

Bridgnorth District News

June 2022



Dates for your diary

30th July - Bridgnorth District Summer Social

22nd Oct - Bridgnorth District Autumn Meeting

Bridgnorth District Hosts the Guild AGM

The Hereford Guild AGM was held at Cleobury Mortimer on 14th May, with ringing beforehand at Quatt, Alveley, Tenbury Wells and Rock.

Neil and James from Coalbrookdale rang at Quatt and Alverley and Val from Much Wenlock joined in the ringing at Cleobury Mortimer. We all enjoyed the ringing and most of us got to ring at a new tower.

The weather was beautiful so some of us ate lunch in a beer garden enjoying the sunshine.

The Cleobury ringers kindly hosted us, putting on a tea with sandwiches and some amazing cakes!

Broseley sadly had to part with the George Cousins Cup which has been awarded to Ledbury this year.



District Training Morning

Our District training morning at Coalbrookdale on 21st May was originally intended to be a striking workshop, but was changed to a bell handling session. It was attended by Coalbrookdale learners Jean, Steve, James, Liz, Emily and Charlotte with helpers from Broseley and Coalbrookdale. The workshop was run by Guild Education Officer Sue Robinson with support from Kris Perruzza, Ed Lupton and his daughter Esther.



Morville's 100th Quarter Peal

On the evening of Saturday 7th May 2022, Morville's 100th quarter peal was rung since the restoration and augmentation of the bells in May 2009. A band comprising four ringers from the HDGB Bridgnorth District and four ringers from North Worcestershire rang 1280 changes of Century Little Bob Triples in 43 minutes. This milestone would easily have been passed two years ago, had Covid not reached these shores, but with visiting ringer bands now back to their very healthy pre-pandemic levels, the quarter peals are clocking up again quite nicely, and we even have a couple of peals booked in for July and September. One of our regular visiting bands came on Friday June 3rd, and successfully rang 1280 Windsor Treble Bob Major to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

100 at **St Gregory The Great, Morville** 8-0-3 F#

Saturday 7th May 2022, in 43 minutes

1260 Century Little Bob Triples

1 - Martin Bluck	2 - Nicola J Piper
3 - Rose Horton	4 - Stella C Smith
5 - Sarah Lupton	6 - Stephen W Horton
7 - Edward C W Lupton (C)	8 - Ian Rowe

Morville's 100th quarter peal since restoration of the bells in 2009.
1st in this method for all the band.



Claverley ring for the Jubilee

Seven ringers rang call changes for 25 minutes before the 12 noon Jubilee service for HM The Queen at St Paul's Cathedral on Friday 3 June. The ringers (left to right) were: Leah Ward, Alan Reade (C), Sandra Bryan, Mike Gudgin, Ann Jones, Andrew Parton and Martin Elcock. Heather Keeling was otherwise occupied in Devon, but played her part by ringing Queens Peal Call Changes on 10 with the local band at St Mary's, Brixham.



It is planned to resume practices at Claverley on the second and fourth Tuesdays shortly.

Ringling in Much Wenlock

We continue to ring for Sunday services but only with the kind help of ringers from elsewhere. On the Thursday of the Platinum Jubilee long weekend the eight bells were rung before the lighting of the beacon which some 250 or more people attended and the bells made a good start to this event which people in the town appreciated and have commented upon. This was made possible by generous help from ringers in the District. We are looking forward to a visit from ringers in the West Midlands later in June and holding a Grandsire Triples practice at the end of the month. A monthly quarter peal attempt is continuing on a Tuesday evening.