THE HULL HANDBELLS PROJECT

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

Newsletter Number 106, August 1st, 2025.

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

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

Kirk Ella, East Yorkshire 60 Riplingham Road

Tuesday, 8th July 2025 (15 in C)

1260 Plain Bob Royal

1-2 Catherine A Williams

3-4 Karen A Lane

5–6 Christopher LD Munday

7–8 Heather L E Peachey

9-10 Peter Church (C)

First Royal in Hand: 1-2.

The 600th Handbell Quarter Peal for the B&D Ringing Society.

Kirk Ella, East Yorkshire 60 Riplingham Road

Tuesday, 22nd July 2025 (15 in C)

1312 Kent Treble Bob Major

1-2 Catherine A Williams

3-4 Karen A Lane

5-6 Christopher LD Munday (c)

7-8 Barry F Peachey

First Treble Bob in hand: 1-2.

Kirk Ella, East Yorkshire 60 Riplingham Road

Tuesday, 29th July 2025 (15 in C)

1260 Plain Bob Royal

1–2 Heather L E Peachey

3-4 Catherine A Williams

5–6 Christopher LD Munday (c)

7–8 Timothy J Billings

9-10 Barry F Peachey

Out and about

We got off to a fine start with the meeting on 1^{st} July splitting into a 10-bell and 6-bell session.

Kent TB Royal, Bastow LB Royal and 3 course touch of Little Bob Royal were rung in the Living Room, whilst intensive Plain Bob Minor, Little Bob Minor and Crayford were being rung in the Breakfast room at 33 Westbourne.

A swap round enabled Oxford Treble Bob

Major and Yorkshire Major to be rung, together with some touches of Plain Bob Major.

The Treble Bob Minor project despatched all the pairs to Duke of Norfolk and then moved on to Old Oxford Delight which proved trickier.

The following week had a practice session in Kirk Ella and with the start of University summer breaks Catherine Williams came along and we scored a good Quarter Peal of Plain Bob Royal, her first on 10 handbells.

Holidays reduced the amount of handbell ringing in East Yorkshire although Peter had a good day with the Great Glen Handbell Group in Inverness scoring 2 Quarter Peals in the process.

Catherine continued to notch up firsts with a Quarter of Kent Treble Bob Major.

The final West of Weighton meeting was held at Karen's workplace, and Mark Smith was put through his Plain Bob paces. The challenge for Karen and Jim was Single Oxford Bob Minor, both rose to the challenge well and touches were rung in preparation for a Quarter Peal attempt.

Stedman Triples project:

Short to medium touches of Stedman Triples are becoming our normal fare, and lengths of 400 changes are achievable in spite of the foibles of the internet.

The Learning Curve

One of the simplest Treble Dodging Minor progressions starts with Duke of Norfolk and Sandal, jumps to Old Oxford Delight and Neasden Delight, and finishes with Combermere Delight. Duke of Norfolk and Sandal are simple LH/LE variations on Oxford Treble Bob, Old Oxford brings in "Norwich above" and Combermere has the backward hunting of London Surprise above the treble.

The right place methods are all very straightforward, Combermere Delight is the crunchie learning point.

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Food for Thought

Check out the most useful 4-way table ever:

https://tinyurl.com/y76ccja6

for handbell ringers and towerbell ringers alike.

Peter Church

1st August 2025.