



Essex Association of Change Ringers

Northern District Calendar 2026

January 2026

- Fri 9th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00pm - 4.00pm
Sat 10th **Annual District Meeting**, Witham CM8 2JS, Ringing 4.00pm. Service followed by tea 4.30pm.
Business meeting 6.00pm. Further ringing until 7.00pm
Sat 17th Advancing practice with SE, Braintree, 7.30pm – 9.00pm

February 2026

- Fri 13th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00pm - 4.00pm
Sat 14th District Practice with our friends from Great Tey, Sible Hedingham – 10.00am – 12.00pm
Sat 21st Advancing practice with SW – Toppesfield 10.00am – 12.00pm
Sat 28th **Bookable** One Day Training Course: Introduction to Hunting, Rayne – 09:30 – 16:00

March 2026

- Wed 4th Open Training Evening: Getting to Grips with Call Changes, Great Bardfield, 19:30 – 21:00
Sat 7th District Practice – Gosfield 10.00am – 12.00pm
Fri 13th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00 - 4.00pm
Sat 21st Advancing practice with NW, Wethersfield 2.00pm – 4.00pm

April 2026

- 9th -11th **Essex Ringing Course**, Rickstones Academy, Witham CM8 2SD
Sat 18th Advancing practice with S, Kelvedon – 2pm – 4pm
Thu 23rd St Georges Day – National Ringing
Tues 28th N district invited to join a higher numbers practice at Saffron Walden, 7.30-9pm

May 2026

- Mon 4th **EACR Annual General Meeting**, Chelmsford Cathedral (All welcome) 10.30am – 12.00pm
Fri 8th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00pm - 4.00pm
Sat 9th **Bookable** One Day Training Course: Plain Bob Doubles, Coggeshall – 09:30 – 16:00
Sat 16th **6-bell Striking Competitions**, Stisted, Draw 3.00pm, Results, Picnic & Meeting 5.00pm

June 2026

- Sat 6th District Practice, Castle Hedingham 10.00am – 12.00pm
Fri 12th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00pm - 4.00pm
Sat 13th **Bookable** One Day Training Course: Advanced Hunting, Braintree – 09:30 – 16:00
Sat 20th Advancing practice with NE, Coggeshall, 2.00pm – 4.00pm
Sat 27th Open Training & **Social** : Method Splicing, Finchingfield 3.00pm to 6pm followed by...
6pm - Pizza at the Red Lion – open to all (you don't have to have been training!)

July 2026

- Sat 4th Picnic / social evening with optional hand bells, Boydell's Dairy Farm, 6.00pm
Wed 8th Open Training Evening: Getting to Grips with Call Changes, Great Bardfield, 19:30 – 21:00
Fri 10th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00pm - 4.00pm
Sat 11th **EACR Striking Competition Finals, Southern District**
Sat 18th Advancing practice with NW, Felsted, 10.00am – 12.00pm

August 2026

- Sat 1st District 10 Bell Practice, Bocking, 10.00am – 12.00pm followed by Business Meeting / lunch
Fri 14th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00pm - 4.00pm
Sat 15th Advancing practice with SE, Braintree, 7.30pm – 9.00pm
Mon 31st The George Eve 30th Anniversary event at Margaretting

September 2026

- Sat 5th District Practice Dunmow, 10.00am-12.00pm
Fri 11th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00pm – 4.00pm
Sat 12th Training event planned – to be confirmed
Sat 19th Advancing practice (with A N Other district), Toppesfield 10.00am – 12.00pm

October 2026

- Sat 3rd District Practice, Halstead – to be confirmed
Fri 9th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00pm - 4.00pm
Sat 10th **Association Annual Dinner**, Essex County Cricket Club, Chelmsford
Sat 17th Advancing practice with NW, Wethersfield 14.00 – 16.00

November 2026

Quarter Peal Month

- Sat 7th District Practice, Shalford – time to be confirmed
Fri 13th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00pm - 4.00pm
Sat 21st Advancing practice, Kelvedon with S, 2pm – 4pm
Sat 28th Association Training Day

December 2026

Ring for Advent

- Fri 11th Surprise Major Practice with NW District, Felsted 2.00pm - 4.00pm
Sat 19th Advancing practice with NE, Coggeshall 2.00pm – 4.00pm

January 2027

- Sat 9th **Annual District Meeting, Finchingfield**, ringing 3:30pm, 4.30pm Service followed by tea and 6:00pm Business meeting