

THE HULL HANDBELL PROJECT

Promoting double-handed change ringing throughout East Yorkshire

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News Roundup.

Quarter Peals

30th July, 2017

Inveraray, The George Hotel

1260 Plain Bob Minor

1-2 James E Blackburn

3-4 Jessica Durham

5-6 Matthew L Durham (C)

First Minor in Hand 1-2

23rd August, 2017

33 Westbourne Avenue, Hull.

1272 Plain Bob Minor

1-2 Karen A Lane

3-4 Christine M Church

5-6 Peter Church (C)

First in hand 1-2.

1260 Plain Bob Minor

1-2 Christine M Church

3-4 Gwynneth C Moffatt

5-6 Peter Church (C)

First inside 3-4

Out and about.

Older but no wiser in Hull

We kicked off straight away back from various holidays, Ros and Pat doing just fine with Bob Minor. But we were without Lesley who was and is still battling all of her major problems with ill-health in her family. However, Ros then had to deal with family illness so we were in a "holding pattern" for most of the period.

Chris (C) now is using a hearing aid and has found handbells very loud and challenging. In spite of that and much to her surprise, she managed to ring two handbell quarters in one day!

On the last Tuesday in the month we were joined by Gwynneth Moffatt, and Ron and Hilary Barclay for a session; the extra numbers meant that we focused on Plain Bob Major, and Plain Hunting on 10 bells.

Elloughton

Chris Munday has taken the August slack-time opportunity to introduce the ringers at Elloughton to handbell change ringing. In the one evening five locals, some just call change ringers in the tower, learned how to handle a handbell, rang call changes, and then rang plain hunting on a coursing pair.

Well done to Gail, Alister, Jamie, Amy, and Wendy. We look forward to hearing news of progress from Elloughton, my old patch. (19 Church Street was a hotbed of handbell ringing in the 1970s).

Market Weighton

Slotting round family and work commitments, we had a practice session with Karen Lane on Monday 7th August. We were all a bit rusty to begin with, but eventually rang Bastow LB, Kent Little Bob, and after Kent TB defeated us we rang some spliced Plain Bob and Double Bob. All rung on Mark Lane's vigorous ex-Nunburnholme bells.

Following a serious practice session we rang a good quarter peal, Karen Lane scoring her first in hand. Well done Karen.

Sutton

After a long break we restarted with a long touch of Plain Bob, a solid touch of spliced Plain and Double Bob, and a concerted effort to ring a course of Kent TB Minor.

In the middle of the month Roddy Horton joined us for a bob major practice. His extra experience enables us to ring Bob Major on

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various pairs, and Kent TB Minor to a plain course was achieved. Thanks Roddy.

And the following week Gwynneth scored a quarter on an inside pair, an excellent achievement.

Spliced Plain and Double Bob, Kent T.B., and Little Bob were also rung in Hornsea in Ron Ducker's flat.

Barrow / Melton Ross,

Apart from Pat Donnelley, the Barrow people have been concentrating on tower bell peals and teaching. Handbell "careers" to be resurrected shortly.

Beverley / Kirk Ella

"The assault on the complexity of London S Minor" re-commenced on physical bells on August 10th.

With a solid practice session, we all rang the three pairs with varying degrees of success, so the holiday break had not been disastrous. We know the method now, we can all ring all of the pairs, but keeping the concentration above the level below which catastrophic trips occur is very difficult. More solid sessions are still needed.

Oddment

A handbell quarter in Inveraray on 30th July included our very own James Blackburn ringing his first of Minor in Hand.

Historical note.

Diary:

2017:

- Hull meetings: See website
- Regional Handbells Day no 5, Saturday 28th October, details to follow.

Handbell Change ringers wanted:

Do you want to start handbell change ringing at your tower? And don't know how to start? Drop me a line, we can help.

Handbells Journalists wanted

Send in your news snippets, we would love to hear from you.

Who is ringing what?

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