

The Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers Annual Report 2025

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

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
2025	Ann C Bennett	Welshpool
2025	Paul J Lewis	Pontesbury

Honorary Ringing Members

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

Obituary

We remember the following members who died during 2025.

Honorary Members

Gerald Hodnett	Much Wenlock
Agnes Bowen	Lyonshall
John Bartley	Welshpool

Ringling Members

Mike Jefferis	Holmer
Ena Plant	Broseley
Bob Leeson	Llangarron
Cherry Hughes	Bridgnorth
Revd Peter Newing	Eastnor
David Elliott	Cardington
Roy Mills	Ledbury
Andrea Moore	Leintwardine
Shirley Rowlands	Eardisland

Past Members

Jerry Cummins	Whitbourne
John Powter	Clun
Andrew Barnfield	Kings Caple
Katherine Fox	Colwall

New Members elected in 2025

The following 81 new ringing members were elected as members during 2025, a warm welcome to the Guild.

Megan Atkinson	Alison Holmes	Caz Rooney
Joely Bagley	Martin Howitt	Ian Royle
Christopher Baird	Meghan Hughes	Allen Shiels
Deborah Bills	Ricky Hughes	Rachel Simpson
Lawrence Bluhm	Edward Huxley	Stella Smith
Susan Broadway	Alison Hyde	Rachel
Mark Cinderey	Clive Jackson	Stephenson
Peter Clark	Angie Jones	Sara Strong
Matthew Collier	David Jones	Gillian Tait
Roger Cook	Tony Lafford	Ian Tait
Colin Croft	Tracey Lafford	Sarah Taylor
Jonathan Darch	Jane Lake	Roy Turner
Caroline Davies	David Legge	Angela Vaughan
Kirsty Davis	Rachel Lewis	Kirsty Vittorini
Carole Day	Christian	Laura Warren
Julia Dyche	McKeown	Jill Wassell
Louise Edwards	Gemma McKeown	Rod Wassell
Julia Evans	Caroline Meller	Simon Wells
Graham Feeney	Jackie Morris	David White
Sheila Fisher	Linda Newport	Will Whittaker-
John Furnival	Anthony Newton	Brown
Claire Gee	Jamie Newton	Bronwen Wilkins
Chris Giddins	Frank Nicholson	Esther Williams
Suzanna	Kath Norgrove	Jenny Williams
Goodchild	Derek Overton	Andrea Windsor-
Pamela Griffiths	Julie Pegler	Collins
Rebecca Hall	Rowena Pett	George Windsor-
Jackie Hill	Tina Reddick	Collins
Michael Hogg	Wendy Roberts	Rob Young

Long Standing Members

The following members reached the number of years membership shown in 2025.

50 years - Ann C Bennett, Neil Bennett, Andrew J Watkins

25 years - Helen Sharpe, Janet Collier, Alex Sharpe, Andrew Kett, Debbie Smith, Ian Price, Paul Tompkins, Lyn Wheeler.

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.

Guild Trustees report:

Trustees are the people responsible for controlling the work, management and administration of the charity on behalf of its beneficiaries.

The trustee's report

As trustees, we are required to demonstrate that everything we do is aligned to the aims of our charity. We do this through financial planning and through all the Guild activities held throughout the year. There were many good things to come out of 2025 for our Guild.

- **Meeting our members**

The opportunity to meet our members at the district AGMs and for so many Guild officers to be able to attend them. We received a very warm welcome everywhere and enjoyed a fine selection of the all-important ringer's teas.

- **Membermojo**

The natural feelings of caution when implementing such a major change were swept away by the obvious and numerous advantages to using such a membership tool. However, for the relative few who do not have access to a computer or the internet, or do not wish to engage in using Membermojo, the old routes to membership are still very much available and will remain so. All our members are very important to us.

- **Rule changes**

We have implemented several rule changes which enable guild business to be conducted in far shorter timeframes, and which allow subscriptions to be collected through Membermojo.

- **Guild AGM**

Held in Ross-on-Wye, the event was much enjoyed by a very encouraging turnout of our members. Our hosts and the Guild Officers put a great deal into making that day a success and the model is one we will build on for future AGM's.

- **Guild Finances**

We have asked, and still are encouraging, members to subscribe to Easy Fundraising and Give As You Live. Anyone who makes purchases on the internet will find both options extremely easy to use, there is no cost to the purchaser and to date a very small number of people have raised over £400 for the guild.

Membermojo has facilitated direct subscription payment & notes whether your payment attracts gift aid. We have a backlog of gift aid to claim which should boost our finances significantly.

With Guild finances potentially in a good position the membership has given the guild a mandate to retain more of the funding raised and target it towards recruitment and training, promoting bellringing and ensuring a richer experience for us all. Mark Aston is our Guild treasurer.

Ill health sadly forced the resignation of Neil Bennett as the long serving Guild Peal recorder; he has been very ably replaced by Andrew Watkins, and a review of the Peal fee system is underway.

- **Recruitment**

Throughout the year local and central initiatives have taken place to recruit new ringers. The mini ring event outside Hereford Cathedral received partial funding from the guild and boosted by the beautiful weather and the hard work of all the volunteers, attracted a great deal of interest - it did gain us some new recruits as well! Local events such as tower open days, facebook campaigns etc have yielded results and it is something we intend to give a great deal of focus to. New recruits are going to require committed teachers & this year has seen us start the process of identifying willing teachers and teaching locations. Those preferring to receive some training will be offered subsidised ART courses and those already good to go will be offered workshops to share knowledge.

- **Education**

At the AGM we took the opportunity to elect a new Education Officer (Kris Perruzza). Since his appointment he has worked

extensively to promote teaching and coaching around our Guild. The programme of learner's practices has been extended and been taken around the districts; the programme has also been expanded to include sessions covering triples & major.



A big thank you goes out to the host towers of these sessions, and to the core group of supporters without whom the sessions would not be as successful as they have been. And of course, thanks to those who come along and enjoy them.


It is impossible for a central resource to support every individual's needs. The focus will be on key skills that make a difference in improving the standards of ringing and support fundamental skills such as bell handling, rounds, call changes, plain hunting, 8 bell ringing and leading well as this enables bands to ring confidently for Sunday services and to make progress themselves.

- **Safeguarding**

The Church of England implemented a new Safeguarding policy which has impacted on the safeguarding training requirements for our members. We have appointed a Safeguarding Lead for the Guild (Jason Walker). We, of course, are dedicated to encouraging everyone to complete all relevant training the Diocese wants for its volunteers, but when it comes to individual towers, this is the responsibility of the PCC and PSO (Parish Safeguarding Officer).

The Church of England would like the following positions to have the following training:

-  Bellringers – Basic Awareness (online OR face to face)
-  Tower Captains/Ringing Masters – Basic Awareness, Foundation (online OR face to face) and Domestic Abuse (online only)

 Tower Captains/Ringing Masters of Market
Towns/Teaching hubs – Leadership Training (face to
face only – see diocese safeguarding webpage for dates
- [https://www.hereford.anglican.org/parish-
support/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/](https://www.hereford.anglican.org/parish-support/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/))

The Diocese has given Jason permission to lead Basic Awareness and Foundation Courses to our members, so if a band of ringers would like this training face to face, then please get in touch.

The Diocese safeguarding team also has appointed a Safeguarding Trainer. I have been told by the administrator that they will be looking at providing a Saturday Leadership Course for our District/Guild Officers that require it. We recognise that these requirements are causing distress for some of our members however it isn't something to fear. The courses are largely common sense, informative and enabling. At the end of the day the Church own the bells we all love to ring and we, as volunteers, need to meet their requirements.

Communication

We have taken a deep dive to look at who we communicate with and how we communicate with those groups of people we've identified.

Our guild emails are in the process of being transferred to outlook as the previous provider was causing us delivery issues.

The Website has been transferred to an alternative host, early indications are that the speed has been dramatically improved, but we are aware that there is a great deal of work to be done to make the changes the working party has proposed and to get the new site fit for purpose. In the meantime, please continue to send items for publication to Nick Chapman the Guild webmaster.

The Guild has a facebook page administered by Nicky Aubrey (Public Engagement Officer) and again, please post everything of interest so our members can enjoy reading about your activities.

The annual report has been the subject of another working party to look at what we want to achieve with the report and how best

to do that. Neil Bragg, the Guild Report Secretary, headed up this project team and we look forward to your reaction to the first edition in its new format. We have introduced several policies aimed to meet our governance requirements as a charity and to provide some guidance material for our members in several areas. We are conscious these will need regular review, and we intend to draft a “housekeeping” document to formalise the actions that are fundamental to the running of the Guild. Fran Watkins (Guild Secretary) has the most challenging role of all the trustees and has worked tirelessly, often in the background, organising countless meetings, calls, reaching out to third parties, co drafting policies, administering ‘Member Mojo’ to name a few things. Fran very definitely deserves a very huge thank you for her efforts to have made 2025 such a success.

On behalf of all the trustees I would like to thank every one of you who has contributed to making 2025 a success for the Guild and we look forward to your continuing support in 2026
Sue Robinson 12.01.2026

Information from the Guild Secretary

2025 has seen the introduction of membermojo for our membership records. As I write, over 98% of our paid-up members are now registered, thank you to everyone, especially the District Secretaries, who have encouraged and helped almost all our members to register.

A small number of members do not use email, and they can continue to receive information through their tower secretaries and captains as they always have done. The rest of us now have control over our personal information and can update our contact details and preferences whenever necessary.

Ringers are often traditionalists and some members may have felt uncertain about the need for change to the online system, however the world is changing and we must observe the Law, and the requirements of the Church, and Charity Commission, before we can consider our own rules, which (for the most part) were written at a very different time.

As we move forward, I hope that we will be able to make more use of the membermojo system to allow us to improve how we communicate.

New membership.

New members should complete an online application through membermojo at <https://membermojo.co.uk/hdgb/joinus>.

New members must be **proposed and elected at a Guild or District meeting** where minutes of the election will be recorded

Once an application is received it will be approved by an administrator, the new member will then be able to pay their subscriptions through membermojo or to the district treasurer in the traditional manner.

The election of new members will be verified with the district secretary and noted on the membership record.

As always, if you have any questions or would like to talk about any ideas please do get in touch at guild_secretary@hdgb.org

Webmasters report

During the last year, the Guild website at hdgb.org and Guild Officers' email services were successfully moved to new service providers. These actions not only give us improvements but also financial savings.

The Guild website contains up to date information about 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 the webmaster know of any changes, corrections, interesting news items and maybe even suggestions for improvements.

Nick Chapman, webmaster@hdgb.org.

Belfry Officers report

2025 was a year where a number of inspections have been carried out, resulting in advice and written reports. The inspections have been at Cradley, King Caple, Mathon, Pencombe and Richards Castle.

I have helped out several times at Kings Caple to tidy the belfry and floors leading to the ring of six. Kings Caple are notorious as being somewhat difficult to ring and this comes from the fact the bells have had sporadic spells of ringing. The bells are a mixture of dates and bell hanging work least not in 1992 when the two tenor bells being rehung by Eayre & Smith. Kris Perruzza and Mike Williams have also helped with the undertaking of cleaning the belfry. Work to improve the 'go' of the bells will take place in 2026 when the weather and light improves.

Richards Castle are in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust and Tracy Genever local Community Officer for the organisation contacted me to look at Richards Castle, an inspection has been carried out and some minor work will need to be done to make the bells ringable.

At Cradley, an in-depth inspection will be carried out to work out why the bells are not satisfactory in the round. It comes as though the bells are a new installation the bells do not flow or feel difficult to get accurate striking on them. This means that when most bellringers talk about bells being awkward it a reflection of three variables within a ring of bells that causes the difficulties. "Oddstruckness is a combination of where the clapper is centred in the bells, often we say the bell is slow at handstroke and therefore quick at back, but you can get bells that feel slow or quick at both strokes, this is caused by the other two variables. The first of these two variables is the speed in which a bell turns in relation to the position of the bell in the ring. This is called the swing time and if a bell has a slow swing time it needs to effectively be checked in at both strokes to ring in the correct place. The second variable can cause the same affect and that is the clapper throw, it is the speed in which a clapper travels the bell in relation to the swing time. The clapper throw can affect whether a bell easily goes up false or the clapper ends up on the wrong side of the bell when raised. Cradley seems to suffer with

some of these problems and possible can be addressed like that of Worcester Cathedral or Tewkesbury Abbey.

I am keen to hear directly from towers with issues however large or small, I have been phoned up about advice like getting clappers repaired as in the case of Woolhope, etc and always here to help.

Also, I am happy to run training sessions on belfry maintenance and am currently booked to carry out a session in Bromyard district.

Ashley Fortey

Safeguarding

Since taking on the role of the Safeguarding Lead for the Guild, I have been working alongside the Diocese Safeguarding Team to work out what training is required for whom. As stated in previous write ups, the PCCs are responsible for the ringing and those in tower captain/ringing master roles in their towers. The Guild's responsibility is for those with District and Guild roles.

If you are a tower captain or ringing master and have not been approached by a church official such as a Parish Safeguarding Office or your incumbent, in regard to training and DBS checks, please go and speak to them.

The Diocese Safeguarding Team have allowed me to deliver face-to-face training sessions for the 'Basic Awareness' and 'Foundation' courses. Domestic Abuse is still an online only course for the time being.

I have recently started working with Nikki Roberts (the new diocese safeguarding trainer), to put together a more bespoke leadership training programme for bellringers, with the hope that I will be able to deliver this, which will make life a little easier.

On 16th January I delivered the Basic Awareness course at Pencombe, with a number of members from across the guild attending. Everyone was engaged and positive feedback was received from a number of them that attended. If you feel this is something your tower, or district would like for its members then please get in touch.

Remember, the safeguarding courses are not "pass or fail" type courses, they are interactive. They don't expect you to have any safeguarding experience prior to attending and are designed to give you tools to help keep our towers, districts and guild safe and welcoming places for all. Safeguarding is **everyone's** responsibility.

Central Council Report, Sheffield 2025

In September 2025 the Central Council met at Sheffield where all four of the representatives of the HDG were present.

The day begins with the Annual meeting of the Ringing World. In the absence of the Chairman of the Ringing World Committee Elva Ainsworth led the meeting.

We learnt that the Ringing World's income and expenditure were down on the previous year's figures. The paper subscriptions for the publication continue to decline but there has been a modest rise in the number of people who have taken out a digital subscription. The main sources of income remains the subscriptions but a very significant sum is the donations made by those who ring quarter peals and some peals. It was suggested that if every tower took out a subscription the Ringing World's financial position would be strengthened. This raises the question yet again about the future of the Ringing World as a paper version in a world where younger people are no longer finding their news reading newspapers as former generations have done. We heard again the suggestion that the Ringing Worlds could become a monthly publication.

'Bellboard', which is part of the Ringing World, continues to offer a very important resource for ringers but does need an upgrade so that it remains useful for ringers and to provide protection from AI bots.

We were reminded that the Ringing World organises the annual Young Ringers event which has been a great success. So far, the HDG has not taken part in this event and it would seem that our young ringers are missing out on a very significant experience. The meeting expressed its thanks to Will Bosworth and his team who make the Ringing World the useful asset that it is.

The Central Council Meeting was better managed this year. Tina Stoecklin was chairing the meeting for the second time and because all the reports of the working groups were circulated before the meeting much time was saved. After attending four Central Council meetings in person and one online version I have come to realise that most of the decision making has already taken place.

The Executive of the Council works out beforehand what has to be achieved at a Council meeting and then formulates a way to implement the policy. It is what any large organisation has to do and those who attend the Council generally approve what the Executive is proposing. In many ways the annual meeting of the Council is little more than rubber stamping the work of the Council's executive committee. However, having said that the Council is worthwhile because there are working groups who are advancing the cause of ringing throughout the year and their work is invaluable.

The most significant work of the Council I believe is the Ringing 2030 strategy plan. which has three pillars, the first being Marketing, the second Recruitment and Development and the third Environment.

I would urge you to go on to the Council Website and see how these pillars can be of help to you and your band.

One issue that was only alluded to at the meeting was the idea that the work for the Ringing 2030 strategy plan required the payment of someone to do the work. In the

budget for 2026 published since the meeting the sum of £11,000 has been allocated for this. I believe this is a major departure for the Council and should have been debated at the 2025 meeting. The money for this work will come, I believe from the affiliation fees paid by the Guilds and Associations. I would like to know whether this is just a temporary period when the Council employ someone to perform these tasks or if this to be a permanent practice. If it is there will be more demands placed on those who pay affiliation fees. This situation needs to be monitored.

The Sheffield meeting's main business was a review of Governance which came out of the failure the previous year to deal with affiliation fees for small ringing societies and University societies.

The result is that small societies will not have to contribute for each member but be able to pay an annual sum to retain their membership of the Council.

The meeting in 2026 will take place in Rugby and there will be ringing activities in that are over the first weekend in September. These activities give ringers an opportunity to meet and share experiences and will recommend members of our Guild to make the relatively short journey to take part in those activities.

Treasurer's report:

2025 has been a strong year financially, with the Guild achieving a surplus of £3,400. This improvement has come from a 12% increase in membership subscriptions across all districts, along with reduced expenditure. As a result, we now hold reserves equivalent to two years of operating costs, placing us in an excellent position as we enter the Guild's 140th anniversary year, which includes a full programme of events—many requiring advance financial commitment.

The introduction of MemberMojo last year has also made a significant difference. Going into 2026, we can now collect subscriptions directly from members, simplifying renewals for members as well as tower captains, district treasurers, and the Guild Secretary. It has also streamlined preparation of our Gift Aid return, for which we are awaiting an HMRC payment of approximately £1,000.

Our strengthened financial position means I can say something you don't often hear from a treasurer: we have money to spend. If districts have initiatives—particularly around recruitment or activities aligned with our charitable objectives—please contact the Guild Management Trustees to discuss potential support.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere thanks to everyone who has assisted me throughout the year. A special thank you also goes to our Independent Examiner for reviewing the accounts, ensuring accuracy, and providing invaluable oversight.

Mark Aston

Independent Examiner's Statement

Signed:

Ruth D'Avanzo PGCE MA

February 2026

Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellsingers

Accounts 2025

INCOME	Note	2025	2024
Subscriptions	1	£6,474.00	£5,391.00
Easy fundraising scheme		£94.30	
Peal fees			£160.00
Guild AGM income		£182.00	
Interest Received		£69.22	£72.76
Donation		£0.01	£100.00
Book Shop Sales		£25.00	£121.20
Mini Ring Income		£193.00	
2025 Subs paid early			£180.00
District Funds Repaid	2	£467.44	£350.00
Total income		£7,504.97	£6,374.96

EXPENDITURE	Note	2025	2024
Grants to districts	2	£120.00	£670.00
Annual Report		£1,648.74	£1,518.73
Web site			£260.76
Insurance	A	£370.76	£229.62
Officers' expenses	3	£448.73	£369.65
CCCBR subscriptions		£276.80	£160.00
BRF donation		£400.00	£1,400.00
Other expenditure	4	£356.20	£199.94
Meetings			£111.64
Publicity Costs	5	£93.89	£357.54
Bookshop Stock			£354.07
Badges		£34.75	
Membership Certificates		£160.12	
Member Mojo Fee		£175.00	£175.00
Total expenditure		£4,084.99	£5,806.95

SURPLUS/LOSS	2025	2024
Total income	£7,504.97	£6,374.96
Total expenditure	£4,084.99	£5,806.95
Surplus	£3,419.98	£568.01

REPRESENTED BY	Close	Open	Surplus
Lloyds accounts	£6,961.15	£3,610.39	£3,350.76
Virgin Money account	£5,502.52	£5,433.30	£69.22
Total	£12,463.67	£9,043.69	£3,419.98

Note A: Additional cost to insure 'Wombel' simulator

Note B: Approx £1000 to come. Gift Aid claim submitted to HMRC awaiting payment

Note 1: Subscriptions

District	2025	2024
Bridgnorth	£1,084.00	£1,350.00
Bromyard	£454.00	£306.00
Church Stretton	£1,404.00	£1,117.00
Clifford & Kington	£897.00	£639.00
Hereford	£1,369.00	£1,135.00
Ledbury	£546.00	£498.00
Leominster	£300.00	£288.00
Ross-on-Wye	£420.00	£408.00
Total	£6,474.00	£5,741.00

Note 2 - Grants to Districts

District	2025	2024
Bridgnorth		-
Bromyard		£0.00
Church Stretton		£0.00
Clifford &	£120.00	£120.00
Hereford	-	£400.00
Ledbury		£0.00
Leominster	-	£100.00
Ross on Wye	-	£50.00
Total	-	£320.00

(Negative figures = bank account closures)

Note 3 - Officers' Expenses

Officer	2025	2024
Master		£0.00
Secretary		£0.00
Treasurer		£0.00
Report Secretary	£44.14	£82.40
Belfries' officer		£0.00
CCBR	£404.59	£287.25
Total	£448.73	£369.65

Note 4 - Other Expenditure

Item	2025	2024
Friends of CCCBR	£10.00	£10.00
Alec Osbaldiston		£54.00
Tewkesbury Shield		£20.00
Ear Defenders		£65.94
Striking Comp		£50.00
Mobile Belfry Hfd	£346.20	
Certificates	£160.12	
Badges	£34.75	
Total	£516.32	£199.94

Note 5 - Publicity

Item	2025	2024
Ringling World adverts	£53.60	£12.00
Promotional Material	£40.29	£345.94
Total	£93.89	£357.94



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Rules of the Guild (as revised May 10th, 2025)

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) **Ringing Members.** Any ringer having been elected at a District or General Meeting shall be a Ringing 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 Ringing 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 Ringing 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'.
- (vii) 'the guild safeguarding officer'

(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 Bellingers 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) The methods of payment and collection of subscriptions shall be agreed by the Executive Committee and be appropriate to the type of membership, affiliation and processes available for collection at the time.
- (d) Subscriptions become due for payment on 1st January.
- (e) In support of any application for funding from the Guild, the districts should submit a budgeted expenditure plan. Funding applications will be reviewed by the Trustees who will take into account the financial situation and charitable aims of the Guild.

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 must send the Guild Treasurer a statement of the previous year's District accounts, approved by a District meeting, by February 28th, together with a list of any members who have paid the District Treasurer for the current year and the subscription money collected.

(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 1st January of that year; they may be re-admitted without election at any time on payment of one year's 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 less than 90 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

(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.

2025 subscription rates

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)	50p

Insurance

The Guild insurance policy continues to be held with Ecclesiastical. A renewal premium of £319.21 was paid for 2025/26, the policy number is 06-CHA-0524450.

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 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 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.

Sums Insured for 2025/26

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)

Occurrence	Level of benefit per unit
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.

Members/Volunteers Privacy Notice

This privacy notice tells you what to expect us to do with your personal information.

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Contact details

Post to 1 Chapel Orchard, Weobley, HEREFORD, HR4 8SP,

07702799082 Email guild_secretary@hdqb.org

What information we collect and use, and why

Recruitment, administration, and management

We collect or use the following information to administer membership, receive donations or funding and organise fundraising activities:

- Names and contact details
- Addresses
- Payment or banking details
- Tax payer information (for Gift Aid purposes)

We collect or use the following personal information for recruitment purposes:

- Contact details (eg name, address, telephone number or personal email address)

Lawful bases and data protection rights

Under UK data protection law, we must have a “lawful basis” for collecting and using your personal information. There is a list of possible [lawful bases](#) in the UK GDPR. You can find out more about lawful bases on the ICO’s website.

Which lawful basis we rely on may affect your data protection rights which are set out in brief below. You can find out more about your data protection rights and the exemptions which may apply on the ICO’s website:

- Your right of access - You have the right to ask us for copies of your personal information. You can request other information such as details about where we get personal information from and who we share personal information with. There are some exemptions which means you may not receive all the information you ask for. [Read more about the right of access.](#)
- Your right to rectification - You have the right to ask us to correct or delete personal information you think is inaccurate or incomplete. [Read more about the right to rectification.](#)
- Your right to erasure - You have the right to ask us to delete your personal information. [Read more about the right to erasure.](#)
- Your right to restriction of processing - You have the right to ask us to limit how we can use your personal information. [Read more about the right to restriction of processing.](#)
- Your right to object to processing - You have the right to object to the processing of your personal data. [Read more about the right to object to processing.](#)
- Your right to data portability - You have the right to ask that we transfer the personal information you gave us to another organisation, or to you. [Read more about the right to data portability.](#)

- Your right to withdraw consent – When we use consent as our lawful basis you have the right to withdraw your consent at any time. [Read more about the right to withdraw consent.](#)

If you make a request, we must respond to you without undue delay and in any event within one month.

To make a data protection rights request, please contact us using the contact details at the top of this privacy notice.

Our lawful bases for the collection and use of your data

Our lawful bases for collecting or using personal information to administer membership, receive donations or funding and organise fundraising activities are:

- **Consent** - we have permission from you after we gave you all the relevant information. All of your data protection rights may apply, except the right to object. To be clear, you do have the right to withdraw your consent at any time.
- **Contract** – we have to collect or use the information so we can enter into or carry out a contract with you. All of your data protection rights may apply except the right to object.
- **Legitimate interests** – we’re collecting or using your information because it benefits you, our organisation or someone else, without causing an undue risk of harm to anyone. All of your data protection rights may apply, except the right to portability. Our legitimate interests are:

To administer the membership of, and payment of subscriptions to the Hereford Diocesan Guild and to inform the members of such benefits and activities as provided by membership of the Hereford Diocesan Guild.

- We may analyse data to help improve the Guild's ability to meet its Objectives (as set out in Rule 4 of the Guild).
- We will use & store basic data for historical research and archive purposes.
- To ensure that members are aware of the training and safeguarding requirements set out by the Diocese of Hereford.

For more information on our use of legitimate interests as a lawful basis you can contact us using the contact details set out above.

Our lawful bases for collecting or using personal information for recruitment purposes are:

- **Consent** - we have permission from you after we gave you all the relevant information. All of your data protection rights may apply, except the right to object. To be clear, you do have the right to withdraw your consent at any time.
- **Contract** – we have to collect or use the information so we can enter into or carry out a contract with you. All of your data protection rights may apply except the right to object.
- **Legitimate interests** – we’re collecting or using your information because it benefits you, our organisation or someone else, without causing an undue risk of harm to anyone. All of your data protection rights may apply, except the right to portability. Our legitimate interests are:
- Volunteers who hold officer posts within the Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers are required to undertake safeguarding training, some roles may require the post-holder to apply for a DBS check. Confirmation that the necessary requirements have been completed by the post-holder will be retained whilst they are in office.
- To promote recruitment and Guild activities the 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.

For more information on our use of legitimate interests as a lawful basis you can contact us using the contact details set out above.

Where we get personal information from

- Directly from you
- Family members or carers (for members under the age of 18)

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.

For more information on how long we store your personal information or the criteria we use to determine this please contact us using the details provided above.

Who we share information with

Data processors

membermojo ltd <https://membermojo.co.uk/mm/contact>

This data processor does the following activities for us: membermojo provides secure storage and membership processing for our organisation's member data in their capacity as a data processor.

What personal data does membermojo store and why? membermojo will capture and store the personal data for members as defined by the Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellingers. membermojo will also collect for support purposes:

The name and version of member's browser and IP address. Interaction with our site. Emails sent to membermojo mailing lists. The membermojo privacy policy can be accessed at <https://membermojo.co.uk/hdgb/help/privacy>

Others we share personal information with

- Insurance companies in the event of a claim
- Charities and voluntary organisations
- Organisations we need to share information with for safeguarding reasons
- Relevant regulatory authorities
- Publicly on our website, social media or other marketing and information media

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

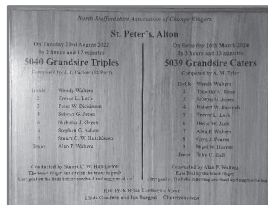
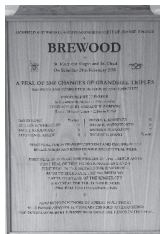
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Peal Recorder's Report 2025

Overview

In 2025, the Guild experienced a notable decline in the number of peals rung, with only 31 peals recorded. Among these, one was a handbell peal. A total of 57 members participated during the year, including 20 Non-Resident Life Members. I have changed the layout slightly and included a list of the all-time leading peal ringers for the Guild. I've noticed that some conductors might be forgetting to send their peals to the Ringing World after posting them on Bellboard. Just a friendly reminder to make sure we don't forget.

Leading Achievements

Congratulations are extended to **Christopher J. Pickford** and **David Jenkins**, who were joint leading peal ringers for 2025.

David Jenkins is also congratulated for attaining the position of leading conductor, followed closely by Kristoffer O Perruzza, who conducted six peals.

Leading Peal Ringers

- **Christopher J Pickford (16)**
- **David Jenkins (16)**
- **Richard J Clements (15)**
- **Andrew J Watkins (12)**
- **Frances D Watkins (12)**
- **Mark Pugh (12)**
- **Kristoffer Perruzza (10)**
- **Nicholas J Green (10)**

Leading Conductors

- **David Jenkins (7)**
- **Kristoffer O Perruzza (6)**
- **Richard J Clements and Adam R Crocker (4)**
- **Christopher J Pickford (2)**

Special Milestones

Congratulations to **Daniel Jones** on ringing his 1,100th peal.

Richard J Clements rang his 600th peal for the Guild at Fownhope.

Michael A D'Avanzo achieved his first peal of Minor and of Surprise.

Ian L Thornevell and **Mark R Aston** rang their first peal inside.

Congratulations to **Sue Robinson**, **William N Evans**, and **David C Parker** on their first peal of Royal.

Peals in Remembrance

Mike Jefferis (Holmer)

Revd Dr Peter Newing

First Peals in 2025

Congratulations to three members who scored their first peal in 2025:

- **Sarah E King (Burghill) at Burghill on 31 May**
- **Chris Brackston (Hereford Cathedral) at Burghill on 14 August**
- **Caroline R Priestley (Fownhope) at Burghill on 9 November**

Fees and Membership

The Guild Peal Fee remains at 50 pence per person.

Conductors are reminded that all participants in a Guild peal must be current members (see Rule 17(b)). If a new member is to be elected before a peal, please ensure there are at least three current Guild members in the band (Rule 5e(ii)). Arrangements for ratifying such tower elections at a Guild or District meeting can be made upon request.

Payments

All peal fees, account top-ups, and Non-Resident Life Member fees may now be paid directly into the Guild account designated for peal fees:

- Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers
- Sort Code: 30-80-55
- Account Number: 24377462

The Non-Resident Life Member's subscription is a one-off payment of £2.00 which should be paid into the above account. Details as per Rule 5(e)(ii), should be sent to the Peal Recorder.

Further Information

For comprehensive details about your peals, please consult the referenced resource or contact the Peal Recorder at pealrecorder@hdgb.org.

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/>

<https://www.pealbase.co.uk/>

Analysis of Guild Peals 2025

	<u>Method(s)</u>	<u>Tower</u>	<u>Hand</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Royal (1)	Yorkshire S.	1		1
Major (4)	Cambridge S.	1		1
	Yorkshire S.	1	1	2
	Spliced S. (23 m)	1		1
Triples (1)	Stedman	1		1
Minor (17)	Minor (4 m)	1		1
	Minor (5 m)	2		2
	Minor (7 T.B.)	4		4
	Minor (7 S.)	10		10
Doubles (8)	Grandsire	2		2
	7 m/v	1		1
	42 m/v	3		3
	80 m/v	1		1
	134 m/v	1		1
Totals		30	1	31

List of all-time leading peal ringers for the Guild.

All names presented in italics indicate individuals who are deceased ringers.

	Name	Total	Total on Tower bells	Rung in Hand	Tower as Conductor	Conducted in Hand	Total as Conductor
1	John E Harrold	1139	518	621	296	95	391
2	Frederick Shallcross	1130	577	553	419	325	744
3	Andrew L Mainwaring	1064	1063	1	470	0	470
4	Ashley C Fortey	881	880	1	194	0	194
5	<i>Frederick R Harris</i>	763	762	1	143	0	143
6	C Martin Foster	738	738	0	5	0	5
7	Neil Bennett	727	597	130	104	3	107
8	<i>Norman R Mattingley</i>	671	294	377	122	24	146
9	Richard J Clements	614	286	328	85	7	92
10	Michael V Powell	586	586	0	52	0	52
11	Daniel Jones	586	401	185	85	116	201
12	<i>Leslie Evans</i>	573	573	0	54	0	54
13	Roman E Sadowski	501	499	2	20	0	20
14	John W Hope	495	495	0	32	0	32
15	<i>Austin T Wingate</i>	445	445	0	2	0	2
16	<i>Robert A Hatcher</i>	317	317	0	69	0	69
17	Christopher J Hughes	297	26	271	0	0	0
18	<i>Wilfrid F Moreton</i>	284	267	17	214	14	228
19	<i>Laurence T Mainwaring</i>	258	258	0	6	0	6
20	Paul A Thompson	256	256	0	1	0	1
21	<i>James P Hyett</i>	251	251	0	153	0	153
22	Nicola J Aubrey	247	247	0	23	0	23
23	Michael G Clements	245	75	170	3	0	3
24	<i>William Poston</i>	243	241	2	202	2	204
25	Bernard H Taylor	237	212	25	99	25	124
26	Sheila E M Parry	233	232	1	0	0	0
27	<i>Reginald G Powell</i>	223	223	0	47	0	47
28	James Clatworthy	207	203	4	10	4	14
29	Andrew J Watkins	206	205	1	101	0	101
30	<i>John F I Turney</i>	196	189	7	17	0	17

31	Dianne B Foster	190	190	0	0	0	0
32	Marcus C W Sherwood	188	173	15	124	13	137
33	<i>Peter L Hughes</i>	175	175	0	0	0	0
34	<i>Philip G Morgan</i>	174	174	0	12	0	12
35	<i>Michael P Moreton</i>	172	155	17	13	0	13
36	W Anthony Price	171	171	0	27	0	27
37	Darran Ricks	166	166	0	57	0	57
38	Kristoffer O Perruzza	165	165	0	12	0	12
38	Frances D Watkins	165	165	0	1	0	1
38	<i>John J Webb</i>	165	165	0	13	0	13
41	Colin H Ward	163	163	0	2	0	2
42	<i>George T Cousins</i>	161	161	0	24	0	24
43	Penny J Salisbury	157	157	0	0	0	0
44	David Jenkins	155	108	47	39	13	52
45	<i>John A G Clements</i>	152	152	0	31	0	31
46	<i>Alfred T Poulton</i>	149	147	2	5	0	5
47	<i>Robert C Kippin</i>	148	148	0	38	0	38
47	Jane E Mason	148	148	0	36	0	36
49	<i>Charles L Sadler</i>	145	142	3	5	0	5
50	Mark Pugh	138	138	0	33	0	33

Peals Rung by the Guild in 2025

6079

Eardisland, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin

Friday, 3 January 2025 in 2h 58 (12–2–26 in G)

5152 Spliced Surprise Major (23m)

224 each Yorkshire, Uxbridge, Cornwall, Double Dublin, Bristol, Whalley, Watford, London, Tavistock, Glasgow, Cambridge, Cassiobury, Lindum, Superlative, Wembley, Rutland, Jersey, Preston, Ipswich, Cray, Ashtead, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, 160 com, atw.

Composed by Norman Smith

- 1 Sue Robinson
 - 2 Richard J Clements
 - 3 Margaret Whiteley
 - 4 Nicholas J Green
 - 5 Frederick Shallcross
 - 6 Richard B Pullin (C)
 - 7 David Jenkins
 - 8 Martin J Whiteley
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6080

Much Marcle, Herefordshire

St Bartholomew

Thursday, 9 January 2025 in 3h 7 (12–1–14 in F)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

One extent each of Alnwick, London, Lightfoot, Westminster, Bourne, Norwich and Cambridge.

- 1 Mark Pugh
 - 2 Bernard H Taylor
 - 3 Nicholas J Green
 - 4 Frederick Shallcross
 - 5 Christopher J Pickford
 - 6 David Jenkins (C)
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6081

Fownhope, Herefordshire

St Mary

Thursday, 6 February 2025 in 2h 51 (11–2–4 in F#)

5040 Treble Dodging Minor (7m)

One extent each of Carlisle Surprise, London Surprise, Old Oxford Delight, Westminster Surprise, Bourne Surprise, Norwich Surprise and Cambridge Surprise.

- 1 Mark Pugh
 - 2 Frederick Shallcross
 - 3 Nicholas J Green
 - 4 Richard J Clements
 - 5 Christopher J Pickford
 - 6 David Jenkins (C)
- 600th peal for the HDGB: 4.

Rung in fond memory of Michael (Mick) Fellows who died 50 years ago on 08/02/1975 at the age of 27. At the time of his death, Mick was the youngest person to ring 1000 peals.

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6082

Holmer, Herefordshire

St Bartholomew

Sunday, 16 February 2025 in 2h 45 (10–1–12 in G)

5040 Grandsire Doubles

- 42 different extents
- 1 Karen M Powell
 - 2 David C Powell
 - 3 Frances D Watkins
 - 4 Andrew J Watkins
 - 5 Nicola J Aubrey (C)
 - 6 Ian L Thornewell

Rung in memory of Mike Jefferis, a much loved member of Holmer tower who died on 7th January. Also in memory of Margaret Powell, mother of David who died on 13th February and Ray Clarke, Hayley's Dad, who died on 26th January.

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6083

Llanelli, Carmarthenshire

St Elli

Thursday, 20 February 2025 in 2h 52 (8–1–26 in Ab)

5088 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Composed by D F Morrison

- 1 Mark Pugh
 - 2 Harriet G Moncrieff
 - 3 David F Moore
 - 4 Richard J Clements
 - 5 Andrew J Phillips
 - 6 Frederick Shallcross (C)
 - 7 David Jenkins
 - 8 Christopher J Pickford
- Rung on The Welsh Day Out.
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6084

Old Radnor, Radnorshire

St Stephen

Friday, 28 February 2025 in 3h 8 (16 in E)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

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

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

For the 300th anniversary of these bells, cast in 1724 by Abraham Rudhall II of Gloucester. A previous attempt by the same band on 13 December 2024 failed owing to a broken rope but this peal was still rung in the tercentenary year under the "old calendar".

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6085

Bredwardine, Herefordshire

St Andrew

Friday, 28 February 2025 in 2h 43 (9–2–1 in Bb)

5040 Surprise Minor (4m)

(1) London; (2,3) Ipswich; (4,5) Beverley; (6,7) Cambridge.

- 1 David Jenkins
- 2 Jennifer A Ferguson

3 Adam R Crocker
4 Robert J Crocker
5 Peter G C Ellis (C)
6 Christopher J Pickford
100th peal together: 1 and 3.
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6086

Tarrington, Herefordshire

St Philip and St James
Thursday, 6 March 2025 in 3h 5 (11–0–27 in F)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

One extent each: Carlisle, London, Wells, York,
Westminster, Bourne, Cambridge

1 Mark Pugh
2 Richard J Clements (C)
3 Nicholas J Green
4 Bernard H Taylor
5 Christopher J Pickford
6 David Jenkins
200th together - 4,6
RW 5951 Page 422

6087

Bodenham, Herefordshire

St Michael and All Angels
Saturday, 15 March 2025 in 2h 44 (12–1–20 in G)

5040 Doubles (42v)

1 extent each of St Crispin, Hordle, St John, Lockertey,
Chilton, Lyndhurst, Ryton, Wessex, St Miles, St Mary, St
Nicolas, Lapley, Lonsdale, Heyford, Brockenhurst,
Shareshill, Hinton, St Giles, St Laurence, Romsey, St
Leonard, St Oswald, Churchill, Wykeham, Austrey, St
Magnus, St Paul, St Jude, Southampton, Eynsham, St
Wilfrid, St Ignatius, Winchester, Elford, St Katherine, St
Alban, April Day, Salwarpe, Seighford, Windrush,
Litchurch & Kennington.
1 Susan Hack
2 Rhiannon F Pugh
3 Mark Pugh (C)
4 Frances D Watkins
5 Andrew J Watkins
6 Jessica C Pugh
Celebrating 30 years to the day since Mark & Rhiannon
first both rang at Bodenham with Sue and the tower
band. Congratulations to Jessica Pugh & Craig
Homewood on their engagement.
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6088

Lydbury North, Shropshire

St Michael and All Angels
Thursday, 3 April 2025 in 2h 53 (8–0–26 in G)
5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

One extent each of Carlisle, London, Warkworth,
Annale's London, 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)
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6089

Eardisley, Herefordshire

St Mary Magdalene
Monday, 21 April 2025 in 2h 43 (8–1–27 in G#)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

One extent each: Bourne, Primrose, Ipswich, Beverley,
Surfleet, Norwich, Cambridge.

1 Andrew J Watkins
2 Jason M Walker
3 Michael A D'Avanzo
4 Frances D Watkins
5 Kristoffer O Perruzza
6 Adam R Crocker (C)
First of Minor and of Surprise: 3.
RW 5950 Page 397

6090

Goodrich, Herefordshire

St Giles
Thursday, 15 May 2025 in 2h 45 (10–0–2 in G)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

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

1 Mark Pugh
2 Richard J Clements
3 Bernard H Taylor
4 Ashley C Fortey
5 Christopher J Pickford
6 David Jenkins (C)
Rung as part of the Goodrich VE Day celebrations.
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6091

Bredenbury, Herefordshire

St Andrew
Friday, 30 May 2025 in 2h 45 (8–3–3 in A)

5040 Minor (5m)

One extent each Norwich S, Bourne S, Cambridge S,
Oxford T.B, 3 extents Plain Bob
1 J Anthony Ellis
2 Sue Robinson
3 Richard J Clements (C)
4 David C Parker
5 Robert J Crocker
6 Christopher J Pickford
Rung to mark the impending retirement of the
Reverend Elisabeth Sidwell from the Bredenbury Group
of Parishes.
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6092

Burghill, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin
Saturday, 31 May 2025 in 2h 52 (10–0–20 in G)

5040 Doubles (10m/32v)

St Simon's Bob; St Alban; Eynsham; Elford; St Martin's
Bob; St Paul; St Leonard; Austrey; St Osmund; St
Ambrose; St Ninian; St Felix; Eynesbury Bob; St John
Evangelist; St John Baptist; St Wenceslas; Ezneith;
Huntley; Obediah; Omega; Church Gresley; St
Remigius Bob; Hosley; St Cleer; St Miles; Winchendon
Place; St John; Ryton; St Giles; St Nicholas Bob;
Lapley; Shareshill; Southtrepps; Reverse Canterbury
Pleasure Place; Clifford Pleasure; Little Aston; Royston;
Plain Bob; Kennington; April Day; Seighford; May Day.
1 Frederick Shallcross
2 Jason M Walker
3 Andrew J Watkins

4 Kristoffer O Perruzza (C)
5 Frances D Watkins
6 Sarah E King
First peal at first attempt - 6.
RW 5955 Page 538

6093

Bishop's Castle, Shropshire

St John the Baptist
Thursday, 5 June 2025 in 2h 53 (8–2–18 in A)

5040 Treble Dodging Minor (7m)

One extent each of College Exercise Treble Bob, Old Oxford Delight, London Surprise, Lightfoot Surprise, Westminster Surprise, Bourne Surprise and Cambridge Surprise.

1 Mark Pugh
2 Richard J Clements
3 Nicholas J Green
4 Bernard H Taylor
5 Christopher J Pickford
6 David Jenkins (C)
Rung as part of the Bishop's Castle VE Day celebrations.
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6094

Kingstone, Herefordshire

St Michael and All Angels
Thursday, 12 June 2025 in 2h 52 (12–0–22 in G)

5056 Cambridge Surprise Major

Composed by C. Middleton

1 Paul R Smith
2 Stephen W Horton
3 Hilda C Ridley
4 Andrew J Hartley
5 David C Parker
6 Mark P Gilham
7 David Jenkins (C)
8 Christopher J Pickford
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6095

Whitbourne, Herefordshire

St John the Baptist
Thursday, 10 July 2025 in 2h 44 (11½ in G)

5040 Treble Dodging Minor (7m)

One extent each: Carlisle S, Burslem D, York S, Beverley S, Bourne S, Norwich S, Cambridge S.

1 Jason M Walker
2 Sue Robinson
3 Andrew J Watkins
4 Frances D Watkins
5 Kristoffer O Perruzza
6 Adam R Crocker (C)
Rung as a first birthday compliment to Seren Cleo Rawlinson (today) and a birthday compliment to Andrew Watkins for tomorrow.
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6096

Marden, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin
Tuesday, 29 July 2025 in 2h 50 (12–1–6 in F#)

5040 Grandsire Doubles

(10 callings)
1 Jessica A Sawyers
2 Joanna C Beavan
3 Ian L Thornewell

4 Geoff Cowling
5 Kristoffer O Perruzza (C)
6 Mark R Aston
First peal inside - 3.
60th Birthday compliments to Julia Aston.
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6097

Burghill, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin
Thursday, 14 August 2025 in 2h 47 (10–0–20 in G)

5040 Doubles (6m/36v)

St Simon's Bob; St Alban; Cassington; Eynsham; Elford; St Jude; St Ignatius; St Martin's Bob; St Paul; St Peter; St Leonard; Austrey; St Laurence; Churchill; St Osmond Bob; St Ambrose; St Patrick; St Ninian; St Felix; St Austell; Amersham; Eynesbury Bob; St John Evangelist; Candlemas; St John Baptist; St Wenceslas; St Stephen; St John Divine; Plain Bob; Kennington; Old Bob; April Day; Seighford; Litchurch; May Day; Southrepps; Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place; St Colum; Clifford Pleasure; Little Aston; St David; Royston.

1 Chris Brackston
2 Frances D Watkins
3 Kristoffer O Perruzza (C)
4 Jason M Walker
5 Frederick Shallcross
6 Andrew J Watkins
First Peal - 1.
Birthday compliments to Trevor Brackston for yesterday.
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6098

Aymestrey, Herefordshire

St John the Baptist and St Alkmund
Friday, 15 August 2025 in 2h 53 (10 in Ab)
5040 Minor (4m)
Two extents each of Norwich, Beverley and Cambridge S, one of Plain Bob

1 Geoff Cowling
2 Lynn S Scales
3 Frances D Watkins
4 Andrew J Watkins
5 Darran Ricks
6 Christopher J Pickford (C)
To Commemorate the 80th Anniversary of VJ Day
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6099

Much Cowarne, Herefordshire

St Mary
Thursday, 4 September 2025 in 2h 53 (10–3–20 in F#)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

One extent each Carlisle, London, Annabe's London, Westminster, Norwich, Bourne and Cambridge

1 Mark Pugh
2 Richard J Clements (C)
3 Nicholas J Green
4 Bernard H Taylor
5 David Jenkins
6 Christopher J Pickford
Rung as an 80th birthday compliment to Rick Shallcross.
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6100

Marden, Herefordshire

St Mary the Virgin

Thursday, 25 September 2025 in 2h 54 (12–1–6 in F#)

5040 Doubles (1m/6v)

24 extents of Plain Bob and 3 extents each: Old Bob;

April Day; Seighford; Litchurch; May Day; Hudibras.

- 1 Joanna C Beavan
- 2 Andrew J Watkins
- 3 Frances D Watkins
- 4 Kristoffer O Perruzza (C)
- 5 Mark R Aston
- 6 Steven C Maddox

First peal inside - 5.

Congratulations to Jess Tidball, Churchwarden of this church, on receiving the Order of St Ethelbert.

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6101**Eastnor, Herefordshire**

St John the Baptist

Sunday, 28 September 2025 in 2h 46 (6–3–9 in A)

5040 Treble Dodging Minor (7m)

One extent each: London Surprise, Carlisle Surprise, Burslem Delight, York Surprise, Beverley Surprise, Bourne Surprise, Norwich Surprise.

- 1 Andrew J Watkins
- 2 Richard J Clements
- 3 Frances D Watkins
- 4 Jason M Walker
- 5 Kristoffer O Perruzza
- 6 Adam R Crocker (C)

Congratulations to Beverly Jones, retired

Churchwarden of this church, on receiving the Order of St Ethelbert.

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6102**Bromyard, Herefordshire**

St Peter

Friday, 24 October 2025 in 3h 5 (13–3–13 in F)

5040 Yorkshire Surprise Royal

Composed by Robin O Hall

- 1 Kristoffer O Perruzza
- 2 David Jenkins
- 3 Sue Robinson
- 4 Richard J Clements
- 5 William N Evans
- 6 David C Parker
- 7 Adam R Crocker (C)
- 8 Stephen W Horton
- 9 J Anthony Ellis
- 10 Christopher J Pickford

Rung in memory of the Revd Dr Peter Newing, through whose generosity our treble bells were cast.

First peal of Royal: 3, 5, 6.

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6103**Ross-On-Wye, Herefordshire**

14 Archangel Close

Thursday, 30 October 2025 in 2h 29 (15 in C)

5088 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Composed by D. F. Morrison (No. 1947)

- 1–2 David Jenkins
- 3–4 David F Moore
- 5–6 Frederick Shallcross
- 7–8 Daniel Jones (C)

The first peal in the bar.

1100th peal: 7-8

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6104**Leighton, Montgomeryshire**

Holy Trinity

Saturday, 8 November 2025 in 2h 34 (11–2–5 in F)

5181 Minor (5m)

81 Little Bob 1500 Plain Bob 1440 Cambridge Surprise

720 Double Oxford Bob 1440 St Clement's College Bob (5 com)

- 1 Nicholas D Jones (C)
- 2 Tim D Hollinghurst
- 3 David T G Jones
- 4 Nicholas J Green
- 5 Mark Pugh
- 6 Christopher J Venn

Rung during Remembrancetide. Honouring the 181 individuals awarded the Victoria Cross during World War 2; a group now passed into history.

6105**Burghill, Herefordshire**

St Mary the Virgin

Sunday, 9 November 2025 in 2h 50 (10–0–20 in G)

5040 Doubles (80m/v)

In 80m/v, 8 Methods / 72 Variations: (1) Reverse Union, Reverse St Faith; (2) St laud, Susanmead; (3) St Kenelm, Spindlebury; (4) St Firmin, St Eadburga; (5) Downlad, St Aloysius; (6) Twineham Bob, Brampton Place; (7) Eynsham, St Leonard; (8) Elford, Austrey; (9) St Jude, St Laurence; (10) St Ignatius, Churchill; (11) Cassington, St Peter; (12) Somerville, Magdalen; (13) St Simon's Bob, St Martin's Bob; (14) St Alban, St Paul; (15) Lapley, St John; (16) Shareshill, Ryton; (17) St Mary, St Crispin; (18) Heyford, Chilton; (19) St Thomas, St Luke; (20) Nuffield, Wadham; (21) St Giles, St Miles; (22) St Nicholas Bob, Winchendon Pleasure Place; (23) St Ninian, St John Baptist; (24) St Felix, St Wenceslas; (25) St Austell, St Stephen; (26) Amersham, St John Divine; (27) St Patrick, Candelmas; (28) St Werburgh, St Deborah; (29) St Osmund Bob, Eynesbury Place; (30) St Ambrose, St John Evangelist; (31) Horsley, Obediah; (32) St Cleer, Omega; (33) St Cecilia, Laverstoke; (34) Sarratt, Dummer; (35) St Chrysostom, Scorpio; (36) St Richard, Palmer; (37) St Remigius Bob, Huntley Place; (38) Church Greasley, Ezneih; (39) April Day; (40) Seighford; (41) Litchurch; (42) May Day.

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

First peal on first attempt: 1

80 methods/variations rung for Rick's 80th birthday

90th birthday compliment to Sheila Fitzgibbon,

Godmother to 1

Rung half muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

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6106**Clodock, Herefordshire**

St Clydog

Thursday, 20 November 2025 in 2h 59 (10–0–2 in A)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

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

1 Mark Pugh
2 Paul R Smith
3 Richard J Clements
4 Nicholas J Green
5 Christopher J Pickford
6 David Jenkins (C)
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6107

Whitney on Wye, Herefordshire

St Peter and St Paul

Saturday, 22 November 2025 in 2h 47 (9 in Ab)

5040 Doubles (13m/121v)

(1&2) Twineham Bob, Brampton Place, Fifield Bob, St Ouen Place (3&4) Download, St Aloysius, St Michael, Llanwern (5&6) Reverse Union, Reverse St Faith, Reverse St Julian, St Owen (7&8) St Laud, Susanmead, Wroughton, Kirby Bellars (9&10) St Kenelm, Spindlebury, Simpson, St Peter (11&12) St Firmin, St Eadburga, Aspley, Gonerby (13) St Simon's Bob, St Martin's Bob, St Osmund Bob, Eynesbury Bob (14) St Alban, St Paul, St Ambrose, St John Evangelist (15) Eynsham, St Leonard, St Ninian, St John Baptist (16) Elford, Austrey, St Felix, St Wenceslas (17) St Jude, St Laurence, St Austell, St Stephen (18) St Ignatius, Churchill, Amersham, St John Divine (19) Cassington, St Peter, St Patrick, Candlemas (20) Somerville, Magdelan, St Werburgh, St Deborah (21) Haughley, Zizania, Old Newton, Fornham All Saints (22) Pakenham, Thurston, Great Livermere, Ingham (23) St Giles, St Miles, Church Gresley, Ezneih (24) St Nicholas Bob, Winchendon Place, St Remigius Bob, Huntley Place (25) Lawley, St John, Hornsey, Obediah (26) Shareshill, Ryton, St Cleer, Omega (27) St Mary, St Crispin, St Cecil's, Laverstoke (28) Heyford, Chilton, Sarratt, Dummer (29) St Thomas, St Luke, St Chrysostram, Hursley (30) Nuffield, Wondham, St Richard, Palmer (31) Thelnetham, Vennington, Westhorpe, Market Weston (32) Hunstanton, Great Ashfield, Waldingfield, Hepworth (33) Clifford Pleasure (34) Little Aston (35) St David (36) Royston (37) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place (38) April Day (39) Seighford (40) Litchurch (41) May Day (42) Plain Bob

1 Chris Brackston
2 Andrew J Watkins
3 Frances D Watkins
4 Kristoffer O Perruzza (C)
5 Jason M Walker
1st Peal on 5 bells: 1
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6108

Yarkhill, Herefordshire

St John the Baptist

Sunday, 7 December 2025 in 2h 34 (4–1–27 in D)

5040 Stedman Triples

Composed by F H Dexter (No. 2)

1 Ashley C Fortey
2 Roman E Sadowski
3 Richard J Clements
4 Craig P Homewood
5 Frances D Watkins
6 Andrew J Watkins
7 Darran Ricks (C)
8 Stuart M Hennessey

To mark the 400th Anniversary of Reverend Francis Stedman becoming Rector of Yarkhill, from 1625 to 1671.

Also, for the 385th anniversary of the Baptism of Fabian Stedman in this church, on 7th December 1640.
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6109

Withington, Herefordshire

St Peter

Thursday, 18 December 2025 in 3h 13 (16–0–10 in F)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

One extent each Chester, London, Westminster, Surfleet, Bourne, Norwich and Cambridge.

1 Mark Pugh
2 Richard J Clements (C)
3 Andrew J Hartley
4 Nicholas J Green
5 Christopher J Pickford
6 David Jenkins
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Thomas Cooper Striking Competition & Guild Competition Day 2025.

Unfortunately, the striking competition for 2025 had to be postponed. The next Guild striking competition will be at Bromyard on the 18th July. It will mark the 50th anniversary of the Tom Cooper Trophy.

Towers, Contacts and Location

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. See website, website@hdgb.org for 'what3words' tower locations. New members for 2023 are listed in *italic*.

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Bridgnorth St Leonard

St Leonards, 8, 18-0-18
Jon Hunt
jonrhunt@btinternet.com
t:07503597779

Wed, First in month
Practice Night - Weds, First in month
Sunday service - none
SO 716933
WV16 4EL

Bridgnorth, St Mary

St Mary Magd, 8, 8-2-4
Jon Hunt
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Practice Night - Wed 19:30 (not 1st)
Sunday Service - By Arrangement

Broseley

All Saints, 8, 12-2-19
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Practice Night - Thur 6:30-8pm (Please call for access)
Sunday Service - 09:45 - 10:30
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Nearest Postcode - TF12 5DE

Chelmarsh

St Peter, 6, 9-0-0
Elizabeth Bebb
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t:01746861242 (benefice admin)

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO720878
Nearest Postcode - WV16 6AZ

Chetton

St Giles, 6, 12-1-9
Charles Gill
charlesegill@aol.com
07778 539942

*Practice Night - Tues 19:00, Please Check;
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO663903
Nearest Postcode - WV16 6UG*

Claverley

All Saints, 8, 15-1-7
Alan Reade
areade@readeburay.co.uk
01746 710593

*Practice Night - Tue 19:30, 2nd & 4th
Sunday Service - 18:00
Grid Ref: - SO792934
Nearest Postcode - WV5 7DT*

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*Practice Night - Tue 19:00 (not in August)
10:00
SO674758
DY14 8BX*

Coalbrookdale

Holy Trinity, 10, 18-3-27
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*Practice Night - Wed 19:30
Sunday Service - 2nd 10:15 Please Check
Grid Ref: - SJ670044
Nearest Postcode - TF8 7NS*

Cound

St Peter, 6, 11-0-21
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*Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - 1st & 3rd, 10:30
Grid Ref: - SJ558050
Nearest Postcode - SY5 6EW*

Highley

St Mary, 6, 15-0-0
Mr J E Lawley
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01746 862301

*Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service -
Grid Ref: - SO741832
Nearest Postcode - WV16 6NB*

Kinlet

St John Bapt, 6, 10-2-13
Mrs Heather Kippin
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*Practice Night - Unringable
Sunday Service -
Grid Ref: - SO710810
Nearest Postcode - DY12 3AY*

Little Wenlock

St Lawrence, 5, 9cwt
Mrs R Carter
Stonewell, Church Lane
Little Wenlock, Telford, TF6 5VB
01952 505573

*Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - 1st 10:15 Please Check
Grid Ref: - SJ647068
Nearest Postcode - TF6 5BQ*

Madeley

St Michael, 8, 13-2-5
Rev A Ackroyd
St Michaels Vicarage, Church St
07549 868893

*Practice Night - Unringable
Sunday Service -
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Nearest Postcode - TF7 5DN*

Morville

St Gregory the Great, 8, 8-0-3
Ian Rowe
ianrowe365@gmail.com
07751278927

Practice Night - By Arrangement
10:40 Phone to check
SO670939
WV16 5NB

Much Wenlock

Holy Trinity, 8, 16-0-8
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Practice Night - Tue 19:30
Sunday Service - 09:00 - 09:30 Phone to check
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Nearest Postcode - TF13 6HS

Quatt

St Andrew, 6, 8cwt
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Practice Night - Mon 19:00
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - WV15 6HB

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St Mary 6, 8cwt
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Practice Night - Fri 17:30
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: -
Nearest Postcode - DY14 8TU

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St Peter Ap, 6, 15cwt
Mr J Sedgwick
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01746 716451

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO758958
Nearest Postcode - WV15 5LJ
Email -

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Brockhampton Chapel, 3, 5cwt
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Practice Night - None

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Bromyard

St Peter, 10, 13-3-13
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Practice Night - Wed 19:30

Sunday Service - 09:45

Grid Ref: - SO655549

Nearest Postcode - HR7 4DA

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St Mary, 6, 10-3-20
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Practice Night - Tue 19:30, 1st & 3rd

Sunday Service - 4th 09:15

Grid Ref: - SO618472

Nearest Postcode - HR7 4JQ

Pencombe

St John, 6, 8-2-23
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Pencombe, Herefordshire, HR7 4RS
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Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Stoke Lacy

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Practice Night - Tue 19:30, 2nd & 4th
Sunday Service - 3rd 09:45
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St John Bapt, 6, 11-2-0
Anne Evans

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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01952 727396

Practice Night -
Sunday Service -
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Nearest Postcode - SY5 6HD

Bishops Castle

St John Bapt, 6, 8-2-18
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Sunday Service - 10:30, not 5th
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Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - 4th 10:30 (Please Check)
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Cardington

St James, 8, 7-0-5
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Practice Night - Tue 19:30
Sunday Service - 1st 18:00, 3rd&4th 09:00
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Nearest Postcode - SY6 7JZ

Chirbury

St Michael, 6, 11-3-26
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Practice Night - Thurs 19:00-20:30
Sunday Service - 1st & 3rd 10:45
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Nearest Postcode - SY15 6BN

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St Lawrence, 8, 11-0-5
Miss E Hone
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01694 722970

Practice Night - Tue 19:00
Sunday Service - 10:00
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Nearest Postcode - SY6 6DH

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St Nicholas, 5, 8-0-0
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Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - SY15 6AF

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07525757209

Practice Night - Thurs 19:30
Sunday Service - 09:00 (please check)
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Nearest Postcode - SY7 8JN

Clunbury

St Swithin, 6, 10-0-23
Mr R Webb
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Practice Night - Wed 19:30
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - SY7 0JH

Clunjunford

St Cuthbert, 6, 7-2-0
Mrs J Collier
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Practice Night - Thu 19:30
Sunday Service - 2nd 9:30 & 3rd 10.30
Grid Ref: - SO395787
Nearest Postcode - SY7 0PS

Condover

SS Andrew & Mary, 8, 13cwt
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01743 874437

Practice Night - Tue 19:45 (except 5th)
Sunday Service - 09:30
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Nearest Postcode - SY5 7AF

Diddlebury

St Peter, 4, 11cwt
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Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - SY7 9DH

Hope Bowdler

St Andrew, 6, 9-1-9
Mr P Marsh
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Practice Night - Tue 19:30
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO476924
Nearest Postcode - SY6 7EN

Hopton Heath

Private Ring, 8, 0-2-9
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01547 530470

Practice Night - Wed
Sunday Service - N/A
Grid Ref: - SO381775
Nearest Postcode - SY7 0QD

Leighton

Holy Trinity, 6, 12-0-25
Mr D W Griffiths
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Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SJ243060
Nearest Postcode - SY21 8HL

Leintwardine

St Mary Magd, 8, 13-2-0
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Practice Night - Tue 19:30
Sunday Service - 09:00
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Nearest Postcode - SY7 0LD

Ludlow

St Laurence, 10, 16-2-16
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Practice Night - Mon 19:30
Sunday Service - 10:45
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Nearest Postcode - SY8 1AN

Lydbury North

St Michael & All Angels, 6, 8-0-26
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Practice Night - Thu 20:00
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - SY7 8AR

Montgomery

St Nicholas, 6, 9-3-0
Mr D Thomas
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Practice Night - Mon 19:00-20:00
Sunday Service - 1st & 3rd 10:15 -10.45
Grid Ref: - SO223965
Nearest Postcode - SY15 6PZ

Pontesbury

St George, 6, 11-1-8
Mrs S Bower
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Practice Night - Thu 19:30
Sunday Service - 1&3 10:00
Grid Ref: - SJ400061
Nearest Postcode - SY5 0PW

Pulverbatch

St Edith, 6, 5-0-20
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Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - SY5 8BZ

Rushbury

St Peter, 6, 5-3-4
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Practice Night - Wed 19:30
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - SY6 7DY

Stanton Lacy

St Peter, 8, 12-0-12
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01584 873759

Practice Night - Fri 19:30
Sunday Service - 1st 08:45 2nd 17:45 (Check)
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Nearest Postcode - SY8 2AD

Stoke St Milborough

St Milburga, 8, 12-1-11
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Practice Night - Tue 19:30
Sunday Service - 1&3rd 17:45, 2nd 9.15
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Nearest Postcode - SY8 2EJ

Stokesay

St John Bapt, 6, 9cwt
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Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - SY7 9AH

Tugford

St Catherine, 6, 6-0-22
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Practice Night - Mon 18:00-19:00
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - SY7 9HS

Welshpool

St Mary of the Salutation, 8, 12-0-12
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Practice Night - Tue 19:30
Sunday Service - 10:15
Grid Ref: - SJ225077
Nearest Postcode - SY21 7DP

Westbury

St Mary, 6, 7-2-0
Mr R Passant
The Shrubbery, Westbury
Shrewsbury, SY5 9QX
01743884075/07899946319

Practice Night - Tue 19:00
Sunday Service -
Grid Ref: - SJ355094
Nearest Postcode - SY5 9BX

Wigmore

St James Ap, 6, 8-2-0
Fran Rhodes
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Practice Night - Limited Ringing
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO413691
Nearest Postcode - HR6 9UE

Wistanstow

Holy Trinity, 8, 9-2-18
Churchwarden J Woodroffe
Petan, Wistanstow, Craven Arms
Shropshire, SY7 8DG
01588 672303

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - SY7 8DG

Worthen

All Saints, 6, 7-1-8
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Practice Night - 2nd Fri 19:30 (Check)
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SJ329047
Nearest Postcode - SY5 9JU

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Practice Night - By arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - HR6 9BP

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SS Cynidr & Peter, 8, 11-2-23
Mr B Collins
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Herefordshire, HR3 5NT
01497 847370

Practice Night - Tues 19:30
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO177385
Nearest Postcode - HR3 5NU

King's Pyon

St Mary V, 5, 10½cwt
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Waterloo, Ledgemoor
Weobley, Hereford, HR4 8RJ
01544 318110

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO438506
Nearest Postcode - HR4 8PT

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St Michael & All Angels, 8, 11-1-12
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Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Kington

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Practice Night - 1st Wed 19:30
Sunday Service - 09:15
Grid Ref: - SO291567
Nearest Postcode - HR5 3AQ

Knighton

St Edward The Confessor, 8, 9-3-26 *Practice Night* - Thu 19:30 (1st & 5th)
Mr T D Hollinghurst *Sunday Service* - By Arrangement
timhollinghurst@hotmail.com *Grid Ref:* - SO287725
01547560265 / 07773458878 *Nearest Postcode* - LD7 1AW

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St Michael & All Angels, 6, 11-0-0 *Practice Night* - Wed 19:30 (not 1st)
Miss P C Key *Sunday Service* - By Arrangement
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St Mary, 6, 7-2-18 *Practice Night* - By Arrangement
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01547560265 / 07773458878 *Nearest Postcode* - LD8 2TE

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St Nicholas, 6, 6-3-16 *Practice Night* - By Arrangement
Mrs C M Brigg *Sunday Service* - By Arrangement
cathbrigg@yahoo.com *Grid Ref:* - SO382477
01544319171 / 07890263176 *Nearest Postcode* - HR4 7BQ

Old Radnor

St Stephen, 6, 16cwt *Practice Night* -By arrangement
Mr R Preece *Sunday Service* – By Arrangement
rjpreece@btconnect.com *Grid Ref:* - SO250591
01544 230318 *Nearest Postcode* - LD8 2RF

Pembridge

St Mary V, 5, 16-0-0 *Practice Night* - Sat 10:30, Irregular
Mr I Price *Sunday Service* - By Arrangement
i.price914@btinternet.com *Grid Ref:* - SO391580
01544 388382 *Nearest Postcode* - HR6 9DZ

Presteigne

St Andrew, 8, 13-2-21 *Practice Night* - Thu 19:30, (2nd,3rd,4th)
Mr T D Hollinghurst *Sunday Service* - 10:20
timhollinghurst@hotmail.com *Grid Ref:* - SO315645
01547560265 / 07773458878 *Nearest Postcode* - LD8 2AF

Staunton on Arrow

St Peter, 6, 6-1-16 *Practice Night* - By arrangement
Mr I Price *Sunday Service* -By Arrangement
i.price914@btinternet.com *Grid Ref:* - SO370600
01544 388382 *Nearest Postcode* - HR6 9HR

Stanton on Wye

St Mary V, 6, 10-0-11
Mrs C M Brigg
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01544319171 / 07890263176

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Nearest Postcode - HR4 7NE

Weobley

SS Peter & Paul, 6, 17-0-14
Mrs C M Brigg
cathbrigg@yahoo.com
01544319171 / 07890263176

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO401519
Nearest Postcode - HR4 8SD

Whitney on Wye

SS Peter & Paul, 5, 9-0-0
Mrs D J Pritchard
paul.pritchard61@btinternet.com
01497 831601

Practice Night -By arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO267475
Nearest Postcode - HR3 6EN

Almeley

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Emily English
John Hope

Aymestrey

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Doug Murrice
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Vida Thorpe

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Sue Goring
Michele Jenkins

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Elvy Millist
Cathy Nelson
Anne Stacey
Caroline Stanger

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Geoffrey Cowling
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Shirley Rowlands

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Wye

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Marian Katz
Colin Lewis

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Martin Harrison
Ed Killick
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Jess Sawyers
Stephen Sawyers
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Pickford
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Patricia Key

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Laura Childs
Elisabeth Halliday
Jennifer Hodge
Bernadette
Howlett

Norton Canon

David Lovelace
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Kirsty Davis
Jackie Hill
Meghan Hughes
Ricky Hughes
Anthony Newton

Jamie Newton
Reg Preece
Laura Warren
William Whittaker-
Brown

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Ian Price

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Amaryllis Bell
Barney Bell
Keith Hatfield
Tim Hollinghurst
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Michael Reynolds
Lynn Scales
Steph Seidman
John Sutton

Weobley

Steven Blackman
Carys Brigg
Catherine Brigg
Mary Dale
Alan Jones
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Rob Young
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St Mary, 6, 8-2-4
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Practice Night - Thurs (5th) 19:30
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO387304
Nearest Postcode - HR2 0AA

Allensmore
St Andrew, 6, 10-3-18
Mr N J Chapman
nick@vonic.uk
St Andrew, 6, 10-3-18

Practice Night - Wed 19:30
Sunday Service - 4th Sun 09:45
Grid Ref: - SO466358
Nearest Postcode - HR2 9AG

Bodenham
St Michael & All Angels, 6, 12-1-20
Wendy Roberts
wendy.roberts10@yahoo.com
077714 24063

Practice Night - Wed 19:30 please check
Sunday Service - 9:30 please check
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Brinsop
St George, 3, 5½cwt
Mr P Baines
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01432 760350

Practice Night - None at present
Sunday Service - None at present
Grid Ref: - SO442448
Nearest Postcode - HR4 7AU

Burghill

St Mary V, 8, 10-0-20
Rev Mandy Welch
revmandywelch@gmail.com
01432 769142

Practice Night - Mon 19:30
Sunday Service - 10:30 Please Check
Grid Ref: - SO479445
Nearest Postcode - HR4 7SF

Canon Pyon

St Lawrence, 6, 10-3-2
Nicky Aubrey
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Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO450492
Nearest Postcode - HR4 8PD

Clodock

St Clydog, 6, 10-0-2
Mr A Williams
Middle Ponthendre, Clodock
Hereford, HR2 0NY
01873 860252

Practice Night -
Sunday Service -
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Nearest Postcode - HR2 0NZ

Eaton Bishop

St Michael & All Angels, 6, 11-3-4
Mr J D Hanks
james.hanks@panveeru.net
07974 404614

Practice Night -
Sunday Service -
Grid Ref: - SO443391
Nearest Postcode - HR2 9QJ

Ewyas Harold

St Michael & All Angels, 6, 6-2-12
Mrs D B Foster
d.foster858@btinternet.com
01981 241185

Practice Night - Thu 19:30 2nd & 4th
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO387287
Nearest Postcode - HR2 0EY

Fownhope

St Mary, 6, 11-2-4
Mrs C Braybrook
clairebraybrook@icloud.com
01432 860430/07760 742971

Practice Night - Tues 19:30
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO581343
Nearest Postcode - HR1 4PQ

Hampton Bishop

St Andrew, 6, 10cwt
contact@hdgb.org

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO559380
Nearest Postcode - HR1 4LF

Hereford All Saints

All Saints, 8, 17-2-19

Mrs A Newman

annnewman57@hotmail.com

01432 873097

Practice Night - By Arrangement

Sunday Service - 2nd & 4th 08:45

Grid Ref: - SO508400

Nearest Postcode - HR4 0AA

Hereford Cathedral

Cathedral Ch of BVM & S Ethelbert, 10, 33-3-21

Miss N J Aubrey

ringers@herefordcathedral.org

07806 621514

Practice Night - Tues meet 7:15pm

Sunday Service - 09:00

Grid Ref: - SO510397

Nearest Postcode - HR1 2NG

Hereford St Nicholas (Closed)

St Nicholas, 8, 9-3-26

contact@hdgb.org

Practice Night -

Sunday Service -

Grid Ref: - SO506397

Nearest Postcode - HR4 0BH

Holme Lacy

St Cuthberts, 8, 18cwt

Mr D Jones

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07582771428

Practice Night - By Arrangement

Sunday Service - By arrangement

Grid Ref: - SO568347

Nearest Postcode - HR2 6LX

Holmer

St Bartholomew, 6, 10-1-12

David Powell

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07740 049787

Practice Night - Thurs 19:30

Sunday Service - 10:30

Grid Ref: - SO505424

Nearest Postcode - HR4 9RG

Kentchurch

St Mary, 6, 7-2-5

Mr E Smith

easmith@btinternet.com

07478221457

Practice Night – Thu 19:30 1st & 3rd

Sunday Service - 1st 11:15 (check)

Grid Ref: - SO419256

Nearest Postcode - HR2 0DA

Kingstone

St Michael & All Angels, 8, 12-0-22

Mr P Izod

paul@arkstonemill.co.uk

01981 251135

Practice Night - Wed 19:30

Sunday Service - 2nd & 3rd 09:45

Grid Ref: - SO424357

Nearest Postcode - HR2 9HB

Little Dewchurch

St David, 6, 7-3-10
Mr J E Harrold
johnharrold@btinternet.com
01432 840345

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO529317
Nearest Postcode - HR2 6PN

Lugwardine

St Peter, 8, 12-1-20
Mr H J Webb
henry.j.webb@contractaction.co.uk
01432 890744

Practice Night - Fri 11-12:30 alt months
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO551410
Nearest Postcode - HR1 4AT

Madley

Nativity of BVM, 8, 15-2-24
Mr D Myhill
David.myhill@mypostoffice.co.uk
01981 250739

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - 10:15 (Not 1st) Check
Grid Ref: - SO419387
Nearest Postcode - HR2 9LS

Marden

St Mary V, 6, 12-1-6
Mrs L M Bennett
Mardenbells@outlook.com
01432 822317

Practice Night - Wed 19:30
Sunday Service - 1st & 2nd 10:30
Grid Ref: - SO511470
Nearest Postcode - HR1 3EN

Michaelchurch Escley

St Michael, 6, 5-3-24
Mrs L C Davis
Libbydavis2003@hotmail.com
01981 510463

Practice Night - Fri 19:30
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO317342
Nearest Postcode - HR2 0JW

Mordiford

The Holy Rood, 5, 8½cwt
Mr R Moss
01432 870476

Practice Night -
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO571375
Nearest Postcode - HR1 4LN

Moreton on Lugg

St Andrew, 6, 7-1-7
Mrs H P Davies
01432 761918

Practice Night -
Sunday Service - Unringable
Grid Ref: - SO505456
Nearest Postcode - HR4 8DE

Much Dewcurch

St David, 6, 8-1-18
Mrs B Brown
bellabrown33@hotmail.com
01981 540779

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - 1st 9:15
Grid Ref: - SO482311
Nearest Postcode - HR2 8DL

Peterchurch

St Peter, 6, 9-3-1

Mrs C Rouse

North Haven

Peterchurch, Herefordshire, HR2 0RY Nearest Postcode - HR2 0RP

01981 550462

Practice Night - By Arrangement

Sunday Service - By Arrangement

Grid Ref: - SO344385

Pipe & Lyde

St Peter, 6, 10cwt

Mr J M Walker

jason10walker@hotmail.com

07402862046

Practice Night - By Arrangement

Sunday Service - By Arrangement

Grid Ref: - SO502440

Nearest Postcode - HR1 3AA

Preston on Wye

St Lawrence, 6, 12-2-5

Mrs P J Parry

parryspow@outlook.com

01981 500 617

Practice Night -

Sunday Service - By Arrangement

Grid Ref: - SO384424

Nearest Postcode - HR2 9JU

Stoke Edith

St Mary V, 6, 14-2-14

Mr A C Fortey

ashleycfortey5040@gmail.com

07894728762

Practice Night - By Arrangement

Sunday Service - By Arrangement

Grid Ref: - SO603406

Nearest Postcode - HR1 4HQ

Sutton St Nicholas

St Nicholas, 6, 7-0-0

Mr K L Clutterbuck

kenandcelia@live.co.uk

01432 882015

Practice Night - By Arrangement

Sunday Service - 9:45, 1st only

Grid Ref: - SO534454

Nearest Postcode - HR1 3BB

Tarrington

SS Philip & James, 6, 11-0-27

Rev J G Watkins

john.watkins_48@yahoo.co.uk

01432 890595

Practice Night - Fri 19:30

Sunday Service - 1st & 3rd 08:45, 4th 10:00 check

Grid Ref: - SO618406

Nearest Postcode - HR1 4EU

Tyberton

St Mary, 5, 6½cwt
Mrs L Roper
Lower House Farm, Tyberton
Herefordshire, HR2 9PT
01981 500 376

Practice Night -
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO380398
Nearest Postcode - HR2 9PT

Wellington

St Lawrence, 6, 10-3-2
St Margaret of Antioch, 6, 17-0-15
brimbles@btinternet.com
01432 830712

Practice Night - Fri 19:30
Sunday Service - 10:30
Grid Ref: - SO497482
Nearest Postcode - HR4 8AZ

Weston Beggard

St John Bapt, 5, 8¼cwt
Mr H J Webb
henry.j.webb@contractaction.co.uk
01432 890744

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO584412
Nearest Postcode - HR1 4BN

Withington

St Peter, 6, 16-0-10
Mr R Rawlinson
Robertrawlinson1@aol.com
01432 851790

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO566435
Nearest Postcode - HR1 3QE

Woolhope

St George, 6, 13¼cwt
Mrs B A Fox
Barbara.fox54@btinternet.com
07789 598 715

Practice Night - Fri 11-12:30 alt months
Sunday Service - 3rd 10:15
Grid Ref: - SO611357
Nearest Postcode - HR1 4QP

Yarkhill

St John Bapt, 8, 4-1-27
Mr A C Fortey
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07894728762

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - 1st & 3rd 10:15
Grid Ref: - SO608425
Nearest Postcode - HR1 3TD

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Sylvia Rothwell
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Jo Hall
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Practice Night - Wed 19:30
Sunday Service - 1st 17.15 2nd 10.15
3rd 9.45 4th 8.45
Grid Ref: - SO695435
Nearest Postcode - HR8 1PX

Coddington

All Saints, 6, 10-1-20
Dr Chris Jones
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Practice Night - Thurs 14:00
Sunday Service - 10:30 (3rd Sunday only)
Grid Ref: - SO718426
Nearest Postcode - HR8 1JJ

Colwall

St James Gt, 10, 10-1-5
Mr Robin Riches
2 Glebe Cottages, Colwall
Malvern, Worcestershire,
WR13 6HJ
01684 541240

Practice Night - Mon 19:30
Sunday Service - 09:15
Grid Ref: - SO739423
Nearest Postcode - WR13 6HE
Email - None

Cradley

St James, 8, 13-2-20
(Alt. with Mathon)
Mr Chris Roberts
4th 10.00
csroberts@talk21.com
01886 884553

Practice Night - Thu 19:30,
Sunday Service - 1st, 2nd &
Grid Ref: - SO736471
Nearest Postcode - WR13 5LH

Eastnor

St John Bapt, 6, 9cwt
Mrs Celia Walters
10:15
ceciliawalters02@gmail.com
01432 853271

Practice Night - Mon 10:30
Sunday Service - 1st & 3rd
Grid Ref: - SO731372
Nearest Postcode - HR8 1RA

Ledbury

St Michael & All Angels, 10, 19-3-6
Mrs Hilary Frisco
ledburychurchbellringers@gmail.com
07874 860386

Practice Night - Tue 19:30
Sunday Service - 09:15
Grid Ref: - SO713377
Nearest Postcode - HR8 1DP

Mathon

St John Bapt, 6, 7-2-23.
Mrs Jenny Lawrence
southyde@gmail.com
01684 540660

Practice Night -Thu 19:30, Alt with Cradley
Sunday Service - 1st & 3rd 08:45
Grid Ref: - SO734458
Nearest Postcode - WR13 5PW

Stretton Grandison

St Laurence, 6, 10-2-26.
Rev Nicky Seabright
revdnick@gmail.com
01531 640252

Practice Night – By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO633441
Nearest Postcode - HR8 2TS

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 Nicky Seabright
Coddington
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Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - 1st 10:30 (please check)
Grid Ref: - SO497638
Nearest Postcode - HR6 0DT

Kimbolton

St James Gt, 6, 9-3-24
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Sunday Service - By Arrangement
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Sunday Service - 09:15
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Nearest Postcode - HR6 8EQ

Monkland

All Saints, 4, 8¹/₂cwt
Mr J E Dunn
jed@jedjed.co.uk
07549 096 291

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO460577
Nearest Postcode - HR6 9DA

Stoke Prior

St Luke, 6, 6-3-13
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07855448057

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO520565
Nearest Postcode - HR6 0LG

Tenbury Wells

St Mary, 6, 10-0-11
Jane Yardley
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01584 819844

Practice Night - Wed 19:00
Sunday Service - 09:15
Grid Ref: - SO594684
Nearest Postcode - WR15 8TZ

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Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO683235
Nearest Postcode - HR9 7LS

Bridstow

St Bridget, 8, 8-3-19
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01989 565517

Practice Night - Wed 19:00
Sunday Service - 1st Sunday 10:00
Grid Ref: - SO585248
Nearest Postcode - HR9 6PZ

Foy

St Mary, 6, 9cwt
Mr W Carter Netting
Foye Hall, Ross on Wye
HR9 6QY
01989 562238

Practice Night -
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO598283
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Garway

St Michael, 5, 11½cwt
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01981 580203

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO455224
Nearest Postcode - HR2 8RH

Goodrich

St Giles, 6, 10-0-2
Mrs Deborah Cockburn
ndcockburn@live.co.uk
07484 827807

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO57219 Goodrich
Nearest Postcode - HR9 6JA

Kings Caple

St John Bapt, 6, 12½cwt
Rev C Pemberton
07824 444655

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO559289
Nearest Postcode - HR1 4UN

Linton

St Mary V, 6, 8-1-20
Mr M Williams
mikesue.williams@btinternet.com
01989 750873

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO660253
Nearest Postcode - HR9 7RX

Llangarron

St Deinst, 6, 9-3-26
Caroline Meller
cmbmeller@gmail.com
07518 234132

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO531212
Nearest Postcode - HR9 6NJ

Much Marcle

St Bartholomew, 6, 12-1-14
Maddie Johnson
Maddiejohnson763@gmail.com

Practice Night - 3rd Fri (17:45-19:15)
Sunday Service - 08:45 or 10:45
Grid Ref: - SO657327
Nearest Postcode - HR8 2NF

Orcop

St John Bapt, 5, 10cwt
Mr P J Hallewell
p.hallewell@btopenworld.com
01981 580203

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO474263
Nearest Postcode - HR2 8ES

Ross on Wye

St Mary V, 8, 20-1-4
Mrs E M Walker
walker.echr@btinternet.com
01989 567115

Practice Night - Tue 19:00
Sunday Service - 08:30
Grid Ref: - SO598241
Nearest Postcode - HR9 5HP

Sellack

St Tyssilio, 5, 7-3-0
Rev C Pemberton
crispinpemberton@yahoo.co.uk
07824 444655

Practice Night - Unringable
Sunday Service -
Grid Ref: - SO565277
Nearest Postcode - HR9 6QR

St Weonards

St Weonard, 6, 10-0-24
Mr P J Hallewell
p.hallewell@btopenworld.com
01981 580203

Practice Night - Thu 19:00
Sunday Service - 4th Sun
Grid Ref: - SO496243
Nearest Postcode - HR2 8NU

Upton Bishop

St John Bapt, 6, 10-0-2
Ms O C Boon
Oliviaboon7@gmail.com
01989 780321

Practice Night - By Arrangement
Sunday Service - By Arrangement
Grid Ref: - SO650272
Nearest Postcode - HR9 7UL

Weston under Penyard

St Lawrence, 6, 10-0-24
Mr M Williams
mikesue.williams@btinternet.com
01989 750873

Practice Night - Mon 19:30
Sunday Service - Check for times
Grid Ref: - SO631232
Nearest Postcode - HR9 7QA

Bridstow

Deborah Bills
Fred Cook
Anne Curwen
Richard Gething
Ian Lythgoe
Julie Pegler
Jacqueline
Rogers
Chris Sewell
Denise Stevens
Martin Thorne
Mike Tunnicliff
Goodrich
Peter Clark
Deborah
Cockburn
William Coleman
John Furnival

Tony Lafford
Tracey Lafford
Tina Reddick
Jill Wassell
Rod Wassell
Langarron
Megan Atkinson
Jeffrey Carrick
Francesca
Cinderey
Mark Cinderey
Ian Donald
Graham Feeney
Caroline Meller
William Ruck
Helen Sipton
Rebecca Utting-
Bateson
Ross on Wye

Richard Clements
Syd Ewart
Sarah Goodbody
Pauline Leggate
Clifford Offer
Deborah Talbot
Stuart Talbot
Sally Townsend
Elizabeth Walker
Jeffery Wallace
St Weonards
Christine Davies
Carole Day
Peter Garratt
Peter Hallewell
Nicholas Handoll
Stephen Herbert
Michael Lovelock
David Macrae

Upton Bishop

Olivia Boon
**Weston under
Penyard**
Paul Hemming
Maggie Howey
Nicky Keef
Jane Lake
Robin Noble
Herbie Renfield
Kirsty Vittorini
Gregory White
Mike Williams
Sarah Williams
Geoff Woodyatt
Pam Woodyatt
Unattached
David Gill
Wendy Meadows

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, Conover (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) 1 st & 5th, Presteigne* (8) 2 nd , 3 rd & 4th
Hereford	Abbey Dore* (5th), Ewyas Harold* (6) alternating with Kentchurch* (6) 1st & 3 rd ,
Ledbury	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),
Ross	Much Marcle (6) 3 rd 17.45,

Saturday

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

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**Draft Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2025 and Special General Meeting
Held at St Mary's Church Ross-on-Wye Saturday 10th May 2025 at 14:25**

78 members present

1. Welcome & Prayers The meeting was immediately preceded by a café -style church service during which Rev. Nicky Seabright asked for a blessing on our meeting, and we remembered members who had died since our last meeting: Reg Maund, Clun Vic Chamberlain, Stoke Prior David Waring, Bishops Frome Chris Kippin, Cleobury Mortimer Fred Jones, retired member Condover Norman Mattingley, Freeman, Hereford District Clive Daw, retired member Mathon Greg Harris, Bosbury Mike Jefferis, Holmer Ena Plant, Broseley Bob Leeson, retired member Llangarron Jerry Cummins, retired member Whitbourne Gerald Hodnett, Honorary Life Member Much Wenlock Cherry Hughes, Bridgnorth John Powter, retired member Clun Andrew Barnfield, retired member Kings Caple.
2. The Master then welcomed all to the meeting and was pleased that so many members were present. The Master reminded those present that full details of the matters to be discussed during the meeting had been distributed well in advance of the meeting via the District Secretaries, and on the Guild website, but paper copies of the information were also available for those that needed it.
3. Apologies We had received apologies from 48 members: Neil Pirie; Alan Reade; Chris Jones; Margaret Oakley; Yvonne Prestidge; Andria Lewis; Abi Pugh; Rob Prestidge; Nick Cooper-Tomkins; Ian Johnson; Ginette Pardoe; Martin Elcock; Jan Greatrex; Tony Greatrex; Cathy Fuller; Linda Taylor; Sarah Parkinson; Andrew Talbot-Ponsonby; Rick Shallcross; Sue Rees; Sue Hack; Ian Thornewell; Margaid Nickalls; Sylvia Bland; Neil Bragg; John Macleod; Mike Williams; Ian Tait; Gill Tait; Jenny Lawrence; Catriona Lambeth; Tina Reddick; Mark Pugh; Rhiannon Pugh; Brian R Jones; Clare McFarlane; Jane Mason; Mary Organ; Ken Hollett; Rev. Mandy Welch; Andrew Burdett; Liz Donovan; Robert Hodges; Richard Bracher; Debbie Bramley; Anthony Ellis; Peter Hallowell and Ashley Fortey.
4. Minutes of the previous AGM The adoption of the minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting was proposed by Andrew Watkins, seconded by Colin Ward, and accepted by the meeting as a true record. The minutes were signed by the Master.
5. Matters Arising There were no matters arising from the 2024 minutes.
6. Correspondence: The Secretary told the meeting that we had been contacted by the Central Council as they are creating a new national recruitment portal and need us to provide names and contact details of those willing to be contacted to teach and positively welcome new recruits at an appropriate tower. As the deadline to provide initial contact details was 16th May, we will initially provide Guild and District officers detail, but we would like to hear from any towers willing to teach and recruit.

7. Long Service Awards The Master read the list of, and congratulated, the following members who had achieved long service awards: 25 years of Service: Neil Bragg, Coalbrookdale Dorothy Chamberlain, Stoke Prior Rachel Coates, Tarrington Stuart Edinborough, Burghill Martin Elcock, Claverley Jan Greatrex, Ludlow Tony Greatrex, Ludlow Rachel Hamer, Welshpool Peter L Johnston, Clungunford Heather Kennard, Wellington Margaret Oakley, Ludlow Susan Rees, Stoke St Milborough Cherelyn Sell, Ludlow Martin Speight, Diddlebury Deborah M Talbott, Ross-on-Wye Cecilia Walters, Eastnor Ray Wilson, Cleobury Mortimer 50 years of Service: Brian R Jones of Leominster. Each recipient of an award had been contacted by email and invited to attend the AGM, some had sent their apologies, but the Master invited those members who were present to come to the front for a presentation of the certificates immediately after the end of the meeting. As Brian Jones had achieved 50 years membership he was entitled to be elected a Life Member, this was proposed by Sarah Chedzoy and seconded by Andrew Watkins, all present were in favour. All recipients were congratulated by a round of applause.
8. Election of New Members We had received nominations for the following new members – Peter Clark and Tina Reddick from Goodrich, proposed by Sally Townsend and Kirsty Davis, Jackie Hill, Meghan Hughes, Ricky Hughes, Antony Newton, Jamie Newton (junior member), Laura Warren and Will Whittaker-Brown all proposed by Reg Preece via Pat Key (District Secretary). Kris Perruzza seconded both sets of new members, and all were in favour of electing the new members.
9. Officers Reports The officers' reports had been distributed prior to the meeting, however it was necessary to formally adopt the accounts. Nick Cronin proposed, and Jason Walker seconded that the accounts and reports be adopted, and the motion was carried.
10. Election of Guild Freemen There were currently two vacancies for Freemen of the Guild and two nominations had been received by the Management Committee. Written proposals had been distributed prior to the meeting, but the Master invited both proposers to speak in support of their nominations. Andy Wilson spoke regarding his proposal of Paul Lewis, and Andrew Watkins spoke in support of his proposal of Ann Bennett. Paul and Ann both indicated that they were willing to accept their nominations as Freeman. The meeting was in favour of the nominations and Paul and Ann were welcomed and congratulated on their appointment as Freemen of the Guild.
11. Election of Executive Officers A table showing all nominations for Guild posts received by the Management Committee had been distributed prior to the meeting. Executive Officer roles: Secretary – Fran Watkins Treasurer – Mark Aston Peal Recorder – Andrew Watkins Report Secretary – Neil Bragg Education Officer – Kris Perruzza Barney Bell proposed the nominations en bloc, Tyler Edwards seconded, and the meeting was in favour.

12. Election of Non-Executive Officers A table showing all nominations for Guild posts received by the Management Committee had been distributed prior to the meeting: Non-Executive Officer roles: Master Elect – Kris Perruzza, Public Engagement Officer – Nicky Aubrey, Belfries Officer – Ashley Fortey, Tower Stewardship Advisor – Alan Reade, Webmaster – Nick Chapman. Barbara Fox proposed the nominations en bloc, Nick Cronin seconded, with all in favour.
13. Election of Clerical Representatives A table showing all nominations for Guild posts received by the Management Committee had been distributed prior to the meeting: Clerical Representatives – Anthony Ellis, Barney Bell & Nicky Seabright All were proposed by Kris Perruzza and seconded by Nick Cronin – all in favour.
14. Election of Central Council Representatives. A table showing all nominations for Guild posts received by the Management Committee had been distributed prior to the meeting, however since the list had been sent out one of our current reps, Abi Pugh, had indicated that she no longer wished to stand. The Master asked whether any person was willing to stand as a Central Council Rep, and Andrew Watkins indicated that he was willing. The other nominees previously notified to the membership were Anthony Ellis, Tyler Edwards and Kris Perruzza. Martin Harrisson proposed, and Ann Bennett seconded that Anthony Ellis, Tyler Edwards, Kris Perruzza and Andrew Watkins be elected, the meeting was all in favour.
15. Appointment of a Safeguarding Lead. The membership had recently been notified that, following changes to the Church of England’s safeguarding framework, the Guild has appointed a safeguarding lead. The Master said that we were very lucky to have a member who has relevant external experience of such a role and also has qualifications and personal attributes to make him an ideal candidate, and she welcomed Jason Walker and invited him to say a few words. Jason told the meeting that he had contacted the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer, Carl Stevenson, and they had met to discuss how best we can make members aware of the training the need to undertake. Jason will be putting together information for the membership over the next few months. Jason reminded the meeting that for any individual tower it is each PCC that would be responsible for safeguarding training and matters, but that on a District or Guild level Jason would be the first point of contact. Jason advised the meeting that Carl has given permission for Jason to deliver the foundation course to our members in person, so if there are members who do not use computers, he can arrange to deliver training in person. Carl has also agreed to hold some Leadership training sessions for guild-members only, so they will be putting together some dates when this can be delivered. Jason will send out information in due course, and said he would be happy to receive any questions that members might have.
16. Approval of nomination for the Independent Examiner. Ruth D’Avanzo had indicated that she was willing to continue in the role, and the meeting was in favour.

17. Rule Changes 16a Change to Rule 20(b) Full details of this rule change had been circulated through two management committee meetings, the district AGMs, via the District Secretaries and on the website. The proposed revision would change the notice required from 'by 30th September in the preceding year' to 'not less than 90 days prior to the Annual General Meeting'. Jason Walker proposed, and Adam Crocker seconded that the rule be changed, a vote was taken with a large majority of at least two-thirds of the members present were in favour and none against.

18. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

The Master explained that as we had 78 members present at the meeting, we were able to hold the Special General Meeting that had been called and advertised via the District Secretaries, the Guild website and newsletter and in the Ringing World. The required quorum for a special general meeting is 50 members. The current rules had required us to hold a special general meeting to vote on proposals that had been submitted to the management committee meeting from the District AGMs. Two districts (Ross and Church Stretton) had proposed that online payments of subscriptions be enabled, traditional methods of payment will still be available. Hereford District had proposed that the requirement of payment of one year's arrears for returning lapsed members be scrapped. Changes to rules 16 (b), 13 (c), 13 (d), 13 (e) and 14 (g) had been drafted in response to these proposals and widely circulated amongst the membership. Jason Walker proposed, and Nicky Aubrey seconded that all rule changes above be adopted, a vote by a show of hands indicated that at least two-thirds of the members present were in favour. This vote concluded the Special General Meeting, and the AGM resumed.

19. Agree Donation from the Guild to the Bell Restoration Fund The Master explained that considering the Guild's plans to increase recruitment and celebrate our 140th Anniversary next year, the Management Committee had agreed a reduced donation to the Bell Restoration Fund for 2025. The Treasurer confirmed that the proposed amount would be £400.00. Richard Clements, the BRF Treasurer replied that the Bell Restoration Fund was extremely grateful for the donation and that there was no obligation on the Guild to give any particular sum, as we need to consider our own activities and obligations. The Master reminded the meeting that our members would still be able to contribute to the BRF in many other ways including the 600 Club. Kris Perruzza proposed, and Adam Crocker seconded that the Guild donates £400.00 to the BRF, this was agreed by a majority show of hands.
20. Awarding of the Centenary Shield The Master told the meeting that she was privileged to be able to award the Centenary Shield this year to Pencombe tower. Since moving to Bromyard, she had initially heard that Pencombe were quite hard to ring and was also told at one stage they were unringable. However, as Tower Captain of Bromyard, she was approached by a group of people wanting to learn to ring, because they wanted to be able to ring the bells at their village church, and that village was Pencombe. The band has been taught at

Bromyard. Since then, Simon Wells with Rachel Lewis, the new tower captain, with others, have sought help and funding and undertaken a lot of work to get the bells ringable again. The Master invited Simon to receive the shield on behalf of Pencombe ringers. Members showed their appreciation with a round of applause.

21. Awarding of the George Cousins Cup This item did not proceed as the Bell Restoration Fund has yet to hold an AGM for 2025 and so do not have any nominations for the award.
22. Invitation for the 2026 AGM 9th May Nicky Aubrey, Secretary of the Hereford District, invited the Guild to Hereford District for the 2026 AGM.
23. Any Other Business Richard Clements spoke to pay tribute to our outgoing Peal Recorder, Neil Bennett, and to propose a vote of thanks for his huge contribution to the Guild. Richard told the meeting that he had first met Neil in 1974 and shortly afterwards Neil and Ann had moved to Welshpool. Since joining the Guild Neil has been active in the Church Stretton district and has done a meticulous job as Peal Recorder for many years. Richard told the meeting how he had worked alongside Neil in the Bell Restoration Fund, Neil was in the role of Treasurer until recently. Richard told the meeting that we should not underestimate what an accomplished ringer Neil is, he has rung over 2000 peals and rang in the first extent of major, 40320 changes in 1963. He conducted a notable peal of 105 spliced surprise maximus and closer to home he has led the Church Stretton district to win the Thomas Cooper trophy more than any other district. He asked the meeting to recognise Neil's years of outstanding service and support the vote of thanks. This was met with a round of applause. The Master read out a message from Nick Cooper-Tomkins who could not attend the meeting but wished to convey his thanks to all those towers who had hosted the Hereford Ringing Course this year. The Master told the meeting that the Guild had entered a team in the Tewkesbury Shield this year, and thanked Richard Bracher for organising the team, and all those who took part. We had been placed 7th, and hope to enter a team again next year. Next year will be our 140th anniversary and we have ambitions to celebrate, and would love to recruit 140 new members, so we will be planning and encouraging everyone to recruit and teach new ringers. Kris Perruzza thanked everyone who had attended the meeting and proposed a vote of thanks to our hosts, Ross District & St Mary's Church; to everyone who had contributed to the day whether by stewarding or bringing/running activities; and a massive thanks to the caterers. This was met with a round of applause. On a personal note Kris said that the day would not have happened without the hard work of Sally Townsend and Greg White, this received another round of applause. Stuart Edinborough said he would like to speak on behalf of those receiving long-service certificates, he said he had learned to ring twenty-five years ago and had been delighted to find what a friendly, helpful, welcoming and happy group ringers are, and how lucky we are that we will receive the same welcome and enthusiasm from ringers anywhere else in the country. He thanked his fellow ringers for their community. Kris

Perruzza invited all those in the meeting to take part in the activities available after the meeting, there was the wombell, handbell method ringing, handbell tune ringing, an ART stand, a BRF stand, History & archive stand, bookstall, guild merchandise, raffle and further ringing at St Marys. Frank Seabright spoke to thank the Guild Officers, saying that this year there have been a tremendous number of extra things going on, and he thanked the officers for their work. The Master declared the meeting closed at 14:59.

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**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD OF BELLRINGERS
BELL RESTORATION FUND**

Registered Charity Number: 508531

DRAFT BRF TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

For the year ended 31st December 2025

The Herefordshire Guild of Bellringers Bell Restoration Fund (The Fund) was constituted in Spring 1976 and in 1978 became a registered Charity (No. 508531). Its primary purpose being to assist bell repair and restoration within the Hereford Diocese. Although closely associated with the Herefordshire Guild of Bellringers (The Guild) it is administered separately by its own Board of Trustees. To date The Fund has donated almost £220,000 towards the cost of full circle bell restoration projects within its affiliated churches.

Trustees: Frederick Shallcross (Chairman), Ginette Pardoe (Secretary), Richard Clements (Treasurer), Neil Bennet, Susan Hack, Jane E Mason, Mark Pugh

Independent Examiner: Tom Davies

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BRF Trustees' Report 2025

In March 2025 our Hon. Secretary **Cherry Hughes** sadly passed away after seven years in the role and over 25 years as Bridgnorth District Fundraising Rep. Cherry was a great loss to the BRF, but we are pleased to say we are now back up to full strength.

No grants were made in 2025. At the end of 2025 we were awaiting a grant application form from **Mordiford** in regard to a bell project that was nearing completion and expect to make a grant to this project early in 2026.

Income exceeded expenditure by £10,600 during the year, and the reserves of the Fund on December 31st stood at £94,920.

We thank those **Parochial Church Councils**, 122 in number, who continue to support us through the affiliation scheme.

The **600 Club** units sold reduced from 615 in 2024 to 560 in 2025. Four draws were held and prize money amounting to £1,260 was distributed, with the Fund benefitting by £1,541. We thank the outgoing Club Organiser, Richard Clements, for all his hard work, and Mark Pugh for taking on the role. We would also like to thank our team of District Fundraising Representatives for their efforts in making the 600 Club a success.

The Trustees are grateful to the **Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellringers** for a donation of £400 to the Fund. We also give our thanks to those **Districts** who donated the proceeds of collections, raffles, etc. at meetings and other events, amounting to £226.15. We hope our Fundraising Representatives will do everything they can to persuade Guild members to increase their support for the BRF by holding raffles, collections, treasure hunts, functions etc., or in any way they can.

We remain very grateful to everyone who contributes to the Fund, especially those who can make regular **personal donations**. A majority of the latter are **Gift Aided**, which means we can reclaim 25 pence in the pound from H M Revenue and Customs. However the number of donors remains disappointing small and we again appeal to many more **Guild members** to consider making regular donations to the Fund, Gift Aided if possible. Our Treasurer will readily assist anyone who wishes to make a donation to the Fund, regardless of whether it is a one-off or on a regular basis, and if it can be Gift-Aided or not.

**The Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bellsingers
BELL RESTORATION FUND**

**DRAFT INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
for the year ended 31st December 2025**

INCOME	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Affiliation fees – Current year		3334.00
Fund-raising Events and Donations		
Donations by Guild Districts	226.15	
Gift Aid personal donations	1086.00	
Gift Aid Tax Refund	0.00	
Donation from HDGB	400.00	
Other donations	<u>781.75</u>	2493.90
600 Club – Sale of 560 units (615 in 2024)		2801.00
Bank Interest -HSBC Business Money Mgt Acc	403.48	
-CofE CBF Deposit Fund	2915.56	
-Virgin Money Charity Account	<u>4.79</u>	<u>3323.83</u>
TOTAL INCOME		<u>11952.73</u>
 EXPENDITURE		
(a) Administrative:		
Room Hire	28.13	
Postage, Printing, Stationery	6.60	
Bank charges	57.60	
Independent Examiner - professional fee	<u>0.00</u>	92.33
(b) Charitable:		
Grant in 2025		0.00
(c) Fundraising		
600 Club expenses	0.00	
prizes	<u>1260.00</u>	<u>1260.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>1352.33</u>
 Excess of Income over Expenditure		 <u>10600.40</u>

Assets of the Fund on 31st December 2025

HSBC Charitable Bank Account	358.64
HSBC Business Money Manager Account	26,841.54
Church of England CBF Deposit Fund	6,7339.84
Virgin Money Charity Account (at 30 Nov 2025)	380.23
Total Assets	<u>£94,920.25</u>

Affiliated Parochial Church Councils in 2025 (122)

Allenmore	Coddington	Leominster	Stanton Lacy
Almeley	Colwall	Linton	Staunton-on-Arrow
Alveley	Condover	Little Dewchurch	Staunton-on-Wye
Aston Bottrell	Cound	Little Wenlock	Stoke Edith
Aston Ingham	Cradley	Llangarron	Stoke Lacy
Aymestry	Dilwyn	Ludlow	Stoke Prior
Bishops Frome	Dorstone	Lugwardine	Stoke St Milborough
Bockleton	Eardisland	Lydbury North	Stokesay
Bodenham	Eardisley	Lyonshall	Stottesdon
Bosbury	Eastnor	Madley	Stretton Grandison
Bredwardine	Eaton Bishop	Mathon	Stretton Sugwas
Bridgnorth St Mary	Ewyas Harold	Michaelchurch Escley	Sutton St Nicholas
Bridstow	Eye	Monkland	Tarrington
Bromfield	Goodrich	Moreton-on-Lugg	Tenbury Wells
Bromyard	Hentland	Morville	Tugford
Broseley	Hereford, All Saints	Much Cowarne	Tyberton
Burghill	Hereford Cathedral	Much Dewchurch	Upton Bishop
Canon Pyon	Hereford, St Nicholas	Much Marcle	Wellington
Cardington	Hereford, St Peter	Much Wenlock	Welshpool
Chelmarsh	Highley	Norton Canon	Westbury
Chetton	Holmer	Old Radnor	Weston Beggard
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