



ROUNDS & ABOUT

Essex Ringing Course 2017

The 27th Essex Ringing Course will be held on **6–8 April 2017**, based at the Honeywood School, Coggeshall.

Tutor groups on offer are:

- Improving foundation skills
- Call changes
- Plain Hunt
- Treble Hunt / Advanced Plain Hunt
- Plain Bob Doubles inside
- Plain Bob Minor inside
- Grandsire Doubles / Triples
- Doubles beyond Plain Bob & Grandsire
- Stedman Doubles / Triples
- Beyond Bob Minor
- Surprise Major (starting with Cambridge)
- Calling & Conducting touches

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There will be an additional programme of seminars and practical sessions on a wide variety of ringing topics.



Helpers are also required for each group (email to coursehelpers@eacr.org.uk).

For a brochure and application form please send a stamped self-addressed C5 envelope to Mrs Mary Bone, 11 Bullfields, Sawbridgeworth, CM21 9DB or visit the EACR website at www.eacr.org.uk/course.



Closing date for applications **Friday 10 February 2017**

Annual Subscriptions for 2017

£8 adults **£4** juniors/friends

Annual subscriptions to the Association are due on 1st January 2017. Subscription rates remain the same – £8 for ringing members (i.e. all members or prospective members aged over 18 on 1st January 2017) and £4 for junior members or friends.

Annual subscriptions are one of the primary sources of Association revenue and it is very important for members to pay their subscription promptly. If you're a tax payer, please consider Gift Aiding your subscription (forms can be downloaded from the EACR website).

Subscriptions should be paid by 30th April 2017. Members not paying by this date shall not participate in or vote at meetings (e.g. the AGM) or ring peals for the Association until the subscription is paid.

Those members whose annual subscriptions are not paid by 31st December 2016 shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the Association and their names shall not be published in the 2016 Annual Report.

Lapsed members may be readmitted to membership without election in the year following non-payment (i.e. 2017) if payment of the arrears and the current year's subscription are received by 30th April 2017. After this date lapsed members shall be re-elected in accordance with normal procedures.

Use of the Membership Form is now mandatory and no elections should take place without a completed form which must be submitted to the District Secretary before the start of a District meeting. The current form can be downloaded from the EACR website.

Your District Treasurer will be in attendance at the annual district meeting in January. Why not go along and find out what is going on in your District, take part in some ringing and a bit of a social as well as ensuring your subscriptions are paid.

Benefits

- Every member receives an annual report

- Each tower receives a copy of the newsletter *Rounds and About* three times a year
- Each member is covered by the Association's group personal accident and public liability policies
- Members can take part in Association activities

If you have any queries about membership or subscriptions then please let me know.

Please pay your subscriptions promptly and before 30 April 2017 – it greatly helps the finances and the running of the Association.

Andrew Brewster
Association Treasurer (treasurer@eacr.org.uk)

The 1066 March comes to Waltham Abbey

As part of the commemoration of the 950th anniversary of the events of 1066 English Heritage organised "The 1066 March" in which a number of horsemen and foot soldiers re-created the hurried march made by King Harold and his followers after his victory at the Battle of Stamford Bridge in Yorkshire on 25th September 1066 to stop Duke William of Normandy who had landed in Sussex with the intention of taking the throne of England. On his way Harold stopped off at Waltham to pray for victory at the miraculous Holy Cross in his Minster Church. The 1066 March came to Waltham Abbey on the late afternoon of Thursday 6th October, welcomed by the bells rung by the local band (yes, we know King Harold would not have heard 12 bells ringing!) as they entered the town. They then took part in an act of commemoration in which the ringers took part.



*"King Harold"
arriving at Waltham
Abbey*

That's a First!

Quarter peals:

1st quarter: Esther Brindle, Catherine L Merivale, Susan Sherrington, Ellie Davey

1st as cover: Amanda Beggs

1st on treble: Steve Ashley, Luke Knott, Gail Farrow, Paul D Shrubsole, Melissa Villiers, Eddie Piron

1st inside: Peter Rothera, Rose Holden, Courtney Mandell, Emily Thompson

1st Minor: Samuel Beech, Emily Thompson

1st Minor inside: Alwyn Brock

1st Major: Josh L Harris

1st spliced: Roger Carey-Smith

1st Treble Bob on 8: Clare M Merivale

1st Grandsire: Megan Ellis

1st Grandsire Triples: Jonathan C Mills

1st Little Bob Major: Roger Pascoe, Jane Walters

1st Plain Bob Major: Clare M Merivale, Jonathan C Mills

1st Stedman Triples: Ros C Skipper

1st Erin Caters: Helen J Carter, Colin Friend

1st Surprise Major: Jonathan C Mills, Ros C Skipper

1st Lincolnshire: Matthew Bayley

1st Yorkshire Royal: Matthew Bayley

50th quarter: Alwyn Brock

100th quarter: Charmane May

350th quarter: Hazel Steed

1600th quarter: Ian Cresshull

1st as conductor: Clare M Merivale

1st Triples as conductor: Nick Allen

1st Norwich S Minor as conductor: Di Carpenter

1st Little Bob Major as conductor: Ian Cresshull

75th together: Carol Brown & Andrew Brewster

Peals:

1st Double Norwich as conductor: George M Salter

1st on 10: Steven J Turner

100th: Vicki L Chapman

100th of Major: David M Hengeli

125th: David M Hengeli

Information to end of October. Apologies to anyone inadvertently omitted.

250th: Ian J Culham

400th: Colin F Salter

1800th: Alan P Mayle

400th as conductor: Simon A Rudd

2350th on tower bells: James L Towler

125th for the Association: David M Hengeli

175th for the Association: Ian J Culham

500th for the Association: Alan P Mayle

350th at Terling: James L Towler

100th together: Jon Waters & Ian J Culham; Paul A Cammiade & Colin F Chapman

From the Registers

Births: Fern Elizabeth Millin, grandchild of David Millin of Colchester

12th birthday: Esther Brindle

70th birthday: Hilary Donoghue, Neil Avis, Richard Godden, Steve Miller, Brian Lord

80th birthday: Alan Wells, Margaret Roberts, Maurice Downs

Wedding: Lorna Robb and David Harker, of Burnham on Crouch; Kristina Thompson and Richard Sloman; Cathy Buchanan and Patrick Kemmis, of West Ham

10th wedding anniversary: Andrew and Christina Brewster

Ruby wedding anniversary: Pip and Valerie Darkins

Golden wedding anniversary: Ann & Michael Powell, of Great Totham; Adrian and Stephanie D'Silva, of Colchester

Deaths: We regret to report the deaths of Michael Brown, of Belchamp St Paul; Bruce Robertson, of Black Notley; Brenda Clayden, of Bradwell-on-Sea; Brian Downie, formerly of Harlow Common; David Hymas, formerly of Chelmsford; and Margaret Egglestone, formerly of Broomfield

(Dinner) Gong in 62nds

The Essex Association's 62nd annual dinner was held at the County Hotel in Chelmsford. Just over 60 ringers and partners, immaculately dressed in dinner jackets and evening dress, sat down to a beautifully presented meal. At 9.55 the Master, John Harpole, welcomed the guest speakers and gave a resumé of the last 12 months:



David Sparling with his LVP certificate

David Sparling was welcomed as a Life Vice President, Colin Chapman received a certificate for 25 years as a tutor with the Essex Course and there followed updates on the Ridgman trophy, Essex Young Eagles, the Striking competition and the Essex trophy. He concluded with an urge to attend ART after attending himself and learning useful tips and techniques. A toast was raised to the clergy for their support and encouragement and Dr David Ison, Dean of St Paul's Cathedral, rose to return the address on behalf of the Church.

Dr Ison delivered a witty and entertaining speech referencing various roles throughout his career, especially his encounters with bellringers, a snippet of verse by Gerard Manley Hopkins and a glimpse of daily life at St Pauls. He was followed by Mr Andrew Mills, who gave the room a detailed insight into the skill of bell-hanging and long length peal attempts. Delightfully, he described Brian Meads as a 'verbal wikipedia' before reminding the room that we should be more positive about bell-ringing and how good we are – the Essex Ringing Course being an example of this.

The raffle drawn, the speeches (60 ½ minutes for the sweepstake) were wrapped up by the Master presenting gifts and flowers to the top table before thanking Andrew Brewster and the rest of the organising committee as well as the staff of the hotel. Thanks also go to those selling raffle tickets and all towers donating raffle prizes.



Colin Chapman receiving his certificate from John Harpole.

Emily Ashton

Practice Diary

Jan	16	Advanced Practice	Braintree	N	7:30
Feb	11	Evening Practice		N	7:30
	18	Advanced Practice	Braintree	N	7:30
Mar	4	District Training Session		N	
	18	Advanced Practice	Braintree	N	7:30

Foxearth

The former tower correspondent at Foxearth has moved away and there is now **no** tower correspondent.

Tower correspondent email addresses

The Association website includes email links where tower correspondents have notified their addresses. The links are of the form `towername@eacr.org.uk`, and emails to such addresses are redirected to the correspondent's actual address. This simplifies matters when correspondents (or their email addresses) change.

However, the scheme only works if District Secretaries are kept informed of changes, so that they can notify the Webmaster.

In addition, it appears that in some cases the email address is incorrect.

If you are a tower correspondent with an email address, please check that your tower has an "Email" link in the tower pages on the website; and please use the link to send a test email, and let the Webmaster know if it fails to arrive, so that errors can be eliminated.

Essex Young Ringers Go to Cambridge

On Saturday 15th October, twelve young ringers (including two friends of George Vant from Hertfordshire and Cambridge) and seven parents and helpers went on a day trip to Cambridge organised by George.

The day started with ringing at Ss Mary and Michael, Trumpington a lovely 10cwt eight. Some of the party had parked at the nearby Park & Ride while others parked at the church and drove back to the P&R for the bus ride into the centre of Cambridge.

The second tower was St Edward King and Martyr, an 8cwt six. The party then had time for a leisurely coffee, warm enough to sit outside, or a quick wiz round the shops before we rang at St Andrew the Great, an excellent 11cwt, eight.

It was then time for a late lunch. A good number of the party went to the Regal, a Wetherspoons pub which used to be a cinema. Here we had two large tables with the youngsters on one and the adults on the other but some distance apart!

After a relaxing meal and drink we went to St Bene't, the oldest church in Cambridgeshire and the oldest building in Cambridge, a 14cwt six. A ground floor ring which meant that plenty of visitors were drawn in to see who was ringing the bells. It was here that Christina was asked to present Alistair with his Happy Hunter badge for his achievement in gaining 25 bells on his Sherbourne Teaching Aid Progress Card. Well done Alistair!

Next George had arranged a handbell session at nearby St Botolph's church where there was also an opportunity to chime the bells. Others went straight to Great St Mary as it was thought there might be an opportunity to go up onto the roof. However, as it turned out we had to wait until our allotted time but there was still sufficient time to see the sights of Cambridge from the tower roof before ringing got underway. With the majority of the ringers from six and eight bell towers ringing began on eight and then increased to ten and then finally on to all twelve bells.

The day ended and we wearily made our way in the rain back to the bus stop to pick up the Park & Ride bus. My thanks go to George for organising his first outing particularly as I know he had some difficulty with obtaining timely replies and then, with a few of the towers stipulating ringing times, it meant he had to juggle

the day around several times. George, anxious at the outset as he wanted it all to go smoothly, soon relaxed and as we journeyed home with it all having worked out splendidly he offered to organise another trip. Thanks, George. Also, thanks to the youngsters who were willing to run a tower, to Roy and Cherry Threadgold for bringing three youngsters from the Northern District and to all the parents and helpers who assisted on the day.

It was pleasing to note that we had youngsters from five Districts and had Lucas from Walthamstow not been delayed on his return from a school trip the night before (or rather the early hours of the morning) all six Districts would have been represented!

Christina Brewster
Youth Co-ordinator



The youngsters from l to r: Daniel (SE), Oliver (NW), Zoe (N), Jason (Cambridge), Alistair (N), George (NE), Ashley (Herts), Joel (S), Steven (SE), Philip (SE), Emily (N) and Courtney (SE)

Easyfundraising

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising a free donation for the Essex Association of Change Ringers? There are nearly 3,000 retailers including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, thetrainline and Sainsbury's, who will donate a percentage of the amount you spend to the Essex Association to say thank you for shopping with them.

It's really simple, and doesn't cost you anything.

All you have to do is:

1. Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/essexassociationofchangeringers/
2. Sign up for free
3. Get shopping - your donations will be collected by easyfundraising and automatically sent to the Essex Association of Change Ringers. It couldn't be easier!



There are no catches or hidden charges and the Essex Association will be really grateful for your donations.

Donation Reminder

Have you forgotten to raise a donation for the Essex Association when you've bought something online? The easyfundraising Donation Reminder is perfect for you! Follow a few simple steps to install it and the Donation Reminder will give you a handy little reminder whenever a donation is available when you're shopping online. When you see the alert, just click to activate your donation. It's as easy as that! Shoppers who use the easyfundraising Donation Reminder raise 5 times more donations for their cause because it helps them remember. You'll love it and we will too! Find out more and help raise 5 time more for the Essex Association here:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/raise-more/donation-reminder

Thank you for your support.

Andrew Brewster
Association Treasurer



Ringing for the Queen's 90th Birthday

Braintree, Essex, St Michael. Sunday, 17 April 2016: 1260 Grandsire Triples. Rung to celebrate the 90th Birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth.

Braintree, Essex, St Michael. Saturday, 23 April 2016: 1250 Yorkshire Surprise Major. For the 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth, St George's Day, and the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death.

Brentwood, Essex, St Thomas of Canterbury. Sunday, 24 April 2016 in 46 min: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. Compliment to HRH The Queen on her 90th Birthday.

Bures, Suffolk, St Mary the Virgin. Tuesday, 3 May 2016: 1344 Plain Bob Triples. Rung as a belated 90th Birthday compliment for HM Queen Elizabeth II.

Bures, Suffolk, St Mary the Virgin. Saturday, 28 May 2016 in 3 hr 14 min: 5040 Plain Bob Triples. Rung to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday.

Chelmsford, Essex, Cathedral. Saturday, 23 April 2016: 1250 Yorkshire Surprise Major. Rung on St. George's Day, and also with birthday compliments to H.M. Queen Elizabeth II.

Colchester, Essex, All Saints, Shrub End. Wednesday, 20 April 2016: 1260 Grandsire Doubles. To celebrate the 90th Birthday of H.M. The Queen.

Colchester, Essex, St Peter. Thursday, 21 April 2016: 90 Grandsire Doubles. In celebration of Her Majesty the Queen's 90th birthday. Rung during the lighting of the Colchester Beacon.

Downham, Essex, St Margaret. Thursday, 21 April 2016 in 43 min: 1260 Grandsire Doubles. Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

Downham, Essex, St Margaret. Saturday, 23 April 2016 in 46 min: 1440 Plain Bob Minor. Rung for St George's Day and to celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Felsted, Essex, Holy Cross. Thursday, 21 April 2016: 1260 Grandsire Doubles. Rung in celebration of the birthday of HM The Queen this day, immediately after call changes conducted by George Bellingham-Smith.

Felsted, Essex, Holy Cross. Sunday, 12 June 2016 in 43 min: 1260 Plain Bob Minor. Rung to celebrate the Official 90th Birthday of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II.

Finchingfield, Essex, St John the Baptist. Saturday, 23 April 2016: 1296 Plain Bob Major. For the 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth, St George's Day, and the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death.

Fobbing, Essex, St Michael. Saturday, 11 June 2016 in 2 hr 40 min: 5058 Yorkshire Surprise Major. Rung to celebrate the official 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Galleywood, Essex, St Michael & All Angels. 12 June 2016. General ringing including several sequences of Queens. For the 90th Birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Great Bardfield, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Wednesday, 15 June 2016: 1260 Stedman Doubles, Grandsire Doubles, St Martins Doubles and Plain Bob Doubles. Rung to celebrate the 90th Birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II and the 95th Birthday of HRH Prince Phillip.

Great Bentley, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Saturday, 11 June 2016 in 43 min: 1260 Plain Bob Minor. Celebrating the 90th (official) birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2nd.

Great Totham, Essex, St Peter. Saturday, 21 April, 2016, 11am. General ringing in celebration of the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Great Totham, Essex, St Peter. Sunday, 12 June, 2016. General ringing at the time of the Patron's Dinner in the Mall. For Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Henham, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Thursday, 21 April 2016 in 43 min: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. To celebrate the 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

Henham, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Sunday, 12 June 2016: Rounds and Call Changes including 90 changes of Queens. For the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth.

High Easter, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Thursday, 21 April 2016 in 46 min: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday today of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. After the ringing four of the band watched the lighting of the village beacon, one of many lit throughout the UK this evening.

Hornchurch, Essex, St Andrew. Saturday, 11 June 2016 in 3 hr 12 min: 5040 Plain Bob Royal. Rung as part of H M The Queen's 90th birthday celebrations. Also to mark the 95th birthday of The Duke of Edinburgh.

Ingatestone, Essex, SS Mary & Edmund. 21 April 2016. General ringing in celebration of the 90th Birthday of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II before the Churches Together Service. After the service a beacon was lit in front of the church by the Mayor of Brentwood, followed by fireworks on Fairfield, behind the church.

Inworth, Essex, All Saints. Saturday, 23 April 2016 in 2 hr 19 min: 5040 Spliced Surprise Minor (29 methods). To celebrate St George's Day and to mark the 90th birthday of HM The Queen.

Kelvedon, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Saturday, 23 April 2016 in 43 min: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. Ringing for England: for HM the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations, for St George's Day and to mark 400 years since the death of Shakespeare.

Kirby le Soken, Essex, St Michael. Sunday, 12 June 2016: 1250 Yorkshire Surprise Major. For the 90th Official Birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

Layer de la Haye, Essex, St John the Baptist. Sunday, 5 June 2016 in 45 min: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. Rung in celebration of HM Queen Elizabeth the second official Birthday.

Little Baddow, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Saturday, 23 April 2016 in 44 min: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. Rung to celebrate the 90th Birthday of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II.

Little Baddow, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Sunday, 12 June 2016: 1260 Doubles. In celebration of the official 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II and also for Little Baddow's village celebrations.

Loughton, Essex, St John the Baptist. Sunday, 24 April 2016 in 48 min: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. To celebrate H.M. Queen's 90th birthday.

Mistley, Essex, SS Mary and Michael. Thursday, 21 April 2016 in 41 min: 1272 Norwich Surprise Minor. Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday of HM The Queen.

Mistley, Essex, SS Mary and Michael. Wednesday, 15 June 2016 in 2 hr 51 min: 5040 Surprise Minor (7 methods). Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday of H.M. the Queen and the 95th birthday of Prince Phillip.

North Ockendon, Essex, St Mary Magdalene. Saturday, 11 June 2016: Call Changes including 90 changes of "Queens". Rung to mark the official 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Rayleigh, Essex, Holy Trinity. Thursday, 21 April 2016 in 46 min: 1260 Grandsire Triples. Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Rayleigh, Essex, Holy Trinity. Sunday, 12 June 2016: 1260 Plain Bob Triples. Rung for the Parish tea and evensong to celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth and for the 95th birthday of the Duke of Edinburgh.

Rettondon, Essex, All Saints. Saturday, 23 April 2016 in 41 min: 1260 Grandsire Doubles. Rung for St George's Day and to celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Saffron Walden, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Thursday, 21 April 2016 in 48 min: 1260 Grandsire Triples. To celebrate the 90th birthday of HM The Queen.

Saffron Walden, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Saturday, 11 June 2016 in 3 hr 16 min: 5040 Cambridge Surprise Royal. To celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty The Queen on the occasion of her official birthday.

Sandon, Essex, St Andrew. Sunday, 12 June 2016 in 45 min: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II.

Shenfield, Essex, St Mary the Virgin. Sunday, 12 June 2016 in 39 min: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. With congratulations to Her Majesty the Queen on her official 90th birthday, and to HRH Prince Philip on his 95th birthday.

South Weald, Essex, St Peter. Thursday, 21 April 2016 in 46 min: 1260 Stedman Triples. To celebrate the 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

Springfield, Essex, All Saints. Sunday, 12 June 2016 in 43 min: 1260 Doubles (2 methods). Rung in celebration of the 90th Birthday of Her Majesty The Queen.

Thorpe Bay, Essex, St Augustine. Thursday, 21 April 2016 in 50 min: 1260 Plain Bob Minor. Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Thorrington, Essex, St Mary Magdalene. Monday, 8 August 2016 in 2 hr 38 min: 5040 Minor (7 Methods). To mark the 90th birthday of HM The Queen.

Thorrington, Essex, St Mary Magdalene. Thursday, 21 April 2016 in 45min: 1272 Double Oxford Bob and Plain Bob Minor. In celebration of H M Queen Elizabeth II 90th Birthday, Long may she reign.

Tollesbury, Essex, St Mary. 21 April, 2016. Call Changes rung by band members in celebration of the 90th Birthday of Her Majesty The Queen.

Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Essex, St Nicholas. Sunday, 12 June 2016 in 39 min: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. Rung to celebrate the Official 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Waltham Abbey, Essex, Holy Cross. Sunday, 19 June 2016: 1260 Plain Bob Doubles. Rung to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday and to be associated with call changes rung by the local band, including Queens and Kings, on Sunday 12 June.

West Ham, Greater London, All Saints. Sunday, 12 June 2016 in 43 min: 1260 Grandsire Doubles. Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II, patron of this parish.

Wethersfield, Essex, St Mary Magdalene. Saturday, 23 April 2016: 1260 Grandsire Triples. For the 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth, St George's Day, and the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death.

Wethersfield, Essex, St Mary Magdalene. Saturday, 11 June 2016: 1260 Plain Bob Minor. With congratulations to Her Majesty the Queen for her 90th birthday and HRH Prince Philip on his 95th.

Witham, Essex, St Nicolas. Saturday, 23 April 2016: 1260 Grandsire Doubles. To celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and St. Georges Day.

Witham, Essex, St Nicolas. Saturday, 11 June 2016 in 44min: 1260 Grandsire Doubles. Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Witham, Essex, St Nicolas. Sunday, 12 June 2016: 90 Grandsire Doubles. For the 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

Woodford, Greater London, St Mary the Virgin. Saturday, 23 April 2016: 1260 Doubles (2 methods). Rung for St George of England, H.M. The Queen's 90th Birthday & The 400th Anniversary of Shakespeare's death.

Woodford, Greater London, St Mary the Virgin. Monday, 6 June 2016: 1260 Grandsire Triples. Rung in honour of H.M Queen Elizabeth's Official 90th Birthday

Writtle, Essex, All Saints. Saturday, 11 June 2016 in 3 hr 14 min: 5040 Plain Bob Royal. To celebrate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty The Queen on the occasion of her official birthday.

Dates for your Diary

Dec	10	District carol service	Wormingford	NE	2:15
		Carol service	Springfield	SE	3:00
		Carol service	Thorpe Bay	S	3:30
Jan	7	Annual District meeting	Halstead	N	3:00
		Annual District meeting	Danbury	SE	3:00
	14	Annual District meeting	Walthamstow		
			St Mary	SW	3:00
		Annual District meeting	Kirby-le-Soken	NE	4:30
21	Annual District meeting	Basildon	S	3:00	
28	Annual District meeting	Harlow Common	NW	3:30	
Feb	4	Association Committee Meeting	Danbury		
Apr	6–8	Essex Ringing Course	Coggeshall		
May	1	Association AGM	Chelmsford		
Jul	8	Association Striking Competitions			

Stop Press: 2017 Annual Dinner

The next annual dinner will be held on **Saturday 28th October 2017**
at Little Channels Golf Club, Little Waltham.

Please note the date in your diaries and look out for more details in the
next edition of *Rounds and About*.

The next edition of *Rounds & About* is planned for April 2017. Please send contributions and suggestions for articles to newsletter@eacr.org.uk or by post to Fred Bone, 11 Bullfields, Sawbridgeworth CM21 9DB by **1 March 2017**.