SALLY FORTH

Western Division Newsletter September & October 2013

September



Diary of Events

Wednesday 4th	Codgers	Dunsfold Cranleigh	11.00am-12.15pm 2.00pm-3.30pm
Friday 6 th	Basic 8 Bell Practice	Felpham	7.30pm
Saturday 7 th	Beginners & Improvers Practice - contact Christine first on 01903 872623	Washington	9.30am
Saturday 14 th	Method Striking Competition	Graffham	3pm
Saturday 14 th	Essex Trophy Ten Bell Competition	Beddington	
Friday 20 th	General 8 Bell Practice	Westbourne	7.30pm
Saturday 27 th	Surprise Minor Practice	Walberton	10.30am
October			
Wednesday 2 nd	Codgers	Salehurst (tbc) Dewbys Bells (tbc)	11.00am-12.15pm 2.00pm-3.30pm
Friday 4 th	Basic 8 Bell Practice	Felpham	7.30pm
Saturday 5 th	Beginners & Improvers Practice - contact Christine first on 01903 872623	Washington	9.30am
Saturday 5 th	SCACR Annual Social	Loxwood	10.45am
Saturday 12 th	Practice and Tea	Chichester	3pm
Friday 18 th	General 8 Bell Practice	Westbourne	7.30pm
Saturday 26 th	Surprise Minor Practice	Walberton	10.30am

The SCACR Social Event this year is a boat trip on the Wey and Arun Canal at Loxwood on Saturday 5th October 2013

A 2½ hour trip on the barge 'Wiggonholt' from the Canal Centre behind the Onslow Arms in Loxwood RH14 0RH, leaving promptly at 11am, so be there by 10.45am to board.

Bring your own picnic lunch or book lunch at the Onslow Arms on our return.

Tea and coffee available on board.

Handbells on board.

Cost: £8 per adult, £4 for children between 5 and 16 *Places are limited, so book your tickets now!* Available from Jack Burton tel: 01243 374937 or e-mail <u>sec-west@scacr.org</u>

Practice at the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, CHICHESTER

SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2013

Ringing from 3pm to 4.15pm Tea will be available from 4pm at the hall in Christ Church United Reformed Church, Old Market Avenue, Chichester PO19 1SW. (*This is close to the bottom of South Street, opposite 'The Fountain'*).

Names for tea please to Jack Burton tel: 01243 374937 or e-mail <u>sec-west@scacr.org</u>

Ringers of all abilities are welcome



All ringers are welcome to all practices and meetings, so please do come along

Regular Practices

Beginners & Improvers Practice	1 st Saturday of every month	Christine Butterfield	01903 872623
 contact Christine first 			
Surprise Minor Practice	4 th Saturday of every month	John Taylor	01903 745477
Basic 8 Bell Practice	1 st Friday of every month	Colin Spencer	01243 824952
General 8 Bell Practice	3 rd Friday of every month	Colin Spencer	01243 824952
Codgers Practice	1 st Wednesday of every month	Mike Foster codgers@scacr.org	01903 741664
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Looking Ahead

1st & 2nd November 2013 9th November 2013 14th December 2013 January 2014 11th January 2014 8th February 2014 8th March 2014 12th April 2014 6th September 2014 SCACR Ringing Course Practice (half-muffled) and Service at Easebourne (tbc) Practice and Carol Service at Petworth (tbc) Quarter Peal Week will be in January to mark the founding of the Association Western Division Annual Social – a 'beetle drive' at Pulborough ADM at Felpham (tbc) Call Change Competition at Funtington (tbc) Morning practice at Findon (tbc) Ringing Roadshow at Newbury Racecourse

Master's Mutterings - Graham Hills

The last couple of months seem to have just flown by, as it only seems like yesterday that I was writing my mutterings for the last Sally Forth.

July started with the last of the discussion groups on "The Future Development of the Association". I was glad to see quite a large number present for the meeting that I attended at Stedham. Several topics were raised, and I know they will all be carried forward to an extraordinary general committee meeting that has been arranged for September. However, there were two main areas that were mentioned more than any other, these being communication and training. With regard to communication, the information is there, it just needs to be found. To that end, I think it would be a good idea if a representative from each tower checked with all their members to make sure that they are receiving Sally Forth by email or post. Obviously it is far cheaper for the Association to e-mail all correspondence, but members of the SCACR should be receiving Sally Forth ether by e-mail or post. Please contact Jack Burton with any change of postal or e-mail addresses.

Training poses a different problem, the main one being that our area is quite large, and it can take me up to an hour to travel to some towers. Just after the meeting at Stedham, Moya, myself and Geoff Rix joined the Stedham ringers for their practice night, and helped them get through a course of Bob Doubles one at a time. If your tower wants assistance, please contact Christine Butterfield or myself, and we will do our best to help you. This could possibly involve bringing a group of ringers to your tower for a special practice similar to the one we did earlier this year at South Harting, where the ringers made us very welcome, and by way of thanks, cooked us a marvellous chicken hot pot. By the way, the hot pot is not mandatory, but it helps!

Saturday 13th July was a very hot day for our Ring, Walk and Ring event. This year we started with ringing at Steyning, then, under Ruth Brown's excellent guidance we walked to the White Hart in Henfield for lunch before continuing to Henfield church for more ringing. There were about 18 of us walking, and I for one thoroughly enjoyed it, so I hope everyone else did.

This last Saturday, the 10th August there was a double practice, with ringing at Yapton followed by tea, before moving on to Lyminster for an early evening practice ring. I was pleased to see so many people turn up, including our association master, Christine Baldock. For those of you who didn't come along, you don't know what you missed. The ringers and friends at Yapton laid on a magnificent "cake tea" for us; not a sandwich in sight, just loads of cakes, and scones with strawberry jam and clotted cream!. A huge thank you to all those involved.

The 14th of September will see the Western District Method Striking Contest taking place at Graffham, so please get your teams ready and let Jack Burton know if you are entering a band.

Scratchings from the Secretary – Jack Burton

This is the quietest part of the year for a secretary, the hassle of subscription forms and the Annual Divisional and General meetings are all over and the programme should be more or less set. In most years this is the case, but this year we have had more than the usual late changes to the programme. Another exception to this tranquillity has been the divisional committee meeting in July and also keeping up to date with the workings of the 'Vision for the Future' group.

At the last Divisional Committee meeting, most of the time was spent on discussing the briefing and special meeting which took place at Stedham, and concerned the future of the association. It seems that although there is always room for improvement, we are basically getting things right in the Western Division. A significant point which came up at the

gathering was the timing of our practices. After a lot of discussion on the best way forward, the Committee agreed that we should try a different format for our Saturday meetings, and also we should try and extend even further the help to towers and other 'workshops' across the division. On the latter, the Divisional Master is looking into the detail, and in the programme we have included a couple of Saturday morning practices to see how well they are attended. This is in place of the present afternoon meeting with tea. The experience of ringing on the fourth Saturday morning of the month at Walberton for the Surprise Minor practice does seem to be working, with a very good attendance, and it could be that some members would prefer some morning practices.

The subject of ringing competitions was another subject which came up at Stedham. It seems that some towers like them and others just simply will not put out a team. Nevertheless we are keeping both the call change and the method competitions in the programme for another year, although the committee has undertaken to review the rules for team entry. At present, the definition of a novice is someone who has been ringing less than three years. This definition is seen to be too simple and can exclude ringers who are making only slow progress for whatever reason, and who would like to enter and compete with others, with a chance of doing well. Some form of definition of a novice based on their ringing ability is being sought rather than the simple passage of time. After three years some ringers, especially the younger ones, will be at quarter peal level, whilst others, not so young, may not be able to plain hunt. I have drafted a proposal for a change of the rules and it is now with the Divisional Master for his comments and amendments before it returns to the committee. This is a case of 'watch this space'. The September method competition will be rung under the present old rules.

At the last Publicity Committee meeting, the Association Master expressed a wish that programmes should be published up to a year ahead. Although some concerns have been expressed, this idea will be adopted as much as possible. It is not going to be easy as, for very good reasons, the availability of towers does change over a year; weddings, builders and problems with the bells all play their part. The programme of monthly practices over the current five months has had to be changed in no less than three cases because of the availability of towers. The idea of setting the programme well into the future has been adopted in principle and we now have a proposed programme as far as August next year. I have not approached all the towers involved yet so it is all to be confirmed.

There is a developing problem with email addresses and their accuracy. The Association is relying more and more on emails to do its business and addresses change quite frequently. Unless the system knows they have changed, communications break down. Please make sure that the General Secretary or I know of a change in email address so that records and the database can be kept up to date. Perhaps an annual review of our email addresses on the subscription form would be a solution?

Finally, and probably the most significant thing to come out of our last meeting, was that the Divisional Master announced that he wished to stand down from office at the ADM in February next year. He is therefore looking for a relief, so if you know of anyone or you can propose someone, please get in touch.

Although it is the slack time of year, there seems to be plenty to be thinking about; especially the future form of the Association and how we promote the business of ringing. We must think carefully about any proposed changes to make sure we are changing things for the better and not lose what we already have in the Western Division. Please try and keep yourselves informed of the developments and if you have any comments on the progress of any reforms, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

New Funding allocated to support the installation of training equipment in Sussex

At the March General Committee Meeting, the Trustees agreed that a sum of £8,000 be allocated towards helping towers in Sussex to install their own simulator and training equipment such as dumb-bells.

The money comes from a legacy left to the Association by Bryan Burrough (who learnt to ring at Itchingfield in the 1950s and latterly rang at St Leonard's) who died in 2006. It was his wish that his legacy be used for the advancement of ringing in Sussex and it is hoped that by offering some financial support, a wide mix of towers in all corners of the county might consider installing additional equipment.

An application form is now available from the website (see 'downloads') or by contacting your local committee. We are fortunate to have a number of experts among our membership and if you require further advice, do please contact a member of your local committee who will put you in touch with a suitable helper.

Calling all Tower Correspondents – Marisa Hayes

I recently sent an email to all tower correspondents with an email address. Did you receive it? If not, please contact me. If you would like to register an email address for a member of your band to be your tower email contact for SCACR matters, please let me know. My email address is: secretary@scacr.org or call 01273 812790.

Congratulations to the Sussex Young Ringers

Sussex Young Ringers came third out of twelve in the Call Changes category of the Ringing World National Youth Competition held in York on Saturday 6 July, and achieved a B+.

When Harry met Sally – David Hall

"How about a nice trip abroad, and a chance to ring some bells?" Sounds too good to be true but on 18th May the annual Goring outing took place, and what a great idea to combine 6 towers on the Isle of Wight with scenic views, and a finish with dinner in a pub. With a shortish journey to the ferry, it was a civilised time of day to start and I was picked up from my door at 7.30am and climbed aboard the mini-bus driven by Graham. Number checks revealed that we were one short so a frantic drive back to Goring collected Viv patiently waiting in the car park, and then we sped away to Portsmouth . Quiet roads and a chattering bus load of 11 ladies and 3 men and young Harry, Helen's son, meant we were soon at the port in time for the booked ferry.

The 40 minute crossing was just enough time to get to the head of the Costa coffee queue on board on a nice calm crossing. The sun was burning off the mist on the Solent as we headed for the first tower of the day through Wootton Creek, Newport and Carisbrooke to Freshwater at 10.30am, accompanied by countryside smells of wild garlic and farmyards (from outside of the bus!).

All Saints (16.2 tenor) was a friendly, ground floor ring with 6 new, slightly springy ropes in the sleepy little village. We managed Stedman, Bob Doubles and Grandsire in the cosy ringing chamber while those not ringing wandered around the huge overgrown and well occupied churchyard (probably because of the loss of life at sea). Others admired the bust of Tennyson (his house was close by) and the stained glass memorial windows. The lady verger was the wife of the former vicar of Arundel, Michael Weaver, and she had lots of family connections in our area still, so would have liked to come back with us if she could.

Off again along narrow roads we saw the problems of coastal erosion along the south side of the island while enjoying the sea views and rolling landscape with Tansley at the wheel, dicing with overhanging hedges, blind bends, cyclists, walkers and walls hidden in the foliage!

Brighstone was like England in the "good old days", with little chalk-stone cottages, thatched roofs, a local grocers general shop, pubs and restaurant. There was even a row of cottages housing a library, museum and post office looking like a picture postcard. St Mary the Virgin (7-2 tenor) was a light ring of 6 bells at first floor and fun for all. A local lass of about 10 came up to ring with us on her favourite bell and time passed quickly. Down in the church there was a record of the Brighstone Grange Lifeboat Station for 1862 to 1909 listing the wrecks that had been attended to remind us of the dangers of the local waters and lee shore. The "Dizzy Dunlop", "The Caboceer" and "L'Etoile" all foundered in these seas - a sobering thought.

Time for a bite to eat and out came our packed lunches with a chance also for a wander around the village and to search for lost items like my camera and Viv's scarf, both of which thankfully turned up. The sun did a disappearing act as well so we didn't hang around long and were soon off to Chale for our third ring.

St Andrew's was a very old church (circa 1114) not far from the sea again and with a large graveyard. The ground floor ring of 6 bells again (8-1 tenor) was easy and a good choice after lunch where we were able to ring Stedman, Norwich, Bob Doubles and Grandsire as well as an impromptu lesson given by Graham to a tall, young lady who wandered in. Maybe a future recruit for another tower had been found? Leaving the church we found a huge, redundant dinosaur laying in someone's front garden (we were not far from the displays at Blackgang Chine), but decided to leave it as it would not fit into the mini-bus to use as a tower trophy!

The sun came out again as we headed for the east of the Island and St Saviour-on-the-Cliff at Shanklin. This was a second floor ring of 8 heavy bells (18.0 tenor) and the second beast of the day after the dinosaur! Hard to raise and to keep up, while the back bells had high sallies requiring the use of boxes. The tower swayed a bit and we were amazed to read that the bells had been re-hung just before 2003! Money had been raised to improve these bells but had been spirited away into general church funds (unfortunately not an uncommon story.)

Downstairs, there was a fine display of colourful hassocks facing back and placed on top of the pew rails to greet you as you came in, but we were glad to be leaving this one!



A scenic drive along the cliff top again, with a fine blue sea to Brading and another struggle. St Mary's had a ring of 8 bells (10-0 tenor) and required a climb up a short, very steep ladder in the open porch to reach a cramped ringing chamber. Non-ringers had to perch where they could (mind those glasses Graham!) and the treble and tenor ropes were recessed each side of the clock mechanism. The bells were very noisy but fortunately Jane had a good, loud voice and we rang Stedman, Grandsire Triples and a go at Bob Major, as well as changes. The locals are trying to raise funds for sound-proofing, a new frame, bell renovation and moving the clock mechanism - a mechanical lift from the ground floor would be my priority!

Our last tower was Arreton, with a lovely drive over Arreton Down and views all round of the Solent, the Channel and beautiful countryside. St George's (8-2 tenor) was a six bell tower and one of 7 Saxon churches on the Island dating from 901 and mentioned in the will of Alfred the Great. It had a gorgeous 13th Century Purbeck marble font and the best bells of the day. In the massive Saxon tower we were able to ring Reverse Canterbury, Cambridge, St Clements and Grandsire on the ground floor ring. Those not pulling sallies admired the redundant Clement Tosier bell from 1699 and the angelus bell from 1467 on display in the nave.

The pub was within staggering distance from the church and with orders phoned in, we were soon sitting in front of our meals and drinking our glasses dry in the White Lion. A short drive took us back to the ferry at Wootton to catch the 8.00pm boat with some dozing while Graham took the wheel again.



What a delightful day of ringing for all. The Isle of Wight, with its contrasts of beauty and tragedy, dinosaurs and cycle tours, ancient churches and little shops and villages all gave us a real treat. Many thanks for Graham for all his transportation skills and ferry bookings and Tansley for her organising of the churches and pub who both took on the task once more this year. Thanks also to all who came along, especially Harry who met Sally at least 6 times!

Chichester Bellringers Celebrate Her Majesty's Coronation – Hamish McNaughton

On June 1st 1953 Peter Blackman cycled from Salisbury, where he was studying theology, to his home in Chichester to join the celebrations of Queen Elizabeth's coronation. After the war Peter helped to re-establish bell ringing at Chichester Cathedral. It was very fitting, therefore, that he should lead the band of bellringers by conducting a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples on the cathedral bells on the day of the coronation.

After a lifetime in the ministry of the church, Peter repeated his achievement on June 1st this year by again conducting a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples on the cathedral bells with today's band.



Peter Black when he celebrated his 80th birthday

Chichester Cathedral 1st June 2013 1260 Grandsire Triples

- 1 Alison Hunt
- 2 Ian Hunt 3 Keith Gam
- 3 Keith Game
- 4 Jane Deadman5 Phil Down
- 5 Phil Down6 Colin Spencer
- 7 Peter Blackman (C)
- 8 Nick Deadman

To celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Coronation of Her Majesty the Queen.

Peter Blackman called the same composition on 2nd June 1953 for the Coronation itself

Giving a talk on ringing 'my' way ... - Stella Bianco

Firstly, I assessed who will be in the audience and how long to talk – c20 minutes.

The last time I gave a talk, I sang for my supper to a small group of business women.

I chose to talk around ringing artefacts to act as prompts, instead of using a slide/Powerpoint presentation.

Publicity leaflets were available on the table.

I invited questions throughout the talk.

I borrowed a CD player and introduced the subject of "My passion for bellringing", using a recording of Westminster Abbey bells, followed by a rural sounding ring of six. This led onto why we ring bells.

The venue was in Cuckfield, so I circulated a photograph of the spire on fire and described 'what's up that tower' now.

I used a model bell to explain the rudiments of bell ringing and tried to avoid getting too technical!

I circulated the SCA map of the towers with bells.

The following items were useful: Dove's Guide, The Ringing World, SCA Annual Report, Soundbow etc.

The Sussex Churches BRF was mentioned, too.

I took a set of handbells along, so that six volunteers could stand in a row, and they had fun weaving in and out to show how the sequence works in Plain Hunting.

To finish, I invited the audience, who came from a wide area, to share my passion and that I could introduce them to a group of ringers ... Alas, there were no offers, but bellringing did hold their interest.





Western Division METHOD STRIKING COMPETITION St Giles'Church, GRAFFHAM Saturday 14th September 2014

Draw takes place at 3pm

Please contact Jack Burton tel: 01243 374937 or e-mail <u>sec-west@scacr.org</u> to enter your team

A message from the Southampton University Guild

The Southampton University Guild of Change Ringers is looking forward to welcoming new students to Southampton this September. We would love to make contact with any ringers heading our way.

We are an active and fun society which welcomes ringers of all abilities. There's lots more information about us on our website <u>http://www.sugcr.co.uk/</u>

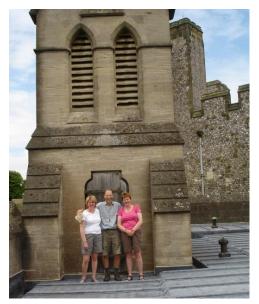
News from Arundel and Lyminster

Arundel mini ringing outings – Teresa Kendall

Whilst the tower at Arundel is out of action, every other week the Arundel and Lyminster ringers have been having their usual practice at Lyminster, and the following week have been out visiting other towers on their practice nights.

So far we have visited Walberton, Washington, Chichester, Bosham and Amberley. More towers are planned for September.





Prince George at Arundel – David Hall

There will be many rings to commemorate the birth of our future King and to the ringers of Lyminster was given the privilege of celebrating the event locally.

The Duchess of Norfolk requested that the Castle bells be rung and so, on the last day of their Medieval Tournament week, Theresa, Sylvia and myself, together with Sylvia's young son, Ryan, made our way through the Castle grounds.

There were stalls offering pewter pilgrim badges, wooden swords and shields, basketwork and bows and arrows as we jostled with "Lords" in doublet and hose, "knights" in full shining armour as well as peasants in rustic dress. Pipes, drums and rattles accompanied the little children's theatre groups and the jousting court and tents all gave a special feel to the event.

We know our way around now, having rung here three or four times already,



so after checking with security, we were guided along to the ringing chamber, which lay half-way up the corridor to the keep.

The confines of the eight four square room were relieved a bit by opening the door onto the roof area and getting some ventilation. We usually ring here in the cold of December so this time it was a bit different with the temperature in the high 20s. These bells are not rung often and we were used to some minor debris falling onto our heads, but when a piece of wooden rope guide hit Theresa on her head, we did lose our rhythm for a while! Ringing back up, we continued for about ten minutes until exhausting our repertoire of three bell changes, and wondering if we had spooked the horses down on the jousting field as well as ourselves.

There was a chance to explore the Keep and view the scaffolding around St Nicholas' tower across to the west and hope that we

could be ringing back there by November. Photos were taken and then we left against a tide of tourists and visitors, all flocking in to see the medieval merriment.

Good luck and congratulations to our William and Kate and may there be many more such celebrations!

Quarter Peals

St Bartholomew's, Rogate 13th June 2013 1320 Rogate Surprise Minor (CCC No. 1104) 1 Graham Hills, 2 Peter Wilkinson 3 Philip Down, 4 Brian Underwood 5 Geoffrey Rix, 6 Andrew Barnsdale (C) Previously unrung Surprise Minor Method

St Bartholomew's, Rogate

22nd June 2013 1260 Mixed Doubles – Grandsire, Plain Bob, April Day 1 Sara Tupper, 2 Jenny Woodyer 3 Moya Hills, 4 Graham Hills 5 Darren Woodyer (C), 6 Roger Watts

St Luke's, Milland

1st August 2013 1260 Plain Bob doubles 1 Ed Underwood, 2 Jo Green, 3 Di Hart, 4 Neil Pirie, 5 Brian Underwood (C), 6 Barry Wateridge Rung as a compliment to the Rev Bill Johnston, a retired priest but very active and much loved in the benefice, for his 80th birthday.

St James', Stedham

14th August 2013 720 CCC No. 1103 named Stedham Surprise Minor, 540 Plain Bob Minor 1 Graham Hills, 2 Paul Bagshaw 3 Brian Underwood, 4 Phil Down 5 Geoff Rix, 6 Andrew Barnsdale (C)

Ringing to the celebrate the birth of HRH Prince George Alexander Louis of Cambridge to the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge on 22nd July 2013

When the news reached West Tarring on their practice night they fired the bells

Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity,

Chichester 26th July 2013 1280 Cambridge S Major 1 Susan Spencer, 2 Keith Game 3 Phil Down, 4 Jane Deadman

5 Poli Down, 4 Jane Deadman 5 Peter Watson, 6 Colin Spencer (C) 7 Hamish McNaughton, 8 Nick Deadman **St James',Stedham** 28th July 2013 1260 Grandsire Doubles

1 Tony Douglas, 2 Marilyn Payne 3 Peter Payne, 4 Andrew Barnsdale 5 Geoff Rix (C), 6 Barry Cooper Also rung for the Baptism this day at Stedham of Luke Parris.

St Mary's, Goring-by-Sea 28th July 2013 1260 Mixed Doubles – Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury, Grandsire 1 Margaret Grundy, 2 Elizabeth Potter 3 Irene Batchelor, 4 Jane Winter 5 Graham Hills (C), 6 Moya Hills

St Mary's, Storrington 28th July 2013 1260 Plain Bob Doubles 1 Steve Swyer*, 2 Kather 3 Sheila R Foster, 4 A Jo

1 Steve Swyer^{*}, 2 Katherine P Davies 3 Sheila R Foster, 4 A John Taylor 5 Michael G Foster (C), 6 Susan Taylor **First away from cover*

St Thomas a Becket, Pagham 29th July 2013

St Andrew's, West Tarring

1 Elizabeth Potter, 2 Jo Cheng

5 Graham Hills (C), 6 Peter Rebbeck

3 Moya Hills, 4 Brenda Cox

1260 Grandsire Doubles

28th July 2013

1320 Cambridge Minor
1 Alan Martin, 2 Margaret Sherwood
3 Georgina Coomber, 4 Stuart Raggett
5 Mike Wake, 6 Thomas Raggett (C)

St Bartholomew's. Rogate 3rd August 2013

A quarter peal of Call Changes 1 Darren Woodyer (C), 2 Penny Croucher* 3 Sara Tupper, 4 Barry Wateridge 5 Rod Jarvis*, 6 James Stevenson *First quarter peal Also rung to celebrate Rogate's Fete

Did you attend Bishop Luffa school, as a pupil, as a teacher or as a parent?

The school celebrates its 50th anniversary this year and a thanksgiving service takes place on Saturday 5th October. Hamish McNaughton is coordinating a band of ringers to ring before the 10.30am service at Chichester Cathedral. Hamish would love to hear from you if you have had any connection with the school.

Contact him via email at hamish@wandleys.demon.co.uk

Full details of the school's celebrations can be found at www.bishopluffa.org.uk



Do you have a present to buy? Do you struggle to come up with an idea for something different? Do you feel let down by the range of gifts in the shops suitable for a bell ringer? Well, look no further. Below is a list of useful ideas that you might want to consider:

A CD called **"Rock 'n' Roll Bell Ringers"** with song titles like Stranded in the Jungle, Black Denim Trousers and Dungaree Dolls. I have no idea what the relevance to bell ringing this CD has, but it looks fun!

"The Ultimate Pet Bowl for Bell Ringers" - I can't think of a bell ringer who would want to buy their pet a birthday present. If I am wrong, please do let me know.

A T-shirt with "A Cute Ringer" printed on the front. Now I can think of many ringers who would qualify for that gift, both old and young!!!

"Bells Make Me Happy" gift cards. I just wish there was enough room to add a picture of this gift, as it really does make me happy every time I look at it.

And finally a "My Heart Belongs to a Bell Ringer" car sticker. The perfect gift for a couple or husband and wife team.

The above are all genuine gifts you can buy from the internet. I do, however, think it would be a nice idea if we could compile our own list of things we would like to buy or indeed receive as a bell ringer. These can be genuine or made up, funny or serious. The list is endless. Please let me know if you have any ideas to share in future editions of Sally Forth. It could be fun and interesting!!!

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DIVISIONAL PRACTICE NIGHTS

You'll always be welcome on practice nights at other towers in the division, but it might be an idea to check before you get there!
Monday: Aldingbourne, Arundel (2nd & 4th) *(no ringing at present due to work on the tower)* & Lyminster (1st & 3rd), Northchapel, Pagham, Pulborough, Slindon, Stedham, Westbourne, West Tarring & Yapton
Tuesday: Aldwick, Findon (2nd & 4th), Fittleworth, Funtington, Goring-by-Sea, Graffham, South Harting, Washington & Wisborough Green (2nd & 4th)
Wednesday: Billingshurst, Chichester, Felpham, Heene, Kirdford (7.45pm), Milland, Shipley, Stoughton, Thakeham, Tillington (7.45pm - 1st only) & Upper Beeding
Thursday: Angmering (2nd, 4th & 5th), Bosham, Easebourne (1st & 3rd), Findon (1st & 3rd), Midhurst (2nd & 4th), Petworth, Rogate, Steyning & Walberton
Friday: Amberley & Storrington
Other Towers: Fernhurst (3), Lodsworth & Trotton (4)

Many thanks to everyone who sent in items for Sally Forth. Please send your contributions for the next newsletter to us at our gmail address, as before, or via <u>news-west@scacr.org</u> by **15th October 2013**