THE HULL HANDBELLS PROJECT

Promoting double-handed change ringing throughout the East Yorkshire region.

Newsletter Number 102, April 1st, 2025.

A full list of Project performances for 2025 is on Bellboard at:

https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/event.php?id=2 0167

Recorded performances, March 2025.

Barrow and District Ringing Society

Wootton, Lincs., 4 Dunkirk Cottages Tuesday, 11th March 2025, 1260 Plain Bob Minor:

1–2 Barry F Peachey

3-4 Heather LE Peachey

5–6 Timothy J Billings (c)

First as conductor on handbells.

Beverley and District Ringing Society

Kirk Ella, E. Yorks
60 Riplingham Road
Tuesday 25th March 20

Tuesday, 25th March 2025,

1440 Kent T.B. Royal:

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1-2 Christopher LD Munday (C)

3-4 Karen A Lane

5-6 Peter Church

7-8 Heather LE Peachey

9-10 Timothy J Billings

3-4, 5-6, 7-8 First TB Royal on handbells.

Barrow and District Ringing Society

Wootton, Lincs., 4 Dunkirk Cottages Monday, 31st March 2025, 1260 Plain Bob Minor:

1–2 Heather LE Peachey

3-4 Peter Church(c)

5-6 Barry F Peachey

Out and about

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Handbells activity in March was curtailed by some holiday absences, but in Peter and Chris's absence, the North Lincolnshire people met and Timothy scored his first quarter as conductor on handbells. Well done Timothy.

Ringing on the 18th March started with some Maximus work, which was both challenging and enjoyable. Kent Royal was rung whilst the kettle boiled, And we also rang a good course of Oxford TB Major, and half course of Yorkshire S. Major.

Saturday 22nd March was a busy day for Beverley S Mary who acted as a host tower for a National 12-bell eliminator contest. Amongst the visiting ringers was the legendary Simon Melen (see

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lxTxfnD8
W1E)

So in the space behind the high altar in S Mary's:

Beverley, East Riding of Yorkshire

St Mary

Saturday, 22 March 2025

1344 Hull Surprise Major

1-2 Tim Peverett (C)

3–4 Alison Godfrey

5-6 Robert Watson

7-8 Simon Melen

1st in the method on handbells for all. Birthday compliment to Judith Godfrey.

3 days later the Hull Handbells project met at Riplingham Road and rang Roger Bailey's 1440 of Kent TB Royal. This is a first in the area and a first TB Royal in hand for 3 of the 5 members of the band.

After a celebratory intake of stimulants we continued with some Double Norwich CB Major, and a full course of Yorkshire S Major.

The last handbells event for the month was planned to be the first of Major in the parish of Wootton, but having been unable to make the band for Major we settled for a 1260 of Plain Bob Minor.

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Stedman in Hand

The project has moved along at a gentle pace owing to the time pressures on a widely distributed group. Online sessions are held via Discord and Ringing Room on a Tuesday afternoon and generally we are able to get well into touches of several hundred changes but we don't yet have the ability to recover from trips.

We need more "flying time".

We have captured a lot of our learning, such as it is, and built a Stedman Page for the website. The page is on release to project members for review.

Moving onwards and upwards

Preparations for the Yorkshire Region Handbells day on May 31st are well advanced, and many thanks go to Karen for arranging the use of her school for the day.

Bookings are now being made via the YACR website, go to:

https://tinyurl.com/YACRHandbells2025 to register for the day.

Workshops will be focused on the needs of those coming on the day, please encourage as many as possible to sign up.

Peter Church

1st April 2025.