



Oxford City Branch Hugh's News



(Produced fortnightly by Hugh Deam and Paul Lucas. All contributions are welcome.)

Monday 16th May 2011

The Guild's 6-Bell Striking Competition and Half-Yearly Meeting on Saturday 14th May at St Marys, Kidlington.



1st place. St Aldates - 28 faults



2nd place. St Giles - 37 faults



3rd place. Kidlington - 47 faults



4th place. Wheatley - 90 faults



5th place. Iffley - 100 faults



6th place. Cowley - 110 faults.

It was heartening that the number of towers taking part has increased again this year, as this demonstrates the fact that several long dormant towers have slowly but surely revived, thanks to some diligent work by inspiring teachers and boundless enthusiasm of these local bands. Our thanks must go to the judges, **Graham Clifton** (former ODG Ringing Master) and **Mark Bell**, (former OUS Ringing Master) for giving up their time and delivering most intuitive and constructive verdicts. Also, we are indebted to the **Kidlington** ringers for providing an excellent tea! *Hugh Deam.*

(Team photos by Peter Trowles)



The Guild Festival

I trust that, by now, you will have seen the poster in your towers about the **Guild Festival in Oxford on 9th July**. The main elements of the day are the **Festival Eucharist Service at Christ Church Cathedral at 11:00**, ringing at various towers within walking distance in the city centre and the **lunch at the Newman Rooms in St Aldates**. You can come along for as much or as little of the day as you wish, but please note that places for the lunch are limited and that early application for tickets is advised, and in any case by 1st June. We are most grateful to the City Branch, the Oxford Society and the Oxford University Society for their kind hospitality and in arranging for the following towers to be available:-

Christ Church Cathedral (12)	09:00-10:40
New College (10)	09:15-10:30
Magdalen College (10)	14:30-15:30
St Mary Magdalen and St Thomas (both 10)	15:15-16:30
Lincoln College (8)	16:00-17:00
St Aldates (6)	17:00-18:00
Carfax (6)	17:45-18:45

All resident members are welcome as long as they can at least ring rounds safely.

Guild Festival Lunch.

The Guild Master has so far had very few requests to purchase lunch tickets for the Festival. Please contact Robert H. Newton, if you want to have lunch at the Newman Rooms in St Aldates. **The cost is £12.50**. His phone number is: **01844 352926** or email: master@odg.org.uk. Also, please can you contact me if you can help with setting up the tables for Lunch on the day... *Katie Lane.* (01865-874026)



Robert H. Newton. (Guild Master)

Dates for your Diary

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

Monday 16th May (tonight)	Stedman Triples and Cambridge Major Advanced Practice at St Giles (8) 14cwt.	7.15pm
Friday 20th May	Marston's Practice will be at Islip (8) 8cwt (for this week only)	7.45pm
Saturday 21st May	Advanced Minor Practice at Iffley (6) 10cwt	10.30am
	Concentrating on Crayford, Double Court, Kent and Norwich.	
Saturday 11th June	'Garden Party' at Cross Farm, Old Marston.	5.00pm-8.00pm
	(By kind permission of Lucy and Anthony Hughes. All branch ringers and friends are welcome. Proceeds towards the renovation of St Nicholas tower interior)	
Saturday 18th June	Summer Outing to Shaftesbury Area. Full details of towers to follow soon.	
Monday 20th June	Stedman Triples and Caters Practice at St Mary Magdalene (10) 7cwt.	7.15pm
Thursday 30th June	'Aunt Sally' Evening at Wolvercote (following their Practice)	8.00pm
Saturday 9th July	O.D.G. Guild Festival. Details from Katie Lane: kt.catchmole@googlemail.com	
Saturday 16th July	Branch 'Ringing and Picnic' at Mapledurham (6) 7cwt.	4.00pm-5.00pm

Local Practice Nights:

Mondays:	Cowley (6) (7.30-9.00), Garsington (6), (8.00-9.00), St Aldates (6) (2 nd /4 th week only).
Tuesdays:	Headington (8), Kidlington (8), Horspath (6).
Wednesdays:	Iffley (6).
Thursdays:	Wolvercote (6), St Giles (8), Stanton St John (5).
Fridays:	Old Marston (6), Wheatley (6), North Hinksey (6) (6.45-7.45)

Note: Most Practices start at 7.30pm, but before turning up, check the details of the Ringing Times, Tower Captains and Correspondents, by going to the Oxford City Branch website: www.oxfordcitybranch.org.uk

Any information or photographs for inclusion in *Hugh's News* (subject to space available), please email me: paulclucas@hotmail.co.uk