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## Christmas Greetings

With best wishes to you all for a  
Very Merry Christmas  
And a  
Happy New Year

**I hope that the ringing in your tower over the holiday season and throughout 2017 will bring pleasure to the ringers, the churchgoers and the local community.**

Special thanks to all those who write regularly for this newsletter. If your tower isn't mentioned, please ask one of your band to email a few lines for the next edition - it's not difficult and takes only a few minutes !

## Tower Affiliation

### Llandaff and Monmouth Association of Church Bell Ringers Bell Restoration Fund (BRF)

Each year the Association Master writes to the incumbents of all towers with bells hung for ringing to ask them to affiliate to the BRF by making a donation to the scheme. Apart from this request, the letter serves as a reminder to all the incumbents and parishes of the activities that the Association undertakes in the support of Bell-ringing ; training tower captains and new ringers, courses and practices for existing ringers to increase their skills, practical help and advice with bell maintenance and restoration.

This year's request was sent out in September and up to the end of October we have had responses from the following towers :

Aberavon	Grosmont	Nash	St Mellons
Abergavenny	Llandaff	Neath	Tredunnock
Baglan	Llanedeyrn	Newport	Trellech
Bridgend	Llangybi	Pentre	Usk
Cadoxton	Llanishen	Pontypridd	Whitchurch
Caerphilly	Llantilio Pertholey		Radyr
Cardiff	Llanwern	Rumney	
Chepstow	Magor	Skenfrith	
Coity	Mathern	St Athan	
Ebbw Vale	Mynyddislwyn	St Brides Major	

I know that in previous years many towers have enquired of the Association officers as to why they have not received a certificate. The explanation is that an affiliation donation has not been received. This may be for many reasons, but perhaps the main one is that the letter I sent has not reached the person who is able to act upon it. If you feel this is the case please contact me at [master@llanmon.org.uk](mailto:master@llanmon.org.uk) and I will re-send the request to the appropriate person in your parish.

**Fred Jackson**

# Hereford Ringing Course

**Thursday 20th to Sunday 23rd April 2017**

Full details of the 2017 Hereford course are due to be released in early December but, assuming the weekend follows the usual pattern, courses would range from bell-handling and call changes, through doubles (plain courses and touches), right up to surprise major.

The Llandaff Branch can help fund up to a maximum of 50% of the fees (in 2016 the fees were £258 (if resident) or £68 (if non resident)). I'll be circulating sponsorship application forms via the tower correspondents in December once the details are released but now would be a good time to start thinking about suitable applicants.

Please bear in mind that it will be the applicant's responsibility to apply for a place on the Hereford Ringing Course and, if successful in obtaining a place on the course, to make payment for the full amount to the course organisers. Sponsorship from the Branch will be considered by the Branch Officers once applicants have received notification of acceptance on the course; this usually happens in February. Successful applicants will be reimbursed with the amount agreed by the Branch Officers as soon as possible after that.

For full details about the ringing course please check the course website:  
<http://www.herefordringingcourse.org.uk>

**Tim Taylor**

## Cardiff

The top of our tower is again fully accessible, a temporary roof door having been made by one of our wardens. On checking this out I found the seagulls had been busy (again) but luckily their nest was empty and abandoned (the birds disturbed by work on the door no doubt) and I removed it. This meant our monthly tower open day season could start again, with the first of the year being one of the busiest ever with over £250 being taken - a record. The season continued into September allowing us to boost our tower fund by some £775. As usual, our visitors come from all over the world with Africa the only continent under-represented.

The tower roof is obviously a romantic place. A few years ago a young man went down on bended knee up there and proposed to his fiancée and the event was duly recorded with a photo. The same thing happened this year with a couple who have already been together for 45 years - and the bride-to-be thought her trip up the tower was just a 60<sup>th</sup> birthday treat.

We had two occasions to celebrate in June with quarter peals before Evensong.

12 Jun, 1260 Plain Bob Triples: David M Slater 1, Neil P Jones 2, Timothy N Taylor 3, Roger S Harpole 4, Richard J Hall 5, Mary E Hardy 6, Robert E Hardy (C) 7, Evan M Chapman 8. Before Evensong in celebration of the 90th birthday of Her Majesty the Queen and the award of the BEM to Cowbridge ringer Bert Thomas in the Birthday Honours List.

26 Jun, 1288 Plain Bob Triples: Glenys Hearne 1, Andrew M Muir 2, Timothy N Taylor 3, Roger S Harpole 4, David M Slater 5, Evan M Chapman 6, Robert E Hardy (C) 7, Mary E Hardy 8. Rung before Evensong to mark the Ordination to Priest yesterday in Llandaff Cathedral of Rev Rhian Linecar who now becomes our Assistant Curate. Steve Dutfield is associated with this QP, being unable to ring due to cancellation of his flight home from Italy.

At the beginning of July, at quite short notice, we had a visit up the tower from Wynne Evans (of *Go Compare* fame) who wanted to learn something about ringing for his Radio Wales programme *The Wynne Evans Show*. We gave him a quick go at backstroke on a bell in the ringing position and he also chimed one of the other bells that was down. He was so easy to work with and I'm sure we could have taught him to handle a bell properly in no time at all.

Also in July we were sad to learn of the death of Tom Metcalfe, a mature learner

who rang with us through 2008-2011 and who gave up due to hearing problems. We were very pleased to accept from his partner Jane the gift of two of Tom's "St John's" sweatshirts for use as a "uniform" on tower open days.

So far no new students have appeared, although we have been made aware of two who have started courses in Cardiff this autumn. Fingers crossed ! However, we did have a Sunday morning visit from a group of past students who were having a reunion here. The more senior St John's ringers found it interesting to see those fresh-from-school youngsters of the 1990s now appearing with children of their own, some already able to ring.

Branch quarter peal fortnight has brought some success. Harriet Maine, one of our current students, rang her first quarter at the first attempt - treble to P B Doubles. We also managed well-struck Rev Canterbury without a single mistake and nice steady Plain Bob Triples, half-muffled for Remembrance.

A half-muffled peal of Grandsire Caters was rung by a fairly local band on Nov 12<sup>th</sup>, also for Remembrance, in particular the Centenary of the Battle of the Somme, and the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Aberfan disaster. The muffle on the 6<sup>th</sup> came adrift only 5 minutes after we started but luckily there was just time to stop and reposition it and happily it stayed in place this time.

## **Bob Hardy**

## Llanishen

Having allowed the August deadline for articles to pass me by, the last six months have seen six quarter peals successfully completed at Llanishen, with Julian Parker ringing in all six. It was pleasing to see that four of these contained a first of some sort and the other two marked the passing of a ringer from a neighbouring tower and the wedding of our vicar's daughter which enabled one of the band to ring his 50th quarter. As ever, thanks to Julian Parker and Bob Hardy for conducting four and two of these respectively and to Father Michael for allowing so many attempts, even when he's talking with a wedding couple prior to their big day!

We only attempted two, rather than the usual three, for the Branch quarter peal fortnight and, unfortunately, the first of these was lost in the last extent when the treble rope well and truly slipped wheel. The successful quarter was due to be detailed elsewhere in this edition and details of the other five are as follows:

Monday 6th June 1272 Kent TB Minor in 35 minutes. 1. Tim Taylor, 2. Neda Bizzari, 3. Martin Batten, 4. Mary Hardy, 5. Bob Hardy (C), 6. Julian Parker. Rung to celebrate the Christening of Lucy Beard, second daughter of local ringer Deborah. Birthday compliment -1. First Treble Bob inside -2.

Friday 24th June 1260 Plain Bob Minor in 38 minutes. 1. Christine Taylor, 2. Martin Batten, 3. Tim Taylor, 4. Roger Harpole, 5. Julian Parker (C), 6. Fred Jackson. Rung after the wedding of Catherine Witcombe and James Royston. They were married by Catherine's father, Rev M Witcombe, the incumbent at this church. 50th QP -3.

Monday 15th August 1272 Kent TB Minor in 37 minutes. 1. Fred Jackson, 2. Anne Saunders, 3. Mary Hardy, 4. Chris Saunders, 5. Roger Harpole, 6. Julian Parker (C). First Quarter of Kent -2.

Monday 3rd October 1260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place Doubles in 37 minutes. 1. Ann Rowe, 2. Martin Batten, 3. Julian Parker, 4. Roger Harpole, 5. Bob Hardy (C), 6. Richard Rowe. Remembering with love Malcolm Wigmore, Llanedeyrn ringer, who died on 25th September. Mary Hardy would like to be associated with this quarter as she was unable to ring.



Monday 24th October 1269 London Surprise Minor in 37 minutes. 1. Tim Taylor, 2. Martin Batten, 3. Andrew Potter, 4. Fred Jackson, 5. Bob Hardy, 6. Julian Parker (C). In memory of the 116 children and 28 adults who lost their lives in the disaster at Aberfan on Friday 21st October 1966. First quarter of London -3.

Six people from Llanishen decided they so enjoyed hosting the Association Quiz in 2015 that they've volunteered to do so again next year and at the time of writing the intended date is Friday 13th October, probably at the Parish Hall behind the Church. Further details in the months to come but time for St John's to finish first instead of second ?

**Roger Harpole**

## All Wales Striking Competition

Saturday 24th September 2016 saw the annual All Wales Competitions take place at Dolgellau, this year hosted by the North Wales Association.

In what turned out to be an enjoyable and eventful afternoon's ringing, bands representing the Association were victorious in both sections.

In the 6-Bell Competition for the Jack Pryor Trophy, the band from Llandaff Cathedral were awarded the trophy on account of some "sparkling" (judges words!) ringing and the 8-Bell band comprising ringers from across the Association also won their section, for the J Arthur Hoare trophy.

Very well done to the Association bands, and commiserations to the other three Guilds/Associations; you caught us on a good day. See you next year.

**John Vesey**

There are photographs on the Association website [www.llanmon.org.uk](http://www.llanmon.org.uk)

6 Bell Band : Julian Parker, Fred Jackson, Meriel Gainsbury, Marcus Williams, David Llewellyn, Bob Woodward

8 Bell Band : Fred Jackson, Andrew Phillips, Ian Hastilow, Helen Phillips, Julian Parker, Andrew John, Bob Woodward, Jonathan Lewis

## Coity

Something to celebrate !

The Coity ringers have had plenty to celebrate over the past few months ! First up was the presentation of a certificate to Fred Custerson to mark the 39th anniversary of his being admitted to the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association, though he has also clocked up an impressive 40 years' service as steeplekeeper at St Mary's, Coity so we knew him first !



In early June we joined more than a dozen towers across South Wales to ring for BBC Music Day, meriting a mention on the official website <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/4F7J3GGLF9bwY64FKzQWNxS/wales>

September started with a Quarter Peal to celebrate Fred Custerson's 80th birthday. A decade ago, a Coity band rang for his 70th, and it was a great joy that five of that band were able to ring in this new celebration as well, with Fred's son, Peter, filling the sixth place.

COITY, Bridgend  
St Mary the Virgin (8¾ cwt)  
3 September 2016 in 44 minutes  
1280 Grandsire Doubles  
1 Melville Oglesbee    4 Peter Custerson  
2 Frederick Custerson 5 Barry Morgan (C)  
3 Marice Sherlock     6 Neil Lockett

Later that evening more than 30 friends and family, including a goodly contingent of ringers and friends from church, gathered at The Corntown Country Inn for what truly was a surprise dinner – Fred's face when he walked into the dining room was a delight !

Just five days later, on Thursday 8th St Mary's joined towers across England and Wales to ring on the first of 2016's Heritage Open Days. The plan was that at least 500 towers would ring at precisely 6pm – and we were one of them.

To round off the month in style, both tower bell and hand bell ringers played their part in celebrating the marriage of tower members Mel Oglesbee and Glenda Davies on Saturday 17th September.

- Fred, Rose, Stuart, Avanda, Nicholas and Phillip rang before the service;
- Fred, Rose, Hilary, Anne, Chris and Stuart formed the handbell arch through which the happy couple exited the church.
- And a celebratory Quarter Peal was rung immediately afterwards:

COITY, Bridgend  
St Mary the Virgin (8¾ cwt)  
17 September 2016 in 43 minutes  
1260 Plain Bob Doubles  
1 Philippa Coulson    4 Phillip Williams  
2 Rowena Small       5 Barry Morgan (c)  
3 Marice Sherlock    6 Neil Lockett



The quarter peal band who rang for the wedding.

How to follow that ? With the able assistance of Andrew John (to whom we are hugely grateful), we contributed to the Branch Quarter Peal Fortnight with a quarter of Plain Bob Doubles, half muffled, on Remembrance Sunday. *(Details of this can be found in the full report of the quarter peal fortnight. Ed.)*

**Rowena Small**

## Llandaff

The regular school visits to Llandaff Cathedral arranged by the Assistant Bishop, David Wilbourne, and his wife, Rachel, have begun again. We have been pleased to welcome a number of parties to the tower already this term. As ringers, we are very happy to offer the school children a little taste of what happens up the tower and find they are always enthusiastic about their visit. These are Year 6 children, aged 10 and 11, from Church in Wales school across the Diocese, so we always ensure their teachers know where their nearest tower is, should any of the youngsters wish to learn to ring.

On 1<sup>st</sup> October members of the Welsh Colleges' Society of Change Ringers visited Llandaff and rang a quarter peal of Little Bob Maximus. This was part of a reunion tour in the area.

Eager to make our own small contribution to marking with respect the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the tragedy at Aberfan, we sought the permission of the Dean to ring specially on the closest Sunday. With the Dean's blessing, the bells were half muffled for all ringing that day, both in the morning before the 11 am service and again in the afternoon when a quarter peal of Grandsire Caters was successful.

Llandaff, Cardiff  
Cathedral Church of St Peter and St Paul, Dyfrig, Teilo and Euddogwy  
Sunday, 23 October 2016 in 50mins (24–1–15)  
1259 Grandsire Caters

1 Frederick B Jackson	6 Julian C Parker
2 Helen Phillips	7 Robert E Hardy
3 David F Moore	8 David J Llewellyn
4 Dorothy M Morgan	9 John A Vesey (C)
5 Robert C Woodward	10 Andrew J Phillips

Rung half-muffled as a mark of respect and sympathy for the people of Aberfan in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the tragedy which befell the community.

One quarter peal was rung at the Cathedral during the branch quarter peal fortnight : Stedman Cinques, on 4 November. Full details are in the quarter peal report elsewhere in this newsletter.

**Pat Moore**

## Kids.Ring.Out

**Saturday 26 November 2016**

9.30 - 10.30 **Penarth** St Augustine's TBC

we may be using the simulator so you may not hear bells outside

11.00 - 12.00 **Sully** St John the Baptist

Lunch - I would like to book a pub happy to have young people

2. 30 - 3.30 **Porthkerry** St Curig

Kids & Helpers wanted

I will be asking for £2 from everyone to cover tower donations...maybe less, depending on how many come.

You will also need money for lunch

Please let me know if you are coming so that I can book lunch.

Yvonne John

Llandaffmaster@llanmon.org.uk

## Llandaff Practice Nights

During Advent the Cathedral is always in great demand for additional carol services and concerts, with the result that we are unable to hold all our usual practices.

Please note that there will be  
NO PRACTICE at Llandaff on Tuesdays 29 November,  
6, 13 and 27 December.

There WILL be a practice on Tuesday 20 December.

## Llandaff Branch Quarter Peal Fortnight

The Llandaff Branch quarter peal fortnight began on Saturday 29 October and ran until Remembrance Sunday, 13 November. 18 quarters, 11 towers, 60 ringers, 8 conductors and 18 firsts of some kind. Andrew John was the leading ringer with 9 quarters, closely followed by his wife, Yvonne, the branch ringing master, with 8. Alwyn Lewis led the conducting with 6 quarters conducted out of the 7 he rang. The leading towers were Cadoxton juxta Neath and St John's Cardiff, each scoring 3. Congratulations to those who achieved a first, especially the 6 who rang their first quarter. Also commiserations to those involved in any losses, 5 of which I know of – the effort wasn't wasted !

**Cadoxton juxta Neath**, Neath Port Talbot. Sun, 30 Oct.

### **1320 All Saints Doubles**

Rebecca E John 1, Elizabeth Walters 2, Yvonne R John 3, Andrew C John 4, Alwyn R Lewis (C) 5, Ian Cole 6. For morning service.

**Cardiff** (St John the Baptist), Sun, 30 Oct **1260 Plain Bob Doubles**

Harriet E V Maine 1, David M Slater 2, Neil P Jones 3, Richard J Hall 4, Roger S Harpole (C) 5, Evan M Chapman 6. For Evensong. First quarter peal at first attempt: 1.

**Merthyr Tydfil**, Merthyr Tydfil. Sun, 30 Oct. **1260 Plain Bob Doubles**

Jade E Morris 1, Lisa J Drury 2, Marina E J Thomas 3, Stephen Avery 4, Andrew C John (C) 5, Yvonne R John 6. First quarter peal at first attempt - 1.

**Neath**, Neath Port Talbot. Mon, 31 Oct. **1260 Grandsire Doubles**

Rebecca A Rabjohns 1, Andrew C John 2, Yvonne R John 3, David Bounds 4, Alwyn R Lewis (C) 5, Fr Benjamin T Rabjohns 6. First quarter peal at first attempt – 1 & 6.

**Sully**, Vale of Glamorgan. Wed, 2 Nov. **1296 Oxford Treble Bob Minor**

Douglas C Dabb 1, Anne Saunders 2, Martin Batten 3, Roger S Harpole 4, Christopher E Saunders 5, Julian C Parker (C) 6. First quarter peal of Oxford 2.

**Dyffryn**, Neath Port Talbot. Fri, 4 Nov. **1260 Plain Bob Doubles**

Elizabeth Walters 1, Jill Harris 2, Huw Walters 3, Keith Tucker 4, Alwyn R Lewis (C) 5, Ian Cole 6.

**Llandaff Cathedral**, Cardiff. Fri, 4 Nov. **1311 Stedman Cinques**

Christopher W Kipling (C) 1, Joy E Kipling 2, Julian C Parker 3, David W Kipling 4, Anne D Jones 5, Trevor T Lewis 6, Frederick B Jackson 7, Robert C Woodward 8, Robert E Hardy 9, David J Llewellyn 10, John A Vesey 11, Bryn C Kipling 12.

**Llantwit Major**, Vale of Glamorgan. Sat, 5 Nov. **1259 Plain Bob Minor**

Hilary M Evans 1, Yvonne R John 2, Helen K Williams 3, Peter G Mayle 4, Andrew C John 5, David Bounds (C) 6. First quarter peal of Minor 1 & 3. Rung to celebrate 50 yrs since the conductor learned to ring.

**Aberavon**, Neath Port Talbot. Sun, 6 Nov.

**1260 Doubles** (3 methods - Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob)

Fr Terry A Doherty 1, Yvonne R John 2, Alwyn R Lewis 3, Andrew C John 4, Kevin J Musty (C) 5, Rebecca E John 6. First quarter peal - 1. First quarter peal in Wales as conductor. Rung prior to morning service.

**Cadoxton juxta Neath**, Neath Port Talbot. Sun, 6 Nov.

**1260 Doubles** (4 methods/variants)

Rebecca E John 1, Alwyn R Lewis (C) 2, Elizabeth Walters 3, Yvonne R John 4, Andrew C John 5, Keith Tucker 6. First in more than one method - 3. Rung for morning service.

**Cardiff** (St John the Baptist). Sun, 6 Nov.

**1260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place Doubles**

Evan M Chapman 1, David M Slater 2, Timothy N Taylor 3, Stephen J Dutfield 4, Robert E Hardy (C) 5, Neda N Bizzarri 6. Rung before Evensong.

**Llanishen**, Cardiff. Mon, 7 Nov. **1320 Stedman Variable Cover Doubles**

Mary E Hardy 1, Frederick B Jackson 2, Roger S Harpole 3, Christopher E Saunders 4, Robert E Hardy 5, Julian C Parker (C) 6. Rung as a compliment to Andy Murray on becoming the first British tennis player in the open era to become the World No. 1. Derek Godfrey, a former Wimbledon umpire and ringer at this tower, would have been so pleased. First of variable cover by all.

**Llantwit Major**, Vale of Glamorgan. Thurs, 10 Nov. **1260 Doubles**

**(3 methods - Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury & Plain Bob)**

Susan Gordon 1, Helen K Williams 2, David Bounds (C) 3, Roger Sheal 4, Peter G Mayle 5, Jon Williams 6. First quarter peal - 1.

**Aberavon**, Neath Port Talbot. Sun, 13 Nov. **1280 Plain Bob Major**

Yvonne R John 1, Helen Williams 2, Andrew C John 3, Peter Mayle 4, Kevin Musty 5, David Bounds 6, Ian P Hastilow 7, Alwyn R Lewis (C) 8. First of Major - 2.



**Cadoxton juxta Neath**, Neath Port Talbot. Sun, 13 Nov.

**1260 Doubles (6 methods/ variations)**

Tyla Williams 1, Alwyn R Lewis (C) 2, Yvonne R John 3, Andrew C John 4, Huw Walters 5, Keith Tucker 6. Rung for Remembrance service. Most methods/ variations - 1.

**Cardiff** (St John the Baptist). Sun, 13 Nov. **1260 Plain Bob Triples**

Mary E Hardy 1, Timothy N Taylor 2, Neda N Bizzarri 3, Roger S Harpole 4, Andrew M Muir 5, David M Slater 6, Robert E Hardy (C) 7, Evan M Chapman 8. Half-muffled before an evening Remembrance service of Hope & Reconciliation. 100th quarter peal at St John's – 7.

**Coity**, Bridgend. Sun, 13 Nov. **1260 Plain Bob Doubles**

Melville Oglesbee 1, Rowena Small 2, Frederick Custerson 3, Phillip Williams 4, Andrew John (C) 5, Neil Lockett 6. Rung half-muffled for Evensong on Remembrance Sunday.

**Sully**, Vale of Glamorgan. Sun, 13 Nov. **1260 Grandsire Doubles**

Mary E Hardy 1, Alana J Bevan 2, Robert E Hardy 3, Christopher E Saunders 4, Julian C Parker (C) 5, Nigel D Morton 6. Rung half-muffled following Evensong on Remembrance Sunday, in memory of the Fallen in the two World Wars and also in subsequent conflicts, in this the 100th anniversary year of the Battle of the Somme. Also in memory of Eileen Younghusband, a resident of Sully who died on September 2nd at the age of 95. Eileen served in the WAAF in Fighter Command during the Second World War, and helped plot the launching points of the V2 rockets that threatened to devastate London. Without her, the story of the wartime WAAF girls who worked in the "Filter Room" might never have been told.

**Julian C Parker** (Compiler)

I would like to say a big thank you to all who took part in the quarter peal fortnight. I have been busy down this end of the branch and enquiring about the other end. I know there have been some losses but there have been a huge number of successes and many firsts. Congratulations to all. Also a VERY big thank you to Julian who once again has volunteered to collate all the information to give us a detailed report.

**Yvonne John** (Branch Master)

## Association Quiz Night 2016

This year the quiz night was hosted by the ringers from Penarth on Friday 14 October at 7.30. Teams arrived all psyched to come second as the winners have to host next year's quiz (only joking...we all wanted to win).

On arrival we had a very warm welcome from the locals and awaiting our attention we had 2 table top rounds or maybe they were just there to frazzle our brains and fill us with trepidation as to what was to come in the question rounds.

Six teams were all ready to commence battle as our lovely quiz master, Claire Lane, called us to order. Following four question rounds we were fed by the hard working kitchen team (Barbara Jacklin, Valerie Batten and Anne Saunders) with a variety of options to accompany jacket potatoes and then a wonderful choice of desserts. Back to the quiz and it was heads down, thinking caps on and four more rounds of questions.

The team of adjudicators - Helen Kerbey, Martin Batten, Chris Saunders and Julian Parker - busily marked the answers throughout the evening and the final scores were as follows :-

Roger's Renegades (Llanishen)	78.5
Fine Ring of 10 (Cardiff St John's)	77.5
Abertydfil (Aberdare & Merthyr)	74.5
Caitlin's Team (Cadoxton & Neath)	69.5
Absent Friends (the Moores & the Woodwards, Llandaff)	69
Always Late (the Kiplings & David Jones, Llandaff)	66

A big thank you from all of us for all the hard work put in by the Penarth ringers; I'm sure all who attended would agree with me that a great night was had by all.

**Yvonne John**

## Forthcoming Events (continued)

### April

7 Fri	Assn 12 Bell Practice	Llandaff	19.15
22 Sat	Association AGM	Llandaff	14.30
28 Fri	Assn Daytime Practice	Sully	10.30

### May

5 Fri	Assn 12 Bell Practice	Llandaff	19.15
8 Mon	Assn Minor Practice	Coity*	19.30
13 Sat	Llandaff Branch Striking Competition	Llanblethian	14.00
15 Mon	Assn S Major Practice	Radyr*	19.30
20 Sat	Monmouth Branch Striking Competition	Blaenavon	16.00
26 Fri	Assn Daytime Practice	Whitchurch	10.30

## Special Events

### 26 November

Kids Ring Out

Penarth, Sully and Porthkerry All day

### January 7

Llandaff Branch Practice & Committee Meeting

St Brides Major 14.30

### February 4

Llandaff Branch AGM

Whitchurch 14.30 Feb

### April 22 Association AGM

Llandaff 14.30

### May 13

Llandaff Branch Striking Competition

Llanblethian 14.00

## Forthcoming Events

### Dec

2 Fri	Assn 12 Bell Practice	St Woolos	19.45
3 Sat	Llandaff Br Practice	Penmark	14.30
Sat 3 - Sun 4 Monmouth Branch Peal Weekend			
12 Mon	Assn Minor Practice	St Hilary*	19.30
17 Sat	Monmouth Br Practice	Bassaleg	15.00
30 Fri	Assn Daytime Practice	St Woolos	10.30

### Jan 2017

6 Fri	Assn 12 Bell Practice	Llandaff	19.15
7 Sat	Llandaff Br Prac & Meeting	St Brides Major	14.30
9 Mon	Assn Minor Practice	Llanishen*	19.30
16 Mon	Assn S Major Practice	Cardiff*	19.30
21 Sat	Monmouth Br AGM	Abergavenny/Llantilito Pertholey	15.00
27 Fri	Assn Daytime Practice	Rumney	10.30

### Feb

3 Fri	Assn 12 Bell Practice	Llandaff	19.15
4 Sat	Llandaff Br AGM	Whitchurch	14.30
13 Mon	Assn Minor Practice	Llantwit Major*	19.30
20 Mon	Assn S Major Practice	Venue *	19.30
24 Fri	Assn Daytime Practice	Bassaleg	10.30

### March

3 Fri	Assn 12 Bell Practice	Llandaff	19.15
4 Sat	Llandaff Br Practice	Pontypridd	14.30
13 Mon	Assn Minor Practice	Sully*	19.30
18 Sat	Monmouth Br Practice	Rumney	15.00
20 Mon	Assn S Major Practice	Pontypridd*	19.30
24 Fri	Assn Daytime Practice	St Mellons	10.30

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\* to be confirmed : please check the Association website