



**Scottish Association  
of Change Ringers**

**2016**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

Scottish Association of Change Ringers Bell Restoration Fund is a charity  
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# **SACR EVENTS 2017**

## **Dates for your diary:**

|                                |                                     |           |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| <b><u>28 January 2017</u></b>  | Winter Meeting                      | ABERDEEN  |
| <b><u>11 March 2017</u></b>    | Training Day                        | TULLOCH   |
| <b><u>6 May 2017</u></b>       | AGM & Striking Competition          | DUNDEE    |
| <b><u>27-29 May 2017</u></b>   | Central Council Meeting             | EDINBURGH |
| <b><u>10 June 2017</u></b>     | Lincolnshire Max Training           | TULLOCH   |
| <b><u>28-30 July 2017</u></b>  | 45 <sup>th</sup> Inveraray Festival | INVERARAY |
| <b><u>28 October 2017</u></b>  | Social Meeting                      | TBC       |
| <b><u>18 November 2017</u></b> | Phobos Max Training                 | TULLOCH   |
| <b><u>27 January 2018</u></b>  | Winter Meeting                      | TBC       |

**Additional meetings or events will be announced on  
the SACR website: [www.sacr.org.uk](http://www.sacr.org.uk)**

## OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION 2016

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|------------------------------------|-------------------|---|
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Resident: £5.00. Non-resident Life: £5.00 or 3 annual subscriptions.

Associate member: £2.50

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Recurrent themes in 2016 have been that ringing continues to be generally very healthy across the country, with many notable achievements, but we are still short of new recruits, despite the best efforts of many of our members.

This annual report records numerous notable achievements this year by our members. For many, this might be a first quarter, or even just having become good enough to ring on Sundays and for weddings (££?!). We are keeping the bells ringing out on Sundays, and I am encouraged by the wide range of other activity, both in towers and on hand bells (subscribe to email alerts on Bellboard for SACR and you'll soon see that there is much happening).

We continue to be especially thankful for the Tulloch Ringing Centre. We experimented this year with switching the March Training Day to Tulloch. A satisfyingly successful event was held there, with the availability of the two rings together meaning a wide range of opportunities could be catered for. It was so successful we plan to go back there for the Training Day in 2017, when we will also have the availability of a dumb-bell and simulator. We continue to visit Tulloch regularly for 12-bell training, allowing many members to push their own abilities on "friendly" bells, and for the association as a whole to test its own capabilities. A consequence is the association felt confident enough to attempt a peal of Yorkshire Maximus at Edinburgh St Mary's, which was successful. We continue to be grateful to Peter Bevis and Helen McGregor for making the Tulloch centre available to us, and for their general support for the association in directing donations to our Bell Restoration Fund.

We again entered a band to the National Youth Contest, in London in 2016. They performed very respectably, and are a great credit to the Association. They also enjoyed themselves immensely, I understand, with opportunities provided such as a visit to the ringing room at St Paul's Cathedral. Our thanks must go again to Jonathan Frye for driving along the youth band practices over the year, and coaching them for the contest, and to him and other Fryes for helping with this training and looking after the band in London. It is with some disappointment that I have to report at the time of writing that we are unlikely to enter a band in 2017 because we do not have sufficient eligible ringers – which links back to my theme of a shortage of ringing recruits.

A society is successful when it is a true team operation. Contributions can be small or large, but they are all valuable and together they contribute towards the benefit of the society as a whole. Many things happen quietly in the background, carried out by those who are not officially officers or other positions, and those doing it are not seeking celebrity. But the flip-side of modesty is the wider membership is not even aware of what is being done for them.

I thank all the Officers of the Association for their help and contributions. I would also like to thank a few others, though I am sure there are many also deserving. Judith Frye is active with the Association of Ringing Teachers (ART), and is using this experience to benefit our association directly. I encourage you all to think about attending an ART training course, those who have done so have found it very helpful when back in their own tower. At the opposite end of the experience scale, so to speak, I would also like to thank Mike Clay for his patience and perseverance in dragging several of us through a peal of Avon Delight Maximus, truly pushing the frontiers of method ringing for the association.

Preparations continue for the Central Council visit in May 2017. We will need many helpers in person over that weekend (26-29<sup>th</sup> May), e.g. as gofers and shepherds. I must again thank Terry Williams and Ruth Marshall for keeping up the momentum on this project. But there are many others putting in work behind the scene. Although perhaps unfair to single out individuals, I would like to thank: Tina Stoecklin, who has been doing wonderful work updating and expanding the SACR website, adding content relevant for the CCCBR meeting as well as refreshing other content, and adding the capability to be able to handle payments for registrations, features we can use now for

other SACR activities; and Jonathan Frye, for doing a complete rewrite of the SACR website (it looks MUCH better, especially on mobile devices), and assisting Tina with her changes.

As I have mentioned before, we easily outperform most other societies for the number of members and the geographic size of the association. However, we urgently need a few more active volunteers to assist with association projects. Our Towers and Bells Adviser will be stepping down at the next AGM after several years. We also need a second Central Council rep and a Communications Officer.

Sadly, the bells at St James Paisley fell silent in May 2016, when the church was declared redundant. At this time, there are no plans for the building and its contents, and it is not possible yet to extract the bells for use elsewhere, but I will continue to monitor this. On a happier note, structural repairs were completed on the spire at St Mary's Aberdeen to prevent water ingress, and plans are in place to renovate the bells and have them back in use in 2017.

## **Colin North**

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The Association met formally five times during the year: our winter meeting in January, hosted by Paisley and Glasgow, the training weekend in March hosted by Tulloch, the AGM and striking competition at Central Towers (Alloa, Stirling and Dunblane), the Inveraray Festival in July, and finally, the October Social Event hosted by Dumfries. There were two 12-bell training days in Tulloch in June and November and handbell days in May and October in Glasgow, alongside one in January at Tulloch.

The Association had a formal meeting in both January and May (the AGM), and there was a short business meeting in October. The Committee met once during the year (in January). Other ringing events during the year are covered in the President and Ringing Master's reports. We elected 14 new resident members in 2016.

As a reminder due to the SACR hosting the Central Council meeting in May 2017 the AGM and Striking Competition will be the 6<sup>th</sup> May 2017 in Dundee.

## **Jennifer Holden**

### **RINGING MASTER'S REPORT**

It has been an active year of ringing for the association, with a continuing high level of participation. The quarterly association meetings have been well supported, providing enjoyable social ringing as well as opportunities for members to go beyond what they can try in their own towers. The October meeting and social event was hosted by the Dumfries band, which was the first SACR meeting there.

Advanced practices have continued, usually on 10 with occasional 8-bell practices. In the autumn I experimented with days other than Fridays, in order to change the local practices that we clash with. This was not a great success because the change of day made it difficult for some regulars to attend, but there wasn't a compensating increase in new attendees. For the spring I reverted to Fridays. Special methods on 10 have included Stedman, Cambridge, Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Vermuyden and Bristol, and good progress has been made with method accuracy and striking.

The monthly 12-bell practices at St Mary's Edinburgh have continued, thanks to Ian and Barbara Bell, and these have been well attended. More advanced 12-bell ringing has taken place during

focused weekends at Tulloch, organised by Mike Clay and Colin North. The weekend in June covered Stedman Cinques and Yorkshire, and in November it was Avon. Each time there were two quarters and a peal (the peal in June was Stedman), including many firsts.

The training day in March took place in Tulloch. The format was inspired by the Keele Ringing Course, with two mixed-ability groups which were run by Jonathan Frye and Ruth Marshall. I supervised simulator sessions for those who wanted them. As far as I know, everyone enjoyed the training day and good progress was made. I will use a similar format for the next training day.

The striking competition was held at Stirling in May, and was judged by Julia Cater. The Inveraray Shield was won by Glasgow, and the St Andrew's Shield for an inexperienced band was won by the youth team, who achieved an impressive second place in the overall competition. The youth band entered the Ringing World National Youth Competition, which took place in London in July. The whole programme of practice sessions at association meetings, the entry in the association striking competition, and the national competition itself, has been enormously beneficial for our young ringers. Jonathan Frye has done a great service to the Association by organising the youth band.

During the summer I went to Dumfries to run a tutorial on conducting Plain Bob Doubles, with the aim of helping the band to progress towards ringing a quarter peal without outside help.

The Inveraray festival at the end of July attracted a large number of visitors who enjoyed the experience, as always, ringing up to Bristol Surprise Royal.

Following the "first peal" campaign in 2015, a modest number of firsts were achieved in 2016: two first peals (Peter Whyatt and Philip Baiocchi) and two firsts as conductor (Simon Aves and Ed Smith).

There has also been plenty of handbell ringing. We held handbell days in Glasgow in May and October, with another day in Tulloch in January. We have also tried to fit in handbell ringing at association events.

**Simon Gay**

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

### **SACR General Funds**

General funds of the Association continue to be in a healthy state, with a surplus of income over expenditure of nearly £500. Membership subscriptions were paid by just under 200 people, and the income from peal fees was the highest amount ever raised (not surprising in a record year for peal-ringing). Compared to last year we have not made any donation to the Association of Ringing Teachers, and the costs claimed for our youth team travelling to the striking competition were considerably lower.

The year 2017 will see us incurring expenditure (and hopefully receiving income) on hosting the Central Council's visit to Edinburgh. The costs of the meeting itself are borne by the Central Council, but we have had to pay a deposit for the dinner/ceilidh which will form the main entertainment event of the weekend. I am very grateful to the Treasurer of the Central Council who agreed to advance us a loan to cover that deposit. The loan is repayable in May.

**Simon Aves**

**Scottish Association of Change Ringers - General Fund**  
**Income and Expenditure Account Year ended 31 December 2016**

|  | <b><u>2016</u></b>    | <b><u>2015</u></b>     |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------|
| <b><u>Income</u></b>   |                       |                        |
| Membership subscriptions   | £1,002.50             | £930.00                |
| Annual Report advertising  | £145.00               | £125.00                |
| Sales of Polo shirts/fleeces   | £8.48                 | £69.18                 |
| Peal fees  | £348.00               | £286.00                |
| Total Income   | <u>£1,503.98</u>      | <u>£1,410.18</u>       |
| <b><u>Expenditure</u></b>  |                       |                        |
| Central Council subscription   | £60.00                | £60.00                 |
| Central Council travel expenses  | £136.00               | £355.50                |
| Audit  | £54.10                | £50.00                 |
| Association of Ringing Teachers  | £0.00                 | £800.00                |
| Youth contest expenses   | £140.00               | £534.69                |
| CCCBR 2017 Dinner deposit  | £500.00               | £0.00                  |
| Admin. costs (incl. lottery license & Striking Contest judges' expenses) | £20.00                | £195.95                |
| Polo shirt set up costs  | £0.00                 | £30.00                 |
| Annual Report printing/postage   | £87.70                | £74.87                 |
| Web hosting/domain   | £0.00                 | £107.16                |
| Ringing World notices  | £24.58                | £60.00                 |
| Total Expenditure  | <u>£1,022.38</u>      | <u>£2,268.17</u>       |
| Surplus/ (Deficit) for year  | <u><b>£481.60</b></u> | <u><b>-£857.99</b></u> |
| Retained Profit at 31 December 2015 and 2016                             | £2,128.01             | £1,646.41              |
| Represented by:  |                       |                        |
| Bank of Scotland   | £2,700.01             | £1,554.75              |
| Cash in hand - Debtors   | £0.00                 | £98.18                 |
| Creditors  | -£572.00              | -£6.52                 |
|  | <u>£2,128.01</u>      | <u>£1,646.41</u>       |

## SACR Bell Restoration Fund Trustees Report

During 2016 there was no expenditure charged to the Fund. The Trustees made a commitment to fund up to £3,322 of remedial work to the bell fittings and ringing chamber at St Mary's Aberdeen. The work is expected to be undertaken during 2017.

Income for the year was slightly down on the previous year, but was made up of income from the usual sources. The Trustees give their thanks to the individuals who make regular payments throughout the year, and to the Tulloch Ringing Centre for encouraging their visitors to contribute to the Fund.

Trustees : Colin North, Jennifer Holden, Simon Aves, Simon Gay, Clyde Wallbanks

### Simon Aves

**Scottish Association of Change Ringers Bell Restoration Fund**  
**Scottish Charity Number SC011080**  
**Income and Expenditure Account Year Ended 31 December 2016**

|   | <b><u>2016</u></b> | <b><u>2015</u></b> |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Private Donations                         | £489.00            | £559.00            |
| Tax reclaim                               | £290.06            | £325.02            |
| Collected at Meetings & Other Fundraising | £368.66            | £148.25            |
| Tulloch donations                         | £629.00            | £914.94            |
| Handbell Day                              | £63.50             | £0.00              |
| 50-50 Club                                | £222.00            | £400.00            |
| Interest                                  | £64.60             | £55.44             |
| Total Income                              | <u>£2,126.82</u>   | <u>£2,402.65</u>   |
| Grants paid in year                       |                    |                    |
| Aberdeen St Mary                          |                    | -£120.00           |
| Total Expenditure                         | <u>£0.00</u>       | <u>-£120.00</u>    |
| Net Income for the year /(Deficit)        | £2,126.82          | £2,282.65          |

**Balance Sheet at 31 December 2016**

|                            |                   |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Cash/Debtor                | £382.00           | £560.00           |
| Santander                  | <u>£14,383.15</u> | <u>£12,078.33</u> |
|                            | <u>£14,765.15</u> | <u>£12,638.33</u> |
| Grants committed           | £3,322.00         | £0.00             |
| Funds available for grants | <u>£11,443.15</u> | <u>£12,638.33</u> |
|                            | <u>£14,765.15</u> | <u>£12,638.33</u> |

## CENTRAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

Tina Stoecklin and I attended the CCCBR Annual Meeting in Portsmouth 2016 on behalf of SACR. This year I had a more active role in the actual meeting as I was speaking in support of two motions to challenge the Council to clarify its relationship with ringers, with churches and with other ringing service providers, which were passed.

The Council agreed that a working group should be set up to undertake a detailed review of its rules, activities and to make recommendations for modernisation. I was challenged with pulling together a working group of 15 volunteers with varied backgrounds and a mix of members, non-members and ex. Council members forming CRAG (Council Review Action Group).

We had the first meeting of CRAG in Birmingham and set them on their way to undertake their task. Since then, it's been great to see that they have been very driven to achieve their goals and been engaging with ringers through surveys and requesting feedback to gather opinions. I am proud that Tony McIlwrick of Dumfries is one of the CRAG members giving Scotland strong representation, and I will be very interested to hear their recommendations in due course.

It will be a hot topic at the next meeting, which SACR is hosting in Edinburgh in May 2017.

Arrangements for the Edinburgh meeting are well under way and I hope that all members of the SACR get involved in events being hosted over the weekend

**Ruth Marshall**



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## 50-50 CLUB REPORT

The results of the draws for the 50-50 CLUB in 2016 were as follows:

|           |                  |           |        |   |
|-----------|------------------|-----------|--------|---|
| January   | Colin North      | Aberdeen  | £22.00 | Drawn at the Winter meeting in January 2016 |
| February  | Simon Lucas      | Aberdeen  | £21.50 | Drawn at the Training Day in March 2016     |
| March     | Maggi Churchill  | Dundee    | £21.00 |   |
| April     | Ian Bell         | Edinburgh | £20.50 | Drawn at the AGM in May 2016                |
| May       | Susan Bryce      | Edinburgh | £21.00 |   |
| June      | Michelle Wiseman | Inverness | £23.50 | Drawn at the Social Event in October 2015   |
| July      | Colin Crawford   | Paisley   | £23.50 |   |
| August    | Pete Whyatt      | Paisley   | £23.50 |   |
| September | Simon Gay        | Glasgow   | £23.00 |   |
| October   | Karen Ewing      | Glasgow   | £22.50 |   |
| November  | Peter Valuks     | Dundee    | £21.00 | Drawn at the Winter meeting in January 2017 |
| December  | Maggi Churchill  | Dundee    | £21.00 |   |

**Total raised by 50-50 club in 2016: £538.00**

It has been a good year for the 50-50 club and we were able to pay £222 into the Bell Restoration Fund (BRF). Prizes have been around £20-£25, a little down on last year. We need your input to keep prizes higher and raise as much as we can for the BRF so please keep buying tickets!!

You can buy tickets at any time of year for as many months as you want:

- when you see me at meetings
- or email me for an entry forms and payment options at [50-50club@sacr.org](mailto:50-50club@sacr.org)
- or post to 11 Hermit Seat, Auchleven, Insch, Aberdeenshire, AB52 6QZ
- or telephone me on 01464 820862.

The 50-50 Club exists to raise funds for the Bell Restoration Fund but at the same time gives you the opportunity to win cash as well. If you would like to support this worthy cause you can purchase numbers from me as described above. Each month I shall draw a number from 1 to 75, and the winner receives half of the takings for that month, the other half going to the BRF. You can buy the same number(s) for a year at £12 each, or you can purchase one number one month at a time for £1 per month. All contributions however small or large are very much appreciated!

**Ruth Ogilvie**

## OBITUARIES

The following ringers sadly passed away in 2016.

**Geoffrey Armitage**

Unattached 2007-2016. d.2016

**Sue Brightman (Rankine)**

Edinburgh 1984-2016. d. November 2016

Sue was a regular ringer at practices and Sunday Service ringing at St Mary's Cathedral and at the other Edinburgh towers. She joined in whole-heartedly with the band, always willing to come to ring for extra events, for weddings and extra services. She was always the first to put her name down to help with cleaning and maintenance sessions in the belfry. Each year she volunteered to ring for the week of Graduations at St Andrew's University, where she was herself a graduate. She was an able and reliable ringer and rang many quarter peals at the Cathedral and other towers in Scotland, in various methods. She also rang 3 peals, including Pudsey Surprise Major. One of Plain Bob Caters is recorded on a board in St Mary's belfry. However, her greatest contribution to ringers and ringing was her constant encouragement, affirming smile and pleasure for other people's achievements and progress.

Sue's death was a great shock to us all, and the love and affection in which she was held were reflected in the large congregation at her funeral in Old St Paul's Church in Edinburgh. At least 25 ringers, from Edinburgh and elsewhere in Scotland, attended the service, which was thoughtfully and carefully taken by Ian Paton, who knew Sue well. We miss her greatly, as a ringer and a friend.

Barbara Bell

**Kerr Greenlaw**

Glasgow. d. June 2016

Kerr was a ringer from Glasgow. He had not been learning for long and was just starting to ring plain hunt. In spite of his illness he attended the striking competition in 2016 in Stirling to support the Glasgow team and was elected a member of SACR at the AGM that day. Sadly he died just a few weeks later.

Margaret Williams

**Aileen Playfair**

Haddington. d. July 2016

**Christine M Rolffe-Budd**

Inverness 1983-2015. d. February 2016

**Jean Smith**

Edinburgh. d. December 2016

Jean was born in September 1915. In the early 1960s Jean was regularly found in the children's section of Edinburgh Library, where she was continually scrutinising recently published children's books in order to keep abreast of how illustration of children's books was developing. She did have some of her illustrative work published, including a booklet titled "Children's Communion Book - Scottish Liturgy 1982" published by St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh.

Jean was learning to handle a bell in St Mary's in 1959 or 1960 when she would have been around 45 years old. She rang regularly at St Mary's for quite a number of years. Jean was also a member of the handbell tune-ringing band which Kate Branson used to take around hospitals and old people's homes in Edinburgh at Christmas time.

Magnus Peterson

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## TOWER REPORTS

All members listed in this report are those who have paid their 2016 subs (which were due in January 2016) to the SACR Treasurer.

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|--|--|--|
| <b>ABERDEEN</b>  | <b>Cathedral Church of St Machar,<br/>The Chanonry, Old Aberdeen</b> | Grid Ref: NJ 939 088                               |
| 8 Bells,   | Tenor 14-0-6 in F <sup>#</sup><br>Sunday Ringing: 10.15-11.00        | Church of Scotland<br>Practice: Monday 19.30-21.30 |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b>  | <i>Ian Talboys</i>   |  |
| <b>Correspondent:</b>  | <i>Ruth Ogilvie</i>  |  |
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### SACR MEMBERS:

|      |                            | 2016<br>peals | Total<br>peals |
|------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1979 | John Thorogood             | -             | 15             |
| 1990 | Isabel Crane               | -             | -              |
| 1990 | Colin North                | 13            | 43             |
| 2000 | Ian Talboys                | -             | -              |
| 2004 | Freddie Cumming            | -             | -              |
| 2004 | Fiona North                | -             | -              |
| 2004 | Susan Talboys              | -             | -              |
| 2005 | Ruth Ogilvie (nee Perrett) | -             | -              |
| 2006 | Shona Buxton               | -             | -              |
| 2006 | Torquil Buxton             | -             | -              |
| 2012 | Jennifer Holden            | 2             | 10             |
| 2014 | Cassia Ogilvie             | -             | -              |
| 2015 | Ludwig Buchholz            | -             | -              |

2016 was a busy year again at St Machar's Cathedral Church. We have rung at the Cathedral on just about every Sunday. Practices have been well attended by a core group of ringers, but numbers have been down on some Sundays. Some more of our experienced ringers have either moved away or not been available as much due to other commitments this year. The band has continued to extend its repertoire with more surprise ringing for the more experienced members, especially when we have had experienced visitors!

The band has continued to extend its repertoire with more surprise ringing for the more experienced members, especially when we have had experienced visitors! The improvers have continued ringing more minor and triples methods. We managed to attract six new learners, four of whom have continued to come along to practices and are learning quickly with the support of the rest of the band. We have welcomed a couple more ringers who have moved to Aberdeen for study or work.

We rang for the wedding of our Ringing Master, Simon Lucas and his bride Kat in March just prior to him moving to Qatar for work, hopefully he will return to Aberdeen when the job there is done!

The band rang to welcome the Beautiful Scotland In Bloom judges to St Machar's for the end of their tour of Aberdeen in August. This contributed to the City winning a Gold Medal and the award for the City category. We also rang for the Aberdeen Doors Open Day in September which attracted over 100 people up the tower to see ringing in action and to find out how it all works. On a smaller scale, we also organised ringing demonstrations for a local Guide group and for couples planning their weddings in the Cathedral.

Ian Talboys



|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <b>ABERDEEN</b>   | <b>Cathedral Church of St Mary of The Assumption, Huntly Street</b>           | Grid Ref: NJ 936 061  |
| 8 Bells,  | Tenor 12-0-6 in A<br>Sunday Ringing: 10.30-11.00<br><i>(check to confirm)</i> | Roman Catholic<br>Practice: Thursday 19.30-21.00<br><i>(check to confirm)</i> |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b>   |   |   |
| <b>Correspondent:</b>   | <i>Contact Cathedral direct</i>   |   |
| <b>Email: <a href="mailto:stmaryabdn@sacr.org">stmaryabdn@sacr.org</a><br/><a href="mailto:administrator@cathedral-abdn.org">administrator@cathedral-abdn.org</a></b> |   |   |

The spire at St Marys was repaired in the Autumn, making it again water-tight, the electrical system made safe and lighting inside the tower improved, and the clock refurbished and made operational again. This has allowed work to commence on getting the bells back into action. The clappers need to be re-bushed, and pulley blocks replaced. We also need to see if the sound balance in the ringing room can be improved. Association volunteers will be undertaking this work in early 2017, with the aim of having the bells ringable again by May at the latest, and preferably in time for Easter. There will then have to be a concerted effort to recruit new ringers from the congregation, and train up a new band. The parishioners are keen to hear the bells again, but we must be cautious about the amount of ringing allowed because the neighbours, some of whom are less than 50 metres from the bells, have not heard bells there for over six years.

Please contact the Cathedral Office for further information

**Colin North**



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| <b>ALLOA</b>   | <b>St John the Evangelist, Broad Street</b>             | Grid Ref: NS 886 926   |
| 8 Bells,   | Tenor 13-0-20 in F#                                     | Episcopalian<br>Practice: First Friday of Month<br><i>(joint with Stirling - check to confirm)</i> |
| <b>Correspondent:</b>  | <i>Peter Lewis</i>                                      |  |
|  | <i>- or -<br/>Church Office St. John the Evangelist</i> |  |
| <b>Email: <a href="mailto:alloa@sacr.org">alloa@sacr.org</a></b> |   |  |

| <b>SACR MEMBERS:</b> |              | 2016 peals | Total peals |
|----------------------|--------------|------------|-------------|
| 2013                 | Peter Lewis  | -          | -           |
| 2013                 | Helen Wilson | -          | -           |

Alloa is still well supported by Stirling and Dunblane ringers, so a very big thank you to them for keeping ringing at Alloa going now we only have 2 members. We had a lot of visiting

bands from as far away as Cornwall and the Lake District in 2016, plus one Quarter and Four Peals were rung by SACR, Edinburgh and Dunblane ringers. The bells are available anytime, please just contact me.

**Peter Lewis**

**Alloa Quarters**

**17/03/2016**

1 Simon H Aves  
5 Peter G Kirton

**1280 Bristol Surprise Major**

2 Robin R Churchill  
6 Christopher J Frye

3 Margaret C Gamble  
7 Edmund G N Smith

4 Peter J Williamson  
8 Michael J Clay (C)

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|-----------------------|---|--|
| <b>DUMFRIES</b>       | <b>St John the Evangelist<br/>Newall Terrace</b>  | Grid Ref: NX 974 764   |
| 6 Bells,              | Tenor 10-3-18 in A<br>Sunday Ringing: 10.15-10.50 | Episcopalian/Methodist<br>Practice: Thurs 19.00-21.00                  |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Debbie Johnson</i>                             |  |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>St John's Church Office</i>                    |  |
|                       |   | Tel: 01387 254126  |
|                       |   | <b>Email: <a href="mailto:dumfries@sacr.org">dumfries@sacr.org</a></b> |

| <b>SACR MEMBERS:</b> |                         | 2016<br>peals | Total<br>peals |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2015                 | Heather Barrington      | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Guy Beaumont            | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | James Clark-Maxwell     | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Bill Cussons            | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Ffiona Fergusson        | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | John Higgon             | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Anthony Howell          | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Debbie Johnson          | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Peter Johnson           | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Lauren Johnson          | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Katharine Leask         | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Jane Madden             | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Andrew Madden           | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Tony McIlwrick          | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Ken Russell             | -             | 1              |
| 2015                 | Linda Scott             | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Douglas Solley          | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Kevin Stevenson         | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Daphne Thorne           | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Emma Westmancott        | -             | -              |
| 2015                 | Liz Hodge               | -             | -              |
| 2016                 | Alistair Stewart        | -             | -              |
| 2016                 | Ann Roberts             | -             | -              |
| 2016                 | Ian Cooper              | -             | -              |
| 2016                 | R Budd (Associate)      |               |                |
| 2016                 | A Mackenzie (Associate) |               |                |
| 2016                 | E Tofield (Associate)   |               |                |

It seems unbelievable that we have now had our bells for three years, and our team is going from strength to strength. Our beginners are mainly pretty confident in their bell control now, and all of them have embarked on learning to plain hunt. We are trying to encourage them to do this by learning their places, rather than just memorising which bells to follow, and many of them are doing this quite confidently on different bells now. In fact some of them are now at the stage of beginning to plain hunt to Bob Doubles, and we hope that some of them may be at the stage of plain hunting to their first quarter peal sometime this year.

We have also notched up our second quarter peal (Grandsire Triples) which was rung to celebrate 'Guid Nychburris Day' in June, and also the retirement of our rector. Thanks to Mike Clay for conducting this for us. While we have not rung as many quarter peals as we would have liked, this is partly as we have needed some training on conducting of quarter peals, because although we have enough

competent ringers to ring these methods, we have not had sufficient recent experience in conducting quarter peals. Thanks to Simon Gay who has already run one conducting tutorial session, and has kindly agreed to run further ones according to our requirements. This has given several of us the confidence to conduct longer touches of Plain Bob and Grandsire, and will I hope lead to a number of quarter peals being rung during the course of this year, so we will no longer always need to rely on visiting conductors in order to ring a quarter peal.

Strangely enough, after the previous year where we were asked to ring for some half dozen weddings over the course of the summer, there was not a single wedding that asked for the bells to be rung in 2016 (and not many without bells either). It would appear that weddings are like buses in Dumfries!

We were lucky enough to have been given money by the Whiting Society for additional workstations for our simulator. However, despite Stuart Bamforth's kind offers of help with setting them up, we have been unavoidably delayed by problems with water ingress into the tower, and at the time of writing, we are still awaiting work to be done on the tower. Until this work has been done, we are unable to put in the electrical wiring that is required in order to run the workstations. This is still very much work in progress, and we hope that this will happen sooner rather than later, but as ever, we

are at the mercy of contractors and the finance committee at St John's who are trying to keep things in order during the current interregnum.

However, we are happy with the progress we are making. We still have the majority of the new ringers who came along to our initial training sessions 3 years ago, plus a number of more experienced ringers, which means that we have around 20 regular ringers on our books. We ring every Sunday and again we managed to ring at midnight on Hogmanay to celebrate the new year. We are also still receiving a lot of visiting ringers to St John's, particularly during the summer months, and we are always happy to see them, and they are always very complimentary about our lovely bells.

**Debbie Johnson**

**Dumfries Quarters**

**18/06/2016**

**1260 Grandsire Triples in 0h47**

1 Anthony Howell  
5 Alistair Stewart

2 Heather Barrington  
6 Guy Beaumont

3 Debbie Johnson  
7 Mike Clay (C)

4 Emma Westmancott  
8 Kenmure Russell

Rung as a compliment to Canon Robin Paisley on the occasion of his retirement from St John's Dumfries. Also to celebrate Guid Nychburris.



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| <b>DUNBLANE</b>       | <b>Cathedral Church of St Blane and St Laurence, The Cross</b> | Grid Ref: NN 781 014  |
| 8 +1 Bells,           | Tenor 24-2-24 in E <sup>b</sup><br>Sunday Ringing: 09.30-10.30 | Church of Scotland<br>Practice: Weds 19.30-21.00<br><i>(Doors closed promptly)</i>  |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Judith Frye</i>   |   |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Magnus Peterson</i>   |   |
|                       |  | <b>Email: <a href="mailto:dunblane@sacr.org">dunblane@sacr.org</a><br/><a href="http://www.dunblaneringers.org.uk">www.dunblaneringers.org.uk</a></b> |

**SACR MEMBERS:**

|      |                                 | 2016<br>peals | Total<br>peals |
|------|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1962 | Magnus Peterson (Life)          | -             | 62             |
| 1966 | June Peterson (Life)            | -             | -              |
| 1982 | Isla McGeoch                    | -             | 6              |
| 1985 | Judith Frye                     | 2             | 7              |
| 1985 | Christopher Frye                | 8             | 86             |
| 1989 | Ruth Bamforth                   | -             | -              |
| 1989 | Stuart Bamforth                 | -             | 14             |
| 1991 | Rob McGowan                     | -             | 11             |
| 1992 | John Grainger                   | -             | 191            |
| 1998 | Katherine Grainger (nee Sloman) | -             | 24             |
| 1999 | Peter Moore                     | -             | -              |
| 2000 | Jonathan Frye                   | 11            | 154            |
| 2002 | Elizabeth Frye                  | 1             | 33             |
| 2002 | Fiona Wheeler                   | -             | 4              |
| 2004 | Matthew Frye                    | 1             | 27             |
| 2010 | Alex Frye                       | 1             | 3              |
| 2011 | John Bryson                     | -             | -              |
| 2011 | James Fraser                    | -             | 1              |
| 2012 | Mike Goodison                   | -             | -              |
| 2013 | Adam Gibson                     | -             | -              |
| 2013 | David Little                    | -             | -              |

Our band continues to develop with surprise major methods up to 8-spiced being frequently rung. We have ringers with a wide range of experience so our practices are varied and cover all levels. Four of our young ringers participated in the SACR band for the Ringing World National Striking Contest. They are immensely proud to represent Scotland in this national competition. This year it was held in London and we spent an enjoyable weekend seeing the sights as well as ringing at a number of towers. A memorable tour of St Paul's Cathedral was specially arranged for the young ringers.

A good number of quarter peals were scored including those to commemorate the

Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, Andy Murray winning Wimbledon and the marriage of George Cringles, a long term member of the Association.

In the spring our joint outing for the three central towers was a weekend spent at the Tulloch Ringing Centre where we sampled both rings of bells. It is good to have an extended period to practise together which allows everyone to develop their ringing. The weather was superb which afforded the opportunity to eat outdoors. Unfortunately this gave the hens the opportunity to pick up more and more tit bits until eventually they plucked up the confidence to steal Chris's sandwich! What a feast!

## Judith Frye

### ***Dunblane Quarters:***

|                   |                                     |               |                    |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| <b>21/04/2016</b> | <b>1272 Surprise Minor in 47min</b> |               |                    |
| 1 Magnus Peterson | 2 Alex Frye                         | 3 Judith Frye | 4 Robert D McGowan |
| 5 Chris Frye (C)  | 6 Jonathan Frye                     |               |                    |

In celebration of the 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II

|                   |                                       |                    |               |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| <b>13/06/2016</b> | <b>1440 Plain Bob Minor in 55mins</b> |                    |               |
| 1 Magnus Peterson | 2 Jonathan Frye                       | 3 Robert D McGowan | 4 Judith Frye |
| 5 Chris Frye      | 6 Alex Frye (C)                       |                    |               |

To celebrate the official 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II  
 First as conductor: 6  
 First on tenor inside

|                        |                                    |              |             |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| <b>25/06/2016</b>      | <b>1260 St Simon's Bob Doubles</b> |              |             |
| 1 Rob Ferguson         | 2 Susan McGowan                    | 3 Chris Frye | 4 Alex Frye |
| 5 Robert D McGowan (C) | 6 Alastair Macfarlane              |              |             |

Rung for "Bellringers Strike back against blood cancer". Rung on middle six bells

|                       |                           |                   |             |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| <b>24/09/2016</b>     | <b>1272 Minor in 50 m</b> |                   |             |
| 1 Eric McNally        | 2 Judith Frye             | 3 Robert Ferguson | 4 Alex Frye |
| 5 Magnus Peterson (C) | 6 Robert D McGowan        |                   |             |

Rung before a concert being held in Dunblane Cathedral by the Dunblane Cathedral Arts Guild to mark the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Arts Guild.

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| <b>01/10/2016</b>              | <b>1260 Plain Bob Minor in 48 min</b> |               |             |
| 1 The Reverend George Cringles | 2 Stuart I Bamforth                   | 3 Judith Frye | 4 Alex Frye |
| 5 Magnus Peterson (C)          | 6 Robert D McGowan                    |               |             |

Rung on the middle six to mark the festival of the Society of Friends of Dunblane Cathedral, at which the principal talk this year was about Robert Younger, Lord Blanesburgh of Alloa, who died 70 years ago, the donor of the bells and of much else to Dunblane Cathedral.

|                   |                                    |               |             |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| <b>29/10/2016</b> | <b>1260 Plain Bob Minor in 46m</b> |               |             |
| 1 Eric McNally    | 2 James A Fraser                   | 3 Judith Frye | 4 Alex Frye |
| 5 Chris Frye (C)  | 6 Robert D McGowan                 |               |             |

Rung to congratulate Elizabeth Little and George Cringles on their marriage this day at St. Oran's Church, Connel.



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| <b>DUNDEE</b>         | <b>St Mary (Old Steeple),<br/>Nethergate</b>                            | Grid Ref: NO 401 301  |
| 8 Bells,              | Tenor 19-2-10 in E<br>Sunday Ringing: 10.30-11.00<br><i>(irregular)</i> | Church of Scotland<br>Practice: Monday 19.30-21.00<br><i>(1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays)</i>                                    |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Stephen Elwell-Sutton</i>  |   |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Ron Oliver</i>   |   |
|                       |   | <b>Email: <a href="mailto:oldsteeple@sacr.org">oldsteeple@sacr.org</a><br/><a href="http://www.dundee.sacr.org">www.dundee.sacr.org</a></b> |

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| <b>DUNDEE</b>         | <b>Cathedral Church of St Paul<br/>High Street</b>   | Grid Ref: NO 404 303  |
| 8 Bells,              | Tenor 21-0-0 in E <sup>b</sup><br>Sunday Ringing: 10.00-11.00 <i>(1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup>)</i><br>or 17.00-18.00 <i>(2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>)</i><br><i>(Morning or evening alternate Sundays, please<br/>check. No service ringing during July and August)</i> | Episcopalian<br>Practice: Monday 19.30-21.00<br><i>(2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> &amp; 5<sup>th</sup> Mondays)</i>                |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Peter Valuks</i>  |   |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Carly Cooper</i>  |   |
|                       |  | <b>Email: <a href="mailto:stpaul@sacr.org">stpaul@sacr.org</a><br/><a href="http://www.dundee.sacr.org">www.dundee.sacr.org</a></b> |

| <b>SACR MEMBERS:</b> |                         | 2016<br>peals | Total<br>peals |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1989                 | Christina Howie         | -             | 3              |
| 1991                 | Duncan Malloch          | -             | 1              |
| 1993                 | Stephen A Elwell-Sutton | 6             | 87             |
| 1993                 | Ronald Oliver           | -             | 1              |
| 2001                 | Margaret Berwick        | -             | -              |
| 2005                 | Barbara Barnard         | -             | -              |
| 2006                 | Barbara Hicks           | -             | -              |
| 2007                 | Maggi Churchill         | -             | 3              |
| 2007                 | Robin Churchill         | 25            | 161            |
| 2012                 | Heather Fairley         | -             | -              |
| 2014                 | Laurence Bourton        | 5             | 10             |
| 2014                 | Mark Lloyd              | 1             | 8              |
| 2015                 | Margaret Gamble         | 14            | 17             |
| 2015                 | Peter Valuks            | 3             | 6              |

2016 saw the culmination of an important project undertaken by two of our ringers Christina Howie and Ron Oliver concerning the Dundee ringers who fought during WWI. Using the Old Steeple Roll of Honour, Christina and Ron researched each name and produced a comprehensive folder of information available at the Old Steeple. A quarter peal was rung at both the Old Steeple and St. Paul's to complete the project.

We increased the number of quarter peals rung in 2016, particularly coming up to Christmas, to coincide with various carol services held at St.

Paul's. A quarter peal was also rung on handbells in April. Four peals were rung altogether, two by a visit from the St. Blaise Society in May.

We have been very fortunate again to be joined by more ringers who have moved to the area. Lucy and Sean Smith have joined us from Peterborough, Lesley and Godfrey Hall from Darlington and Naomi Valuks from London. We also have a family of new ringers - the Willetts, who began lessons during the year.

Looking forward to 2017 when the Dundee towers will host this year's striking competition and will be open to the Central Council meeting in May.

**Carly Cooper**

## ***Dundee St Pauls Quarters***

**25/01/2016**                      **1260 Doubles (4m)**  
1 Carly Cooper                      2 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton (C)                      3 Robin R Churchill                      4 Peter G Kirton  
5 Laurence P J Bourton                      6 Duncan Malloch

1st quarter 1. Most methods 5.

**09/10/2016**                      **1260 Grandsire Triples**  
1 Carly Cooper                      2 Margaret C Gamble                      3 Sean Smith                      4 Peter Valuks (C)  
5 Duncan Malloch                      6 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton                      7 Laurence P J Bourton                      8 Robin R Churchill

First on 8: 1

Rung in honour of the eleven Dundee ringers who fought in WW1, all of whom came back.

**13/11/2016**                      **1260 Plain Bob Minor**  
1 Carly Cooper                      2 Christina Howie                      3 Ron Oliver                      4 Robin R Churchill  
5 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton (C)                      6 Peter Valuks

Rung for choral evensong on Remembrance Sunday

**27/11/2016**                      **1280 Cambridge Surprise Major**  
1 Godfrey S Hall                      2 Margaret C Gamble                      3 C Lesley Hall                      4 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton  
5 Ron Oliver                      6 Peter G Kirton                      7 Robin R Churchill                      8 Peter Valuks (C)

First of Surprise Major - 5

Rung for the Advent Carol Service

**11/12/2016**                      **1260 Minor (2m)**  
1 Carly Cooper                      2 Margaret C Gamble                      3 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton                      4 Duncan Malloch  
5 Laurence PJ Bourton                      6 Peter Kirton (C)

For the University carol service

**18/12/2016**                      **1260 Julie McDonnell Doubles**  
1 Ron Oliver                      2 Robin R Churchill                      3 Margaret C Gamble                      4 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton  
5 Peter Valuks (C)                      6 Laurence P J Bourton

Rung for the cathedral carol service and in support of Strike Back Against Blood Cancer

## ***Dundee Old Steeple Quarters***

**01/07/2016**                      **1260 Grandsire Triples**  
1 Christina Howie                      2 Margaret C Gamble                      3 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton                      4 Philip Baiocchi  
5 Duncan Malloch                      6 Peter Valuks (C)                      7 Robin R Churchill                      8 Ron Oliver

First triples - 4

Rung to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Battle of the Somme and in honour of the 11 Dundee ringers who fought in WW1 and came back.



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| <b>DUNKELD</b>   | <b>Ruined Cathedral Church of St Columba, Cathedral Street</b> | Grid Ref: NO 024 426  |
| 6 Bells,   | Tenor 6-3-2 in B<br>Sunday Ringing: 10.00-11.00                | Church of Scotland<br>Practice: Saturday 10.30-12.00<br><i>(Check to confirm)</i> |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b>  | <i>Kitty McIntosh</i>  |   |
| <b>Correspondent:</b>  | <i>Kitty McIntosh</i>  |   |
| <b>Email: <a href="mailto:dunkeld@sacr.org">dunkeld@sacr.org</a></b> |  |   |

| <b>SACR MEMBERS:</b> |                   | 2016 peals | Total peals |
|----------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|
| 1989                 | Iona O'Connor     | -          | -           |
| 1993                 | Gillian Booth     | -          | -           |
| 1994                 | Kitty McIntosh    | -          | -           |
| 1996                 | Barbara Pont      | -          | -           |
| 2002                 | Richard Barfield  | -          | -           |
| 2002                 | Elizabeth Gatland | -          | -           |
| 2002                 | Tim Gatland       | -          | 1           |
| 2003                 | Dorothy Grassom   | -          | -           |
| 2014                 | John Carter       | -          | -           |
| 2014                 | Annie Graham      | -          | -           |

Recent times at Dunkeld have witnessed some momentous changes to the team:- we waved a fond farewell to one of our most stalwart members; welcomed two others; started extending our repertoire, but one small matter remains outstanding.

Early in the year we were, collectively, sad to lose Kitty as Tower Captain, when Kitty and Douglas relocated to Fife. Finding someone

to mirror Kitty's hard work, energy, diligence and innovations/initiatives as Tower Captain, is likely to be quite an ask! Likewise, we extend our grateful thanks to Douglas, Kitty's husband, for his invaluable role as the tower scout, tracking the pursuits of the various, and many, wedding parties, as well as reporting on the progress, and arrival, fashionably late as ever, of the bride. We wish both well with their future endeavours, noting that they will be a great asset to any tower they join/choose to become associated with.

Irrespective of our loss, the team is continuing to ring/practice weekly, with the baton of tower captain being passed between, and amongst, the more experienced team members being present at any one occasion. Of these, experienced ringers, the team, as a whole, recently, and very warmly, welcomed both Godfrey and Lesley, to Dunkeld. Hailing from the Darlington area, both arrived, literally in the nick of time, as the team were in the midst of puzzling over how to compensate for the loss of our Tower Captain.

With the number, of experienced ringers, now firmly bolstered, for the time being, at least, the team have even started to explore the intricacies of Steadman with Touches and Cambridge; previously considered, by some, to be unobtainable delights. No doubt there will, soon, be other explorative forays into some of the more fiendish ringing methods, by all at Dunkeld.

On 21-April-2016, a quarter peal of Plain Bob Doubles was rung in honour of HRH 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations. The locally grown band, the first such – in recent times – for Dunkeld:- were Mara Maggio, treble; Kitty McIntosh; Iona O'Connor; Elizabeth Gatland; Tim Gatland, Conductor and Steven Toase, tenor.

Visiting bell ringers, are, as ever, always very very welcome. But please do ring ahead to ensure there is a scheduled practice, to save a wasted journey.

Finally, and on a much lighter note, with the departure of Kitty so too, are noted, the absence of the weekly supply of cake; our much missed Tower captain having been a purveyor of such edible delights. Offers, to fill this role, anyone?

**David Roemmele**

## Dunkeld Quarters

21/04/2016

1260 Plain Bob Doubles in 47 min

1 Mara Maggio

2 Kitty McIntosh

3 Iona O'Connor

4 Elizabeth Gatland

5 Tim Gatland (C)

6 Steven Toase

Rung to mark the 90th birthday of Queen Elizabeth 11.

First Quarter:1



|                       |   |                               |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| <b>EDINBURGH</b>      | <b>Fettes College Chapel,<br/>East Fettes Avenue</b>          | Grid Ref: NT 236 752          |
| 6 Bells,              | Tenor 2-1-13 in G   | College Chapel                |
|                       | Ringing: By arrangement, not during term time (except pupils) |                               |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Craig Marshall</i>   |                               |
|                       |   | <b>Email: fettes@sacr.org</b> |

In April 1956 Fettes College received a most generous gift from former pupil J.R. Lamberton – a peal of five bells – in memory of his brother A.R. Lamberton who died on June 14, 1938.

Almost 50 years later, a new treble bell was added taking the peal up to a full complement of six bells.

For the majority of the past ten years very little noise has emanated from the bell-tower. However, in January 2016 bell-ringing once again returned to Fettes, thanks largely due to Dr Bernard Matthews and his colleagues, who generously give our pupils the benefits of their time and talents. Last year, to mark the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the installation of the original peal of five bells, a programme of refurbishment works was carried out in the Fettes Tower which consisted of replacing the bell fittings with counterparts made to the most modern specification, with larger and heavier wheels designed to improve the handling and clapping characteristics. This has made the bells comparatively easier to ring, and consequently made bell-ringing a more rewarding experience for learners and experienced ringers alike.

**Craig Marshall**



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| <b>EDINBURGH</b>      | <b>St Andrew and St George West,<br/>13 George Street</b> | Grid Ref: NT 254 741  |
| 8 Bells,              | Tenor 14-2-23 in E<br>Sunday Ringing: 12.00-12.30         | Church of Scotland<br>Practice: Monday 19.30-21.00<br><i>(Not during August)</i>  |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Simon Aves</i>   |   |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Anne Leigh Brown</i>                                   |   |
|                       |   | <b>Email: <a href="mailto:sta_stg@sacr.org">sta_stg@sacr.org</a></b><br><b><a href="http://www.stagw.org.uk/music/bell-ringers">www.stagw.org.uk/music/bell-ringers</a></b> |

| <b>SACR MEMBERS:</b> |                            | 2016<br>peals | Total<br>peals |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1984                 | Sue Brightman (Rankine)    | -             | 3              |
| 1997                 | Mike Clay                  | 28            | 282            |
| 2007                 | Simon Aves                 | 22            | 142            |
| 2007                 | Sally Evans                | -             | 5              |
| 2007                 | Barbara Ross               | -             | -              |
| 2007                 | Morven Cross               | -             | 3              |
| 2007                 | Alison Campbell (Assoc)    | -             | -              |
| 2007                 | Joycelyn Cunliffe (Assoc)  | -             | -              |
| 2008                 | Mary Clark-Maxwell         | 1             | 13             |
| 2008                 | Sandra Clay (nee Mitchell) | -             | 9              |
| 2008                 | Livia Dyckhoff             | -             | -              |
| 2009                 | Anne Leigh-Brown           | -             | 1              |
| 2011                 | Mark Hamid                 | -             | -              |
| 2011                 | Richard Inglis             | 2             | 9              |
| 2015                 | Christopher Hunt           | -             | -              |

The Annual General Meeting was held on 28 November 2016 and chaired by the Minister, Ian Gilmour. This was followed by a well-attended dinner where the ringers were joined by some of the members of the Kirk Session.

Notable events this year have been:

- St A&GW featured on BBC Radio 4's Bells on Sunday programme,
- Edinburgh World Heritage Friends and the Scotland's Churches Trust visited to see the bells
- The Church Choir had two information sessions on the bells

- Participated in Edinburgh Doors Open Day on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September.
- Reception on Weds 2<sup>nd</sup> November to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Dedication of the bells on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2006, hosted by the Church.

Mike Clay stood down as Tower Captain at this meeting as he had indicated at our AGM in 2015. Ian Gilmour thanked Mike, on behalf of all, for his important contribution to the restoration of the bells and to re-establishing a regular band of ringers at the Church. The ringers presented him with a card and gift. Simon Aves was elected as the new Tower Captain and Mike will continue to be a member of the Committee.

Preparations are moving ahead for the Central Council meeting in May next year and StA&GW will be a key contributor since main meeting will be held at the church. The meeting will be live-streamed and there will also be a dinner and ceilidh at the Ghillie Dhu.

Sadly, Sue Brightman, one of our ringers recently passed away and many ringers attended her funeral at Old St Paul's on 28 November; she will be sadly missed.

## **Anne Leigh-Brown**

### **Edinburgh, St Andrew & St George West Quarters:**

|                   |   |                |                    |
|-------------------|---|----------------|--------------------|
| <b>25/01/2016</b> | <b>1250 Yorkshire Surprise Major in 47m</b> |                |                    |
| 1 Sandra Clay     | 2 Ian Bell                                  | 3 Barbara Bell | 4 Alex Hunsley     |
| 5 Simon Aves      | 6 Steven Worbey                             | 7 Ed Smith     | 8 Michael Clay (C) |

A celebration of the life of Dennis Sutherland (former church officer)  
100th QP in the tower - 5

|                      |                                     |                      |                     |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>18/02/2016</b>    | <b>1260 Stedman Triples in 0h45</b> |                      |                     |
| 1 Peter J Williamson | 2 Margaret C Gamble                 | 3 Sally L Thomas     | 4 Robin R Churchill |
| 5 Peter G Kirton     | 6 Christopher J Frye                | 7 Michael J Clay (C) | 8 Susan E Bryce     |

Rung in celebration of the life of Evelyn Scott, past Session Clerk and Session Member of St Andrews and St Georges Church and stalwart of the Christian Aid sale.

**22/02/2016**                      **1280 Lincolnshire Surprise Major in 0h47**  
 1 Sandra Clay                      2 Mary K Clark-Maxwell                      3 Barbara J Bell                      4 Ian P Bell  
 5 Steven Worbey                      6 Alex G Hunsley                      7 Edmund G N Smith                      8 Michael J Clay (C)

First in method: 5

**20/03/2016**                      **1280 Rutland Surprise Major in 0h48**  
 1 Colin P North                      2 Mary K Clark-Maxwell                      3 Ian P Bell                      4 Barbara J Bell  
 5 Simon H Aves                      6 Alex G Hunsley                      7 Edmund G N Smith                      8 Michael J Clay (C)

Rung as a farewell to the Church Manager, Jean Howard.

**25/04/2016**                      **1250 Superlative Surprise Major in 48m**  
 1 Steven Worbey                      2 Mary Clark-Maxwell                      3 Barbara Bell                      4 Ian Bell  
 5 Ed Smith                      6 Alex Hunsley                      7 Simon Aves (C)                      8 Michael Clay

1st blows in method - 2



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|-----------------------|---|--|
| <b>EDINBURGH</b>      | <b>St Cuthbert,<br/>5 Lothian Road</b>                        | Grid Ref: NT 248 736   |
| 10 Bells,             | Tenor 21-0-0 in E <sup>b</sup><br>Sunday Ringing: 10.25-11.00 | Church of Scotland<br>Practice: Tuesday 19.30-21.00<br>(not in August)     |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Susan Bryce</i>  |  |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Simon Aves</i>   |  |
|                       |   | <b>Email: <a href="mailto:stcuthbert@sacr.org">stcuthbert@sacr.org</a></b> |

| SACR MEMBERS: |                    | 2016<br>peals | Total<br>peals |
|---------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1980          | Susan Bryce        | 11            | 289            |
| 1989          | Judy Barker        | -             | 60             |
| 1989          | Michael Barker     | -             | 215            |
| 1997          | Cara Wiseman       | -             | 1              |
| 1998          | James Bryce        | -             | -              |
| 1998          | Bernard Matthews   | -             | 26             |
| 1998          | Julie Matthews     | -             | 8              |
| 2005          | Phyllida Alexander | -             | -              |
| 2007          | Jaime Hamper       | -             | 1              |
| 2010          | Alex Hunsley       | -             | 22             |
| 2010          | Emma Kent          | -             | 2              |
| 2011          | Ed Smith           | 18            | 53             |
| 2013          | Matthew Gretton    | -             | -              |
| 2013          | Craig Robertson    | 1             | 2              |
| 2014          | Ruth Giblin        | -             | -              |
| 2016          | Simon Percy        | -             | -              |

2016 was another uneventful year at St Cuthbert's. The core band of around eight people made it possible to ring for every Sunday morning service, and to have generally useful and enjoyable practices under the guidance of Ed Smith. We said farewell, at least temporarily, to one of our most conscientious Sunday ringers when Craig Robertson left to further his studies at Oxford University; his departure being marked by a peal of Double Oxford at Haddington.

During the year five peals were rung at St Cuthbert's, one of those by a touring band. The occasion of the Queen's ninetieth birthday

was celebrated with a peal of Elizabeth R Surprise Royal. Only one quarter peal was rung – in June for BBC Music Day.

Over the course of the year several members of the band (notably Bernard and Julie Matthews, along with other Edinburgh ringers) have been engaged in teaching students at Fettes College to ring, where renewed enthusiasm for the light ring of six has been instilled by the arrival as archivist, of Craig Marshall, formerly Church Manager at St Cuthbert's. This interest has led to the re-hanging of the bells there, making them much easier for pupils to ring.

**Simon Aves**

## Edinburgh, St Cuthbert Quarters:

03/06/2016

1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor in 50m

1 Mary Clark-Maxwell  
5 Alex Hunsley

2 Craig Robertson  
6 Michael Clay

3 Susan Bryce

4 Simon Aves (C)

For BBC music day  
50th QP together 1 and 4



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|-----------------------|--|--|
| <b>EDINBURGH</b>      | <b>Cathedral Church of St Mary,<br/>Palmerston Place</b> | Grid Ref: NT 242 735                           |
| 12 Bells,             | Tenor 41-1-15 in B<br>Sunday Ringing: 09.45-10.30        | Episcopalian<br>Practice: Thursday 19.30-21.15 |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Ian Bell</i>  |  |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Barbara Bell</i>                                      |  |
|                       |  | <b>Email: stmaryedin@sacr.org</b>              |

### SACR MEMBERS:

|      |                       | 2016<br>peals | Total<br>peals |
|------|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1975 | Mark Hutcheson (Life) | -             | 15             |
| 1992 | Neil Ballard          | -             | 7              |
| 1993 | Roy Dodds             | -             | 1              |
| 2009 | Jonathan Aves         | -             | -              |
| 2012 | Steven Worbey         | 2             | 8              |
| 2013 | Barbara Bell          | 1             | 2              |
| 2013 | Ian Bell              | 8             | 17             |
| 2014 | Kathryn James         | -             | -              |
| 2015 | Diana Cheseman        | -             | -              |
| 2015 | Michael O'Neil        | -             | -              |
| 2016 | Susannah Ewens        | -             | -              |
| 2016 | Wilma Tolmie          | -             | -              |

2016 was a year of welcoming new learners and encouraging our existing ringers in their ongoing progress. Wilma is now ringing Rounds and Call Changes confidently, and she and Jem are boosting our Sunday Service team. Diana, Michael and Wilma are in the early stages of learning to Plain Hunt, which gives us great hopes of soon being able to get into the exciting realm of methods. Susannah has rung her first quarter peal of Plain Bob Minor inside and getting more confident in Grandsire and Stedman. We are in the happy

position of having enough of our own ringers on Sunday mornings to ring on 10. Alison has had to take some time off, but will soon join the Sunday team. Mark was also about to join the Sunday Service band before he got a temporary job in London. We hope he will soon be back with renewed enthusiasm! Recently Adam and Jackie started to learn and we have two more people waiting to begin learning – we are lucky to have so many people interested in learning, and Neil and Ian willing and able to teach them.

Our 12 Bell Practices continue to be well supported and several people have expressed how much they appreciate the opportunity to become more confident and competent on higher numbers of bells. The bells are still quite difficult to hear when all twelve are being rung and we intend to put down further blocks of rock wool to improve this.

We have rung one peal during the year, Yorkshire Maximus by a SACR band to mark the occasion of the retirement of the Provost, Graham Forbes. Two quarter peals were rung, Plain Bob Minor in memory of Sue Brightman and Grandsire Caters to celebrate the Ian and Barbara's 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

We were very sorry to report the death of Sue Brightman in November. Jean Smith also died at the end of December at the age of 101. (Please see Obituary section).

### Barbara Bell

## **Edinburgh, St Mary Quarters:**

**11/08/2016**

**1259 Grandsire Caters in 54 min**

1 Sue Brightman

2 Craig Robertson

3 Sally L Thomas

4 Barbara J Bell

5 Simon Aves

6 Neil Ballard

7 Ian P Bell

8 Mark A Bell (C)

9 Chris W Thomas

10 Alex G Hunsley

A ruby wedding compliment to Ian & Barbara.

**20/11/2016**

**1260 Plain Bob Minor**

1 Jennifer A Holden

2 Susannah Ewens

3 Barbara J Bell

4 Neil Ballard

5 Ian P Bell (C)

6 Simon Aves

2: 1st inside.

In memory of our dear friend Sue Brightman



## **UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH GUILD OF CHANGE RINGERS (UEGCR)**

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The student band at Edinburgh is continuing to flourish, building on the work of 2015, with student-only practices held fortnightly on Wednesdays during term time. Our members also join in the St Cuthbert's practices on Tuesdays.

Our AGM in March was a successful event combined with plenty of tea and cake, providing a friendly atmosphere for the proceedings and allowing us to set out the society's goals for the rest of the year and add new members to the committee.

The academic year finished with a small, but lively Annual Dinner at Gusto in Edinburgh organised by our social secretary, making for a good end to the term.

In September, the new academic year started with a stall at the university Freshers' Fair, allowing us to show off our new embroidered hoodies. We also ran a taster session, to allow potential members the chance to have a go at ringing. We recruited a number of ringers, both beginner and experienced, and look forward to continuing this trend in future years.

Our handbell group has thrived this year, with multiple new members, meeting every Wednesday afternoon to learn numerous Christmas carols. Last term culminated in a successful, but cold, Christmas busking session in Edinburgh to raise money for the society.

In what is becoming a tradition for the society, the Christmas dinner this year was once again held at the Guru Balti Indian restaurant, where the giant naan bread and tasty curry made for an enjoyable and festive evening.

We look forward to continuing the progress of 2015 and expanding the society further in future years, recruiting more ringers to fill the gaps left by graduating members, and we hope that this year will be as enjoyable as the last.

**Alice Ostojic**  
**President, UEGCR**



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| <b>GLASGOW</b>        | <b>Cathedral Church of St Mary the Virgin, Great Western Road</b>    | Grid Ref: NS 577 668           |
| 10 Bells,             | Tenor 32-1-6 in C <sup>#</sup>                                       | Episcopalian                   |
|                       | Sunday Ringing: 17.30-18.30  | Practice: Tuesday 19.30-21.00  |
|                       | <i>(usually 1/4 peal 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, not service ringing)</i> |                                |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Simon Gay/Tina Stoecklin</i>                                      |                                |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Margaret Williams</i>   |                                |
|                       |  | <b>Email: glasgow@sacr.org</b> |
|                       |  | <b>FB: GlasgowBellringers</b>  |

| <b>SACR MEMBERS:</b> |                            | 2016 peals | Total peals |
|----------------------|----------------------------|------------|-------------|
| 1962                 | Michael Pink (Life)        | -          | 6           |
| 1973                 | Margaret Williams (Life)   | -          | 5           |
| 1973                 | Terry Williams (Life)      | -          | 20          |
| 1985                 | Jennifer Tomkinson         | 2          | 56          |
| 1986                 | Jose Symes                 | -          | -           |
| 1993                 | Ruth Marshall              | 7          | 84          |
| 1996                 | Karen Ewing                | -          | 2           |
| 2000                 | Frank Ewing                | -          | 1           |
| 2000                 | Tina Stoecklin             | 13         | 79          |
| 2001                 | Clyde Wallbanks            | 5          | 63          |
| 2002                 | Angela Deakin              | 7          | 60          |
| 2007                 | Simon Gay                  | 13         | 79          |
| 2008                 | Sue Wilkinson (nee Hutton) | 2          | 6           |
| 2011                 | Thomas Gay                 | -          | -           |
| 2013                 | Iain Milne                 | -          | 1           |
| 2016                 | Dorothy Gay                | -          | -           |
| 2016                 | Kerr Greenlaw              | -          | -           |

This year we have continued ringing regularly for services on Sunday evenings, for some Sunday morning services including Easter Day, Pentecost and Christmas Day and also for the services for Epiphany, Maundy Thursday and Ascension Day.

We rang several quarter peals including one of Ruby Delight Major for a couple's ruby wedding anniversary. They had bid for the quarter peal which we offered as one of the lots in a charity auction organised by Bishop Idris, retired Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway.

We congratulate Thomas Gay on ringing his first quarter peal away from cover.

We opened the tower for tours again for the Doors Open weekend in September. This year we showed people the bells which they found very interesting. This meant that we had to use a talk and DVD to describe change ringing rather than demonstrating actual ringing. However a couple of people took us up on our offer to come and see us ringing at our practice on the following Tuesday.

We were pleased to host the January meeting of SACR and some of the Association advanced practices.

Sadly, in July, Kerr, one of our newer ringers, died. We rang the bells half – muffled before his funeral service in the Cathedral.

Two of our ringers have left the band, Sue to take up a job in Yorkshire and Jonathan, who had joined us whilst working in Glasgow over the summer, to return to his studies in Cambridge. However, we have gained some ringers following the closure of St James Paisley and they are a very welcome addition to our band. We are also currently training some new recruits so hopefully we are going in to the New Year on a fairly secure footing.

## Margaret Williams

### Glasgow Quarters:

27/03/2016

1260 Plain Bob Minor

1 Frank Ewing

2 Margaret Williams

3 Karen Ewing

4 Terry G Williams

5 Ruth M Marshall

6 Simon J Gay (C)

For Easter Sunday, and to welcome Cailean John Brady-Strutt (born 22nd February), grandson of Karen and Frank Ewing and son of Marisa Strutt, once a ringer in this tower.

**21/04/2016**                      **1260 Stedman Doubles in 45m**

|                      |                 |                   |                   |
|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Jennifer Tomkinson | 2 Sue Wilkinson | 3 Angela H Deakin | 4 Ruth M Marshall |
| 5 Simon J Gay (C)    | 6 Iain L Milne  |                   |                   |

Rung for the 90th birthday of H. M. Queen Elizabeth II.

**05/05/2016**                      **1440 London Surprise Minor**

|                     |                   |                    |                      |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Margaret Williams | 2 Angela H Deakin | 3 Terry G Williams | 4 Jennifer Tomkinson |
| 5 Ruth M Marshall   | 6 Simon J Gay (C) |                    |                      |

For Ascension Day.

**04/06/2016**                      **1260 Plain Bob Triples in 52 mins**

|                 |                          |                   |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Peter Whyatt  | 2 Jennifer Tomkinson (C) | 3 Angela H Deakin | 4 Terry G Williams |
| 5 Sue Wilkinson | 6 Ruth M Marshall        | 7 Jonathan Frye   | 8 Iain Milne       |

For Kerr

**12/06/2016**                      **1260 Plain Bob Doubles in 49 mins**

|                   |                          |                 |               |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 1 Iain L Milne    | 2 Jennifer Tomkinson (C) | 3 Sue Wilkinson | 4 Karen Ewing |
| 5 Angela H Deakin | 6 Frank Ewing            |                 |               |

Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II

**26/06/2016**                      **1260 Plain Bob Triples in 52m**

|                      |                    |                  |                   |
|----------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Jennifer Tomkinson | 2 Elizabeth A Orme | 3 Rachel C Aland | 4 Ruth M Marshall |
| 5 Phillip M Orme     | 6 Jonathan Frye    | 7 Ed Gosden (C)  | 8 Pete Whyatt     |

Rung prior to Iain Milne's confirmation service and as part of Bellringers Strike Back Against Blood Cancer

**10/07/2016**                      **1260 Plain Bob Doubles**

|                     |                          |              |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 1 Margaret Williams | 2 Jennifer Tomkinson (C) | 3 Iain Milne | 4 Terry G Williams |
| 5 Ruth M Marshall   | 6 Frank Ewing            |              |                    |

1st inside - 3  
For Evensong and to congratulate Andy Murray on winning Wimbledon.

**14/08/2016**                      **1260 Plain Bob Triples in 53 mins**

|                    |                          |                      |                     |
|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Karen Ewing      | 2 Jennifer Tomkinson (C) | 3 Peter Nicolas      | 4 Margaret Williams |
| 5 Terry G Williams | 6 Ruth M Marshall        | 7 Jonathan A Spencer | 8 Iain Milne        |

**04/09/2016**    **1250 Ruby Delight Major in 56m**

|                    |                      |                      |                   |
|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Ruth M Marshall  | 2 Margaret Williams  | 3 Jennifer Tomkinson | 4 Angela H Deakin |
| 5 Terry G Williams | 6 Jonathan A Spencer | 7 Jonathan S Frye    | 8 Simon J Gay (C) |

Rung to mark the 40th wedding anniversary of David and Jan Dobson (3rd September).

**28/09/2016**                      **1280 Bristol Surprise Royal in 56m**

|                     |                    |                      |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Margaret Williams | 2 Angela H Deakin  | 3 Ruth M Marshall    | 4 Simon J Gay (C)  |
| 5 Sue Wilkinson     | 6 Terry G Williams | 7 Jonathan A Spencer | 8 Tina R Stoecklin |
| 9 Clyde W Wallbanks | 10 Jonathan S Frye |                      |                    |

First of Royal: 7. First of Bristol Royal: 5, 6. Fare-ye-well to Sue Wilkinson and Jonathan Spencer.

**09/10/2016**                      **1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor**

|                   |                        |                     |                    |
|-------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Peter Whyatt    | 2 Simon J Gay          | 3 Margaret Williams | 4 Terry G Williams |
| 5 Ruth M Marshall | 6 Tina R Stoecklin (C) |                     |                    |

Rung on the front 6 for Evensong

**13/11/2016**                      **1260 Plain Bob Doubles**

|                        |                     |                      |                   |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Thomas J S Gay       | 2 Simon J Gay       | 3 Jennifer Tomkinson | 4 Angela H Deakin |
| 5 Tina R Stoecklin (C) | 6 Margaret Williams |                      |                   |

First away from cover: 1. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

**11/12/2016**                      **1344 Selkirk Surprise Major**

|                     |                      |                    |                   |
|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Margaret Williams | 2 Jennifer Tomkinson | 3 Jonathan S Frye  | 4 Angela H Deakin |
| 5 Terry G Williams  | 6 Ruth M Marshall    | 7 Tina R Stoecklin | 8 Simon J Gay (C) |

Rung in celebration of the life of Susan Selkirk (1976-2016), who lost her brave fight against breast cancer in November.



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|-----------------------|---|---|
| <b>HADDINGTON</b>     | <b>St Mary,<br/>Sidegate</b>                      | Grid Ref: NT 518 736  |
| 8 Bells,              | Tenor 11-1-20 in F#<br>Sunday Ringing: 09.00-0930 | Church of Scotland<br>Practice: Friday 19.30-21.30<br>(Door closes 1930, reopens briefly at 2030) |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Sally Thomas</i>                               |   |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Liz Barr</i>                                   |   |
|                       |   | <b>Email: haddington@sacr.org</b>   |

| SACR MEMBERS: |                    | 2016<br>peals | Total<br>peals |
|---------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1977          | Nigel Booth (Life) | -             | 86             |
| 1980          | Sally Thomas       | 10            | 74             |
| 1982          | Christopher Thomas | 14            | 64             |
| 1988          | John Elcock        | -             | 4              |
| 1988          | Valerie Elcock     | -             | -              |
| 1992          | Elizabeth Barr     | -             | -              |
| 1993          | Hugh Pumphrey      | -             | 1              |
| 2000          | Jenny Mackie       | -             | 2              |
| 2000          | Rachel Mackie      | -             | -              |
| 2003          | Rose Pipes         | -             | -              |
| 2004          | Ron Wright         | -             | 4              |
| 2007          | Amanda Soutar      | -             | -              |
| 2007          | Jill Whyte         | -             | -              |
| 2013          | Bill Thompson      | -             | -              |
| 2015          | Ciaran Hardy       | -             | -              |
| 2015          | Nicola Elliott     | -             | -              |
| 2015          | Zachary Elliot     | -             | -              |
| 2016          | Julie Slocomb      | -             | -              |

The band has continued to develop through the year. We welcomed two new learners and everyone has made progress all round. Sunday service ringing is generally well-supported and we also rang for a number of weddings and several special occasions. Recruitment is still an issue, despite outreach activities like ringing for the Church's Martinmas Fair, during which we have the tower open to the public. We usually get a good number of visitors, but very few who wish to become learners, though there was success this year. We were recorded for the BBC's Watchnight Service this year, just a few seconds of our Grandsire Triples featuring at the opening of the program introduced by Sally Magnusson. We also

rang for BBC Music Day, the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and Prince Philip's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday, and for youngster Will Burrell (aged 8) who walked ten miles to the church to raise £500 for UNICEF, for his Beaver Challenge. As ever, we socialised too, the highlight being the annual dinner in mid summer.

We are trying gently to extend our repertoire of methods on a Friday evening, while continuing to work on striking and handling skills. At the more advanced end of things, Cambridge and Norwich Surprise Minor are fixtures, and Primrose is not far behind. Grandsire doubles and triples, Plain and Little minor and major and Kent TB Minor also feature. We pleasantly surprised ourselves by ringing a course of Double Norwich CB Major quite comfortably one evening and recently got through a course of Cambridge Major, having worked on half courses for several months. However, Stedman Triples often continues to fox us when taken beyond the plain course, especially when the conductor puts the bob in the wrong place, or forgets altogether! Our party piece is a touch of Cambridge, St Clements, Plain and Little on six – getting this round puts smiles on faces and warrants a dip into the sweetie tin!

Several ringers from St Mary's Cathedral were regular and welcome visitors through the year and we also welcomed the SACR President on several occasions when he was 'in town'. We didn't manage a proper day's outing, so had a mini-outing to ring at St Andrew's & St George's in Edinburgh in the autumn, giving some of our less experienced ringers to test their skills on different bells.

Four peals were scored at St Mary's, two of which were for the Scottish Association and involved one of us. There were several quarter peals, including one of Glasgow Surprise Major, rung after a mishap in the peal attempt! We welcomed several visiting bands, one of which (St Olave Society) rang a peal of Haddingtonshire Surprise Major.

Very sadly, Aileen Playfair passed away in July after a long illness. Although not a ringer in recent years, Aileen did begin to learn with husband George when the bells were first installed and was a founder member of the Society with George, who continues to be one of our stalwarts, Aileen was a keen supporter of the bells and close friend of the band, and she is much missed. We rang the bells to celebrate and give thanks for her life at the memorial service.

In the coming year, we hope to ring more quarter peals as a way of consolidating skills and methods, and to use some Saturday mornings for more concentrated teaching of handling for our beginners. It's surprising how busy and short a two-hour practice actually is! We are always pleased to see visitors, so if you are in the area on a Friday and short of something to do please to do, please come and join us.

## Chris Thomas

### *Haddington Quarters:*

**20/02/2016**

1 Jill Whyte  
5 Sally Thomas

**1260 Plain Bob Triples in 45m**

2 John Elcock  
6 Ron Wright

3 Julie Slocombe  
7 Chris Thomas (C)

4 Jenny Mackie  
8 Hugh Pumphrey

Rung in celebration of Ron and Heather Wright's Golden Wedding Anniversary

**10/12/2016**

1 Christopher W Thomas  
5 Peter J Williamson

**1250 Glasgow Surprise Major in 47 mins**

2 Sally L Thomas  
6 Colin P North

3 Simon Aves  
7 Susan E Bryce

4 Edmund G N Smith  
8 Michael J Clay (C)



|                       |                                   |  |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>INVERARAY</b>      | <b>All Saints,<br/>The Avenue</b> | Grid Ref: NN 095 085   |
| 10 Bells,             | Tenor 41-2-8 in C                 | Episcopalian   |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Angela Deakin</i>              |  |
|                       |                                   | <b>Email: <a href="mailto:inveraray@sacr.org">inveraray@sacr.org</a></b> |

2016 was a fairly quiet year for ringing at Inveraray. Father Simon continues to support the ringing of the bells as often as possible and there was ringing for three church services; the festival Eucharist in July, the Service of Requiem for the Departed in October and for the Carol Service in December. This year the Carol Service was at the Parish Church and many remarked on how lovely it was to hear the bells.

The maintenance of the bells has continued with the support of a number of volunteers. The majority of the work was carried out in April with regular checks being made on visits during the rest of the year. The tower again opened to the public during the summer. The tower was also opened in September as part of the Open Doors event in Argyll and Bute. All this work has been supported by the Bell Tower Committee, who appreciate the support the ringing community in Scotland and the SACR provides to the Bell Tower.

There were several visiting peal bands in 2016. There were eight attempts of which six peals were scored, two of which were SACR peals. The Inveraray ringing festival weekend at the end of July was well attended but it was noted that the SACR attendance on the Saturday was fairly low, continuing a trend that has been seen over the past few years. The ringing covered rounds to London and Bristol Royal with a quarter of Bristol Royal rung on the Saturday. We continue to receive very positive comments from visiting bands and ringers about the bells, organisation and the excellent overall Inveraray experience.

## Angela Deakin

### *Inveraray Quarters:*

#### 09/07/2016

1 Edward R Venn (C)  
5 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton  
9 Christopher W Thomas

#### 1763 Grandsire Caters in 1 hour 17 minutes

2 Angela H Deakin  
6 Peter G Kirton  
10 Jonathan S Frye

3 Sally L Thomas  
7 Peter J Williamson  
4 Robin R Churchill  
8 Nicholas C Sturgess

#### 30/07/2016

1 Ann Hughes  
5 Simon J Gay (C)  
9 Jonathan S Frye

#### 1280 Bristol Surprise Royal in 1h00

2 James P Ramsbottom  
6 John A Harrison  
10 Matthew D Hetherington

3 Duncan G Walker  
7 Tina R Stoecklin  
4 Ruth M Marshall  
8 James E Blackburn

First of Bristol Royal: 6. To celebrate the wedding, on Saturday 23rd July, of James Smith and Claire Haynes, who became engaged during the Inveraray Ringing Festival in 2013.



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|--|--|--------------------------------|
| <b>INVERNESS</b>   | <b>Cathedral Church of St Andrew,<br/>Ardross Street</b> | Grid Ref: NH 664 449           |
| 10 Bells,  | Tenor 16-3-12 in E <sup>b</sup>                          | Episcopalian                   |
|  | Sunday Ringing: 10.15-10.55<br>17.00-17.30               | Practice: Thursday 19.30-21.00 |
|  | <i>(Phone to confirm evening ringing)</i>                |                                |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b>  | <i>Mike Neale</i>  |                                |
| <b>Correspondent:</b>  | <i>Mike Neale</i>  |                                |
| <b>Email: <a href="mailto:inverness@sacr.org">inverness@sacr.org</a></b> |  |                                |

| <b>SACR MEMBERS:</b> |                               | 2016<br>peals | Total<br>peals |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1979                 | Peter Shipton                 | -             | 103            |
| 1983                 | Christine Rolffe-Budd (Assoc) | -             | -              |
| 1984                 | Linda Drake-Brockman (Assoc.) | -             | -              |
| 1988                 | Heather Preece                | -             | 4              |
| 1988                 | Nicholas Sturgess             | 1             | 51             |
| 1989                 | Edward Venn                   | 1             | 10             |
| 1989                 | Judy Venn                     | -             | 1              |
| 1997                 | Frank Fraser                  | -             | -              |
| 1998                 | Jacqueline Wiseman            | -             | -              |
| 2000                 | Lynn Wiseman                  | -             | -              |
| 2002                 | Michael Neale                 | -             | 6              |
| 2004                 | Hugh Collins                  | -             | 4              |
| 2004                 | Sue Varley                    | -             | -              |
| 2007                 | Tom Foy                       | -             | -              |
| 2007                 | Michelle Wiseman              | -             | -              |
| 2009                 | Emma Clements                 | -             | 2              |
| 2010                 | Sean Smith                    | -             | 4              |
| 2011                 | Nicola A Marshall             | -             | 1              |
| 2011                 | Rhiannon Pitt                 | -             | 1              |
| 2013                 | Michael Foulds                | -             | 1              |
| 2013                 | Struan Maclean                | -             | 1              |
| 2013                 | Rosie Evans (Stevenson)       | -             | -              |
| 2014                 | Catherine Pelleymounter       | -             | -              |
| 2014                 | John Joyce                    | -             | -              |
| 2016                 | Alex McKensie                 | -             | -              |
| 2016                 | Ellen Felber                  | -             | -              |
| 2016                 | Rosemary Bowdoin              | -             | -              |

Once again we welcomed the New Year with the ringing of Call Changes following 12 strikes on the tenor bell. Competition was fierce from the fireworks in the Northern Meeting Park behind the Cathedral.

On two occasions we have opened the tower to visitors in the hope of encouraging new recruits, in February there were 15 names on the list but no one stayed the course, however from September we have two novices making good progress.

Ted Venn has been busy organising Quarter Peals, 14 in all as listed below, Ellen scoring her first. Two peals have been rung on the ten bells for the Scottish Association. We now have a simulator installed on all 10 bells, most useful for training new recruits and holding practices when a service or other function is going on in the

cathedral below.

Four of our ringers, Ted, Sue, Hugh & Evan have been busy ringing hand bell quarter peals at either 'Alcaig or Edderton'.

Sadly Christine Rolffe-Budd, a ringer at Inverness for over 30 years died in February.

For the first 6 months of the year major works were carried out on the cathedral fabric, new lead roofs on the towers, new lead gutters to nave and isles, replacement slates where needed and repainting of metal work and the tower louvres. Included were also new ladders to the roof from the bell chamber. As access is through the bells the steeple keeper has fitted hand rails and cat walks to give safe access to the upper three bells, especially when securing the clappers for the simulator. An enjoyable dinner was held at the Craigmonie Hotel in February for ringers and their partners our thanks to Frank and Heather for organising it. Six weddings requested the bells and depending on the ringers available, call changes and two quarter peals were rung .

In March we visited Tulloch and rang 3 Quarters supported by local ringers, followed by a return visit with less experienced ringers for a 'ringer's day out' in April which also included a quarter on 'The Last Tower'. At the end of the year a band rang a quarter of Kent Minor at Nairn. This year the

number of ringers visiting the tower on practice night or for service ringing has exceeded 40, not including a visiting band of twelve.

In November Helen McGregor from Tulloch brought three of her novice ringers to one of our practice nights and four of our ringers attended one or more of their open days in the first week of December. All in all a successful year.

## Michael A. Neale

### ***Inverness Quarters:***

**06/03/2016**                    **1272 Plain Bob Minor in 43 minutes**  
1 Evan Roderick                    2 Catherine Pellemounter                    3 Nicola A Marshall                    4 Hugh G Collins  
5 Michael A Neale                    6 Edward R Venn (C)

Rung on the front six prior to Choral Evensong in memory of Christine Rolffe-Budd, a ringer at this tower from 1983 until 2015, who died on February 21st, 2016.

**17/04/2016**                    **1290 Grandsire Doubles in 43 minutes**  
1 Catherine Pellemounter                    2 Struan Maclean                    3 Evan Roderick                    4 Hugh G Collins  
5 Edward R Venn (C)                    6 Nicholas C Sturgess

Rung on the back six prior to Choral Evensong to commemorate the forthcoming 90th Birthday, on April 21st, of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II

**04/06/2016**                    **1320 Plain Bob Minor in 43 minutes**  
1 Rhiannon Pitt                    2 Nicola A Marshall                    3 Michael A Neale                    4 Struan Maclean  
5 Nicholas C Sturgess                    6 Edward R Venn (C)

Rung on the front six after a wedding

**19/06/2016**                    **1372 Plain Bob Triples in 51 minutes**  
1 Rhiannon Pitt                    2 Catherine Pellemounter                    3 Nicola A Marshall                    4 Evan Roderick  
5 Struan Maclean                    6 Hugh G Collins                    7 Edward R Venn (C)                    8 Nicholas C Sturgess

Rung prior to Choral Evensong to welcome the Rev'd Sarah Murray as the Cathedral's new Vice-Provost, who was licensed at that service

**25/06/2016**                    **1260 Stedman Doubles in 46m**  
1 Edward R Venn (C)                    2 Michael A Neale\*                    3 Michael Foulds\*                    4 Hugh G Collins  
5 Nicholas C Sturgess\*                    6 Struan Maclean\*

\* First QP of Stedman Doubles  
130th QP on the bells.

Rung by members of the Cathedral band of ringers

**22/07/2016**                    **1260 Plain Bob Doubles in 43 minutes**  
1 Michelle Wiseman                    2 Edward R Venn (C)                    3 Michael A Neale                    4 Struan Maclean  
5 Evan Roderick                    6 Ellen Felber\*

\* First QP.

Rung on the front six after a wedding.

**30/07/2016**                    **1260 Doubles in 42 minutes**  
1 Edward R Venn (C)                    2 Heather A Preece                    3 Nicola A Marshall                    4 Struan Maclean  
5 Evan Roderick                    6 Ellen Felber

Rung on the front six after a wedding.

**06/08/2016**                    **1320 Kent Treble Bob Minor in 47 minutes**  
1 Edward R Venn (C)                    2 Nicola A Marshall                    3 Struan Maclean\*                    4 Evan Roderick\*  
5 Michael Foulds                    6 Nicholas C Sturgess

\* First QP in the method

**04/09/2016**                    **1260 Doubles (5 Methods) in 43 minutes**  
1 Edward R Venn (C)                    2 Struan Maclean                    3 Michael A Neale                    4 Hugh G Collins  
5 Evan Roderick                    6 Ellen Felber

Rung on the front six prior to Choral Evensong

**02/10/2016**                      **1272 Kent Treble Bob Minor in 45 minutes**

|                           |                     |                       |                 |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1 Catherine Pelleymounter | 2 Michael A Neale   | 3 Nicholas C Sturgess | 4 Evan Roderick |
| 5 Struan Maclean          | 6 Edward R Venn (C) |                       |                 |

First QP of Treble Bob - 1  
 First QP of Kent Treble Bob - 2  
 Rung on the front six for Harvest Festival Choral Evensong

**12/11/2016**                      **1260 Doubles (2 Methods) in 42 minutes**

|                        |                       |                   |                 |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1 Judy F Venn          | 2 Edward R Venn       | 3 Michael A Neale | 4 Evan Roderick |
| 5 Struan A Maclean (C) | 6 Nicholas C Sturgess |                   |                 |

First as Conductor.  
 Rung half-muffled on the front six for the Remembrance Weekend, and prior to the Tower AGM

**13/11/2016**                      **1288 Plain Bob Triples in 49 minutes**

|                    |                           |                     |                   |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Rhiannon Pitt    | 2 Catherine Pelleymounter | 3 Nicola A Marshall | 4 Evan Roderick   |
| 5 Struan A Maclean | 6 Nicholas C Sturgess     | 7 Edward R Venn (C) | 8 Michael A Neale |

Rung half-muffled after Morning Service for Remembrance Sunday

**11/12/2016**                      **1272 Plain Bob Minor in 43 minutes**

|                  |                           |                    |                       |
|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Hugh G Collins | 2 Catherine Pelleymounter | 3 Michael A Neale* | 4 Nicholas C Sturgess |
| 5 Evan Roderick  | 6 Edward R Venn (C)       |                    |                       |

\* 200th Quarter-Peal  
 Rung after Morning Service on the front six.

**18/12/2016**                      **1260 Plain Bob Triples in 48 minutes**

|                    |                       |                     |                    |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Rhiannon Pitt    | 2 Hugh G Collins      | 3 Nicola A Marshall | 4 Heather A Preece |
| 5 Struan A Maclean | 6 Nicholas C Sturgess | 7 Edward R Venn (C) | 8 Michael A Neale  |

Rung prior to the Cathedral's evening Carol Service



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|-----------------------|---|------------------------------|
| <b>NAIRN</b>          | <b>Druim Campanile,<br/>Lochloy Road</b>  | Grid Ref: NH 912 575         |
| 8 Bells,              | Tenor 1-0-11 in C   | Private                      |
|                       | Ringling Times: First Tuesday in every month but check beforehand,<br>Other ringing by arrangement. |                              |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Peter Shipton</i>  |                              |
|                       |   | <b>Email: nairn@sacr.org</b> |

Inverness ringers visited in 2016 on December 30th to ring a Quarter of Kent Minor – see below. Another visiting band rang an SACR Peal during September as noted in the Peals section at the back of this report.

Otherwise the bells are available for visitors but please contact Peter first.

**Nairn Quarters:**

**30/12/2016**                      **1272 Kent Treble Bob Minor in 38 minutes**

|                    |                     |                  |                       |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Michael A Neale  | 2 Nicola A Marshall | 3 Hugh G Collins | 4 Nicholas C Sturgess |
| 5 Struan A Maclean | 6 Edward R Venn (C) |                  |                       |



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|-----------------------|--|--|
| <b>PAISLEY</b>        | <b>St James,<br/>Underwood Road</b>                            | Grid Ref: NS 477 642                               |
| 8 Bells,              | Tenor 22-1-17 in E <sup>b</sup><br>Sunday Ringing: 10.30-11.00 | Church of Scotland<br>Practice: Monday 19.30-21.00 |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Lesley Laing</i>  |  |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Lesley Laing</i>  |  |
|                       |  | <b>Email: paisley@sacr.org</b>                     |

| SACR MEMBERS: |                     | 2016<br>peals | total<br>peals |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1945          | Iain Peacock (Life) | -             | 1              |
| 1945          | Alex Scott (Life)   | -             | 3              |
| 1988          | Gavin Howat         | -             | 1              |
| 1992          | Eleanor Blake       | -             | -              |
| 2002          | Peter Whyatt        | 1             | 1              |
| 2005          | Lesley Laing        | -             | -              |
| 2011          | Fergus Colquhoun    | -             | -              |
| 2016          | Peter Nicholas      | -             | -              |
| 2016          | Colin Crawford      | -             | -              |

Closure of the church was announced early in 2016. The local band with help from SACR officers managed to arrange a rescue scheme for the bells but no decision was forthcoming from the church authorities. The final service was held in May. It was well attended by ringers who rang the bells for the last time. The church then closed at the end of the month. Since then several approaches have been made to the General Trustees of the Church of Scotland

without success.

All memorabilia and ropes etc. have been removed for safe keeping. Ringing is no longer possible.

### Terry Williams



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|-----------------------|---|--|
| <b>ST ANDREWS</b>     | <b>College Chapel of St Salvator<br/>North Street</b> | Grid Ref: NO 510 168   |
| 6 Bells,              | Tenor 7-3-20 in A<br>Sunday Ringing: 10.15-11.00      | University Chapel<br>Practice: Tuesday 19.00-21.00<br><i>(University term only, check before visiting)</i> |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Peter Kirton</i>                                   |  |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Rachel Davies</i>                                  |  |
|                       |   | <b>Email: st-andrews@sacr.org</b>  |

| SACR MEMBERS: |                                | 2016<br>Peals | Total<br>peals |
|---------------|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2009          | Peter Williamson               | 24            | 266            |
| 2010          | Rachel Williamson (nee Davies) | -             | -              |
| 2011          | Simon Chadwick                 | -             | -              |
| 2012          | Peter Kirton                   | 24            | 62             |
| 2013          | Gina Weston                    | -             | -              |
| 2014          | Joseph Wilson                  | -             | 1              |
| 2014          | Phillip Baiocchi               | 1             | 1              |
| 2014          | Louisa Anderson                | -             | -              |

In 2016 we have been ringing regularly in term-time for Sunday services, and held practices on Tuesdays. In June we rang for each of the four days of graduation. We are grateful for the support of ringers from Edinburgh for these ringing marathons. In November we rang for the new Principal's installation, as well as three more graduation ceremonies. During the year we

rang for 16 weddings, and the Kate Kennedy procession. In December we rang for the alumni carol service.

We have welcomed Al, Sherrill, Haio, Tim and Lesley as new ringers. They have all made excellent progress following expert tuition from Simon. A third Peter has also come to join us. Peter Jupp has resumed ringing after a 35 year absence- which just goes to show that you never really forget! Over the summer Helen and Markus also temporarily joined us and we were grateful for their contributions.

There were 6 SACR quarter peals during the year, including a first quarter for Al, first quarter inside for Philip and a contribution to 'Strike back against blood cancer'. There were two SACR peals on the tower bells, one to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Good progress was also made on handbells, with two first quarter peals in hand for Isabella and Philip.

## Rachel Williamson

### St Andrews Quarters:

**19/01/2016**                      **1320 Norwich Surprise Minor**  
 1 Rachel C Williamson            2 Peter J Williamson            3 Simon Chadwick            4 Duncan Malloch  
 5 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton       6 Peter Kirton (C)

**23/06/2016**                      **1260 Grandsire Doubles**  
 1 Duncan Malloch                2 Philip Baiocchi                3 Helen Smith                4 Simon Chadwick  
 5 Peter Kirton (C)                6 Michael Durbar

For those graduating from the University of St Andrews this week  
 First Grandsire inside: 2  
 First in Scotland: 3

**24/06/2016**                      **1260 Doubles (2m)**  
 1 Rachel C Williamson            2 Philip Baiocchi                3 Helen Smith                4 Simon Chadwick  
 5 Peter J Williamson (C)        6 Duncan Malloch

Rung for "Strike Back Against Blood Cancer" and for the Graduations today at the University of St Andrews

**16/07/2016**                      **1260 Doubles (2m)**  
 1 Peter Jupp                        2 Helen Smith                    3 Rachel C Williamson       4 Philip Baiocchi  
 5 Peter J Williamson (C)

Rung following the wedding of Helen Walker and Stephen Fleming.  
 First quarter for approx. 35 years: 1.

**30/11/2016**                      **1260 Grandsire Doubles**  
 1 Simon Chadwick                2 Rachel C Williamson        3 Peter C Jupp                4 Duncan K Malloch  
 5 Peter Kirton (C)                6 Al J Rossin

First quarter peal: 6.

For the graduations at the University of St Andrews on St Andrews Day, and to welcome the new Principal.

**17/12/2016**                      **1260 Doubles (1p, 2m)**  
 1 Peter Jupp                        2 Roy Dyckhoff                3 Rachel C Williamson       4 Duncan Malloch  
 5 Peter J Williamson (C)

To celebrate the marriage of Lydia and Russell



|  |  |                              |
|--|--|------------------------------|
| <b>STIRLING</b>  | <b>Church of the Holy Rude,<br/>St John Street</b> | Grid Ref: NS 791 938         |
| 6 Bells,   | Tenor 6-3-25 in B <sup>b</sup>                     | Church of Scotland           |
|  | Sunday Ringing: 10.30-11.30                        | Practice: Friday 19.30-21.00 |
|  | <i>(Second Sunday Jan-Jun)</i>                     | <i>(Phone to confirm)</i>    |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b>  | <i>Rob Ferguson</i>                                |                              |
| <b>Correspondent:</b>  | <i>Rob Ferguson</i>                                |                              |
| <b>Email: <a href="mailto:stirling@sacr.org">stirling@sacr.org</a></b> |  |                              |

| SACR MEMBERS: |                           | 2016<br>Peals | Total<br>peals |
|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1976          | Alastair McFarlane (Life) | -             | -              |
| 1991          | Susan McGowan             | -             | -              |
| 2003          | Rob Ferguson              | -             | 1              |

This year we have rung for Sunday morning service fortnightly between January and June with quarter peals and general ringing. Friday practices have been consistently well attended with 10 - 15 ringers of all levels, allowing us to ring

everything from rounds and call changes to spliced Surprise Minor. Monthly visits to St John's, Alloa for practice have continued.

There have been three peals, two by SACR - one, a first peal for Philip Baiocchi on the treble - and one by a visiting band - the St Blaise Society. There have been six quarter peals, mostly for morning service by the local band. Highlights were a quarter of Stirling Delight Minor (the tower method and not easily rung) by a visiting band. The local band rang a quarter of Cambridge for morning service for the laying up of the Standard of the RAF 43rd Fighter Squadron, and a quarter of Grandsire Doubles to commemorate the official 90th birthday of HM Queen.

This year, at long last (too long, I can hear many visiting and striking competition ringers plead!), we have sorted out the tail ends on our ropes. The ropes were kindly donated some years ago by Dunblane Cathedral ringers, but were rather long for the Stirling wheels resulting in a lot of knitting to get the tails to a reasonable length, this resulted in wear and tear below the sallies with one rope breaking and another on the point of failure. In July the ropes were sent to Mendip Ropes for new hemp tails that were spliced into the ropes in the bottom end of the sally and with no visible join. No more knitting and (we hope) some improved striking. Our thanks to St John's, Alloa for accommodating Stirling practices at Alloa during the four weeks that the ropes were away for their rejuvenation.

**Rob Ferguson**  
***Stirling Quarters:***

|                   |                        |                 |               |
|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| <b>17/01/2016</b> | <b>1272 Minor (2m)</b> |                 |               |
| 1 Eric McNally    | 2 Alex Frye            | 3 Susan McGowan | 4 Judith Frye |
| 5 Rob Ferguson    | 6 Robert McGowan (C)   |                 |               |

For Morning Service

|                    |  |             |                   |
|--------------------|--|-------------|-------------------|
| <b>22/05/2016</b>  | <b>1272 Cambridge Surprise Minor in 42 m</b> |             |                   |
| 1 Susan McGowan    | 2 Eric McNally                               | 3 Alex Frye | 4 Robert Ferguson |
| 5 Robert D McGowan | 6 Magnus Peterson (C)                        |             |                   |

Rung for the service here this day for the Laying Up of the Standard of 43 Fighter Squadron of the Royal Air Force.

|                   |                                      |             |                |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| <b>12/06/2016</b> | <b>1259 Grandsire Doubles in 42m</b> |             |                |
| 1 Eric McNally    | 2 Susan McGowan                      | 3 Alex Frye | 4 Rob Ferguson |
| 5 R D McGowan (C) | 6 Alastair Macfarlane                |             |                |

For Official 90th Birthday of Queen Elizabeth II



|                       |   |  |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| <b>TULLOCH</b>        | <b>Tulloch Ringing Centre, and Last Tower<br/>Tulloch Farm, Roybridge</b> | Grid Ref: NN 329 806   |
| 12 Bells,<br>8 Bells  | Tenor 7-2-4 in B <sup>b</sup><br>Tenor 1-1-15 in A                        | Private  |
| <b>Tower Captain:</b> | <i>Roy Dyckhoff</i>   | Ringing by Arrangement   |
| <b>Correspondent:</b> | <i>Peter Bevis</i>  |  |
|                       |   | <b>Email: <a href="mailto:tulloch@sacr.org">tulloch@sacr.org</a><br/><a href="http://www.tullochbells.com">www.tullochbells.com</a><br/>FB: TullochBells</b> |

| <b>SACR MEMBERS:</b> |                  | 2016<br>Peals | Total<br>peals |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2002                 | Peter Bevis      | 1             | 4              |
| 2002                 | Helen M McGregor | 1             | 9              |
| 2013                 | Nicholas Jones   | -             | 3              |
| 2013                 | Jack Page        | -             | 2              |
| 2013                 | Stephen Rossiter | -             | 1              |
| 2014                 | Nicola Lever     | -             | -              |

Once again Tulloch is the premier Scottish centre for peal and quarter ringing, with 15 peals (7 at the Last Tower, 8 at the Ringing Centre) and 55 quarters (11 at the Last Tower, 44 at the Ringing Centre). Despite its isolation, we have had a steady stream of visitors and support from Inverness and Scottish ringers generally. Peal

fees continue to make a valuable source of revenue for the SACR bell restoration fund.

But Tulloch has always aimed to be more than just a teaching centre and peal factory. The local band has struggled through 2016, losing two key members; Moira Tregaskis, who learned at Tulloch and Roy Dyckhoff, acting Tower Captain. Their loss has galvanised the band into advertising locally for new learners and lapsed ringers with considerable success. We have also appealed for help from the greater ringing community and have recruited a series of helpers with ITTS training have pledged to take a week or more each to train our young band.

Our Higby dumb-bell is proving to be an essential teaching aid for a band such as ours, that can so rarely field a steady team for learning to hunt and ring methods. We cannot recommend it highly enough.

## Peter Bevis

### Tulloch Ringing Centre Quarters:

|   |   |                     |                    |
|---|---|---------------------|--------------------|
| <b>03/01/2016</b>   | <b>1260 Plain Bob Doubles in 36m</b>          |                     |                    |
| 1 Peter J R Bevis   | 2 Simon J Gay                                 | 3 Helen M McGregor  | 4 Jonathan S Frye  |
| 5 Tina R Stoecklin (C)                                      | 6 Thomas J S Gay                              |                     |                    |
| 1st quarter in tower: 6                                     |   |                     |                    |
| <b>27/02/2016</b>   | <b>1260 Doubles (3 Methods) in 40 minutes</b> |                     |                    |
| 1 Edward R Venn (C)   | 2 Michael A Neale                             | 3 Roy Dyckhoff      | 4 Helen M McGregor |
| 5 Hugh G Collins  | 6 Peter J R Bevis                             |                     |                    |
| <b>27/02/2016</b>   | <b>1260 Plain Bob Triples in 42 minutes</b>   |                     |                    |
| 1 Michael A Neale   | 2 Susan Varley                                | 3 Roy Dyckhoff      | 4 Helen M McGregor |
| 5 Hugh G Collins  | 6 Peter J R Bevis                             | 7 Edward R Venn (C) | 8 Evan Roderick    |
| <b>02/04/2016</b>   | <b>1269 Doubles (3 Methods) in 39 minutes</b> |                     |                    |
| 1 Edward R Venn (C)   | 2 Roy Dyckhoff                                | 3 Hugh G Collins    | 4 Michael A Neale  |
| 5 Michael Foulds  | 6 Michelle Wiseman                            |                     |                    |
| Rung on the middle six after a successful all-day practice. |   |                     |                    |
| <b>11/06/2016</b>   | <b>1311 Stedman Cinques in 48m</b>            |                     |                    |
| 1 Edward R Venn   | 2 Christopher J Frye                          | 3 Simon J Gay       | 4 Colin P North    |
| 5 Peter G Kirton  | 6 Mike J Clay (C)                             | 7 Simon H Aves      | 8 Edmund G N Smith |
| 9 Chris W Thomas  | 10 Nicholas C Sturgess                        | 11 Jonathan S Frye  | 12 Ruth M Marshall |
| First Stedman Cinques: 9                                    |   |                     |                    |

11/06/2016

1 Mike J Clay  
5 Robin R Churchill  
9 Edmund G N Smith

1346 Yorkshire Surprise Maximus in 48m

2 Peter G Kirton  
6 Christopher J Frye  
10 Chris W Thomas

3 Ruth M Marshall  
7 Colin P North  
11 Simon J Gay (C)

4 Susan E Bryce  
8 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton  
12 Jonathan S Frye

12/11/2016

1 Peter J Williamson  
5 Peter G Kirton  
9 Peter Valuks

1298 Avon Delight Maximus in 48m

2 Simon J Gay  
6 Edmund G N Smith  
10 Jonathan S Frye

3 Michael J Clay (C)  
7 Ian P Bell  
11 Matthew D Hetherington

4 Robin R Churchill  
8 Susan E Bryce  
12 Simon A Percy

First in method: 5,6,7,8. First for the association.

12/11/2016

1 Simon J Gay  
5 Tina R Stoecklin  
9 Christopher J Frye

1344 Avon Delight Maximus in 51m

2 Jennifer A Holden  
6 Simon A Percy  
10 Colin P North

3 Peter J Williamson  
7 Helen M McGregor  
11 Jonathan S Frye

4 Ruth M Marshall  
8 Matthew D Hetherington  
12 Michael J Clay (C)

First in method: 2,3,4,7,9,10

### **Tulloch The Last Tower Quarters:**

27/02/2016

1 Emily Roderick  
5 Michael A Neale

1260 Doubles (3 Methods) in 39 minutes

2 Edward R Venn (C)  
6 Peter J R Bevis

3 Hugh G Collins

4 Evan Roderick

18/06/2016

1 Molly Williams  
5 Alex Frye (C)

1320 Plain Bob Doubles in 40mins

2 Adam Gibson  
6 Judith Frye

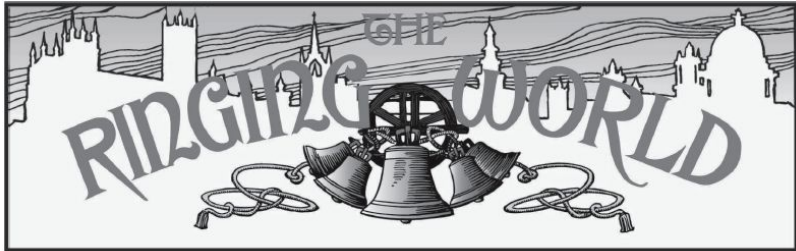
3 Struan Maclean

4 Chris Frye

1st quarter: 1



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## OTHER MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY 2016

| UNATTACHED MEMBERS:                            |                  | 2016 Peals | Total Peals |
|--|------------------|------------|-------------|
| 1984   | Clare Caley      | -          | 251         |
| 1994   | Jason Hargreaves | 5          | 111         |
| 2011   | Richard Tibbetts | 13         | 25          |
| <b>ELECTED TO NON-RESIDENT LIFE MEMBERSHIP</b> |                  |            |             |
| 2016   | David Pipe       |            |             |
| 2016   | Henry Pipe       |            |             |

Life Members and Associate members are listed with their respective towers. Life Membership has been conferred on ringers in recognition of their outstanding contribution to the Association.

| MEMBERS ELECTED IN 2017 TO DATE: |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| 2017                             | Patrick Deakin (Aberdeen)              |
| 2017                             | Ross Greig (Aberdeen)                  |
| 2017                             | Sylvia Greig (Aberdeen)                |
| 2017                             | Sonja Lehrknecht (Aberdeen)            |
| 2017                             | Caroline Wilhelmsson (Aberdeen)        |
| 2017                             | Lucy Smith(Dundee)                     |
| 2017                             | Naomi Valuks(Dundee)                   |
| 2017                             | Gillian Bennett(Dundee)                |
| 2017                             | Carly Cooper(Dundee)                   |
| 2017                             | Godfrey Hall (Dunkeld)                 |
| 2017                             | Leslie Hall (Dunkeld)                  |
| 2017                             | Jem Birrell (St Mary's Edinburgh)      |
| 2017                             | Rachel Frost (St Cuthbert's Edinburgh) |
| 2017                             | Annie Loveday-Hill (Glasgow)           |
| 2017                             | Dawn McAleer (Inverness)               |
| 2017                             | Evan Roderick (Inverness)              |
| 2017                             | Peter Jupp (St Andrews)                |
| 2017                             | Al Roissin (St Andrews)                |
| 2017                             | Sherrill Keefe (St Andrews)            |
| 2017                             | Tim Bailey (St Andrews)                |
| 2017                             | Sue Turner (Tulloch)                   |
| 2017                             | Ian Turner (Tulloch)                   |
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## 2016 QUARTER PEALS OUTSIDE SCOTLAND

### *Gainsborough – All Saints:*

|                         |   |                     |                |
|-------------------------|---|---------------------|----------------|
| <b>06/02/2016</b>       | <b>1280 Cambridge Surprise Major in 50m</b> |                     |                |
| 1 Helen Brotherton      | 2 Delia Heppenstall                         | 3 Margaret Williams | 4 Barbara Bell |
| 5 Robin Heppenstall (C) | 6 Terry Williams                            | 7 Bill Brotherton   | 8 Sean Langton |

90th Birthday compliment to Mabel Townhill & Graham Bell.

## 2016 HANDBELL QUARTER PEALS

### *Alcaig - Fernlea:*

|                       |   |                    |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------|
| <b>11/07/2016</b>     | <b>1320 Plain Bob Minor in 40 minutes</b> |                    |
| 1-2 Edward R Venn (C) | 3-4 Sue Varley                            | 5-6 Hugh G Collins |

First quarter-peat in the house and on these handbells

|                    |   |                       |
|--------------------|---|-----------------------|
| <b>25/07/2016</b>  | <b>1344 Plain Bob Major in 40 minutes</b> |                       |
| 1-2 Evan Roderick* | 3-4 Sue Varley                            | 5-6 Hugh G Collins    |
|                    |   | 7-8 Edward R Venn (C) |

\* First Quarter-Peal on handbells

|                    |   |                       |
|--------------------|---|-----------------------|
| <b>15/08/2016</b>  | <b>1260 Plain Bob Minor in 35 minutes</b> |                       |
| 1-2 Evan Roderick* | 3-4 Hugh G Collins                        | 5-6 Edward R Venn (C) |

First handbell Quarter-Peal on six bells

|   |   |                    |                       |
|---|---|--------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>22/08/2016</b><br>1-2 Evan Roderick  | <b>1344 Plain Bob Major in 40 minutes</b><br>3-4 Sue Varley           | 5-6 Hugh G Collins | 7-8 Edward R Venn (C) |
| <b>29/08/2016</b><br>1-2 Evan Roderick  | <b>1264 Plain Bob Major in 38 minutes</b><br>3-4 Sue Varley           | 5-6 Hugh G Collins | 7-8 Edward R Venn (C) |
| <b>05/09/2016</b><br>1-2 Sue Varley     | <b>1344 Plain Bob Major in 40 minutes</b><br>3-4 Evan Roderick        | 5-6 Hugh G Collins | 7-8 Edward R Venn (C) |
| <b>12/09/2016</b><br>1-2 Sue Varley     | <b>1280 Plain Bob Major in 37 minutes</b><br>3-4 Evan Roderick        | 5-6 Hugh G Collins | 7-8 Edward R Venn (C) |
| <b>10/10/2016</b><br>1-2 Evan Roderick  | <b>1296 Plain Bob Major in 41 minutes</b><br>3-4 Sue Varley           | 5-6 Hugh G Collins | 7-8 Edward R Venn (C) |
| <b>31/10/2016</b><br>1-2 Sue Varley     | <b>1264 Plain Bob Major in 40 minutes</b><br>3-4 Evan Roderick        | 5-6 Hugh G Collins | 7-8 Edward R Venn (C) |
| <b>19/11/2016</b><br>1-2 Evan Roderick* | <b>2016 Plain Bob Major in 1 hour and 5 minutes</b><br>3-4 Sue Varley | 5-6 Hugh G Collins | 7-8 Edward R Venn (C) |

\* First "Date Touch" and longest length.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Sue Varley (November 14th).

### ***Dundee – 17 Lintrathen Gardens:***

|  |   |                           |  |
|--|---|---------------------------|--|
| <b>13/04/2016</b><br>1-2 Margaret C Gamble | <b>1440 Cambridge Surprise Minor</b><br>3-4 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton | 5-6 Robin R Churchill (C) |  |
|--|---|---------------------------|--|

First of surprise on handbells by a Dundee band and first surprise in hand 1-2

### ***Edderton – Sloibcoyle Croft:***

|  |   |                       |  |
|--|---|-----------------------|--|
| <b>15/10/2016</b><br>1-2 Evan Roderick | <b>1260 Plain Bob Minor in 36 minutes</b><br>3-4 Hugh G Collins | 5-6 Edward R Venn (C) |  |
|--|---|-----------------------|--|

First QP on the "Kerrow Bells" for 23 years

|  |   |                       |  |
|--|---|-----------------------|--|
| <b>26/11/2016</b><br>1-2 Evan Roderick | <b>1260 Plain Bob Minor in 36 minutes</b><br>3-4 Hugh G Collins | 5-6 Edward R Venn (C) |  |
|--|---|-----------------------|--|

### ***Glasgow – 1 Albany Quadrant:***

|  |   |                     |                     |
|--|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| <b>21/01/2016</b><br>1-2 Angela H Deakin<br>In memory of Beryl Chappell (1921-2016). | <b>1344 Belfast Surprise Major</b><br>3-4 Tina R Stoecklin      | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye | 7-8 Simon J Gay (C) |
| <b>18/02/2016</b><br>1-2 Angela H Deakin   | <b>1632 Spliced Surprise Major (4m)</b><br>3-4 Tina R Stoecklin | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye | 7-8 Simon J Gay (C) |
| <b>22/02/2016</b><br>1-2 Angela H Deakin   | <b>1280 Spliced Surprise Major (4m)</b><br>3-4 Tina R Stoecklin | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye | 7-8 Simon J Gay (C) |
| <b>07/03/2016</b><br>1-2 Angela H Deakin   | <b>1314 Spliced Surprise Major (4m)</b><br>3-4 Tina R Stoecklin | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye | 7-8 Simon J Gay (C) |

|   |  |                           |                             |
|---|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>18/04/2016</b>   | <b>1632 Spliced Surprise Major (4m)</b>              |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Angela H Deakin   | 3-4 Tina R Stoecklin                                 | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye       | 7-8 Simon J Gay (C)         |
| To congratulate James and Sarah on the birth of Rupert James Blackburn.   |  |                           |                             |
| <b>07/05/2016</b>   | <b>1344 Plain Bob Major</b>                          |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Simon J Gay   | 3-4 Helen M McGregor                                 | 5-6 Angela H Deakin       | 7-8 Peter G Kirton (C)      |
| Congratulations to Leicester City Football Club on winning the Premiership.<br>First on 8 handbells as conductor.<br>Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day. |  |                           |                             |
| <b>07/05/2016</b>   | <b>1344 Plain Bob Major</b>                          |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Peter J R Bevis   | 3-4 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton                          | 5-6 Nicholas W Jones (C)  | 7-8 Isabella Scott          |
| First on 8: 7-8.<br>Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.  |  |                           |                             |
| <b>07/05/2016</b>   | <b>1344 Plain Bob Major</b>                          |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Hugh G Collins  | 3-4 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton                          | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye (C)   | 7-8 Philip Baiocchi         |
| First on 8: 7-8.<br>Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.  |  |                           |                             |
| <b>07/05/2016</b>   | <b>1312 Plain Bob Major</b>                          |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Jennifer A Holden   | 3-4 Alex P Frye                                      | 5-6 Robin R Churchill (C) | 7-8 Isabella Scott          |
| Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.  |  |                           |                             |
| <b>07/05/2016</b>   | <b>1280 Kent Treble Bob Major</b>                    |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Margaret C Gamble   | 3-4 Helen M McGregor                                 | 5-6 Ian P Bell            | 7-8 Nicholas W Jones (C)    |
| Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.  |  |                           |                             |
| <b>07/05/2016</b>   | <b>1312 Kent Treble Bob Major</b>                    |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Peter J R Bevis   | 3-4 Jennifer A Holden                                | 5-6 Robin R Churchill (C) | 7-8 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton |
| Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.  |  |                           |                             |
| <b>07/05/2016</b>   | <b>1280 Yorkshire Surprise Major</b>                 |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Peter J R Bevis   | 3-4 Simon J Gay (C)                                  | 5-6 Tina R Stoecklin      | 7-8 Peter G Kirton          |
| First Surprise in hand: 7-8.<br>A birthday compliment to Tina Stoecklin.<br>Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.  |  |                           |                             |
| <b>07/05/2016</b>   | <b>1280 Yorkshire Surprise Major</b>                 |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Peter J R Bevis   | 3-4 Simon J Gay (C)                                  | 5-6 Tina R Stoecklin      | 7-8 Ian P Bell              |
| Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.  |  |                           |                             |
| <b>01/10/2016</b>   | <b>1250 Lincolnshire Surprise Major</b>              |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Angela H Deakin   | 3-4 Simon J Gay (C)                                  | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye       | 7-8 Peter G Kirton          |
| Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.  |  |                           |                             |
| <b>01/10/2016</b>   | <b>1280 Yorkshire Surprise Major</b>                 |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Angela H Deakin   | 3-4 Helen M McGregor                                 | 5-6 Simon J Gay (C)       | 7-8 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton |
| Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.  |  |                           |                             |
| <b>01/10/2016</b>   | <b>1440 Kent Treble Bob Royal</b>                    |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Angela H Deakin   | 3-4 Helen M McGregor                                 | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye       | 7-8 Simon J Gay             |
| 9-10 Peter G Kirton (C)   |  |                           |                             |
| First on 10 handbells, and first of Royal as conductor: 9-10.<br>Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.   |  |                           |                             |
| <b>01/10/2016</b>   | <b>1440 Kent Treble Bob Royal</b>                    |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Marcus A Wheel  | 3-4 Peter G Kirton                                   | 5-6 Nicholas C Tithecott  | 7-8 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton |
| 9-10 Simon J Gay (C)  |  |                           |                             |
| Rung at the Scottish Handbell Day.  |  |                           |                             |
| <b>21/11/2016</b>   | <b>1632 Spliced Surprise Major (4m)</b>              |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Angela H Deakin   | 3-4 Tina R Stoecklin                                 | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye       | 7-8 Simon J Gay (C)         |
| In memory of Sue Brightman.   |  |                           |                             |
| <b>05/12/2016</b>   | <b>1260 Julie McDonnell Slow Course Minor in 37m</b> |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Angela H Deakin   | 3-4 Tina R Stoecklin                                 | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye (C)   |                             |
| <b>19/12/2016</b>   | <b>2016 Spliced Surprise Major (4m)</b>              |                           |                             |
| 1-2 Angela H Deakin   | 3-4 Tina R Stoecklin                                 | 5-6 Jonathan S Frye       | 7-8 Simon J Gay (C)         |

**St Andrews – 8 Reid Gardens:**

**03/05/2016**                      **1260 Plain Bob Minor**  
 1-2 Isabella Scott                      3-4 Peter Kirton (C)                      5-6 Philip Baiocchi  
 1st in hand 1-2, 5-6  
 1st Minor 1-2  
 1st as conductor in hand 3-4

**Tulloch – Tulloch Lodge:**

**02/01/2016**                      **1260 Plain Bob Minor**  
 1-2 Thomas J S Gay                      3-4 Peter J R Bevis                      5-6 Simon J Gay (C)  
 First quarter (age 12): 1-2

**02/01/2016**                      **1250 Yorkshire Surprise Major**  
 1-2 Angela H Deakin                      3-4 Ian P Bell                      5-6 Jack E Page (C)                      7-8 Stephen A Elwell-Sutton

**02/01/2016**                      **1250 Yorkshire Surprise Major**  
 1-2 Barbara Bell                      3-4 Jack E Page (C)                      5-6 Jonathan S Frye                      7-8 Sue Varley  
 First of Surprise Major in hand: 1-2

**02/01/2016**                      **1360 Kent Treble Bob Royal**  
 1-2 Sue Varley                      3-4 Angela H Deakin                      5-6 Jack E Page (C)                      7-8 Jonathan S Frye  
 9-10 Hugh Collins

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|----------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Aberdeen, St Machar              | 0         | 3          | 2          | 7         | 0         | 3         | 1         | 2          | 0          | 1          | 0         |
| Aberdeen, St Mary                | 0         | 0          | 0          | 3         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0         |
| Alloa                            | 1         | 1          | 3          | 1         | 0         | 2         | 1         | 2          | 0          | 0          | 1         |
| Dumfries                         | -         | -          | -          | -         | -         | -         | -         | -          | 0          | 1          | 1         |
| Dunblane                         | 4         | 6          | 5          | 8         | 5         | 3         | 3         | 10         | 4          | 5          | 6         |
| Dundee, Old Steeple              | 0         | 1          | 1          | 1         | 0         | 1         | 0         | 1          | 0          | 1          | 1         |
| Dundee, St Pauls                 | 0         | 3          | 0          | 2         | 0         | 4         | 6         | 1          | 0          | 1          | 6         |
| Dunkeld                          | 0         | 3          | 0          | 0         | 1         | 0         | 1         | 2          | 2          | 0          | 1         |
| Edinburgh, Fettes                | 6         | 3          | 3          | 1         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 1          | 0          | 0          | 0         |
| Edinburgh, St Andrew & St George | -         | 13         | 33         | 17        | 18        | 19        | 6         | 3          | 5          | 2          | 5         |
| Edinburgh, St Cuthbert           | 11        | 14         | 19         | 6         | 19        | 12        | 19        | 12         | 7          | 3          | 1         |
| Edinburgh, St Mary               | 6         | 12         | 12         | 6         | 11        | 6         | 2         | 4          | 7          | 7          | 2         |
| Glasgow                          | 12        | 20         | 16         | 11        | 10        | 12        | 11        | 9          | 12         | 7          | 13        |
| Haddington                       | 8         | 5          | 2          | 2         | 0         | 2         | 1         | 2          | 5          | 3          | 2         |
| Inveraray                        | 1         | 3          | 6          | 4         | 1         | 3         | 4         | 2          | 2          | 4          | 2         |
| Inverness                        | 1         | 4          | 3          | 4         | 6         | 2         | 6         | 5          | 17         | 14         | 14        |
| Mini Ring                        | 4         | -          | -          | -         | -         | -         | -         | -          | -          | -          | -         |
| Nairn                            | 0         | 3          | 2          | 1         | 2         | 0         | 0         | 0          | 2          | 2          | 1         |
| Paisley                          | 0         | 2          | 1          | 1         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0         |
| St Andrews                       | -         | -          | -          | -         | 0         | 4         | 7         | 12         | 6          | 8          | 6         |
| Stirling                         | 7         | 4          | 6          | 4         | 4         | 10        | 7         | 3          | 4          | 3          | 3         |
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| <b>Total Tower Quarters</b>      | <b>61</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>114</b> | <b>79</b> | <b>77</b> | <b>83</b> | <b>75</b> | <b>102</b> | <b>106</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>76</b> |
| Alcaig – Fernlea                 |           |            |            |           |           |           |           |            |            |            | 10        |
| Dundee – 17 Lintrathen Gardens   |           |            |            |           |           |           |           |            |            |            | 1         |
| Edderton – Sloibcoyle            |           |            |            |           |           |           |           |            |            |            | 2         |
| Glasgow – 1 Albany Quadrant      |           |            |            |           |           |           |           |            |            |            | 20        |
| St Andrews – 8 Reaid Gardens     |           |            |            |           |           |           |           |            |            |            | 1         |
| Tulloch – Tulloch Lodge          |           |            |            |           |           |           |           |            |            |            | 4         |
| <b>Handbell Quarters</b>         | <b>17</b> | <b>12</b>  | <b>3</b>   | <b>11</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>37</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>46</b>  | <b>33</b>  | <b>46</b>  | <b>38</b> |



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## LEADING RINGERS AND CONDUCTORS OF QUARTER PEALS 2016

| Ringers                 | Tower | Handbell | Total |
|-------------------------|-------|----------|-------|
| Edward R Venn           | 21    | 12       | 33    |
| Simon J Gay             | 14    | 15       | 29    |
| Jonathan S Frye         | 14    | 13       | 27    |
| Hugh G Collins          | 12    | 14       | 26    |
| Evan Roderick           | 13    | 11       | 24    |
| Angela H Deakin         | 9     | 14       | 23    |
| Peter G Kirton          | 13    | 5        | 18    |
| Stephen A Elwell-Sutton | 11    | 6        | 17    |
| Tina Stoecklin          | 7     | 10       | 17    |
| Michael A Neale         | 15    |          | 15    |
| Ruth M Marshall         | 15    |          | 15    |
| Robin Churchill         | 11    | 3        | 14    |
| Struan Maclean          | 14    |          | 14    |
| Michael J Clay          | 13    |          | 13    |
| Nicholas C Sturgess     | 13    |          | 13    |
| Alex Frye               | 10    | 1        | 11    |
| Sue Varley              |       | 11       | 11    |
| Christopher J Frye      | 10    |          | 10    |
| Ian P Bell              | 7     | 3        | 10    |
| Jennifer Tomkinson      | 10    |          | 10    |
| Margaret Williams       | 10    |          | 10    |
| Peter J Williamson      | 10    |          | 10    |
| Terry G Williams        | 10    |          | 10    |

| Conductors              | Tower | Handbell | Total |
|-------------------------|-------|----------|-------|
| Edward R Venn           | 19    | 12       | 31    |
| Simon J Gay             | 8     | 13       | 21    |
| Michael J Clay          | 10    |          | 10    |
| Peter G Kirton          | 4     | 3        | 7     |
| Jennifer Tomkinson      | 4     |          | 4     |
| Peter Valuks            | 4     |          | 4     |
| Jack E Page             |       | 3        | 3     |
| Magnus Peterson         | 3     |          | 3     |
| Peter J Williamson      | 3     |          | 3     |
| Robert D McGowan        | 3     |          | 3     |
| Robin Churchill         |       | 3        | 3     |
| Tina Stoecklin          | 3     |          | 3     |
| Alex Frye               | 2     |          | 2     |
| Jonathan S Frye         |       | 1        | 2     |
| Nicholas W Jones        |       | 2        | 2     |
| Simon Aves              | 2     |          | 2     |
| Stephen A Elwell-Sutton | 2     |          | 2     |
| Christopher J Frye      | 2     |          | 2     |
| Chris W Thomas          | 1     |          | 1     |
| Ed Gosden               | 1     |          | 1     |
| Ian P Bell              | 1     |          | 1     |
| Mark A Bell             | 1     |          | 1     |
| Robin Heppenstall       | 1     |          | 1     |
| Struan A Maclean        | 1     |          | 1     |
| Tim Gatland             | 1     |          | 1     |

# SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION PEALS RUNG IN 2016

**892**

**ST ANDREWS**, Fife, College Chapel of St Salvator  
Thursday 21 January, 2016, 2h49 (7-3-20cwt)

## 5040 Delight Minor

(One extent each: Conway, Ludlow, Wath, Carisbrooke, Edinburgh, Kentish, Oswald)

- |                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Laurence P J Bourton | 4. Peter G Kirton     |
| 2. Richard J W Tibbetts | 5. Edmund G N Smith   |
| 3. Peter J Williamson   | 6. Michael J Clay (C) |

**893**

**PAISLEY**, Strathclyde, St James  
Saturday 30 January, 2016, 3h06 (22-1-17cwt)

## 5024 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Comp: D W Beard

- |                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Peter J Whyatt        | 5. Christopher J Frye |
| 2. Jennifer Tomkinson    | 6. Ruth M Marshall    |
| 3. Simon H Aves          | 7. Colin P North      |
| 4. Robin R Churchill (C) | 8. Clyde W Wallbanks  |

First peal: 1

Rung in celebration of the life of Beryl Chappell 1921-2016, grandmother of Ruth Marshall, mother of Margaret Williams.

**894**

**LINCOLN**, Lincolnshire, Cathedral Church of BVM  
Saturday 6 February, 2016, 3h38 (23-3-13cwt)

## 5042 Yorkshire Surprise Maximus

Comp: D Brady (No. 42)

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Rose M Hancock         | 7. Tina R Stoecklin   |
| 2. Jonathan S Frye        | 8. Ian P Bell         |
| 3. Angela H Deakin        | 9. Jason R Hargreaves |
| 4. Ruth M Marshall        | (C)                   |
| 5. Jessie H Hetherington  | 10. James E Blackburn |
| 6. Matthew D Hetherington | 11. Robert J Hancock  |
|                           | 12. Clyde W Wallbanks |

First on 12 on tower bells and first blows in method: 3

First on 12 as conductor

Rung for the 64th anniversary of the accession of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

40th birthday compliment to Ruth Marshall.

**895**

**EDINBURGH**, Lothian, St Cuthbert  
Sunday 7 February, 2016, 3h05 (21-0-0cwt)

## 5000 London No. 3 Surprise Royal

Comp: A G Reading (No. 5)

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Steven Worbey     | 6. Peter J Williamson  |
| 2. Margaret C Gamble | 7. Susan E Bryce       |
| 3. Peter G Kirton    | 8. Edmund G N Smith    |
| 4. Simon H Aves      | 9. Colin P North       |
| 5. Robin R Churchill | 10. Michael J Clay (C) |

First Royal - 1; First in method 3, 8 and 9; 100th together 5 and 10

Rung as a farewell to Rev. David Denniston on his last 'Belfry Sunday' as Parish Minister of St Cuthbert's, Edinburgh

**896**

**GLASGOW**, Strathclyde, 1 Albany Quadrant  
Wednesday 10 February, 2016, 2h33 (15C)

## 5088 Lincolnshire Surprise Major

Comp: William Barton

- 1-2 Ian P Bell  
3-4 Tina R Stoecklin  
5-6 Simon J Gay (C)  
7-8 Michael J Clay

**897**

**GLASGOW**, Strathclyde, 1 Albany Quadrant  
Wednesday 2 March, 2016, 2h30 (15C)

## 5056 Rutland Surprise Major

Comp: Donald F Morrison

- 1-2 Ian P Bell  
3-4 Tina R Stoecklin  
5-6 Simon J Gay (C)  
7-8 Michael J Clay

**898**

**DUNKELD**, Tayside, Ruined Cathedral of St Columba  
Friday 4 March, 2016, 2h50 (6-3-2cwt)

## 5040 Surprise Minor

(London, Norwich, Beverley (2), Cambridge (3))

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Margaret C Gamble       | 4. Mark G Lloyd          |
| 2. Laurence P J Bourton    | 5. Peter J Williamson    |
| 3. Stephen A Elwell-Sutton | 6. Robin R Churchill (C) |

900th peal - 5.

In memory of Dr Theresa Howie, former elder at Dunkeld Cathedral, supporter of the bells and bellringers and mother of Christina, a Dundee ringer.

**899**

**PAISLEY**, Strathclyde, St James  
Saturday 5 March, 2016, 3h15 (22-1-17cwt)

## 5088 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Comp: N J Pitstow

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Sally L Thomas       | 5. Graham J Wright    |
| 2. Christopher W Thomas | 6. Edmund G N Smith   |
| 3. Peter G Kirton       | 7. Tina R Stoecklin   |
| 4. Peter J Williamson   | 8. Michael J Clay (C) |

A compliment to Alex C Scott, in appreciation of his many years' service to this church and its bells.

900

**INVERARAY**, Argyll, All Saints  
Saturday 19 March, 2016, 3h39 (41-2-8cwt)  
**5040 Yorkshire Surprise Royal**  
Comp: R O Hall (No 1)

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|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Rose M Hancock   | 6. Colin P North          |
| 2. Robert J Hancock | 7. Christopher J Frye (C) |
| 3. Angela H Deakin  | 8. Jason R Hargreaves     |
| 4. Judith L Frye    | 9. Julia R Cater          |
| 5. Ruth M Marshall  | 10. Jonathan S Frye       |

With congratulations to Bob and Gail Cater on their Golden Wedding today

901

**STIRLING**, Stirlingshire, Holy Rude  
Thursday 31 March, 2016, 2h45 (6-3-25cwt)  
**5040 Surprise Minor**  
(1 Norwich, 2 York, 3 Durham, 4 Beverley, 5 Surfleet, 6&7 Cambridge)

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Simon H Aves         | 4. Peter G Kirton         |
| 2. Margaret C Gamble    | 5. Robin R Churchill      |
| 3. Richard J W Tibbetts | 6. Peter J Williamson (C) |

A wedding anniversary compliment to Sandra and Mike Clay

902

**GLASGOW**, Strathclyde, Cathedral Church of St Mary the Virgin  
Saturday 9 April, 2016, 3h40 (32-1-6cwt)  
**5184 Bon Accord Delight Major**  
Comp: Simon J Gay

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|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Angela H Deakin | 5. Tina R Stoecklin  |
| 2. Sue Wilkinson   | 6. Jonathan S Frye   |
| 3. Michael J Clay  | 7. Simon J Gay (C)   |
| 4. Ruth M Marshall | 8. Clyde W Wallbanks |

Rung to congratulate Thomas McDonagh, landlord of the Bon Accord pub, and Inga Dalrymple, on their wedding today at St Magnus Cathedral, Kirkwall, Orkney.  
First peal in the method.  
Bon Accord Delight Major: x38x14x58x16x14x18.56.34x58  
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903

**HADDINGTON**, Lothian, St Mary  
Sunday 10 April, 2016, 3h00 (11-1-20cwt)  
**5088 Norfolk Surprise Major**  
Comp: Alan G Reading

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Robin R Churchill  | 5. Peter G Kirton       |
| 2. Simon H Aves       | 6. Edmund G N Smith     |
| 3. Peter J Williamson | 7. Christopher W Thomas |
| 4. Sally L Thomas     | 8. Michael J Clay (C)   |

904

**EDINBURGH**, Lothian, St Cuthbert  
Thursday 21 April, 2016, 3h11 (21-0-0cwt)  
**5040 Elizabeth R Surprise Royal**  
Comp: James Clatworthy

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Steven Worbey        | 6. Robin R Churchill    |
| 2. Richard J W Tibbetts | 7. Susan E Bryce        |
| 3. Simon H Aves         | 8. Edmund G N Smith     |
| 4. Peter G Kirton       | 9. Christopher W Thomas |
| 5. Peter J Williamson   | 10. Michael J Clay (C)  |

100th together 3 & 10; 7 & 10

905

**EDINBURGH**, Lothian, St Andrew & St George West  
Saturday 23 April, 2016, 3h08 (14-2-23cwt)  
**5056 Cambridge Surprise Major**  
Comp: C Middleton (Johnson's variation)

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|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Christopher W Thomas | 5. Colin P North    |
| 2. Mary K Clark-Maxwell | 6. Edmund G N Smith |
| 3. Sally L Thomas       | 7. Simon H Aves (C) |
| 4. Susan E Bryce        | 8. Michael J Clay   |

First in method - 2, completes standard eight - 6, 75th peal - 1, First as conductor.

For St. George's Day, and in commemoration of the works and lives of William Shakespeare and Miguel de Cervantes who both died 23rd April 1616, albeit ten days apart.

906

**UPPER LARGO**, Fife, The Arches  
Wednesday 11 May, 2016, 2h39 (12)  
**5184 Kent Treble Bob Major**  
Comp: Marcus C W Sherwood

- 1-2 Margaret C Gamble
- 3-4 Robin R Churchill (C)
- 5-6 Peter G Kirton
- 7-8 Peter J Williamson

First Treble Bob in hand: 1-2  
250th for the Association: 7-8

907

**TULLOCH**, Highland, The Last Tower  
Saturday 14 May, 2016, 2h52 (1-1-15cwt)  
**5056 Cambridge Surprise Major**  
Comp: C Middleton (Johnson's Var)

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|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Philip W Gay            | 5. Peter G Kirton       |
| 2. Helen M McGregor        | 6. Peter J R Bevis      |
| 3. Robin R Churchill       | 7. Christopher W Thomas |
| 4. Stephen A Elwell-Sutton | 8. Simon J Gay (C)      |

908

**ALLOA**, Clackmannanshire, St John the Evangelist  
Wednesday 18 May, 2016, 3h02 (13-0-20cwt)  
**5024 Yorkshire Surprise Major**  
Comp: Paul J Flavell

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Peter J Williamson | 5. Laurence P J Bourton |
| 2. Margaret C Gamble  | 6. Robin R Churchill    |
| 3. Simon H Aves       | 7. Michael J Clay       |
| 4. Peter G Kirton     | 8. Edmund G N Smith (C) |

First as conductor  
First in method -5  
150th peal - 3

909

**DUNKELD**, Tayside, Ruined Cathedral of St Columba  
Thursday 9 June, 2016, 2h46 (6-3-2cwt)  
**5040 Surprise Minor**  
(Seven extents: London, Bourne, Norwich, Primrose, Beverley, Surfleet, Cambridge)

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|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Stephen A Elwell-Sutton | 4. Robin R Churchill        |
| 2. Margaret C Gamble       | 5. Richard J W Tibbetts     |
| 3. Mary E Gow              | 6. Stephen J F Mitchell (C) |

Circled tower: 1  
First of 7 Surprise Minor: 3

910

**TULLOCH**, Highland, Tulloch Ringing Centre  
Sunday 12 June, 2016, 2h56 (7-2-4cwt)  
**5007 Stedman Cinques**  
Comp: Richard I Allton

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Simon J Gay        | 7. Simon H Aves         |
| 2. Susan E Bryce      | 8. Edmund G N Smith     |
| 3. Robin R Churchill  | 9. Christopher W Thomas |
| 4. Christopher J Frye | 10. Colin P North       |
| 5. Peter G Kirton     | 11. Jonathan S Frye     |
| 6. Michael J Clay (C) | 12. Ruth M Marshall     |

First of Stedman: 8.  
First of cinques: 2,7,9.  
First of Stedman Cinques for the Association.  
50th peal: 10  
200th as conductor for the Association  
Celebrating the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

911

**ST ANDREWS**, Fife, College Chapel of St Salvator  
Sunday 12 June, 2016, 2h43 (7-3-20cwt)  
**5040 Surprise Minor**  
(2 Extents Norwich, 1 Beverley, 2 Surfleet, 2 Cambridge)

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|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Richard A G Inglis      | 4. Ian P Bell               |
| 2. Sally L Thomas          | 5. Richard J W Tibbetts (C) |
| 3. Stephen A Elwell-Sutton | 6. Peter J Williamson       |

In celebration of the official 90th birthday of HM The Queen

912

**EDINBURGH**, Lothian, St Cuthbert  
Wednesday 15 June, 2016, 3h07 (21-0-0cwt)  
**5079 Stedman Caters**  
Comp: Gabriel Lindoff

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Laurence P J Bourton | 6. Michael J Clay (C)  |
| 2. Sally L Thomas       | 7. Simon H Aves        |
| 3. Robin R Churchill    | 8. Susan E Bryce       |
| 4. Richard J W Tibbetts | 9. Edmund G N Smith    |
| 5. Peter G Kirton       | 10. Peter J Williamson |

First of Stedman and on ten bells -1  
First Stedman Caters 5, 9  
Birthday compliments to Christopher W Thomas

913

**GLASGOW**, Strathclyde, Cathedral Church of St Mary the Virgin  
Saturday 25 June, 2016, 3h28 (32-1-6cwt)  
**5040 Yorkshire Surprise Royal**  
Comp: A J Cox

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Ruth M Marshall       | 6. Jennifer Tomkinson   |
| 2. Sally L Thomas        | 7. Christopher W Thomas |
| 3. Angela H Deakin       | 8. Colin P North        |
| 4. Robin R Churchill (C) | 9. Jonathan S Frye      |
| 5. Sue Wilkinson         | 10. Clyde W Wallbanks   |

914

**GLASGOW**, Strathclyde, 1 Albany Quadrant  
Wednesday 6 July, 2016, 2h36 (15C)  
**5088 Yorkshire Surprise Major**  
Comp: Simon Humphrey

- 1-2 Robin R Churchill  
3-4 Tina R Stoecklin  
5-6 Simon J Gay (C)  
7-8 Peter G Kirton

First of Surprise in hand, and 50th for the association: 7-8.  
150th for the association: 1-2.

915

**EDINBURGH**, Lothian, St Andrew & St George West  
Thursday 21 July, 2016, 3h03 (14-2-23cwt)  
**5088 Belfast Surprise Major**  
Comp: Mark B Davies

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Richard J W Tibbetts | 5. Simon H Aves       |
| 2. Robin R Churchill    | 6. Peter J Williamson |
| 3. Peter G Kirton       | 7. Edmund G N Smith   |
| 4. Susan E Bryce        | 8. Michael J Clay (C) |

First in method: 3, 7  
Rung to mark the retirement of Rev Tony Bryer as City Centre Workplace Chaplain and belated thanks to Katie McNeill for her work as Session Clerk.

**916**

**STIRLING**, Stirlingshire, Holy Rude  
Wednesday 27 July, 2016, 2h43 (6-3-25cwt)

**5040 Minor**

(7 extents: 1-2 Norwich S, 3-4 Cambridge S, 5-6 St Clements CB, 7 Plain B)

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Philip Baiocchi   | 4. Robin R Churchill  |
| 2. Margaret C Gamble | 5. Peter J Williamson |
| 3. Peter Valuks      | 6. Peter G Kirton (C) |

1st peal: 1

Wishing Phil all the best as he moves to Winston-Salem, N. Carolina

**917**

**MELROSE**, Borders, Kippilaw House  
Thursday 11 August, 2016, 2h26 (11 in G)

**5152 Spiced Surprise Major**

(23m: 224 each Ashtead, Bristol, Cambridge, Cassiobury, Cray, Cornwall, Double Dublin, Glasgow, Ipswich, Jersey, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Preston, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative, Tavistock, Uxbridge, Watford, Wembley, Whalley, Yorkshire: 160 changes of method, all the work.)  
Comp: Norman Smith

- 1-2 Henry J W Pipe  
3-4 Tina R Stoecklin  
5-6 David J Pipe (C)  
7-8 Simon J Gay

**918**

**HADDINGTON**, Lothian, St Mary  
Saturday 20 August, 2016, 2h56 (11-1-20cwt)

**5008 Double Oxford Bob Major**

Comp: Robert D S Brown

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|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Colin P North     | 5. James A Sanderson    |
| 2. Craig M Robertson | 6. Jason R Hargreaves   |
| 3. Simon H Aves      | 7. Christopher W Thomas |
| 4. Edmund G N Smith  | 8. Michael J Clay (C)   |

First on 8 - 2

A farewell to Craig, leaving to continue his studies at Keble College, Oxford

**919**

**UPPER LARGO**, Fife, The Arches  
Wednesday 24 August, 2016, 2h34 (12F)

**5056 Spiced Treble Bob Major**

(4160 Kent, 896 Oxford, 56 com (Ilkeston variation))  
Comp: Marcus C Sherwood

- 1-2 Margaret C Gamble  
3-4 Peter G Kirton  
5-6 Robin R Churchill (C)  
7-8 Peter J Williamson

**920**

**DUNDEE**, Tayside, St Pauls Cathedral  
Thursday 25 August, 2016, 3h10 (21cwt)

**5040 Stedman Triples**

Comp: F H Dexter (No 2)

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Robin R Churchill    | 5. Peter G Kirton     |
| 2. Margaret C Gamble    | 6. Simon H Aves       |
| 3. Susan E Bryce        | 7. Michael J Clay (C) |
| 4. Richard J W Tibbetts | 8. Peter J Williamson |

Circled the tower - 8. 50th tower bell peal in Scotland - 5. Rung to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Tay Road Bridge, and as a 60th birthday compliment to Michael G Barker.

**921**

**ALLOA**, Clackmannanshire, St John the Evangelist  
Thursday 22 September, 2016, 2h59 (13-0-20cwt)

**5184 Zuider Zee Surprise Major**

Comp: Richard I Allton

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Christopher W Thomas | 5. Simon H Aves       |
| 2. Michael J Clay (C)   | 6. Peter J Williamson |
| 3. Susan E Bryce        | 7. Simon A Percy      |
| 4. Peter G Kirton       | 8. Edmund G N Smith   |

**922**

**NAIRN**, Nairnshire, Druum Croft Campanile  
Friday 23 September, 2016, 2h53 (112lbscwt)

**5152 Cambridge Surprise Major**

Comp: Middleton

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Christopher W Thomas | 5. Peter J Williamson    |
| 2. Peter G Kirton       | 6. Simon H Aves          |
| 3. Sally L Thomas       | 7. Robin R Churchill (C) |
| 4. Margaret C Gamble    | 8. Richard J W Tibbetts  |

950th peal: 7

**923**

**INVERNESS**, Highland, Cathedral of St Andrew  
Saturday 24 September, 2016, 3h15 (16-3-12cwt)

**5040 Quedgeley Surprise Royal**

Comp: Daniel Brady (no 202)

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Richard J W Tibbetts  | 6. Simon H Aves            |
| 2. Sally L Thomas        | 7. Stephen A Elwell-Sutton |
| 3. Margaret C Gamble     | 8. Peter J Williamson      |
| 4. Robin R Churchill (C) | 9. Christopher W Thomas    |
| 5. Peter G Kirton        | 10. Colin P North          |

**924**

**GLASGOW**, Strathclyde, 1 Albany Quadrant  
Wednesday 19 October, 2016, 2h40 (15C)

**5152 Superlative Surprise Major**

Comp: Simon J Gay

- 1-2 Ian P Bell  
3-4 Tina R Stoecklin  
5-6 Simon J Gay (C)  
7-8 Michael J Clay

925

**EDINBURGH**, Lothian, St Andrew & St George West  
Thursday 27 October, 2016, 3h11 (14-2-23cwt)  
**5184 Turquoise Surprise Major**  
Comp: Richard I Allton

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Simon H Aves         | 5. Peter G Kirton     |
| 2. Susan E Bryce        | 6. Peter J Williamson |
| 3. Robin R Churchill    | 7. Edmund G N Smith   |
| 4. Richard J W Tibbetts | 8. Michael J Clay (C) |

Rung in celebration of the life of Mary Wallace Gilmour, nee Moyes, 09/12/1924 - 19/06/2016.

926

**EDINBURGH**, Lothian, Fettes College Chapel  
Saturday 29 October, 2016, 2h36 (2-1-13cwt)  
**5040 London Surprise Minor**  
Comp: Roger Bailey (No 1)

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Ian P Bell       | 4. Simon H Aves       |
| 2. Edmund G N Smith | 5. Barbara J Bell     |
| 3. Colin P North    | 6. Michael J Clay (C) |

Rung as a 60th birthday compliment to James Bryce and to mark the 60th anniversary of the installation of the original peal of 5 bells, gifted to the school in 1956 by Major John R Lamberton in memory of his brother, Andrew R Lamberton. A sixth bell was added in 2004. First peal on the bells following refurbishment works carried out in 2016.

927

**TULLOCH**, Highland, Tulloch Ringing Centre  
Sunday 13 November, 2016, 3h14 (7-2-4cwt)  
**5040 Avon Delight Maximus**  
Comp: Alan G Reading (no 1)

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Christopher J Frye | 7. Michael J Clay (C)      |
| 2. Tina R Stoecklin   | 8. Robin R Churchill       |
| 3. Peter J Williamson | 9. Colin P North           |
| 4. Simon J Gay        | 10. Jonathan S Frye        |
| 5. Peter G Kirton     | 11. Matthew D Hetherington |
| 6. Susan E Bryce      | 12. Simon A Percy          |

First in method: 3,5,6,8,9,10  
First for the Association.

21st birthday compliment to Beverley Anne Clay

928

**DUNDEE**, Tayside, St Pauls Cathedral  
Wednesday 16 November, 2016, 3h16 (21-0-0cwt)  
**5024 Lincolnshire Surprise Major**  
Comp: D F Morrison (no 3560a)

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Stephen A Elwell-Sutton | 5. Peter J Williamson    |
| 2. Peter G Kirton          | 6. Robin R Churchill (C) |
| 3. Margaret C Gamble       | 7. Michael J Clay        |
| 4. Laurence P J Bourton    | 8. Peter Valuks          |

In memory of Sue Brightman

929

**INVERARAY**, Argyll, All Saints  
Saturday 19 November, 2016, 3h45 (41cwt)  
**5040 Albanian Surprise Royal**  
Comp: P Border

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|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Robert J Hancock  | 6. Jason R Hargreaves   |
| 2. Jennifer A Holden | 7. Tina R Stoecklin (C) |
| 3. Angela H Deakin   | 8. Jonathan S Frye      |
| 4. Ruth M Marshall   | 9. Julia R Cater        |
| 5. Colin P North     | 10. Clyde W Wallbanks   |

Twice circled tower: 1  
In affectionate memory of Sue Brightman.

930

**ALLOA**, Clackmannanshire, St John the Evangelist  
Thursday 24 November, 2016, 3h00 (13-0-20cwt)  
**5024 Vyvyan Surprise Major**  
Comp: A J Cox

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Richard J W Tibbetts | 5. Robin R Churchill    |
| 2. Peter J Williamson   | 6. Simon H Aves         |
| 3. Michael J Clay (C)   | 7. Christopher W Thomas |
| 4. Edmund G N Smith     | 8. Simon A Percy        |

50th for the Association: 4  
Completes the Surprise Major alphabet as Conductor.

931

**EDINBURGH**, Lothian, Cathedral of St Mary  
Saturday 26 November, 2016, 3h48 (41-1-15cwt)  
**5042 Yorkshire Surprise Maximus**  
Comp: Peter J W Sheppard

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Margaret C Gamble  | 7. Edmund G N Smith   |
| 2. Colin P North      | 8. Christopher J Frye |
| 3. Ian P Bell         | 9. Simon J Gay (C)    |
| 4. Peter G Kirton     | 10. Simon A Percy     |
| 5. Peter J Williamson | 11. Michael J Clay    |
| 6. Simon H Aves       | 12. Jonathan S Frye   |

A compliment to the Very Reverend Dr Graham Forbes CBE on his retirement as Provost.

932

**GLASGOW**, Strathclyde, Cathedral Church of St Mary the Virgin  
Saturday 3 December, 2016, 3h42 (32-1-6cwt)  
**5184 Spiced Surprise Major**  
(768 Bristol, London, Rutland; 576 Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Yorkshire. 144 c.o.m.)  
Comp: Norman Smith

- |                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Jonathan S Frye    | 5. Jonathan A Spencer |
| 2. Angela H Deakin    | 6. Tina R Stoecklin   |
| 3. Jennifer A Holden  | 7. Simon J Gay (C)    |
| 4. Christopher J Frye | 8. Peter Valuks       |

933

**INVERNESS**, Highland, Cathedral of St Andrew  
 Saturday 3 December, 2016, 3h01 (16-3-12cwt)  
**5031 Stedman Caters**  
 Comp: John Pladdys

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|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Simon H Aves      | 6. Michael J Clay (C)   |
| 2. Robin R Churchill | 7. Edmund G N Smith     |
| 3. Edward R Venn     | 8. Colin P North        |
| 4. Susan E Bryce     | 9. Simon A Percy        |
| 5. Peter G Kirton    | 10. Nicholas C Sturgess |

**EDINBURGH**, Lothian, Fettes College Chapel  
 Wednesday 4 January, 2017, 2h25 (2-1-14cwt)  
**5040 Cambridge Surprise Minor**  
 Comp: Roger D Bailey (No 1)

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Christopher W Thomas | 4. Christopher J Frye |
| 2. Michael J Clay (C)   | 5. Simon A Percy      |
| 3. Sally L Thomas       | 6. Simon H Aves       |

100th peal - 3; circled tower - 6

934

**EDINBURGH**, Lothian, St Cuthbert  
 Thursday 22 December, 2016, 3h12 (21-0-0cwt)  
**5000 Ulverscroft Surprise Royal**  
 Comp: A G Reading

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Edmund G N Smith   | 6. Richard J W Tibbetts |
| 2. Sally L Thomas     | 7. Richard A G Inglis   |
| 3. Margaret C Gamble  | 8. Jason R Hargreaves   |
| 4. Peter J Williamson | 9. Christopher W Thomas |
| 5. Simon H Aves       | 10. Michael J Clay (C)  |

Remembering Pat Thomas Dec 1934 - Dec 2015 and Gill Williamson, Mar 1928 - Dec 2016.

**Peal Conductors 2016**

|    |                      |
|----|----------------------|
| 19 | Michael J Clay       |
| 10 | Simon J Gay          |
| 8  | Robin R Churchill    |
| 1  | Christopher J Frye   |
| 1  | David J Pipe         |
| 1  | Edmund G N Smith     |
| 1  | Jason R Hargreaves   |
| 1  | Peter G Kirton       |
| 1  | Peter J Williamson   |
| 1  | Richard J W Tibbetts |
| 1  | Simon H Aves         |
| 1  | Stephen J F Mitchell |
| 1  | Tina R Stoecklin     |
| 47 | TOTAL                |

935

**ALLOA**, Clackmannanshire, St John the Evangelist  
 Tuesday 27 December, 2016, 2h53 (13-0-20cwt)  
**5088 Spiced Surprise Major**  
 (4 methods: 1344 Rutland, 1248 Cambridge, Lincolnshire and Yorkshire. 90 com, all the work, 114 crus.)  
 Comp: P G K Davies

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Judith L Frye    | 5. Christopher J Frye |
| 2. Alexander P Frye | 6. Stephen M Jones    |
| 3. Matthew D Frye   | 7. Michael J Clay (C) |
| 4. Elizabeth C Frye | 8. Jonathan S Frye    |

First eight bell peal: 2.  
 For Christmas.

936

**GLASGOW**, Strathclyde, 1 Albany Quadrant  
 Tuesday 3 January, 2017, 2h59 (15C)  
**5040 Cambridge Surprise Royal**  
 Comp: CUG Collective

- 1-2 Angela H Deakin  
 3-4 Tina R Stoecklin  
 5-6 Jonathan S Frye  
 7-8 Julia R Cater  
 9-10 Simon J Gay (C)

**Top Peal Ringers 2016**

|    |                         |
|----|-------------------------|
| 28 | Michael J Clay          |
| 25 | Robin R Churchill       |
| 24 | Peter G Kirton          |
| 24 | Peter J Williamson      |
| 22 | Simon H Aves            |
| 18 | Edmund G N Smith        |
| 14 | Christopher W Thomas    |
| 14 | Margaret C Gamble       |
| 13 | Colin P North           |
| 13 | Richard J W Tibbetts    |
| 13 | Simon J Gay             |
| 13 | Tina R Stoecklin        |
| 11 | Jonathan S Frye         |
| 11 | Susan E Bryce           |
| 10 | Sally L Thomas          |
| 8  | Christopher J Frye      |
| 8  | Ian P Bell              |
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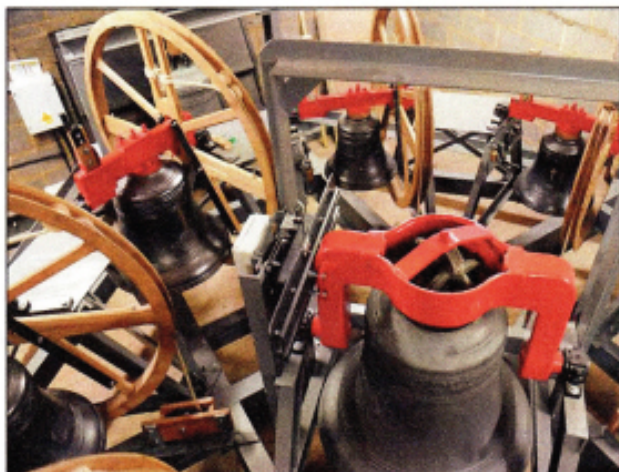
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