

Church Oakley, Hants. 13 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Richard Lewis 1, Angela Athawes (C) 2, Penny Gaskell 3, Raymond Walsh 4, Wendy Smith 5, Adrian Lewis 6.

Ellisfield, Hants. 7 Jul, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Heather Kippin 1, Raymond Walsh 2, Ben Constant 3, Tim Jackson 4, Chris Kippin (C) 5.

Eversley, Hants. 12 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Rosalind Turrell 1, Sue Hoar 2, Angela Athawes 3, Philip Turrell 4, Raymond Walsh 5, Alan Hoar (C) 6.

Laverstoke, Hants. 9 Jul, 1320 Doubles (22m/v): Paul Holmes 1, Christine Holmes 2, David Holmes (C) 3, Richard Lewis (most m/v) 4, Adrian Lewis 5, Nicholas Hussey 6.

Overton, Hants. 7 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: Elizabeth Lewis (1st att) 1, Christine Holmes 2, Richard Lewis 3, David Holmes 4, Adrian Lewis (C) 5, Nicholas Hussey 6. For Morning Service. Also 14 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: Robin Steven (1st att) 1, Christine Holmes 2, Richard Lewis 3, Nicholas Hussey 4, Adrian Lewis (C) 5, David Holmes 6. For Morning Service.

Rotherwick, Hants. 6 Jul, 1260 P B Minor: Jacky Walker 1, Angela Athawes 2, Celia Carter (1st minor inside) 3, Ben Constant (C) 4, Tony Walker 5, Raymond Walsh 6.

Sheffield on Loddon, Hants. 9 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: Edna Allen 1, Philip Turrell 2, Raymond Walsh (C) 3, Martin Boulton 4, Michael Clay 5, Laurie Morse 6.

Silchester, Hants. 7 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Elizabeth Scott (1st att) 1, Robin Milford 2, Harold Milford 3, Sue Froome 4, Simon Milford (C) 5. To celebrate the 60th birthday of Rev David McKeeman, Rector of Silchester.

Upton Grey, Hants. 7 Jul, 1320 London S Minor: Andy Day 1, Heather Kippin 2, Michael Church 3, Chris Kippin 4, David Hilling (C) 5, Matthew Hilling 6. Prior to the Confirmation of Georgina Church, the conductor's God-daughter and daughter of 3.

Wolverton, Hants. 11 Jul, 1260 Doubles (11m/v): Angela Athawes 1, Raymond Walsh 2, Alan Hoar 3, Graham Hedges 4, Adrian Lewis 5, Shirley Hedges 6. District Officers' Quarter.

Wootton St Lawrence, Hants. 10 Jul, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Wendy Smith (1st TB) 1, Richard Lewis 2, Shirley Hedges 3, Alan Hoar 4, Raymond Walsh 5, Graham Hedges (C) 6. Congratulations to Wendy Smith on obtaining a first class honours degree in psychology.

Yateley, Hants. 7 Jul, 1260 P B Doubles: Maria Gaskell 1, Susan Thomas 2, Celia Carter 3, Michael King 4, Ellis Thomas (C) 5, Howard Carter (1st Q) 6. To celebrate the ordination of David Chilman to the priesthood on 2nd July. Also 14 Jul, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Amanda Stilton (1st Q) 1, Patricia Johnson 2, Susan Thomas 3, Michael King 4, Ellis Thomas (C) 5, Chris Hutchinson 6. £20

Dunster Branch Outing

The sun shone brilliantly on Saturday 20th July for the Annual Outing of the Dunster Branch of the Bath & Wells D.A.C.R. Heading towards Salisbury the first stop was made at the pretty Wiltshire village of Dinton, where the 16 cwt six of St Mary's were sampled. Rung from the chancel the access was easy and enabled the friends who had made up the coach party to watch the ringing.

Salisbury was reached in time for a look around this very pleasant city and lunch, before the first of the two rings which had been arranged here. The anti-clockwise 27 cwt eight of the Salisbury Art Centre (St Edmunds) proved very testing even for the most experienced ringers in the group, and nothing more than Grandsire Triples was attempted. Having recovered from the exertions at the Art Centre it was much better and more enjoyable ringing at St Thomas of Canterbury, where this easy going 27 cwt eight enabled all ringing abilities to be catered for.

After a much needed 'cuppa' the party rejoined the coach for the short distance to Wilton where a short stop was made to view the very interesting Parish Church built in the Lombardic style. Chilmark was the next ringing venue where

the 12 cwt six of St Margaret of Antioch were greatly enjoyed and provided the best ringing of the day. Stedman, Cambridge and Beverley were amongst the methods accomplished here. Then it was back to Somerset for the last ring at the Church of SS Peter & Paul, Wincanton. A variety of methods were rung on this pleasant 15 cwt eight.

The big disappointment was that Anne Stenning (Branch Secretary) who had so ably made all the arrangements was unable to come through being unwell. We hope that she has recovered and we thank her for her efforts towards this most enjoyable day. M.T.

Barnes Go West Again -

but not as far as they intended!

After last year's attempt to visit Lundy when the chartered trawler turned back because of the weather, Barnes ringers this year arranged to travel on the MV Oldenburg, the official NT ferry. This meant extending our annual visit to Devon by yet another day and so cars left London at various times on Wednesday 8th May (and one left Newcastle) and by closing time most of us had assembled at the Exeter Inn at Bampton. Some had had time to ring at two or three towers on the way down - others only just made it.



A strong east wind had been blowing all week and was forecast to continue so hopes were not high, and when we looked down into Ilfracombe on Thursday morning and saw the sea, they faded completely. It was no surprise to find the "Sailing Cancelled" notice at the booking office.

So we collected our refund and put our standby programme for the day into operation, with ringing at Mortehoe, Ilfracombe, West Down and Branton and then the local practice at Bampton.

Ringing is not to be taken as the only ingredient of a Barnes "weekend", some fun, relaxation and a sprinkling of cream teas are also required. Life at Broom Cottage becomes almost a 24-hour operation with some drinking coffee and making up beds at 1.00am, while others are up starting breakfast at 7.00am. Handbells are heard at all hours! Despite the difficulty of getting those that burn the midnight oil out of bed and moving in the morning, most make it to the first tower!

Nick tried to skip a day and take a leisurely breakfast on Saturday morning - "There's no hurry - I'm ringing for the 11 o'clock Service at Bampton", but we got him to Witheridge for 9.30 (approximately)! On the other hand Colin (I don't pull too hard do I?) was too full of energy and turned the tenor rope blood red!

Our numbers were down this year and an attempt had been made to lighten the programme but a finish at 6.00pm on Saturday evening was too much for Mike, so when Jim Vellacott of Morebath told us he had done some work on the bells and had fitted new ropes and bosses, a "bonus" quarter was slotted into the schedule with very rewarding results - well done Jim!

We are grateful to all who turned out to meet us and open up, especially Margaret White of Mortehoe, who was a great help with the standby programme on Thursday and who didn't relax until all our plans had been enabled, to the local ringers who joined us for quarter peal

attempts at Chipstable, Chawleigh and Taunton (and we are particularly sorry that two of these three were lost), to Colin Yandle for again allowing an invasion into Brook Cottage, and to the catering team who produced the excellent Sunday lunch! E.J.R.H.

Holcombe Rogus, Devon. 8 May, 1380 P B Doubles: Colin Yandle 1, Jo Langford 2, Francis Ring-Davies 3, Edmund Hartley 4, Nicholas Ley (C) 5, Adrian Udal 6.

Ilfracombe, Devon. (Holy Trinity) 9 May, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Lorraine Lysons 1, Mike Wigney 2, Jo Langford 3, Ian Church 4, Adrian Udal 5, Francis Ring-Davies 6, Edmund Hartley (C) 7, Jill Hupman 8. 72nd birthday compliment to Brian Price.

Cullompton, Devon. 10 May, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Amanda Lysons 1, Jill Hupman 2, Nicholas Ley 3, Jo Langford 4, Francis Ring-Davies 5, Ian Church 6, Edmund Hartley 7, Mike Wigney (C) 8, Adrian Udal 9, James White (1st on 10) 10.

Tiverton, Devon. (St Peter) 10 May, 1260 Stedman Triples: Stella Shell 1, Jo Langford (1st Stedman) 2, Jill Hupman 3, Edmund Hartley 4, Adrian Udal 5, Ian Church 6, Mike Wigney (C) 7, Francis Ring-Davies 8.

Witheridge, Devon. 11 May, 1288 Grandsire Triples: Lorraine Lysons 1, Amanda Lysons 2, Jo Langford 3, Stella Shell 4, Francis Ring-Davies 5, Adrian Udal 6, Mike Wigney (C) 7, Colin Yandle 8.

Chawleigh, Devon. 11 May, 1296 Cambridge S Minor: Adrian Udal 1, Stella Shell 2, David Wilford 3, Ian Church 4, Mike Brady 5, Mike Wigney (C) 6.

South Molton, Devon. 11 May, 1260 Middlesex Triples: Edmund Hartley 1, Jill Hupman 2, Jo Langford 3, Adrian Udal 4, Francis Ring-Davies 5, Ian Church 6, Mike Wigney (C) 7, Nicholas Ley 8. 1st in m: 3, 5.

Morebath, Devon. 11 May, 1272 Kent T B Minor: Lorraine Lysons 1, Jill Hupman 2, Francis Ring-Davies 3, Jo Langford 4, Edmund Hartley 5, Mike Wigney (C) 6.

Bampton, Devon. 12 May, 1260 P B Doubles: Amanda Lysons 1, Francis Ring-Davies 2, Lorraine Lysons 3, Mike Wigney (C) 4, Nicholas Ley 5, Jill Hupman 6. For Morning Service.

Calverleigh, Devon. 12 May, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Jill Hupman (1st Stedman as C) 1, Jo Langford 2, Mike Wigney 3, Adrian Udal 4, Ian Church 5, Edmund Hartley 6. 1st Stedman doubles: 2, 4.

Uplowman, Devon. 12 May, 1320 Oxford T B Minor: Adrian Udal 1, Mike Wigney 2, Edmund Hartley 3, Jo Langford (1st in m) 4, Ian Church 5, Jill Hupman (1st in m as C) 6.

Bishop's Hull, Somerset. 12 May, 1308 Grandsire Minor: James White 1, Edmund Hartley 2, Ian Church 3, Nicholas Ley 4, Adrian Udal (1st in m) 5, Mike Wigney (C) 6. To mark the 70th birthday of John Oliver Udal, father of the ringer of 5. £15

Abson, Glos. 19 Jul, 1260 Doubles (4m): Mary York 1, Pauline Wilton 2, Valerie Stone 3, Gerald Brown (C) 4, John Gilbert 5, Bert Ferris 6. Half-muffled following the funeral & interment of Keith, son of the Tower Captain Mrs Jennifer Rogers & Mr Michael Rogers, who died aged 35. £1.20

Almondsbury, W Yorks. 4 Aug, 1280 Spl. S Major (8m): B Makeham 1, Edna M Sullivan 2, Louise M Bland 3, Maureen P Pantton 4, Margaret E Perrott 5, A B Sullivan 6, I A Anderson (C) 7, I R Pantton 8. For Evening Eucharist. 1st 8 spl; 2, 4, 5. £2

Almondsbury, Glos. 8 Aug, 1264 P B Major: Valerie J Stone 1, Mary S York 2, D Haskins 3, E J Chivers 4, M J Horseman 5, P W Grainger-Allen 6, D G Yeo 7, G Brown (C) 8. £1

Ansford, Som. 7 Jul, 1272 P B Minimus: Dean Lee 1, Derek Biles 2, Robert Davis (C) 3, Kenneth Laver 4, Phillip Townshend 5. For Mattins and the Flower Festival. 1st minimus; 1, Circ. twr; 3. £1

Ash, Som. 9 Aug, 1260 Doubles (3m): Fred Sandy 1, Brian Wear 2, Margaret Harper 3, John Hayter 4, Robert Davis (C) 5, David Herman 6. For a local wedding. £1

Audley, N Staffs. 26 Jun, 1280 Ogbourne B Major: W E Evans 1, Wendy Daw 2, J G Pearson 3, Helen A Mitchell 4, F Beech 5, K Brown 6, P V Mellor 7, R H Daw (C) 8. 1st in m for all. 80p