

The First Ever G&B Ringing Winter School

Monday 25 January to Sunday 31 January 2021

A selection of Zoom seminars on all aspects of ringing, all delivered by top class presenters. Sign up for any seminar that interests you – and the details of how to do that are at the bottom of this notice.

Meanwhile, here are the seminars. There will be three each weekday evening to choose from and three on Saturday and Sunday afternoon.

BUT no previous experience at all is required. No matter what you can ring at the moment, if you're interested in something, come along.

Monday 25 January

7.30 p.m. Ringing Down in Peal – with **Steve Coleman** – *Want to know how to make your ringing down sublimely beautiful? Steve tells all the secrets.*

Organising a Restoration Project – with **Tony Pullan** – *Lots of planning and lots of work? Certainly. But the sublime success at the end is a wonderful reward that lasts and lasts. Expert project manager, Tony, shows you how to set about it.*

Coping with Call Changes – with **Sheila Taylor** – *What are call changes all about? How do you know who to follow? What do you do when you get lost? The scales will fall from your eyes as Sheila explains the mysteries.*

Tuesday 26 January

7.30 p.m. The History of Ringing Simulators – with **David Bagley** – *Designer and manufacturer of ringing simulators, David, tells you their fascinating history from 1876 onwards.*

Acquiring Ropesight and Managing without it – with **Julie Miles** – *Julie gently guides you through ringing's greatest mystery.*

Standing Behind – with **Derek Carr** – *Understanding the ringer, understanding their need, understanding when to speak, when to be silent, what to say and how to say it, Derek lets you into the secrets of this vital ringing role.*

Wednesday 27 January

7.30 p.m. Plain Hunt – with **Rob Clive** – *The basic building block of all method ringing. Get it right and everything that follows will be so much easier. Rob tells you how.*

Ringing up in Peal – with **Steve Coleman** – *Tricky? Yes. Impossible? No. All the secrets for success from Steve.*

Recruiting the Young – with **Ian Bucknell** – *As the leader of the G&B's highly successful Youth Squad, as well as the captain of his own band, Ian discusses how to get, and retain, young blood in the tower.*

Thursday 28 January

7.30 p.m. **A Fascinating Journey around Bellframes** – with **Chris Povey** – *See their beauty, learn their history, and marvel at their engineering. Chris will be your guide.*

Ringing Terminology – with **Tom Edgeworth** – *Another fun evening exploring ringing's gobbledegook with Tom. Puzzled about anything at all? Ask Tom.*

Calling Call Changes – with **Sheila Taylor** – *Sheila explains how to call stress-free and easy call changes for stress-free and happy bands.*

Friday 29 January

7.30 p.m. **When the Going gets Tough** – with **Terina Riches** and **Carol Hinton** – *Ringings fun? Yes. But it can be worrying too. So what do you do when you're feeling down – when you're feeling completely hopeless and want to give up? Share your anxiety and frustrations with each other and with our ringing agony aunties, Terina and Carol.*

The Beauty of Peal Compositions – with **Mark Davies** – *The country's leading ringing theoretician, Mark, takes you on a voyage of discovery.*

A Start on Stedman Doubles – with **Simon Edwards** – *If you can ring Bob Doubles, you can ring Stedman. Simon shows you how.*

Saturday 30 January

3.00 p.m. **Learning Methods** – with **Hazel Bridges** – *What are blue lines, orders of the work, circles of work, etc all about? Hazel guides you and shows you how easy learning methods can be.*

When You Meet Short – with **Kath and Paul Johnson** – *Only four on Sunday morning? No trouble. Kath and Paul are full of great ideas of what's fun and musical.*

Succeeding with “Ringing Room” – with **Francesca Cinderey** – *Ringings Room is certainly a superb way of learning methods, ringing at home with friends and having enormous fun, but getting into it can be tricky. Ringings Room expert, Francesca, tells you the secrets.*

Sunday 31 January

3.00 p.m. Starting Bob Doubles – with **Gill Greef** – *Gill will ease you into this most popular of all methods – and if you've already started on it but are feeling wobbly, she'll firm you up.*

Struggling with Listening and Striking – with **Steve Coleman** – *Want to get your striking better but not sure how? Or even think it's impossible? Steve has the real world tips.*

Maintaining your Bellframe – with **Malcolm Taylor and Chris Povey** – *It's big, it sits there, and it looks OK, but does it need maintaining? Two of the country's leading experts guide you and answer all your questions.*

As you can see, there are 21 seminars altogether, and we've done our best to put them in mutually exclusive groups of three. You can attend as many as you want. Just send an email to steve@ringingbooks.co.uk with your selection.

On the day of any seminar we'll send you a logging-in email, and you then click on the link ten minutes beforehand to join in. It's astoundingly easy, but if you've never used Zoom before, please give it a try beforehand by going to <https://zoom.us/test>. And if you're still worried, phone our Zoom expert, Terina Riches, on 01594 529815.

And if your PC doesn't have a camera and microphone, you can still watch and listen.

And as we said, you can attend as many seminars as you want and we much look forward to seeing you. But please only sign up for a seminar if you really do intend to attend. Some of them may be so popular that we'll need to divide the attendees into several groups, and if so, we'll contact you well beforehand.

And yes, there's a deadline for applications. **The deadline is 19 January 2021.**

We look forward to seeing you.