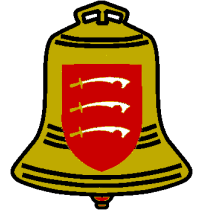


# Rounds & About

(Charity Number 292250)



## Special points of interest:

- Ringing Roadshow at Newbury Racecourse
- Assoc Training Day
- NE Open Day

## Annual Dinner

The 2005 Annual Dinner will be held at the County Hotel, Chelmsford, on Saturday 1st October. As last year, reservations and deposits are requested as soon as possible, to confirm that there is sufficient support for the function to go ahead. Please make your reservation and send with cheque to Mary Bone, 11 Bullfields, Sawbridgeworth, CM21 9DB. Ensure you let Mary know if you, or any of your guests, have special dietary requirements (Vegetarian, Vegan, Coeliac, etc.).

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### MENU

Starters	Chicken liver pate with toast	Baked goats cheese tart
Main	Medallions of pork in pepper-corn sauce with vegetables	Wild mushroom risotto with green salad
pudding	St Clements pudding	
	Coffee	

See the full final details and booking form on the web site. Tickets approx. £26.50



### Association bookstall

I have run the bookstall for the last four years and have enjoyed doing so, but am now overstretched in the number of commitments I have and would appreciate it if someone else could have a go. It involves ordering books from about half a dozen different sources, making two stocktakes a year in December and August and giving the info to the treasurer, selling the books at as many different district and association events as you can, but most particularly the Essex Course as this is when we sell most literature, banking any money and liaising with the treasurer. It isn't an enormous job, and most of it is quite fun to do, but it does need to be done properly or you get into a bit of a muddle, and the rate I'm going at the moment I will soon be lost in the muddle zone. Hope some kind soul out there is prepared to take this on for a bit. If you want to know more I can be contacted on 01708 440939 or [clarebeech@supanet.com](mailto:clarebeech@supanet.com)

### Honorary CC Member

Congratulations to Janet Edwards elected as an Honorary Member of the Central Council for a 3-year term.

### 2005 Ringing Roadshow

Put this in your diary now. Saturday 10th September 2005 at Newbury Racecourse, Berkshire.

Why not organise a coach from your tower or district?

Visit the website at

[www.ringingroadshow2005.org.uk](http://www.ringingroadshow2005.org.uk)



Entry to the Roadshow will be £5.00 for adults and £3.00 for children up to 16, with a £12.00 family ticket for two adults and up to three children. There will be a 20% discount for groups of 25 or more, if tickets are ordered in advance.

### Honorary Treasurer

As most of you will know by now, by the time of the AGM next year, I will have been Honorary Treasurer for 13 years. Accordingly, I think it is time for someone new to take on this role. I am therefore not intending to seek re-election next year.

I would be more than happy to discuss with any prospective candidate what the role entails. Please get in touch with me through the usual channels and we can arrange a suitable time for you to come and see the work involved and the way I do things.

From my experience, if you were thinking of taking on the role, I would recommend that you have a reasonable working knowledge of accounts and accounting procedures although a formal accounting qualification is not essential. However, a good working knowledge of Microsoft Excel and Word is essential. If requested, I would, of course, be happy to provide support to the new Treasurer.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as Treasurer and have found it extremely interesting and rewarding. It has been an honour and a pleasure to serve the Association in this way.

If anyone is unsure about whether to put themselves forward, I would be very happy to have a confidential talk about the position at any time, so please do ask me.



### Life Membership

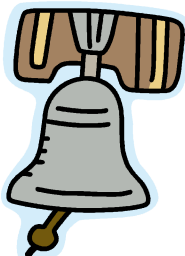
Any nominations for life membership must be submitted in writing to the Secretary by 1 December (rule 7(iii)) and should include details of the candidate's Association activities.

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.

MB

### Association Training Day



This year's training day will take place on Saturday 26th November based at Hatfield Heath. There will be three groups offered and I would like to hear from anyone as to the subjects. If you want to learn something new, or want to consolidate something you've been trying for a while, please contact me. Helpers would also be required for the practical sessions, so if you can spare a half day or the whole day, please get in touch.

Adrian Malton, Education Officer

Tel: 01371 859423 Email [adrian\\_malton@hotmail.com](mailto:adrian_malton@hotmail.com)

### Striking Competition News

The Association striking competition finals were held on 2 July, hosted this year by the Northern District. Eleven teams competed in the 6-bell competition at Stebbing; five teams rang Plain Bob Doubles, four chose Plain Bob Minor, and the other 2 teams rang Grandsire Doubles. The results were: 1st Downham (11½ faults); 2nd West Ham (13½); 3rd Colchester St Leonard (14½); joint 5th Coggeshall & Chelmsford Cathedral; joint 7th Dagenham & Sawbridgeworth; 9th Rayne; 10th Kirby-le-Soken; 11th Henham/Clavering.

After a splendid tea and the 6-bell results the inter-district 8-bell competition was held at Great Bardfield. The Master had selected a set touch of Double Norwich as the test piece. The South-East district narrowly managed to retain the trophy with 9 faults; 2nd Southern (9½); 3rd Northern (25½); 4th South-West; 5th North-East; 6th North-West (incomplete).

Our judges for both competitions were David and Katherine Salter (Suffolk). We'd like to thank them, the Northern district officers for making all the arrangements and, especially, Marian Wood for the tea!

The Essex Trophy inter-Association 10-bell competition will be held at Isleworth on 17 September. The Association was unable to enter a team for the Ridgman Trophy competition this year.

Mary Bone

## NE District Tower Open Day 29th August 2005

This year it's the turn of the NE District to arrange the Tower Open Day, held to benefit the Association's Bell Restoration Fund. With 22 of the 23 towers in the District available, starting at Harwich at 9am and finishing with St Peter's, Colchester at 6pm, it promises to be a fun day of ringing on a variety of bells.

Anybody interested in volunteering as a "roving steward" on the day should contact the NE District Secretary, Martin Jones, by email at [2005openday@ne-eacr.org.uk](mailto:2005openday@ne-eacr.org.uk). Put the date in your diary NOW: Bank Holiday Monday, August 29th.



### The AGM

The Cathedral bells were kept busy for over an hour before our Annual Service at Chelmsford Cathedral on Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May. The service was conducted by the Precentor, Dr Genny Tunbridge; the lessons were read by the Master and Canon Roger Mason, our Chaplain, who also gave the address; and the prayers were led by Canon Tim Potter, ringing member (Hatfield Heath). The anthem was *give to you a new commandment*, set by Peter Nardone, Director of Music at the Cathedral, and our ringing hymn this year was the Devon Guild hymn.

At the AGM members approved the accounts and the annual report, re-elected the Association officers and heard a full report on the 125th anniversary activities. The Master gave members an update on child protection issues. Andrew Taylor, Treasurer, gave notice that he will not seek re-election in 2006.

Towers in the North-West district were open for afternoon ringing, with tea at Stansted.

I would like to thank all those involved in the day's arrangements, particularly the Cathedral staff, Simon Harvey, Owain Jones and the Boreham choir, and the North-West district officers.

Book next year's date - 1 May 2006 - in your diary  
NOW!



## Master's 125th Anniversary Peal

Pictured at the dedication of the new peal board at Little Horkesley (left to right):- Rev Henry Heath (Vicar), Bernard Fairhead, Don Cobb, Paul Cammiade, David Sparling, Dr Ronald Blythe (Lay reader) and Stephen Nash.

### LITTLE HORKESLEY, Essex

SS Peter & Paul

Saturday 24th July 2004

#### **A Peal of 5040 Doubles in 2 hours 44 minutes**

(1p/9m: 6 exts Grandsire; 4 exts each Stedman, St Remigius, Huntley Place, St Nicholas, Winchendon Place, St Osmund, Eynesbury, St Simon's, St Martin's)

- 1 Donald E Cobb (1975-1982)
- 2 Bernard W Fairhead (1982-1987)
- 3 Paul A Cammiade (1987-1993)
- 4 David L Sparling (1993-1998)
- 5 Stephen J Nash (1998-) (C)

175th Peal: 5. Rung by past Masters and the Master for the 125th Anniversary of the Essex Association of Change Ringers.

## Trafalgar Ringing



The 200th Anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar is being marked throughout 2005 culminating in Trafalgar Weekend from 21st — 23rd October 2005. We have been asked to mark the bicentenary by ringing as many peals and quarter peals as possible over that weekend. Let Richard Offen know if you plan to participate by emailing [richard@s4h.biz](mailto:richard@s4h.biz)

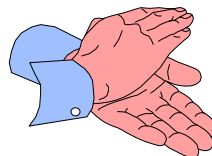
Register your planned ringing online at

[www.trafalgarweekend.co.uk/2005/registration-form.php](http://www.trafalgarweekend.co.uk/2005/registration-form.php)

## That's a First

Congratulations to the following ringers who have rung their first Quarter Peal recently:

Sarah Dixon (Danbury 24 Apr); Thomas Childs (Braintree 23 Apr); Bradley Hill (Braintree 24 Apr); Alice Harpole (Rayleigh 24 Apr); Roy Seaman, David Jacob and Peter Searle (all at Littlebury 8 May); Bryony Arnold (Great Easton 11 May); Peter Norwood (Leytonstone 21 May); Mark Jones (Inworth 24 May); Sarah Cavendish (Wethersfield 5 Jun); Valerie Darkins (Gestingthorpe 12 Jun).



Congratulations!

First as Conductor: David Jacob (Littlebury 8 May); Andrew Bond (Leytonstone 21 May).

Congratulations to the following ringers who have rung their first Peal recently: Linda Bowran (Clavering 13 May), Libby Laurence (Belchamp St Paul 4 Jun).

## Association Register

**Births:** Congratulations to Sarah (and Kevin) Troubridge (Great Baddow), a boy, Cameron born 3rd May; and to Jane (and Gavin) Belsham (Great Baddow), a boy, Jack Samuel born 26th May.



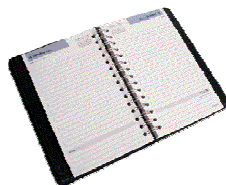
**Birthdays:** Congratulations to Mary Blakey (93), Bryan Shedel (70), George Hull (65), Sue Page (60), Heather Rayner (21).

**Engagement:** Congratulations to Jonathan Dickenson and Beccy Simpson.

**Wedding Anniversaries:** Congratulations to George & Rosemary Bennett (Sawbridgeworth) who celebrated their Ruby anniversary in June.

**Deaths:** We regret to report the deaths of Thomas (Tom) Bird (Wickham St. Paul) who died on 25th May at the age of 93; and John Palmer (Saffron Walden) who died on 4th July.

## Dates for your Diary



August	13	District 10-bell practice – Coggeshall	Northern
	29	ASSOCIATION TOWER OPEN DAY	North-Eastern
September	11	District Call Change Competition - Walthamstow St Saviour	South-Western
	17	District 10/12-bell practice – Saffron Walden followed by Car Treasure Hunt	North-Western
	17	District Meeting – Prittlewell	Southern
	24	District Ringing Outing (tbc)	North-Eastern
	24	District Meeting & Harvest Supper – Writtle	South-Eastern
October	1	ASSOCIATION DINNER – County Hotel, Chelmsford	
	8	COMMITTEE MEETING – Danbury	
	15	District Meeting – (venue tbc)	South-Western
	15	District Meeting – (venue tbc)	North-Eastern
	22	District Meeting – Matching	North-Western
	29	District Meeting – Halstead/Sible Hedingham	Northern
	29	District Quiz Night – North Ockendon	Southern
November	12	District Quiz Night – Witham	Northern
	12	District 10-bell practice - Writtle	North-Eastern
	12	District practice – Loughton	South-Western
	19	Quiz Night – Tendring	North-Eastern
	19	District Meeting & Call Change Competition - Ingrave	Southern
	26	ASSOCIATION TRAINING DAY (Hatfield Heath)	
December	10	District Carol Service – Kelvedon	Northern
	10	District Carol Service (venue tbc)	North-Eastern
	10	District Carol Service – Albury, Herts (Joint with BS District)	North-Western
	10	District Carol Service – Springfield	South-Eastern
	10	District Carol Service – South Weald	Southern
	13	District Social – Hornchurch	South-Western

The next edition of **Rounds & About** is planned for December 2005. Please send contributions to Vicki Chapman, 20 Mews Court, Chelmsford, CM2 9PF, Tel: 01245 358040 or email: [vicki@cvevrc.co.uk](mailto:vicki@cvevrc.co.uk) by 15th October 2005.