



The Essex Association of Change Ringers

(Registered Charity No 292250)

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Thank you for your support, you'll be helping to make a real difference to The Essex Association of Change Ringers.

Please sign up using the unique referral link above and earn a bonus 50p donation for the EACR.

Andrew Brewster

Association Treasurer
Essex Association of Change Ringers
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South-Eastern District

December 2017 to April 2018



SE District Officers

wish you

*a Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year!*

SE ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING

Saturday, 6 January 2018. Great Baddow.
Afternoon ringing 3pm. Service 4.30pm.
Tea 5.15pm. Meeting 6pm. Names for tea to Jo Elliott by Wednesday, 3 January 2018:
great-baddow@eacr.org.uk or text to 07931 302046. Evening ringing follows as requested.

This will be a good opportunity to pay subs, which become due on 1 January 2018 and the District Treasurer (or Secretary) will be at the meeting to accept your subs and give receipts.

If you intend to propose new members at the meeting, please let the District Secretary know in advance. The Membership Application Form is to be found at this address:

<https://eacr.org.uk/about/membership/applicationform.html> Please bring the completed Application Form and payment of £8 adults and £4 juniors, to the meeting.

District Practices ~ starting at 7.45pm

Monday, 22 January: Springfield (6)

Tuesday, 20 February: Sandon (6)

Monday, 12 March: Maldon, All Saints (8)

Please come to ring if you will be in the area on those days. We always welcome ringers, experienced or not at our District Practices. It's a very good way to progress in bell ringing and is helpful to the local ringers.

Young Ringers

These are the Young Ringers' practices, all on **Sundays: 26 November at St Mary's, Walthamstow** and then **28 January, 25 February, 25 March and 29 April**, from 4.30pm to 6pm, venues to be confirmed.

In addition, on **Saturday afternoon, 10 March**, there will be a **Young Ringers' Mini-Outing**. Details to follow, so put the date in your diary.

Please let the Youth Coordinator know if you hope to be at the practices and the mini-outing so that she can be sure that there is sufficient uptake. Young ringers are asked to bring 50p each as a donation to the tower for practices, other small charges may apply to the outing.

Pass on this information to any young people in your tower. Young in this case being anyone under the age of 25. No age limit for helpers!

We want every young ringer to join in so don't worry if you can only ring rounds at the moment — all are welcome. Put the dates in your diary and join in! Parents and other supporters are encouraged to come along to any events.

Contact Christina Brewster, *Youth Coordinator*
Email: essexyoungringers@eacr.org.uk
Website: <http://eacr.org.uk/eyr/>
Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/youngsessexringers/

Surprise Practices

Wednesdays at Terling, starting at 7.45pm:
31 January, 28 February, 28 March and 25 April.

Essex Ringing Course Administrator

Dear All

The Association requires a new Essex Ringing Course Administrator from 2019. There is an opportunity to work with the current Administrator and find out what is involved as the April 2018 Course is organised. Please think about this and contact the Secretary in the first instance. This is an extremely important role for the EACR as the Essex Course has been running for 28 years.

I look forward to hearing from anyone who feels able and is interested in this role.

Best wishes

Rhona

Rhona McEune
General Secretary

Association Master

Association Master, John Harpole, announced at the October Management Committee meeting that he would not be standing for office at the Annual General Meeting to be held at Chelmsford Cathedral on Monday 7 May 2018.

Essex Ringing Course 2018

The next Essex Ringing Course will take place at Coggeshall on 5 - 7th April 2018. Please put the date in your diary. Full details will be found on the EACR website in December.

Mary Bone is looking for someone to organize the towers for the 2018 Course. Contact Mary if you would be willing to do that.
essexcourse@eacr.org.uk

South-East England Youth Striking Contest Saturday 14 April 2018

This is to take place at Warnham, West Sussex. Any young ringer who would like to take part in the contest should contact Christina Brewster (details on the left), as soon as possible so that they may join in the practices.

Ringing World National Youth Contest

Saturday 7 July in London. The contest is open to all ringers aged under 19 years on 31 August 2018. This year it will be hosted by Southwark Cathedral.

Preparation for Ringing for the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day 2018

The CCCBR have asked that towers begin to plan their ringing now and have suggested that there should be:

- As much ringing as possible,
- Half-muffled ringing in the morning and open in the afternoon,
- A massive effort to recruit new ringers, at least 1,400 to replace the number of ringers who died in WWI,
- Close communication with the church,
- Whole pull and stand, or appropriately-named methods such as Ypres and Gallipoli Surprise Major,
- As many quarter-peals as possible,
- Ringing at 7.05pm as part of the special project called: *'Battle's Over – a Nation's Tribute'*, a link to that site may be found here: <http://www.brunopeek.co.uk/Battles-Over-Guide.pdf>

Here is a link to the CCCBR webpage - *'Ringing for Peace: Armistice 100, what you need to know for 2018'*:

<https://ccbr.org.uk/2017/11/11/ringing-for-peace-armistice100-in-2018-what-you-need-to-know/>

and finally: a call to all towers to check their muffles, and order more NOW so that you're not caught short!