



## The Essex Association of Change Ringers

(Registered Charity No 292250)

### Annual Dinner

**Saturday 28 October**

Little Channels, Pratts Farm Lane West,  
Little Waltham, Chelmsford, CM3 3PT.

**Let's make the Annual Dinner a great success  
– come along and support it!**

Please either complete and return the Booking Form together with a cheque for £32 (cheques to be made payable to EACR) or, alternatively, secure your place now by paying a deposit of £16pp and pay the balance by 8 October. Booking Form, full details and menu can be found here:

<https://eacr.org.uk/events/annual-dinner-2017.html>

The Speakers for the evening are President of the CCCBR, Christopher O'Mahony, and the Bishop of Maidstone, the Rt. Revd Roderick Thomas.

### Association Striking Competition Finals

#### 6-bell at Colne Engine

Position	Tower	Faults
1	Kirby-le-Soken	14
2	Sawbridgeworth	19
3	Langdon Hills	21
4	Writtle	25
5	Mistley	28 ½
6	Hornchurch	31 ½
7	Kelvedon / Braintree	38
8	Great Baddow	47
9	West Ham	56 ½
10	Coggeshall	64

#### 8-bell at Earls Colne

Position	District	Faults
1	South-Eastern	36 ½
2	Northern	42 ½
3	North-Eastern	47 ½
3=	Southern	47 ½
5	North-Western	105 ½

The winning SE team: Hazel Steed, John Steed, Jim Towler, Yvonne Towler, Christina Brewster, Andrew Brewster, David Hengeli and Colin Chapman. Congratulations to them all.

Join [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and you can collect donations for the EACR each time you buy something online. It won't cost you a penny extra so please help us to raise funds.

It's easy to get started at [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) Search for a cause – the Essex Association of Change Ringers - and join in! Every time you shop online, do it through the [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) website or App on your phone, it's quick and easy. There are over 3,100 shops and sites in the scheme:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/essexassociationofchangeringers/>



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### South-Eastern District

September 2017 to April 2018

#### District Practices ~ starting at 7.45pm

**Thursday 21 September**, Purleigh

**Friday 20 October**, Great Totham

**Thursday 16 November**, Little Baddow

Please come to ring if you will be in the area on those days. We always welcome ringers, experienced or not at our District Practices. It's a very good way to progress in bell ringing and is helpful to the local ringers.

#### Young Ringers' Practices

These are the Young Ringers' practices, all on **Sundays: 24 September, 7 October, 29 October, 26 November** from 4.30pm to 6pm. Venues to be confirmed.

Please let the Youth Coordinator know if you hope to be at the practices so that she can be sure that there is sufficient uptake. Young ringers are asked to bring 50p each as a donation to the tower.

Pass on this information to any young people in your tower. Young in this case being anyone under the age of 25. No age limit for helpers!

We want every young ringer to join in so don't worry if you can only ring rounds at the moment — all are welcome. Put the dates in your diary and join in! Parents and other supporters are encouraged to come along to any events.

Contact Christina Brewster, *Youth Coordinator*

*Email:* [essexyoungringers@eacr.org.uk](mailto:essexyoungringers@eacr.org.uk)

*Website:* <http://eacr.org.uk/eyr/>

*Facebook:* [www.facebook.com/groups/youngsessexringers/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/youngsessexringers/)

#### Surprise Practices

Wednesdays at Terling, starting at 7.45pm:

**27 September:** Cambridge, Pudsey & London

**25 October:** Yorkshire, Superlative & Bristol

**29 November:** Lincolnshire, London & Bristol

#### Young Ringers' Outing: City of London

Keep the date free for an all-day Young Ringers' Outing to the City of London. Further details will follow shortly.

## **Heritage Open Days ~ 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> September**

This year's Open Days give another opportunity to invite your neighbours into the tower and attract new ringers. Registration has closed, but if you'd like to see which local churches have signed up, go to: <https://www.heritageopendays.org.uk/visiting/map-search/eastern>

## **District Training Day ~ 23 September**

In a change to this year's programme, District Training Day has been dedicated to an Association of Ringing Teachers' (ART) Module 1 Course on *Teaching Bell Handling* to provide the skills and techniques needed to teach a ringer from their first lesson to having competent bell control. Writtle tower is to be the venue.

## **Race Night ~ Saturday, 18 November**

Venue: All Saints, Springfield, Church Hall. Doors open 6.30pm – first race 7pm. This will be an evening with a difference for the district, but you'll still see all the old familiar faces – as long as you come along. There will be eight races to watch in all during the evening and you'll be able to back your favourite to win. There will be a *Fish 'n Chips* supper (or Veggie alternative) half way through the evening and some table quizzes to have a go at as well.

There's plenty of parking at Springfield in the evening using the car park of the Springfield Green Clinic opposite the church.

## **Association Training Day**

**Sat 25th Nov. 9.45am to approx. 4.30pm**

This will be held in the SE District, venue to be confirmed. The groups on offer are:

1. Plain Hunt basics
2. Trebling to Plain Doubles and Minor
3. Plain Bob doubles
4. Surprise minor.

To apply for a place, download an application form at [www.eacr.org.uk](http://www.eacr.org.uk) training page or send an SAE to: Richard Wilson, EACR Education Officer, 57 Wilshire Avenue, Springfield, Chelmsford, CM2 6QW. There will be 6 places on each course; first come, first served. The closing date for applications is 31st October 2017.

There will be a charge of £9 which must be paid in advance, cheques to be made payable to EACR. We operate this system because in previous years people have applied and then failed to attend without notice or reason, thus wasting valuable training spaces others could have used. **No email applications will be accepted.**

Helpers are also required for this day; please contact Richard on 01245 358765 or 07587 140804 or e-mail: [education@eacr.org.uk](mailto:education@eacr.org.uk) if you are able to help.



## **District Carol Service**

**9 December  
Broomfield.**

Ringling 4.30pm. Service 6pm.

Everyone welcome, please come to ring and stay after the service for seasonal refreshments served in the church – eat, drink, and wish your friends

*A Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year!*

## **ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING**

**Saturday, 6 January 2018. Great Baddow.**

Afternoon ringing 3pm. Service 4.30pm.

Tea 5.15pm. Meeting 6pm. Names for tea to Jo Elliott by Wednesday, 3 January 2018:

[great-baddow@eacr.org.uk](mailto:great-baddow@eacr.org.uk) or text to 07931

302046. Evening ringing follows as requested.

## **Essex Ringing Course 2018**

The next Essex Ringing Course will take place at Coggeshall on 5 - 7<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Please put the date in your diary. Full details will be found on the EACR website in December.

## **BBC Music Day ~ 15 June**

284 groups took part in the BBC event. You can see the full list at *BBC Music Day, Events, Global bell ringing*. For the EACR, hats off to Wivenhoe, Wethersfield, Ingrave and Hornchurch for joining in.

Across the world, ringers from Africa, Australia, USA, New Zealand, Canada, Ireland, Jersey and Notre Dame de Paris all participated.

*'Bell Ringers Unite for BBC Music Day'*

On BellBoard, there are further Performances and Attempts, including Waltham Abbey and Sawbridgeworth.

## **Ringling World National Youth Contest**

**1 July** in Birmingham. *The Essex Young Eagles*, ringing Call Changes at Shirley, came a very creditable joint 10<sup>th</sup> place out of the 19 teams taking part in the contest. Well done to them!

Our thanks go to Christina and Andrew for their part in this, and to all the helpers and supporters of the group as well as to all the towers that have been used for the practices. Next year's contest will be held on 7 July 2018.

## **SE Facebook page**

Join the SE Facebook page to find out what's new in the District – and plenty more besides.

[www.facebook.com/groups/eacr.sedistrict/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/eacr.sedistrict/)

You will be able to share your ideas and post comments, advertise your church events and find ringers for your weddings. The Southern, South-Western, North-Eastern and North-Western Districts also have Facebook pages, if you join those too you'll learn what's going on in other parts of the Association.