

SRCY99



Welcome to this SRCY newsletter, which gives details of events of the previous year.

As we move into the new millennium, we can be very satisfied with the healthy state the Society is in. Over the last year, we rang 252 peals, came a close second to the local band in the 12 bell final at York and held two very well attended country meetings. The July meeting in Wisbech was attended by over 100 members and we elected 26 new members. The Wednesday evening practices continue to be popular and ringing has ranged from Grandsire and Stedman up to Orion S Maximus.

However we must not become too complacent. We need to continue to recruit new members and the success of events such as the Peal day and Country meetings relies on the support of the members. The Society is what you, the members, make it, so please join in whenever you can.

Ian Fielding – Master

The Annual General Meeting – October 2nd 1999

The following officers were elected for 1999-2000

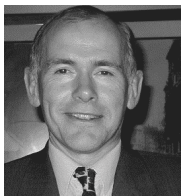
Master	Ian Fielding
Senior Steward	Doug Beaumont
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Assistant Secretary	Gill Sparling
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Rogues Gallery – your officers

Linda Garton



Doug Beaumont



Heather Kippin



Gill Sparling



Russell Brown

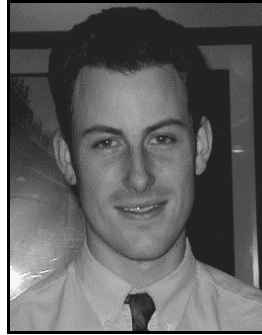


Philippa Whittington



The New Master – Ian Fielding

Ian is one of our youngest ever masters. He was born in 1973 and was taught to ring at Apsley End in 1980 by his father.



Ian might still be ringing in rural Hertfordshire now if it hadn't been for the influence of John Peverett, Gerald Penney, Roger Baldwin and Kevin Lucas, who 'sorted him out', and of Peter Ellis and Colin Turner who introduced him to peal ringing. (Including a famous event when he was pressed into ringing a peal so he could not spend the afternoon gaining a tattoo!)

He was elected a member in 1981 and soon moved to live and work in London. He has been a stalwart supporter of the Society since then and served as junior and senior steward before being elected master.

Ian believes that one of the main strengths of the Society is its large, enthusiastic membership. There are a number of people throughout the country currently involved in all aspects of the Society's life and he hopes to build on this during his term of office. A level of complacency following the 250th anniversary was probably inevitable. He hopes that now we can concentrate on looking forward to the next century and start to ensure the prosperity of the Society for the next 250 years.

Ian feels strongly that the Society has given him a great deal and by serving as master he can repay some of that debt. He is especially grateful to Alan Regin for all the peal ringing and conducting opportunities which have come his way during the last seven years.

Heather Kippin

Useful information

- The Life Membership subscription is £15.
- Steepleage is 50p
- Peal Booking fee is 50p

For successful peals both steepleage and the peal booking fee are payable (i.e. £1 per ringer), for unsuccessful peals, steepleage only is required (i.e. 50p per ringer).

Steepleage, Peal Booking Fees and details of peals, including details of compositions and ringers for unsuccessful peals, should be sent to the **Junior Steward**, Russell Brown, 34 Armour Rise, Hitchin, Herts, Telephone: 01462 622347 Email : russell.brown@c-of-e.org.uk Many thanks to all the conductors of peals who send these promptly, it makes the Junior Steward's job considerably easier.

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Loss of Members

The following members have died during the last year and have been remembered at a meeting

Elsie M. Bagworth, Henry Lawrenson, Brian Luff,
Evelyn M. Wager, Veronica E Lott, Jack Millhouse

Jack Millhouse

His funeral took place on Wednesday 8th September in St Hugh's Choir at Lincoln Cathedral, where he regularly worshipped. The Dean and Precentor officiated.



Jack learnt to ring in 1934 and was made a member of the Cumberlands in 1936, becoming a Trustee from 1968 to 1996. His was a first membership of the Society in Lincolnshire, but eventually with the late Tom Francis, built up a large following of the Society in the Eastern Counties. He always valued his membership and greatly enjoyed peals with these members.

During the war he served as a gunner in the Merchant Navy and happened to dock in London many times. On these visits the home of George H Cross at Barnehurst became his second home where in his own words, "We rang handbells. I was taught so much by this much esteemed Master". He often remarked how George would say that one day the performance on handbells would overtake those in the tower. This has proved true. On his demob leave he rang his first Society peal at Milton near Gravesend followed by a handbell peal at Barnehurst. Later peals for the Society that stood out in his memory were Bristol at Cubit Town, Maximus at St Martins and Cinques at Southwark Cathedral. In 1949 he called his first peal of Spliced Surprise for the Society at Willesden.

Although a prolific peal ringer, his first priority was always his Sunday Communion followed by service ringing. Second in his priorities was training and helping up and coming ringers. He called first peal of Stedman Cinques for at least 90 people.

Jack lived all his life with his sister Betty. Neither of them married. Betty was never a practising ringer, although she was very knowledgeable and a great supporter of ringers. She was elected to the Royal Society of Cumberland Youths in 1948. In her later years she suffered failing health and during her last four years, while resident in a nursing home, Jack would bring her home for lunch whenever her health allowed and he visited her without fail every day. His funeral was two years to the day after the date of her death.

Jack was a true Christian gentleman. May he rest in peace.

Margaret Parker.

New members elected in 1999

Kathryn S Dodds, Matthew Durham, Ian M Holland, Marion Holland, Katherine L Town, Brian R Tri, Anne P Cook, W Eric Critchley, Michael C Bryant, Christopher Mundy, Michael Pickup, Mungo Stacey, Jonathan Wilkinson, Dennis R. Allcock, Andrew Beech, James W. Belshaw, Adrian Clifton, Angela Clifton, Mick Cole, R. Philip Graves, Bruce Hicks, Frances Haynes, Jo Hobson, Ms Meriel Hughes, Benjamin Kipling, Barry D. Mack, Judith A. Mack, Jane E. Mason, Roy Meads, Martin F. Mitchell, Meredith Morris, Elizabeth M. Nowill, Geoffrey S. Perryman, Marion T. Perryman, Catherine C. Priestley, Dr. Michael D. J. Priestley, Frederick R. Scott, Robert J. Stokes, Peter J. Waterfield, Samuel J.C. Corley, Jonathan C. Hetherington, Samantha F. Jeff, Christine M. Horritt, Tom Langton, Colin M. Lee, Mary E. Pickstone, Alison C. Waterson



Forthcoming Events 2000

5th February

Not the Dinner Day

Peals followed by Curry at Sheraz,
Brick Lane.

Tickets for curry from Gill Sparling,
£13.00 each (in advance)

11th March

Country meeting at Horsham

Peals (am), several towers open,
evening event

See insert for details

25th March

12 bell eliminator

3rd May

Business Meeting at
St Martins in the Fields

8th July

Country meeting at Leicester

Peals (am), several towers open,
evening event

See insert for details

9th September

Dinner 2000 at The Insurance Hall

Tickets £60 – a deposit of £25 will
reserve your place at this “not to be
missed event”

7th October

AGM at St Martins in the Fields

Morning peals, afternoon ringing and
meeting followed by evening social

20th November

Peal day (or rather peal weekend)



Dinner 2000

I am not quite sure why I was suggested as a suitable person to extol the virtues of formal SRCY dinners. Those of you who were fortunate enough to attend one or both of the dinners during the 250th Anniversary year, (in Charleston and London), will surely need no encouragement. For my part, both dinners were really rather special in that I realised that I really fancied Gill Palmer at the dinner in Charleston, (I was however not alone in that), and I invited her out during the second dinner in London. I am now really looking forward to attending the forthcoming 'Dinner 2000' with Gill as my wife.

I do not for one moment suggest that all attending will find a future wife or husband but you will certainly be guaranteed a night to remember if past performance is anything to go by. It would be wrong to try to exactly reproduce the Anniversary Dinner - that, for a number of reasons outside everybody's control was a "one off". However, the evening was so well attended and unanimously enjoyed that there had to be some kind of follow up. The Dinner 2000 is it. The Great Hall in the Insurance Hall in the City with its wooden panelling and stained glass windows promises to be every bit as good a venue as the Middle Temple Hall was for the Anniversary Dinner.

Whilst it is not a cheap evening out, the ability to pay in instalments and the inclusion of pre-dinner drinks and wine with the meal as part of the ticket price means that the painful bit is all over with by the time the dinner comes and you can enjoy a 'free' evening out! Places this time round are limited to 180 so nearly half the people who attended the last dinner will miss out. Make sure you are not one of them and book early. Who knows who you might meet and what might happen!

David Sparling

1999 National 12 Bell Striking Contest



Didn't we have a lovely time the day we went to York (shire)

The weekend of the 26th-27th June eagerly awaited by some and dreaded by others had finally arrived. The Cumberland's descended on York. Some arriving the night before to ensure a couple of beers, a curry and a good night's sleep (?) before the event. I was looking forward to the first opportunity to ring on the 12 having only rung on the middle 8 on a previous visit some years ago. Having won our eliminator by a reasonable margin and on previous form being one of the most consistent teams in the final, a tenner each way at William Hills would have been a good bet.

York proved to be an excellent venue with the beer tent, food and facilities all situated along the south side of the Cathedral, bathed in sunshine all day and within good listening range of the bells.

Drawn 8th, our ringing was described as exciting and after a final recount we were placed a close second to the home team who took the Taylor trophy for the first time. There was still plenty of beer left to be drunk and the last dregs were consumed between last orders and when the tent had to be dismantled. Some ringers were already appearing pretty well dismantled themselves. (No names mentioned, Frank). Those making a weekend of it still had Sunday service ringing and peals to ring before making their way home. Any attempts at sightseeing on the Sunday afternoon were somewhat put off by the persistent rain but we still had an enjoyable time with

many of the ringers assembled in the pub.

This being a factual report of the 12 bell final, I won't mention any other capers that occurred during the weekend and I am certainly not explaining again where those scratches came from.

Paul Cammiade.

Country Meetings

These are held twice a year and are becoming an major feature in the Society's calendar. In 1999 we visited St Albans in March and Wisbech In July. We are grateful to local members in both areas who worked so hard to make these meetings so successful. The spring meeting is usually close to London while the July event is usually further afield and is tending towards a long weekend with peal ringing starting on the Thursday or Friday. This is an ideal opportunity for society members to get to know one another so if you feel like hosting a meeting please contact the Secretary.

March Country Meeting to St Albans

This year's early Cumberland meeting was held, as has become the custom, not too far away from London, Ben and Rosemary Duke and the St Peters, St Albans ringers spearheaded a packed programme including eight peals (all successful), three general ringing towers (attended by over 100 members and friends) and an entertaining evening quiz including a pizza buffet (to the great delight of the Senior Steward who just loves Pizza). All in all, a splendid day out.

July Country meeting to Wisbech

The Cumberlands' Country Day is traditionally held on the second Saturday in July. It has in recent years evolved into a (long) weekend, this years' foray into the Fens being no

exception. Our base was the lovely Georgian market town of Wisbech, familiar to many of us as the home of Elgoods brewery who provided the Society with the odd case of beer for our 250th anniversary.

The weekend was preceded by emails flying in all directions on a daily basis, numerous phone calls, the complete booking up of four of Wisbech's biggest hotels (which is most of them!), the odd headache or two - but the result was over 100 members all in the right place at the right time (more or less!) and with a roof over their heads.

Twelve peals were planned for the Thursday and Friday, of which nine were successful, with mishaps at Mindinho-le-Tower, Alburgh and Horham. Thanks go to Amanda Richmond and Simon Rudd for their hospitality on Thursday, and to Jeremy Warren for arranging the towers. On Friday evening most people managed to find their way to Wisbech, but there's always one exception! The full story of how Penny waved goodbye to the rest of the band and managed find herself stranded in North Lopham would take up far too much space here but will no doubt be recounted many more times yet- ask Jake for the full unedited version!

On Saturday there were another eight peal attempts and general ringing at Walpole St. Peter and St Andrew (Or was it the other way round!), Upwell, Emneth, Walsoken and Wisbech Parish Church itself. Very welcome cups of tea and chocolate cake preceded the meeting, during which 26 members were elected to the Society.

Now the Cumberlands do seem to have the reputation for being drinkers of orange juice - Saturday, 10th July. 1999 really should go down in the annals of history as the date when this ghost was finally laid to rest! Not only did the Society prove that we could organise a you know what in a brewery, but also made a very valiant attempt to drink the brewery dry! Someone described Elgoods brewery as the perfect setting for a social event, and they probably were not far wrong. On such a lovely warm evening many of us, pint in hand, were able to wander round the beautiful gardens, whilst the remainder were taken on a tour of the brewery itself. Alan Regin made a presentation to Nigel and Ann Elgood of two framed peal boards

commemorating peals rung by members of the Society to mark firstly the bicentenary of Elgoods brewery and secondly the 250th anniversary of the Society and the launch of the 250th anniversary beer. Copies of the peal boards were also presented to Paul Meyer tower captain at Wisbech.



Some eventually retired to bed, some to the bar at the White Lion until the early hours. Potentially the most serious lockout of the weekend occurred when Russell nearly had to spend what remained of the night in the Hon. Secretary's bath! Sunday service ringing was followed by a leisurely coffee before saying our goodbyes and departing to our various parts of the country - a whole minibus load from the NE (very nicely parked Ron!) - or to another peal attempt.

Another very successful and enjoyable Country weekend. A huge thank you must go to Paul Meyer for all his hard work and to Alan for once again masterminding the whole event. Arrangements for next year's meeting in Leicester on July 8th 2000 are already in hand - book the date now!

Linda Garton

Other events during the year



North American Guild AGM 1999

SRCY members present at the Dinner in the ringing chamber of Gracechurch, Charleston.

Not the dinner day

As has become customary, “Not the dinner day” was held in London on 6th February to celebrate not having a formal dinner that day. A number of peals were organised during the day by the Senior Steward who coped admirably with the numbers of people coming down sick during the week before. The evening event returned to the Sheraz in Brick Lane for a truly excellent, and plentiful curry.

Spliced Surprise Royal Weekend

During the weekend of 14th and 15th May, the Society held a Spliced Surprise Royal weekend. The intention was to ring the Kippin series of Spliced in 4 to 8 methods on the Saturday morning. This was not achieved but during the weekend 7 peals were scored.

An attempt on Friday evening was contracted to Major due to two members of the band getting stuck in traffic and an attempt for Kippins 8 silent and non conducted on Sunday afternoon was unsuccessful.

News from our towers

ST MARTIN IN THE FIELDS

The band at St Martin in the Fields continues to comprise a substantial number of members of the Society who also ring at the other Society towers on a Sunday morning. St Martin in the Fields hosts the Society's practice on the first Wednesday of most months.

We have had some problems with the tenor clapper which has unfortunately restricted ringing to the front eight for a week or two until the clapper was mended.

Our steeple keeper, Julia Cater, has worked hard and achieved some noticeable improvements to the odd-struckness of the bells making them easier to ring.

The Society helped to support the work of the Church by buying a large number of raffle tickets for the Church Fair Grand Raffle and in this way helped the Band to make a substantial contribution to Church finds.

We continue to welcome visitors from around the country and

the world and indeed Sunday morning is often very cosmopolitan. Society members are most welcome to join the band on a Sunday.

Terri Horton

SPITALFIELDS - 1999

During a large part of 1998 it was not possible to ring at Spitalfields because of the extensive work being undertaken on the tower, I am pleased to say that this has been completed now and the bells are fully back in action again.

The removal of the first layer of ceiling during the work caused initial problems as the bells were very loud, this for the main part has been remedied although some additional work on the acoustics will be undertaken early next year.

There have been a good number of peals rung on the bells this year, the Society, the London County Association and the University of London Society have used them for practice, we have welcomed a number of visiting bands and the Society once again provided ringing for the first and last concert of the Spitalfields Festival held in June each year. We also aim to provide ringing for the Christmas festival this year. Service ringing has continued with the bells generally being rung on the third Sunday of each Month.

On the maintenance side, a broken clapper was replaced earlier in the year and a general tidy and tighten was undertaken. Recently, a new set of ropes has been purchased by the Society and these are now on and in use.

Work continues on the restoration of the Church, as mentioned above the tower is now finished along with the South side of the Church, it has to be seen to be believed! Work has now commenced on the North side along with initial work on the interior - so far ringing has continued although the access is sometimes a little difficult!

Alan Regin

CLERKENWELL – 1999

Sunday Service ringing continues at Clerkenwell, During this year there have been more weddings, a new vicar and a larger congregation.

Stephanie Pattenden

The Wedding of the Year

As far as the papers were concerned, the wedding of the year was between Edward and Sophie. However, the papers are not always on top of events and we have great pleasure in this scoop photograph of the “Real wedding of the year”



Gill and David Sparling and guests demonstrate the correct wedding attire for a Cumberland wedding in the 1990's.

Cumberland Ringing in the Seventies

I first moved to London in 1968, just as the (earlier) Shoreditch restoration was finishing, and was immediately introduced to the Cumberlands by my school-friend Chris Starbuck who had been at university there for the previous 3 years. Dennis Beresford was Master then and Derek Sibson secretary. Having been taught to ring only two years previously, and having rung my first peal (of minor) earlier that year I was rather nervous at first, especially trying to ring on twelve, but soon learned to listen as I had never listened before!

Dennis did a great deal to revive the Cumberlands in the Sixties, and by the time I arrived in London the Society was beginning to thrive. There was no doubt that Dennis could be rather intimidating to anyone not willing or not able to ring to his very high standards, but I have no doubt that I would not have progressed so quickly, especially on the higher numbers, without his encouragement and support, and, yes, quite a lot of constructive criticism (I remember on one occasion during a peal Dennis telling one of the ringers that "your backstrokes are excruciating").

As well as attending practices regularly, I was soon invited to help out on Sundays too, We used to ring at St. Martins every Sunday from 9-9.45am and then go on to Shoreditch, St Giles-in-the-Fields (to which we usually walked), or occasionally Clerkenwell, Aldgate or Cripplegate. Sunday evening ringing at one of these towers was as usual as the morning ringing. After the redundant Gillett eight from Clapham Park were installed in 1971 at Spitalfields in place of the unringable heavy eight, they became a regular Sunday tower too.

During the transfer, we spent many Saturdays working there with Louise ('Mickey') Slater cooking us lunch to be eaten in the Crypt amongst the "less fortunate". Two memories of this period stand out: when Jim Hills stood on joists at the level of the floor above the bells hoisting the Floorboards up and laying them across the joists, which were only loosely

lodged in the recesses in the bricks (without a safely net!); and when the concrete for the ring beam was delivered and we had to haul it up the tower in wheel-barrow-loads which then had to be manoeuvred around walkways, when I for one could only just manage to lift them.

We soon started teaching about 30 Spitalfields locals on Monday nights but within a year or so all of them had stopped coming and the practices effectively became an extra Cumberland Surprise Major practice. All of Dennis and Mary's children learnt to ring there with two of them going on to ring Yorkshire Surprise Maximus inside as their first peal.

Practice towers were pretty much the same as now, but with rather more visits to St Giles-in-the-Fields. There were more 8-bell practices and fewer 12-bell ones than now, although St. Martins on the first Wednesday of the month was then, as now, the only official Society practice. One other difference was that we often retired to the coffee house rather than the pub, and when a pub was visited a number of the band (not everyone as some like to tell) only drank orange squash.

The methods we rang on the higher numbers would seem rather mundane by today's standards, being mainly Stedman, Yorkshire and Bristol (eventually). We also rang Cantuar Alliance regularly, in preference to Londinium, and almost never rang Cambridge - in fact, I rang 28 peals of Yorkshire Maximus before I rang one of Cambridge Maximus! I remember we had five attempts to ring a midweek peal of Bristol Royal at Shoreditch in the early part of 1974, the first of which never started because I wrote my car off on the way there, and the last two failed due to a) the tenor clapper hitting the frame and b) the tenor rope catching in the boss. I finally rang my first peal of it about six months later at Egham. We had a similar number of attempts at Strathclyde a little later. Within two months of the Egham peal I rang my first peal of Bristol Maximus, which I remember finding extremely difficult to learn, much more so than the Royal.

Dennis was Master for most of this time (there being no '3-year' rule), until in 1976, as many of you will know, he suffered a most unfortunate illness which baffled his doctors and which,

coupled with some attempted curative treatment, left him unable to stand for more than a few seconds at a time. While Dennis was a difficult taskmaster, I believe I heard and took part in more excellent ringing during that period than in any similar period since.

At the AGM in January 1977, Stan Jenner was elected Master and this marked the beginning of the present system of each Master serving for two or at the most three years, with a similar turnaround of stewards. Stan served for two years during which time he left his own mark on the Society: we entered the Twelve-bell competition for the first time and came a creditable third at Southwark. He was followed by John Barnes whose term as Master completed the decade.

Ben Duke

Where are they now?

The Society has lost contact with the following members. Any assistance in updating our records for them would be much appreciated.

Miss Yvonne Porter, Miss Christine Hollyoak,
Mrs.V.Farnham,Mr. W.Allsopp, Mr. C.G.Andrews,
Mr. T.F.Banner, Mr. T.V.Barnard, Mrs. S. Barnes,
Mr. K.A.Betesta, Mr. W.S.Bonnet, Miss A.Bradbury,
Mr. C.Buesden, Miss Joyce Clark, Mrs.S.P.Cole,
Miss Jacqueline Downing, Miss Jillian Dunmall,
Mr. G.D.Fearnehough, Mr. G.Frost, Captain C.T.Graves,
Mrs.J.Harrison, Mrs.H.Hawthorne, Mr. L.S.F.Hewson,
Mr. A.J.Hill, Miss Alison Hill, Mrs.M.Hill, Mr.C.H.Jenkins,
Mr.W.J.Lemon, Miss Penny Lowen. Miss Mattinson,
Mrs.M.McGlue, Mr.J.M.Page, Miss M.Pearse,
Mr.D.Phillipson, Mrs.A.Piechna, Mr.I.M.Robinson,
Mr.P.J.Sawyer, Mr.J.T.Stevens, Mr.P.D.Storey,
Mr.B.E.Trill, Miss Valerie Williams, Miss Angela Wright,

Is it on your “Favourites” list?

If not why not? The Society's web page is at

<http://www.hblock.demon.co.uk>

This is kindly maintained by Paul Butler and contains details of practice nights, officers, forthcoming events, peal lists and lots of other goodies.

You can email your peal details to
Russell Brown at russell.brown@c-of-e.org.uk

Any articles for next year's newsletter will be welcome by
Philippa Whittington at pw21@compuserve.com

Contact the Secretary :
Linda Garton at LindaGarton@breathemail.net

Midlands Practices

We are ringing/attempting SRCY Midland quarters every 2nd Weds of the month. The last 3 months have involved several of the newest recruits from both the July and Oct meetings.

In September there were 2 attempts at the same time at Nottingham St Mary's and Clifton SMV. October was at Lockington and November at Leicester St Margaret.

As from November onwards organisation of SRCY Midland quarters has been handed over to Mick Angrave.
(Tel: 01455-272696).

Tim Peverett



Congratulations

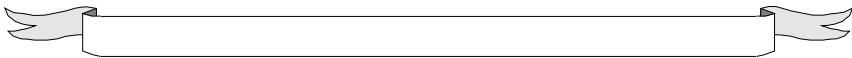
to Mr Edwin Barnett and Mr Ronald Dove who celebrated 70 years membership during 1999

and to the following members who celebrated 50 years membership:

Mrs Audrey Allaway, Mr Harry Brown,
Mrs Patricia Cross, Mr Trevor Cross,
Mrs Stella Knight, Mr A. Ronald Ling,
Mr Keith McGregor, Mr J. Martin Page,
Mrs Barbara Raithby, Mrs Beryl Reed,
Mr R.T. Vessey, The Revd, The Lord Wrenbury

The following members rang their 1000th peal during the year

- Ian Holland, Michael Orme, Harold Rogers,
Ian Roulstone, Nicola Turner.



A PLEA : How to send money to the Treasurer !

1. Take a blank piece of paper (A4 or A5)
2. Write or type your name at the top of the piece of paper
2. Write or type the items the money covers
3. Put the piece of paper with the money (or cheque) into an envelope
4. Seal the envelope
5. Write the Treasurers name on the envelope
6. Hand or post it to the Treasurer.

From the Minute Books:



100 years ago

Some things don't change! In 1899 it was proposed that " every composition rung by the Society for the first time ... shall be sent to the Secretary by the conductor to be entered in the Composition Book and that unless and until such figures are supplied no such peal shall be booked." This was carried.

It was also proposed that "Mr V. West be paid for entering 24 peals in the Grand Peal Book at 2/6 each". I hope that this doesn't give Derek Sibson too many ideas about supplementing his income!

50 years ago

District meetings were held at Rickmansworth, Dartford and Broxbourne.

The Dinner, held at the Old Bell Restaurant, Holborn cost 12/6.

11 peals were rung ranging from Bob Minor to Spliced Major and Cambridge Maximus

25 years ago

The officers in 1974 were:

- Master – Dennis Beresford
- Secretary – Miss Jane Foster
- Treasurer – Christopher Starbuck
- Senior Steward – John Barnes
- Junior Steward – Graham Duke

Joan Summerhayes was elected as Assistant Secretary, though this post was not included as an Officer until 1975.

The Dinner was held at the Rembrandt Hotel in February, with tickets costing £2.90. Despite the three day week and rail disputes, it was attended by 188 members and friends.

In addition to the AGM at St. Martin-in-the-Fields in January,

meetings were also held at Greenwich and Kingston-on-Thames. A Country Meeting was held in Leeds in March, prior to which a presentation was made to Derek Sibson, who had just retired as Secretary, in appreciation of his services to the Society. In addition, to quote from the Officers Report, “ A country day in Sussex was held as a new departure in July: peals were attempted in the morning, there was general ringing in the afternoon, and a supper party in the evening. All this was arranged by members in the area with a view to involving all members interested, but particularly those in Sussex and London. The day was a great success; and it has been suggested that perhaps more meetings could take this form.” Sounds a winning formula!

Practices were held at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on the first Wednesday of each month, and also at Shoreditch, St. Andrew’s, Holborn and St. Giles-in-the-Fields. The Officers Report notes “It is encouraging that Bristol Maximus is again being rung at practices.”

A peal day was held in the Wolverhampton area in September with 5 out of 7 peals being rung, plus 4 in other parts of the country. 46 peals were rung in total in 1974 – a total only exceeded once since 1884. This included peals of 23 atw Spliced S. Major and 126 Spliced S. Royal, and a record 12 peals on twelve.

23 new members were elected.

Society Peals 100 / 200 / 250 years ago

Date	Place	Method	Conductor
28/03/1750	Shoreditch	New Double Trebles	George Partrick
01/09/1750	West Ham	Plain Bob Triples	George Partrick

The footnote to the Shoreditch peal records it as "being the first ever

01/02/1800	Shoreditch	Grandsire Caters	George Gross
20/04/1800	Edmonton	10112 Oxford TB Major	George Gross
02/06/1800	St Marys Walthamstow	Union T B Major	George Cross
01/08/1800	Hackney	Grandsire Triples	John Hints
18/11/1800	St Giles In The Fields	Grandsire Triples	John Hints

A fine long peal performance at Edmonton, Gross conducted the 12000 of Oxford TB Royal at Shoreditch back in 1784.

10/02/1900	Willesden	3 Minor	Albert Pittam
17/02/1900	Loughton	Double Norwich CB Major	Edgar Wightman
27/02/1900	Highgate	Kent T B Major	James Hannington
16/04/1900	Highgate	Kent T B Major	James Hannington
16/04/1900	Hampstead	Kent T B Royal	Charles Martin
21/05/1900	St Giles In The Fields	Kent T B Major	Arthur Jacob
26/05/1900	Highgate	Kent T B Major	James Hannington
04/06/1900	Hampstead	Stedman Caters	Harry Barton
21/07/1900	Westminster, St Margaret	Double Norwich C B Major	Edwin Barnett
10/11/1900	Highgate	Plain Bob Major	Charles Martin
12/11/1900	Clerkenwell	Plain Bob Major	William Keeble
01/12/1900	Walthamstow, St Saviours	Kent TB Major	William Keeble
26/12/1900	Edmonton	Superlative S Major	James Parker

Some interesting towers amongst these, Hampstead are no longer in existence and a number of others ones make only rare appearances in peal columns these days, two peals of Kent in the same day, at Highgate and Hampstead.

Alan Regin

Caption Competition

Hats have been the vogue during the year and we invite captions for the following photos. Entries may be emailed to the editor (pw21@compuserve.com) or given to any member of the committee. The best entries will be announced at the Country Meeting in July.



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Society of Royal Cumberland Youths

Officers' Report 1998 – 1999

The Society has enjoyed yet another very active year, with steadily increasing membership and wide participation in the Society's activities. As we enter the next Millennium we can be confident that the Society will continue to go from strength to strength.

Practices and Meetings

Practices have been well attended with an average of 25 members present. Methods have varied from more standard fare, catering for the less experienced ringers, up to Rigel and Orion. Out of town practices are now becoming a standard feature of the calendar, giving those unable to travel into central London on a Wednesday greater opportunity to attend. We have again visited Croydon and also St. Albans Abbey.

Practices have been organised at Stockton-on-Tees and have been enthusiastically attended by members and friends in the North. Regular Quarter Peal attempts take place in the Midlands and Surrey practices continue.

Six General Meetings of the Society were again held during the year, of which four were at St. Martin-in-the-Fields in October, November, January and May. In March we visited St Albans for a Country Meeting, with the now customary format of peals, general ringing, business meeting and a social event - on this occasion an extremely enjoyable quiz evening. The July Country Meeting was held in Wisbech, with over a hundred members participating in a most memorable long weekend, the highlight being the social gathering in Elgoods brewery. Our grateful thanks go to the members in both areas for making the arrangements and for their welcome - their hard work is very much appreciated.

Other events

The anniversary weekend in September was celebrated, with 3 peals being rung and an informal dinner held in the Hop Cellars attended by about 50 members and friends.

November saw a burst of peal ringing activity. Nineteen peals of Plain Bob Major were rung to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the

first peal rung for the Society. This included a peal by a band of past masters at Shoreditch and the first peal on the Society's new handbells. This was immediately followed by Peal Weekend, during the course of which a further 30 attempts were successful.

Not the Dinner Day was again held on the first Saturday in February. Four peals were rung and an excellent curry was enjoyed by about fifty members and friends.

In May, a large number of members took part in a Spliced Surprise Royal Peal Day arranged by the Master, with 7 peals being rung. Those in London gathered at the City Darts afterwards for a buffet supper.

In June the Society's band came an extremely close second to the home team in the National Twelve Bell Striking Contest held at York Minster.

We thank all those who play a part in organising these events and to everybody who supports them. It is always very pleasing to see so many members all over the country (and further afield) taking part in Society activities.

Peal ringing

Enthusiasm for peal ringing has not waned since the end of the anniversary year. During the year a total of 252 peals have been rung for the Society, far surpassing the record of 176 reached prior to the 250th anniversary. This involved 57 different conductors, reflecting the large number of members who rang at least one peal for the Society over the last year.

New members

We are very pleased to welcome the 56 new members who were elected during the year and hope that they continue to enjoy their membership. Those elected at Wisbech were the first to be presented with the enhanced and reprinted certificates.

Sunday Service Ringing

We are grateful to all those members and friends who support this important part of the Society's activities.

A number of members of the Society are part of the band at St. Martin-in-the-Fields, ringing for two services every Sunday. A rota organised by the Junior Steward has ensured that the bells of Shoreditch and Spitalfields have been rung on a regular basis.

Unfortunately support for ringing at Clerkenwell on the second Sunday has less forthcoming.

Towers

At St. Martin-in-the-Fields the local band has purchased a new set of ropes and work is currently underway to improve the odd-struckness of some of the bells.

At Shoreditch, temporary repairs to improve the safety of some of the steps have been completed. A comprehensive report has been received from Hayward Mills, containing recommendations to improve the handling and acoustics of the bells. Some money has been spent on repairing ropes.

Since completion of the work on the tower at Spitalfields, Society activities - particularly peal ringing have increased. The Society again rang as part of the Spitalfields Festival. We await the next stage of the restoration - the interior of the church - due to begin soon. New ropes are on order

In June we said farewell to Archdeacon Clive Young of St. Andrew's, Holborn and wish him well in his new appointment as Bishop of Dunwich.

Newsletter

We greatly appreciate the very generous donations received for the newsletter from a relatively small number of members. The newsletter does cost a lot to produce and we do rely on donations to keep it viable - the amount received this year covered less than half of the total cost.

Due to the amount of work involved in producing the newsletter it has been decided to appoint a newsletter editor. We thank Philippa Whittington who will be taking on this task in future - she will be very pleased to accept any contributions.

Library

Plans for the new library room at Shoreditch are currently being discussed. This exciting project for the Society would form part of the major restoration the church, due to take place in the near future as the result of heritage lottery funding.

Alan Regin, Linda Garton, Heather Kippin,
Ian Fielding, Eleanor Kippin, Simon Davies, Gill Sparling.

SRCY PEALS RUNG IN 1998-99

Date	Tower	Method	Conductor
1-Sep-98	West Ham	7-Spliced S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
5-Sep-98	Beddington	London No 3 S Royal	Roderick R.Horton
5-Sep-98	Poplar	London No.3 S Royal	John P. Loveless
5-Sep-98	West Ham	Yorkshire S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
10-Sep-98	Trumpington	8-Spliced S Major	Ian R Fielding
12-Sep-98	Pershore	Bristol S Major	Derek E. Sibson
26-Sep-98	Cannock	Bristol S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
28-Sep-98	West Bridgford	Belfast S Major	Ian Butters
3-Oct-98	Croydon	Bristol S Maximus	Ian R Fielding
3-Oct-98	Limehouse	Yorkshire S Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
3-Oct-98	Sunderland	Double Norwich C B Major	Ronald P Warford
10-Oct-98	Lewes	Bristol S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
11-Oct-98	Uxbridge St Margaret	Caterham Hill D Major	Ian R Fielding
13-Oct-98	Shoreditch	Bristol S Major	Simon J.Dayies
17-Oct-98	Bletchingley	Bristol S Royal	John E.Hawes
18-Oct-98	Weston-super-Mare	Kent TB Major (HB)	Joseph St J.Beaumont
20-Oct-98	Shoreditch	Ullapool S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
23-Oct-98	Newcastle St John Baptist	Belfast S Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
23-Oct-98	Swillington	Rutland S Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
24-Oct-98	Gosforth	London No.3 S Royal	Stephen A.Wheeler
25-Oct-98	Dunblane	Bristol S Major	John P. Loveless
25-Oct-98	Stirling	7 Surprise Minor	Stephen A.Wheeler
26-Oct-98	Edinburgh Fettes College	6 Doubles	Stephen A.Wheeler
26-Oct-98	Hexham	London S Major	John P. Loveless
27-Oct-98	Allendale	Hadrians Wall Alliance Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
27-Oct-98	Canford	Kent TB Major (HB)	David A.Warwick
27-Oct-98	Staindrop	23-Spliced S Major	John P. Loveless
29-Oct-98	Burmash	7 Surprise Minor	Stephen A.Wheeler
29-Oct-98	City of London Bishopgate	5-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
7-Nov-98	Dunham Massey	Osbaston S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
7-Nov-98	Leominster	Bristol S Royal	John P. Loveless
8-Nov-98	Trumpington	Ouse S Major	Derek E. Sibson
14-Nov-98	Epsom	Lockington S Royal	Ian R Fielding
14-Nov-98	Haslemere	Littleport Little S Royal	Ian R Fielding
19-Nov-98	Aldenham	Plain Bob Major	Roger Baldwin
19-Nov-98	Bristol, 51 Gwillam St	Plain Bob Major (HB)	Adam J.Jenkins
19-Nov-98	Cambridge, Mass, 12 Lee St	Plain Bob Major (HB)	Donald F.Morrison
19-Nov-98	Derby, 64 Cheviot St	Plain Bob Major (HB)	Richard J.Hamby
19-Nov-98	Fordham,Shrublands House	Plain Bob Major (HB)	Roger J.Palmer
19-Nov-98	Great Baddow	Plain Bob Major	Paul A.Cammiaide
19-Nov-98	Great Hockham, Manor Cottage	Plain Bob Major (HB)	Simon A.Rudd
19-Nov-98	Guildford St Nicolas	Plain Bob Major	Julian Morgan
19-Nov-98	Hailsham	7 Minor	Alan R Baldock
19-Nov-98	Houghton-le-Spring	Plain Bob Major	Ronald P Warford
19-Nov-98	Nettleham, 56 Sudbrooke Lane	Plain Bob Major (HB)	Christopher J.Sharp
19-Nov-98	Offton	Plain Bob Major	Stephen D.Pettman
19-Nov-98	Selling	Plain Bob Major	Alan L. Andrews

19-Nov-98	Shoreditch	Plain Bob Major	Derek E. Sibson
19-Nov-98	Shoreditch, Vestry	Plain Bob Major (HB)	Simon J.Gay
19-Nov-98	Spitalfields	Plain Bob Major	Ian R Fielding
19-Nov-98	Thorverton	Plain Bob Major	Howard W.Egglestone
19-Nov-98	Trumpington	Plain Bob Major	Simon C.Farrar
19-Nov-98	Turners Hill	Plain Bob Major	Ian V.J.Smith
19-Nov-98	Weston-super-Mare, 9 Selboume Rd	Plain Bob Major (IIB)	Joseph St J.
21-Nov-98	Aylesford	Bristol S Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
21-Nov-98	Benenden	6-Spliced S Major	Richard A.Pearce
21-Nov-98	Breadsall	Cornwall S Major	Christian M Peckham
21-Nov-98	Bristol, St Ambirose	Yorkshire S Royal	Jeffrey R Tozer
21-Nov-98	Buckley	g-Spliced S Major	John F.Oultram
21-Nov-98	Carshalton	4-Spliced S Major	Julian Morgan
21-Nov-98	Caversham	Yorkshire S Major	Douglas J.Beaumont
21-Nov-98	Clifton	Cambridge S Major	Frank W.Rivett
21-Nov-98	Duffield	Findern S Royal	Anthony P.Cotton
21-Nov-98	Godmanchester	London S Major	John P. Loveless
21-Nov-98	Great Chart	Yorkshire S Major	Richard A Pearce
21-Nov-98	Hilton	7 Surprise Minor	John P. Loveless
21-Nov-98	Horsham	London No.3 S Royal	David D.Smith
21-Nov-98	New Alresford	8-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
21-Nov-98	Ringwood	4-Spliced S Major	David A.Warwick
21-Nov-98	Spitalfields	Yorkshire S Major	Roderick R. Horton
21-Nov-98	Stevenage	Frankley S Major	Graham A.Duke
21-Nov-98	Stratton	Yorkshire S Major	Howard W.Egglestone
21-Nov-98	Sudbury	Rutland S Major	Stephen D.Pettman
21-Nov-98	Terling	Bristol S Major	James L.Towler
21-Nov-98	Westminster, St Martin-in-the-Fields	Stedman Cinques	Stephanie J.
21-Nov-98	Weston-super-Mare	London S Major	Joseph St J.
22-Nov-98	Boston, Mass, Old North	West Virginia D Major	Derek E. Sibson
22-Nov-98	Grundisburgh	Double Bob Major	Stephen D.Pettman
22-Nov-98	Marston Bigot	Bristol S Major	Joseph St J.
22-Nov-98	Philadelphia	Cambridge S Major	Donald Trumpler
22-Nov-98	Stockton	Oakham S Royal	Ronald P Warford
22-Nov-98	Tokers Green, Badgers Bottom	Plain Bob Major (HB)	Kenneth J.Darvill
22-Nov-98	Tunstall, 7 Bradley Dr	Plain Bob Major (HB)	Philip H.Larter
25-Nov-98	Philadelphia	Rutland S Major	Derek E. Sibson
28-Nov-98	New Romney	Grandsire Triples	David W.Grimwood
29-Nov-98	Shoreditch	Orion S Maximus	Ian R Fielding
01-Dec-98	Shoreditch	Bristol S Maximus	Derek E. Sibson
05-Dec-98	Welwyn	Welwyn S Major	Derek E. Sibson
12-Dec-98	Bredgar	7 Surprise Minor	Philip H.Larter
12-Dec-98	Great Yarmouth	Biddenden S Maxiinus	Derek E. Sibson
13-Dec-98	City of London, St Sepulchre	Orion S. Maximus	Ian R Fielding
13-Dec-98	Terling	8-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
19-Dec-98	Folkestone	Bristol S Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
19-Dec-98	Fulbourn	Jamestown S Major	Derek E. Sibson
19-Dec-98	Trumpington	York S Major	Derek E. Sibson

20-Dec-98	Shoreditch	Judgemeadow S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
28-Dec-98	City of London, St Lawrence Jewry	Bristol S Major	Derek E. Sibson
28-Dec-98	Shoreditch	Bristol S Maximus	Derek E. Sibson
29-Dec-98	Spratton	7 Surprise Minor	Derek E. Sibson
29-Dec-98	Thrapston	8-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
30-Dec-98	Whilton	Whilton S Major	Derek E. Sibson
31-Dec-98	Shroton	16 Surprise Minor	David A.Warwick
31-Dec-98	St Albans, St Peter	Tugby S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
31-Dec-98	Trumpington	Luxembourg S Major	Derek E. Sibson
01-Jan-99	Wigan	Bristol S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
02-Jan-99	Shoreditch	Spitalfields S Major	Derek E. Sibson
05-Jan-99	Shoreditch	Bristol S Maximus	Derek E. Sibson
09-Jan-99	Stockport, St George	Feering S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
14-Jan-99	Spitalfields	Janvier D Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
15-Jan-99	Shoreditch	Bristol S Maximus	Richard M.Hobbs
16-Jan-99	Wingham	Bristol S Major	Philip H.Larter
21-Jan-99	Texarkana	Bristol S Major	Roger Baldwin
22-Jan-99	Little Rock	Little Rock S Major	Roger Baldwin
22-Jan-99	Texarkana	5-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
23-Jan-99	East Grinstead	Zyladecore S Maxirnus	Andrew D. Sibson
23-Jan-99	Texarkana	6-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
23-Jan-99	Texarkana	4-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
23-Jan-99	Turners Hill	4-Spliced S Major	Andrew D. Sibson
24-Jan-99	Raleigh	23-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
24-Jan-99	Shoreditch	4-Spliced S Major	Stephen A. Wheeler
25-Jan-99	Hendersonville	7 Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
25-Jan-99	Hendersonville	Glasgow S Major	Roger Baldwin
25-Jan-99	Saltby	Double Norwich CB Major	Ian Butters
26-Jan-99	Marietta	Belfast S Major	Roger Baldwin
27-Jan-99	Marietta	8-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
28-Jan-99	Charleston, Grace Church	Enfield S Major	Alan Regin
28-Jan-99	Sullivans Island	9-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
29-Jan-99	Charleston, Grace Church	Charleston S Major	Roger Baldwin
29-Jan-99	Sullivans Island	Sullivans Island S Major	Derek E. Sibson
30-Jan-99	Charleston, Grace Church	23-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
30-Jan-99	Charleston, St.Michael	Bristol 5 Major	Derek E. Sibson
31-Jan-99	Charleston, Grace Church	Plain Bob Major	Derek E. Sibson
31-Jan-99	Sullivans Island	Cambridge S Minor	Roger Baldwin
01-Feb-99	Raleigh	Raleigh S Major	Roger Baldwin
06-Feb-99	Croydon	Stedman Cinques	Ian R Fielding
06-Feb-99	Shoreditch	Bristol S Maximus	Ian K.Bushell
06-Feb-99	Southgate	London No.3 S Royal	Stephanie J.Pattenden
06-Feb-99	Westminster, St Martin-in-the-Fields	Stedman Cinques	Derek E. Sibson
13-Feb-99	Barnet	Yorkshire S Major	Graham A.Duke
14-Feb-99	Shoreditch	23-Spliced S Major	Ian R.Fielding
18-Feb-99	Spitalfields	Fevrier D Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
20-Feb-99	Trumpington	Guildford S Major	Derek E. Sibson
21-Feb-99	Shoreditch	Mowsley S Royal	Derek E. Sibson

27-Feb-99	Melbourne	Lincolnshire S Maximus	John P. Loveless
28-Feb-99	Norwich	Stedman Cinques	Ian R Fielding
02-Mar-99	Shoreditch	Oklahoma S Maximus	Derek E. Sibson
08-Mar-99	Cransley	12 Surprise Minor	Derek E. Sibson
09-Mar-99	Shoreditch	Mars D Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
13-Mar-99	Bushey	Superlative S Major	Roger Baldwin
13-Mar-99	Essendon	Rutland S Major	Derek E. Sibson
13-Mar-99	Hatfield	Bristol S Royal	Ian Roulstone
13-Mar-99	Kimpton	Lincolnshire S Major	Graham A.Duke
13-Mar-99	Ridge	Cambridge S Minor	Michael J.Wigney
13-Mar-99	Welwyn	Hertfordshire S Major	David D.Smith
13-Mar-99	Wheathampstead	Bristol S Major	Ian R Fielding
15-Mar-99	Maidstone, St Michael	Bristol S Major	Derek E. Sibson
20-Mar-99	Brighton, St Peter	London No.3 S Royal	David D.Smith
20-Mar-99	Burnley	4-Spliced S Major	Andrew W.Gordon
02-Apr-99	Maidstone, St Michael	Dunholme S Major	John E.Hawes
06-Apr-99	Shoreditch	Eardleigh S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
10-Apr-99	Hemingford Grey	4-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
10-Apr-99	Trumpington	Xalanga S Major	Derek E. Sibson
15-Apr-99	Spitalfields	Avril D Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
17-Apr-99	Apsley End	18-Spliced S Minor	Ian R Fielding
20-Apr-99	Shoreditch	8-Spliced S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
24-Apr-99	Chew Magna	Bristol S Major	Derek E. Sibson
25-Apr-99	Shoreditch	11 Spliced S Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
25-Apr-99	Spitalfields	Texarkana S Major	Derek E. Sibson
27-Apr-99	Spitalfields	Bristol S Major	Peter M.Fleckney
28-Apr-99	Downham	7 Surprise Minor	Peter M.Fleckney
01-May-99	Balderton	4-Spliced S Major	Paul F.Curtis
06-May-99	Spitalfields	Mai D Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
14-May-99	Saltby	Double Norwich CB Major	Ian Butters
14-May-99	Shoreditch	2-Spliced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
15-May-99	Beddington	4-Spliced S Royal	Stanley Jenner
15-May-99	Greenwich	4-Spliced S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
15-May-99	Shoreditch	4-Spliced S Royal	John E.Hawes
15-May-99	South Croydon	4-Spliced S Royal	Ian R Fielding
15-May-99	Twickenham	8-Spliced S Royal	David A.Warwick
15-May-99	West Ham	8-Spliced S Royal	Julia P Cater
16-May-99	Shoreditch	5-Spliced S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
22-May-99	Amersham	Yorkshire S Maxirnus	Derek E. Sibson
29-May-99	Easington	Uxbridge S Major	Ronald P Warford
29-May-99	Leeds, Kent	Lincolnshire S Royal	Paul F.Curtis
29-May-99	Maidstone, All Saints	Bristol S Royal	John P. Loveless
30-May-99	Chislehurst, Annunciation	8-Spliced S Major	Ian Butters
31-May-99	Ashford	London No.3 S Royal	Ian Butters\
03-Jun-99	Spitalfields	Spitalfields Festival LS Major	Stanley Jenner
05-Jun-99	High Easter	7 Surprise Minor	Derek E. Sibson
07-Jun-99	Newmarket	2-Spliced S Major	David G.Salter
08-Jun-99	Shoreditch	Bristol S Major	Roderick R.Horton

12-Jun-99	Langharn, St Marys Churchyard	Plain Bob Minor (HB)	Sirnon A.Rudd
12-Jun-99	Terling	Bristol S Major	Alan Regin
17-Jun-99	City of London, St.Andrew, Holborn	Holborn S Major	Derek E. Sibson
18-Jun-99	Fordham, Shrubland House	41 Surprise Minor (HB)	Roger J.Palmer
19-Jun-99	Accrington	Yorkshire S Maximus	Derek E. Sibson
19-Jun-99	Preston	Wadcroft S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
20-Jun-99	Bristol, Christ Church	4-Spiced S Royal	Joseph St J.Beaumont
20-Jun-99	Marsden	Cambridge S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
21-Jun-99	Helmshore	Helmshore S Major	Derek E. Sibson
22-Jun-99	Birstwith	9-Spiced S Major	Andrew D. Sibson
22-Jun-99	Ilkley	Bristol S Major	Derek E. Sibson
23-Jun-99	Birstall, West Yorkshire	Birstall S Major	Derek E. Sibson
24-Jun-99	Pendleton	Pendleton D Major	Andrew D. Sibson
24-Jun-99	Salford, Sacred Trinity	8-Spiced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
25-Jun-99	Ramsbottom	8-Spiced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
29-Jun-99	Shoreditch	Juin D Major	Alan Regin
03-Jul-99	Daventry	London No.3 S Royal	Ian R Fielding
03-Jul-99	St Ippolyts	20 Surprise Minor	John P. Loveless
03-Jul-99	Trumpington	6-Spiced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
03-Jul-99	Whilton	Bristol S Major	Ian R Fielding
08-Jul-99	Ashill	4-Spiced S Major	Roger Baldwin
08-Jul-99	East Dereham	23-Spiced S Major	Alan Regin
08-Jul-99	Gressenhall	Gressenhall S Major	Derek E. Sibson
08-Jul-99	Swaffham	8-Spiced S Major	Derek E. Sibson
08-Jul-99	Watton	7 Surprise Minor	Stephen A.Wheeler
09-Jul-99	East Harling	London S Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
09-Jul-99	Hetherset	Cardiff S Major	Derek E. Sibson
09-Jul-99	Horringer	Bristol S Major	Derek E. Sibson
09-Jul-99	North Lopham	Belfast S Major	John P. Loveless
10-Jul-99	Stow Bardolph	Rutland S Major	Stephanie J.Pattenden
10-Jul-99	Surfleet	Bristol S Maxitnus	Ian Roulstone
10-Jul-99	Terrington St Clement	Guildford S Major	Ian Butters
10-Jul-99	Wiggenhall	7 Surprise Minor	Michael J.Wigney
10-Jul-99	Wisbech	Cambridge S Royal	Simon Humphrey
11-Jul-99	Dalham	Suffolk S Major	Derek E. Sibson
11-Jul-99	Old Beetley	Rutland S Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
11-Jul-99	Peterborough	Bristol S Major	Ian Roulstone
17-Jul-99	St Neots	Uplyme S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
17-Jul-99	Thriplow	27-Spiced S Minor	John P. Loveless
22-Jul-99	Shoreditch	Juillet D major	Stephen A.Wheeler
24-Jul-99	St Lawrence in Thanet	Yesnaby S Royal	Ian Butters
29-Jul-99	Shoreditch	6-Spiced S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
31-Jul-99	St Albans, St Michael	Belfast S Major	Graham A.Duke
31-Jul-99	St. Pauls Walden	7 Surprise Minor	Graham A.Duke
03-Aug-99	Shoreditch	Young Man's Fen S Maximus	Derek E. Sibson
04-Aug-99	Shoreditch	Stedman Cinques	Derek E. Sibson
07-Aug-99	Hackney	St Simons Bob Triples	Stephen A. Wheeler
07-Aug-99	North Lopham	St Simons Bob Triples	David G.Satter

08-Aug-99	Birchington-on-Sea	Birchington-on-Sea S Major	Derek E. Sibson
08-Aug-99	Quex Park	Grandsire Cinques	Stephen A. Wheeler
10-Aug-99	Shoreditch	Montgomery S Major	Graham A.Duke
13-Aug-99	Shoreditch	23-Spliced S Major	Ian R.Fielding
14-Aug-99	Throwley	Essex S Major	Stephen A. Wheeler
15-Aug-99	Shoreditch	Bristol S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
19-Aug-99	Shoreditch	Aout D Major	Stephen A.Wheeler
20-Aug-99	Shoreditch	8-Spliced S Major	James W.Belshaw
21-Aug-99	Downham	7 Surprise Minor	Paul A.Cammiade
21-Aug-99	St Neots	Donnington Hall S Royal	Derek E. Sibson
28-Aug-99	Shrewsbury	Cambridge S Maximus	Linda M.Garton
29-Aug-99	Clun	Nideggen S Royal	John P. Loveless
30-Aug-99	Wrexham	London No.3 S Royal	John P. Loveless

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Leading Conductors

Derek E. Sibson	82
Stephen A.Wheeler	25
Ian R Fielding	15
John P. Loveless	14
Roger Baldwin	10
Graham A.Duke	6
Joseph St J.Beaumont	5
Alan Regin	4
Andrew D. Sibson	4
David A.Warwick	4
Ian Butters	4
Ronald P Warford	4

Leading Towers

Shoreditch	33
Spitalfields	9
Trumpington	8
Charleston, Grace Church	4
Texarkana	4
Sullivans Island	3
Terling	3
West Ham	3

From the Practice Steepleage Book (Jan – Aug) 1999

33 Practices in all.

Average practice attendance over the period: 26

Lowest attendance was 18 at St Sepulchre's and
St Clement Danes both in June.

Highest attendance was 44 at St Paul's Cathedral in April
followed by 36 at St Martin's in May.

Top Attenders: Ian Fielding 97%

Highest non-officer attendance: 87%

David Bath, Fiona Edwards, JJ Ford
& Shirley McGill

Russell Brown

Tower	No of Practices	Minimum attendance	Maximum attendance	Average attendance
Shoreditch	9	20	28	24
St Martin in the Fields	7	19	36	28
St Sepulchre's	3	18	30	22
Bow	3	24	33	27
Cripplegate	2	25	30	27
Spitalfields	1	27	27	27
Bethnal Grn/ Spitalfields	1	25	25	25
St Paul's	1	44	44	44
Cornhill	1	24	24	24
Holborn	1	19	19	19
St Clement Danes	1	18	18	18
Jewry	1	27	27	27
St John's Croydon	1	25	25	25
Stepney	1	19	19	19

Dinner 2000

Make the date in your diary today.

- Date:** 9 September.
Venue: The Insurance Hall
20 Aldermanbury,
City of London.
- Cost:** £60 includes drinks
before and with the
meal.

*Pay by instalments if you wish.
A deposit of £25 secures your
place, balance by 31 August.
Numbers limited, so book early to
avoid disappointment.*

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