall retire.
- 7.5 **TEAMS** - All towers within the Association's boundaries may compete in their District Heats.
  - a) A tower may enter any number of teams composed of ringers listed as being members of that tower in the current report or any who may have been elected since the last report was published. Up to three ringers listed as Unattached in the District may ring for a tower provided that they regularly ring at that tower.
  - b) A tower finding difficulties to form a team on the competition day, may make their own arrangements to have up to two substitutes from neighbouring towers.
  - c) A tower with insufficient members to form a team may join with a neighbouring tower in the same situation to form a joint team, entering the competition in the joint name of both towers. Ringers at towers within a parish group, or who regularly ring in a parish group, may join together and enter a team in the name of the parish group. A parish group may cross district boundaries but may only enter one team in one District unless there are sufficient ringers to form two bands.
  - d) No ringer shall compete in more than one team in either the District Heats or the Association Final. To overcome any attendance difficulties teams may with the consent of the District or Association Master and the other teams re-arrange the order in which they shall ring.

## 8 EIGHT BELL COMPETITION

- 8.1 **THE COMPETITION PIECE** shall be determined each year by the Master who shall decide whether a set touch is to be used or whether the touch is to be left to the discretion of each team.
- If a set touch is to be used, the details will be advised at the Annual General Meeting.
  - If no set touch is defined then each team shall ring at least 250 changes of Major or Triples with tenor covering.
- 8.2 Practice rounds or changes of three minutes will be allowed before each team rings the competition piece. Commencement of the competition piece shall be indicated by an agreed signal.
- 8.3 Any team failing to complete the competition piece at the first attempt (unless due to a mechanical breakdown, e.g. broken rope) shall retire.
- 8.4 **TEAMS** – Each District may enter one team.
- District teams shall be composed of ringers listed as being Ringing Members of that District in the current report or any who may have been elected since the last report was published
  - No ringer shall compete in more than one team.

These rules were adopted at the AGM on 2 May 2011 and amended at the AGM on 2 May 2016 and at the Management Committee on 3 February 2018.



## PUBLIC LIABILITY AND PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE

The Association holds two insurance policies for its members. *The following notes are intended as a guide only and are not intended as a substitute to the insurance policies held by the Association relevant to the period of cover, which contain the full policy definitions, terms, conditions and exclusions.*

### Public Liability

The policy covers bell ringing, minor maintenance and fundraising events. No definition of 'minor maintenance' is available but it would cover routine maintenance and similar activities. Fundraising includes, for example, the use of halls for meetings and publicity and social events (including the use of mini-rings). The indemnity is up to £5,000,000 for every claim with a £250 excess and includes member-to-member liability. The policy is with Ecclesiastical Insurance Group. Public liability cover for major bell projects should be arranged separately.

### Personal Accident

The policy covers all paid-up members of the Association (but not non-resident members), including any person under instruction prior to acceptance for membership of the Essex Association. The policy is underwritten by AmTrust Underwriting Ltd.

Members are covered whilst ringing or attending to any works or travelling to or from a church or bell tower to practice or take part in ringing anywhere in the world. Cover and benefits payable have been extended in respect of certain accidents (see table below). Cover is subject to the policy terms, conditions and exclusions – for example, cover would not apply to any member under the influence of alcohol.

### Benefits payable in the event of an accident

**For the table of benefits visit the Association website at**

**<https://www.eacr.org.uk/about/membership/insurance.html>**

Any member whose subscription is in arrears and who has not paid those arrears by the 30th April each year will not have their insurance cover renewed. It is therefore even more important that you do not let your membership lapse. In the event of a claim the Association Officers will decide whether or not you are a valid member based on membership lists, which the Association are required to maintain (Rule 11.3).

The above is a summary of the policies held and in any conflict with this summary and the actual policies, the policies will take precedence. Claims and queries concerning the extent of the cover, exclusions or operation of the policies should be directed in the first instance to the Association Treasurer so that the position may be clarified with the insurers.

**Andrew Brewster**  
Association Treasurer

# TOWERS IN THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION AREA

## 1. CONTAINING FOUR OR MORE BELLS HUNG FOR RINGING:

↺ = Anticlockwise Ring      + = +Semitones(s)      ‡ = Ground Floor, Staircase, Ladder, Toilet, X-Simulator  
 Unringable due to:      % Tower      ❖ Frame/fittings      ⚠ Cracked bells      ⊕ Other

Tower	Dedication	Dist	No of Bells	Tenor Weight	Key	‡	O/S Ref & Post Code	Peal Total
Ardleigh	St Mary the Virgin	NE	8	13-1-2	F#	L T	054296 CO7 7LE	108
Arkesden	St Mary the Virgin	NW	6	5-2-19	G	S	483345 CB11 4HB	9
Ashdon	All Saints	NW	8	15-1-25	F	S T	581415 CB10 2HG	46
Barking	St Margaret	SW	8	18-2-21	Eb	S T	441838 IG11 8AS	193
Barkingside	St George	SW	8	10-0-9	G	S	431887 IG2 6XF	57
Basildon	St Martin of Tours	S	8	11-2-24	G	S	702886 SS14 1DX	3
Beauchamp Roding ❖	St Botolph	NW	4	9-0-0	-	-	578098 CM5 0PF	-
Belchamp St Paul	St Andrew	N	6	8-2-16	F#	S T	798435 CO10 7DJ	49
Belchamp Walter ❖	St Mary the Virgin	N	8	9-1-0	Ab	-	827407 CO10 7AT	22
Bentley Common	St Paul	S	6	4-1-17	C#	S T	566966 CM14 5RZ	44
Bishop's Stortford	St Michael	NW	10	16-3-15	Eb	S T X	486213 CM23 2LS	232
Black Notley	SS Peter & Paul	N	5	5-3-26	Bb	GF T	762207 CM77 8LF	23
Blackmore ❖	St Laurence	NW	5	10-1-10	F#	-	603016 CM4 ORN	-
Bobbingworth	St Germain	NW	6	13-0-3	G	GF T	534055 CM5 0DQ	14
Bocking	St Mary	N	10	18-1-20	E	S T	757256 CM7 5NA	176
Boreham	St Andrew	SE	8	13-0-19	F	S	756097 CM3 3EG	59
Bradwell-on-Sea	St Thomas	SE	8	8-0-10	G#	S T	004069 CM0 7PX	10
Braintree	St Michael	N	10	11-1-21	F#	L T	756229 CM7 1EY	165
Brentwood	St Thomas of Canterbury	S	8	18-1-15	D#	S T	596937 CM14 4DF	168
Broomfield	St Mary	SE	6	11-0-18	G	GF T	705105 CM1 7BD	26
Broxted ❖	St Mary	N	4	8-2-0	-	-	578274 CM6 2BZ	-
Bures ↺	St Mary	NE	8	21-0-0	E	S T	907340 CO8 5AB	33
Burnham-on-Crouch	St Mary	SE	6	10-0-15	Ab	S T	949971 CM0 8QB	30
Canewdon	St Nicholas	S	10	17-2-23	E	S T	896945 SS4 3PY	-
Castle Hedingham ↺	St Nicholas	N	6	11-1-21	G#	GF	784355 CO9 3ER	20
Chelmsford Cathedral	St Mary the Virgin, St Peter and St Cedd	SE	12+	34-2-22	C	S T	708070 CM1 1NH	255
Chigwell	St Mary	SW	6	8-0-15	G	GF T X	441937 IG7 6QA	43
Chigwell Row	All Saints	SW	8	14-0-11	F#	S	465933 IG7 4QD	62
Chrishall	Holy Trinity	NW	6	8-1-22	Ab	S T	451386 SG8 8QU	14
Clavering	SS Mary & Clement	NW	6	9-0-13	G	L	471318 CB11 4PJ	7
Coggeshall	St Peter ad Vincula	N	10	24-1-7	D	S T X	854230 CO6 1UB	153
Colchester	All Saints, Shrub End	NE	6	4-1-14	Eb	L T	970232 CO3 9FN	33
Colchester	St Leonard at the Hythe	NE	6	15-0-0	E	GF	013247 CO1 2NS	27
Colchester	St Peter	NE	8	21-0-17	Eb	S T	994253 CO1 1JW	147
Colne Engaine	St Andrew	N	6	9-2-7	G	GF	850304 CO6 2HY	57
Dagenham	SS Peter & Paul	SW	8	14-3-0	F#	S	500845 RM10 9UX	163
Danbury	St John the Baptist	SE	8	10-1-24	Ab	S T	779052 CM3 4NG	167
Dedham ❖%	St Mary the Virgin	NE	8	19-0-0	E	S	056332 CO7 6DE	5
Downham	St Margaret	S	6	7-3-0	Bb	S T	730952 CM11 1LG	243
Earls Colne	St Andrew	N	8	14-0-15	F	S	860288 CO6 2RG	77
Eastwood	St Laurence & All Saints	S	6	9-0-8	A	GF T	862888 SS2 6RH	5
Elmdon	St Nicholas	NW	6	10-2-26	G	S	462397 CB11 4NE	8
Epping	St John the Baptist	SW	8	20-0-0	E	S T	459021 CM16 5EB	34
Epping Upland	All Saints	NW	6	12-0-0	G	GF T	444045 CM16 6PH	27
Fairstead ❖	St Mary	N	4	6-3-0	-	GF	768167 CM3 2AT	-
Farnham	St Mary the Virgin	NW	6	9-2-8	Ab	GF	482248 CM23 1HR	9
Feering ❖	All Saints	N	8	18-0-0	F	S	872204 CO5 9QQ	88
Felsted	Holy Cross	N	8	12-0-20	F	S T X	676204 CM6 3DG	28
Finchingfield	St John the Baptist	N	8	15-2-22	Eb	GF	686328 CM7 4NP	34
Fobbing	St Michael	S	8	11-0-27	Ab	L T	717839 SS17 9J	41
Ford End	St John the Evangelist	SE	6	4-2-16	C	L	677168 CM3 1LH	8
Foxearth ↺ ❖	SS Peter & Paul	N	8	7-0-17	A	S	836447 CO10 7JE	91
Fryerning	St Mary the Virgin	SE	6	8-1-26	A	S T	638001 CM4 ONL	71

Fyfield	St Nicholas	NW	6	6-3-9	Bb	S T	572068	CM5 0SB	57
Galleywood	St Michael & All Angels	SE	8	13-1-9	F	S T	704029	CM2 8PW	120
Gestingthorpe	St Mary	N	6	16-0-0	F	L	812386	CO9 3BB	45
Goldhanger	St Peter	SE	8	8-3-1	Ab	GF T	905088	CM9 8AS	118
Good Easter ☿	St Andrew	SE	5	8-1-12	G#	-	627121	CM1 4RU	-
Gosfield	St Catherine	N	6	9-2-7	G#	GF T	777294	CO9 1UD	23
Grays	SS Peter & Paul	S	8	10-3-16	G	GF T	614777	RM17 6NQ	6
Great Baddow	St Mary the Virgin	SE	8	14-1-13	F#	S T	729048	CM2 7JU	212
Great Bardfield	St Mary the Virgin	N	8	15-0-0	F#	GF T	678303	CM7 4RN	52
Great Bentley	St Mary the Virgin	NE	8	7-0-27	A	S T	109216	CO7 8QG	87
Great Bromley	St George	NE	6	15-0-0	F	S T	084263	CO7 7TY	63
Great Burstead ❖	St Mary Magdalene	S	5	9-0-0	A	-	681922	CM11 2TR	-
Great Chesterford ❖	All Saints	NW	6	10-1-10	G	-	505427	CB10 1NP	-
Great Chishill	St Swithun	NW	5	10-0-7	Ab	L	422388	SG8 8SA	4
Great Dunmow	St Mary the Virgin	N	8	21-1-6	E	GF T	629229	CM6 2AE	115
Great Easton	SS John & Giles	N	6	11-2-10	G	GF T	608254	CM6 2HF	112
Great Hallingbury	St Giles	NW	5	10-2-15	G	S	511196	CM22 7TZ	6
Great Holland	All Saints	NE	8	15-0-10	F#	S T	219193	CO13 0JS	143
Great Horkesley	All Saints	NE	6	12-2-0	F#	L	972324	CO6 4BD	20
Great Ilford	St Mary the Virgin	SW	8	7-0-22	Ab	S T	447867	IG1 1TX	84
Great Leighs ☿	St Mary the Virgin	SE	5	9-2-0	G	S/L T	738155	CM3 1PL	6
Great Pamdon	St Mary	NW	6	9-1-0	G	S T	433089	CM19 4HT	7
Great Sampford ❖	St Michael	NW	5	8-0-0	G#	-	643354	CB10 2RS	-
Great Tey	St Barnabas	NE	8	15-1-0	F#	S	892257	CO6 1JF	70
Great Totham	St Peter	SE	6	6-3-16	Bb	GF T	862110	CM9 8NP	138
Great Wakering	St Nicholas	S	6	8-1-2	A	GF	949875	SS3 0AG	21
Great Waltham	SS Mary & Lawrence	SE	8	22-2-18	Eb	S T	696135	CM3 1AS	40
Great Yeldham	St Andrew	N	6	7-0-0	A	GF T	757386	CO9 4PT	39
Greenstead Green ☿	St James the Apostle	N	6	12-2-25	F	S	822285	CO9 1QR	11
Hadstock	St Botolph	NW	6	2-3-13	F#	S	558447	CB21 4NX	27
Halstead	St Andrew	N	8	15-1-6	F	S	816307	CO9 2LD	78
Harlow	St Mary & St Hugh	NW	8	18-1-13	E	S	483115	CM17 0LR	47
Harlow Common	St Mary Magdalene	NW	8	12-0-9	G	GF T	473085	CM17 9HD	149
Harwich	St Nicholas	NE	8	13-2-22	G	S T	262326	CO12 3ER	53
Hatfield Broad Oak	St Mary the Virgin	NW	8	17-1-15	E	S T	546166	CM22 7HG	79
Hatfield Heath	Holy Trinity	NW	6	4-1-21	Eb	GF	522149	CM22 7AB	76
Havering-atte-Bower	St John the Evangelist	SW	6	16-2-4	Eb	S	512931	RM4 1PY	13
Helions Bumpstead	St Andrew	NW	8	12-2-9	F	GF	651416	CB9 7AJ	57
Hempstead	St Andrew	NW	6	12-3-8	F	S	634379	CB10 2PB	12
Henham	St Mary the Virgin	NW	6	8-2-2	Ab	GF	544286	CM22 6AN	20
Heydon	Holy Trinity	NW	5	6-1-6	C	GF	433399	SG8 8QB	5
High Easter	St Mary the Virgin	SE	6	19-0-0	E	S	620148	CM1 4QW	9
High Ongar	St Mary the Virgin	NW	6	11-1-0	F#	L	565037	CM5 9NQ	11
Hornchurch	St Andrew	SW	10	18-0-0	Eb	S T	544869	RM11 3XU	145
Hutton	All Saints	S	5	6-1-10	A	GF T	635943	CM13 1SA	43
Ingatestone	SS Mary & Edmund	SE	6	10-0-0	G	S T	652996	CM4 9DU	10
Ingrave	St Nicholas	S	6	10-1-16	F#	S	623920	CM13 3RR	20
Inworth	All Saints	SE	6	5-1-2	B	S	879178	CO5 9SP	159
Kelvedon	St Mary the Virgin	N	8	19-3-2	Eb	GF T	855186	CO5 9AL	57
Kirby-le-Soken ☿	St Michael	NE	8	9-3-1	Ab	S	219220	CO13 0EF	195
Langdon Hills	St Mary the Virgin & All Saints	S	6	10-3-7	F	S T	678865	SS16 6HY	19
Langham	St Mary the Virgin	NE	6	9-2-0	G	S T	034336	CO4 5PS	16
Langley	St John the Evangelist	NW	4	6-0-0	Bb	GF	443353	CB11 4RZ	-
Layer-de-la-Haye	St John the Baptist	NE	6	10-3-22	F	S T	965191	CO2 0EW	9
Leigh-on-Sea	St Clement	S	8	10-1-21	G	S T	842857	SS9 2DE	7
Leyton	St Mary the Virgin	SW	8	8-2-16	A	S T	377868	E10 5JH	92
Leytonstone	St John the Baptist	SW	8	12-3-23	G	S T	394875	E11 1HH	93
Little Baddow	St Mary the Virgin	SE	8	11-2-5	Ab	S T	765081	CM3 4BE	43
Little Bentley ❖	St Mary the Virgin	NE	5	15-1-0	F	-	123250	CO7 8SE	-
Little Bromley	St Mary	NE	4	6-2-0	Bb	S	091278	CO11 2PP	3
Little Horkesley	SS Peter & Paul	NE	5	10-2-16	Ab	S	960320	CO6 4DB	20
Little Waltham	St Martin	SE	6	10-2-14	G	L T	713127	CM3 3LJ	29
Littlebury	Holy Trinity	NW	6	8-1-12	F#	S	516395	CB11 4TT	9
Loughton	St John the Baptist	SW	8	18-2-19	E	S T	429969	IG10 1PE	48

Maldon	All Saints	SE	8	11-3-13	G	GF T	849071	CM9 4QB	104
Maldon	St Mary	SE	6	11-0-0	G	ST	857067	CM9 5HW	41
Manuden	St Mary the Virgin	NW	6	9-2-14	G	ST	491266	CM23 1DQ	23
Margaretting	St Margaret	SE	5	10-1-20	Ab	GF	665004	CM4 0ED	5
Matching	St Mary	NW	6	7-3-5	G	GF	525120	CM17 0OZ	49
Mistley	SS Mary & Michael	NE	6	10-3-2	F#	S	114318	CO11 1ER	129
Moreton	St Mary the Virgin	NW	6	9-3-17	G	GF	537071	CM5 0JB	30
Navestock	St Thomas	S	6	9-3-20	G	GF T	540984	RM4 1HA	20
Nazeing	All Saints	NW	6	9-1-14	A	ST	414070	EN9 2DB	40
Newport	St Mary the Virgin	NW	6	14-2-17	F	S	521341	CB11 3RA	3
Newport	Ellen Campanile	NW	8	0-0-10	G	T	521331		1
North Ockendon ⚡	St Mary Magdalene	S	6	9-2-21	G	GF T	586848	RM14 3QH	11
North Weald	St Andrew	NW	6	9-2-0	F#	S	495052	CM16 6AL	33
Orsett	St Giles & All Saints	S	6	10-2-12	Ab	ST	644820	RM16 3EB	6
Pebmarsh	St John the Baptist	N	6	8-1-4	Bb	LT	854335	CO9 2NN	57
Pentlow	SS George & Gregory	N	5	8-2-0	G	L	813461	CO10 7SP	10
Pleshey ⚡	Holy Trinity	SE	5	11-3-25	F# m	S	664144	CM3 1HA	5
Prittwell	St Mary the Virgin	S	10	18-0-9	E	S T X	877868	SS2 6EQ	274
Purleigh	All Saints	SE	6	9-3-18	G	ST	842020	CM3 6QJ	48
Radwinter	St Mary the Virgin	NW	8	12-0-22	F	S X	606372	CB10 2SN	30
Rayleigh	Holy Trinity	S	8	16-1-14	F	ST	807908	SS6 8BB	77
Rayne	All Saints	N	6	6-2-5	Bb	ST	733229	CM77 6BW	116
Rettendon	All Saints	S	6	8-1-7	A	ST	770959	CM3 8DR	23
Rickling	All Saints	NW	5	5-1-18	A	L	498315	CB11 3YL	4
Ridgewell	St Laurence the Martyr	N	6	8-3-23	Ab	GF	740408	CO9 4SA	4
Rochford	St Andrew	S	8	4-0-9	D	ST	872903	SS4 1NW	15
Romford	St Edward the Confessor	SW	8	15-2-14	F	ST	512889	RM1 3AF	220
Roydon	St Peter	NW	6	8-3-18	G#	ST	407103	CM19 5LW	44
Saffron Walden	St Mary the Virgin	NW	12	22-2-24	D	S T X	537386	CB10 1JP	218
Sandon	St Andrew	SE	6	10-3-16	G	S T X	743048	CM2 7SL	35
Sawbridgeworth	Great St Mary	NW	8	24-0-12	D	S X	485148	CM21 9AD	49
Shalford	St Andrew	N	5	9-3-27	Ab	LT	724293	CM7 5HH	7
Shenfield	St Mary the Virgin	S	6	7-0-20	G	L T	605951	CM15 9AL	81
Sible Hedingham	St Peter	N	8	18-1-0	E	S	775343	CO9 3NT	89
South Benfleet	St Mary the Virgin	S	6	11-3-14	F#	ST	777862	SS7 5LJ	9
South Ockendon	Holy Cross	S	8	3-3-9	D	ST	584816	RM15 5EJ	9
South Weald	St Peter	S	8	14-1-3	F#	ST	571939	CM14 5QJ	34
Southminster	St Leonard	SE	8	11-2-2	F#	ST	958997	CM0 7EP	12
Springfield	All Saints	SE	6	10-0-15	F#	ST	719080	CM1 7ZA	33
St Osyth	SS Peter & Paul	NE	6	10-2-15	G	GF T	123155	CO16 8QW	17
Stambourne ❖	SS Peter & Thomas	N	5	9-2-0	Ab	-	721388	CO9 4NR	-
Stanford-le-Hope	St Margaret of Antioch	S	8	11-1-5	G	S	684823	SS17 0EU	49
Stansted Mountfitchet ⚡	St Mary the Virgin	NW	8	13-0-0	F#	L	521241	CM24 8UB	234
Stebbing	St Mary the Virgin	N	6	12-2-14	F#	ST	664240	CM6 3SW	89
Steeple Bumpstead	St Mary	NW	6	14-2-2	F#	S	679410	CB9 7DG	6
Stisted	All Saints	N	6	9-1-20	Ab	L	799246	CM77 8AH	181
Takeley ⚡	Holy Trinity	NW	4	13-0-0	G	S T	555217	CM22 6QL	1
Tendring	St Edmund King & Martyr	NE	6	6-2-17	A	S	143242	CO16 0BL	33
Terling	All Saints	SE	8	11-1-13	F#	ST	774148	CM3 2PH	476
Thaxted	St John the Baptist	NW	8	15-0-2	Eb	GF	610310	CM6 2PL	56
Theydon Garnon	All Saints	SW	6	13-3-3	F	S	472994	CM16 7NX	5
Thorpe Bay	St Augustine	S	8	16-0-18	F	ST	916851	SS1 3JQ	29
Thorpe-le-Soken	St Michael	NE	6	9-2-0	G	ST	179223	CO16 0EB	38
Thorrington	St Mary Magdalene	NE	6	9-0-22	G	L	098196	CO7 8HA	81
Tillingham	St Nicholas	SE	6	9-0-0	Bb m	ST	993038	CM0 7SU	10
Tollesbury	St Mary	SE	10	7-0-18	A	GF T	956104	CM9 8QJ	82
Tolleshunt D'Arcy ❖	St Nicholas	SE	6	6-2-4	Bb	L T	928117	CM9 8TS	90
Toppesfield	St Margaret of Antioch	N	8	14-2-14	G	S T	739374	CO9 4DR	10
Waltham Abbey	Holy Cross & St Lawrence	NW	12+	37-1-7	C	ST	381006	EN9 1DT	228
Walthamstow	St Mary	SW	10	17-1-1	Eb	ST	377892	E17 9RD	239
Walthamstow	St Saviour	SW	8	16-0-16	E	S	367879	E17 8EU	66
Wanstead	Christ Church	SW	8	8-0-12	Bb	ST	403884	E11 2SW	28
Wendens Ambo	St Mary the Virgin	NW	6	8-0-0	G#	GF	514363	CB11 4UZ	20
West Ham	All Saints	SW	10	26-1-23	Eb	S T	394838	E15 3JY	294

West Hanningfield ❖	SS Mary & Edward	S	4	7-0-0	A	GF	735998	CM2 8UL	-
Wethersfield	St Mary Magdalene	N	8	11-1-22	F	GF T X	712312	CM7 4BY	36
White Roding ❖ ⚡	St Martin	NW	5	11-0-0	G	-	562134	CM6 1RR	-
Wickford	'Louvaine'	S	8	0-0-8	F#	GF T	738935	SS12 0DP	-
Wickham St Paul	All Saints	N	5	9-2-11	G	GF	826371	CO9 2PH	14
Widford ❖	St Mary	SE	8	11-2-18	G	S T	694050	CM2 8TE	113
Willingale Doe	St Christopher	NW	6	7-3-9	A	L T X	596073	CM5 0SJ	4
Witham	St Nicolas	N	8	15-3-12	E	S	817154	CM8 2JS	60
Wivenhoe	St Mary the Virgin	NE	6	7-0-7	Bb	S T	039215	CO7 9BJ	12
Woodford	St Mary the Virgin	SW	8	10-2-21	F#	S	400907	E18 2QF	59
Wormingford	St Andrew	NE	6	8-0-0	Bb	S T	933323	CO6 3AZ	148
Writtle	All Saints	SE	10++	31-2-12	D	S T X	678062	CM1 3EN	201

## 2. Containing Three bells hung for ringing and which are in a ringable condition:

Tower	Dedication	Dist	Tenor Wt	Key ‡	O/S Ref / Post Code
Ashen	St Augustine	N	8-3-22	Bb* GF	747423 CO10 8JN
Bowers Gifford	St Margaret	S	9-0-0	Bb GF	755873 SS13 2EZ
Bush End ()	St John the Evangelist	NW	2-1-19	F# S	548200 CM22 6NN
East Hanningfield	All Saints	SE	6-0-6	B GF	771012 CM3 8AD

( ) no stays or sliders \*Tuning 1-3 of 4

## 3. The following rings have been lost for the reasons stated:

Church	Dedication	Dist	Bells	Tenor Wt	O/S Ref	Peals	Reason for Loss
Aveley	St Michael	S	5	9-1-0	567801		Treble & 2nd scrapped
Canning Town	Holy Trinity	SW	6	7-1-0	397818	7	Church demolished 1957
Colchester	All Saints	NE	5	11-0-0	999252		Transferred to Lt. Horkesley
Colchester	St Nicholas	NE	6	12-0-0	997252		Transferred to St Martin's, Basildon
East Horndon	All Saints	S	4	8-0-0	636895		Stolen
Little Heath	St James	SW	5	5-2-22	469891	1	Church demolished 1933
Little Oakley	St Mary	NE	4	7-1-0	218291		Stolen
West Tilbury	St James	S	5	7-0-22	661777	1	4 bells transferred to Grays; one to Little Baddow.

## REPORT EDITOR'S REPORT

I would like to thank all contributors for their input especially the District and Association Officers for their timely inputs. This year we have included the Rules incorporating proposed amendments and updated the tower list to include closest Post Codes and Simulator availability where known. In addition we have included information on membership, peal and quarter peal trends.

Tower email addresses continue to be included where the webmaster has been sent a valid address and set up the [tower-name@eacr.org.uk](mailto:tower-name@eacr.org.uk) address. These addresses rely on the webmaster being sent a valid contact email address.

The Association is also grateful to the advertisers who support this publication.

If you notice any mistakes or have updates please let me know in writing for next year's Report. Whilst every effort has been made to ensure that the information given is correct, the officers of the Essex Association of Change Ringers cannot be held responsible for any inaccuracies contained in this Report.

Colin Chapman

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# Guidelines on Safeguarding in the context of bellringing

## Introduction

Though the Essex Association has adopted the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers Safeguarding guidelines this will always be secondary to the National Safeguarding policy adopted by the Diocese. The Association is presently in the process of finalising its Diocese agreement document.

The Central Council documents are still relevant though and recently updated, so Tower Captains and particularly those teaching young ringers should be familiar with these guidelines and those required by your PCCs in order to protect young ringers. Links to the Diocesan web site and the CCCBR documents above can be found via the EACR link below; look under Tower Operations for the CCCBR documents. <http://www.eacr.org.uk/about/rules/child-protection.html>

Depending on your tower situation the documents above may be appropriate for your Tower notice board. In addition to the above your church should display the "Promoting a Safer Church" document that has all the necessary Safeguarding contacts required.

Parishes will have a Safeguarding representative to manage DBS applications, etc., and who is the first point of contact for local Safeguarding issues or queries. Tower Captains should find out who this person is and it is recommended each tower appoints a Safeguarding representative.

Considering the above, if you have any suspicions, concerns or questions, consult the Association's Safeguarding Officer whose details are on page 2 of this Report, or the Diocese Duty Safeguarding Officer ☎ 01245 294444 (24hr - emergency number) e-mail [safeguarding@chelmsford.anglican.org](mailto:safeguarding@chelmsford.anglican.org) or the Diocesan Safeguarding Manager Amanda Goh ☎ 01245 294457 e-mail [agoh@chelmsford.anglican.org](mailto:agoh@chelmsford.anglican.org).

## Suggested guidelines (these should be read in conjunction with the CCCBR guidelines)

- 🔔 **Always** have two adults present when children are being taught, preferably one male & one female.
- 🔔 Invite the parents of any trainees to come and watch a training session before allowing their child to start to learn. Require a parent to attend the first training session and ensure that the parent fully understands what is involved in learning to ring.
- 🔔 Make sure a parent is responsible for delivering the child to and collecting the child from the tower.
- 🔔 Ask parents to sign a form giving permission for the child to be taught to ring.
- 🔔 Keep an attendance register.
- 🔔 Be aware of the insurance position for children.
- 🔔 Never allow children up amongst the bells apart from an initial demonstration visit (if it is safe to have one).
- 🔔 Get parents to sign a detailed permission form for tower outings. Organisers should be aware of Health and Safety and other issues: for example, it is inadvisable for a child to travel alone in a vehicle with an adult. A suggested "permission to ring" form can be found at the Central Council website at: <https://cccbr.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/permission-to-ring-form.pdf>
- 🔔 Ensure you have a copy of the CCCBR guidelines displayed in your tower, please see above.

## Points to check:

- 🔔 Church insurance - does the policy have a lower age limit? In some churches this is 12 years of age.
- 🔔 Is it possible to prevent inquisitive children from wandering up amongst bells that are 'up'?
- 🔔 Is there a tower Health and Safety Policy? Is it reviewed regularly? Is there an accident log book?
- 🔔 Is there a first aid kit for minor accidents?
- 🔔 Are you aware of any medical conditions affecting the children being taught? For example: epilepsy, diabetes. The permission to ring form requests this detail.
- 🔔 Find out the name of the church's appointed person and the procedure to be followed in the event of a child making a disclosure about possible child abuse. Always follow up such allegations, avoid detailed questioning of the child and never promise confidentiality.

## PRACTICE NIGHTS

	No	Dist		No	Dist		No	Dist
<b>MONDAY</b>			<b>TUESDAY cont</b>			<b>THURSDAY cont</b>		
Ashdon	8	NW	Tendring	6	NE	Purleigh	6	SE
Braintree	10	N	Thaxted	8	NW	Roydon	6	NW
Chelmsford	12	SE	Wormingford **	6	NE	Shenfield (1st)	6	S
Chigwell Row	8	SW	Writtle	10	SE	Sible Hedingham	8	N
Colne Engaine	6	N	** check alternating Bures/Wormingford			South Benfleet (2nd & 4th)	6	S
Epping	8	SW	‡ Last Tues at Earls Colne			South Ockendon	8	S
Felsted	8	N				Stanford-le-Hope	8	S
Fyfield	6	NW				Stebbing	6	N
Galleywood	8	SE	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>			Terling ***	8	SE
Grays	8	S	Arkesden	6	NW	Tollesbury	10	SE
Great Bentley	8	NE	Basildon	8	S	*** Last Thurs alternates		
Great Dunmow *	8	N	Broomfield (not 1st)	6	SE	‡ 1st Mon alternates		
Great Easton *	6	N	Canewdon	10	S			
Great Tey (alt)	8	NE	Coggeshall	10	N	<b>FRIDAY</b>		
Havering-Atte-Bower	6	SW	Colchester, Shrub End	6	NE	Belchamp St. Paul	6	N
Layer-de-la-Haye	6	NE	Danbury	8	SE	Bradwell-on-Sea	6	SE
Leytonstone	8	SW	Goldhanger	8	SE	Colchester, St Leonard **	6	NE
Littlebury	6	NW	Great Bardfield	8	N	Fobbing (1st, 3rd, 5th)	8	S
Maldon, All Saints (2nd & 4th)	8	SE	Great Chishill	5	NW	Great Baddow (‡)	8	SE
Margaretting	5	SE	Great Waltham (3rd)	8	SE	Great Bromley	6	NE
North Ockendon	6	S	Harwich	8	NE	Great Totham	6	SE
Prittlewell	10	S	Hatfield Heath	6	NW	Halstead	8	N
Radwinter	8	NW	Hempstead	6	NW	Langdon Hills (2nd & 4th)	6	S
Romford	8	SW	Heydon	5	NW	Navestock (once per month)	6	S
Sawbridgeworth	8	NW	Ingatstone (1st only)	6	SE	Pleshey	5	SE
South Weald	8	S	Ingrave	6	S	Rochford (Fri before 4th Sun)	8	S
Springfield	6	SE	Little Waltham (1st only)	6	SE	Shalford	5	N
Stisted	6	N	Rettondon	6	S	Shenfield	6	S
Thorpe-le-Soken	6	NE	Theydon Garnon	6	SW	Stansted Mountfitchet (4th)	8	NW
Wethersfield	8	N	Thorpe Bay	8	S	Walthamstow, St Saviour	8	SW
Woodford	8	SW	Thorrington (not Aug, Dec)	6	NE	West Ham	10	SW
* alternating			Tillingham	6	SE	Willingale	6	NW
			Toppesfield	8	N	** 3rd		
			Waltham Abbey	12	NW	‡ with exceptions		
<b>TUESDAY</b>			Walthamstow, St. Mary	10	SW	<b>SATURDAY</b>		
Ardleigh (2nd)	8	NE	Wickham St Paul	5	N	Ford End	6	SE
Bentley Common	6	S	Willingale	6	NW	Ridgewell	6	N
Boreham	8	SE	Witham	8	N			
Bures **	8	NE	Wivenhoe	6	NE			
Burnham-on-Crouch	6	SE						
Earls Colne (last)	8	N	<b>THURSDAY</b>					
Gosfield	6	N	Barking	8	SW			
Great Holland	8	NE	Bishop's Stortford	10	NW			
Great Parndon	6	NW	Bobbingworth (2nd, 4th)	6	NW			
Great Wakering	6	S	Bocking	10	N			
Greenstead Green ‡	6	N	Brentwood (except 1st)	8	S			
High Easter	6	SE	Chigwell	6	SW			
High Ongar	6	NW	Colchester, St. Peter	8	NE			
Hornchurch	10	SW	Downham	6	S			
Hutton	5	S	Eastwood ‡					
Inworth (alternate Tues)	6	SE	(1st = even months)	6	S			
Kelvedon	8	N	Hadstock	6	NW			
Langham (4th)	6	NE	Harlow	8	NW			
Loughton	8	SW	Harlow Common	8	NW			
Manuden	6	NW	Henham	6	NW			
Nazeing	6	NW	Leigh on Sea ‡					
Pebmarsh (alternate)	6	N	(1st = odd months)	8	S			
Rayleigh	8	S	Little Baddow ***	8	SE			
Saffron Walden	12	NW	Matching	6	NW			
St. Osyth (not Aug, Dec)	6	NE	Mistley	6	NE			
Sandon	6	SE	Moreton (1st, 3rd, 5th)	6	NW			
			Orsett	6	S			

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2020/21

### 2020

March	7	District Meeting - Maldon St Mary V	South-Eastern
	21	District Meeting & advanced ringing workshop - South Benfleet	Southern
April	4	District Striking Competition & Business meeting - Great Easton	Northern
	4	SEECON - SE England Youth Striking Competition - Writtle	
	16-18	ESSEX RINGING COURSE - Honeywood School, Coggeshall	
	23	St George's Day / Ringing for England	
	25	District Quarter Peal Day	Southern
	25	District Quarter Peal Day with a Difference	South-Eastern
26 - 10 May		District SE RingFest	South-Eastern
May	8	VE Day 75th Anniversary Celebrations - Ring to fit with local activities and/or at 7pm	
	9	District Method & Call Change Striking Competitions & Meeting - Inworth	South-Eastern
	16	District Meeting and Method Striking Competition - Arkesden	North-Western
	16	District Method Striking Competition - Bentley Common	Southern
	25	ASSOCIATION AGM – Chelmsford Cathedral, Tea and Ringing in Northern District	
June	6	District Spring Meeting & Striking Competition, Bring and Share - Langham	North-Eastern
	6	District Outing, TBA	Southern
	13	Raising and lowering expectations - Shalford	Northern
	13	District Striking Competition & Meeting - Woodford	South-Western
	13	RIDGMAN TROPHY 10-BELL COMPETITION, Venue tba	
	20	District 10-bell Practice - Tollesbury	South-Eastern
July	4	Ringing World National Youth Contest - York	
	11	ASSOCIATION STRIKING COMP FINALS - Steeple Bumpstead (inc Tea) & Radwinter	
	25	District Car Outing	North-Eastern
August	1	District Outing	Northern
	8	District Ringing Outing TBC	North-Western
September	5	District Business Meeting - Belchamp St Paul	Northern
	5	District Meeting - Galleywood	South-Eastern
	12	ESSEX TROPHY 10-BELL COMPETITION - Ashford, Kent	
	19	District Meeting, Call Change Competition and BBQ - Wivenhoe	North-Eastern
	19	District Meeting - Fobbing	Southern
	19	District Training Day	South-Eastern
	26	District Call Change Competition & District Meeting - Ilford	South-Western
October		District Quarter Peal Month	North-Eastern
	3	District Meeting and Call Change Striking Competition - Matching	North-Western
	3	ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - Danbury	
	10	ANNUAL DINNER - Benton Hall Golf & Country Club, Witham	
	17	District Afternoon Practice - South Weald	Southern
November		District Quarter Peal Month	Northern
	14/21	District 12 Bell practice - Ipswich SMLT tbc	North-Eastern
	21	District Call Change Competition - Ingrave	Southern
	21	District Quiz Night - Springfield	South-Eastern
	28	ASSOCIATION TRAINING DAY - SW District - Chigwell/Epping/Theydon Garnon	
December	5	District Carol Service - Braintree	Northern
	5	District Carol Service - Boreham	South-Eastern
	12	District Carol Service - Thorrington	North-Eastern
	12	District Carol Service - Thaxted	North-Western
	12	District Carol Service - Rettendon	Southern

### 2021

January	9	Annual District Meeting - Halstead	Northern
	9	Annual District Meeting - Writtle	South-Eastern
	16	Annual District Meeting - Great Holland	North-Eastern
	16	Annual District Meeting - Venue TBA	South-Western
	23	Annual District Meeting - Grays	Southern
	30	Annual District Meeting - Willingale	North-Western

Districts and the Essex Young Ringers also hold regular practices and other events and some further information is provided on page 47.

This information is believed to be correct at the time of publication; please check details with your District Secretary, on the Association's and Districts' Social Media feeds, the Association website at [eacr.org.uk](http://eacr.org.uk), and on *BellBoard* and in *The Ringing World*.