



Oxford City Branch Hugh's News



Produced by Paul and Hugh, with a few contributions from other ringers

Monday 10th October 2016

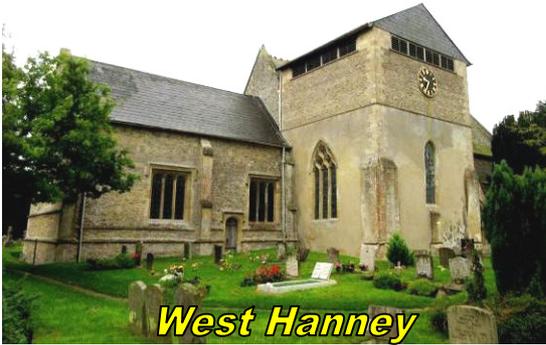
Donna Bennett's 10 Years 'Trip Down Memory Lane' to South Oxfordshire – Saturday 1st October

Whilst being some five and a half months past the exact date and events conspiring that it wasn't possible to fully replicate the itinerary of 1996,

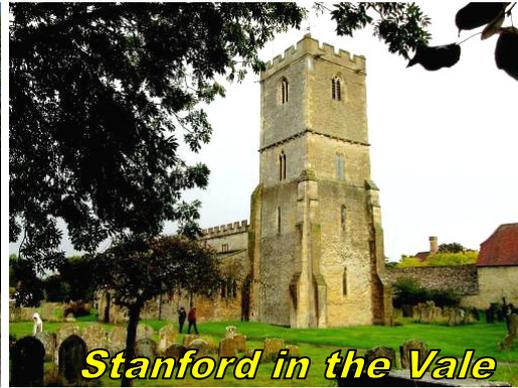
the basic fact remained that it was twenty years since what was a low-key yet extremely significant Marston outing in that it marked the end of a four year lacuna from organising outings due to dwindling numbers after the heady days of in the late 1980s. Although there has naturally been much weft and warp since then, outings in one form or another have continued unbroken since 1996, and thanks to the organisation of Donna Bennett, especially having to cope with several eleventh hour emendations, the lineage continued.



Marcham



West Hanney



Stanford in the Vale



As mentioned to begin with, the 1996 tour was actually in late April when the Number One in the charts was the appositely titled 'Return of the Mack' given some of the rain showers we had to dodge. Twenty years ago to 1st October though, it was 'Breakfast at Tiffany's' that topped the chart and the rain couldn't spoil a diamond day of good towers, free range eggs provided to us by one of our party, and a fine lunch at **The Plough in Appleton**.

Visitors			
Date	Name	Home Tower and Dedication	County
19/10/16	A. C. ...	St Andrew Reading	...
20/10/16	Hugh Deam	St Nicholas, Marston	...
"	Boya Jones	St Luke, Harpsall	...
20/10/16	R. Jones	Merton	...
"	Ron Graham	St James, Oxford	...
"	Nigel Harrison	Burford	...

SATURDAY 1ST OCTOBER 2016
DONNA BENNETT MARSTON, OXFORD

It was fortunate that the visitor's book at **West Hanney** was at hand to prove that this was no figment of the imagination, but the down side of this was that it confirmed that I was the only one of the Class of '96 to be on hand to make the 2016 list! **Hugh Deam**

Witney and Woodstock Practice at Milton (8) 6 cwt – Saturday 8th October

Our visit to Milton was a pleasure. The village is a medieval delight situated amidst modern scientific and business facilities and



developments. Ringing Milton's eight bells, being light and easily controlled, generated an aura of accomplishment. The bells needed to be rung fast and accurately. The accompanying photograph shows that we had enough experienced ringers to realize a slick and competent ring. Also, you can see Andrew Goldthorpe's beautiful dog Louie, a Tibetan terrier, enjoying the company! Most enjoyable. **Colin Taylor**



Dates for your Diary

Full details from Hugh Deam at: [hugh.deam at btinternet.com](http://hugh.deam.at.btinternet.com) or mobile: 07899-871079, or 07484-223014

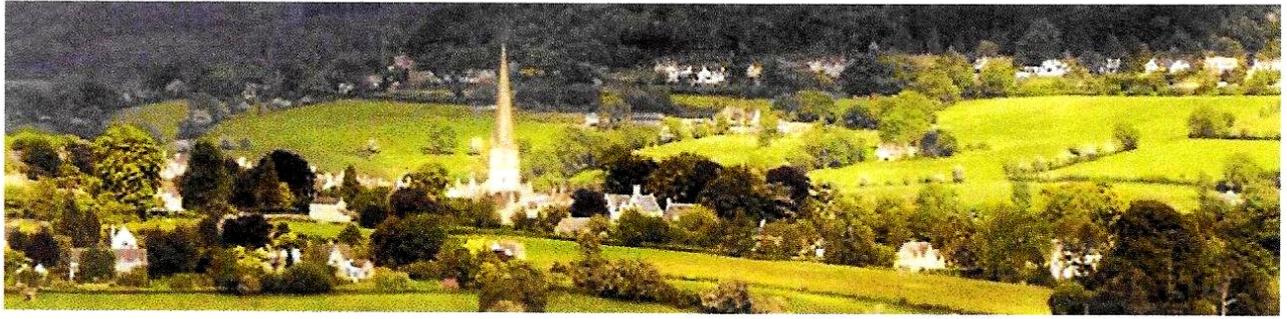
Saturday 15th October Witney & Woodstock Branch Outing to Gloucestershire (full details on poster below)

Sunday 30th October St Clements, Stedman and Cambridge Practice at Bletchingtondon (6) 2.15pm-3.15pm

Saturday 5th November General Method Practice at Iffley (6) at 10.30am - followed by a 2017 Planning Meeting at 11.45am

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

Any information or photographs for inclusion in **Hugh's News** please email me: [paulclucas at hotmail.co.uk](mailto:paulclucas@hotmail.co.uk)



Witney and Woodstock Branch Outing Gloucestershire

Saturday, 15th October 2016

10.00am Holy Trinity, Minchinhampton, GL6 9BP (6) 12-0-8

11.15am St Swithun, Leonard Stanley, GL10 3NP (6) 13-3-1

12.15pm Lunch: Falcon Inn, Painswick, GL6 6UN – free car park
(<http://www.falconpainswick.co.uk>)

2.00pm St Mary the Virgin, Painswick, GL6 6UN (12) 25-2-19

3.15pm All Saints, Bisley, GL6 7BB (8) 14-1-16

4.30pm Holy Trinity, Watermoor, Cirencester, GL7 1JR (8) 19-2-22

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