



Oxford City Branch Hugh's News



Produced fortnightly by Paul and Hugh, with contributions from other ringers.

Monday 27th August 2012

(Please note: The next edition of Hughs News will be on 24th September as I'm going to be away - Paul.)



'Doubles to Minor' Practice on Saturday 25th August at Freeland (6) 3cwt.

One thing that can be counted on as a certainty is that, no matter how squally and discordant the weather, a sunny and concordant welcome can always be assured when visiting Freeland tower! So, as the conditions outside vacillated between balmy and bellicose, we successfully immersed ourselves into ticking off the checklist of methods and aims most precedent for those attending, from rounds to Cambridge. *Hugh Deam.*

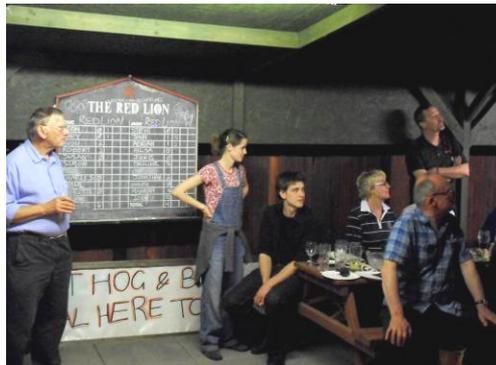
Yet another 'Aunt Sally' Evening!

A wonderful evening and a turn-out of over 25 ringers and their families, was the result of Marston's 'Aunt Sally' Evening on Friday 17th August.



Ringers from as close as a few doors away, and as far away as Turkey (!) were playing on one of the warmest and perfect summer nights we've had this year! Food served by 'The Red Lion' in Marston was a good spread that made a welcome break for a pleasant chat and snacking. Two and a half legs of Aunt Sally were played, and the scoring was done diligently, with anyone who hit the target receiving a rousing cheer no matter which side they were on!

The final score therefore was a splendid summer social evening! Hugh Deam and Donna Murphy.



(Also, it was good to see most of the Everett family temporarily back from their travels and taking part with us all!)

Update on the City Branch Autumn Tour on Saturday 20th October 2012.

- St Margaret's, Parliament Square (10) 26cwt
- St James, Garlickhythe (8) 9cwt
- St Magnus the Martyr, London Bridge (12) 26cwt.
- Southwark Cathedral (12) 48cwt.
- St George Borough (8) 14cwt.

Parish Church of the Houses of Parliament within the grounds of Westminster Abbey. 'The Royal Jubilee Bells'. (The bells from the floating belfry during the pageant).

The order of towers may change – although timing is expected to be between 10am and 5pm. More details nearer the time. Tower donations are expected to be in the region of £1.00 per tower per person. Ringers under 18 years must have a responsible adult to accompany them. Ringing will range from rounds and call changes upwards, and all are very welcome. Guidance will be given to those unfamiliar with ringing on higher numbers. It promises to be a very enjoyable day out with the opportunity to visit varying London towers, see the landmarks and gain ringing experience on different bells.

If you are interested in coming along, please email Andy Dunn at: dr.andy.dunn@gmail.com or leave a phone message with Roy Jones on 01280-824087 as soon as possible. *Katherine Stonham.*

Dates for your Diary

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

Tuesday 4 th September	Advanced Practice at Headington (8) 7½cwt.	8.00pm-9.00pm
Saturday 15 th September	Branch Practice at Wolvercote (6)	10.30am-12.00noon
Sunday 16 th September	Minor Method Practice at Hatherop, Gloucs. (6) 7cwt	2.30pm-3.30pm
Saturday 22 nd September	Minor Method Practice (Tower and time still to be confirmed.)	
Saturday 20 th October	All Day Branch Outing to London. (Details above)	
Saturday 24 th November	6 Bell Method Practice. (Time and Tower to be confirmed.)	

Local Practice Nights

- Mondays: Garsington (6), (no practices for the time being), St Aldates (6).
- Tuesdays: Headington (8), Kidlington (8), Horspath (6).
- Wednesdays: Iffley (6).
- Thursdays: Wolvercote (6), St Giles (8), Stanton St John (5), Cowley (6).
- Fridays: Old Marston (6), Wheatley (6), North Hinksey (6) (6.45-7.45).

For full details go to the Oxford City Branch website: www.oxfordcitybranch.org.uk

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