

# Oxford City Branch Hugh's News

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These are the 2011 Wolvercote Quiz Champions! Who will be the 2012 winner?

Don't miss out on the increasingly popular Annual Quiz at St. Peter's in Wolvercote on Thursday 16th February! Last year the winning team took home an engraved silver tankard with the 'honour' of arranging next year's questions. The time has now come to pass it on to the next champions, so Adrian, Ailsa, and Hugh, are putting together various general knowledge questions that are sure to keep us all entertained. A picture round compiled by Janice and Christopher promises to be a 'toot' as well! Ringing practice beforehand is a must of course to get the brain in full circulation! Bring food to share, along with plenty of your knowledge, or you can just pay the £2 entry fee. Ringing starts at 7.15pm, and the Quiz starts at 8.15pm in the church hall. Please come along. Everyone is welcome! Donna Murphy.

#### **Branch Practice at St Giles.**

Many thanks are due to John Pusey for the warm welcome to ring the refurbished St. Giles bells on 21st January for the first joint meeting with the Witney and Woodstock Branch. What a difference, and an asset the bells are! We were pleased to

welcome our new Branch Secretary, Katherine Stonham, to her first ringing meeting, as well as a number of visitors. The Oxford City Branch wishes its chairman Simon Edwards, a speedy recovery from his minor operation and his return to ringing very soon. Roy Jones.

### Nostalgia Corner!



Can you identify any of these ringers? The picture on the left was taken after a quarter-peal of 1259 Grandsire Triples on 9<sup>th</sup>

July 1977 at St Giles. The one on the right was taken in August 2000. These should bring back a few memories for some of you!

#### Dermot Roaf.

I'm planning to make Corner' 'Nostalgia regular feature in Hughs News, so if you have any nice old pictures you think

might be of interest to people, then please can you email them to me. Make sure you send me as many details about your photo as possible ....! Paul.





#### **Dates for your Diary**

Full details from Hugh Deam on 07899-871079, or email: hugh.deam at btinternet.com

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February Stedman Triples Practice at Witney (8) 16cwt. 10.30am-12.00pm

(Combined Practice with Witney & Woodstock)

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February Advanced Practice at Headington (8) 7½ cwt. 8.00pm-9.00pm

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February Branch Practice at Headington (8) 71/2 cwt. 10.30am-11.45am (This Practice will include a short meeting to approve the end of year Branch accounts)

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March Stedman Triples Practice at Kidlington (8) 21cwt.

10.30am-12.00pm (Combined Practice with Witney & Woodstock)

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March 10 Bell Practice at St. Mary Magdalen (10) 7cwt Saturday 14th April Major Method Practice at Witney (8) 16cwt

10.30am-11.45am

6.30pm-7.45pm

(Combined Practice with Witney & Woodstock)

Saturday 24th March 'Spring Outing' to Cambridgeshire on Saturday 24th March.

10.45am Cambridge (Trumpington) (8) 10cwt. 12.15pm Gamlingay (8) 16cwt. 1.15pm lunch at The Duncombe Arms, Eltisley. 2.45pm Great Gransden (6) 13cwt. 3.45pm Croxton (6) 10cwt.

(Hugh has hired a minibus for the day, so he needs to know how many people are going. The cost per person including tower fees is £15)

## **Local Practice Nights:**

Mondays: Garsington (6), St Aldates (6).

Tuesdays: Headington (8), Kidlington (8), Horspath (6).

Wednesdays: Ifflev (6).

Wolvercote (6), St Giles (8), Stanton St John (5), Cowley (6). Thursdays: Old Marston (6), Wheatley (6), North Hinksey (6) (6.45-7.45). Fridays:

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