

# Look To!



## SCACR Eastern Division Newsletter March 2018 to May 2018

Welcome to your Spring Edition of Look To! for 2018. Hopefully the weather will start to improve, and we will be able to get out and join in some of the ringing activities that are taking place. Don't forget the AGM that is taking place at Ardingly on Saturday 14th May. Please do consider whether you are able to volunteer for any of the officer vacancies that are coming up. We wish you much happy ringing.

### Saturday Meetings.

March 17th	Southover Ringing	3.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.	followed by tea and cake. Names for tea to Frances Bradford <a href="mailto:francesbradford@scacr.org">francesbradford@scacr.org</a>
May 12th	AGM to be held at Ditchling		
June 23rd	Walk	Details to follow	

**SCACR AGM Day 2018**

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May at Ditchling and Westmeston.**

*Open Towers, Service, Social Afternoon, BBQ, Handbells, Treasure Hunt, Tea and Meeting!*

**Morning Ringing at Keymer and Ditchling from 10am,  
Service at 11:30.**

**Social Afternoon at Westmeston Village Hall from 12:15pm**

**AGM at 14:00**





### Report on Eastern District Monthly Practice January 27th January 2018 To Rye and Iden.

On a fine morning district member journeyed east to ring on the six bells at Iden. Alison Everett and Tom White from Bosham and Horsham respectively joined us to make a total of eleven ringers.

The bells presented quite a challenge, so some ringers were happy to ring rounds but the more ambitious rang Bob Doubles, Plain Bob and even a successful attempt at Cambridge. The bells were lowered in peal in good time so that those wishing to could spend a couple of hours exploring the delights of Rye.

At Rye we were welcomed by Kevin Clifton and ringing started promptly at 2 o'clock. Phil Barnes, from across the Kentish border, joined us bringing the numbers up to 13.

Ringing ranged from Plain Hunt to Cambridge Major. Grandsire and Stedman were attempted and there was a particularly nice course of Plain Bob. After the bells were lowered, Kevin offered to take people up onto the roof of the tower so that they could view the surrounding countryside. Sadly, by this time the weather had deteriorated so we all made a soggy retreat back to our cars.



## SCACR Quiz 2018

Our annual quiz will be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at the Civic Centre, Hailsham. 7.00 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. You can enter as a team, or individually and we will join you with others to make a team. The evening will cost £7.50, which includes a fish and chip supper. A raffle will be held, with the profit going to the BRF. Please send your forms and money to Marion.

## South of England Show -Ardingly 7,8 & 9 June



SCACR members are invited to take part in the South of England show (7,8 & 9 June at Ardingly). We're looking for volunteers to help with the mini-ring (Dewbys Bells) and to engage with members of the public. We have free passes for volunteers – get in touch to request yours now. We'd love to have as many people as possible take part. Please let us know if you could help out from either 9-1 or 1-5, with the rest of the day to enjoy the Show. Please email [publicity@scacr.org](mailto:publicity@scacr.org) or Marisa Hayes [marisa@happymouflon.com](mailto:marisa@happymouflon.com)  
We have started publicising our collaboration on social media @chichesterDio @seas\_org - use hashtags #southofenglandshow #bellringing

## Norwich Outing

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May to Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Please make your own accommodation arrangements.

Cost for Tower donations will be £20.00 per person for the weekend.

Date	Time	Tower	Bells	Postcode
Friday 4th 2018	7.30 p.m	Horsham St Faiths.	6 Bells 8cwt.	NR10 3JJ
Saturday 5th May 2018	9.30 a.m.	Wroxham.	6 Bells. 9.2cwt.	NR12 8SG
	10.30 a.m.	Coltishall.	6 Bells. 10.0cwt.	NR12 7DW
	Mid-day.	Marsham.	8 Bells. 7cwt.	NR10 5PP.
	2.30 p.m..	Aylsham.	10 Bells. 17cwt.	NR11 6EU
	3.45 p.m.	Felmingham.	8 Bells 15.3 cwt.	NR28 0LQ
Sunday 6th May 2018 Day around Norwich	4.45 p.m.	Erpingham.	6 Bells 8cwt	NR1 6PF
	1.30 p.m.	St Miles. Colegate.	6 Bells. 6.9 cwt.	
	2.20 p.m.	Coslany.	8 Bells. 14.5 cwt	
Monday 7th May 2018		St Giles.	8 Bells. 13cwt	
		All Saints Centre.	6 Bells 5cwt	
		Drayton.	6 Bells. 7 cwt.	NR8 6EF
		Weston Longville.	6 Bells 10 cwt.	NR9 5JU
		Honingham.	6 Bells. 7 cwt.	TBC
	Mattishall.	6 Bells	TBC	

## Report on ADM

The Eastern ADM was held at St Clements, Hastings. Roy Cox was ringing master for the ringing, we rung rounds to Yorkshire. The ringing finished with a service touch of Stedman Triples. The service was taken by Fr. Shawn from Christ Church St Leonard's accompanied by Organist Julius Weekes. We sung the ringers hymn, Dear Lord and Father of mankind and Jerusalem. Our thanks go to Rosemary and her helpers for providing a lovely tea.

We had fifty people come to the ADM this year, as we had a good number we held a raffle in aid of BRF and raised £41.00.

See below a list of committee members and we welcome on to the committee Hazel Mottram. It would be nice to have a ringing master for the district, please think about this position and if you would be able to take on the position. There are spaces on some of the committees still that need filling they are the training and recruitment team and communication and events team.

We would like to welcome the new members and re-elected members to the association they are Hooe – Simon Pattisson, Burwash – Mary Hearn, Bexhill – On-Sea - Martyn Osborne, Sue Neighbour, Jane Legge, Wendy Beaden, Neil Davis. Waldron – Deborah Hinman, Christopher Hinman, Hilary Brown.

Pevensy – Robert Miles, Christ Church Eastbourne – James Barton, Angela Elliott, Karin Toepperwien. Northiam – Henry Heard. All Saints, Eastbourne – Caroline Rudd, Lucy Anstey, Hellingly – Jude Hesselgrave, James Young., Warbleton – Drummond Watson, East Hoathly – Sally Clark. St Leonards-On-Sea – Monty Larkin

Re-elected members – Christ Church, Eastbourne – Marian Bell, Kevin Allaway, Hastings – Rosemary Pronger, Rotherfield – Deborah Shaw, Jessica Hardy.



2 Proud ringers receive their certificates at the ADM

## Central Council Rep.

Our central Council rep for the next two years is Alison Everett. She is also the Association Communications and Events Team Leader and is very proud to be representing the Eastern District as their Central Council Representative. Some of you may already have met her as she often pops over to our meetings. Any queries please contact her at [publicity@scacr.org](mailto:publicity@scacr.org) or 07786 264103, find me on facebook or twitter @sussexbells (personal bellringing views) @scacr\_bells (Association account)  
Ringing Remembers

November 2017 saw the launch of a national Ringing Remembers initiative to commemorate 100 years since the end of World War One. 'Ringing Remembers' is promoted by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government and the Central Council of Church Bellringers in collaboration with the Big Ideas Company who are publicising the campaign across social media and have created a poster for us to put it up in church and village notice boards.

The Ringing Remembers campaign aims to recruit at least 1400 new recruits to ringing in time for them to be trained and join Remembrance Day ringing 11 November 2018, 100 years since Armistice Day.

In Sussex 53 bellringers are known to have paid the ultimate sacrifice during the 1914-18 war, you can find further details on our website <https://www.scacr.org/about-us/history/roll-of-honour>

Bands are encouraged to open towers and promote bellringing locally, go to <https://a100.cccbr.org.uk/?rf=32> for more information, graphics to use, and to register your new ringers!



## Practise Nights

Why not go and visit another towers practice, you are always welcome to visit other towers and you'll help another tower, learn something new and make new friends. Always phone before you go to confirm times and that they are practising that night.

### Monday

Brede, Dallington, All Saints Eastbourne, Hailsham, Rotherfield, St Leonards-On-Sea, Ticehurst, Waldron.

### Tuesday

Alfriston, Battle, Bexhill-on-Sea, Burwash, Christ Church Eastbourne, St. Mary's Eastbourne, Frant, Mayfield, Northiam.

### Wednesday

Beckley, Heathfield, Hellingly, Salehurst, Sedlescombe, Wadhurst, Westham.

**Thursday**

Ashburnham, Brightling, Chiddingly, Ewhurst Green, Laughton, Rye, Willingdon.

**Friday**

Blacklands Hastings,

**Saturday**

All Saints and St Clements Hastings, Hooe, Pevensey

## The 2018 Central Council Meeting

In association with The Lancashire Association of Change Ringers

**Bookings are now OPEN for ALL ringers (including CC representatives) – click here for the booking form**

**Click here for 2018 Meeting Papers**

**Highlights of the programme** The 2018 Central Council Meeting, organised by The Administrative Committee, is to take place at Lancaster University in the North West of England over the second Bank Holiday weekend in May. It is the first of a new style of annual conference planned to tour the regions. The university offers high class conference facilities, catering and accommodation at reasonable prices and enables most of the events over the weekend to take place on the University campus.

The conference will be spread over three days with workshops, seminars, and sessions that will be open to all ringers as well as members of the Council. It is however of a new format that will enable it to be condensed into two days in future when the envisaged date move to the first weekend in September takes place in 2019.

The formal opening session of the Council will be on the Sunday afternoon to encompass the welcome, obituaries, election of life and additional members and also the formal reports of the various stewards, before adjourning to the President's Reception and Annual Dinner.

The Monday session of the Council will include the business of committee reports and motions along with break-out sessions to debate pertinent issues and review in detail the Council's work. A local regional ringing association will be invited to address the Council on the state of ringing in their area and this year it will feature The Lancashire Association.

The Council will offer an "all-in" conference package as well as day and individual event rates. The package is essentially full board and inclusive of conference fees.

### Saturday May 26th

- Interactive seminars and workshops open to all, from 2pm to 4pm
- Saturday evening informal social event

### Sunday May 27th

- Adopt a tower for service ringing
- AGM of The Ringing World Ltd
- Formal opening session of the 126th Annual Meeting of The Central Council
- Keynote speech and adjournment to The President's Reception & 126th Annual Anniversary Dinner (*menu tba*)

### Monday May 28th

- Continuation of the 126th Council Meeting (aiming to conclude all business by 4pm)

### Facilities and accommodation

Lancaster University offers excellent conference facilities, with full AV equipment in all rooms. There are a number of rooms available, from one large enough for the full council, to small committee and breakout rooms.

Accommodation will be on site. Single, twin and double en-suite rooms are available as part of the conference package, with the ability to extend your room booking before or after the core conference days at a cost of £60 per room, per night. There are a number of bars available, offering local real ale.

Have a look at the University's Conference web site for further information: [www.lancaster.ac.uk/conferences/](http://www.lancaster.ac.uk/conferences/)

## David Threlfall

We have been saddened by the death of Dave, who passed away on the 31st January. His funeral on 5th March was held at Eastbourne Crematorium, the chapel was packed, people standing at the sides and across the back. The following quarter peals were rung on the day to celebrate his life. His family would like to say thank you to all those who joined with us to celebrate Dave's life.



**Eastbourne, Sussex**  
Christ Church

Monday, 5 March 2018 in 44 mins (8¾ in G#)

### 1250 Cambridge Surprise Major

- 1 Marion C Hollands
- 2 Janet M Wilson
- 3 Jennifer A Dearie
- 4 Roy M Cox
- 5 Pauline M Kennard
- 6 Sandra M Titherly
- 7 David R Ingram
- 8 Alan R Baldock (C)

Rung, on the day of his funeral, as a thanksgiving for the life of David William Threlfall, who died on 31st January 2018, aged 74.

## East Grinstead & District Guild & Sussex County Association

**Battle, East Sussex**

St Mary

Monday, 5 March 2018 in 46 minutes (21-3-8 in Eb)

### 1260 Grandsire Triples

taken from "The Original"

Composed by John Holt [The Original] 1751

- 1 Angela Dawes
- 2 Rosalind M Cowsill
- +3 Carolyn Collins
- 4 H Roger F Cowsill
- 5 Hugo L Tracey
- 6 Alan P Turner
- 7 Paul Franks
- 8 Christopher J Cooper (C)

Half-muffled at backstroke in loving memory of our dear friend David W. Threlfall, in the afternoon following his funeral, by a band assembled at the 'wake' from some of those ringers who attended.

## On Monday 29th A celebratory quarter was rung to celebrate a special birthday for two long service members.

A belated happy birthday to Janet Wilson and Richard Kennard.

**Waldron, East Sussex**

All Saints

Monday, 29 January 2018 in 47 mins. (12-0-7 in G)

### 1344 Platinum Surprise Major

- 1 Frances P Bradford
- 2 Janet M Wilson
- 3 Catherine S Finn
- 4 Pamela A Manger
- 5 Alan R Baldock
- 6 David C Manger (C)
- 7 Richard R Kennard
- 8 Peter M J Bradford

A 70th birthday compliment to Richard Kennard (30 Jan) and Janet Wilson (1 Feb). First in the method for 2,3,5 and 7.

Thank You Nick Cant this extract from your report to members at the ADM:

We hope to continue to run, when possible, Surprise Major practices jointly with Southern District. Of necessity, the venues in our district will be at the western end of the district to minimise the travel required for those from the South. Unfortunately, despite encouragement to continue these practices, the turnout on a number of occasions has been disappointing, and on at least 2 occasions, insufficient to actually ring on 8 bells. I shall send an e-mail to regular and possible attenders and publicise on Facebook and the SCACR website as soon as some possible dates can be arranged.

I also hope to continue our "Progressing in minor" practices, probably at Alfriston. We have concentrated each session on a special method each month – alternating between plain methods and treble bob or surprise minor. This gives ringers the opportunity to



commit time to mastering a particular method, and also gives the chance of plain hunting or treble bobbing to those whose progression has reached that stage.

Other organised practices are now more localised. The Eastbourne towers joint practices on up to 8 bells at St Mary's and Christ Church are planned for 2 Tuesdays each month, while maintaining individual practices on the remaining weeks. Ringers from other District towers are more than welcome to join these practices. Similarly, once every 3 months there is an Eastbourne practice (again on a Tuesday) at St Saviour's on up to 10 bells.

Future dates planned are at Christ Church on 6th March and 3rd April. St Mary's would normally be on the last Tuesday of the month, but will not take place in March as it falls in Holy Week.

The more basic handling and method learning continues mostly within individual towers. It is difficult to put on District practices for this that many people are able or willing to attend. However, if any particular tower, or individual ringers, would like help in progressing from some more-experienced ringers, then please do contact me or any Committee member, and we can discuss what assistance can be arranged. Similarly, if any towers feel they could progress by combining their practices, then we would be glad to assist arranging this.

Any suggestions for advancing co-operation between towers or arranging for local or District-wide practices would always be welcome, and we would love to see more ringers involved in these.

The Hailsham Ringing Centre is also available to help ringers progress. Please make use of this facility if you can. Details are on the SCACR website at <https://scacr.org/learning-training/ringing-centre>.

### From Allen Crisp

The Heffle Cuckoo fair is an annual event dating back to 1315 and is held at Cade Street, Old Heathfield. The site is a few hundred yards up the hill from All Saints' church. The local ringers hope to use this year's event to promote ringing to the wider public and Alan Collings has kindly agreed to make Dewbys Bells available on the day.

The 2018 fair will be held on 21 April from 11am to 4pm and this is an open invitation to any ringers to join us for all or part of the day to demonstrate the use of the bells and talk to potential recruits. Don't forget – people attend from outside the Heathfield area, so all towers could benefit. We look forward to seeing you.

## Membership

All membership forms should now have been sent in but remember any change of addresses, phone numbers or email addresses, please contact Mr J Spencer [membership@scacr.org](mailto:membership@scacr.org)

## Committee Members - EASTERN DIVISION

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## Communications and Events update February 2018

The Armistice 100 Ringing Remembers website is now open. If anyone started learning since the beginning of November 2017 or was inspired by the campaign to return to ringing, this is where they can register to be part of the Armistice 100 band for Ringing Remembers.

The website also gives you information, useful links and resources about the Ringing Remembers campaign. Ringing Remembers has its own area on the CC website <https://ccabr.org.uk/> :



click on the bell and it takes you to: <https://a100.cccbr.org.uk/?rf=32> - all the information is in one place, there are links to the Rolls of Honour, image resources and more

Some Guilds have opened a group of towers as a Recruitment exercise, which we might consider - Learning as part of a group seems to work better than individually - for children and adults. Four of the six ringers who have come to Sussex via the campaign are learning, and there will be more from local advertising.

- this is from a Devon news site for example:

*Budding bell ringers across Devon are being encouraged to get behind a national Ringing Remembers initiative to commemorate 100 years since the end of World War One.*

*"Ringing Remembers" is promoted by the Department of Local Government & Communities and the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. It aims to gain at least 1400 new recruits to ringing in time for them to be trained and join the Remembrance Day ringing on 11 November this year.*

*In Devon over 60 ringers are known to have given their lives in the 1914-18 war and at least six of these came from the Tiverton and Culm Valley areas. A county-wide event takes place on Saturday, February 24.*

*Selected churches will open their towers that morning for people to drop in and find out about learning to ring tower bells. There will be displays, videos, a chance to talk to ringers and to see the bells. You can also have a go at ringing a bell. The aim will be to encourage people to take up bell ringing in time for Remembrance Sunday and, it is hoped, to continue their ringing careers afterwards.*

*Tiverton St Peter's will be welcoming visitors between 10:00am and noon as will St Mary's, Silvertown. In the afternoon St Mary's, Hemyock will open between 2:00pm and 4:30pm, while Bampton church will be open 4:00pm - 6:00pm.*

*Leslie Boyce from St Peter's Church said: "What is so special about bell ringing? Apart from making a glorious sound ringing, it is an excellent way to keep fit - rather than use a "dumb" bell, why not use a real bell?"*

*It's also a great team activity and offers the more ambitious student limitless opportunities to learn new methods - a real mental workout. People of all ages from 10 to 70 can be ringers and no great physical strength is required. Once a ringer, you also have a community of friends throughout the country who will welcome you into their own towers to ring. This allows you to visit some amazing and historic places as well.*

*Learning to ring takes anything from a few weeks to several months depending on how much time the learner can give. At least weekly practice is the normal commitment needed and learners can follow a national training scheme, "Learning the Ropes", which has a clear pathway and targets. Individual tuition is offered in the first stages and then, once able to handle a bell on their own, learners join in with other ringers."*

*You can find out more by visiting your church on February 24 or by visiting <http://www.bellringing.org/>*

On our own website go to <https://www.scacr.org/learning-training/ringing-remembers>

There is a really good 46 second video made by the Hereford Bell Ringers about the campaign on YouTube [Hereford Bell Ringers Video](#) -it's called 'Ringing for Peace - Armistice 100.

## SUSSEX CLOTHING IS BACK

Loose polo shirts, fitted t-shirts, hoodies, rugby tops, fleeces – all embroidered with the Sussex logo.

Many colours, styles and sizes (including children) to suit all.

Please visit the Clothing page (can be found under Resources) on the SCACR website for full details and order form. Orders will be placed on the last day of every month, delivery time is approx. 4 weeks from the order being placed with the supplier.

Any questions, please get in touch with Sandra Alford at [clothing@scacr.org](mailto:clothing@scacr.org)



### FEEDBACK SO FAR

I am really pleased with my rugby shirt – it is a great length for ringing! I love my polo shirt, it's a really nice fit and colour. Fleece and rugby shirt are lovely and fit very well, thank you!  
I shall wear my t-shirt with pride!  
Good price, good quality and good fit – thank you.  
Love curling up in my hoodie!

The deadline for the next edition of Look To is 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018