

# **The Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers Annual Report 2024**

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**Management Committee**

All of the above, together with the District Secretaries and one elected representative from each District

**Independent Examiner**

Ruth D'Avanzo PGCE MA

**Masters of the Guild**

1886-90	G H Phillott	1974-75	John C Eisel
1891-93	Rev G M Custance	1976-77	Norman R Mattingley
1894-1923	John G Buchanan	1978-79	Michael V Powell
1920-22	Charles Edwards	1980-81	Desmond Ferguson
1924-38	Charles Edwards	1982-83	Andrew Talbot-Ponsonby
1939-44	William Saunders	1984-86	George T Cousins
1945-46	William Poston	1987-88	Frank M Seabright
1947-48	Arthur W Davis	1989-90	John F I Tumey
1949-50	Alfred T Poulton	1991-92	John W Hope
1951	Leslie Evans	1993-94	Valerie M Roberts
1952-53	William H Lloyd	1995-96	David J Bowen
1954-55	John J Webb	1997-98	Jane E Mason
1956-57	Harold G Thomas	1999-2000	Andrew L Mainwaring
1958-59	Frederick A Jaine	2001-02	Nicola Seabright
1960-61	Ernest Drew	2003-04	S Barnaby Bell
1962-63	Austin T Wingate	2005-06	Ann C Bennett
1964-65	Harold G Thomas	2007-12	Mark Pugh
1966-67	Thomas Cooper	2013-15	Jenny Lawrence
1968-69	Valerie M Edge	2016-20	Nick Cooper-Tomkins
1970-71	Reginald G Powell	2021-24	Nick Cronin
1972-73	Peter L Hughes	2024 -	Sue Robinson

## Freemen of the Guild

1982	Valerie M Roberts	Much Wenlock
1997	John W Hope	Almeley
2002	Neil Bennett	Welshpool
2003	John E Harrold	Little Dewchurch
2004	Frank Seabright	Bosbury
2006	Martin Harrisson	Kingsland
2012	Jane Mason	Ledbury
2018	E Anne Hone	Church Stretton
2019	Mark Pugh	Leominster
2024	Alan Reade	Claverley

## Honorary Ringing Members

Noel Anderson	Knighton	Phil Keene	Stanton Lacy
John Bartley	Welshpool	Sheila Parry	Hereford
Agnes Bowen	Lyonshall	Brenda Preece	Much Dewchurch
Reginald Fincher	Bridgnorth	Lilian Tomlinson	Bodenham
Graham Fletcher	Stanton Lacy	Peter Tomlinson	Bodenham
Bryan Giddings	Kington	Jackie Thomas	Much Wenlock
Patrick Gilbert	Woolhope	Edward Windsor	Chirbury
Brian Jones	Leominster		

## Long Standing Members

The following members reached the number of years membership shown in 2024.

### **50 years**

Brian R Jones

### **25 years**

Neil Bragg, Dorothy Chamberlain, Rachel Coates, Stuart Edinborough, Martin Elcock, Jan Greatrex, Tony Greatrex, Rachel Hamer, Peter L Johnston, Heather Kennard, Andria Lewis, Margaret L Oakley, Susan Rees, Cherelyn M Sell, Martin E Speight, Deborah M Talbott, Cecilia R Walters, Ray Wilson

A full list of members who had achieved 50 and 25 years' membership by 2009 is shown in the 2019 report. Each subsequent report shows those achieving those levels in that year.

## Obituary

We remember the following members who died during 2024.

### **Freeman**

Norman Mattingley

### **Honorary Members**

Albert Davies                      Kingsland

### **Ringing Members**

Vic Chamberlain	Stoke Prior
Clive Daw	retired member Mathon
Greg Harris	Bosbury
Frederick Jones	retired member Condover
Chris Kippin	Cleobury Mortimer
Reg Maund	Clun
David Waring	Bishops Frome

## REPORTS

### The Guild Master's Report

It is so hard to comprehend that as I compose this report, I am already nearly a year into my three-year tenure of being the Guild Master. I hope it has been a very happy year so far for all the HDGB members and that all are enjoying a very busy bellringing calendar. Thank you to everyone who has given myself and my fellow guild officers their encouragement and support, it is much appreciated.

Following on from the learner's sessions which have been well attended and enjoyed by helpers and learners alike & in direct response to requests from members, we have started guild practice sessions for those at the next stage of their ringing journey. Well attended sessions have been enjoyed at Kingsland & Stoke St Milborough, providing an opportunity to ring Grandsire Triples, Plain Bob Triples and Plain Bob Major. We had a great response from those willing to help so a big thank you to everyone who supported the events and helped to make them such a positive experience. As we arrange more sessions and encourage the districts to schedule similar practices we can look to the next level. As always, we are open to ideas so please let us know what you would like us to put in place and we will do our best to deliver.

I would like to take this opportunity to update the membership on our progress in the areas the trustees are working on:

- Policies:  
Safeguarding – simple guidance documents for training & DBS requirements at a tower, district & Guild level have been developed and will be available on the website. This will include the implementation of appropriate Risk Assessment documents for events at all levels – to ensure any event aligns with the aims of the guild & is complicit with the safeguarding and health & safety requirements.  
  
Guild Finance – planning the spending to meet our charities aims.
- Guild insurance provision – thanks to hard work by Fran Watkins (Guild Secretary) we have switched provider & made a significant saving.
- Introduction of a membership management tool – this initiative is currently in progress with many of you having already registered your membership already using the online form – thank you! Anyone having difficulties please let your district secretary know.
- We have set up a project team to look at how the Guild manages church closures in relation to the future of the bells and the bell ringing community affected. We aim to issue progress reports as we journey through the project.
- As we progress through all the above changes, we will review any Guild rule affected by any of the above points and propose amendments as required.

2026 will see the 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Guild and we would like to celebrate the occasion with several events and activities. One target we would very much like to achieve in our 140<sup>th</sup> year is to recruit 140 new members; we appreciate such an ambition will require preparation to ensure we have sufficient teaching capacity and a well-orchestrated publicity campaign.

We'd love as many members as possible to get involved with the campaign to recruit and the celebratory events.

Sue Robinson 02.03.25

## **Master Elect Report**

I would like to thank everyone for their support since becoming Master Elect in May. Meeting with ringers from all over the Guild has been a huge privilege. There are many new ringers, not just those who have moved into the area, but those who have recently been recruited and taught and seeing how welcoming, enthusiastic and committed our Guild members are fills me with confidence for the future.

At the heart of everything I do is the Guild Objectives, and I will continue to deliver these in supporting, co-ordinating and facilitating our members to achieve their personal goals. I have taken on organising the Guild practice sessions from Sue and I hope they are a valuable experience for all who attend. Thank you to everyone who supports us in delivering these sessions, we would not be able to do this without you. The sessions are an opportunity to bring people together throughout the Guild, sharing knowledge, experiences, and ringing together for the benefit of all. There are a lot of good things happening around the Guild, and I am confident that if we come together, we can continue to make a Guild that is fit for purpose in this fast-paced world, while preserving the history and values that make the Guild what it is.

Kris Perruzza

## **Guild Secretary's Report**

Firstly, I would like to thank the outgoing secretary, Mark Pugh, for all his positive support and an efficient handover. Mark has been a Guild officer in many roles over the years, and in taking up the role of secretary I can see just how much hard work, devotion and commitment he has given to the Guild over many years, he deserves our grateful thanks.

I would also like to thank all of those who have taken the time to correspond with me, or have made me so welcome at the meetings and practices I have managed to attend. I can see a lot of energy and enthusiasm within the Guild and I hope we can continue to work together and share ideas and experiences so that we can recruit and train more ringers to keep the art of bellringing alive.

The end of 2024 saw the introduction of the new online membership system – membermojo. Thank you to everyone who has registered, I recognise that this has been a considerable change and not everyone will feel confident in the new system straightaway, but I hope in time we will be able to see the benefits, not least the reduction in of the administrative burden for our district secretaries and treasurers, allowing them to concentrate more on ringing and supporting our members.

We have reintroduced a Guild newsletter, which we hope to publish quarterly. I hope that you have all had a chance to read this, if you have any comments or suggestions, news or articles please send them to me or email [news@hdgb.org](mailto:news@hdgb.org). The newsletter is an excellent way for us to keep in touch with one another.

There is no doubt we will face challenges in the future, but we have a lot to be positive about too. I'm looking forward to celebrating the 140th anniversary of the Guild with you all in 2026, please let us know your ideas of how we can mark and celebrate this significant anniversary together.

Fran Watkins

## **Belfries Officer's Report**

This year I have had the chance to inspect a number of rings of bells within the guild. Firstly, in March I inspected the likely broken gudgeon on the tenor bell at Bishops Frome. Quick assessment ascertained that in fact a gudgeon was clearly broken, and professional bell hangers would need to carry out the work to repair the break. I am pleased to report this has been done.

Chris Jones asked for the assistance for an inspection of Coddington bells as part of a greater initiative to inspect all the deemed necessary rings of bells in the Ledbury district. I was impressed with the proactive nature of the officers of the Ledbury district and though Coddington is a very pleasant and easy-going ring of bells, we did find some minor issues that needed addressing. This highlights a greater point of having a regular steeple keeper, as keeping on top of new or older installations do require visiting the belfry often. Whether a clapper slightly comes loose, or a slider runner needs cleaning, keeping on top of these issues reduces the need for more major work.

I have also inspected the belfries of Colwall and Withington and carried out some maintenance while doing the inspections. I also replaced a hasting stay at Stoke Prior with the help of Mark Aston. Other inspections in 2024 have been carried out at Bosbury, Pencombe, Cradley (where an assessment is to be carried out in spring 2025 to try to improve the swing times etc), Chelmarsh where work was carried out to make the bells ringable and Kings Caple (early 2025). Also, assistance was carried out at Lyonshall and Eardisley for fitting the new ropes on the bells.

Kings Caple and Cradley, Hampton Bishop will be my focus for this spring 2025 with work/inspections being carried out shortly.

On Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> of June at Wellington Church I was invited to conduct a belfry maintenance day organized by the officers of the Hereford district. We spent a morning and an afternoon going through the basics of belfry maintenance as then a demonstration of the David Bagley Oddstruckness meter. This proved to be beneficial to the six students with various degrees of knowledge. This course was followed up with another course in October at Fownhope where another six ringers helped work on improving the bells there. We did sort out some oddstruckness on some of the bells and the locals were happy to report they found the bells easier than before. I am happy to do this course again as it is important we as a guild promote the care of the bells we are so often blessed to ring. Thank you to Jason Walker and Kris Perruzza for conducting the arrangements for these two courses. The Guild has purchased some ear defenders for when such maintenance courses are conducted and will be provided on the day of the course.

I have been approached to give advice of a few towers but no formal invitation to come and without that it is not my remit to come to a tower uninvited. I am here to advise and carry out inspections when ringers and church officials need support.

It is my intention to build a larger base of people who are comfortable to help with practical maintenance of bells. The more steeple keepers the guild train the better the bells will be to ring, and this is a massive positive we the guild should promote to the wider church community as we are custodians of the bells we are entrusted to look after.

Thank you to all those who came and assist me with the job of Belfries Officer over the past year, it valuable to have support when undertaking the inspections and/or repairs.

Ashley Fortey  
Hereford DG Belfries Officer

## **Tower Stewardship Advisor's Report**

In the light (among other things) of revised Church of England 2025 safeguarding training requirements, a review of the Guild's own approach to safeguarding is being undertaken the results of which, following approval by the Trustees and the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer, will be published and communicated to Guild members via District secretaries in due course.

Meanwhile, Guild members should continue to refer to the *Parish Safeguarding Handbook* (available to download from the CofE website) for guidance on all safeguarding issues.

Guild members who lead a ringing event where children or vulnerable adults are present on or off church premises are reminded that they must be DBS checked, must have certificated up-to-date on-line safeguarding training via the CofE and must comply with the Guild's insurance policy conditions.

As authorised church volunteers, bell ringers are required to abide by the Church of England's own safeguarding policies and procedures along with any local variations of individual churches.

Where ringing outside of this environment, say as a Guild member on a tower open day or as an itinerant ringer at churches with no local bands of ringers, CCCBR and ART guidance must have been followed for the Guild's insurance to apply.

Events involving children must include the appropriate involvement of parents/guardians and the Parish Safeguarding Officer if on church premises.

Where Guild events are held at premises which are not churches affiliated to the Guild (see list of towers on the Guild website), special arrangements are likely to be necessary

The safeguarding policies and guidance of the Guild, the Hereford Diocese and the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers are available on-line.

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## **Webmaster's report**

The Guild website at [hdgb.org](http://hdgb.org) contains up to date details of every district and tower in the Guild, together with a lot of other useful information about the Guild, the Bell Restoration Fund and helpful links to other websites.

Please make use of our website and help keep it accurate and up to date for everyone by letting webmaster Nick Chapman know of any corrections, interesting news items and maybe even suggestions for improvements. You can email Nick at [webmaster@hdgb.org](mailto:webmaster@hdgb.org)

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## **Education Officer's report**

The past year as the Education Officer for the Guild has been positive, there has been good effort within the Guild to recruit and educate new ringers. The greatest increase has been achieved by Nicky Aubrey, which is fantastic as the new young ringers will hopefully be able to compete in the Ringing World young ringers competition. This will be very good for the Guild.

I have been in contact with many different ringing groups on ways to encourage more ringers into their towers and how to help such groups to process within the learning aspect of bellringing. I have been trying to keep in contact with all the towers to help and support in the best way possible towards the education side of bellringing.

I have given a great deal of thought to the idea of an education package without simply regurgitating material that is already out there. We all have access to the excellent ART material, many of us have attended one or more of the courses so for me, we need to possibly look beyond that to add any value.

Through reflective processes over past efforts, I believe we should have some type of 'pop-up' for the Guild. This is where we can have different station for different education for bellringing, such as handling, theory, methods, quarter peal ringing and peal ringing. I feel as this would help existing ringers to develop their ringing and to help to bring more ringers to the Guild.

Jessica Pugh

## **Public Engagement Officer's Report**

In March, the Guild purchased a flag and roller banner to be used at events throughout the Guild to help with publicity and recruitment in bell ringing. They have been used several times across the Guild in the last year, at different events, the first being at the Guild Competition Day at Kington, other events included Cathedrals at Night, Ludlow's Winter Fair, as well as several open tower events that have place alongside art fares, fetes etc. If you are planning a recruitment event, please get in contact if you wish to borrow either. We also had some leaflets printed which have been distributed around churches in the Guild as well as being available at events.

New Guild members are now receiving a welcome pack which includes information about what's happening in the Guild, upcoming events, who's who, as well as an annual report and badge. These have been distributed at District AGMs and meetings and have been well received.

In July we welcomed Hereford City Life to the Cathedral on a practice night who put together a short film about the bells and ringing at the Cathedral, this was shared across social media.

We had several events throughout the year that encouraged engagement from our members, including the Guild Competition Day where all levels of ringing took place, a Guild wide Quarter Peal festival for two weeks in the summer, where 117 Guild members joined in, including those ringing their first quarter. In October we welcomed ringers from around the country to the Guild for our Tower Open Day, which was very enjoyable and a huge thank you to everyone who helped out to make the day possible.

We have several things coming up to get involved with over the next year, as always, if you have ideas, would like to get involved in events, either to participate or help organise, please get in contact. Thank you to all who have helped over the past year and I hope everyone enjoys what we have planned for the next.

Nicky

### **Treasurer's report:**

Taking over the role of treasurer and getting access to the bank accounts was made so much easier by the hard work, advice and encouragement I received from Chris Kippin without whom it would have been a mammoth task. His input to the guild and will be sorely missed.

We have had a very successful financial year and despite continually increasing costs and some additional spending we have posted a surplus of £568 taking into account some income we have still to receive, we are having difficulties accessing HMRC system to claim gift aid and allowing for the return of district funds from Bridgnorth district, this is in fact closer to a £750 surplus for the year.

This surplus is due to two main factors, first being the continued growth in subscriptions year on year (but still below the pre pandemic level) and secondly to the absolute sterling work put in by the Guild Secretary into our insurance policies and costs saving us in excess of £1600. This saving alone has funded the new membership system membermojo for 9 years at the current rates.

Costs will continue to rise and 2025 sees a change in the way the CCCBR charge us from a flat rate to a per member rate that will substantially eat into the increase in subscription rates agreed at the AGM in May. The increase to our full number of CCCBR reps will also lead to an increase in officer expenses next year.

The evolution of banking services has now started to impact us with the main stream banks making a monthly charge on the district bank accounts for what was historically a free service, whilst £5 a month doesn't sound much it equates to £480 across the guild. We need to consider how to deal with this going forward and consider the most efficient way collect subscriptions and operate district finances.

Thank you to all of you that have helped me over the past year particularly the district treasurers and for the independent examiner for making sense of my accounts.

Mark Aston

## Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Ruth D'Avanzo PGCE MA  
February 2025

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## Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers - Accounts 2024

Income	Note	2024	2023
Subscriptions	1	£5,391.00	£5,032.00
Tax relief	A		£411.50
Peal fees		£160.00	£172.50
Report adverts	B		£132.50
Interest Received		£72.76	£30.10
Donation		£100.00	
Book Shop Sales		£121.20	
2025 Subs paid early		£180.00	
District Funds Repaid	2	£350.00	
<b>Total income</b>		<b>£6,374.96</b>	<b>£5,778.60</b>

Expenditure	Note	2024	2023
Grants to districts	2	£670.00	£470.00
Annual Report		£1,518.73	£1,422.00
Web site		£260.76	£144.00
Insurance	C	£229.62	£1,842.82
Officers' expenses	3	£369.65	£309.18
CCCBR subscriptions		£160.00	£160.00
BRF donation		£1,400.00	£1,200.00
Other expenditure	4	£199.94	£116.25
Meetings		£111.64	
Publicity Costs	5	£357.54	
Bookshop Stock		£354.07	
Member Mojo Fee		£175.00	
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>£5,806.95</b>	<b>£5,664.25</b>

Surplus/loss	2024	2023
Total income	£6,374.96	£5,778.60
Total expenditure	£5,806.95	5,664.25
	<b>£568.01</b>	<b>£114.35</b>

<b>Note 1 - subscriptions</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Bridgnorth	£1,350.00	880.00
Bromyard	£306.00	258.00
Church Stretton	£1,117.00	1,146.00
Clifford & Kington	£639.00	516.00
Hereford	£1,135.00	1,112.00
Ledbury	£498.00	474.00
Leominster	£288.00	232.00
Ross-on-Wye	£408.00	414.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£5,741.00</b>	<b>5,032.00</b>
Non-resident life members		
<b>Total</b>	<b>£5,741.00</b>	<b>5,032.00</b>

<b>Note 2 - Grants to Districts</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Bridgnorth	-£350.00	
Bromyard	£0.00	
Church Stretton	£0.00	
Clifford & Kington	£120.00	£120.00
Hereford	£400.00	£300.00
Ledbury	£0.00	
Leominster	£100.00	
Ross on Wye	£50.00	£50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£320.00</b>	<b>£470.00</b>

***Bridgnorth District Closed Bank account due to fees and returned surplus to Guild***

<b>Note 3 - Officers Expenses</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Master	£0.00	£0.00
Secretary	£0.00	£99.38
Treasurer	£0.00	£0.00
Report Secretary	£82.40	£87.40
Belfries' officer	£0.00	£122.40
CCCBR	£287.25	£0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£369.65</b>	<b>£309.18</b>

<b>Note 4 - Other Expenditure</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Friends of CCCBR library	£10.00	£10.00
Alec Osbaldiston Trophy	£54.00	
Tewksbury Shield Fee	£20.00	
Ear Defenders	£65.94	
Striking Comp Donation	£50.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£199.94</b>	<b>£10.00</b>

<b>Note 5 Publicity</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Ringing World adverts	£11.60	
Promotional Material	£345.94	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£357.54</b>	

#### **Note A**

Gift Aid for 2024 not yet reclaimed, expected to be approx. £450

#### **Note B**

Report Adverts still to be invoiced £107

#### **Note C**

New Insurance Provider giving equivalent cover hence large saving

<b>Represented by</b>				
	<b>Close</b>		<b>Open</b>	<b>Surplus</b>
Lloyds current account	£3,610.39		3,115.14	£495.25
Virgin Money account	£5,433.30		5,360.54	£72.76
<b>Total</b>	<b>£9,043.69</b>		<b>8,475.68</b>	<b>£568.01</b>

#### **End of year reserves held in District funds**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Bridgnorth	£69.62	£419.62
Bromyard		£146.92
Church Stretton		£871.20
Clifford & Kington	£217.25	£195.55
Hereford		£207.48
Ledbury		£956.79
Leominster		£47.95
Ross-on-Wye		£240.27
	<b>£286.87</b>	<b>£3,085.78</b>

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## PEAL RECORDER'S REPORT 2024

Once again, there was a sharp drop-off in the number of peals rung (34) in 2024, with only one handbell peal. 68 members took part, of whom 23 were Non-Resident Life Members.

### **Leading Peal Ringers**

**Richard Clements (24), David Jenkins (15), Christopher Pickford (14), and Mark Pugh and Nicholas J Green (12 each), Kristoffer Perruzza (11).**

**Richard Clements** was top conductor spot with (10), the others being **David Jenkins (5), Frederick Shallcross (5), Kristoffer O Perruzza, Nicola J Aubrey, Andrew J Watkins** and **Darren Ricks** all with (2), **Nicholas J Green, Ashley C Fortey, Daniel Jones, Adam R Crocker, Lynn S Scales and W Anthony Price** all with (1).

*In memoriam* peals were rung for

**Albert Davies** (1929 – 2024) at Kingsland on 25 April

**Gladys Clements** (1929 - 2024) at Kingsland on 25 April

**Margaret Fortey** (1944-2024) at Yarkhill on 28 May

**J. Keith Elliott** at Holme Lacy on 28 June

**Robert C (Chris) Kippin**, former Guild Treasurer, at Burghill on 8 August

**Norman R Mattingley**, Freeman of the Hereford Diocesan Guild. Guild Master 1976-1977, served as Acting Guild Secretary 1977-1979, Report Secretary 1989-1991 and was a Guild Central Council Representative from 1981-1995 and Tower captain at St. Nicholas, Hereford from 1976 to 1994 at Burghill on 12 September

Also Remembering **Sue Harrold** who died in April 2023, at Little Dewchurch 12 April

1800<sup>th</sup> peal **Ashley Fortey**.

500<sup>th</sup> peal for the Guild **Roman E Sadowski**

50th peal for the Guild **Hilda C Ridley**

300<sup>th</sup> peal - **Nicola J Aubrey**

200th peal as conductor for the Guild **Daniel Jones**

100th peal as conductor for the Guild **Andrew J Watkins**

First peal of Surprise as conductor **Kristoffer O Perruzza**

Congratulations to two of our members who scored their first peal in 2024:-

**Eddie Smith** (Kentchurch) at Kentchurch on 17 May,

**Isabel R D'Avanzo** (Hereford Cathedral) at Burghill on 28 December

Neil Bennett resigned as Peal Recorder with immediate effect on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 due to ill health. As the work of the Peal Recorder is continuous and ongoing, I was approved by the Trustees as (Acting) Peal Recorder from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025. I would like to pay tribute to Neil and express thanks for all the meticulous hard work he has put in, not just as peal recorder but by being an executive member of the Guild for 46 years as well. Neil was elected in May 1978 becoming only the fifth peal recorder. The first peal recorder was James P Hyett from Hay (who happens to be my Great Grandfather) until his death in July 1944. In 1945 Leslie Evans from Eardisland took over, followed by Mrs E Chandler in 1953. In 1970 Val Roberts took on the job and started the present day peal book, Val used a stencil kit to write up the peals, a very time-consuming job which meant that recording some peals took longer than ringing them.

Neil has been the peal recorder for 46 years, which makes him the longest serving Guild officer. Neil has recorded all the Guild peals on a database including unpublished peals and peals rung by other societies as well.

I have worked closely with Neil during 2024 as I entered the records of just over 4,000 peals of the Hereford Guild onto the Bellboard website (<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/>). This included all the peals rung for the Hereford DG which had not been published in the Ringing World or the 'Bell News' but which Neil had researched and recorded on the Guild database. The entire peal record of the Guild is now available on Bellboard so that anyone can now search for their own records, individually or by tower. If anyone would like help to find or download their HDG peals on Bellboard please contact me.

You will find within the report details of peals rung in 2023 as well as 2024, as these did not appear in last year's report.

**The Guild Peal Fee is 50 pence per person.**

**Conductors are reminded that everyone taking part in a Guild peal must be a current member (see Rule 17(b)).** If you wish to elect a **new member** before a peal, please ensure that there are at least three current Guild members in the band (Rule 5e(ii)). I can arrange for such tower election to be ratified at a Guild or District meeting if asked to do so.

The **Non-Resident Life Member's subscription** is a one-off payment of **£2.00**, Details and subscription as per Rule 5 (e) (ii) should be sent to me.

Andrew J Watkins

Peal Recorder

## ANALYSIS OF GUILD PEALS RUNG IN 2024

	<u>Method(s)</u>	<u>Tower</u>	<u>Hand</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Royal (2)</b>	Cambridge S	1		1
	Yorkshire S	1		1
<b>Caters (1)</b>	Grandsire	1		1
<b>Major (11)</b>	Bristol S	1		1
	Cambridge S	3		3
	Jersey S	1		1
	Lessness S	1		1
	London S	1		1
	Superlative S	1		1
	Yorkshire S	2		2
	Spliced S (8 m)	1		1
	Grandsire	1	1	2
	Plain Bob	1		1
<b>Minors (12)</b>	Cambridge S	1		1
	Minor (3 m)	1		1
	S (4 m)	1		1
	S (7 m)	7		7
	Spliced S (41 m)	1		1
	Grandsire	1		1
	11 m/v	1		1
<b>Doubles (6)</b>	21 m/v	1		1
	32 m/v	1		1
	42 m/v	1		1
	43 v	1		1
<b>Totals</b>		33	1	34

## NON-HDGB PEALS RUNG IN GUILD TOWERS

<b>Tower</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Method(s)</b>	<b>Guild/Assoc/Society</b>	<b>RW</b>
Stoke St Milborough	27.01	Worcs & Districts C R A	Spliced S Major (4m)	0147
Garway	15.02	Vale of Evesham Society	Doubles (11m)	0214
Ledbury	16.03	Non-Association	Yorkshire S Royal	0347
Pembridge	13.04	Worcs & Districts C R A	Doubles (11m)	0395
Bodenham	27.04	A.S.C.Y.	Stedman Doubles	0494
Stoke St Milborough	31.05	Lichfield & Walsall A S	Spliced S Major (8m)	0540
Broseley	31.07	Non-Association	Turramurra S Major	0782
Quatt	02.08	Non-Association	S Minor (7 m)	0782
Chetton	02.08	Non-Association	S Minor (21m)	0782
Morville	03.08	Non-Association	Lessness S Major	0469
Bridgnorth, St Mary	03.08	Non-Association	Yorkshire S Major	0782
Burghill	08.08	A.S.C.Y.	Bristol S Major	5926.1093
Yarkhill	29.12	A.S.C.Y.	Bristol S Major	5938.0126

## **Peals Rung by the Guild in 2024**

6045

**Eye**, Herefordshire  
St Peter and St Paul

Sunday, 21 January in 2h 42 (8–1–0 in A<sub>v</sub>)

**5040 Doubles** (2m/30v)

6 extents Antelope; 1 extent each of, St Swithin, St Cross, Northleigh, Kiwitaka, Rides-A-Fine-Horse, Sharitarish, 6 extents Grandsire; 1 extent each of, St Helen, Longparish, Newborough, Hoarwithy, Aconbury, Little Birch, Stirling, Twyford, Goodwin, St Cuthbert, Clayton, Cavendish, April Day, Salwarpe, Litchurch, Hilmarton, Seighford, Windrush, St David, Alveley, Little Aston, Oldswinford, Clifford Pleasure & Birthday.

1 E Anne Hone

2 Rhianon F Pugh

3 Andrew G Wilson

4 Tim Joiner

5 Mark Pugh (C)

6 Jessica C Pugh

Birthday compliment to Rhianon.

RW 5886.0146

6046

**Worcester**, Worcestershire

St Martin in the Cornmarket

Thursday, 8 February in 3h (6–2–17 in B)

**5040 Yorkshire Surprise Royal**

Composed by D F Morrison & R I Allton

1 Richard J Clements

2 James Clatworthy

3 Hilda C Ridley

4 Simon J Ridley

5 Nicholas J Green

6 Roman E Sadowski

7 Kristoffer O Perruzza

8 Frederick Shallcross (C)

9 Robert C Kippin

10 David Jenkins

RW 5887.0167

6047

**Burghill**, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin

Thursday, 29 February in 2h 52 (10–0–20 in G)

**5088 Bristol Surprise Major**

Composed by R J Angrave No. 3b

1 Richard J Clements

2 Nicholas J Green

3 Roman E Sadowski

4 Robert C Kippin

5 Kristoffer O Perruzza

6 Frederick Shallcross (C)

7 David Jenkins

8 Ashley C Fortey

1800th peal : 8

RW 5894.0322

6048

**Burghill**, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin

Thursday, 14 March in 3h 4 (10–0–20 in G)

**5088 London Surprise Major**

Composed by Henry Dains

1 Hilda C Ridley

2 Simon J Ridley

3 Robert C Kippin

4 Richard J Clements (C)

5 Kristoffer O Perruzza

6 Nicholas J Green

7 David Jenkins

8 Roman E Sadowski

To celebrate the election of the Revd Sean Semple, rector of Ross on Wye, to be the sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf.

A special peal for the tenor ringer: - 500th for the HDGB - 150th in the tower - circled the tower 4 times

RW 5896.0372

6049

**Bridstow**, Herefordshire

4 Bannutree Cottages

Wednesday, 27 March in 2h 22 (15 in C)

**5040 Grandsire Triples**

Composed by J. J. Parker

1–2 Richard J Clements

3–4 David F Moore

5–6 Frederick Shallcross

7–8 Daniel Jones (C)

200th peal as conductor for the guild: 7-8

RW 5895.0347

6050

**Burghill**, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin

Friday, 29 March in 2h 48 (10–0–20 in G)

**5040 Plain Bob Minor**

7 Extents

1 Tyler J J Edwards

2 Susannah Peppiatt

3 Lewis J Ashton

4 Frederick Shallcross (C)

5 Jason M Walker

6 Kristoffer O Perruzza

Rung half-muffled by the local Sunday Service band.

First peal in an even bell method: 1. 2, & 3.

RW 5895.0346

6051

**Little Dewchurch**, Herefordshire

St David

Friday, 12 April in 2h 49 (7–3–10 in A)

**5040 Cambridge Surprise Minor**

2 x 1440 3 x 720

1 Nicola J Aubrey

2 Nicholas D Jones

3 Kristoffer O Perruzza

4 Mark Pugh

5 Daniel Jones

6 Richard J Clements (C)

Remembering Sue Harold who died a year ago this week.

400th HDG tower-bell peal; 5.

RW 5897.0394

6052

**Kingsland**, Herefordshire

St Michael and All Angels

Thursday, 25 April in 2h 57 (11–1–12 in F#)

**5056 Cambridge Surprise Major**

Composed by Charles Middleton

1 David Jenkins (C)

2 Tim D Hollinghurst

3 Paul R Smith

4 Hilda C Ridley  
 5 Andrew J Hartley  
 6 Richard J Clements  
 7 Ian D Harris  
 8 Christopher J Pickford  
 Rung in memory of Albert Davies (1929 - 2024) of Kingsland, local ringer and member of the HDGB, who died 03/04/2024. The band also fondly remembers Gladys Clements (1929 - 2024) of Malvern. David Parker and Sue Robinson wish to be associated with this peal.  
 RW 5905.0604

6053  
**Bosbury**, Herefordshire  
 Holy Trinity  
 Saturday, 27 April in 3h 6 (15–1–6 in E)  
**5040 Surprise Minor** (7m)  
 720 each: London, Carlisle, Westminster, York, Bourne, Norwich, Cambridge  
 1 Mark Pugh  
 2 Robert C Kippin  
 3 Nicola J Aubrey  
 4 Richard J Clements  
 5 Darran Ricks (C)  
 6 Christopher J Pickford  
 RW 5899.0446

6054  
**Aymestrey**, Herefordshire  
 St John the Baptist and St Alkmund  
 Wednesday, 1 May in 2h 46 (10 in A)  
**5040 Minor** (3m)  
 The following extents: Cambridge S (2), Kent TB (1), Plain Bob (4)  
 1 Tim Joiner  
 2 Geoff Cowling  
 3 Mark Pugh  
 4 David Jenkins  
 5 Richard J Clements (C)  
 6 Ashley C Fortey  
 Rung to celebrate Tim & Mark's, 1st May birthdays. First peal on the bells for 38 years, launching the Aymestrey bell restoration project.  
 RW 5902.0516

6055  
**Yarkhill**, Herefordshire  
 St John the Baptist  
 Thursday, 9 May in 2h 35 (4–1–27 in D)  
**5152 Spliced Surprise Major** (8m)  
 Contains 896 each Cambridge, Pudsey and Superlative, 672 Rutland and 448 each Bristol, Lincolnshire, London and Yorkshire, with 126 changes of method and all the work of every method for every bell. Cyclic.  
 Composed by D F Morrison No.6087  
 1 James Clatworthy  
 2 Ashley C Fortey  
 3 Hilda C Ridley  
 4 Frederick Shallcross (C)  
 5 Frances D Watkins  
 6 Richard J Clements  
 7 Nicholas J Green  
 8 David Jenkins  
 RW 5902.0516

6056  
**Preston on Wye**, Herefordshire  
 St Lawrence  
 Friday, 17 May in 2h 51 (12–2–5 in G)  
**5040 Spliced Surprise Minor** (41m)  
 (1-3) Carlisle, Northumberland, Whitley, Sandiacre, Wooler, Newcastle, Morpeth, Alnwick, Canterbury, Chester, Munden, London, Kelso, Lincoln, Coldstream, Cunecastre, Wells (4-7) Norwich, Warkworth, Netherseale, Annable's London, Lightfoot, Rossendale, Wearmouth, Stamford, Westminster, Allendale, Bamborough, Bacup, Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull, York, Durham, Beverley, Berwick, Surfleet, Hexham.  
 Composed by John S Warboys (SU0308 and SU0403)  
 1 Christopher J Pickford  
 2 Robert C Kippin  
 3 Richard J Clements  
 4 David Jenkins  
 5 Nicholas J Green  
 6 Adam R Crockier (C)  
 RW 5901.0494

6057  
**Kentchurch**, Herefordshire  
 St Mary  
 Friday, 17 May in 2h 49 (7–2–5 in B)  
**5040 Grandsire Doubles**  
 42 extents, 10 different callings  
 1 Libby Davis  
 2 S Barnaby Bell  
 3 Nick J Chapman  
 4 Nick Cooper-Tomkins  
 5 Nicola J Aubrey (C)  
 6 Eddie Smith  
 Rung on the 50th Anniversary of the first peal after the rehanging and augmentation, and in memory of Mr William Watkins and Philip and Roland.  
 First peal – 6.  
 RW 5909.0696

6058  
**Ledbury**, Herefordshire  
 St Michael and All Angels  
 Saturday, 25 May in 3h 8 (19–3–6 in E)  
**5040 Cambridge Surprise Royal**  
 Composed by James Clatworthy  
 1 James Clatworthy  
 2 David Jenkins  
 3 Paul R Smith  
 4 Richard J Clements  
 5 Roy D Mills  
 6 Christopher D Phillips  
 7 Darran Ricks (C)  
 8 Alex F Byrne  
 9 Christopher J Pickford  
 10 Ashley C Fortey  
 Rung in memory of Margaret Fortey, Aunt of the Tenor ringer, who recently passed away and was a resident of Ledbury.  
 950th peal: 8  
 RW 5904.0574

6059  
**Yarkhill**, Herefordshire  
 St John the Baptist  
 Tuesday, 28 May in 2h 40 (4–1–27 in D)  
**5056 Cambridge Surprise Major**

Composed by Charles Middleton, Johnson's variation  
 1 James Clatworthy  
 2 Richard J Clements  
 3 Simon J Ridley  
 4 Ashley C Fortey (C)  
 5 Grace Dooley  
 6 Robin J Walker  
 7 Daniel Jones  
 8 Frederick Shallcross  
 Memorial peal to Margaret Fortey 1944-2024, Aunt of the conductor. First peal of surprise major: 5.  
 RW 5903.0540

6060

**Cradley**, Herefordshire

St James

Friday, 31 May in 2h 48 (13–2–20 in F#)

**5088 Lessness Surprise Major**

Composed by Simon Bond (arr. Ben White-Horne)

1 Roger H Hunt  
 2 Sue Robinson  
 3 Hilda C Ridley  
 4 David C Parker  
 5 Richard J Clements (C)  
 6 Paul R Smith  
 7 Stephen W Horton  
 8 Christopher J Pickford

Rung for the 300th anniversary of the casting of the original 6 by Abraham II Rudhall (four of which survive).  
 RW 5906.0618

6061

**Michaelchurch Escley**, Herefordshire

St Michael

Sunday, 2 June in 2h 34 (5–3–10 in C)

**5040 Doubles** (3m/8v)

2 extents: Grandsire followed by 4 extents each: St David; Little Aston; Clifford's Pleasure; Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place; Southrepps; Litchurch; Seighford; April Day; Kennington & Plain Bob

1 Nicola J Aubrey  
 2 Jason M Walker  
 3 Tyler J J Edwards  
 4 Kristoffer O Perruzza (C)  
 5 Andrew J Watkins  
 6 Frances D Watkins  
 First peal inside - 3.  
 RW 5904.0574

6062

**Wigmore**, Herefordshire

St James the Apostle

Sunday, 9 June in 2h 35 (8½ in A)

**5040 Doubles** (42m/v)

(10 methods/32 variations) 1 extent each: St. Simon's Bob, St. Alban, Eynsham, St. Jude, St. Ignatius, St. Martin's Bob, St. Paul, St. Leonard, St. Laurence, Churchill, St. Osmond Bob, St. Ambrose, St. Ninian, St. Austell, Amersham, Eynesbury Bob, St. John Evangelist, St. John Baptist, St. Stephen, St. John Divine, St. Giles, St. Nicholas Bob, Lapley, St. Mary, Heyford, St. Miles, Winchendon Place, St. John, St. Crispin, Chilton, Church Greasley, St. Remigius Bob, Horsley, St. Cecilia, Sarratt, Ezneih, Huntley Place, Obediah, Laverstoke, Dummer, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place, Plain Bob.

1 Tyler J J Edwards  
 2 Frances D Watkins

3 Nicola J Aubrey

4 Jason M Walker

5 Andrew J Watkins (C)

6 Kristoffer O Perruzza

100th peal as conductor for the Hereford Diocesan Guild.

RW 5905.0596

6063

**St Buryan**, Cornwall

St Buriana

Sunday, 9 June in 3h 45 (37–2–9 in C#)

**5040 Surprise Minor** (7m)

One extent each Westminster, London, York, Bourne, Norwich, Beverley, Cambridge.

1 Jane M Hitchens  
 2 Lynn S Scales (C)  
 3 Paul J Wells  
 4 Mark P Gilham  
 5 Christopher J Pickford

6 Christopher J Venn

Remembering the fallen on D-Day in 1944.

Also 30th birthday compliment to Solomon, the tenor.

Possibly the oldest band to ring a peal on these bells with a combined age of 146025 days, mean age of 66.63 years.

RW 5904.0561

6064

**Burghill**, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin

Thursday, 13 June in 2h 56 (10–0–20 in G)

**5056 Yorkshire Surprise Major**

Composed by Anthony J Cox (CCPMM No345)

1 James Clatworthy  
 2 Kristoffer O Perruzza  
 3 Richard J Clements (C)  
 4 Grace Dooley  
 5 Frederick Shallcross  
 6 Frances D Watkins  
 7 David Jenkins  
 8 Nicholas J Green  
 RW 5906.0618

6065

**Woolhope**, Herefordshire

St George

Thursday, 20 June in 2h 58 (13¼ in F)

**5040 Surprise Minor** (7m)

One extent each Carlisle, London, Warkworth, Norwich, Lightfoot, Bourne and Cambridge

1 Mark Pugh  
 2 Richard J Clements (C)  
 3 Robert C Kippin  
 4 Nicholas J Green  
 5 David Jenkins  
 6 Christopher J Pickford

500th as conductor.

Rang peals at all 4 anticlockwise 6s in the county in the last 12 months - 1,2.

RW 5912.0760

6066

**Holme Lacy**, Herefordshire

St Cuthbert

Saturday, 29 June in 3h 3 (18 in E)

**5088 Yorkshire Surprise Major**

Composed by Mark B Davies

1 Geoffrey M Brewin  
 2 Sue Robinson  
 3 Roger H Hunt  
 4 David C Parker  
 5 Richard J Clements (C)  
 6 Christopher J Venn  
 7 Nicholas J Green  
 8 Christopher J Pickford  
 For Armed Forces Day. In memory of J. Keith Elliott,  
 teacher and scholar.  
 RW 5912.0760

6067

**Madley**, Herefordshire  
 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 Saturday, 6 July in 3h (15–2–24 in F)  
**5056 Cambridge Surprise Major**  
 Composed by Thomas B Worsley (arr Anthony J Cox)  
 1 J Anthony Ellis  
 2 D Rose W Horton  
 3 Roger H Hunt  
 4 David C Parker  
 5 Stephen W Horton  
 6 Richard J Clements (C)  
 7 Christopher J Pickford  
 8 Robert J Crocker  
 RW 5912.0760

6068

**Dorstone**, Herefordshire  
 St Faith  
 Thursday, 18 July in 2h 51 (10–3–0 in G)  
**5040 Surprise Minor** (7m)  
 One extent each of Wells, London, Westminster, York,  
 Bourne, Norwich and Cambridge.  
 1 Mark Pugh  
 2 Richard J Clements  
 3 Andrew J Hartley  
 4 Nicholas J Green  
 5 Christopher J Pickford  
 6 David Jenkins (C)  
 Remembering Chris Kippin.  
 RW 5926.1094

6069

**Almeley**, Herefordshire  
 St Mary  
 Thursday, 8 August in 2h 59 (11–0–27 in G)  
**5040 Surprise Minor** (7m)  
 One extent each of Carlisle, London, Allendale, Beverley,  
 Westminster, Norwich and Cambridge  
 1 Mark Pugh  
 2 Frederick Shallcross  
 3 Nicholas J Green  
 4 Richard J Clements  
 5 Christopher J Pickford  
 6 David Jenkins (C)  
 RW 5928.1142

6070

**Tugford**, Shropshire  
 St Catherine  
 Sunday, 11 August in 2h 35 (6–0–22 in A)  
**5040 Surprise Minor** (4m)  
 1 extent: Norwich. 2 extents each: Beverley; Surfleet;  
 Cambridge.  
 1 Tyler J J Edwards

2 Andrew J Watkins  
 3 Frances D Watkins  
 4 Jason M Walker  
 5 Nicola J Aubrey  
 6 Kristoffer O Perruzza (C)  
 First peal of treble bob hunting for Tyler.  
 First peal of Surprise Minor as Conductor.  
 RW 5914.0804

6071

**Leintwardine**, Herefordshire  
 St Mary Magdalene  
 Saturday, 31 August in 3h 2 (13½ in F)  
**5088 Jersey Surprise Major**  
 Composed by David W Beard  
 1 J Anthony Ellis  
 2 D Rose W Horton  
 3 David C Parker  
 4 Penny J Salisbury  
 5 Richard J Clements (C)  
 6 David A Childs  
 7 Stephen W Horton  
 8 Christopher J Pickford  
 Rung to celebrate the life of Norman R Mattingley.  
 5 - 1300th tower bell peal.  
 RW

6072

**Staunton on Arrow**, Herefordshire  
 St Peter  
 Thursday, 5 September in 2h 37 (6–1–16 in B)  
**5040 Surprise Minor** (7m)  
 One extent each of Wells, London, York, Beverley, Bourne,  
 Norwich and Cambridge.  
 1 Mark Pugh  
 2 Paul R Smith  
 3 Richard J Clements  
 4 Andrew J Hartley  
 5 Christopher J Pickford  
 6 David Jenkins (C)  
 Rung in fond memory of Norman Mattingley.  
 RW

6073

**Dilwyn**, Herefordshire  
 St Mary the Virgin  
 Friday, 6 September in 2h 44 (11–0–13 in G)  
**5040 Doubles** (7m/14v)  
 2 extents each of Winchendon, St Miles, St John, St  
 Nicholas, St Giles, Lapley, St Simon's, St Alban, Eynsham,  
 St Martin's, St Paul, St Leonard, Plain Bob, Kennington,  
 April Day, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place,  
 Southtrepps, Clifford Pleasure, Reverse St Bartholomew,  
 Northtrepps & Grandsire.  
 1 Andrew J Watkins  
 2 Frances D Watkins  
 3 W Anthony Price (C)  
 4 Geoff Cowling  
 5 Tim D Hollinghurst  
 6 Mark Pugh  
 Rung in memory of Gill Okell-Price 8th July 1960–6th  
 September 2023 late wife of conductor.  
 First Peal as conductor for 25 years.  
 RW 5917.0877

6074

**Burghill**, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin

Thursday, 12 September in 2h 55 (10–0–20 in G)

**5120 Superlative Surprise Major**

Composed by Anthony J Cox

1 Mark Pugh

2 James Clatworthy

3 Grace Dooley

4 Frederick Shallcross (C)

5 Frances D Watkins

6 Richard J Clements

7 Ashley C Fortey

8 Nicholas D Brown

Rung in memoriam of Norman Mattingley for many years a stalwart of the Hereford DG and an outstanding family solicitor. Neil Bennett, John Harrold and Stephen W Barton wish to be associated with this peal.

100th together 2 & 8.

RW

6075

**Wellington**, Herefordshire

St Margaret of Antioch

Saturday, 21 September in 2h 51 (17–0–15 in F)

**5100 Doubles** (43v)

(1 extent each of St. Alban, Eynsham, St. Jude, St Ignatius, Elford, St. Paul, St. Leonard, St. Laurence, Churchill, Austrey, St. Ambrose, St. Ninian, St. Austell, Amersham, St. Felix, St. John Evangelist, St. John Baptist, St. Stephen, St. John Divine, St. Wenceslas, St. Giles, Lapley, St. Mary, Heyford, Shareshill, St. Miles, St. John, St. Crispin, Chilton, Ryton, Church Greasley, Horsley, St. Cecilia, Sarratt, St. Cleer, Eznieh, Obediah, Laverstoke, Dummer, Omega, St. David, Southrepps and 60 of Clifford Pleasure.)

1 Tyler J J Edwards

2 Frances D Watkins

3 Jason M Walker

4 Nicola J Aubrey

5 Andrew J Watkins (C)

6 Kristoffer O Perruzza

To mark the centenary of the first peal on the bells since being augmented to six. The 1924 peal was conducted by James P. Hyett, great grandfather of Andrew J. Watkins (C).

The final variation (131c) in this peal was first named 'Clifford Pleasure', and rung at Clifford, Hfds, on March 18, 1938 (RW 1408.0178), but at some point, its name was changed to 'Clifford's Pleasure'.

RW 5920.0951

6076

**Ledbury**, Herefordshire

St Michael and All Angels

Saturday, 2 November in 3h 23 (19–3–6 in E)

**5039 Grandsire Caters**

Composed by Thomas Hooley (4-part)

1 Geoffrey M Brewin

2 Stephen W Horton

3 Ian P Hastilow

4 Richard J Hurst

5 Bernard H Taylor

6 Richard J Clements (C)

7 Malcolm P Taylor

8 Nicholas J Green

9 David Jenkins

10 Mark Pugh

300th peal together - 6,9. 50th peal of Caters - 6.

RW 5933.0008

6077

**Norton Canon**, Herefordshire

St Nicholas

Thursday, 28 November in 2h 43 (6–3–16 in B)

**5040 Surprise Minor** (7m)

One extent each of Carlisle, London, Warkworth, Westminster, Norwich, Bourne and Cambridge.

1 Mark Pugh

2 Frederick Shallcross

3 Richard J Clements

4 Nicholas J Green

5 Christopher J Pickford

6 David Jenkins (C)

Wishing Mark Regan a swift and smooth recovery.

RW 5933.0008

6078

**Burghill**, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin

Saturday, 28 December in 2h 50 (10–0–20 in G)

**5040 Grandsire Triples**

Composed by J.J. Parker (12 part)

1 Isabel R D'Avanzo

2 Andrew J Watkins

3 Jason M Walker

4 Frances D Watkins

5 Michael A D'Avanzo

6 Kristoffer O Perruzza

7 Nicola J Aubrey (C)

8 Tyler J J Edwards

First peal - 1

First on eight - 5 & 8

300th peal - 7

Birthday compliments to Annabel Beavan

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## **Ringling Members' Peal Totals**

Col.1. Peals rung for the Guild in 2024

Col.2. Total peals rung for the Guild

Col.3. Total peals conducted for the Guild

A name in *italics* denotes a member who has died in 2024.

	1	2	3
Alison C Alcock	-	59	-
Noel H Anderson	-	72	-
Lewis J Ashton	1	3	-
Mark R Aston	1	1	-
Charlotte R Aubrey	-	2	-
Nicola J Aubrey	8	246	22
Alan E M Bagworth	-	131	-
Edward Barnaby	1	2	-
John A Bartley	-	15	-
Joyce J Barton	-	1	-
Stephen W Barton	-	129	2
Joanna C Beavan	1	2	-
Amaryllis K Bell	-	3	-
S Barnaby Bell	1	44	7
Allen Bellamy	-	2	-
Ann C Bennett	-	7	-
Neil Bennett	-	727	107
Izabelle A Bimson	-	3	-
Martin Bluck	-	4	-
Agnes T Bowen	-	1	-
Roger Bowen	-	5	-
Richard J Bracher	-	49	6
Keith Brimley	-	1	-
Andrew Buckley	-	4	-
Nick J Chapman	1	7	-
John C Charles	-	75	7
David A Childs	1	7	-
Francesca L Cinderey	-	20	1
Hayley I Clarke	-	1	-
W John Clayton	-	65	5
Richard J Clements	24	598	117
Rachel Coates	-	4	-
Martin Coleman	-	1	-
Richard W Collins	-	3	-
Nick Cooper-Tomkins	1	127	-
Geoffrey Cowling	2	17	-
Jude A Crighton	-	1	-
Adam R Crocker	1	43	10
Nicholas C R Cronin	-	19	1
John H Croxton	-	5	-
Jill Danby	-	22	-
Richard J Danby	-	20	-
Andrew R Davies	-	1	-
Helen P Davies	-	2	-
Libby Davis	1	6	-
Isabel R D'Avanzo	1	1	-
Michael A D'Avanzo	1	2	-
Ruth A D'Avanzo	1	1	-
Ian A J Donald	-	2	-
Elizabeth Donovan	-	1	-
Grace Dooley	3	5	-
John Downing	-	2	-
Matthew W Duley	-	4	-
Paul T Ebery	1	1	-
Judith M Edwards	-	2	-

Tyler J J Edwards	6	8	-
Martin Elcock	-	2	-
J Anthony Ellis	2	38	-
Christopher F English	-	1	-
William N Evans	1	2	-
David Eve	-	5	-
L Dawn Farrington	-	6	-
Graham Fletcher	-	12	-
J Denise Fletcher	-	13	-
Ashley C Fortey	6	879	194
C Martin Foster	-	738	5
Dianne B Foster	-	190	-
Barbara Fox	-	2	-
Tony Fuller	-	5	-
Bryan D Giddings	-	28	-
Patrick D Gilbert	-	48	-
Mark P Gilham	1	1	-
C Anthony Greatrex	-	15	-
Susan Hack	-	14	-
Jo A Hall	-	133	-
James D Hanks	-	4	-
Mary Harling	-	1	-
Martin E Harrison	-	32	-
John E Harrold	-	1139	391
Keith T Hatfield	-	2	-
Jan Herraty	-	6	-
Kay L Hodges	-	1	-
Robert D Hodges	-	29	-
Andrew D Hodgson	-	60	3
Gerald W Hodnett	-	2	-
Irene Holden	-	1	-
Tim D Hollinghurst	2	100	-
Craig P Homewood	3	67	2
E Anne Hone	1	9	-
John W Hope	-	495	32
Paul Izod	-	26	-
Amanda L James	-	4	-
David E Janes	-	1	-
Mike E Jefferis	-	1	-
David Jenkins	15	138	45
Madeleine Johnson	-	1	-
Tim Joiner	2	3	-
Brian R Jones	-	18	-
Chris Jones	-	1	-
Daniel Jones	3	585	200
Elspeth S. Jones	-	1	-
David Katz	-	4	-
Philip A Keene	-	61	-
Patricia C Key	-	14	-
Timothy H Keyes	-	2	-
Heather A Kippin	-	59	-
<i>Robert C Kippin</i>	6	148	38
Anne L Kleiser	-	5	-
Adam N J Langridge	-	6	-
Jenny M Lawrence	-	21	-
Colin A Lewis	-	132	22
Henry C Lewis	-	20	-
Paul J Lewis	-	34	-
Sheelagh Lewis	-	1	-
Sue J Lewis	-	1	-
Sarah A Macdonell	-	32	-
Margaret Macleod	-	1	-
Steven C Maddox	-	3	-

Janet Mann	-	6	-	Nicola Seabright	-	17	-
David W Manton	-	1	-	Cherelyn M Sell	-	3	-
Paul J Marshall	-	6	1	Peter D Sell	-	67	2
Jane E Mason	-	148	36	Frederick Shallcross	10	1121	743
<i>Norman R Mattingley</i>	-	671	146	Alex C Sharpe	-	4	-
Wendy V Meadows	-	1	-	Debbie Smith	=	2	-
Lesley G Meredith	-	3	-	Eddie Smith	1	1	-
Roy D Mills	1	10	-	Nick A Smith	-	1	-
Andrew F Mitchell	-	4	-	Andrew M Talbot-Ponsonby	-	17	-
Roger Moss	-	1	-	Deborah M Talbott	-	34	-
Pamela M Owen	-	1	-	Stuart P B Talbott	-	138	-
David C Parker	4	41	2	Bernard H Taylor	1	232	124
Karen Parker	-	32	-	Linda F Taylor	-	12	-
Sheila E M Parry	-	233	-	Ann S Thompson	-	81	1
Susannah Peppiatt	1	2	-	David J Thompson	-	89	1
Kristoffer O Perruzza	11	155	6	Joe Thompson	-	5	-
Christopher J Pickford	14	100	17	Martin E Thorne	-	1	-
David C Powell	-	25	2	Ian L Thornewell	-	1	-
Alison Price	-	5	-	Lilian Tomlinson	-	2	-
Ian Price	-	1	-	Peter Tomlinson	-	2	-
Kate M Price	-	54	-	Paul Tompkins	-	1	-
Reginald E Price	-	7	-	Keith P Tompsett	1	1	-
W Anthony Price	1	171	27	Anne Toussaint	-	2	-
Diane J Pritchard	-	74	6	Neil Toussaint	-	12	-
Jessica C Pugh	1	9	-	John F I Turney	-	196	17
Mark Pugh	12	125	32	Christopher J Venn	2	2	-
Rhiannon F Pugh	1	19	-	John Virgo	-	1	-
Alan T Reade	-	1	-	Elizabeth Walker	-	2	-
Susan Rees	-	6	-	Jason M Walker	6	27	-
Vicky L Rees	-	5	-	Robert F Walker	-	5	-
Mike Reynolds	-	1	-	Cecilia R Walters	-	2	-
Robin J Riches	-	6	-	Colin H Ward	-	163	2
Christopher S Roberts	-	4	-	Andrew J Watkins	6	194	101
Rosie B Roberts	-	1	-	Frances D Watkins	9	153	1
Valerie M Roberts	-	61	-	John G Watkins	-	3	-
Sue Robinson	2	11	-	Henry J Webb	-	3	-
Jackie Rogers	-	1	-	Paul J Wells	1	1	-
Ian Rowe	-	2	-	Elaine M Wilkinson	-	3	-
Roman E Sadowski	1	500	20	Andrew J Williams	-	1	-
Jake S Saer	-	3	-	Carol Williams	-	1	-
Penny J Salisbury	1	157	-	Mike Williams	-	1	-
Lynn S Scales	1	22	7	Stephen C Williams	-	2	-
Martin D Scott	-	6	-	Andrew G Wilson	1	7	-
Frank M Seabright	-	27	3	Kevin Wright	-	2	-

### **Non-Resident Life Members who rang Peals in 2024**

\* denotes 'new member in 2024'.

Geoffrey M Brewin	2	109	9	Stephen W Horton	4	5	0
Nicholas D Brown	1	53	2	D Rose W Horton*	2	2	0
James Clatworthy	6	207	14	Nicholas D Jones	1	42	6
Alex F Byrne	1	10	3	David F Moore	1	65	0
Robert J Crocker	1	5	0	Christopher D Phillips	1	3	0
Nicholas J Green	12	81	4	Darran Ricks	2	164	56
Ian D Harris*	1	1	0	Hilda C Ridley	5	51	1
Andrew J Hartley	3	8	0	Simon J Ridley	3	39	0
Ian P Hastlow	1	2	0	Paul R Smith	4	53	0
Jane M Hitchens	1	1	0	Malcolm P Taylor	1	54	1
Roger H Hunt (22167)	3	5	0	Robin J Walker	1	2	0
Richard J Hurst	1	4	0				

## **Peals Rung by the Guild in 2023**

6003

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin  
Thu Jan 12, 2h49

**5184 Bristol Surprise Major**

Comp: R Angrave

- 1 James Clatworthy
- 2 Simon J Ridley
- 3 Kristoffer O Perruzza
- 4 Mark Pugh
- 5 Frederick Shallcross (C)
- 6 Roman E Sadowski
- 7 David Jenkins
- 8 Ashley C Fortey

The band sends its best wishes to Neil Bennett for a speedy recovery.

6004

**DILWYN**, St Mary the Virgin  
Sun Jan 15, 2h42

**5040 Doubles**

(1m/30v: 1,440 Grandsire; one extent each Southrepps, St David, Alveley, Clifford's Pleasure, Wollaston, Royston, Aberteifi, Little Aston, Oldswinford, Campion, Inkpen, Towales, Monster's Pleasure, Pattishall, Farnsfield, Kennington, Litchurch, Hilmarton, April Day, Salwarpe, May Day, St Saviour, Seighford, Windrush, Hudibras, St Agnes, Trent, Derwent, Newnham, Shenley)

- 1 Jessica C Pugh
- 2 Mark Pugh (C)
- 3 E Anne Hone
- 4 Rhiannon F Pugh
- 5 Geoff Cowling
- 6 Andrew G Wilson

100th peal, 25th as conductor and has 'circled the tower: 2.

First peal of multi-Doubles: 3.

This was a special peal for Mark and Rhiannon, as they first met in this tower in 1994, and are proud to have rung it with their daughter Jessica: Abigail and Alice Pugh wish to be associated with this peal.

6005

**DILWYN**, St Mary the Virgin  
Fri Feb 3, 2h42

**5040 Doubles**

(42v: one extent each St Quintin, Allestree, St Frideswide, St Lucy, Ladbroke, Keysoe, Pink's, Zennor, Daffodil, St Anne, Middleton Stoney, Bluebell, Black Kettle, Wild Hog, Dull Knife, Little Wolf, Roman Nose, Little Horse, St Helen, Newborough, Southrepps, Campion, Inkpen, St David, Alveley, Clifford's Pleasure, Wollaston, Royston, Aberteifi, Little Aston, Oldswinford, Kennington, Hudibras, St Agnes, Litchurch, Hilmarton, April Day, Salwarpe, May Day, St Saviour, Seighford, Windrush)

- 1 E Anne Hone
- 2 Rhiannon F Pugh
- 3 Andrew G Wilson
- 4 Mark Pugh (C)
- 5 Ashley C Fortey
- 6 Jessica C Pugh

Rung in the evening following the funeral of George B Bray of Henwood: a peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung in this tower on October 15th, 1939, in honour of his Christening.

6006

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin  
Thu Feb 9, 2h52

**5152 Bristol Surprise Major**

Comp: R Angrave

- 1 Ashley C Fortey
- 2 Richard J Clements
- 3 James Clatworthy
- 4 Kristoffer O Perruzza
- 5 Roman E Sadowski
- 6 Simon J Ridley
- 7 Frederick Shallcross (C)
- 8 David Jenkins

Rung *in memoriam* Bob Smith, a kind and very fine ringer.

6007

**LYONSHALL**, St Michael and All Angels  
Fri Feb 17, 3h3

**5040 Surprise Minor**

(7m: one extent each Chester, Carlisle, London, Bourne, Beverley, Norwich, Cambridge)

- 1 Mark Pugh
- 2 Richard J Clements
- 3 Nicholas J Green
- 4 Robert C Kippin
- 5 Christopher J Pickford
- 6 David Jenkins (C)

6008

**CHURCH STRETTON**, St Laurence  
Sat Feb 25, 2h59

**5056 Plain Bob Major**

Comp: J R Pritchard

- 1 Mark Pugh
- 2 Tim D Hollinghurst
- 3 Paul R Smith
- 4 Richard J Clements (C)
- 5 Geoff Cowling
- 6 Peter G C Ellis
- 7 Darran Ricks
- 8 Christopher J Pickford

100th peal for the Guild: 1.

Rung for our King, Charles III.

6009

**BRIDSTOW**, 4 Bannutree Cottages  
Wed Mar 1, 2h28 (15)

**5152 Lincolnshire Surprise Major**

Comp: D F Morrison (#3560)

- 1-2 Richard J Clements
- 3-4 David F Moore
- 5-6 Frederick Shallcross
- 7-8 Daniel Jones (C)

6010

**WESTON BEGGARD**, St John the Baptist  
Sun Mar 5, 2h44

**5040 Doubles**

(11m: two extents Grandsire; four extents each Rev Canterbury Pleasure Pl, St Nicholas B, Winchendon Pl, St Remigius B, Huntley Pl, Plain B, St Simon's B, St Martin's B, St Osmund B, Eynesbury B)

- 1 Richard J Clements
- 2 Mark Pugh
- 3 Christopher J Pickford
- 4 Darran Ricks (C)
- 5 Peter G C Ellis

6011

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin  
Thu Mar 16, 2h48

**5152 Phillip Andreas Delight Major**

Comp: D Jones

- 1 Simon J Ridley
- 2 Hilda C Ridley
- 3 James Clatworthy
- 4 David Jenkins
- 5 Nicholas J Green
- 6 Roman E Sadowski
- 7 Daniel Jones (C)
- 8 Frederick Shallcross

Specially organised, composed and rung to celebrate the birth on 30 November, 2022 of Phillip Andreas Kourra-Jones, first son of Nadia Kourra and Dan Jones.

First peal in the method: -5-5.4-5-6-1-4-5 1h 2 Group C.

6012

**CODDINGTON**, All Saints  
Fri Mar 17, 2h57

**5040 Surprise Minor**

(7m: one extent each Wells, London, York, Beverley, Bourne, Norwich, Cambridge)

- 1 Mark Pugh
- 2 Paul R Smith
- 3 Andrew J Hartley
- 4 Nicholas J Green
- 5 Christopher J Pickford
- 6 David Jenkins (C)

6013

**WELLINGTON**, St Margaret of Antioch

Sat Mar 18, 2h55

**5040 Surprise Minor**

(7m: one extent each London, Carlisle, Durham, Beverley, Bourne, Norwich, Cambridge)

- 1 Sue Robinson
  - 2 Paul R Smith
  - 3 Kristoffer O Perruzza
  - 4 Jason M Walker
  - 5 Adam R Crocker (C)
  - 6 Ashley C Fortey
- 150th peal: 3. Rung as a birthday compliment to Kris Perruzza.

6014

**STOKE PRIOR**, St Luke

Sat Mar 13, 2h31

**5040 Doubles**

(11m: two extents Grandsire; four extents St Nicholas B, Winchendon PI, St Remigius B, Huntley PI, Rev Canterbury Pleasure PI, St Simon's B, St Martin's B, St Osmund B, Eynesbury B, Plain B)

- 1 Ashley C Fortey
- 2 Jason M Walker
- 3 Paul R Smith
- 4 Adam R Crocker
- 5 Kristoffer O Perruzza (C)
- 6 Lewis J Ashton

First peal: 1 (his first attempt, 4 months after his first lesson!).

6015

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin

Thu Mar 30, 3h0

**5120 Superlative S Major**

Comp: D F Morrison (# 250)

- 1 James Clatworthy
- 2 Kristoffer O Perruzza
- 3 Richard J Clements (C)
- 4 Jason M Walker
- 5 Simon J Ridley
- 6 Timothy E Barnaby
- 7 Nicholas J Green
- 8 Roman E Sadowski

'Circled the tower' for the third time: 8.

Rung *in memoriam* Henry Chandler, faithful tower master and crucifer at this church for many years.

Rung also *in memoriam* Viktor Jan Sadowski (23/10/52–24/03/23), a 'very' occasional ringer who, having rung one family quarter peal in 1970, never touched a bell rope again.

6016

**BRIDSTOW**, 4 Bannutree Cottages

Wed Apr 19, 2h28 (15)

**5088 Yorkshire Surprise Major**

Comp: D F Morrison (# 1947, arr. D Jones)

- 1-2 Richard J Clements
- 3-4 Frederick Shallcross
- 5-6 Malcolm P Taylor
- 7-8 Daniel Jones (C)

6017

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin

Thu Apr 20, 2h56

**5152 Spliced Surprise Major**

(23m: 224 each Ashted, Bristol, Cambridge, Cassiobury, Cornwall, Cray, Double Dublin, Glasgow, Ipswich, Jersey, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Preston, Pudsey, Rutland; Superlative, Tavistock, Uxbridge, Watford, Wembley, Whalley, Yorkshire; 160 com, atw)

Comp: N Smith

- 1 Roman E Sadowski
- 2 James Clatworthy
- 3 Richard J Clements
- 4 Frederick Shallcross (C)
- 5 Nicholas J Green
- 6 Bernard H Taylor
- 7 David Jenkins
- 8 Daniel Jones

A belated peal *in memoriam* Norman Smith, whose magical composition has given us so much fun over the years.

Neil Bennett wishes to be associated with this peal.

6018

**ABBEE DORE**, St Mary

Sun Apr 23, 2h54

**5040 Doubles**

(3m/17v: three 240s and four extents each Grandsire; Rev Canterbury Pleasure PI, Southrepps, Plain B; five extents Kennington; one extent each Clifford's Pleasure, Wollaston, St David, Alveley, Royston, Aberteifi, Little Aston, Oldswinford, April Day, Salwarpe, Litchurch, Hilmarton, May Day, Seighford, Windrush)

- 1 Libby Davis
- 2 Rhiannon F Pugh
- 3 Nick J Chapman
- 4 Mark Pugh (C)
- 5 Nick Cooper-Tomkins
- 6 Jessica C Pugh

First peal 'inside': 3. First anticlockwise peal: 1, 2, 3, 6.

Rung as a thanksgiving for the life and work at Dore Abbey of Rear Admiral Philip L Wilcocks, CB, DSC, DL, Churchwarden, who passed away Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023; also Hazel Prowse, Churchwarden, who died February 28, 2023, and Tony Perkins, former PCC Secretary, who died December 20, 2022.

6019

**EWYAS HAROLD**, St Michael & All Angels

Fri May 8, 2h42

**5040 Grandsire Doubles**

(One Price's 240 and 40 extents (10 callings, each 4 times))

- 1 Libby Davis
- 2 Richard J Clements
- 3 Nick J Chapman
- 4 Mark Pugh
- 5 Ashley C Fortey (C)
- 6 Nick Cooper-Tomkins

Rung to mark the Coronation the following day of His Majesty King Charles III in Westminster Abbey, 'God Save the King!'

6020

**LEDBURY**, St Michael & All Angels

Mon May 8, 3h24

**5039 Grandsire Cateters**

Comp: T Hooley (1974)

- 1 Robert C Kippin
- 2 Hilda C Ridley
- 3 Richard J Clements
- 4 Darran Ricks
- 5 Frederick Shallcross
- 6 Roy D Mills
- 7 Bernard H Taylor (C)
- 8 Daniel Jones
- 9 Ashley C Fortey
- 10 Malcolm P Taylor

First peal on the bells since augmentation to ten in 2020.

Rung in celebration of the Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla in Westminster Abbey on May 6th.

6021

**EYE**, St Peter & St Paul

Sun May 21, 2h42

**5040 Grandsire Doubles**

(One Morris's 240 and 40 extents (10 callings, each 4 times))

- 1 E Anne Hone
- 2 Richard J Clements
- 3 Jessica C Pugh
- 4 Nick Cooper-Tomkins
- 5 Mark Pugh (C)
- 6 Andrew G Wilson

First peal 'inside': 3.

Rung on the first anniversary of Jessica's first peal.

6022

**DORSTONE**, St Faith

Sat Jun 3, 2h41

**5040 Doubles**

(10m/32v: one extent each St Simon's B, St Alban, Eynsham, St Jude, St Ignatius, St Martin's B, St Paul, St Leonard, St Laurence, Churchill, St Osmund B, St Ambrose, St Ninian, St Austell, Amersham, Eynesbury B, St John Evangelist, St John Baptist, St Stephen, St John Divine, St Giles, St Nicholas B, Lapley, St Mary, Heyford, St Miles, Winchendon PI, St John, St Crispin, Chilton, Church Greasley, St Remigius B, Horsley, St Cecilia, Sarraat, Ezneih, Huntley PI, Obediah, Laverstoke, Dummer, Rev Canterbury Pleasure PI, Plain B)

- 1 Lynn S Scales
- 2 Jason M Walker
- 3 Frances D Watkins
- 4 Kristoffer O Perruzza (C)
- 5 Andrew J Watkins
- 6 Tyler J J Edwards

First peal: 6. First peal of Doubles on the bells.  
First peal on the bells by a resident Guild band.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to David J Thompson.

6023

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin  
Thu Jun 8, 2h52

**5040 Stedman Triples**

Comp: T Thurstans (Dexter's No. 2 Arrangement)

- 1 Robert C Kippin
- 2 Frederick Shallcross
- 3 Simon J Ridley
- 4 Kristoffer O Perruzza
- 5 Hilda C Ridley
- 6 Roman E Sadowski
- 7 Ashley C Fortey (C)
- 8 Frances D Watkins

Rung as a belated birthday compliment to the conductor.

6024

**WELLINGTON**, St Margaret of Antioch  
Sat Mar 18, 2h55

**5040 Surprise Minor**

(7m: one extent each Ipswich, Netherseale, Beverley; four extents Cambridge)

- 1 Mark Pugh
- 2 Sue Robinson
- 3 Robert C Kippin
- 4 Bernard H Taylor
- 5 Christopher J Pickford
- 6 David Jenkins (C)

6025

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin  
Thu Jun 29, 2h45

**5088 Spiced Surprise Major**

(6m: 960 each Cambridge, Rutland; 864 Lincolnshire; 832 Superlative; 800 Yorkshire; 672 Bristol; 76 com, atw)

Comp: P G K Davies

- 1 James Clatworthy
- 2 Frances D Watkins
- 3 Richard J Clements (C)
- 4 Hilda C Ridley
- 5 Kristoffer O Perruzza
- 6 David Jenkins
- 7 Roman E Sadowski
- 8 Ashley C Fortey

Rung to welcome Adaline Iris Margot Chittenden (7 lb 7.2 oz), born Wednesday June 28, 2023.

6026

**BROMYARD**, St Peter  
Fri Jun 30, 2h58

**5152 Yorkshire Surprise Major**

Comp: M Maughan

- 1 Geoffrey M Brewin
- 2 Sue Robinson
- 3 J Anthony Ellis
- 4 William N Evans
- 5 Roger H Hunt
- 6 Paul R Smith
- 7 Keith P Tompsett
- 8 David Jenkins (C)

First peal of Surprise Major: 4.

Wishing a very happy birthday to David Parker and Catherine Ellis; rung also to congratulate Sarah Lupton, who will be ordained as Deacon in Hereford Cathedral on July 1, 2023.

6027

**LEOMINSTER**, St Peter & St Paul  
Sun Jul 2, 2h41

**5040 Doubles**

(3m/22v: 12 extents Grandsire, four extents each Plain B, Rev Canterbury Pleasure Pl; one extent each Litchurch, Hilmarton, April Day,

Salwarpe, May Day, St Saviour, Seighford, Windrush, Monks habit, Kennington, Black Knight, St David, Alveley, Clifford's Pleasure, Wolaston, Royston, Aberteifi, Little Aston, Oldswinford, Twisted Spire, Southrepps, Old Prickly)

- 1 Jessica C Pugh
- 2 Geoffrey Cowling
- 3 E Anne Hone
- 4 Rhiannon F Pugh
- 5 Mark Pugh (C)
- 6 Andrew G Wilson

Rung on the front six to congratulate Revd Jonathan Roberts on his Ordination and first Celebration of Holy Communion, also to mark the 35th anniversary of the Ordination of the Revd Guy Cole, Team Rector.

6028

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin  
Thu Jul 13, 2h46

**5056 Spiced Surprise Major**

(8m: 768 Rutland, 704 London, 640 Yorkshire, Superlative, 576 Bristol, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, 121 com, atw)

Comp: P G K Davies (1976)

- 1 Roman E Sadowski
- 2 Ian P Hill
- 3 James Clatworthy
- 4 Frances D Watkins
- 5 Kristoffer O Perruzza
- 6 Simon J Ridley
- 7 Bernard H Taylor (C)
- 8 Ashley C Fortey

6029

**EARDISLEY**, St Mary Magdalene  
Mon Jul 24, 2h47

**5040 Treble Dodging Minor**

(9m: (1) Wells S (2) Chester S, Munden S (3) York S (4) Oxford T B (5) Berwick S, Hexham S (6) Norwich S (7) Bourne S)

- 1 Penny J Salisbury
- 2 Robert J Crocker
- 3 Robert C Kippin
- 4 David Jenkins
- 5 Darran Ricks (C)
- 6 Christopher J Pickford

6030

**EWYAS HAROLD**, St Michael & All Angels  
Sat Aug 12, 2h48

**5040 Doubles**

(4m/29v: one extent each St Simon's B, St Alban, Cassington, Somerville, St Catherine, St Winifred, Eynsham, St Wilfrid, Elford, St Katherine, Plain B, Old, Norfolk, Hudibras, St Agnes, Kennington, April Day, Seighford, Salwarpe, Windrush, Rev Canterbury Pleasure Pl, St Columb, Broadwas, Campion, Inkpen, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Southrepps, Rev Canterbury Pleasure Pl, 12 extents Grandsire)

- 1 Libby Davis
- 2 Ashley C Fortey (C)
- 3 Mark Pugh
- 4 Nick J Chapman
- 5 Nick Cooper-Tomkins
- 6 Grace Dooley

First peal: 6.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Rachel Birden and Gino Fulgoni, landlord of the 'Temple Bar' in Ewyas Harold, who are to be married at Our Lady and St Michael's R C Church, Abergavenny on August 19, 2023.

6031

**HOLMER**, St Bartholomew  
Thu Aug 24, 2h57

**5040 Surprise Minor**

(7m: one extent each Warkworth, London, Lightfoot, York, Bourne, Norwich, Cambridge)

- 1 Paul R Smith
- 2 Robert C Kippin
- 3 Richard J Clements
- 4 Darran Ricks
- 5 Christopher J Pickford
- 6 David Jenkins (C)

Rung on the Feast Day of St Bartholomew.

6032

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin

Sat Sep 2, 2h40

**5040 Doubles**

(1m/4v: 26 extents Plain B; four extents each April Day, Seighford, Litchurch, May Day)

- 1 Susannah Peppiatt
- 2 Frances D Watkins
- 3 Jason M Walker
- 4 Frederick Shallcross (C)
- 5 Kristoffer O Perruzza
- 6 Andrew J Watkins

First peal: 1.

6033

**SUTTON ST NICHOLAS**, St Nicholas

Fri Sep 29, 2h46

**5040 Surprise Minor**

(3m: one extent each Primrose, Ipswich; five extents Cambridge)

- 1 Andrew J Hartley
- 2 Mark Pugh
- 3 Richard J Clements
- 4 Nicholas J Green
- 5 Christopher J Pickford
- 6 David Jenkins (C)

Rung with the best wishes of the band to Violet Lily Nicklin, who celebrated her 100th birthday on September 28, 2023.

6034

**MONTGOMERY**, Powys, St Nicholas

Sat Sep 30, 2h50 (12)

**5040 Surprise Minor**

(7m: one extent each London, Carlisle, Beverley, Westminster, Bourne, Norwich, Cambridge)

- 1 Nicola J Turner
- 2 Colin M Turner
- 3 Nicholas D Jones
- 4 Christopher J Pickford
- 5 Peter G C Ellis (C)
- 6 Ashley C Fortey

Rung to mark the 800th anniversary of the founding of Montgomery Castle.

6035

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin

Thu Oct 12, 3h1

**5152 Spliced Surprise Major**

(13m: 448 each Bristol, Cambridge, Cassiobury, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Pudsey, Rutland; Uxbridge, Yorkshire; 224 each Ashted, Cornwall, Superlative; 146 com, atw)

Comp: N Smith

- 1 Simon J Ridley
- 2 Richard J Clements
- 3 Nicholas J Green
- 4 Frederick Shallcross
- 5 Roman E Sadowski
- 6 Hilda C Ridley
- 7 Bernard H Taylor (C)
- 8 David Jenkins

200th peal on the bells: 4.

6036

**ABBAY DORE**, St Mary

Sat Oct 28, 2h45

**5040 Plain Bob Minor**

(Seven different extents)

- 1 Nick J Chapman
- 2 Nick Cooper-Tomkins
- 3 Geoffrey Cowling
- 4 Simon E Adams
- 5 Mark Pugh
- 6 Richard J Clements (C)

First peal of Minor: 1. First anticlockwise peal: 3.

Rung to mark the tenth anniversary of the rehanging and rededication of the bells; also remembering Tony Perkins, the Revd Dennis Monger, Bishop Clive Young, Philip L Wilcocks, Hazel Prowse and Arthur (Bill) Berry.

6037

**STAUNTON ON WYE**, St Mary the Virgin

Fri Nov 10, 2h45

**5040 Spliced Surprise Minor**

(41m: (1-3) Carlisle, Northumberland, Whitley, Sandiacre, Wooler, Newcastle, Morpeth, Alnwick, Canterbury, Chester, Munden, London, Kelso, Lincoln, Coldstream, Cunecastre, Wells; (4-7) Norwich, Warkworth, Netherseale, Annable's London, Lightfoot, Rossendale, Wearmouth, Stamford, Westminster, Allendale, Bamborough, Bacup, Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne, Hull, York, Durham, Beverley, Berwick, Surfleet, Hexham)

Comp: J S Warboys (SU0308 and SU0403)

- 1 Sue Robinson
- 2 Robert J Crocker
- 3 David Jenkins
- 4 Richard J Clements
- 5 Peter G C Ellis (C)
- 6 Adam R Crocker

6038

**WEOBLEY**, St Peter & St Paul

Fri Nov 10, 3h8

**5040 Surprise Minor**

(10m: (1) London, Wells (2) York, Durham (3) Beverley, Surfleet (4)

Westminster (5) Bourne (6) Norwich (7) Cambridge)

- 1 Frances D Watkins
- 2 Kristoffer O Perruzza
- 3 Richard J Clements
- 4 Adam R Crocker
- 5 Peter G C Ellis (C)
- 6 Robert J Crocker

6039

**BURGHILL**, St Mary the Virgin

Sun Nov 12 Aug 12, 2h40

**5040 Doubles**

(10m/32v: one extent each St Simon's B, St Alban, Eynsham, St Jude, St Ignatius, St Martin's B, St Paul, St Leonard, St Laurence, Churchill, St Osmund B, St Ambrose, St Ninian, St Austell, Amersham, Eynesbury B, St John Evangelist, St John Baptist, St Stephen, St John Divine, St Giles, St Nicholas B, Lapley, St Mary, Heyford, St Miles, Winchendon PI, St John, St Crispin, Chilton, Church Greasley, St Remigius B, Horsley, St Cecilia, Sarraat, Ezneih, Huntley PI, Obediah, Laverstoke, Dummer, Rev Canterbury Pleasure PI, Plain B)

- 1 Lewis J Ashton
- 2 Adam R Crocker
- 3 Jason M Walker
- 4 Kristoffer O Perruzza (C)
- 5 Tim D Hollinghurst
- 6 Tyler J J Edwards

First peal away from the tenor: 1.

Rung half muffled in remembrance of those who gave their today for our tomorrow.

It is exactly 12 months since Tyler first handled a bell.

6040

**STAUNTON ON WYE**, St Mary the Virgin

Fri Dec 1, 2h57

**5040 Surprise Minor**

(7m: one extent each Warkworth, Lightfoot, London, York, Bourne, Norwich, Cambridge)

- 1 Mark Pugh
- 2 Nicholas J Green
- 3 Richard J Clements
- 4 Adam R Crocker
- 5 Christopher J Pickford
- 6 David Jenkins (C)

6041

**HEREFORD**, Cathedral

Sat Dec 16, 3h19

**5039 Grandsire Caters**

Comp: T Hooley

- 1 James Clatworthy
- 2 Robert C Kippin
- 3 Ashley C Fortey
- 4 Roman E Sadowski
- 5 Ben J Curwen
- 6 Daniel Jones (C)
- 7 Christopher D Phillips
- 8 Craig P Homewood

9 Christopher J Pickford  
 10 Tom R Jauncey-Childs  
 First peal on ten bells: 5. 'Circled the tower' to ten-bell  
 peals: 4. 100th peal together: 8 & 10.  
 Rung in affectionate memory of Michael P Moreton, who  
 died on November 7, 2023. His final peal, on August 28,  
 2019, was rung only a few yards away, in No. 1, Cathedral  
 Close, to mark the 75th anniversary of his first peal  
 (August 29, 1944). Michael is the only person to have  
 achieved this milestone. His first and last peals were rung  
 in the same room.

6042

**BODENHAM**, St Michael & All Angels

Fri Dec 29, 2h49

**5040 Grandsire Doubles**

(42 extents (10 different callings))

- 1 Ruth A D'Avanzo
- 2 Joanna C Beavan
- 3 Michael A D'Avanzo
- 4 Frances D Watkins
- 5 Nicola J Aubrey (C)
- 6 Mark R Aston

First peal: 1, 3, 6.

For Christmas.

6043

**MICHAELCHURCH ESCLEY**, St Michael

Sat Dec 30, 2h39

**5040 Grandsire Doubles**

(One Pitman's 240 and 40 extents (10 callings, each 4 times))

- 1 Rhiannon F Pugh
- 2 Nick Cooper-Tomkins
- 3 Libby Davis
- 4 Nick J Chapman
- 5 Mark Pugh (C)
- 6 Paul T Ebery

First peal: 6. First peal 'inside: 3.

Rung in memory of Helen, wife of the tenor ringer, who died  
 on September 9, 2019. Paul and Helen first met 44 years ago  
 this month.

Also to celebrate the 64th wedding anniversary, on Boxing Day,  
 of Rhiannon's parents, Brian and Sylvia Jones.

6044

**WHITNEY ON WYE**, St Peter & St Paul

Sun Dec 31, 2h42

**5040 Doubles**

(3m/33v: one extent each All Saints Pl, St Cuthbert, Rushall, Stirling,  
 Northrepps, Lullington, Rev St Bartholomew, Ashbourne, St David,  
 Alveley, Clifford's Pleasure, Wollaston, Little Aston, Oldswinford,  
 Southrepps, Litchurch, Hilmarton, April Day, Salwarpe, Seighford,  
 Windrush, Kennington, St Paul, St Laurence, Romsey, St Leonard,  
 St Oswald, Churchill, Wykeham, Austrey, St Magnus, St Martin's B;  
 10 extents Plain B)

- 1 Jessica C Pugh
- 2 Rhiannon F Pugh
- 3 Tim Joiner
- 4 Mark Pugh (C)
- 5 Grace Dooley

To mark the end of 2023.

## **Ringling Members' Peal Totals**

Col.1. Peals rung for the Guild in 2023

Col.2. Total peals rung for the Guild

Col.3. Total peals conducted for the Guild

A name in *italics* denotes a member who has  
 died in 2023.

	1	2	3
Alison C Alcock	-	61	1
Noel H Anderson	-	72	-
Lewis J Ashton	2	2	-
Mark R Aston	1	1	-
Charlotte R Aubrey	-	2	-
Nicola J Aubrey	1	238	20
Alan E M Bagworth	-	131	-
Edward Barnaby	1	2	-
John A Bartley	-	15	-
Joyce J Barton	-	1	-
Stephen W Barton	-	129	2
Joanna C Beavan	1	2	-
Amaryllis K Bell	-	3	-
S Barnaby Bell	-	43	7
Allen Bellamy	-	2	-
Ann C Bennett	-	7	-
Neil Bennett	-	727	107
Izabelle A Bimson	-	3	-
Martin Bluck	-	4	-
Agnes T Bowen	-	1	-
Roger Bowen	-	5	-
Richard J Bracher	-	49	6
Keith Brimley	-	1	-
Andrew Buckley	-	4	-
<i>Henry Chandler</i>	-	5	-
Nick J Chapman	5	6	-
John C Charles	-	75	7
David A Childs	-	6	-
Francesca L Cinderey	-	20	1

Hayley I Clarke	-	1	-
W John Clayton	-	65	5
Richard J Clements	19	574	107
Rachel Coates	-	4	-
Martin Coleman	-	1	-
Richard W Collins	-	3	-
Nick Cooper-Tomkins	6	126	-
Geoffrey Cowling	4	15	-
Jude A Crighton	-	1	-
Adam R Crocker	6	42	9
Nicholas C R Cronin	-	19	1
John H Croxton	-	5	-
Jill Danby	-	22	-
Richard J Danby	-	20	-
Albert E Davies	-	7	-
Andrew R Davies	-	1	-
Helen P Davies	-	2	-
Libby Davis	4	5	-
Michael A D'Avanzo	1	1	-
Ruth A D'Avanzo	1	1	-
Ian A J Donald	-	2	-
Elizabeth Donovan	-	1	-
Grace Dooley	2	2	-
John Downing	-	2	-
Matthew W Duley	-	4	-
Paul T Ebery	1	1	-
Judith M Edwards	-	2	-
Tyler J J Edwards	2	2	-
Martin Elcock	-	2	-
J Anthony Ellis	1	36	-
Christopher F English	-	1	-
William N Evans	1	2	-
David Eve	-	5	-
L Dawn Farrington	-	6	-
<i>Desmond E Ferguson</i>	-	64	4
Graham Fletcher	-	12	-
J Denise Fletcher	-	13	-

Ashley C Fortey	12	873	193	Pamela M Owen	-	1	-
C Martin Foster	-	738	5	David C Parker	-	37	2
Dianne B Foster	-	190	-	Karen Parker	-	32	-
Barbara Fox	-	2	-	Sheila E M Parry	-	233	-
Tony Fuller	-	5	-	Susannah Peppiatt	1	1	-
Bryan D Giddings	-	28	-	Kristoffer O Perruzza	12	144	4
Patrick D Gilbert	-	48	-	Christopher J Pickford	11	86	17
C Anthony Greatrex	-	15	-	David C Powell	-	25	2
Susan Hack	-	14	-	Alison Price	-	5	-
Jo A Hall	-	133	-	Ian Price	-	1	-
James D Hanks	-	4	-	Kate M Price	-	54	-
David Harling	-	1	-	Reginald E Price	-	7	-
Mary Harling	-	1	-	W Anthony Price	-	170	26
Martin E Harrison	-	32	-	Diane J Pritchard	-	74	6
John E Harrold	-	1139	391	Jessica C Pugh	6	8	-
Keith T Hatfield	-	2	-	Mark Pugh	17	113	31
Jan Herraty	-	6	-	Rhiannon F Pugh	7	18	-
Kay L Hodges	-	1	-	Alan T Reade	-	1	-
Robert D Hodges	-	29	-	Susan Rees	-	6	-
Andrew D Hodgson	-	60	3	Vicky L Rees	-	5	-
Gerald W Hodnett	-	2	-	Mike Reynolds	-	1	-
Irene Holden	-	1	-	Robin J Riches	-	6	-
Tim D Hollinghurst	2	98	-	Christopher S Roberts	-	4	-
E Anne Hone	4	8	-	Rosie B Roberts	-	1	-
John W Hope	-	495	32	Valerie M Roberts	-	61	-
Paul Izod	-	26	-	Sue Robinson	4	9	-
Amanda L James	-	4	-	Jackie Rogers	-	1	-
David E Janes	-	1	-	Ian Rowe	-	2	-
Mike E Jefferis	-	1	-	Roman E Sadowski	10	497	20
David Jenkins	15	123	40	Jake S Saer	-	3	-
Madeleine Johnson	-	1	-	Penny J Salisbury	1	156	-
Tim Joiner	1	1	-	Lynn S Scales	1	21	6
Brian R Jones	-	18	-	Martin D Scott	-	6	-
Chris Jones	-	1	-	Frank M Seabright	-	27	3
Daniel Jones	6	582	199	Nicola Seabright	-	17	-
Elspeth S. Jones	-	1	-	Cherelyn M Sell	-	3	-
David Katz	-	4	-	Peter D Sell	-	67	2
Philip A Keene	-	61	-	Frederick Shallcross	11	1111	738
Patricia C Key	-	14	-	Alex C Sharpe	-	4	-
Timothy H Keyes	-	2	-	Debbie Smith	-	2	-
Heather A Kippin	-	59	-	Nick A Smith	-	1	-
Robert C Kippin	7	142	38	Andrew M Talbot-Ponsonby	-	17	-
Anne L Kleiser	-	5	-	Deborah M Talbott	-	34	-
Adam N J Langridge	-	6	-	Stuart P B Talbott	-	138	-
Jenny M Lawrence	-	21	-	Bernard H Taylor	5	231	124
Colin A Lewis	-	132	22	Linda F Taylor	-	12	-
Henry C Lewis	-	20	-	Ann S Thompson	-	81	1
Paul J Lewis	-	34	-	David J Thompson	-	89	1
Sheelagh Lewis	-	1	-	Joe Thompson	-	5	-
Sue J Lewis	-	1	-	Martin E Thorne	-	1	-
Sarah A Macdonell	-	32	-	Ian L Thornevell	-	1	-
Margaret Macleod	-	1	-	Lilian Tomlinson	-	2	-
Steven C Maddox	-	3	-	Peter Tomlinson	-	2	-
Janet Mann	-	6	-	Paul Tompkins	-	1	-
David W Manton	-	1	-	Keith P Tompsett	1	1	-
Paul J Marshall	-	6	1	Anne Toussaint	-	2	-
Jane E Mason	-	148	36	Neil Toussaint	-	12	-
Norman R Mattingley	-	671	146	John F I Turney	-	196	17
Wendy V Meadows	-	1	-	John Virgo	-	1	-
Lesley G Meredith	-	3	-	Elizabeth Walker	-	2	-
Roy D Mills	1	9	-	Jason M Walker	6	21	-
Andrew F Mitchell	-	4	-	Robert F Walker	-	5	-
Roger Moss	-	1	-	Cecilia R Walters	-	2	-

Colin H Ward	-	163	2	Andrew J Williams	-	1	-
Andrew J Watkins	2	189	99	Carol Williams	-	1	-
Frances D Watkins	7	144	1	Mike Williams	-	1	-
John G Watkins	-	3	-	Stephen C Williams	-	2	-
Henry J Webb	-	3	-	Andrew G Wilson	4	6	-
Elaine M Wilkinson	-	3	-	Kevin Wright	-	2	-

### **Non-Resident Life Members who rang Peals in 2023**

\* denotes 'new member in 2023'.

Simon E Adams	1	3	-	Tom R Jauncey-Childs	1	10	-
* Timothy E Barnaby	1	1	-	Nicholas D Jones	1	41	6
Geoffrey M Brewin	1	107	9	David F Moore	1	64	-
James Clatworthy	8	201	14	Christopher D Phillips	1	2	-
Robert J Crocker	3	4	-	Darran Ricks	5	162	54
* Ben J Curwen	1	1	-	Hilda C Ridley	5	46	1
Peter G C Ellis	5	24	14	Simon J Ridley	7	36	-
Nicholas J Green	8	67	4	Paul R Smith	6	49	-
Andrew J Hartley	2	5	-	Malcolm P Taylor	2	53	1
Ian P Hill	1	8	-	Colin M Turner	1	51	-
Roger H Hunt	1	2	-	Nicola J Turner	1	26	-
Craig P Homewood	1	67	2				

## **Thomas Cooper Striking Competition & Guild Competition Day 2024.**

As the striking competition that had been due to take place in October 2023 had to be postponed due to a lack of entries, the Guild Striking Competition Committee decided to go ahead with a change of format for the striking competition in 2024.

We introduced a new 'Novice Rounds Challenge' to encourage newer ringers to feel confident to join in with a Guild event.

- The Call Change competition was revamped, to include at least two ringers who have been ringing for less than three years. There was a new trophy skilfully designed and made by Lynn Scales, and named in honour of Alec Osbaldiston who had served on the Thomas Cooper Competition Committee for over 40 years.
- We introduced more activities to take place during the day, these included the Wombel, a Ringing Book Stall, a Handbell Workshop, a Quiz & Raffle, Recruitment Information was displayed, and Refreshments were served in the church throughout the afternoon. We wanted to create a friendly, relaxed and inclusive event that people would enjoy. It is important to take pride in good ringing, but we wanted ringers from all over the Guild to meet, celebrate with and encourage each other.
- The Guild Competition Day was promoted on social media and through the Guild website, and the non-ringing public were invited to come along to listen and find out about ringing.

We are pleased to report that the revised Guild Competition Day was very successful. The atmosphere throughout the day was relaxed and friendly. It was great to see experienced ringers who have attended many striking competitions socialising with newer and novice ringers, and to see non-ringers listening to the ringing and taking an interest in what we do.

Thanks are due to all who helped to make the day a success, especially Gareth Jones , Master of the Shropshire Association, who acted as judge and undertook the mammoth task of judging 14 teams, and whose judging and comments reflected the positive and encouraging atmosphere we had been aiming for; John Clayton, tower captain of Kington, and all the ringers and helpers whose hospitality made the day; Dan Jones who ran the handbell workshop; and to Ledbury District, and Frank Seabright in particular for the loan and transport of the Wombel which created such interest during the day.

The results of the day were as follows:

### **Novice Challenge**

- Bronze was awarded to Kington A, Kington B and Coalbrookdale
- Silver was awarded to Dorstone and Wellington
- Gold was awarded to Hereford Cathedral

### **Call Change Competition – The Osbaldiston Shield**

1st Hereford

2nd Bridgnorth

3rd Bromyard

### **Method Competition – The Thomas Cooper Trophy**

1st Church Stretton B

2nd = Church Stretton A, Clifford & Kington

3rd Ledbury

4th Hereford

We received very positive and constructive feedback after the event, and hope to be able to increase the event's inclusivity and popularity in 2025. The date for the next Guild Competition Day is **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2025**, we hope to see you there.

# THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD OF BELLRINGERS BELL RESTORATION FUND

Registered Charity Number 508531

## Trustees' Report and Accounts for 2024

### Trustees:

Neil Bennett (Treasurer), Richard Clements, Susan Hack, Cherry Hughes (Secretary),  
Jane Mason, Mark Pugh, Penny Salisbury, Frederick Shallcross (Chairman)

### Independent Examiner:

Mr T K Tabner, FCMA, FCIS, CGMA

### Trustees' Report 2024

There is an existing offer of £9,000 to **Broseley**, who are actively raising funds for a major restoration of their eight-bell installation and the possible addition of two new trebles. **Much Wenlock** received a grant of £2,500 having applied for help with the scheme to overhaul their bells and frame.

Income exceeded expenditure by £10,022 during the year, and the reserves of the Fund on December 31st stood at just over £84,000.

We thank all those **Parochial Church Councils**, 128 in number, who continue to support us through the affiliation scheme; almost all now pay their annual membership (£4.00 per bell) by standing order.

The **600 Club** made further progress in 2024, with 650 units sold, enabling the Club to make a nett contribution to the Fund of nearly £1,600. Four draws were held and prize money totalling £1,580 was distributed to Club members. We thank the Club's Organiser, Richard Clements, and our District Fund-Raising Representatives for their hard work.

The Trustees are grateful also to our parent **Guild**. We thank it for the £1,400 donated in 2024.

We hope that our District Fund-Raising Representatives will do everything they can to persuade members of the Guild to further increase their support for the BRF, by holding raffles and collections at meetings, treasure hunts, functions, etc., or in any way they can.

The Trustees wish to thank everyone who contributes in any way to the Fund, especially those who make regular **personal donations**. Our Treasurer will readily assist anyone who wishes to donate to the Fund, whether it be a one-off or on a regular basis, perhaps by Standing Order, and whether it is Gift-Aided or not.

# HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD OF BELLRINGERS

## BELL RESTORATION FUND

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
for the year ended 31st December 2024

INCOME	£	£
<b>Affiliation Fees</b> - Current year (see Note 1)		3,288.00
<b>Tower Open Day, 18.10.24</b>	1,303.00	
<b>Fund-Raising Events &amp; Donations</b>		
Donations by Guild Districts (see Note 2)	663.24	
Gift Aid personal donations (see Note 3)	1,110.00	
Gift Aid Tax Refund (see Note 3)	0.00	
Donation from Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers	1,400.00	
Other Donations (see Note 5)	<u>528.00</u>	
		3,701.24
<b>600 Club</b> - Sale of 615 units (574 in 2022)		3,243.00
<b>Bank Interest</b> - HSBC Business Money Manager Account	351.17	
- Church of England CBF Deposit Fund	2,426.74	
- Virgin Money Charity Account	<u>2.51</u>	
	2,780.42	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		14,315.66
<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>		
(a) Administrative:-		
Room Hire 35.00		
Postage, Printing, Stationery	19.25	
Bank Charges 80.20		
Independent Examiner - professional fee	<u>60.00</u>	
		194.45
(b) Charitable:-		
Grant in 2024 - Much Wenlock PCC		2,500.00
(c) Fund-Raising:-		
600 Club expenses	18.75	
- prizes	<u>1,580.00</u>	
		1,598.75
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		4,293.20
<b>Excess of Income over Expenditure</b>		10,022.46

# HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD OF BELLRINGERS

## BELL RESTORATION FUND

### SUMMARY OF ASSETS

	As at <u>31.12.2024</u>
	£
HSBC Charitable Bank Account	205.97
HSBC Business Money Manager Account	19,314.16
Church of England CBF Deposit Fund	64,424.28
Virgin Money Charity Deposit Account	375.44
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>84,319.85</b>

### NOTES TO THE 2024 ACCOUNTS

#### 1. Affiliation Fees.

128 Parochial Church Councils were affiliated to the Fund in 2024.

Abbey Dore	Cound	Lyonshall	Stretton Sugwas
Allensmore	Cradley	Madley	Sutton St Nicholas
Almeley	Dilwyn	Marden	Tarrington
Alveley	Dorstone	Mathon	Tenbury Wells
Aston Bottrell	Eardisland	Michaelchurch Escley	Tugford
Aston Ingham	Eardisley	Monkland	Tyberton
Aymestrey	Eastnor	Moreton-on-Lugg	Upton Bishop
Bishops Frome	Eaton Bishop	Morville	Wellington
Bockleton	Ewyas Harold	Much Cowarne	Welshpool
Bodenham	Eye	Much Dewchurch	Westbury
Bosbury	Goodrich	Much Marcle	Weston Beggard
Bredwardine	Hentland	Much Wenlock	Weston-under-Penyard
Bridgnorth, St Mary	Hereford, All Saints	Norton Canon	Whitbourne
Bridstow	Hereford, Cathedral	Old Radnor	Whitney-on-Wye
Bromfield	Hereford, St Nicholas	Onibury	Wigmore
Bromyard	Hereford, St Peter	Orcop	Withington
Broseley	Highley	Pembridge	Woolhope
Burghill	Holmer	Peterchurch	Worfield
Canon Pyon	Hope Bowdler	Pipe and Lyde	Worthen
Cardington	Kentchurch	Presteigne	Yarkhill
Chelmarsh	King's Pyon	Preston on Wye	
Chetton	Kingsland	Pulverbatch	
Chirbury	Kingstone	Quatt	
Churchstoke	Kington	Ross-on-Wye	
Church Stretton	Kinlet	Rushbury	
Claverley	Knighton	St Weonards	
Cleobury Mortimer	Ledbury	Stanton Lacy	
Clifford	Leintwardine	Staunton-on-Arrow	
Clodock	Leominster	Staunton-on-Wye	
Clun	Linton	Stoke Edith	
Clunbury	Little Dewchurch	Stoke Lacy	
Clungunford	Little Wenlock	Stoke Prior	
Coalbrookdale	Llangarron	Stoke St Milborough	
Coddington	Ludlow	Stokesay	
Colwall	Lugwardine	Stottesdon	
Condover	Lydbury North	Stretton Grandison	

- |    |   |                       |
|----|---|-----------------------|
| 2. | <b>Donations and Fund-Raising by Districts.</b>   | <b><u>£663.24</u></b> |
| 3. | <b>Gift Aid Donations</b><br>Gift Aid donations totalling <b>£1,110.00</b> were received during 2024 and the Fund is claiming a refund of <b>£277.50</b> from H M Revenue & Customs for the tax year ended 05 April 2024. |                       |
| 4. | <b>Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme</b><br>No claim was made in 2024.  |                       |
| 5. | <b>Other Donations (not Gift-Aided)</b>   | <b><u>£528.00</u></b> |

### STATEMENT BY THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

I have examined the books and records of the Fund and consider that these accounts present a true and complete picture of the financial position of the Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellsingers Bell Restoration Fund at 31st December, 2024.

Books and accounts approved by:

Accounts prepared by:

Date: 16 January 2025

Date: 16 January 2025

T K Tabner, F.C.M.A., F.C.I.S., C.G.M.A.  
Independent Examiner

Neil Bennett  
Honorary Treasurer

## Towers and membership

Details for each tower are: place name, dedication, grid reference, nearest post code, number of bells, tenor weight, practice night (PN) and Sunday ringing (SR), tower contact, members. See website, [website@hdbg.org](mailto:website@hdbg.org) for 'what3words' tower locations.

New members for 2024 are listed in *italic*.

### Bridgnorth District

#### Ringling Master

Mrs G S Pardoe  
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01746 769759

#### Independent Examiner

Mr G Warren

#### Secretary

Mr D J Swancott  
8 Delphside Court  
Broseley, Shropshire, TF12 5SR  
07882 582542

#### Management Committee

2024: Mrs V M Roberts  
2025: To be confirmed

#### BRF Committee Rep

2024: Mrs C Hughes  
2025: Mr P Buggins  
Lower House Farm, Chetton,  
Bridgnorth, Shropshire,  
WV16 6UF

#### Alveley

St Mary V, 6, 10-1-3  
Mr M Bluck  
2 Bell Orchard, Alveley  
Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV15 6NE  
01746 780622

Allen Bellamy  
Jean Marshall

Gillian Bluck  
Roy Page

*Practice Night* - Thu 19:30

*Sunday Service* - 09:30

*Grid Ref:* - SO759845

*Nearest Postcode* - WV15 6NF

*Email* - [martinbluck@aol.com](mailto:martinbluck@aol.com)

Martin Bluck

Darran Lewis

**Bridgnorth St Leonard**

St Leonards, 8, 18-0-18  
Mr O Speke  
48 West Castle Street  
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07989107026

*Practice Night* - Wed, First in month  
*Sunday Service* - None  
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*Nearest Postcode* - WV16 4EL  
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**Bridgnorth, St Mary**

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## **Bridgnorth District Report**

Our 2024 District meetings started with our AGM held at Bridgnorth on 3rd February. We rang at St Leonard's and had the service, tea and meeting in the church. We were encouraged by the large number of new members joining the Guild this year. On 6th April we had our District Spring Meeting at Chetton. Chetton only started ringing again in 2023 and our visit was enthusiastically received by the new team. The Chetton ringers put on an impressive buffet for us. Our summer social this year was a ringing outing in Hereford on 10th August. We visited Bodenham, Marden, Hereford All Saints, St Nicholas and then Hereford Cathedral. Attendance was low, with nine attendees from Broseley, Chetton and Coalbrookdale towers, plus one ringer from Clun, making it a tiring but enjoyable day. We especially enjoyed ringing at the Cathedral, where four local ringers made us very welcome and supported us with ringing Rounds on all ten bells,

Grandsire Doubles on the back six and Plain Hunt on 7. Our last District meeting of the year was held on 23rd November at Claverley, which was very much enjoyed by our District ringers.

In 2024 we continued to develop our District teaching capabilities. On 25th January, Darren Swancott from Broseley was assessed by Paul Lewis from ART (Association of Ringing Teachers) for his Module 2C teaching certificate. Two days later on 27th January, Darren attended an ART Module 1 course on teaching bell handling, this time accompanied by Vikki Hirst from Chetton. James Perry from Coalbrookdale later attended a Module 1 course in June. I attended the ART Conference in March, and as usual came away with new ideas and renewed enthusiasm.

We currently have a lot of fairly new ringers in the District and several of our learners have benefitted from learners training sessions run by the Guild in February, July and September. The first session was arranged by our then Master-Elect Sue Robinson, and following the Guild AGM the sessions were continued by the new Master-Elect Kris Perruzza. The training has been very well received and much appreciated by our learners.

Ringers from our District also took part in Guild Competition on March 9th. Members of the Coalbrookdale band entered the novice rounds competition and our District team achieved second place in the Call Change competition. It was a very enjoyable day and hopefully more ringers from our District will be encouraged to go along next year. Some of our more experienced ringers ring at towers where we don't have the critical mass for method ringing. We therefore decided to organise a Doubles practice at Bridgnorth on 13th November. This was a welcome opportunity for ringers who spend more time teaching than ringing anything for themselves, and we plan to hold further practices next year.

There were some other events of note in 2024. At the Guild AGM, Valerie Roberts was elected Vice-President in recognition of the outstanding contribution she has made to the Guild. Val became the first lady Master of the Guild in 1968, and was elected Master again in 1993. Val also served as Peal Recorder for 10 years starting in 1970. We were saddened by the death of distinguished ringer Chris Kippin on 18th July. Chris was a member of the band at Cleobury Mortimer and until recently our Guild Treasurer. Chris has provided a huge amount of support to local ringing and the Guild for many years and will be very much missed. On a happier note, Coalbrookdale Tower Captain John Maclean celebrated his 90th birthday on 30th July.

Two of our District Committee will be stepping down at the AGM. Valerie Roberts is stepping down as our Management Committee Representative and Cherry Hughes is standing down as Bell Restoration Fund representative after 25 years in the post! We would like to thank them both for their many years of service to the District and the Guild as a whole.

Ginette Pardoe  
Ringing Master, HDGB Bridgnorth District  
January 2025

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**Bromyard District report**

With the support of many the Bromyard tower has continued to be a hub for a very diverse group of bellringers.

In the autumn we welcomed a group of complete novices, Elaine, Caroline, Karen, Gillian, Ian, Allan & Astrid, all of whom are making great progress and are already very valued members of our band. We continue to encourage last year's learners as they progress through their bell ringing journey, some moving into rounds and call changes, others already starting to plain hunt. Other district members are getting to grips with doubles & triples methods, plain hunt on 9 right through to Surprise Major.

The Sunday quarter peals provide an opportunity to be challenged, and I've tried to add in opportunities for a wider group of ringers at our six bell towers which I think has been instrumental in building confidence in our abilities.

Weekly practices continue to alternate at Much Cowarne and Stoke Lacy under the leadership of John Hodges. Ringing has returned to Brockhampton Chapel, where Adam organises ringing of the three bells for the monthly service.

It is very exciting to be able to go out to two towers in our district where we have the beginnings of a new band at each, and it is great to be able to welcome new Tower captains into the mix. We hope to have focussed practices at both Bishops Frome & Pencombe to help the new teams progress in their own towers.

Sue Robinson – Tower Captain Bromyard.

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## **Church Stretton District Ringing Master's Report 2024**

The district continued throughout the year with its monthly practices and training days. District practices have been well attended, which were held at Clunbury, Ludlow, Stanton Lacy, Stoke St Milborough, Leintwardine and Clun. We also held training sessions: Little bob Minor and Major at Ludlow, Surprise Major at Stanton Lacy, and Grandsire at Leintwardine.

The district entered two teams in the Thomas Cooper Competition, and Church Stretton B (Ludlow) won; sorry Clun.

The district striking competition, unfortunately, was cancelled this year due to only two teams entering, and one team withdrawing at the last minute.

We had a district outing to the Worcestershire area, ringing at five 8-bell towers and retiring to The Holt Fleet for a glass of Pimms by the riverside.

I'm looking forward to meeting everybody at district practices and joining them at their own practice where I can.

Richard Bracher

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## **Clifford & Kington District Report**

Monthly practices continued to be held at different towers in the district, alternating between 6 and 8 bell towers to give members a good range of ringing. Once again practices in the winter months were held in the afternoon, reverting to evenings during the summer to avoid clashing with weddings, etc. Practices are again taking place at New Radnor, several new and returning ringers swelling the numbers there.

Kington hosted a very successful Thomas Cooper Striking Competition in March with an excellent attendance helped by other activities in the church and plentiful refreshments on offer! The local learners entered two teams in the Novice Ringers section and were thrilled to be able to take part.

Three different bands rang at a total of 14 towers on the afternoon of Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> June to commemorate the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D Day and we are hoping to be able to similarly commemorate the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day in May 2025.

Several of our towers were included in the Guild Tower Open Day in October, with some of our members acting as stewards and providing refreshments. This event is likely to be repeated as it provided a very good fund-raising opportunity for the BRF.

Sadly Albert Davies, Honorary member of Kingsland tower, died in April and we send our condolences to his family and friends. On a happier note, another of our Honorary members, Agnes Bowen of Lyonshall, celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in December – congratulations Agnes!

The year finished with our AGM at Almeley, unfortunately delayed for a week by Storm Darragh! We welcomed several of the Guild Officers who helped explain the new Membermojo registration system. Thanks were extended to Barney Bell who retired as Ringing Master, his role being taken by Tim Hollinghurst. In turn, Tim's role of Assistant Ringing Master was taken by Anne Stacey, tower captain of Dorstone. Thanks go to all officers, past and present, for their work on behalf of our district and we look forward to plenty of good ringing in 2025.

Pat Key

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Fran Barclay

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The Holy Rood, 5, 8½cwt

Mr R Moss

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Roger Moss

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Helen Davies

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## Hereford District Report

It has been a busy year, regular practices continue to be well attended with active bands continuing their recruitment and development of new and existing ringers. Marden and Bodenham while feeling the effects of flooding on several occasions throughout the year have pressed on with their recruitment, with their new ringers coming along well while Fownhope has three new ringers after a successful open evening in May.

The district hosted two ART M1 courses at Tarrington and Burghill to build on the skills of our ringers, and to help give confidence to those who wish to help teach bell handling. It is great to see the skills learned have been put into practice already, we hope that this will form a good structure for teaching that we can build on in the future.

With the support of some of our experienced ringers we have delivered sessions in handling; striking; ringing up and down, and Stedman Doubles.

Ashley Fortey (Guild Belfries Officer) has delivered 2 bell maintenance sessions at towers in our district, attended by 9 district members. This was an opportunity to check over/deal with any minor issues at these towers, and train and develop skills in those attending, to take back to their own towers.

Quarter peals have benefitted many of our ringers in developing their skills, with an extra push during the Guild Quarter Peal Festival. Quarters have given people the opportunity to consolidate new methods, improve striking and technique. Notable performances include those who rang their first quarter this year - Noah Powell-Tuck, Jane Davies, David Laws, Sarah King & Vicki Hurlow, well done! Ringing a method and knowing where you are and what you are doing is one thing, but being able to speak and remember where to do it adds all sorts of extra difficulty, so special congratulations go to five of our ringers who took on the challenge of calling their first quarter this year - Nick Chapman, Tyler Edwards, Susannah Peppiatt, Anne Newman & Len Hand.

We had two ringers this year who achieved their first peal; Eddie Smith rang the tenor to a peal at Kentchurch on 17th May, this marked the 50th Anniversary of the first peal after the rehanging and augmentation, and was rung in memory of Mr William, Philip and Roland Watkins; and Isabel D'Avanzo rang the treble to a peal of Grandsire Triples at Burghill on 28th December, congratulations to both.

In March members of the district took part in the Guild Competition Day. We entered bands in both the Thomas Cooper & Osbaldiston Shield competitions, we were very pleased to have been placed first for our call-changes! This year there was a new part to the day, the Novice Challenge, it was great to see several bands from the district enter and so many new ringers taking part.

On Saturday 8th June we enjoyed an outing into Wales, ringing at six churches, the first being Mynyddislwyn, where on arrival we found the stay on the treble to be broken so a few of our ringers took on the job of ringing it without the stay. We then went on to Pontypridd and Merthyr Tydfil before lunch. The afternoon began with the fine ring at Ebbw Vale, followed by Blaenavon, we finished our day with the ten bells of Abergavenny.

In October, ten of the district towers opened their doors as the guild played host to an Open Tower Day to raise funds towards the Bell Restoration Fund. It was a great opportunity for our ringers to meet visitors from around the country and ring on some different bells. A big thank you to all involved, especially those who volunteered to steward and organised and provided refreshments.

Remedial work has been carried out at Peterchurch where the bells have been silent for a number of years. Volunteers removed many bags full of bird debris and generally cleaned inside the bell chamber, several stays were repaired, clappers refurbished and

replacement ropes installed. The bells returned to ringing in time for the Christmas Carol Service.

On Sunday 1st December St Nicholas in Hereford held its final services, we had a great turn out for ringing at the morning service and a quarter attempt before the evening Advent Carols, with a festive lunch it was a superb day. We will continue to ring at St Nicholas into the new year.

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## **Ledbury District Report 2024**

Reflecting on the last year, I realised it has been full of our many different and regular activities, all of which work well and which are run and supported by so many.

All towers except Stretton Grandison continue with regular practices and Sunday ringing. There have been a number of new ringers starting during the year, this is something which every tower needs to do

The big initiative for this year was the One-to-Ones, where the tower captains had discussions separately with every member of their band to talk about how they felt they were progressing, their long term goals for the future and their immediate needs for the next few months and year. The sessions also gave an opportunity to discuss what was

going well with tower practices and whether improvements could be made. Some of the information will be used within tower discussions and some is being fed to the district to assist with planning all our training sessions

We have run several Saturday morning training sessions which have been followed up by extended practices and quarter peals. A number of District members attended the Hereford Course and one Saturday morning session was specifically used as a follow up for them all

We have had several mini outings where we rang at a couple of our District towers either side of lunch, occasionally including one of the towers just outside our area. Our 7/8 bell monthly practices are designed to give opportunities to two or three ringers each time to move into 8 bell ringing, at the same time as giving the more experienced ringers something to develop, including inviting more people to try calling touches.

We enjoyed the Guild Competition Day, to which we brought the District's Mobile Training Bell 'The WomBell'. A band from the District also took part in the main competition.

The District Outing was to towers just south of the district Deerhurst, Tirley, Hasfield, Hartbury and Staunton. Thank you Jane and Colin for a great day out.

Congratulations to Judith Faux who won the ART Achievers Award for 2024; she has kindly given her prize as the basis of our new project within the District which is to improve the standard of maintenance of our bells. We have decided to have all towers inspected and to try and encourage work to be carried out by helping to provide some finance to the small projects which would not be covered by other grant bodies.

As a community of ringers in the District, we were all deeply saddened by Greg Harris's untimely death in November. He had joined the Bosbury band two years ago and was quickly absorbed into all aspects of ringing. Bosbury's bells were rung by members of the district on 29<sup>th</sup> November - half-muffled in the morning as his funeral took place in Hereford, and open in the afternoon for the Service of Thanksgiving in Bosbury Church. So it has been a busy and proactive year, thank you everyone for your help and involvement.

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Sarah Chedgoy

Andrew Mitchell

Patricia Mitchell

Mark Pugh (F)

Ian Smith

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Judith Edwards Adam Langridge  
Lisa Moore Abigail Pugh

### Monkland

All Saints, 4, 8½cwt

Mr J E Dunn

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07549 096 291

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### Stoke Prior

St Luke, 6, 6-3-13

Mr J Thompson

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07855448057

Jaequeline Brett

Margaret Brown

Vic Chamberlain (died 2024) Jayne Hayward

Joe Thompson

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Philip Brown Dorothy Chamberlain  
Paul Langley Michael Potter

### Tenbury Wells

St Mary, 6, 10-0-11

Mr B C Roberts

The Crest, Berrington Road

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01584 811843

Susan Chase

Duncan Hooker

Justine Raymond

Brian Roberts

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Jessica Pugh

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Jessica Thompson

Elaine Wilkinson



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## **Leominster District report**

We remember with fondness Vic Chamberlain of Stoke Prior, a keen supporter of even bell method ringing and able to practice such methods when Stoke Prior was augmented from 5 to 6 in 2011.

Whilst Leominster District is small in size, we are able to support regular ringing within a high percentage of District Towers. Stoke Prior and Tenbury having their own bands and Leominster maintaining Sunday service ringing, often having 8 to 10 ringing, with progressive practice nights through regular attendance from District members and good support from others within the Guild.

Sadly Eye tower does not have a regular general ringing practice but is still available for quarter peals to allow learning progression. Monkland is supported with Service ringing when requested and following the installation of a spiral staircase at Kimbolton many years ago, frustratingly we are still unable to ring due to issues with the rope circle but we hope this will be resolved soon, allowing us to ring here again, with the aspiration of raising a village band.

I would like to thank all District members for their continued support to their Towers and whilst I've not been out and about I do believe that we can continue to make gains with regular ringing and attract new ringers into our District.

Mark

## **Ross on Wye District**

### **Ringling Master**

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### **Treasurer**

**Mr M E Thorne**  
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### **BRF Committee Rep**

**Mr P J Hallewell**  
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01981 580203

### **Aston Ingham**

St John Bapt, 6, 5-1-17  
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### **Secretary**

Mrs P Leggate (2023)  
**Mrs S A Townsend (2024)**  
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### **Management Committee**

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Richard Gething  
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 01989 562238

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*Sunday Service* - By Arrangement  
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 01981 580203

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St John Bapt, 6, 12½cwt  
 Rev C Pemberton

07824 444655

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*Sunday Service* - By Arrangement  
*Grid Ref:* - SO559289  
*Nearest Postcode* - HR1 4UN  
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**Linton**

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 The Coachman's House, Lea  
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 01989 750873

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*Sunday Service* - By Arrangement  
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Pauline Leggate  
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Sydney Ewart  
Clifford Offer  
Stuart Talbott

Sarah Goodbody  
Jeffery Wallace  
Elizabeth Walker

### Sellack

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Rev C Pemberton

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Ann Kerswell  
Greg White  
Pam Woodyatt

Wendy Meadows  
Mike Williams

## **Ringer Master Ross District Report 2024**

Ross District towers include Aston Ingham, Bridstow, Foy, Garway, Goodrich, Linton, Llangarron, Much Marcle, Orcop, Ross on Wye, St Weonards, Upton Bishop and Weston Under Penyard. I continue to lead and encourage the cluster of towers in the Ross District with a rotation of practice nights, to include Upton Bishop, Linton, Ashton Ingham and Weston Under Penyard. These practices are well attended and has allowed our more physically challenged ringers to have a regular ground-floor ring at Aston

Ingham. We also support these towers to ring for key occasions such as weddings, commemoration days and funerals.

Many towers within the district rang for 'Ring Out For Peace' on D-Day June 6th and likewise for Armistice Day with many towers ringing including Weston-Under-Penyard, Ross, Aston Ingham, Upton Bishop, Llangarron to mention but a few. We sadly marked the passing of members of our district, following the deaths of Alan Hammond and Nick Smith of Weston-Under-Penyard, and more recently Bob Leeson of Llangarron.

Monthly district practices have been well attended and the annual general meeting attracted 26 members in attendance, welcoming 12 new members into the fold.

It was a wonderful event with a bring 'n' share tea and good conversation. These events have proven to be an invaluable opportunity for forging friendship and for towers to cast-a-net for help with ringers for key events.

Greg White attended the ART 'Teaching Bell-Handling Course' at Bray in Berkshire, which included a whole day of training and an on-line test to gain certification. The course was reportedly highly recommended and is invaluable in supporting the number of new ringers we have in the district.

Our autumn and winter ringing remained active; many towers in the district rang half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday services and the varies crib and carol services.

Several towers rung on Christmas Eve for midnight mass including Weston-Under-Penyard and then, gluttons for punishment, ringing the following morning Christmas Day!

Mike Williams

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## Insurance

At renewal in October 2024 the management committee considered a range of alternative quotations and providers for our Guild insurances. We opted to take out a new combined liability insurance with Ecclesiastical Insurance, annual premium paid for 2024/25 £229.62

### **Key Information**

- Guild liability insurance only covers members **taking part in Guild (or district) events**.  
Most risks associated with bellringing activities are likely to fall on the PCC or owner of the venue where the activity takes place. Ringing for service or practice should be covered by the PCC's liability insurance, any other ringing activities **may** be covered by your own personal liability insurance (such as is included with a household policy, check your own policy for details).
- In the event of a Personal Accident claim the Guild would be the beneficiary rather than the injured person (however it is generally understood that that any monies from a successful claim would be made available to the member or their surviving family).
- These terms have not changed and applied to both the previous and new insurances.
- Our new policy is held with Ecclesiastical Insurance (EIG) and the insurance schedule can be found on the Guild website (hdgb.org). For the purposes of insurance Guild members (volunteers) are classed as employees.

Previous insurance details for 2023/24 for comparison

*Public Liability sum insured £2 million*

*Personal Accident (Accidents whilst on Guild business, age range 16-65)*

*Death* £10,000

*Loss of one or more limbs or eyes or loss of hearing* £10,000

*Permanent total disablement* £not insured

*Temporary total disablement - amount per week* £100

*Temporary partial disablement - amount per week* £not insured

Renewal premiums for 2024/25 - £1863.29

### **New Sums Insured for 2024/25**

Employers Liability £10 million

Public Liability £5 million

### **New Personal Accident cover for 2024/25**

#### **Type A - Accidents arising at any time (age range 16-80)**

<b>Occurrence</b>	<b>Level of benefit per unit</b>
Death	£2,500
Loss of one or more limbs or eyes or loss of hearing	£2,500
Permanent total disablement	£2,500
Temporary total disablement - amount per week	£100
Temporary partial disablement - amount per week	£40

If you have any questions about the insurance, or wish to make a claim please contact the guild secretary.

# **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2024**

## **Held at the Eardisland Village Hall**

**Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup> at 17:55pm**

### **50 Guild members present**

**1. Welcome and Opening Prayers:** the Guild Master welcomed members to the meeting and Prayers, led by Rev Barney Bell, remembered those members of the Guild, who had died since the last AGM, namely:

Albert E Davies,	Kingsland,	Honorary (died 2024)
Nancy Preece,	Hereford ST Nicholas,	Honorary (died 2023)
Kate Greenall,	Ledbury,	Honorary (died 2023)
John H Williams,	Kington,	Honorary (died 2023)
Nick A Smith,	Kingstone	(died 2024)
David Waring,	Bishops Frome	(died 2024)
Jeremy S Cummins,	Whitbourne,	Retired Member (died 2024)
David Harling	Cradley,	Retired Member (died 2023)
Nigel Howard	Dorstone,	Retired Member (died 2023)
John Peacock	Wistanstow,	Retired Member (died 2023)

**2. Apologies** were received from; Chris Kippin, Alan Reade, Chris Brackston, Bruce Talmage, Ruth d'Avanzo, Janet Mann, Jason Walker, Kristoffer Perruzza, Chris Roberts, John Downing, Judith Edwards, Ian Johnson, Sue Burgoyne, Sue Lewis, Tim Hollinghurst, Ann Brandish, Vic & Dorothy Chamberlain, Rhiannon Pugh, John Maclean, Sharon Collins, Nicky Adams, Ginette Pardoe, Darren Swancott, Mike Williams, Elizabeth Walker, Anthony Ellis & Syd Ewart.

**3. The adoption of the 2023 AGM minutes** was proposed by David Parker, seconded by Nick Cooper-Tomkins and accepted as a true record.

**4. Matters Arising:** there were no matters arising.

**5. Correspondence:** none

### **6. Long Service Awards:**

The Guild Master congratulated and acknowledged each person through reading out the names of:

**Certificates for 50 years of service:** Kate M Price, Andrew Talbot-Ponsonby & John F I Turney.

**Certificates for 25 years of service:** Gillian Bluck, Sandra Bryan, C Martin Foster, Nancy Hemmings, Elspeth S Jones, Heather Keeling, Colin A Lewis, Sarah A Macdonell, Tom Morris, Jill Perks, David J Thompson, Liz Tompkins & Elizabeth Walker.

**7. Election of new members:** Wendy Crampton, Allison Devine, Jo Harris, Thomas Pratt, Fred Cook, Paul Hemmings, proposed by Mark Pugh.

Jennie Hodge, proposed by Tim Hollinghurst

Jenny Parker, proposed by Frank Seabright

All seconded by Barney Bell. All present, were in agreement to accepting these new members.

**8. Officers Reports** had been circulated via email prior to the meeting.

Guild Treasurer Mark Aston proposed adoption of the accounts. This was seconded by Abigail Pugh and the accounts were duly accepted.

The Peal Recorder, Neil Bennett informed all attending members that the peal details had been omitted in the 2023 Report however, it was available upon the Guild Website or could be sent as an electronic file, upon request. Also Neil stated that the Guild had just passed the 6000 peal point and referred to the start of the latest peal volume stating that Val Roberts had entered many of the past peals by hand and only in recent years the luxury of printing via computer, was possible.

**9. Election of Guild Freeman**, this detail had been circulated prior to the meeting.

**Alan Reade, Claverley, Bridgnorth District**

Alan's first appearance in the Guild Report was 1977 having joined the group of ringers at Claverley, a couple of years previously.

In the 1980's, Alan along with Harold Fitter and Martin Harrison formed a 'Way Forward' sub-committee that led onto the provision of limited insurance cover for ringers and later, to the production of health & safety guidance for the Guild, issued in the 1990's.

Between 2007-2012 the Guild Master (Mark Pugh) requested Alan to review the Guild's position on Safeguarding of Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 which resulted in the production and issue to all towers of formal tower stewardship and safeguarding guidance, for which Alan was presented with the Master's Shield in 2011.

Alan continues to review and up-date this guidance in liaison with the diocesan authorities and provides advice to individual ringers as required.

Again Alan along with Paul Lewis, was involved with the launch of ITTS and the HDGB training schemes, with a burst of fame through an interview prior to the training day's launch, broadcast on BBC Radio Shropshire in 2013.

The Guild Committee has been made aware of Alan's past and continued commitment to such Guild matters and supports his nomination to the position of Guild Freeman.

Alan had given apologies prior to the meeting stating he was disappointed not to be at the AGM in person, due to prior commitments.

The Guild Master requested a confirmation vote to accept Alan Reade as a Freeman to the Hereford Diocesan Guild.

All members present were unanimous in agreeing to accept Alan as a Freeman.

**Election of Guild Vice President:** The Guild Master stated that there had been a proposal for a Vice President. The Master read the following:

Our published Guild reports state that for the year 1956 we had 77 towers affiliate to the Guild and 615 members.

Within the tower of Much Wenlock, 13 ringing members are listed of which, for the first time, is a Miss Valerie M Edge, along with her Father Harry and Harry Anson, Herbert & George Childs, Charles E Edwards, Leo Evans, Ernest Fox, Victor Hollingshead, Leonard Longland, Alan M Jones, Albert Matthews & Harry Perks.

It was not long before Val found her ringing skills for the first peal, scored in May 1959 at Stokesay, trebling for 2 extents of Plain Bob and a lot of Grandsire Doubles in 2h & 45mins with Dad on bell 3 and Leo Evans on bell 2, Des Ferguson 4, William Lloyd on 5 and John Meyrick on Tenor.

In 1968 the Festival was held at Hereford, reportedly with good weather and this is when Miss Valerie Edge took the position of Guild Master for a 2 year period until 1970. Appearing to want to stay very active within the Guild officer's positions, Val then moved to become peal recorder which she passed onto our current peal recorder, Neil Bennett, in 1980.

Val had been an active supporter to many events within the Guild and so must have felt it right to return as Guild Master in 1993 for a further 2 years.

It is recorded within the 1995 report by her successor Rev David Bowen, that anybody in attendance at that year's Hereford Ringing Course, will not forget 'the inimitable way in which Val addressed the opening session by welcoming all in song, creating a precedent difficult to follow'.

This is Val to a 'tee', there to enthuse everyone's spirit to embrace the moment and support each other.

Even now we are enjoying the input at Guild Committee meetings of both her support and guidance in Guild matters.

The Committee had been asked to consider Val for the nomination of Guild Vice-President, given all the work undertaken and continued support along with the passion Val has for our Guild. The Committee unanimously agreed and support this proposal.

The Guild Master requested a confirmation vote to accept Val as a Vice-President to the Hereford Diocesan Guild.

All members present were unanimous in agreeing to accept Val to the position; Vice-President.

**10. Election of Executive Officers:** the following were elected as Executive Officers:

The Guild Master confirmed he was to retire at the end of the meeting and that the following people were prepared to stand:

Guild Master – Sue Robinson, Guild Treasurer – Mark Aston, Peal Recorder – Neil Bennett, Guild Education – Jessica Pugh & Report Secretary – Neil Bragg

Nick Cooper-Tompkins proposed as the officers were all prepared to stand, that they should be re-elected 'en bloc', this was seconded by Martin Harrison, with all in favour.

Secretary –following 2 nominations, Fran Watkins & Tim Joiner a vote was undertaken with counts by Nick Chapman & Nick Cooper-Tompkins. The return count stated that Fran Watkins was elected as Guild Secretary.

**11. Election of Non-Executive Officers:**

The Management Committee had received nomination from Hereford District for Kris Perruzza as Master Elect.

The Master requested a vote for/against. All in attendance were in favour and Kris was duly elected.

The existing non-executive officers all were willing to stand again. Neil Bragg proposed that they should be re-elected 'en bloc'; this was seconded by Sue Robinson, with all in favour.

**12. Election of Clerical Representatives:** Barney Bell, Nicky Seabright and Anthony Ellis were all willing to stand again and were proposed by Frank Seabright, seconded by Jane Mason, with all in favour.

**13. Election of Central Council Representative:** The Management Committee had received confirmation that the existing Central Council representatives (Anthony Ellis and Abigail Pugh) were prepared to stand again and given there were no further nominations, Nick Cooper-Tompkins proposed that they should be re-elected 'en bloc', this was seconded by Pauline Leggate, with all in favour.

Nick Cooper-Tompkins and the Guild Master thanked the CC Reps for an excellent report from the last Council AGM in September 2023.

**14. Independent Examiner:** The Guild Treasurer gave a reason for the change in Independent Examiner and proposed Ruth d'Avanzo, this was seconded by Barbara Fox with all in favour.

**15. Guild Subscription:** The Guild Treasurer had explained the situation with forecasting and potential expenditure, stating cost rises due to inflation and general economics, proposing that the subs were increased by £2 making an annual subscription of £10 for standard ringing membership with no alteration to any other membership subscription levels, as outlined in the Guild Report.

This proposal was seconded Frank Seabright, with all in favour

Barbara Fox asked if the subscription could be paid via bank transfer, Mark responded to state that he actively encouraged that all Districts take this route to accept future subscriptions.

**16. Addition to the rules:** The Guild Master explained that the Management Committee had been requested to consider 'an events co-ordinator' that would represent a group of members who undertook events, such as the Guild striking competition. Following debate, at the committee meeting, a final agreement to add this role to the Non-Executive officers was proposed by Ashley Fortey, seconded by Anthony Ellis.

Jenny Lawrence requested clarification on what this person would undertake within the role. Nicky Aubrey gave a concise response stating that there is a need to change the Thomas Cooper Striking Competition to an event and have a representative that then attends the management meetings.

It was clarified by Jane Mason that this was not a rule change and no more than an addition, which was in line with current rules. Discussion took place over the concern of any member of the 'events team', attending. Following further discussion on the topic, Nicky Aubrey proposed Richard Bracher to the new position, seconded by Fran Watkins, with all in favour.

**17. Agree donation to BRF:** Mark Aston stated, following previous reduction to the grant, he suggested an increased, back to the level that the Guild was donating before the pandemic, he proposed a grant of £1400. This proposal was seconded by Frank Seabright, with all in favour. On behalf of the BRF, Jane Mason thanked the Guild for its continued support.

**18. Awarding of the Centenary Shield:** The Guild Master, started off by stating the shield was usually presented to an individual. However, this time he had been so impressed by the efforts and turn out at the Guild Striking Competition, the Master wished to award the Centenary Shield to the team for all their hard work and enthusiasm, Nicky Aubrey accepted the shield on behalf of the group.

**19. Awarding of the George Cousins Cup:** On behalf of the BRF, Neil Bennett explained that no AGM had been held by the BRF and as such, no nominations had been received for consideration, allowing the George Cousins cup to be awarded. There is a meeting planned soon and the BRF would be in touch if there is to be a presentation in the near future.

**20. Invitation for the 2025 AGM:** Recently retired Ross on Wye District Secretary, Pauline Leggate, invited the Guild to the Ross on Wye District for the 2025 AGM.

**21. Any Other Business:**

Frank Seabright proposed a vote of thanks to Chris Kippin, though retired from the position of Guild Treasurer, he has very kindly continued many of the functions that the role requires over the last 12 months supporting the Guild. This was seconded by Mark Aston followed with a round of applause. David Parker proposed a vote of thanks to the Clifford & Kington District for making all the AGM arrangements and hosting an excellent ringer's tea. David also went on to thank the Rev Rosie Roberts for leading the service with special thanks for arranging sunny weather too. Barney Bell proposed a vote of thanks to Tim Hollinghurst for playing the organ and stating that many were due to retire, thanked Nick Cronin for the time he had given to the Guild as Master. Barney also went on to thank Mark Pugh for all information he sent out over his 5 year period as Secretary with encouragement emails and minutes of meetings stating that he has done an amazing job during his time in the position, not just the 2 management meetings and Guild AGM but all the other items undertaken throughout the year. Closing prayers and blessing, led by Rev. Nicky Seabright

The meeting closed at 18:53.

**Ratified at 2025 AGM:**

**Master's signature:**

**Date:**

**The Keltek Trust**

Formed in 1997 the Trust is having considerable success in finding "new" homes for second-hand and redundant bells. There are two parts to our activities: helping churches acquire bells and helping churches to sell bells. The former activity has enabled many churches to augment their ring of bells and in some cases to install rings when there had been no ring before. The latter activity indirectly helps bell-restoration as many surplus bells can be sold for a higher price than their scrap value. It also helps to conserve part of our heritage by finding alternative homes for bells that otherwise may have been scrapped. More details of our activities, including "available bells" may be found on our web site <http://www.keltektrust.org.uk> We welcome enquiries: David Kelly, Secretary, Keltek Trust, Lower Kingsdown Rd, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 8BG Tel. 01225 742325, email [bells@keltektrust.org.uk](mailto:bells@keltektrust.org.uk)

# Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers

## Members/Volunteers Privacy Notice

This privacy notice tells you what to expect us to do with your personal information when you join the Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers.

## The Guild Secretary is the Data Protection Officer of the Guild

### Our contact details

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## What information we collect and use, and Why: Recruitment, administration, and management

We collect or use the following personal information as part of **membership recruitment, administration, and management**:

- Contact details (e.g. name, address, telephone number or personal email address).
- Year of Birth.
- Tower Membership (if applicable).
- Data which accrues on the Record of Membership includes renewal information, bellringing Performances, and voluntary posts held.
- Contact details for members who act as Tower Correspondents or Officers of the Guild will be recorded in printed Annual Reports and available via the internet on the Guild Website.
- We may record details of DBS checks and training undertaken in line with the Safeguarding Policy of the Diocese of Hereford, and or/other checks and training relevant to the administration of the Guild.
- Data concerning children under 13 will not be stored or used without appropriate parental or other consent.

Our lawful bases for collecting or using personal information as part of **membership recruitment, administration and management** are:

- **Contract:**  
To administer the membership of the Hereford Diocesan Guild and to inform the members of such benefits and activities as provided by membership of the Hereford Diocesan Guild.
- **Legitimate interest:**
  - 1) We may analyse data to help improve the Guild's ability to meet its Objectives (as set out in Rule 4 of the Guild).
  - 2) We will use & store basic data for historical research and archive purposes.
  - 3) To ensure that members are aware of the requirements with regards to "regulated activities" under safeguarding laws.

## Where we get information from:

We collect your information from the following places:

- From members or volunteers directly.

**How long we keep information:**

We will store personal contact details and membership information for the duration of membership of the Guild. Data regarding 'lapsed' members will be stored by the Guild for a reasonable period to allow for any re-admittance of members after a break from ringing and for historical research purposes.

Basic data & membership information (ringer's name and ringing performance details) will be stored by the Guild for historical purposes in written documents such as the annual reports and minutes of Guild meetings.

**Who we share information with:**

In certain circumstances, we may share information with the following organisations:

- We may need to share Membership information with Insurers of the Guild (in the event of a claim).
- To claim Gift Aid from HMRC where appropriate.

**Your Data protection rights:**

Under data protection law, you have rights including:

**Your right of access** - You have the right to ask us for copies of your personal data.

**Your right to rectification** - You have the right to ask us to rectify personal data you think is inaccurate. You also have the right to ask us to complete information you think is incomplete.

**Your right to erasure** - You have the right to ask us to erase your personal data in certain circumstances.

**Your right to restriction of processing** - You have the right to ask us to restrict the processing of your personal data in certain circumstances.

**Your right to object to processing** - You have the right to object to the processing of your personal data in certain circumstances.

**Your right to data portability** - You have the right to ask that we transfer the personal data you gave us to another organisation, or to you, in certain circumstances.

You do not usually need to pay a fee to exercise your rights. If you make a request, we have one calendar month to respond to you. To make a data protection rights request, please contact us using the contact details at the top of this privacy notice.

**How to complain:**

If you have any concerns about our use of your personal data, you can make a complaint to us using the contact details at the top of this privacy notice. If you remain unhappy with how we have used your data after raising a complaint with us, you can also complain to the ICO.

The ICO's address:           Information Commissioner's Office  
                                      Wycliffe House  
                                      Water Lane  
                                      Wilmslow  
                                      Cheshire  
                                      SK9 5AF  
  
                                      Helpline number: 0303 123 1113  
                                      Website: <https://www.ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint>

Last updated 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024

To be reviewed no later than 9<sup>th</sup> July 2027

## Rules of the Guild (as revised May 11th, 2024)

Registered Charity No 1105766

- 1 Name.** The Guild shall be called The Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers, hereinafter referred to as the Guild.
- 2 President.** The Bishop of Hereford shall be invited to be the President of the Guild.
- 3 Vice-Presidents.** The Suffragan and/or Assistant Bishop shall be invited to be joint Vice-Presidents of the Guild. Any other persons considered to have given outstanding and exceptional service to the Guild may be elected to be Vice-Presidents at an Annual General Meeting of the Guild after recommendation by the Management Committee.
- 4 Objects.** The objects of the Guild are:
  - (a) to advance the Christian religion by the ringing of bells for worship and other appropriate occasions with the attractiveness of perfection.
  - (b) to promote and encourage the art of bellringing for the public benefit, in particular but not exclusively, by the provision of education and training in change ringing.
  - (c) to promote due order in the belfry, and to bring ringers into closer fellowship with each other.
  - (d) to promote an interest in the care of all bells in the Diocese.
- 5 Membership and Election of Members.** Members shall be categorised as:
  - (a) **Ringling Members.** Any ringer having been elected at a District or General Meeting shall be a Ringling Member of the Guild. Subscriptions shall be determined by a General Meeting of the Guild, after considering any recommendations from the Management Committee. A reduced rate shall be payable by persons under the age of 18.

Any ringer who has completed 25 years as a Ringling Member of the Guild shall be presented with a silver-coloured badge at an Annual General Meeting and this will be recorded in the Annual Report.
  - (b) **Life Members.** Any ringer who has completed 50 years as a Ringling Member shall be proposed as a Life Member of the Guild at an Annual General Meeting and upon election no further subscription shall be payable. A gold-coloured badge will be presented and this will be recorded in the Annual Report.
  - (c) **Associate Members.** Any persons (other than active ringers) wishing to support the work of the Guild shall be entitled to become Associate Members. They shall be elected at District Meetings, and subscriptions shall be determined as above [Rule 5(a)]. An Associate Member has no power to vote at a Guild Meeting.
  - (d) **Freemen.** After recommendation by the Management Committee, the honour of Freeman may be conferred by the Annual General Meeting on members considered worthy of special recognition by reason of services rendered to the Guild. The number of Freemen shall not exceed twelve.
  - (e) **Non-Resident Life Members.**
    - (i) A ringer normally resident outside the Diocese of Hereford may be elected a Non-Resident Life Member at a District or Guild Meeting and a subscription determined as above [Rule 5(a)] is payable to the District Treasurer or Treasurer at the time of election.
    - (ii) A Non-Resident Life Member may be elected provisionally immediately prior to a Guild peal attempt. The new member shall be proposed and seconded by members of the Guild, of whom at least three shall take part in the peal attempt. The new member's name, address and subscription, together with the peal details [as per

Rule 17(c) and (d)], shall be forwarded to the Peal Recorder, who will arrange for the provisional tower election to be ratified at a District or Guild meeting and will forward the subscription to the Treasurer.

- (iii) A Non-Resident Life Member has no power to vote at Guild meetings.
  - (iv) A Ringing Member who leaves the Diocese shall be entitled to become a Non-Resident Life Member without further payment following notification to the appropriate District Secretary.
  - (v) A Non-Resident Life Member becoming resident in the Diocese shall cease to be a Non-Resident Life Member but may become a Ringing Member subject to ratification at the next available meeting and payment of the annual subscription.
- 6 Voting.** All elections and decisions at Guild meetings, other than those involving an alteration to the Rules, shall be decided by a simple majority of the members voting (including the Chairman of the meeting) and in the event of a tied vote the Chairman of the meeting shall have the casting vote.

## **7 Officers.**

- (a) **Executive Officers.** The Guild shall appoint Executive Officers who shall be *ex officio* Trustees of the Guild. They shall collectively exercise day-to-day administration of the Guild and shall hold all residual executive powers. They may hold such informal meetings as are deemed necessary, both to deal with urgent routine matters and to formulate proposals for consideration by the Management Committee and the Districts.
- (b) **The Executive Officers of the Guild are:**
  - (i) the Guild Master;
  - (ii) the Guild Secretary;
  - (iii) the Guild Treasurer;
  - (iv) the Peal Recorder;
  - (v) the Report Secretary;
  - (vi) the Guild Education Officer.
- (c) **Non-Executive Officers.** The Guild may appoint such Non-Executive Officers as it sees fit:
  - (i) the Master Elect;
  - (ii) the Public Engagement Officer;
  - (iii) the Guild Belfries Officer;
  - (iv) the Tower Stewardship Advisor.
  - (v) the Webmaster
  - (vi) the 'events co-ordinator'.
- (d) **Nominations for Guild Offices.** Nominations for Executive Officers, Non-Executive Officers and Central Council Representatives shall, in years when the offices are open for election, be forwarded to the Secretary by 28th February, such nominees having indicated their willingness to serve.
- (e) **Election of Officers.** Officers shall be elected from the membership of the Guild at an Annual General Meeting, after considering any recommendations that might be made by the Management Committee, and shall take office from the end of the meeting at which they are appointed.
- (f) **Term of Office.**
  - (i) The Master shall be elected for a term of three years and thereafter may be re-elected on an annual basis, subject to a maximum term of six years.
  - (ii) All other Officers shall be elected for a term of one year and may, if they wish, offer themselves for re-election.

- (iii) In the event of a casual vacancy the Management Committee shall have the power to co-opt from the membership of the Guild. Any Officer thus co-opted shall serve until the next Annual General Meeting when the vacancy shall be filled by election.
- (iv) No Executive Officer shall (otherwise than as a Trustee of the Guild) acquire any interest in property belonging to the Guild or receive remuneration or be interested in any contract entered into by the Trustees.

## **8 Duties of Officers.**

- (a) The **Guild Master**: shall, if he or she desires, preside at any meeting and take charge of ringing at any Guild or District Meeting at which he or she is present.
- (b) The **Guild Secretary**: shall keep the minutes of the General and Committee meetings of the Guild, issue notices of General meetings, maintain contact with the Guild membership through the District Secretaries and carry out such other duties as may be required by the Management Committee. The Secretary shall inform the President and Vice-Presidents of all Guild meetings and activities.
- (c) The **Guild Treasurer**: shall pay into the Guild banking account all monies received by him or her on behalf of the Guild. He or she shall keep such accounts as the Management Committee desire and publish accounts as directed by the Management Committee. At the Annual General Meeting he or she shall present an independently examined statement of account made up to the previous 31st December. He or she shall, on instructions from the Management Committee, invest Guild funds which are surplus to current needs.
- (d) The **Peal Recorder**: shall record all peals rung for the Guild and maintain a Guild peal book. The Peal Recorder shall be responsible for ensuring, so far as practicable, that all peals have complied with Rule 17.
- (e) The **Report Secretary**: shall compile and present an Annual Report of the Guild as early as possible in accordance with the Management Committee's wishes.
- (f) The **Guild Education Officer**: shall co-ordinate the work of the District Education Officers and convene their meetings from time to time.
- (g) The **Public Engagement Officer**: shall promote the work of the Guild.
- (h) The **Guild Belfries Officer**: shall organise training courses in belfry maintenance and, when requested, give informal advice on routine maintenance of bell installations in Guild towers.
- (i) The **Tower Stewardship Advisor**: shall issue guidance to the Guild on tower management, with particular reference to insurance, complaints about noise, protection of children and vulnerable adults, health and safety, fire risk assessment and Church and common Law.

## **9 Management Committee.**

- (a) **Membership.** The Management Committee shall consist of:
  - (i) the Officers of the Guild [as stated in Rule 7];
  - (ii) the Secretary of, and one elected representative from, each District;
  - (iii) the Central Council Representatives;
  - (iv) four Clerical Representatives from the Diocese, who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting after considering any recommendations from the Management Committee;
- (b) **Meetings.** There shall be at least two ordinary Meetings of the Management Committee in every year. One of these meetings shall be held not earlier than 7th March in each year prior to the Annual General Meeting. The Secretary may call other meetings after consultation with the Executive Officers, or at the request of a Management Committee meeting.

- (c) **Quorum.** Twelve members of the Management Committee shall form a quorum.

**10 Annual General Meeting.**

- (a) The Annual General Meeting of the Guild shall ordinarily be held on the second Saturday in May in a Guild District to be determined by the previous Annual General Meeting or, in the event of any difficulties, by the Management Committee.
- (b) The Agenda for the Annual General Meeting shall be decided by the Management Committee and shall be distributed to District Secretaries not less than three weeks prior to the date of the Meeting; it shall
- (i) include any item proposed by a District or the Management Committee;
- (ii) give full details of any proposed alteration to these rules, such proposal to be in accordance with the requirements of Rule 20 hereof;
- (iii) consider the donation to the Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers Bell Restoration Fund of an amount not exceeding the sum specified by the Management Committee;
- (iv) include, at the discretion of the Management Committee, any item proposed by an individual Member;
- (c) The Meeting shall, after considering any recommendations from the Management Committee, elect an Independent Examiner who shall examine the accounts of the Guild and submit a report to the next Annual General Meeting. This report shall be attached to the published accounts.

**11 Special General Meeting.**

- (a) The Secretary shall call a Special General Meeting;
- (i) on the instructions of the Management Committee;
- (ii) within six weeks of receiving a motion signed by twenty-five Members of the Guild (Ringing Members, Life Members or Freemen) specifying the motion to be placed before the Meeting.
- (b) The Secretary shall give four weeks' notice to District Secretaries of the calling of a Special General Meeting;
- (c) The quorum for a Special General Meeting shall be fifty Members.

**12 Property.**

- (a) All property of the Guild shall be the responsibility of the Management Committee.
- (b) The Secretary shall have powers of discretion on conditions of issue and shall submit an annual report to the Management Committee on the state of the property and the loans made.
- (c) Written applications for loans shall be made to the Secretary.

**13 Finance.**

- (a) The financial year of the Guild shall be from 1st January to 31st December.
- (b) The accounts of the Guild shall be submitted by the Guild Treasurer to the Independent Examiner and shall be published in the Annual Report.
- (c) Guild membership subscriptions shall be collected by the Districts.
- (d) Subscriptions become due for payment on 1st January and shall be forwarded by the District Treasurers to the Guild Treasurer in accordance with Rule 14(g).
- (e) On receipt of subscriptions from the Districts the Guild Treasurer shall disburse to each District a sum of money towards its running costs. The amount allocated to each District shall be determined by the Trustees after considering the financial situation of the Guild and each District's accounts and budgeted expenditure for the coming year.

**14 Districts.**

- (a) The Guild shall be divided into Districts, the boundaries of which shall be decided by the Management Committee.

- (b) Each District will be expected to conduct its own affairs, and shall take appropriate measures to maintain proper control of its finances, but shall have regard to the Guild Rules and Management Committee decisions.
- (c) The financial year of the Districts shall be from 1st January to 31st December or such other date as shall be approved by the Management Committee.
- (d) Each District shall elect a Secretary, Treasurer, one representative to the Management Committee and such other Officers as they consider necessary.
- (e) Each District shall hold an Annual General Meeting before 28th February, at which the District Officers shall present a District Report and a Statement of Accounts.
- (f) The District Secretary shall be responsible for sending to the Report Secretary not later than 28th February a copy of the District Report, together with a list of paid-up members for the previous year and addresses (including e-mail addresses, if possible) of District Officers and Tower Correspondents for the current year.
- (g) The District Treasurer shall be responsible for sending to the Guild Treasurer not later than 28th February a Statement of the District's accounts for the previous year, duly approved by a District meeting, a budgeted expenditure plan for the current year, together with a list of current paid-up members and the subscription money collected from them.
- (h) Notice of any District meeting shall be given to the Tower Captain or Secretary of each tower within the District.

#### **15 Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.**

- (a) The Guild shall be affiliated to the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers and shall loyally abide by the Rules and Decision thereof.
- (b) Central Council Representatives shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting every year. Nominations should be received by the General Secretary by 28th February.
- (c) Each Representative attending the Annual General Meeting of the Central Council shall be entitled to such sums as agreed by the Management Committee towards out-of-pocket expenses.

#### **16 Suspension and Lapse of Membership.**

- (a) The Management Committee shall have power to dismiss any members who fail to comply with the Rules of the Guild, or who render themselves unfit for membership. The Committee shall report their name to the next General Meeting and in the event of the member being dismissed all payments made to the Guild shall be forfeited. No member shall be dismissed, however, until they have been given seven days notice in writing by the Secretary of the time and date at which they shall be required to attend before the Management Committee.
- (b) Members who have not paid their subscription by the 31st December of the current year shall automatically, and without notice, cease to be members with effect from the previous 1st January; they may be re-admitted without election at any time on payment of one year's arrears together with the then current annual subscription.
- (c) Members who have not paid their subscription for the current year by 28th February shall be deemed to be in arrears; their membership and insurance cover shall be suspended until their subscription is received by the Guild Treasurer.

#### **17 Peals.**

- (a) All peals that are rung for the Guild shall conform in all respects to the Rules and Decisions of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.
- (b) All ringers taking part in such peals shall be fully paid-up members of the Guild, elected in accordance with Rule 5 hereof.

- (c) A fee, to be determined by a General Meeting after considering any recommendation from the Management Committee, shall be paid to the Guild for recording the details of any peal as a Guild performance.
  - (d) The conductor of the peal shall be responsible for sending details of the performance, together with the fee [as in Rule 17(c) hereof] to the Peal Recorder within one month of the peal being rung.
- 18 Annual Report.** At the discretion of the Management Committee the Guild shall publish a Report, the form, contents and price of which shall be determined by the said Committee.
- 19 Rules.** A copy of the Rules shall be issued to every Ringing Member.
- 20 Alteration of Rules.**
- (a) No alteration, deletion or addition to these Rules shall be made except at an Annual or Special General Meeting.
  - (b) Any such proposal for consideration at an Annual General Meeting shall be made either by a District or by the Management Committee and shall be received by the Guild Secretary not later than 30th September in the preceding year.
  - (c) Any proposal to alter, delete or add to these rules at a Special General Meeting shall be made in accordance with Rule 11 hereof.
  - (d) Any alteration to these rules must receive the assent of not less than two thirds of the Members present.
  - (e) No amendment shall be made to these rules that will cause the Guild to cease to be a charity in law.
  - (f) Following any decision to amend these rules a copy of the revised rules, together with a copy of the minutes of the meeting at which they were adopted, shall be sent to the Charity Commission for England and Wales.
- 21 Dissolution.** If the Trustees decide that it is necessary or advisable to dissolve the Guild it shall convene a meeting of all members of the Guild, of which not less than 21 days' notice (stating the terms of the resolution to be proposed) shall be given. If the proposal is confirmed by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting the Trustees shall have the power to realise any assets held by or on behalf of the Guild. Any assets remaining after the satisfaction of any proper debts and liabilities shall be given or transferred to such other charitable institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Guild as the members of the Guild may determine or failing that shall be applied for some other charitable purpose. A copy of the statement of accounts, or account and statement, for the final accounting period of the Guild must be sent to the Charity Commission for England and Wales.
- 22 Interpretation.** The interpretation of the above rules, and any matter not covered by them, shall be decided by the Management Committee.

## Practice Nights

All practices start at 19:30 unless otherwise stated. Towers marked thus \* are either by special arrangement or alternate with other towers. It is advisable to check the arrangements with the appropriate tower secretary.

### Monday

Bridgnorth	Quatt (6) 19:00
Church Stretton	Ludlow (10), Montgomery (6) 19.00, Tugford (6) 18:00
Clifford & Kington	Eardisland (8) alt with Kingsland (8),
Hereford	Burghill (8)
Ledbury	Colwall (10), Eastnor (6) 10:30
Ross	Weston under Penyard (6)

### Tuesday

Bridgnorth	Claverley (8) 2nd & 4th, Chetton (6) phone 20:00, Cleobury Mortimer (6) 19:00, Much Wenlock (8)
Bromyard	Stoke Lacy (6), 2nd & 4th, Much Cowarne (6) 1st & 3rd
Church Stretton	Cardington (8), Church Stretton (8) 19:00, Condover (8) not 5th 19:45, Hope Bowdler (6), Leintwardine (8), Stoke St Milborough (8), Welshpool (8), Westbury (6) 19:00
Clifford & Kington	Dilwyn (6), Glasbury on Wye (8)
Hereford	Hereford Cathedral (10) 19.15
Ledbury	Ledbury (10)
Ross	Ross-on-Wye (8) 19:00

### Wednesday

Bridgnorth	Bridgnorth St Mary (8), Bridgnorth St Leonard (8) 1st, Coalbrookdale (10)
Bromyard	Bromyard (10) 19:30 – 21:30
Church Stretton	Bishops Castle (6), Clunbury (6), Hopton Heath* (10), Rushbury (6),
Clifford & Kington	Clifford *(8) alt with Bredwardine* (6), Kington* (6) 1st, Lyonshall* (6) not 1st
Hereford	Allensmore (6), Bodenham (6) 19.45, Kingstone (8), Marden (6)
Ledbury	Bosbury (6),
Leominster	Tenbury Wells (6) 19:00
Ross	Bridstow (8) 19:00

### Thursday

Bridgnorth	Alveley (6), Broseley (8)* 18:30
Church Stretton	Chirbury (6) 19.00, Clun (10), Clungunford (6), Lydbury North *(6) 20:00, Pontesbury (6)
Clifford & Kington	Dorstone (6), Knighton* (8) 1st & 5th, Presteigne* (8) 2nd, 3rd & 4th

Hereford	Abbey Dore* (5th), Ewyas Harold* (6) alternating with
Ledbury	Kentchurch* (6) 1st & 3rd, Coddington* (6) 14.00, Cradley (8) 2nd 4th & 5th, Mathon (6) 1st & 3rd
Leominster	Leominster (10) 19:00
Ross	St Weonards (6) 17:00

#### **Friday**

Church Stretton	Stanton Lacy (8), Worthen* (6)
Hereford	Michaelchurch Escley (6), Tarrington (6), Wellington (6), Woolhope (6) (11.30am alt weeks)
Ross	Much Marcle (6) 3rd 17.45,

#### **Saturday**

Clifford & Kington	Pembridge* (5), 10:30 irregular
Bridgnorth	Coalbrookdale (10) 10.00

#### **Current subscriptions are:**

Ringling Member	£10.00
Ringling Member - Reduced Rate (see Rule 5(a))	£2.00
Associate Member	£5.00
Non-Resident Life Member	A one-off payment of £2.00
Peal Fee (per person)	£0.50

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