



# Rutland Bell-Ringers Newsletter

## September 2019

### 'Bong For Your Burger'

#### Branch Picnic/BBQ

**Saturday September 28th 2019**

Orchard House  
Lyndon road, Hambleton  
LE15 8TJ.

Branch Picnic/BBQ

Celia Foulkes is kindly opening her garden and being our host. I shall be on hand with my trust Weber and cooking tongs to distribute burgers & sausages.

There will be ringing at Hambleton at 2.00pm.  
The picnic starting around 3.00pm.

**PLEASE** let either myself, Hui-Yen Bloodworth, Araminta Mathias or Celia Foulkes know of your intention to attend. **We will need to know numbers.** if anyone can help with food and/or anything else on the day it would be greatly appreciated.

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### Branch Autumn Ringing Tour

**Saturday 5th October**

**10.00am - 5-00pm.**

**Wittering, Nassington, Wandsford, Castor**

### Peterborough Diocesan Guild Summer Festival & 8 Bell Striking Contest 21st September 2019 Hosted by the Wellingborough Branch

**2:30 to 3:30 - Open ringing at Stanwick**

**4:00 - Contest at Rushden**

With buffet tea in the church hall, followed by a business meeting and the results.

**7:30 Open ringing at Wellingborough**

To enter a Team-

Contact Simon Dixon, Guild Ringing Master

On 01933 403855 or [sjdixon07@btinternet.com](mailto:sjdixon07@btinternet.com)

Team Entries to be received by 10th September, the draw to be held in advance.

Names for tea to Jenny Ball on 01933 673483  
or [jennyaball@btinternet.com](mailto:jennyaball@btinternet.com)

### Branch Major & Triples Practices

The next date is :

**Thursday 5th Sept 7.30pm Uppingham**

**Tuesday 1st October 7.30pm. Oakham**



**Uppingham intermediate 8 bell practice  
Every 3rd Thursday. 7.30pm.**

**The next practice is on 19th September**

**All are welcome**

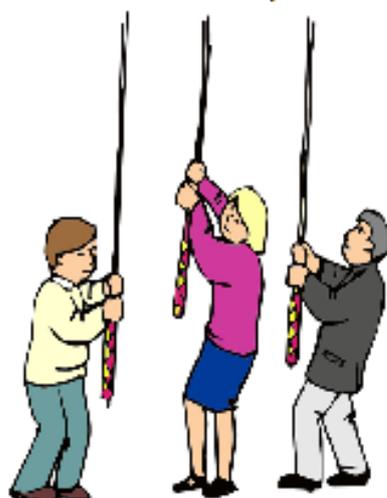
Items for the June newsletter, please, by

**Monday 30th September**

to Sue Webster [suevw@sky.com](mailto:suevw@sky.com)



# Bong for your Burger



Bring a picnic Free burgers!



## Branch Picnic/BBQ Saturday 28th September 2019

In the garden of Richard and Celia Foulkes  
Orchard House, Lyndon Road,  
Hambleton LE15 8TJ

2.00 pm : Ringing at Hambleton  
3.00 pm onwards Picnic & BBQ

### All are welcome

Just email to let them know....

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## OPEN DAY AT THE LOUGHBOROUGH BELLFOUNDRY

Saturday  
September 14<sup>th</sup>  
10.30 am - 2.30 pm

Freehold Street, Loughborough, LE11 1AR  
Tel: 01509 212 241

[www.taylorbells.co.uk](http://www.taylorbells.co.uk)

[@lborobelltrust](https://twitter.com/lborobelltrust)

[facebook.com/lborobelltrust](https://facebook.com/lborobelltrust)

Taylor's bell foundry is taking part in the annual Heritage open day this year, opening its doors on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September between 10:30 & 2:30 pm**

See the poster attached for details, and this link for more information:

<https://www.heritageopendays.org.uk/visiting/event/loughborough-bellfoundry-open-day>

The Loughborough bellfoundry Trust also have a Facebook page with the same information,

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2390375877872164/>

Also in Loughborough, the Carillon tower is open on the same day.

A walk between the Tower and the bell foundry is planned for 1pm.

Victorian fancy dress is encouraged. We'd like photos if anyone does go in fancy dress.

<https://www.heritageopendays.org.uk/visiting/event/carillon-tower>

## QUARTER PEALS

### Peterborough Diocesan Guild

Whissendine, Rutland

St Mary

15th August 2019

#### 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

1. Janet Underwood
2. Peggy Jennings
3. Sue Baker
4. John Tomalin
5. Richard Beadman (C)
6. David Brown

Rung as a Diamond wedding anniversary compliment to Harry and Mary Poyner.

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### Peterborough Diocesan Guild

Oakham, Rutland

All Saints

Sunday, 1 September 2019 in 45m (24-2-9 in E)

#### 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

1. Pat Munro
2. Peggy Jennings
3. Marilyn Tomalin
4. Caleb Tomalin
5. Louis Totaro (C)
6. John Tomalin

First Quarter Peel achievement in ringing and in method for Caleb (No:4) - Congratulations!  
Rung also to celebrate the life of Mrs Sandra Needham, (*Parishioner of All Saints Oakham*) who sadly passed away today.



Caleb with some of the band

## Never too old..?

I suppose I thought I would have to sooner or later (preferably later). But I was caught unawares. At the end of an hilarious practice night at Castor the ringing master quietly asked what I was doing in 2 weeks time, Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July, the day after my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. Well, he had said, you are going to be at St. Mary's at 6.30 and you are going to ring a quarter peal to eleven different double methods, but you are only trebling so you will be fine.

Oh.

Was the hilarity to soften me up? I would not be able to do it. Eleven methods.

At well over 60 I had been dragged reluctantly to a trial bell ringing session – and found I loved it! A world opened up. A new skill, friendships, beautiful churches and countryside to explore. But hang on, what is this thing about quarter peals? What are they? I hate exams and tests. I don't want to spoil something I enjoy by worrying about doing a test in it! (I said the only way I would do one was if I did not know I was doing it.)

This time; I am thinking - if you are going to have do something for the first time why not try it at 70? To prove 70 is not old; you *can* do something.

I did not tell anyone – not even my husband or tower captain Louis, who was standing next to me drinking champagne on my birthday the day before dreaded QP. Sorry Louis; but what if I did not succeed?

But I did; no small thanks to 4 grandsons under 8 years old who kept me fully occupied during the day – no time to panic, but mostly to an excellent team of ringers who left nice gaps for me to find!

And now a lady who has started ringing fairly recently at the Castor ringing school has told me she is determined to beat me – and do her first QP for 75<sup>th</sup> birthday in January!

A word of advice for her though; take plenty of money when you do. You will have to buy the drinks afterwards!

Moral of the story: never give up (or hide?)  
You are never too old!

*Jean Tinsley*