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## **Farcited Ringing**

Thursday, July 7th Clevedon

Walton St. Mary 11.00 12.00

Lunch TBA

All Saints 14.00 -15.00

## **Branch Ringing**

23rd Branch Practice 19.00 - 21.00 Syston



Chipping Sodbury Ringing Brd Friday 19.30 - 21.00 Association Event Saturday 2nd July. Young Peoples ringing event Information sent to all tower correspondents. See above for a web address to see the poster and next page

Input from a reader after the June newsletter Tony.

Excellent. A pleasure to read. RW

#### A Bitton Quarter

On Thursday 26th May at Bitton, after 2 false starts, we rang a quarter of Reverse Canterbury Doubles in 43 mins for Maria who is leaving for a Parish of her own.

This was the first all Bitton Ringers quarter for 22 years and first quarter in method for everyone.

Special congratulations go to Julie Scudamore who rang her first quarter, but poor Julie's hands were covered in blisters and she had to overcome the pain barrier to complete.

The band comprised of:

- 1. Julie Scudamore
- 2. Peter Walker
- 3. Sue Jay (C)
- 4. John Leighfield
- 5. Pete Midgley
- 6. Mark Pillinger.

Sue Jay said it was a big achievement for everyone and I am so proud to have rung and conducted

a second quarter of all local ringers after nearly 22 years. (Original members of the quarter from 1989 were John Leighfield and Sue Jay) Sue Jay Tower Captain

#### The Ringing Master's view of the Open Day

Hello everyone (almost anyway), The Branch Recruiting Event was definitely a step into the unknown, Tuesday prior to the 4th Saturday and on Saturday morning there was definitely the excited buzz of expectation, and the worries of poor turnout were forgotten.

Following the event at Frampton on Saturday, I just wanted to say to vou a

#### **BIG THANK YOU.**

Almost everything worked out really well, and everyone I met said how interesting the event had been. Special thanks to

Everyone who put up posters, and coerced people to come

The makers of tea and providers of delicious cakes

Richard for persevering with the DVD - which received much praise Alan and others for the handbell's All the excellent handouts and display material Sue Liebow, Sue Jay, and Linda Gittings .Everyone else for doing whatever needed doing including most importantly talking to all the visitors.

I am not sure of the number of new contacts, however I can confirm that we had 3 new faces at Framp-



ton last night - which is a great result.

Of course, I would have liked 3 for every tower in the branch and we must now begin to consider how to grow this success.

**Gary Crisp** Ringing Master

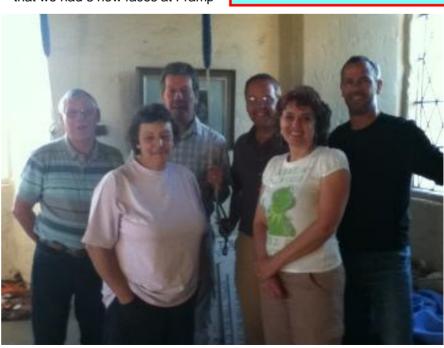
#### A Branch management request

At a recent branch management meeting I was asked to put in a request to you all to see if you have any advertising boards in your garage or loft. They would be used for the branches continuing advertising campaign for new ringers,

Should you have any please let one of the committed know. Many Thanks

We are scheduled for the branch Carol Service at Dyrham this year. Could I ask you all do we want a carol service! It was very poorly attended last year!

Your comments please.





# The Branches on a tree and only one Twig (Gary Crisp)

Well three of them anyway, Rural Branch on the left, Wotton Branch on the right, and Cirencester Branch Hazel Bridges our Association Ringing Master who was made very welcome to our combined practice on the extreme right, there are a few more branches as you can see of the conventional nature as well!

# Combined Practice with Wotton Branch

The 4th of June was the date and the practice at Stone on the A38. Everyone was welcomed with a cup of tea or coffee, squash for the youngsters and an almighty selection of cakes on arrival. After refreshments it was off up the tower to ring under the eye of the Rural Branch Ringing Master Gary Crisp. The practice started at 16.00 and went on until 18.00 in fact it ran well over the time.

On a count of Rural Branch members we probably had twenty-five members present, although they did not all stay for the evening walk or the skittles. Shortly after six we all departed for the Salutation Inn at Ham to park prior to the walk in the Berkely Castle deer Park. We met at the gate which lead on to the park with mostly Rural Branch members and only two Wotton branch members present. We were all a little bothered by the look of the weather, however we put on a brave face and headed out. Picture at the top of the page of the ringers and friends who made the walk. In the park were a large herd of deer with innumerable stags with full antler sets.

All safely back at the Salutation with

the weather having been kind to us, we bought our drinks, and had our names put on the board for the skittles by Alex Reeves the Wotton branch chairman who remained in charge all evening. With the skittles under way the only thing to do was drink and chat not necessarily in that order. As the skittles progressed the food eventually arrived and we all tucked in. The time progressed and soon the winner of the skittles was announced. I am not 100% sure but I think Julie Shackleton was the individual winner. People had started to disappear and so we left to. Thank you Wotton branch and those who organised the very pleasant afternoon and evening. It's Rural branches turn next to arrange a combined prac-

## **Rambling of The Press Officer**

The Branch Open Day has taken place, **BUT** we have more recruitment events

planned!!. We have Library space booked at Yate and Downend Libraries prior to the Open tower at Abson on 23rd July. Then space booked at Kingswood Library and possibly Winterbourne from mid Aug, prior to the display for the 20th Anniversary of Installation of

Frenchay Bells, at Frenchay Museum, which runs from Sept.

I need your help to get in contact with organisations involving young people like Scouts, Guides and Duke of Edinburgh Scheme. We need to encourage our young people to "bring a friend(s)". Can you or your young people think of any events or social occasions that we could consider putting on to create interest in bell ringing?. Would an Outing in the summer holidays be of any interest to your young people? If so would they like to help organise it? Contact either Bill or myself on

william.j.liebow@btinternet.com or Tele:- 01179609265.

Is there a special event in your Church or for Parishioners (Golden Wedding Anniversary or Big Birthday), the Branch can help you mark the occasion with extra ringers for a quarter, photographs and an article. Give us as much notice as possible please.

Sue Liebow Press Officer

# Young Person's Ringing Event

Open ringing 11am - 12 midday Bring your own picnic Striking Competition 1pm - 2.30pm

Bands selected on day

A good chance to meet other young ringers from G & B area

Queries to Hazel (Association Ringing Master) 01285 652471 or htbridges@aol.com

£1 donation for Church

Saturday 2nd July

Horsley Church

Nr Stroud