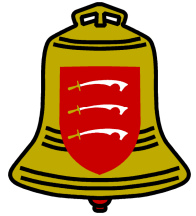


Rounds & About

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59th Annual Essex Association Dinner

The Association's 59th Annual Dinner will be held in the Crystal Room at the County Hotel, Chelmsford on Saturday 5th October at 6.45 for 7.30pm. Join us in the pleasant surroundings for an enjoyable evening of good food and good company in the presence of Chris McCarthy from Bishops Stortford and the Revd. Canon Peter Mann, Vicar of Harwich.

Starters

Binham blue, apple, orange, and endive salad, walnut dressing [v]
 Grilled red mullet on red onion and tomato salad
 Pork rillette, home-made piccalilli, sour dough toast

Mains

Fillet of salmon with white wine cream sauce, creamed potato
 Rump steak braised in red wine with mushrooms, bacon & onion with new potatoes
 Pumpkin, butternut squash risotto, rosemary and toasted pumpkin seeds [v]

Desserts

Amaretti crème brûlée, almond biscoti
 Chocolate brioche pudding
 Spiced apple pie with custard
 Coffee and Petit Fours to follow

Special diets can be arranged on request

The charge for the evening will be £33 per person. Dress will be Black Tie or Lounge Suit. Download the booking form from the website <http://www.eacr/dinner2013>, select your menu choices, add your name and send your **completed form**, **SAE** and **payment** (payable to 'EACR') to Andrew Brewster at the address below. The last date for ordering is 8th September 2013. Alternatively secure your place now by paying a deposit of £15pp and pay the balance by 8th September.

There is accommodation available in the hotel if anyone wishes to stay. Discounted Room Rates for Dinner Night: Double: £85, Single: £75 (including breakfast). £20 non-refundable deposit on booking. Please book accommodation directly with the County Hotel (01245 455700) and inform them that you are attending the Essex Dinner, to secure the special rate

There is also a bar, which sells real ale, and there are car parking spaces at the hotel or nearby, or you can use the train! We will be seated on tables of 6, 8 or 10, so do think about making up a table from your Tower.

Let's make it a great success. Please come along and support it!

Andrew Brewster
16 The Priory, Writtle, Essex CM1 3JE
01245 421166

Association Training Day 2013

This year's training day is on Saturday 23rd November 2013, 9.45am - approx. 4:30pm and is based in the South West District with the initial meet in the church hall at St Andrew's, Hornchurch.

The groups on offer are:

- Improving your Basic Skills.
- Plain Hunt Doubles and Minor
- Plain Bob Doubles and Minor

To apply for a place, download an application form from www.eacr.org.uk training page or send an SAE for an application form to: Richard Wilson, EACR Education Officer, 57 Wilshire Avenue, Springfield, Chelmsford, CM2 6QW.

Forms will be available from both sources from 31st August 2013 onwards. Limited spaces available; first come, first served. The closing date for applications is 1st November 2013.

This year there will be a charge of £6 which must be paid in advance, cheques to be made payable to EACR. We have introduced this system because in previous years there have been a number of people who have applied and then failed to attend without notice or reason, thus wasting valuable training spaces others could have used. No e-mail applications will be accepted this year.

Helpers are also required for this day; please contact Richard on 01245 358765 or 07587140804 or e-mail: education@eacr.org.uk if you are able to help.

That's a First

Congratulations to the following ringers

First Quarter: Jean Prevost (Matching)
Megan Rankin Wethersfield
Janice Lambeth (Saffron Walden)
Ian MacPherson (Bradwell on Sea)
Tom Infanti (Brentwood)

Ridgman Trophy

The Ridgman Trophy 10 bell striking competition took place on Saturday 15th June on the back 10 at Surfleet in Lincolnshire. The judges were Richard Smith and Michael Purday, the test piece half a course of Cambridge S. Royal. The locals arranged the use of the garden at the Mermaid Inn across the road from the church and supplied plentiful cake and coffee, arranged boat trips along the river and a necessary shelter from the thunder storms under the not-quite-so-waterproof gazebo. The judges declared the results as follows:

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| 1st Bedfordshire | 30 faults (peal speed: 3h1) |
| 2nd Lincoln | 42 faults (3h4) |
| 3rd Ely | 47 faults (3h5) |
| 4th Norwich | 51 faults (3h12) |
| 5th Peterborough | 57 faults (2h59) |
| 6th Suffolk | 67 faults (3h19) |
| 7th Essex | 83 faults (3h5) |
| 8th Cambridge University | 102 faults (3h3) |

Representing Essex were: Paul Cammiade, Vicki Chapman, Hilary Donoghue, Cecile Cross, Roger Collins, John Harpole, Matthew Rayner, John Hall, Colin Chapman and Brian Meads (c).

Next year's competition will be hosted by Essex on 7th June 2014.

Stephanie Gillingham

Stephanie Gillingham learnt to ring at Galleywood whilst a curate at our church St Michael and All Angels, Galleywood. She became a member of the Essex Association at Writtle in March 2012. Stephanie has been appointed as Priest in Charge of Widford and Associate Priest of Galleywood, Moulsham St. John's and Moulsham St. Luke's., Chelmsford. She will be licensed and installed on Thursday 4th July at 7.30 at St. Mary's Widford (where alas the bells are unringable) and has moved into the Widford Rectory. Stephanie will also be the coordinating Chaplain to Chelmsford College. We wish her well in all her demanding work in the future.

Chris Moles

Life Membership

Any nominations for life membership must be submitted in writing to the General Secretary by 1 December (rule 10.4) and should include details of the candidate's Association activities.

Guidelines were agreed by the Committee in February 1986 as follows: "... To honour a member for work undertaken throughout the district and promotion of work throughout the Association." Further advice on the criteria is available from the Association Master or Secretary or from your district officers.

Vicki Chapman, Gen Sec

SE DISTRICT YOUNGSTERS GO TO IPSWICH

The SE District Young Ringers Outing was an outing that will be remembered – not so much perhaps for the bells and the ringing but because of the weather!

The outing this year was back to Ipswich to pick up two towers we missed on our previous visit two years ago, one of them unfortunately due to a lock-out. The itinerary was planned to ring at a couple of additional towers on the way into Ipswich and then on in the evening, via one more tower, for some bowling at Martlesham. We checked the Ipswich Town fixture list and selected a day they were not playing at home, took some advice from George Pipe and organised the outing for Saturday 23 March.

The day dawned and a phone call from a worried parent quickly followed. It had snowed overnight and the forecast wasn't good but after a number of phone calls and numerous texts everyone decided to start out with the option of abandoning the outing at any point. As we headed up the A12 towards Stratford St Mary with the snow getting thicker doubts about continuing were already creeping in.

The first tower was Stratford St Mary (16cwt 6) where the snow was still falling quite steadily. St Mary is the first Suffolk church that most visitors see, standing as it does immediately beside the A12 flyover on the Suffolk/Essex border. Everyone assembled and we were eventually let in – the wrong key had been given to the person opening up for us! As the main roads were clear we agreed to continue the outing and proceeded on our way to the second tower at nearby Higham St Mary (9cwt 6).



Some of the intrepid youngsters and helpers arriving at Stratford St Mary. The traditional group photograph outside the bowling alley went by the board with the rapid departure later in the day!

The drive into Ipswich was uneventful but the snow continued to fall. Lunch was own arrangements and we all met up again at St Lawrence (14cwt 5). After reconstruction of the tower and the installation of a new bell frame, the bells, having been overhauled by the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, were returned to working use in September 2009. The bells rang out over the rooftops of Ipswich, and there were emotional scenes, because these five bells, all cast in the 1400s, are the oldest ring of bells in the whole world and although only a five were one of the favourite towers of the day.

The next tower was St Mary-le-Tower (35cwt 12) just up the road where we were met by David Potts, who had heroically driven over from Stowmarket. The great Victorian spire of St Mary-le-Tower rises above the shopping streets of central Ipswich. In 1999 following a generous bequest the 5th was recast, and the 8th returned. Bells 9, 10 & 11 were replaced with bells cast to a heavier weight. Here we gradually built up to ringing on the twelve, with some of the young ringers ringing on twelve for the first time. A plain course of Plain Bob Caters was achieved.

Having got this far and with the roads still absolutely fine all the drivers decided to continue and so we headed off to the final tower of the day at Rushmere St Andrew (9cwt 6). It was the smallest ringing chamber of the day and while everyone took their turn up the tower it also gave those downstairs time to learn more about each other and where they came from. Although the last tower of the day, the ringing became a little more adventurous with Cambridge Minor and Stedman being run. There was no change in the weather when we emerged from the tower at 6pm but having come this far everyone seemed to be happy to continue on to the bowling through a very picturesque Foxhall.

It was then time to relax at the Kingpin Bowling Centre with two games of bowling and a buffet. It was all very leisurely and no-one was rushing to leave until someone suddenly realised that our cars and the roads were under several inches of snow. A very speedy departure followed as everyone said their good-byes and the chance of getting a group photo vanished. With the poor weather conditions progress home was initially very slow but once over the Orwell Bridge the road conditions improved and the journey times home were better than they might have been.

Twelve young ringers, from five different towers, took part - Gary and Katy from Gt Totham, Philip from Inworth, Adam, David Ellanor, Simon and TJ from Writtle and George from Layer-de-la-Haye and we were joined in Ipswich by Chez, Joe and Steph from Danbury. I would like to thank the ten adult ringers and parents for their help and support of the event and in particular would like to express a very big thank you to all those who drove in the less than favourable weather conditions.

Christina Brewster, SE District Master

Association Register

Wedding Anniversaries:

Silver : Helen & John Harpole (Basildon)

Golden: Don & Jenny Mills (Bures)

Deaths:

We regret to announce the deaths of:
Joan Reynolds (Shrub End)

Phyllis Andrews (Bentley Common)
June Witcher (Waltham Abbey)

Birthdays:

Roger Carey-Smith 60 (Great Bentley)

Allen Cansdale 80

CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL BELLS - 100 years old!

In 2014 the Chelmsford Diocese will celebrate its centenary but the Cathedral bells are 100 years old in September this year. On Saturday, September 27th 1913 the new peal of 12 bells, placed 'in the massive tower of the pro-Cathedral, were dedicated to the glory of God and set aside from all profane and unhallowed uses'. The bellringers' weekly magazine, *The Ringing World*, contained a detailed account of the event in the following week.

The old 10 bells were recast, a new treble bell was paid for by the Essex Association of Change Ringers and the new tenor, weighing 34cwts, 2qrs, 22lbs, was given by Mrs Arkwright in memory of her father William Tufnell. Apart from the gifts of the tenor and treble the work cost about £1000. It was all carried out by the London bellfoundry Messrs John Warner & Sons of Spitalfields (closed in 1949); they hung the bells in a steel frame of quite new design 'which carries great stability without cumbrous appearance' Warners were regarded as an Essex firm and those who visited the foundry to see some of the bells being cast were gratified to note that York Minster and Shoreditch bells were also entrusted to the same foundry; for 3 generations the heads of the firm had been connected with Chelmsford.

The dedication service was a most impressive one, the 'spacious church was not sufficiently large to hold all who desired to be present'. The Mayor and Corporation were there, 3 bishops and 40 robed clergy, together with nearly 300 bellringers representing 47 parishes affiliated to the Essex Association. The procession moved from the chancel to the tower to the singing of 'Hail, festal day', rendered with cornet accompaniment. The Bishop of St Albans dedicated the bells and then 'hardly had the last response died away from the congregation when there resounded over the town the mellow notes of the new bells'. The procession returned to the chancel to the singing of the hymn

'Lifted safe within the steeple
Now our bells are set on high
To begin their holy mission
Midway 'twixt the earth and sky.'

The Bishop of St Albans based his address upon the last 2 verses of the 150th psalm and spoke of the dedication being of far more importance than one in a parish church, as one in which the whole county of Essex could share as the bells would constantly call to worship people from all parts of the new diocese. For the voluntary the bells replaced the organ and rang out merrily as the congregation left the church.

The ringers then gathered in the Corn Exchange and 'were entertained to a meat tea by the Rector and churchwardens, Canon Lake presiding'. A flashlight picture of this unique gathering was taken by Mr. Fred Spalding (a framed copy of the all-male gathering hangs in the ringing room to this day). After tea there was a toast to "The Church and King" followed by speeches.

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The bells were rung again in the evening and the following day, Sunday for the various services, with many ringing visitors welcoming the opportunity to test them. Thus Chelmsford had the first peal of 12 bells in Essex and the heaviest tenor in the county. The bells are the only surviving Warner ring of 12 in the world

At the end of September the cathedral ringers are hoping to mark this centenary with some special ringing. Sue Rothera

Chelmsford Cathedral
Sunday, 19 May 2013 in 51 mins (34-2-22)
1253 Grandsire Cinques

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| 1. Janet Edwards | 2. Patricia Cresshull |
| 3. Kath Downs | 4. Peter G Smith |
| 5. Vicky LeFevre | 6. Angela Pannell |
| 7. Roy Threadgold | 8. John Taylor |
| 9. Maurice Downs | 10. Ian Cresshull |
| 11. Brian Meads | 12. Jonathan Thompson |

For Pentecost Evensong. 1st on 12: 5,6,12. 1st cinques: 3. 1st cinques inside: 10. 1st Grandsire cinques: 4. 1st on 12 as conductor. Kath Downs has now been ringing for 60 years.

Rung by a Northern District Band during the Centenary year of the installation of Chelmsford's 12 bells.



Ron Brown - Lifetime Achievement Civic Award from Brentwood Borough Council

Several of the Brentwood ringers made sure that on March 1st, Ron Brown had a surprise in store. Their 'leader' was Ronnie Crighton from Ingrave, who proposed Ron and presented such a good case that the Borough Council could not fail to make a lifetime achievement award to Ron for his service to bell ringing in the area.



Ron is shown above at the Civic reception with Ann Coe, Mayor of Brentwood and also verger at St Peter's South Weald.

The local Brentwood ringers, not to be outdone by the Civic reception, held their own award evening for Ron in the Turner Vestry of St Mary's Shenfield. Many friends came along to congratulate Ron and see his award and were rewarded by a speech by the man himself; Ron warned us of teaching those who did not understand that a requirement of being a ringer was attending service ringing on Sunday mornings. He said he was disappointed when teaching over a dozen ringers one time at Ingrave to only keep three, but two of those three were Chris Bailey and Ronnie Crighton so what he missed in quantity he more than made up in quality. He also confessed to have been instrumental in training North Ockendon for their first striking competition and as we all know, they haven't looked back since.



A message from Ron:

I have been overwhelmed by the generosity and warmth of good wishes and congratulations following my Lifetime Achievement Civic Award for ‘teaching, mentoring and guidance in the art of bell ringing’.

The letter from Brentwood Council came as a complete surprise and I felt touched and honoured to be given this award.

With only 10 days notice I was invited to the Civic Dinner where I was presented with a trophy and certificate by the Mayor of Brentwood, Councillor Ann Coe, who is Verger at St Peter’s South Weald. It was an enjoyable evening where only two other people received awards.

My sincere thanks to Ronnie Crighton of Ingrave and his ‘collaborators’ for my nomination.

On the Tuesday evening of Holy Week, there was another enjoyable surprise get together at Shenfield which was attended by 30 to 40 fellow ringers. My heartfelt thanks to all concerned.

Ron Brown

The AGM

The AGM took place on Bank Holiday Monday 6th May 2013 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 between the service and meeting by members of the South Eastern District.

The service was conducted by the Canon Theologian, Revd Canon Edward Carter; lessons read by the Master and Revd Ian Jorysz, our Chaplain. The address was given by the Rt Revd Stephen Cottrell, Bishop of Chelmsford and President of this Association. Unfortunately, there was no choir this year however, the organ was played once again by our very own Stephen Cheek from the North Eastern District.

The meeting itself was reasonably uneventful, although it was pleasing to be able to advise that Nigel Taylor has now taken on the role of Technical Advisor. Liz Rayner and Tracey Southgate stood down as Education Officer and Public Relations Officer respectively and were presented with gifts from the Association for their service.



Richard Wilson has taken on the role as Education Officer however, there was no nomination for the post of PRO.

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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 presented with Life Membership certificates where they were present, others will be distributed via Districts:

Janet Edwards, Coggeshall; Heather Semken, Coggeshall; Evelyn Reeve, Wormingford; Keith Gardner, Navestock; Ray Jones, Shenfield; Penny Sloman, Prittlewell; Betty Matson, South Benfleet; Kath Childs, Boreham; Tony Kidd, Ingatestone; Dennis Withams, Little Waltham; Chris Pain, Hornchurch; Michael Wareing, Leytonstone.



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The early bird booking system for the Annual Dinner was in play again this year. Details of the event will be posted on the website and sent out with this newsletter.

After the Master had announced that the 8 Bell Striking Competition Touch would be 265 St Clement's College Bob Triples.

After the meeting, towers in the North Eastern District were open for ringing in the afternoon, with tea at Ardleigh.

I would like to thank everyone involved in the day's arrangements, particularly the Cathedral staff, Ian Jorysz, Stephen Cheek, members of the South Eastern and North Eastern Districts.

Vicki Chapman, Gen Sec

Ringling World National Youth Contest

Congratulations to Essex Young Eagles, who gave a good account of themselves at the Ringing World National Youth Contest in York. What the judges said:

Team 4 (Essex Young Eagles) Call Changes Grade B

This team started with some of the best ringing so far. It was positive, starting and finishing well. It was however let down by quite a few indecisive changes, and the more the front bells got mixed up, the less controlled it became. Well done to the ringer of the second for holding off at backstroke more in the test piece than the practice. We wondered if you had been found a box! We liked the Whittingtons, and it was a shame the Queens wasn't as sharp. So there is clearly some talent here and this was not far off realising its potential.

Special congratulations to George Vant (layer-de-la-Haye) who won the write-up competition for the event (against stiff competition). George's article was published in Ringing World No. 5377 (August 9, 2013).



The Essex Young Eagles before going in to St Lawrence's Church (l-r): David Meah., Gary Turner, Stephanie Ovensden, Adam Sloman, Mollie Brett, Neil Pasmore, Ellanor Collop and George Vant

Bells Ring in Congratulations

On Saturday 27th July 2013, six ringers of the Essex Association rang three quarter peals, in the NE district. St Leonards at the Hythe Colchester, All Saints Shrub End and St Barnabas's Great Tey. All three quarter peals were farewell compliments to the Bishop of Colchester and for the Birth of Prince George of Cambridge.

Steven Clarke



Pam Avis, Tracey Southgate, Barry Gibbons, Neil Avis, Steven Clarke, Brain Meads

Striking Competition Finals Results

The Association striking competition finals were held on 6th July, hosted by the Southern District. Ten teams entered the 6-bell competition at North Ockendon.

The results for the 6 bell were:

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| 1st | Kirby-le-Soken (rang Plain Bob Minor) | 95% |
| 2nd | Chelmsford Cathedral (rang Plain Bob Minor) | 94% |
| 3rd | Downham (rang Grandsire Doubles) | 88% |
| 4th | West Ham (rang Grandsire Doubles) | 86% |
| 5th | Langdon Hills (rang Plain Bob Doubles) | 83% |
| 6th | Mistley (rang Plain Bob Doubles) | 79% |
| 7th = | Great Parndon (rang Plain Bob Doubles) | 71% |
| 7th = | Wethersfield (rang St. Martin's Doubles) | 71% |
| 9th | Waltham Abbey (rang Plain Bob Doubles) | 67% |
| | Hornchurch (did not complete test piece) | |

After an excellent tea and the 6-bell results the inter-district 8-bell competition was held at South Ockendon. The test piece was 265 St Clement's College Bob Triples. The winners were North Eastern District with 83%,
 2nd Southern (82%),
 3rd South Eastern (78%),
 4th Northern (73%).

Our judges for both competitions were James Smith and Jonathan Slack. We'd like to thank them, the Southern district officers and friends for making all the arrangements and members of the Southern district for a wonderful tea.

Vicki Chapman, Gen Sec



Michael Mills (North Eastern) with the 8-bell trophy.

Fundraising Appeal for New Bell at Hornchurch, Essex

The bell ringers and PCC have voted to purchase a new bell to replace the cracked 9th bell at Hornchurch. The cost of the new bell will be approximately £14,000

The new bell will be cast in memory of Frank Gant and Colin Wright and inscribed accordingly (Frank Gant was Secretary/Treasurer of the Association from 1953 – 1964)

If you would like to contribute to the cost, please contact: Mrs Pauline Brown, 7, Kimberley Avenue, Romford, Essex. RM7 9JP Tel: 01708 763047 E-mail: pnewburybrown@hotmail.co.uk (Cheques payable to 'Hornchurch PCC').

Rothera Family Peal

A peal of 70th Birthday Delight Major was rung by members of the Rothera family at Harbury on Saturday, 20th April, to mark Phil's big birthday (70!) on 16th April. It was also a birthday compliment to Brian (44 on 13th April) and 40th birthday compliment (30th March) to Malcolm, who to the surprise of his (sad?) Dad, chose to go skiing for the weekend rather than ringing this peal.

Many of our younger/newer members would not have known Phil, but he was of course Tower Captain at Terling for many years before moving to Shropshire, and was instrumental in getting the bells augmented from 6 to 8. We have now rung 9 Rothera family peals, starting in 1993 with a peal of Minor on the middle six at the Cathedral, rung by just my family (Sue, Hazel, Malcolm, Janet and Linda and me). Then in August 2001, prior to Hazel's wedding, we rang our first 8-bell peal including Phil and his son Brian, of Yorkshire Major, and this was followed over the next few years by peals of London, 3-spliced, Lincolnshire, 8-spliced and Yorkshire Royal, which included Sue Page (Phil's first wife) and Paul Carless (Janet's husband). There was then a gap of six years before a peal of Cambridge Major at Bledlow (Bucks) last November, followed by the "big birthday" peal in April, which preceded a party at Phil's pub at Sellatyn, near Oswestry, attended by many of his family and old friends from Essex.

David Rothera



The band, above, in ringing order, clockwise from front right: Sue, Hazel, Linda, Sue, Janet, Brian, David, Phil

Practice Diary (From the website)

September 2013

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| 13 | District Minor Practice | Great Bromley | NE | 7:30 |
| 13 | District Practice | Stansted | NW | 7:45 |
| 19 | District Surprise Practice | South Weald | S | 7:30 |
| 21 | Advanced Practice | Braintree | N | 7:30–9:00 |
| 21 | District 8-bell Practice | Great Tey | NE | 4:00–6:00 |
| 25 | Surprise Practice | Terling | SE | 7:45 |
| 27 | Learners Practice | TBA if requested | NW | 7:45 |
| 28 | Beyond Bob Minor Practice | Wethersfield | N | 7:00–9:00 |

October 2013

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| 5 | 10-12 bell Practice | Waltham Abbey | NW | 10:00–12:00 |
| 11 | District Minor Practice | Great Bromley | NE | 7:30 |
| 11 | District Practice | Stansted | NW | 7:45 |
| 14 | District Practice | Springfield | SE | 7:45 |
| 19 | Evening Practice — 10-bell | Braintree | N | 7:30–9:00 |
| 19 | District 8-bell Practice | Great Holland | NE | 4:00–6:00 |
| 19 | District Afternoon Practice | Leigh-on-Sea | S | 3:00–5:00 |
| 25 | Learners Practice | Manuden | NW | 7:45 |
| 26 | Beyond Bob Minor Practice | Wethersfield | N | 7:00–9:00 |
| 29 | 5th Tuesday Practice | Saffron Walden | NW | 7:45 |
| 30 | Surprise Practice | Terling | SE | 7:45 |

November 2013

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| 2 | District 10-bell Practice | Coggeshall | NE | 7:30 |
| 8 | District Minor Practice | Great Bromley | NE | 7:30 |
| 8 | District Practice | Stansted | NW | 7:45 |
| 14 | District Surprise Practice | South Weald | S | 7:30 |
| 16 | Advanced Practice | Braintree | N | 7:30–9:00pm |
| 22 | District Practice | Great Totham | SE | 7:45 |
| 27 | Surprise Practice | Terling | SE | 7:45 |
| 30 | Beyond Bob Minor Practice | Felsted | N | 7:00–9:00pm |
| 30 | Learners Practice | Moreton | NW | 5:15 |

December 2013

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| 13 | District Minor Practice | Great Bromley | NE | 7:30 |
| 13 | District Practice | Stansted | NW | 7:45 |



Dates for your Diary (From the website)

September 2013

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| | Quarter Peal Month | | NE | |
| 7 | District Meeting | Halstead | N | 5:30 |
| 7 | District Meeting | Springfield | SE | 3:00 |
| 14–15 | Essex County Show | Barleylands, Billericay | S | |
| 14 | District Training Event | TBA | NE | 9:30–noon |
| 21 | District Meeting | South Ockendon | S | tbc |
| 28 | District Training Day | Details to follow | SE | |

October 2013

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| 5 | Association Annual Dinner | County Hotel, Chelmsford | | |
| 12 | Association Committee Meeting | Danbury | | |
| 19 | Call Change Competition | Sandon | SE | 2:30 draw |
| 26 | Autumn Meeting | St Osyth | NE | PM |
| 26 | Call Change Comp & Dist Meeting | Henham | NW | 4:30 |

November 2013

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| | Quarter Peal Month | | N | |
| 9 | Quiz Night | TBD | N | 7:30 |
| 16 | Call Change Comp & Dist Meeting | Orsett | S | 2:30 |
| 16 | District Quiz Evening | Thorrington | NE | 7:30 |
| 16 | Quiz Night | Terling Village Hall | SE | tbc |
| 23 | Association Training Day | SW District | | |
| 30 | Quiz Night | Willingale | NW | 7:30 |

December 2013

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| 7 | Carol Service | High Easter | SE | 3:00 |
| 7 | District Carol Service | Ridgewell | N | 4:30 |
| 7 | District Carol Service | Little Horkesley | NE | 4:00 |
| 14 | District Carol Service | Eastwood | S | 3:30 |

The next edition of Rounds & About is planned for December 2013. Please send contributions and suggestions for articles to Mrs Anne Bray, 7 Darcy Close, Kirby Cross, Frinton-on-Sea CO13 0RR or by email to arbray@ymail.com or call 01255 679312 by 1st November 2013.