



Ringling to celebrate HM Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee – 3rd-6th June 2012

Thank you all so much for sending me the details of all the ringing you have taken part in to commemorate Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee.

Once again, it's been a tremendous to know that 10 peals were scored, 37 quarter peals were rung and plenty of general ringing took place to coincide with street parties, the Thames River Pageant, lighting of the Jubilee Beacons and the National Service of Thanksgiving.



The Canewdon Diamond Jubilee band from l-r: Marion Squier, Sam Jones, Peter Hawes, Brian Meldon, Ben Jones, Sharon Jones

I have included here a couple of photographs that I've been sent to give you a flavour of what bands have been up to. I hope you enjoyed the weekend of celebrations. It was a shame about the weather but one thing is for sure – the goodwill of the people towards Her Majesty was palpable, and the weekend will be remembered for a very long time by us all.

There have been some tremendous performances demonstrating great technical ability, both in terms of multi-method ringing, first time peals and conducting firsts. There has also been a multitude of quarter peals and general ringing taking place to kick start local Jubilee celebrations like street parties and tea parties, making the weekend a complete community celebration.

Great Chishill ringers for example ran a sell-out Diamond Jubilee Barn Dance and managed to raise £2,000 for their bell refurbishment fund, so a huge well done to them!



Members of Saffron Walden Society of Change Ringers : Tracey Alizon, Katrina Bond, Neil Bond, Penny Browne, Linda Bullough, Ann Clinton, Gerard Clinton, Dianne Cermak, Greg Cermak, Roger Collins, Emily Downing, Michael Down, Patrick Draper, Janice Lambeth, Hugh Maddams, Trevor Reynolds, Robert Welham, Carol Wilkinson, Stephen Wood.

Well done and congratulations to everyone on all your own individual achievements and milestones. I have compiled a list of performances and have sent these with a letter on behalf of the Association offering Her Majesty our congratulations.



<http://www.thediamondjubilee.org/>

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