

THE HULL HANDBELLS PROJECT

Promoting double-handed change ringing throughout East Yorkshire

Newsletter Number 19, May 2018.

News roundup: Recorded lengths.

Barrow and District

Friday 13th April, 15 in C

Stonham Barns, **Stonham Aspal**, Suffolk

1260 Plain Bob Minor

1-2 James Hibbert (C)

3-4 Heather L E Peachey

5-6 Barry Peachey

1st in hand as conductor.

Beverley and District

Tuesday 17th April, 38 minutes, 11G

60 Riplingham Road, **Kirk Ella**

1320 Kent TB Minor

1-2 Christine M Church

3-4 Peter Church

5-6 Christopher L D Munday (C)

First of Treble Bob, 1-2.

Saturday 28th April, 13E

33 Westbourne Avenue, **Hull**

1260 Plain Bob Minor

1-2 Christine M Church

3-4 Peter Church (C)

5-6 Neil Turner

First Quarter on handbells since 2003, 5-6.

Saturday 28th April, 13E

33 Westbourne Avenue, **Hull**

1260 Plain Bob Minor

1-2 William Lennox

3-4 Christine M Church

5-6 Peter Church (C)

First Quarter on handbells, 1-2.

Saturday 28th April, 13E

33 Westbourne Avenue, **Hull**

1260 Plain Bob Minor

1-2 Rosina M Baxter

3-4 Karen A Lane

5-6 Peter Church (C)

Saturday 28th April, 13E

33 Westbourne Avenue, **Hull**

1260 Plain Bob Minor

1-2 Hilary M Barclay

3-4 Heather L E Peachey

5-6 Peter Church (C)

First Quarter on handbells, 1-2.

Out and about.

Barrow / Melton Ross.

The Barrow-upon-Humber extended family of ringers invaded Suffolk for a week. And they took the Barrow handbells along for good measure. Much practice was had by our regular Tuesday members **Pat** and **Ros**, and **Heather** reported that ***“Toby Hibbert (16) went from scratch to plain courses of Bob minor on 5-6.”*** And ***“James Hibbert (Toby’s older brother), Barry & I rang a QP of PB Minor plus courses of Kent. Pat watched the QP, which was at a cracking pace.”***

Excellent.

Older but no wiser in Hull.

Our first gathering in April included a number of good, long touches of Plain Bob, aimed at giving **Neil Turner** some valuable practice time. The shorter touches for **Ros Baxter** and **Pat Donnelly** also produced some good ringing but decorated with mental blank spots occasionally. **Hilary Barclay** also travelled all the way from Rawcliffe once more, for some courses of Plain Bob Major which enabled **Chris Church** to ring 5-6 to a course for the first time.

We do appreciate the 160 miles of travelling that takes place to enable Tuesday Mornings to take place.

The reduction in numbers for the second Tuesday was caused by competing events near and far, but enabled **Lesley** and **Hilary** to have some quality time on the bells. **Lesley** sampled the delights of Bastow, Little Bob and Crayford Little Bob.

We had a couple of Treble Bob Minor practices with **Chris Munday**. **Chris (Church)** rang some longer touches of Kent TB on 1-2. The rhythm and striking bode well for the future. Indeed on Tuesday 17th **Chris** rang her first quarter of Treble Bob, that also being the first of Treble Bob in hand for the B&D since the year 2,000.

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Plain Bob Major is becoming a regular feature of Tuesday morning sessions, and **Lesley** rang her first course on 5-6 on the last session.

Market Weighton / South Cave

There was a session up at Weighton in the middle of the month with **Karen Lane** and **Neil Turner**. And **Neil** also joined **Older but No Wiser** the following Tuesday. Numerous courses of Plain Bob Major were rung on the two occasions.

Melbourne (East Yorkshire)

Neil Turner, Jim Startin and **Jenny Hastings** are holding handbell sessions out west of Weighton. We know no more than that.

Rebecca Legowski

Rebecca had a first session on ringing two physical bells. Once the ergonomics had been sorted out (with the rivet!) she was away.

Plain hunting, 1-2, 1-4, 1-6, 1-5, 1-3 ! Nice rhythm, goldilocks speed.

Two weeks later **Rebecca** was back having put together the hunting patterns into a respectable plain course of Plain Bob Minor on Abel. So, with an introduction to the structure bobs and singles and the impact on a working bell, she was ringing short touches on 1-2. **Great stuff, and rapid progress!**

Notes.

With so many people pushing the boundary of Plain Bob Major, we took the time to update the website with most of the Bob Major knowledge we have. Notes on coursing order will follow, but in the meantime have a look at: <https://tinyurl.com/yc8byoay>

Saturday April 28th:

Regional Handbells Day No 7.

15 of the 24 known handbell ringers in the East Yorkshire / North Lincolnshire area signed up for the event and a little webpage was created to share a consistent information

about the event.

Whilst the schedule included 5 quarter peal attempts, unfortunately the repeat of one of the Bob Minor attempts scotched the Plain Bob Major. The resulting achievements are noted earlier in this newsletter.

Congratulations **Neil, Bill** and **Hilary on your achievement**; and thank you **Chris (C)** and **Heather** for being there for the firsts.

At one point, I think having just finished the quarter with **Chris** and **Bill**, I came down stairs hearing **Karen's** bells ringing in the front room, Barrow Bells in the living room, and my light eight zinging away in the dining room. (The neighbours were away).

It was good to see **Gwynneth** out and about in spite of her health problems, and what a star larker is **Rebecca** (Becky), ringing purely by ear. Also it was good to have **Ron Barclay** again, and ringing Bob Major, and Kent TB Minor following his recovery from the broken arm.

I did note the progress being made by the master of a nearby Ringing Society at ringing Kent Treble Bob Minor, and 5-6 to Plain Bob Major. We didn't get the concentrated effort on the intermediate methods like St Clements and Double Oxford that we need as a stepping stone towards Cambridge S Minor but at least two people, **Chris** and **Heather** were noted as calling touches of Bob Minor.

Lesley, Pat and **Ros** managed some concerted practice at their respective method limits.

So, a valuable day all round, 4 Quarter Peals, much fun, plenty of laughter, and lots of very good ringing.

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