



Rutland Bell-Ringers Newsletter December 2019



Wishing Everyone A Merry Christmas

Rutland Branch AGM

Saturday 11th January 2020

3.00pm -7.00pm

3.00pm. Market Overton. Ringing

4.00pm. Whissendine. Ringing

4.30pm. Service

5.30pm. Tea in church

6.00pm. AGM

Ringing at Whissendine after the service

Do try to attend the meeting, even if you cannot make the rest of the days events. Its your opportunity to meet other Rutland ringers and those who work behind the scenes on your behalf.

Perhaps consider whether you would like to join the committee and help in some way. New ringers equally as welcome as the more experienced.

If you do attend, it would be greatly appreciated if you could bring something for the tea: sandwiches, savouries, cakes etc.

RUTLAND BELLRINGING WEBSITE

rutlandbellringing.org

The website of the Rutland Branch, rutlandbellringing.org , has been updated and revamped.

The webmaster is Peter Furness. Contact him webmaster@rutlandbellringing.org if you wish to request any amendments or improvements to your page.

Branch Major & Triples Practices

Tuesday 3rd December 7.30pm. Oakham



Uppingham *intermediate* 8 bell practice

Every 3rd Thursday. 7.30pm.

The next practice is on 19th December

All are welcome

Items for the January newsletter, please, by

Wednesday 31st December

to Sue Webster suevw@sky.com



Congratulations

To Rob and Sandra Morris

At midday on Saturday 23rd November 2019 the bells of St Martin's Without, Stamford, rang out in celebration for Rob Morris and Sandra. They were being married at The George Hotel in Stamford that afternoon. A team of Rutland ringers rang the bells which could be heard at the wedding venue. The couple now live in Norfolk, a Service of Marriage Blessing in their local church on November 30th. Rob previously lived at Langham and was a regular at ringing practice nights there and at Braunston, plus a few others also. Our very best wishes to them both.



The Ringers
Sue Baker
Peggy Jennings,
Val Kellett
Richard Beadman
Alan Ellis
Helen Totaro
Thomas Saunders



QUARTER PEALS

Peterborough Diocesan Guild

Glaston, Rutland

St Andrew

Saturday, 23 November 2019 (7–1–22 in B)

1296 Sandiacre Surprise Minor

1. Dan Iliffe
2. Sue Marsden
3. Steve Millington
4. Nick Elks
5. Terry Iliffe
6. Andrew Young (C)

Peterborough Diocesan Guild

Caldecott, Rutland

St John the Evangelist

Saturday, 23 November 2019 (8–0–15 in G)

1320 Norfolk Surprise Minor

1. Terry Iliffe
2. Sue Marsden
3. Daniel Iliffe
4. Andrew Young
5. Steve Millington
6. Nick Elks (C)

Round Rutland Tour

24th—30th November 2019

41 quarter peals of the 41 surprise minor in Rutland and the surrounding area. We are ringing the methods in alphabetical order and have 3 spare towers in case of any mishaps

30 November 2019 Braunston (All Saints), Rutland 1296 Wooler Surprise Minor,

30 November 2019 Brooke (St Peter), Rutland 1272 Whitley Surprise Minor,

30 November 2019 Langham (St Peter and St Paul), Rutland 1272 York Surprise Minor,

30 November 2019 Whissendine (St Andrew), Rutland 1320 Dearne Valley Surprise Minor

29 November 2019 Belton in Rutland (St Peter), Rutland 1272 Stamford Surprise Minor

29 November 2019 Caldecott (St John the Evangelist), Rutland 1272 Wells Surprise Minor,

29 November 2019 Cottesmore (St Nicholas), Rutland 1272 Sandiacre Surprise Minor

29 November 2019 Lyddington (St Andrew), Rutland 1296 Wearmouth Surprise Minor

29 November 2019 Seaton (All Hallows), Rutland 1296 Surfleet Surprise Minor

26 November 2019 Ryhall (St John the Evangelist), Rutland 1296 Hull Surprise Minor

25 November 2019 Barrowden (St Peter), Rutland 1296 Canterbury Surprise Minor

25 November 2019 Cottesmore (St Nicholas), Rutland 1272 Bamborough Surprise Minor

25 November 2019 Edith Weston (St Mary), Rutland 1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor

25 November 2019 Empingham (St Peter), Rutland 1296 Bourne Surprise Minor

25 November 2019 Exton (St Peter and St Paul), Rutland 1296 Beverley Surprise Minor

25 November 2019 Glaston (St Andrew), Rutland 1272 Carlisle Surprise Minor

25 November 2019 Greetham (St Mary the Virgin), Rutland 1272 Berwick Surprise Minor

24 November 2019 Great Casterton (St Peter and St Paul), Rutland 1296 Annable's London Surprise Minor

NB. There were 44 associated performances related to this tour.

For details please see Ringing World Bellboard.

VE Day 75

Celebrating the 75th anniversary of the cessation of the Second World War in Europe - VE Day 75.

To take part, and register your details. go to - <https://www.veday75.org/programme/>

7.00pm – Ringing out for Peace Friday 8th May 2020

In association with the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, bells in cathedrals, churches and other locations will ring out at 7pm in a collective celebration of peace.

Church bells will be rung throughout our nation and around the world in celebration of the peace and friendships we share today.

Do consider registering your tower to ring on May 8th, in celebration. We aim to have ringing in as many of our Rutland towers as possible. To achieve this we plan to co-ordinate ringing as we did for other recent significant events.

Do let us know if you have registered your tower.

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VE DAY
75TH ANNIVERSARY
A SHARED MOMENT OF CELEBRATION
8TH MAY 2020

VJ Day 75 years.

15th August 2020

75th Commemoration of VJ Day In 2020

The Royal British Legion will be asking the nation to remember the impact that leaving, missing and returning home has on service men and women & their loved ones – then and now. The commemorations for both VE and VJ Day will be the central part of our national remembrance and will bring home the scale of service and sacrifice made by men and women of the Second World War generation.

<https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/>

It is hoped that our Rutland bells will ring out on this day also.

From <http://www.pdg.btck.co.uk/> latest news Re Loughborough Bell Foundry

The President, Geoff Pullin, reports-

I have received a letter dated November 12, 2019 from David Potter MBE in his capacity as a Trustee of the above trust, which has been set up to restore the historic buildings of the only dedicated bellfoundry that is working in the country. David is also Advertising Director of John Taylor & Co.

Dear Geoff

I am writing to you and enclosing a number of copies of our appeals literature for distribution to any of your Association/Guild members who might like to support our quest to raise £1 million for the restoration and development of the Loughborough Bellfoundry buildings. The Heritage Lottery Fund have allocated nearly £4 million towards the scheme, but to release this we have to "match fund" by raising our £1 million contribution - hence the appeal.

After raising the £1 million, and before we can start any major work, we need to satisfy the so – so many forms to fill in and meetings to be had, but we are positive and look forward to Britain's only remaining specialist bell foundry looking splendid once again.

Please do contact me if you or any of your members would like further copies of our appeals literature. Thank you.

Yours sincerely, David E Potter on behalf of The Loughborough Bellfoundry Trust.

If you would like to contribute towards this massive restoration and improve the facilities for future visitors, you can see and print off the appeal leaflet, with details of how to donate.

NB

Please see the leaflet. It has been sent with this newsletter as a separate attachment.

Christmas Greetings

On the 14th of December, it will be three years since Brenda and I left Rutland and moved here to Norfolk.

We bought an old house, originally built to 1779 which has been, in it's time, a pub, a row of cottages built for workers at the manor in the village and a post office and shop. Not sure how they made a living as our hamlet is only 18 properties! We have spent the last three years having part of it rebuilt, having low doorways heightened! etc.

Because we have been so busy instead of the four nights a week ringing, I now do only two which are on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Monday ringing is with a group called the Wensum Wanderers (after the river Wensum) and we ring at four different churches, in turn, 3 six bell and one eight bell. On Tuesdays I travel over to Gressenhall which are a lovely 10 with the tenor at 9 cwt. I believe they started as a 5, then were augmented to 6, then 8 and finally, about 20 years ago with the addition of two trebles which were gifted to the church, a 10. They are really lovely bells to ring with no 'vices' . There are many peal boards in the tower and I thought some of you might be interested in one, which I have reproduced below, which I think you will admit, was a long peal (not sure how they managed without toilet breaks!) This was before the augmentation to 10 bells. One of our current ringers, Peter Adcock remembers it .

Brenda and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all
a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

David Couldwell

The Norwich Diocesan Association

Gressenhall St Mary

Sat. October 29th 1977 in 6 hrs.18 mins

12,160 Changes Plain Bob Major

Composed by Leslie F. Bailey

1. H. William Barrett
2. Frank C.J. Arnold
3. David Ralls
4. Raymond D Helliwell
5. Stephen F. High
6. Trevor N.J. Bailey (Cond)
7. Leslie F. Bailey
8. J. Barry Pickup

This being the longest length rung to a peal in Norfolk.

Rung to celebrate the centenary of the Norwich Diocesan Association of ringers