

The Essex Association of Change Ringers

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North-Western District Newsletter April 2004

PROGRAMME FOR MAY – AUGUST 2004

Monday	3 rd May	EACR AGM. See Round and About for details		
Friday	14 th May	7.45pm	District Practice	Stansted
Saturday	22 nd May	6-8pm	10/12 bell practice	Waltham Abbey
Friday	28 th May	7.45pm	Learners' practice	Nazeing
Friday	11 th June	7.45pm	District Practice	Stansted
Friday	25 th June	7.45pm	Learners' Practice	Arkesden
Friday	9 th July	7.45pm	District Practice	Stansted
Friday	23 rd July	7.45pm	Learners' Practice	Steeple Bumpstead
Friday	13 th August	7.45pm	District Practice	Stansted
Friday	27 th August	7.45pm	Learners' Practice	Great Parndon

A BUSY WEEKEND

Join us on the weekend of June 5th/6th for lots of ringing and socialising.

SATURDAY 5TH JUNE DISTRICT STRIKING COMPETITION

HENHAM Draw at 4.30pm for ringing to start at 5.00pm

We are looking for teams to enter both the method competition and the call change contest for the Stan Clarke trophy. Henham bells are particularly easy to ring so do come and have a go at ending Stansted's ringing streak. We would also love to see more bands entering the call change contest this year. To find out more about the rules contact one of the district officers.

NORTH-WESTERN DISTRICT BARBECUE

SATURDAY 5TH JUNE LANGLEY

Linda and Richard Bowran have kindly agreed to host a barbecue at Rose Cottage, Langley Upper Green. This will follow the striking competition at Henham, starting at about 7.00pm. The aim is to have fun and get together socially as well as raising money for the EACR Bell Restoration Fund. A modest entry charge (probably £5 per adult, children free) will cover food and entertainment. Bring your own drinks. We hope to provide an opportunity for a tower grab at Langley's unique ring of 4 bells. There will be a raffle (donations of prizes welcomed).

To help us with catering please let Margaret Burbery (01799 584564) or Liz Griffith-Jones (01279 850351) know that you are coming. Please note that Liz is away for 4 weeks from April 21st.

EACR ANNIVERSARY LUNCH AND SERVICE

SUNDAY 6TH JUNE WRITTLE

Lunch is by ticket only (available from Margaret Burbery or Liz Griffith-Jones). Open ringing and service from 2.30pm open to all. A chance to try the new Taylor ring of 10.

125TH ANNIVERSARY RINGING

Successful quarter peals were rung in 29 towers of the NW District. In all 38 quarter peals were rung. We have 39 towers with 5 or more bells, but 3 of these are out of action at present, so this represents an excellent effort covering a large proportion of the district. Thanks must go to Barry Fisher who has coordinated the exercise. He has now passed the details on to Vicky Chapman who will arrange for all the Essex anniversary quarter peals to appear together in the Ringing World. If you were unable to get your tower included in the March ringing, but can ring a quarter peal later in the year then send the details to Barry and a later collection of anniversary quarter peals will be sent to the Ringing World towards the end of the year.

15 towers in the district have indicated anniversary peals will be rung this year. Of these three have been completed – Waltham Abbey, Littlebury and Henham towers were all pealed in February. That still leaves about 20 towers to arrange! Do contact Barry on 01992 713351 if you want help arranging a peal in your tower.