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EASTERN DISTRICT

Hon. District Secretary : JOHN M. KEMP. 16, North Road Avenue, Hertford.

Aspenden, St. Mary, (8—9¾ cwt.) Sec. F. Aldridge, Council Houses, Aspenden.

Bengeo, Holy Trinity, (8—8¼ cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Monday 7.30 p.m. Sec. E. J. Phillips, 8, Page Road, Hertford.
Blakeley, A.
Biggs, Rev. G. E.
Butcher, S. D.
Carter, S. F., (A.C.M.).
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Benington, St. Peter, (8—12 cwt.). Sec. J. Welch, Bridges Farm, Benington.

Bishop's Stortford, St. Michael, (10—18 cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Third Saturday. Sec. H. M. White, East Road, Bishop's Stortford.
Bird, F.
Garbett, E.
Hayden, R.
Prior, W. T.
Roundturner, A.
Wacey, Mrs. D.

Braughing, St. Mary, (8—19 cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. By arrangement. Sec. W. Clemence, Parkway, Braughing.
Bardwell, W.
Clarke, A.
Ginn, W.
Glazebrook, E.
Mardell, E.
Parker, H.
Parker, W.
Phillips, A.
Skipp, G.
Stone, C.

Broxbourne, St. Augustine, (8—19 cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Tuesday, 7.30 p.m. Sec. A. Langridge, Wentworth Cottages, Broxbourne.
Cornhill, G.
Gouldsmith, C.
Hammond, D.
Luxon, J.
Radley, A.
Radley, Miss N.

Cheshunt, St. Mary, (8—16 cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Thursday, 7.45. Sec. W. Newnham, Jasmine Cottage, Goffs Oak.
Bull, A.
Clarke, J.
Ladley, L.
Lawrence, R. S.
Newnham, E.
Pickett, E.
Scott, J. M.
Wood, Rev. E.

Great Munden, St. Nicholas, (6—11 cwt.) No Ringing. Sec. B. Patmore, 1, Edward Cottages, Stoneworth Hall Road.

Hertford, All Saints, (10—25 cwt.) No Ringing. St. Andrew (8—16 cwt.) S.R. 10.15 and 5.30 p.m. P.N. Monday. Sec. G. Ditton, 37, North Crescent Hertford,
Ager, A.
Carter, A. S. (A.C.M.).
Carter, Mrs. A. S.
Dore, R.
Kemp, J. M.
Martin, Miss F.
Neale, V.
Saunders, P.
Springham, C.
Thorne, J.
Wright, A.

Hoddesdon, St. Paul, (8—12½ cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. None. Sec. W. Mumford, Burford Street, Hoddesdon.

Hunsdon, St. Dunstan, (8—14 cwt.) Sec. Miss E. Chitty, High Street, Hunsdon.

Little Hadham, St. Cecilia, (5—11 cwt.) Sec. A. Kent, New Road Cottages, Upwick, Albury, Much Hadham.

Little Munden, All Saints, (6—13 cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Tuesday. Sec. Miss E. Lawrence, Dane End, Little Munden.
Carter, A.
Head, S.
Patmore, N.
Phillips, A.
Townsend, W.
Williams, W.

Much Hadham, St. Andrew, (8—11 cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Wednesday. Sec. W. Rogers, 7 Park Terrace, Much Hadham.
Bigmore, H. W.
Bird, W.
Chalk, P.
Chalk, P. A. F.
Springham, F.
Warner, J.

Standon, St. Mary, (6—17 cwt.) S.R. 10.15 and 5.30 p.m. P.N. Wednesday. Sec. S. W. Smith, 21, Station Road, Standon.
Burr, J.
Chapman, D.
Chapman, T.
Lankester, E.
Lankester, F.
Little, J.
Smith, J.
Smith, K.
Smith, W.
Stacey, D.

Thorley, St. James, (6—8 cwt.) S.R. and P.N. by arrangement with Bishop's Stortford
Barker, J. Warboys, Fredk.
Camp, T. Warboys, F., Sen.
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Robinson, Rev. S. E. Warboys, P.

Ware, St. Mary (8—22 cwt.) Moulder, T.

Watton-at-Stone, SS. Andrew and Michael, (6—13¼ cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. Sec. W. Milton, Watton-at-Stone.

Widford, St. John the Baptist, (6—9 cwt.) All ringing by arrangement. Sec. J. Suckling, 2, Northview Cottages, Widford.
Carter, A. Devoil, W.

NORTHERN DISTRICT

Hon. District Secretary: EDWIN G. BUCK, 13, The Rise, Baldock.

Anstey, St. George, (6—9 cwt.) Bradford, A.

Baldock, St. Mary-the-Virgin, (8—26½ cwt.) S.R. First and Third Sunday 10 and 5.30 p.m. Fifth Sunday, 5.30 p.m. only. P.N. Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Sec. E. G. Buck, 13, The Rise.
Bonnett, S. Holehouse, T.
Collins, W. A. Newman, R. T.
Croft, L. Pooley, W. D.
Dear, J. S. (A.C.M.). Scoot, L. B.

Barkway, St. Mary Magdalene, (8—16 cwt.)
S.R. P.N. Monday.
Bysouth, A. H. Bysouth, C. A.

Barley, St. Margaret, (6—8 cwt.) Howard, R.

Graveley, St. Mary, (6—9 cwt.)
Mynott, S. E. Warboys, F.

Great Wymondley, St. Mary, (6—8 cwt.) S.R. by arrangement. P.N. Thursday.
Cherry, G. Croft, P.
Croft, F. Croft, W., (Sec.).

Hitchin, St. Mary, (8—25½ cwt.) S.R. 10 and 5.30. P.N. Monday. Sec. A. Barker, 11, Victoria Road, Hitchin.
Fidler, L. Symonds, W. E.
Hare, C. V. Todd, W. F.
Jones, D. P. Winters, E. W.
Symonds, A. E. (A.C.M.).

Knebworth, St.Mary-the-Virgin, and Thomas-a-Becket. (8—12¾ cwt.)
Ferris, J., (Sec.). Childs, A.

Norton, St. Nicholas, (8—9 cwt.) S.R. Second and Fourth Sundays. 10 and 5.30. P.N. Thursday. Sec. R. V. Webb, 2, New Cottages, Norton.
Collings, J. F. Putwain, E.
Collings, M. A. Werrett, H. E.
Dixon, R. M. Werrett, I.
Hitch, W. Werrett, T.
Sanderson, Miss J.

Royston, St. John-the-Baptist, (8—12 cwt.) S.R. 10 and 5.30 p.m. P.N. Monday. Sec. S. E. Roberts, Queen's Road, Royston.
Allgood, G. Roberts, E. W.
Gilbert, A. Sermons, H.
Heathfield, H. F. Varney, J. W.
Houghton, W. J. Walby, A.
Linwood, E. Wiltshire, P.
Parish, A.

St. Ippolyts St. Hippolytus, (6—12¾ cwt.)
S.R. P.N. Wednesday. Sec. A. C. Harris, Waterend Lane, St. Ippolyts.
Chalkley, F. M. Runnacles, L. R.

Stevenage, St. Nicholas, (8—15 cwt.) S.R. 10 and 5.30 p.m. P. N. Tues.|Wednesday. Sec. W. Lawrence, 97, Letchmore Road, Stevenage.
Brown, W. Margetts, Miss D.
Cooper, H. A. Reed, Miss D. C.
Gullick, Dr. D. L. Smith, Miss J. W.
Gullick, Mrs. D. L. Smith, Miss M. A.
Johnson, G. Swain, J.
King, Mrs. J. H. Wittering, W. H.

ST. ALBANS DISTRICT

Hon District Secretary: W. JOHN SOUTHAM, 14, Walton Street, St. Albans.

Essendon, St. Mary, (6—10 cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Monday, 7.30 p.m. Sec. F. E. Bamford, 2, Hanbury Cottages, Essendon. Stevens, H. M.

Harpenden, St. Nicholas, (8—15 cwt.) S.R. 6 p.m. only. P.N. Wednesday. Sec. F. C. Jacklin, 2, Mill Cottages, Mill End, Luton.
Coburn, L. Day, A. (A.C.M.).
Coburn, Mrs. L. Dockerill, A.
Coburn, R. Newson, R.
Coot, D. Thornton, J.
Probationer: Langley, G.

Hatfield, St. Etheldreda, (10—23 cwt.) S.R. 9.45 and 5.45 p.m. P.N. Thursday, 7.30 p.m. Sec. D. Wilsden, 23, Manor Road, Hatfield.
Clarke, S. A. Edmondson, E.
Cochrane, R. A. Hiscock, D.
Cornell, Miss M. Holmes, W.T. (A.C.M.)
Cull, A. F. Huckle, S.
Cull, D. Lawrence, A. R. (R.M).
Cull, L. F. Nobbs, H.
Cull, S. W. Price, D. C.

Kimpton, SS. Peter and Paul, (6—12 cwt.)
S.R. P.N. Friday. Sec. Miss H. Y. Gardner, Ansells End, Kimpton.
Gardner, Miss P. *Wells, J.*

Northaw, St. Thomas-a-Becket, (6—13 cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Tues., 7.30 p.m. Sec. N. Clark, 83, Northaw Road West, Northaw, Potters Bar, Middx.
Bennett, A. Griggs, G. H.
Bennett, L. W. McKie, E. B.
Clark, M. Parsloe, J. W.

North Mymms, St. Mary, (8—13 cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Sec. T. J. Lock, 57, Holloways Lane, North Mymms.
Coles, A. W. Nash, C.
Coles, P. J. Nash, W.
Collins, Miss A. P. Prettyman, B. W.
Hall, J. G. Salter, Miss A. E.
Lock, Mrs. T. J. Sherlock, A. R.
Lofty, J. Spencer, G. A.
Lofty, R.

Sandridge, St. Leonard, (6—6½ cwt.) S.R. 6 p.m. only. P.N. Monday. Sec. Miss M. Burrows, Bury Farm, Sandridgebury Lane, Sandridge.
Burrows, Miss J. Messenger, M.
Hunt, A.

St. Albans, Cathedral, (12—23¼ cwt.) S.R. 10.15 and 5.45 p.m. P.N. Tuesday. Sec. W. J. Arnold, 17, Watsons Ave., St. Albans.

Beeson, F.	Ewer, R. F.
Blake, G. N.	Goodenough, H. E. C.
Blow, J. G.	Hansel, L. T.
Blow, T. A.	Hatten, A. J.
Buckingham, W. H. L.	Hofton, R.
Cartmel, G. W.	Nicholls, W.
Copson, Miss B.	Wells, R.
Cornell, B. A.	

St. Albans, St. Michael, (6—13 cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Sec. A. E. Halsey, 10, Thornton St., St. Albans.

Bedford, R.	Kirk, F. (R.M.)
Farmer, S.	Payne, C. T.
Halsey, A. B.	Walsh, D. A.
Hunt, E.	

St. Albans, St. Peter, (10—23 cwt.) S.R. 10.20 and 5.50 p.m. P.N. Monday. Sec. R. W. Darvill, 75, White Horse Lane, London Colney.

Bailey, Miss A.	Gansert, Miss J.
Bailey, F. J.	Johnson, B. C.
Clift, D. G.	Mason, H. G.
Dale, A.	Sayer, C. F.
Darvill, Mrs. R. W.	Spicer, F. J.
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Debenham, G. W.	Southam, W. J.
Fergusson, Mrs. A. M.	Webb, M.
Frost, H. V.	
Probationers:	Carrington, Miss A.
Knight, Miss A.	West, Miss V.

St. Albans, St. Stephen, (6—15 cwt.) No ringing at present. Sec. E. Durrant.

Barton, D.	Garlant, A.
Ewer, A. E.	Last, R.

WATFORD DISTRICT

Hon. District Secretary: RICHARD G. BELL, 131, Hamper Mill Lane, Watford.

Abbots Langley, St. Lawrence, (6—11 cwt.) S.R. 10.15 and 5.45 p.m. P.N. Wednesday. Sec. Miss K. Glenister, High St. Abbots Langley.

Adkins, D. K.	Pine, D.
Easley, J. E. F.	Poole, Dr. F. S.
Page, J. M.	

Aldenham, St. John-the-Baptist, (8—15 cwt.) S.R. 10.15 and 5.45 p.m. P.N. Monday, (Sept.—April).

Evans, C. E. R.	Inwood, E. W.

Bushey, St. James, (8—13 cwt.) S.R. 5.30 p.m. only. P.N. Thursday. Sec. H. G. Cashmore, (A.C.M.), 24, Muriel Ave., Watford.

Clark, T. J.	Rowley, R.
Luck, L.	Southall, H. F.
Parslow, P.	Woolley, C. W.
Rootes, J. E.	Woolley, Mrs. C. W.

Bushey Heath, St. Peter, (8—11½ cwt.) S.R. 10 and 5.30 p.m. P.N. Tuesday. Sec. N. Jenkins, The Winton's Garage, 96, Rutts.

Bangs, Miss B.	North, L.
Mackrill, Miss J. I. C.	Peters, L.
Nash, P.	Smith, S.
Norris, T.	Udall, Miss M.
Norris, Mrs. T.	

Oxhey, St. Matthew, (8—8¼ cwt.) S.R. 5.30 p.m. only. P.N. Tuesday, 7 p.m. Sec. *H. Hodgetts*, 28, Field Road, Oxhey.

Attwood, W.	Delderfield, Miss M.
Attwood, Miss F.	Flitton, Miss G.
Brinklow, F. W.	Flitton, Miss M.
Cleaver, J. D. A.	

Rickmansworth, St. Mary, (10—20 cwt.) S.R. 5.45 p.m. only. P.N. Monday. Sec. F. W. Eliott, 48, Talbot Road, Rickmansworth.

Bartholomew, D. C.	Hotine, E.
Bartholomew, D. F. R.	Howlett, W. A.
Charters, A.	Jones, H. H.
Charters, J. N.	Jones, J. E.
Dickinson, G. D.	Lloyd, J. R.
Hall, B. N. G.	Long, T.
Hookham, E.	White, J. E.

Watford, St. Mary, (10—24¼ cwt.) S.R. 10 and (except 4th Sunday) 5.30 p.m. P.N. Tuesday, 7.45 p.m. Sec. R. G. Bell, 131, Hamper Mill Lane, Watford.

Avey, P. H.	Leman, C. N.
Bell, Miss A.	Paul, W. G.
Brookman, D. J.	Pratt, P. E.
Crook, F. H.	Sabin, Miss E.
Dawes, A. R.	Seaman, G. W. (A.C.M)
Dix, A. W.	Smith, R. G.
Emery, D.	Timms, H. G.
Hoare, S. H.	Watts, P. H.
King, R. G.	

Affiliated Tower: **Stanmore,** St. John-the-Evangelist, (8—12 cwt.) S.R. 10.15 and 5.30 p.m. P. N. Thursday. Sec. E. Leversuch, 21, Abercorn Road, Stanmore.

Cattell, D. E.	Lambert, R.
Cattell, F. E.	Wenban, A. C.
Cheshire, G.	Wenban, C.
Hoare, Miss C. M.	Wenban, W.
Hughes, G. A.	

Unattached Members: *Connolly, R.C.H.* St. Wulstans Lodge, Watford. *Kazer, C. J.* 294, High Street, Watford.

WESTERN DISTRICT

Hon. District Secretary: MISS PAMELA A. MARTIN, 12, Chapel Street, Gt. Berkhamsted.

Apsley End, St. Mary, (6—14¾ cwt.) S.R. 10 and 6 p.m. P.N. Monday, 7.45 p.m. Sec. A. V. Good, 44, Belmont Rd., Hemel Hempstd.

Ayre, W.	Plumbe, Miss J. M.
Banfield, J.	Puddifoot, W.
Dollimore, N. E.	Sheppard, R. E.
Good, K. B.	Shutter, R. L.
Good, Miss G.	Tompkins, F.
Hughes, W. C. (A.C.M.)	Upton, E. J.
Morton, T. G.	

Flamstead, St. Leonard, (6—13 cwt.) S.R. 6 p.m. only. P.N. Mon. (Sept.—May). Sec. E. W. Smith, 14, Trowley Hill Rd., Flamstead, Nr. St. Albans.

Rimington, F.	
Probationers:	Harper, R.
Andrews, F.	Leighton, A.
Biggs, D.	Papworth, A.
Fensom, B.	Tompkins, A.
Godfrey, R.	Welch, J.

Gt. Berkhamsted, St. Peter, (8—15½ cwt.) S.R. 6 p.m. only. P.N. Alternate Mon. (with Northchurch). Sec. H. W. Porrett, 18, Cowper Road, Gt. Berkhamsted.

Dickens, C.
Leach, F. W.
Martin, Miss O. M.
Martin, Miss P. A.
Stockdale, Miss A. B.

Hemel Hempstead, St. Mary, (8—19¼ cwt.) S.R. 10.30 and 6 p.m. P.N. Thurs., 8 p.m. Sec. H. Gates, 88, Queen's Rd., Hemel Hem'std.

Baines, L. S.
Copeman, Miss J.
Latchford, D. E.
Lewis, Miss J
Rees, G.

King's Langley, All Saints, (8—10 cwt.) S.R. and P.N. occasionally (Wednesday). Sec. B. Barker, 18, Vicarage Lane, King's Langley.

Barker, Mrs. B.
Cook, A. G.
Cook, D. A.
Cook, R. S.
Rowe, E. J.

Northchurch, St. Mary, (8—15¼ cwt.) S.R. P.N. Alt. Mon. with Berkhamsted. Sec. J. Curl, 63, High St., Northchurch.

Ashby, R.
Kingsbury, A. W.

Redbourn, St. Mary, (6—14½ cwt.) No ringing at present. Sec. J. Hobbs, (A.C.M.), 84, High Street, Redbourn.

Burchmore, J.
Hobbs, J. E.
Newbury, J.
Ranscombe, W.
Taylor, W.
Walker, H.

Tring, SS. Peter and Paul, (8—24 cwt.) S.R. 10.15 and 5.50 p.m. P.N. Tues., 7.30 p.m. Sec. C. J. Badrick, 53, Western Rd., Tring.

Archer, E. A.
Badrick, N. C. J.
Cartwright, D.
Fells, P.
Fells, Miss B. M.
Fleckney, R.
Goode, F.
Hooton, W. H. J.
Metcalfe, R. W.
Mills, R. A.
Mitchell, P. O.
Smith, Miss R.
Turner, F.
Turner, J.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES REPORTS.

Eastern District. Mr. J. Kemp reports that he has arranged six meetings, all being well attended. He would, however, like to have more support from the district, although the young ringers of Much Hadham have attended regularly. Bengeo bells have been recast and the band have commenced regular ringing again. He thanks all tower secretaries who have sent in subscriptions promptly and those who have arranged teas, and looks forward to their continued support.

Northern District. Mr. A. E. Symonds reports the death of three of his members (as mentioned) and that seven meetings were held with average attendances. A total of fourteen peals have been rung in the district, eleven of which were rung entirely by local members. and this is believed to be a record number. The peals consisted of four of Minor, two of Triples and eight of Major. and were conducted by F. W. Croft (8), J. S. Dear (2), R. V. Webb (2), H. E. Werrett (1) and T. J. Southam (1).

Mr. Symonds would like to congratulate the younger members of the district on the peals they have rung and upon the progress they have made in method ringing.

St. Albans District. Mr. W. J. Southam reports that six meetings have been held including one at Luton jointly with the Bedfordshire Association. This meeting was very satisfactory but seemed to indicate that members are inclined to attend only those meetings which hold some special interest for them.

A district dinner, also an outing were arranged and proved most successful. These have now become a regular feature of our social activities.

Sunday service ringing has been maintained at all towers except St. Stephen's, where the spire is to be strengthened and the bells rehung. The small band at Sandridge continue to ring for services and teach learners despite the loss of half of their more experienced ringers. Other towers are making good progress.

Watford District. Mr. S. H. Hoare reports that ten meetings have been held during the year. Langleybury bells have been re-opened and a local band is being trained on Wednesday evenings.

An annual loss of membership is reported, caused mainly by non-payment of subscriptions indicating lack of enthusiasm.

Eleven peals were rung, including one of Spliced Surprise Major on handbells in 12 methods and the band have since gone on to ring 14 methods and deserve the congratulations of all ringers. He would like to thank all incumbents for their ready assistance and those members who regularly support Service Ringing, Practices and Meetings and thus ensure the continuance of the Art of Change Ringing.

Western District. Miss P. A. Martin reports that 1951 has been a satisfactory and eventful year of ringing. Ten meetings have been held and average attendances both by district members and by visitors have been good. A joint meeting with the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Wendover and Ellesborough in July.

At Hemel Hempstead, in February, the District held its Fifth Annual Social, the proceeds from which were donated to the fund for the restoration of St. Mary's Church bells. These eight bells were rededicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on April 11th, after having been retuned and re-hung with new fittings and framework.

Sunday service ringing and weekly practices have continued at most towers, though there has been no ringing at Redbourn during the latter part of the year as the bell-frame there is in very poor condition. Four of our towers have insufficient ringers, and though efforts to obtain recruits have been made, results have not been very gratifying. It is hoped that the situation will be improved at the towers concerned during the coming year. It is very encouraging to be able to record that at Flamstead there are now eight boy ringers under 15 years of age in the local band. Mr. E. Smith and his company are to be congratulated on their good work at this tower.

Twelve peals were successful in the district during 1951, including three on handbells.

Sincere thanks are offered to the Incumbents and local Ringing Masters for their co-operation and help throughout the year, and to all district members for their continued support.

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For the year ending 31st December, 1951

FELLOW MEMBERS,

When I am able to report that Sunday service ringing has been well maintained at every tower in the county, I shall be far more happy about the future of change-ringing than at present, for my returns from the districts show that many towers have no ringers, and while this state of affairs continues to exist we must do our utmost to remedy it. The ringing of peals and arrangement of meetings at such towers does much to create local interest but does not solve the problem. We must be prepared to go regularly to any tower in need of assistance and to raise new bands at towers where ringing has lapsed. The Clergy can do much to help, by finding suitable young people of either sex who are willing to form a new band and I am sure that we can find suitable instructors.

If this Association is to hold its position amongst other similar ringing organisations, we must increase our membership and make special efforts this year to inprove our serious financial state, incurred by the high cost of printing the 1948-49-50 Report. It is essential that we continue with the publication of an Annual Report in order to maintain interest throughout the county, as without it we tend to lose touch with each other and especially those members who need that little bit of encouragement to keep them in the fold. If every band attached to the Association would agree to donate the proceeds of one fee received for wedding ringing this year, we could carry on, and our deficit would be cleared.

During my first year of office, I have not been able to get about to meetings as much as I would have liked but I have put in many hours of work dealing with the printing of the 1948-50 Reports and the preparation of the 1951 issue. I have had to revise the lists of members owing to non-payment of subscriptions and I have brought up-to-date the lists of Non-Resident Members, first peals in new methods by the Association, list of Annual Meetings and past Presidents, records of all peals rung in the County and other matters connected with the history of the Association. I am indebted to much assistance from our President, Mr. T. J. Southam, and the information thus collected will be available to members upon application as it will not be possible to print any of it in the next Annual Report. This will be of minimum size but will contain the maximum amount of information possible.

I have learnt with regret of the death of Mr. J. North, of St. Ippolyts, Mr. W. Bradford, of Stevenage, Mr. G. Wolfe, of Hitchin, Mr. W. Shepherd, who used to ring at Hemel Hempstead, Alderman A. Purkiss-Ginn, Master of the Hertford College Youths and that outstanding ringer and conductor, Mr. Maurice F. R. Hibbert, of Bushey, whose death, reported in the *Ringing World*, was followed by letters of appreciation from his many friends.

Several of our young and promising ringers left the county during the year, notably Messrs. D. C. Price and E. Edmondson of Hatfield, and A. Ager, of Hertford. We are already following their new ringing activities as reported in the *Ringing World* and wish them well. Mr. A. E. Symonds, of Hitchin and Mr. S. H. Hoare, of Watford, have now given up their work as District Secretaries and we thank them for all the time and labour they have given us in the past. They are succeeded by Mr. E. G. Buck of Baldock and Mr. R. G. Bell, of Watford, who are given a hearty welcome and can be assured of our support.

The bellfounders have been fairly busy in the county this year, Bengeo bells have been recast at Loughborough, Hemel Hempstead bells rehung with new fittings in a new frame, Aldenham and Langleybury towers are now open again for ringing and I have heard that Great Amwell bells are to be increased from three to five.

All Saints, Hertford, Knebworth, Redbourn and St. Stephen's, St. Albans, are all suffering from tower defects, the bells hanging silent at present. I have no news as yet of anything being done at Hertford, but at Knebworth

there has been an appeal which has been assisted by collections at the Northern District Meetings. Redbourn and St. Stephen's are aiming to get the bells rehung in new frames and the towers restored.

Peals. The number rung in 1951 was exactly fifty, being six less than in the previous year but was very commendable by reason of the fact that they were rung all over the county and ranged from Doubles to Maximus. Of four rung on handbells, three were conducted by Mr. W. H. J. Hooton, at Tring.

The following fourteen members rang their first peal : Peter Fells, Tring , John F. Collings (13) and Rex M. Dixon (12), Norton ; Derek A. Walsh; St. Michael's, St. Albans ; Raymond G. Smith and Peter E. Pratt, of Watford ; Roy L. Shutter, N. E. Dollimore, R. E. Sheppard and Miss Jane M. Plumbe, of Apsley ; Reg. M. Crump, Hornsey ; Peter W. Croft (13), Gt. Wymondley ; J. E. T. Easley, (13), Abbots Langley and Neville Jenkins, of Bushey Heath ; To all, we offer our congratulations, not forgetting those who took part in the peals and the conductors. Peals were rung at 28 towers, including four outside the county. The highest number to be rung at any one tower, was four and in this respect Apsley End shared the honours with Norton. Of a total of seventeen conductors, Mr. Frank W. Croft headed the list with eight peals to his credit while Messrs. J. S. Dear and H. E. Werrett appear in the list for the first time. The fifty peals included Minor in 16 Surprise methods and 7 Delight methods conducted by Mr. W. Ayre, at Apsley. Springfield Surprise Major at Oxhey and Spliced Surprise Major in twelve methods rung on handbells conducted by Mr. H. G. Cashmore. Kent Royal and Maximus by St. Albans ringers, conducted by Mr. T. J. Southam, Stedman Cinques arranged and conducted by Mr. H. E. C. Goodenough and four peals rung in connection with the Festival of Britain celebrations. The total number of peals rung by the Association to the end of 1951 was 2,151, of which some 300 have yet to be entered in the Peal Book. Two of our leading conductors and one non-resident conductor have refused to collect any Peal entry fees, as they have no desire for their peals to be entered in the Peal Book. The Committee, however, recommend that all peals be entered, as the majority of the members concerned, paid their fees for this purpose ; those peals for which no fees have been received, to be entered at the expense of the Association. The Peal Book will then be a true record of all peals rung but a new book will be required if it is decided to keep a written record of all future peals in addition to a printed record.

Members will be called upon to-day to vote whether they desire the retention or otherwise of Rule 10 which deals with this subject and I hope that we shall arrive at a satisfactory decision that we shall not regret in the future.

Library. Our Librarian, Mr. C. F. Sayer, reports the loan of only a few books, mainly to St. Peter's Society, St. Albans, and that he is preparing a new complete list in the near future. It is now over ten years since the discovery was made that the " Tintinnalogia", (1668) was missing from the Library and we are still regretting its loss. If anyone has any clue to the whereabouts of the missing volume, will they report to the Librarian.

May I conclude by thanking our late secretary, Mr. W. Ayre, also Mr. G. W. Cartmel, for kind assistance, the Association Officers and especially the District Secretaries, all Members and friends for their support, not forgetting our Clergy, who always welcome us to their churches in the name of the Parish. Let us go forth to our towers and rejoice in our Art, serving our churches on Sundays with the best that we can offer and let us be proud of our work and of our Association.

H. V. FROST, *Hon. Gen. Sec.*

GENERAL FUND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

Expenditure	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	*Income.*	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Thrales, Ltd. (Teas at Easter Meeting)		12 1 6	Easter Tea Money		12 1 6
Central Council of Church Bell Ringers :			Members' Subscriptions :	£ s. d.	
Affiliation fee		1 0 0	Northern District ...	8 6 6	
Expenses of Delegates to Meeting of Central Council of Church Bell Ringers :			Eastern ,, ...	8 7 6	
Mr. W. Ayre ...	3 14 0		Western ,, ...	7 10 0	
Mr. C. W. Woolley	3 14 0		Watford ,, ...	9 10 0	
Mr. R. G. Bell ...	2 16 0		St. Albans ,, ...	11 17 6	
		10 4 0			45 11 6
Cheque Book		4 0	Honorary Members' and Non-Resident Life Members' Subscriptions		
Expenses of Secretaries :			Northern District	10 0	
Northern District	8 6		Eastern ,, ...	5 0	
Eastern ,, ...	8 0		Western ,, ...	1 0 0	
Western ,, ...	10 10		Watford ,, ...	2 5 0	
Watford ,, ...	14 8		St. Albans ,, ...	15 0	
St. Albans ,, ...	17 7				4 15 0
General Secretary	16 0		Peal Booking Fees ...		4 1 0
		3 15 7	Interest : War Stock...	11 0	
Miss Sharp—Entering Peals in Peal Book for year 1945		1 0 4	P.O. Savings Bank	1 0 6	
Ringing World—Association Notices appearing in that paper during 1951		7 1 9			1 11 6
W. Cartmel & Sons—Printing Association Report 1948-50 ...		133 13 0	Excess of Expenditure over Income		100 19 8
	£169 0 2				169 0 2

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

Liabilities.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	*Assets.*	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
W. Cartmel & Sons—Balance due for 1948-50 Report		88 13 0	3½% War Stock 1929-47 Nominal Value ...		15 15 9
			The Ringing World— Credit Balance against 1952 entries ...		10 8 0
Accumulated Fund :			Cash : At Bank Current Account	33 8 9	
As at January 1st, 1951	115 3 7		P.O. Savings Bank ...	43 4 5	
Less : Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year	100 19 8				76 13 2
		14 3 11			
	£102 16 11				£102 16 11

We certify the above accounts to be true and correct according to the books, accounts and vouchers of the Association produced to us.

ST. ALBANS,
5TH MARCH, 1952.

(*Signed*) MERCER & HOLE,
Chartered Accountants, Hon. Auditors.

REPORT ON THE BENEVOLENT FUND.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Cash at Bank 31st Dec., 1950 ...	10 1 8		Donation	5 0 0
Offertory at Cathedral at Annual General Meeting Service, 1951 ...	4 0 8			
Subscriptions :—	s. d.			
Western ,, ...	6 6			
St. Albans ,, ...	8 0			
	14 6		Balance at Bank	9 16 10
	£14 16 10			£14 16 10

The amount standing to the credit of the Society in the books of St. Albans District Ancient Order of Foresters Friendly Society (including £1 13s. 0d. interest) is £57 10s. 6d.

One call was made on the Fund during 1951 and a sum of £5 0s. 0d. was sent to the party concerned. This, however, was more than the total income from all sources during 1951, and if the Fund is to remain in being and to be a source of assistance to members in time of need, a greatly increased interest in the Fund is urgently necessary.

REPORT ON THE VOLUNTARY BELL FUND.

	s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Cash in Bank, 31st Dec., 1950 ...		38 6 3	Donations :		
Subscriptions :—			Bengeo	5 5 0	
Eastern ,, ...	3 0		Aldenham	5 5 0	
Western ,, ...	9 7 6				10 10 0
Watford ,, ...	2 17 11				
St. Albans ,, ...	7 14 0				
		20 2 5	Balance at Bank		47 18 8
		£58 8 8			£58 8 8

The accounts disclose an increased interest in this Fund, £20 2s. 5d. being contributed by the Members during the past year. The sum of £5 5s 0d. was given to the Churches at Aldenham and Bengeo as a contribution to their Bell Fund. The sum in the Bank standing to the credit of the Fund amounts to £47 18s. 8d.

LIST OF PEALS.

2103

TRING.

On Saturday, 20th January, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES

Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation.) Tenor 24 cwt.

Christopher J. Badrick	Treble	Robert W. Metcalfe	5
*Brenda Fells	2	Walter Ayre	6
Pamela A. Martin	3	William C. Hughes	7
*Leslie S. Baines	4	†Peter Fells	Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal of Triples. † First peal. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Metcalfe.

2104

BENGEO.

On Saturday, 27th January, 1951, in Two Hours and Thirty-four Minutes.
At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Being 720 each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Oxford Bob and Oxford Treble Bob, and two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 7¼ cwt.

Dorothy Chamberlain	Treble	John M. Kemp	4
Edward J. Phillips	2	John Phillips	5
Anthony R. Ager	3	Sidney F. Carter	Tenor

Conducted by Sidney F. Carter.

Arranged and rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to the wife of John Phillips, ringer of the fifth.

2105

APSLEY END.

On Monday, January 29th, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF DELIGHT MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being one extent each of Pontefract, Kentish, Berkeley, Edinburgh, Pembroke, Oswald and Barham. Tenor 14¾ cwt.

Edwin J. Upton	Treble	Augustin V. Good	4
Pamela A. Martin	2	William C. Hughes	5
*Leslie S. Baines	3	Walter Ayre	Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal in seven methods. First Delight peal in the county, on the bells and by all the band

2106

NORTON.

On Saturday, February 3rd, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes.
At the Church of St. Nicholas.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 lb.

*John F. Collings (13)	Treble	Edwin G. Buck	5
†Maurice A. Collings (14)	2	Eric Edmondson	6
Roy V. Webb	3	Donald C. Price	7
Jack S. Dear	4	Thomas J. Southam	Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Thomas J. Southam.

* First peal. † First peal "inside."

2107

STOTFOLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.

On Saturday, February 3rd, 1951, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

Reginald T. Newman	Treble	Walter Pooley	4
Sidney F. Carter	2	John Welch	5
John Church	3	Walter Ayre	Tenor

Conducted by Sidney F. Carter.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.

2108

LITTLE MUNDEN.

On Saturday, February 17th, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Oxford Treble Bob, and two extents each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

Arthur Bull	Treble	Anthony Ager	4
John Kemp	2	E. Bruce McKie	5
*Reginald P. Crump	3	Sidney F. Carter	Tenor

* First peal. Conducted by Sidney F. Carter.

2109 ST. ALBANS.

On Saturday, February 24th, 1951, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael.

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Being twenty-six extents of Grandsire (eight callings) and sixteen extents of Plain Bob (four callings). Tenor 13 cwt.

Charles T. Payne	Treble	Stephen H. Hoare	4
William Wenban	2	Francis Kirk	5
Samuel Farmer	3	*Derek A. Walsh	Tenor

Conducted by Francis Kirk.

* First peal. First peal of Doubles in more than one method by all except the conductor.

2110 ST. ALBANS.

(The St. Peter's Society).
On Saturday, February 24th, 1951, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt. in D.

Fredk. J. Spicer	Treble	Herbert G. Mason	6
Reginald W. Darvill	2	W. John Southam	7
Audrey M. Bailey	3	Harold V. Frost	8
*Charles F. Sayer	4	Thomas J. Southam	9
Bertram C. Johnson	5	George W. Debenham	Tenor

Composed by G. W. Debenham. Conducted by Thomas J. Southam.

* 150th peal. First peal on ten as conductor. Rung to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the ringing of the first peal of Royal in the City by a local band.

2111 ABBOTS LANGLEY.

On Saturday, March 3rd, 1951, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.
At the Church of St. Lawrence.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven extents. Tenor 11 cwt.

*J. Martin Page	Treble	†William Wenban	4
*D. Kay Adkins	2	Harry Timms	5
Stephen H. Hoare	3	Christopher W. Woolley ...	Tenor

Conducted by Christopher W. Woolley.

* First peal of Surprise. † First peal of Cambridge Minor.

2113 KING'S LANGLEY.

On Saturday, March 10th, 1951, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints.

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb.

John E. Rootes	Treble	Anne B. Stockdale	5
Christopher W. Woolley	2	Brian D. Threlfall	6
Fredk. W. Brinklow	3	Richard F. B. Speed	7
*D. Kay Adkins	4	Harold G. Cashmore	Tenor

Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.

* First peal of Surprise Major.

2114 WARE.

On Monday, March 26th, 1951, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

*John E. Lofty	Treble	Alick Cutler	5
G. Wilfrid Slack	2	Thomas J. Lock	6
Mrs. N. O. L. Manchip	3	Richard F. B. Speed	7
Philip J. Coward	4	Alfred J. House	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.

* First peal of Treble Bob.

2115 WATFORD.

On Tuesday, March 27th, 1951, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt. in E flat.

Walter G. Paul	Treble	Stephen H. Hoare	5
Pamela A. Martin	2	Frederick H. Crook	6
*Raymond G. Smith	3	Richard G. Bell	7
Thomas J. Clark	4	Geoffrey W. Seaman	Tenor

Composed by J. E. Burton. Conducted by Geoffrey W. Seaman.

* First peal. Rung half-muffled to the memory of Alfred G. Woodward. (Verger.)

2116 NORTON.

On Tuesday, March 27th, 1951, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes.
At the Church of St. Nicholas.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Annable's Six-part. Tenor 9 cwt.

*Joseph V. Livock	Treble	Helen Y. Gardner.	5
†John F. Collings (13)	2	Roy V. Webb	6
Maurice A. Collings (14)	3	Jack S. Dear	7
Edwin G. Buck	4	Leonard B. Scoot	Tenor

Conducted by Roy V. Webb.

* First peal on eight. † First peal " inside." First peal of Bob Triples by all.

2117 BUSHEY.

On Thursday, April 19th, 1951, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes.
At the Church of St. James.

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

*Reginald Rowley	Treble	Fredk. W. Brinklow	5
William Wenban	2	Alick Cutler	6
Thomas J. Clark	3	Richard F. B. Speed	7
Christopher W. Woolley	4	Harold G. Cashmore	Tenor

Composed by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.

* First peal in the method.

2118 GREAT WYMONDLEY.

On Thursday, April 19th, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being two 720's each of Norwich and Bourne and three 720's of Cambridge. Tenor 8¾ cwt.

*Peter W. Croft	Treble	†George Cherry	4
†Lewis R. Runnacles	2	Edgar W. Winters	5
Albert E. Symonds	3	Frank W. Croft	Tenor

Conducted by Frank W. Croft.

* First peal. † First peal " inside " in three Surprise methods. A 13th birthday compliment to Peter W. Croft.

2120 ST. ALBANS.

On Saturday, May 5th, 1951, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5031 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt. in D.

Donald G. Clift	Treble	William J. Southam	6
Charles F. Sayer	2	*Edwin G. Buck	7
Harold V. Frost	3	*Jack S. Dear	8
Donald C. Price	4	Thomas J. Southam	9
Helen Y. Gardner	5	Francis Kirk	Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Harold V. Frost.

* First peal on ten and in the method. Rung to mark the opening of the Festival of Britain.

2121 BUSHEY.

On Thursday, May 10th, 1951, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes.
At the Church of St. James.

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

John E. Rootes	Treble	Frederick W. Brinklow	5
*William Wenban	2	Brian D. Threlfall	6
Alick Cutler	3	Richard F. B. Speed	7
Maurice F. R. Hibbert	4	Harold G. Cashmore	Tenor

Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by Harold G. Cashmore.

* First peal in the method.

2122 ABBOTS LANGLEY.

On Saturday, May 12th, 1951, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes.
At the Church of St. Lawrence.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt.

*James E. F. Easley	Treble	Eric Edmondson	4
J. Martin Page	2	D. Kay Adkins	5
F. Stedman Poole	3	Christopher W. Woolley ...	Tenor

Conducted by Christopher W. Woolley.

* First peal, aged 13. A Festival of Britain peal.

2123

WATFORD.

On Friday, May 25th, 1951, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qtr. 6 lb. in E flat.

Walter Ayre	Treble	†D. Kay Adkins	6
*Frederick W. Elliott	2	Harry G. Timms	7
*Walter G. Paul	3	Stephen H. Hoare	8
†Raymond G. Smith	4	Richard G. Bell	9
Frederick W. Brinklow	5	*Geoffrey W. Seaman	Tenor

Composed by H. J. Tucker. Conducted by Geoffrey W. Seaman.

* First peal of Bob Royal. † First peal on ten bells. First peal on ten as conductor. Rung to celebrate the bicentenary of the ringing of the first peal at this church, being a peal of Bob Triples on May 25th, 1751, by the Eastern Youths.

2124

ST. ALBANS.

On Saturday, May 26th, 1951, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes.
At the Cathedral and Abbey Church of St. Alban.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qtr. 11 lb. in D.

H. E. C. Goodenough	Treble	*Leslie T. Hansel	7
Albert W. Coles	2	Bertram C. Johnson	8
Alfred J. Hatten	3	*Reginald F. Ewer	9
*Audrey M. Bailey	4	Charles F. Sayer	10
*Olive M. Martin	5	George W. Debenham	11
Arthur Day	6	Bertie A. Cornell	Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Horace E. C. Goodenough.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques.

2125

NORTHCHURCH.

On Saturday, June 2nd, 1951, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt. 24 lb.

*Joe Hobbs	Treble	*William J. Southam	5
*Eric Edmondson	2	Charles F. Sayer	6
*Olive M. Martin	3	Bertram C. Johnson	7
*Pamela A. Martin	4	George W. Debenham	Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitsow (No. 88). Conducted by George W. Debenham.

* First peal in the method.

2126

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.

On Saturday, June 2nd, 1951, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt.

John E. Rootes	Treble	Christopher W. Woolley	5
Francis Kirk	2	Alick Cutler	6
Frederick W. Brinklow	3	Harold G. Cashmore	7
William Wenban	4	Maurice F. R. Hibbert	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Harold G. Cashmore.

2127

NORTHCHURCH.

On Saturday, June 9th, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt. 24 lb.

John E. Rootes	Treble	Maurice F. R. Hibbert	5
Brian D. Threlfall	2	†Frederick W. Brinklow	6
*Anne B. Stockdale	3	Richard F. B. Speed	7
Geoffrey Dodds	4	†Harold G. Cashmore	Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.

* First peal in the method. † 200th peal of Surprise together.

2128

DENHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

On Saturday, June 16th, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Middleton's.

Tenor 22¼ cwt.

Reginald Rowley	Treble	Arthur Hibbert	5
*Frances M. Laflin	2	Christopher W. Woolley	6
Frederick W. Brinklow	3	Maurice F. R. Hibbert	7
Francis Kirk	4	Harold G. Cashmore	Tenor

Conducted by Christopher W. Woolley.

* First peal of Surprise away from the treble.

2129 APSLEY END.

On Monday, June 18th. 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven extents, viz. : Lincoln, Netherseale, Norwich, Bourne, York, Cambridge and London.

Tenor 14¾ cwt.

William C. Hughes	Treble	Augustin V. Good	4
Terence G. Morton	2	William J. Puddifoot	5
Walter Ayre	3	*Geoffrey W. Seaman	Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal of Minor and first 720 in all the methods.

2130 ROYSTON.

On Saturday, June 23rd, 1951, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes.
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 11¾ cwt.

*Arthur H. Bysouth	Treble	Charles A. Bysouth	5
†Peter W. Croft	2	Walter J. Houghton	6
George Cherry	3	*Ernest W. Roberts	7
*Harold F. Heathfield	4	Frank W. Croft	Tenor

Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by Frank W. Croft.

* First peal in the method. † First peal of Major (age 13 years). Rung for the Patronal Festival.

2131 APSLEY END.

On Monday, July 30th, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cumberland, Horsmonden, Hereward, Childwall, Thelwall, Double Bob and Oxford Bob.

Tenor 14¾ cwt.

*Roy L. Shutter	Treble	†William J. Puddifoot	4
William C. Hughes	2	‡Terence G. Morton	5
Augustin V. Good	3	§Walter Ayre	Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal. † 50th peal. ‡ First peal in seven plain methods. §50th peal on the bells. A birthday compliment to Mrs. W. C. Hughes.

2132 BARKWAY.

On Saturday, August 4th, 1951, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 16 cwt.

*Arthur H. Bysouth	Treble	*Derek P. Jones	5
Leonard Fidler	2	Walter J. Houghton	6
Albert E. Symonds	3	*Charles A. Bysouth	7
*George Cherry	4	Frank W. Croft	Tenor

Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by Frank W. Croft.

* First peal in the method. Rung for the birthday of H.M. the Queen and the conclusion of the local Festival of Britain celebrations.

2133 ROYSTON.

On Thursday, August 9th, 1951, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 11¾ cwt.

Arthur H. Bysouth	Treble	*Ernest W. Roberts	5
*Peter W. Croft	2	Charles A. Bysouth	6
*George Cherry	3	Walter J. Houghton	7
*Harold F. Heathfield	4	Frank W. Croft	Tenor

Composed by B. Annable. Conducted by Frank W. Croft.

* First peal in the method. Rung for the local Festival of Britain celebrations.

2134 ALDENHAM.

On Saturday, August 18th, 1951, in Three Hours.
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*Peter E. Pratt	Treble	John Kemp	5
†Cecil E. R. Evans	2	William Wenban	6
Frederick W. Elliott	3	Albert C. Wenban	7
Thomas J. Clark	4	Geoffrey W. Seaman	Tenor

Composed by J. E. Burton. Conducted by Geoffrey W. Seaman.

* First peal. † First peal of Major.

2135 HITCHIN.

On Saturday, September 1st, 1951, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qtr. 26 lb.

*William F. Todd	Treble	Walter J. Houghton	5
Leonard Fidler	2	Edgar W. Winters	6
Albert E. Symonds	3	Charles A. Bysouth	7
George Cherry	4	Frank W. Croft	Tenor

Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by Frank W. Croft.

* First peal of Major. A farewell compliment to the Vicar, Canon E. C. Kempe, on his retirement.

2136 GREAT WYMONDLEY.

On Saturday, September 8th, 1951, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being one extent each of Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Cambridge, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

Albert E. Symonds	Treble	*Walter J. Houghton	4
*Peter W. Croft	2	Edgar W. Winters	5
*Charles A. Bysouth	3	Frank W. Croft	Tenor

Conducted by Frank W. Croft.

* First peal in seven methods.

2137 OXHEY.

On Saturday, September 8th, 1951, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes.
At the Church of St. Matthew.

A PEAL OF SPRINGFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

William Wenban	Treble	Richard F. B. Speed	5
Francis Kirk	2	Maurice Hodgson	6
Christopher W. Woolley	3	Brian D. Threlfall	7
Fredk. W. Brinklow	4	Harold G. Cashmore	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Harold G. Cashmore.

The first peal in the method.

2138 WALLINGTON.

On Saturday, September 8th, 1951, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being one extent each of St. Clement's, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*John F. Collings	Treble	Edwin G. Buck	4
Walter D. Pooley	2	R. Thomas Newman	5
Horace E. Werrett	3	Roy V. Webb	Tenor.

Conducted by Roy V. Webb.

* First peal of Minor. W. D. Pooley has now circled the tower. Rung for the Patronal Festival and as a farewell to the Vicar, Rev. E. L. Richadrson.

2139 NORTON.

On Saturday, September 15th, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes.
At the Church of St. Nicholas.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 lb.

*Rex M. Dixon (12)	Treble	Horace E. Werrett	5
Edwin G. Buck	2	L. Benjamin Scoot	6
†John F. Collings (13)	3	Walter D. Pooley	7
Maurice A. Collings (15)	4	Jack S. Dear	Tenor

Composed by J. E. Burton. Conducted by Jack S. Dear.

* First peal. † First peal "inside." First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells by local Sunday service band. A wedding compliment to Lt.-Col. the Rev. E. J. C. King-Salter, D.S.O., O.B.E., and Miss Rachel Hewett Bailey, daughter of Canon J. H. Bailey, former Vicar of Norton

2140 STOTFOLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.

On Saturday, September 29th, 1951, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 lb. in G.

John F. Collings (13)	Treble	R. Thomas Newman	4
*Rex M. Dixon (12)	2	John Church	5
†Maurice A. Collings	3	Walter D. Pooley	Tenor

Conducted by R. Thomas Newman.

* First peal in method. † First peal of Minor.

2141 NORTON.

On Saturday, October 6th, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes.
At the Church of St. Nicholas.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 lb.

*Rex M. Dixon	Treble	Jack S. Dear	5
Walter D. Pooley	2	Edwin G. Buck	6
†John F. Collings	3	Horace E. Werrett	7
†Maurice H. Collings	4	*L. Benjamin Scoot	Tenor

Conducted by Horace E. Werrett.

* First peal of Triples. † First peal "inside." First peal as conductor.

2142 GREAT WYMONDLEY.

On Wednesday, October 10th, 1951, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being one extent each of Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Norwich, Bourne and Cambridge. Tenor 8r ¾ cwt.

Frank W. Croft	Treble	Leonard Fidler	4
Peter W. Croft	2	William J. Croft	5
Albert E. Symonds	3	Edgar W. Winters	Tenor

Conducted by Frank W. Croft.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam George Wolfe (83), a local ringer.

2143 KNEBWORTH.

On Saturday, November 17th, 1951, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin. .....

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Three-part No. 5. Tenor 12¾ cwt.

*Leonard B. Scoot	Treble	John Church	5
Edwin G. Buck	2	John Welch	6
*Maurice A. Collings	3	Walter D. Pooley	7
Horace E. Werrett	4	Jack S. Dear	Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by Jack S. Dear.

* First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Treble Bob as conductor.

2144 RICKMANSWORTH.

On Saturday, November 24th, 1951, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

Frederick W. Elliott	Treble	Richard G. Bell	6
*Terence G. Morton	2	William C. Hughes	7
Reginald Rowley	3	Stephen H. Hoare	8
*Pamela A. Martin	4	Geoffrey W. Seaman	9
Augustin V. Good	5	*Edwin J. Upton	Tenor

Composed by H. W. Haley. Conducted by Geoffrey W. Seaman.

* First peal on ten bells. First peal in the method as conductor. A 21st birthday compliment to the conductor.

2145 BARKWAY.

On Saturday, November 24th, 1951, in Three Hours.

At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.

Tenor 16 cwt.

Arthur H. Bysouth	Treble	William J. Croft	5
Leonard Fidler	2	Walter J. Houghton	6
*Peter W. Croft	3	Charles A. Bysouth	7
George Cherry	4	Frank W. Croft	Tenor

Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by Frank W. Croft.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a compliment to Canon and Mrs. H. F. Webb-Bowen to commemorate their 25 years in Barkway. Also a birthday compliment to the Vicar and a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bysouth on their silver wedding.

2146 SAFFRON WALDEN, ESSEX.

On Saturday, December 1st, 1951, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

*Bertie A. Cornell	Treble	†William J. Southam	7
*Audrey M. Bailey	2	†Francis Kirk	8
Donald G. Clift	3	Harold V. Frost	9
*Bertram C. Johnson	4	†Frederick J. Spicer	10
†Reginald W. Darvill	5	George W. Debenham	11
†Herbert G. Mason	6	*Thomas J. Southam	Tenor

Composed by James Motts. Conducted by Thomas J. Southam.

* First peal of Maximus. † First peal on twelve bells. First peal on twelve as conductor. First peal on twelve bells by a St. Albans band. First peal of Treble Bob Maximus for the Association by a band resident in the county.

2147 APSLEY END.

On Monday, December 3rd, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

In 16 methods: (1) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Primrose; (2) Chester, Munden; (3) Bourne, Netherseale; (4) Lightfoot, Wearmouth; (5) Beverley, Surfleet; (6) York, Durham; (7) London, Wells. Tenor 14¾ cwt.

Joe Hobbs	Treble	William J. Puddifoot	4
*Derek E. Latchford	2	†William C. Hughes	5
Augustin V. Good	3	Walter Ayre	Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal in more than seven methods. † First peal in 16 surprise methods. Rung half-muffled in memory of William Shepherd, a ringer at Hemel Hempstead until the last war.

2148 GREAT GADDESDEN.

On Saturday, December 15th, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes.
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven different extents.

			Tenor 10 cwt.
*Neil E. Dollimore	Treble	†Roy L. Shutter	4
Keith B. Good	2	*Reginald E. Sheppard	5
*Jane M. Plumbe	3	Walter Ayre	Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

* First peal. † First peal " inside." All the above are members of the Apsley tower.

2150 ALDENHAM.

On Wednesday, December 26th, 1951, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes.
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

Reginald Rowley	Treble	*Neville Jenkins	5
Cecil E. R. Evans	2	William Wenban	6
Fredk. H. Crook	3	John E. Rootes	7
D. Kay Adkins	4	Geoffrey W. Seaman	Tenor

Composed by J. E. Burton. Conducted by Geoffrey W. Seaman.

* First peal.

2151 ST. ALBANS.

On Monday, December 31st, 1951, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven different 720's.

			Tenor 13 cwt.
Charles T. Payne	Treble	George W. Debenham	4
*Audrey M. Bailey	2	William J. Arnold	5
William J. Southam	3	Francis Kirk	Tenor

Conducted by Francis Kirk.

* First peal of Minor. Quickest peal on the bells.

HANDBELL PEALS

2102 TRING.

On Friday, January 12th, 1951, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes.
At Osmington School.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor size 15 in C.

Christopher W. Woolley	1-2	Wilfrid H. J. Hooton	5-6
Harold G. Cashmore	3-4	Richard F. B. Speed	7-8

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by W. H. J. Hooton.

2112 TRING.

On Sunday, March 4th, 1951, in One Hour and Forty-one Minutes.
At Osmington School.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven different extents.

			Tenor size 8.
Brenda Fells	1-2	W. H. J. Hooton	3-4
Rosemary Smith	5-6		

Conducted by W. H. J. Hooton.

2119 BUSHEY HEATH.

On Wednesday, April 25th, 1951, in Two Hours and Twenty-three Minutes.
At 39, Titian Avenue.

A PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Consisting of 640 each of London, Ealing, Wembley and Rutland, and 320 each of Superlative, Cambridge, Yorkshire, Pudsey, Ashtead, Radlett, Berkshire and Bristol, with 139 changes of method.

Christopher W. Woolley	1-2	Harold G. Cashmore	5-6
Ernest C. S. Turner	3-4	Frederick W. Brinklow	7-8

Composed and Conducted by Harold G. Cashmore.
Umpire : William Wenban.

First peal in twelve Surprise methods on handbells. The umpire checked every lead-end throughout the peal.

2149 TRING.

On Sunday, December 16th, 1951, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes.
At Osmington School.

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.

*Pamela Martin	1-2	Wilfrid H. J. Hooton	5-6
Christopher W. Woolley	3-4	Brenda Fells	7-8

Composed by F. E. W Meadows. Conducted by W. H. J. Hooton.

* First peal " in hand " on eight bells.