



## 2011 Central Council Supplement



*Central Council Officials pictured at the Ringing World Centenary Reception in Central Hall, Westminster on Saturday, 26th March 2011 (Photo by Anthony Bianco)*

*Left to right: John Baldwin (Steward of the Dove database), Alan Glover (nominated Steward of the Library), Mary Bone (Hon. Secretary), Alan Regin (Steward of the Rolls of Honour), Tony Smith (President), Jeremy Cheesman (Independent Examiner), Kate Flavell (Vice-President and nominated President), Tim Jackson (Steward of the Dove database) and Derek Harbottle (Hon. Treasurer).*

*Not in the photograph: Chris Mew (nominated Vice-President), Alan Berry and Bill Purvis (Stewards of the Carter Ringing Machine Collection) and Richard Wallis (Independent Examiner)*

## The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

Registered Charity No 270036

The first session of the 41st Council (114th Annual Meeting) will be held on Monday 30th May 2011 in the Three Counties Hotel, Belmont Road, Hereford, starting at 10.00 a.m. It will be preceded by a Corporate Communion Service at 8.15 a.m. in Holy Trinity Church, Whitecross Road.

Will members please sign the roll and be in their seats by 9.50 a.m. – the roll will invite you to sign in both as a member of The Ringing World Limited and The Ringing Foundation Limited.

The morning session will be adjourned at 12.45 p.m.; at 2.15 p.m. the Annual Meeting of The Ringing World Limited will be held; the afternoon session will resume after that Meeting.

The afternoon session will be adjourned at 4.15 p.m.; at 4.45 p.m. the Annual Meeting of The Ringing Foundation Limited will be held; if required, the afternoon session will resume after that Meeting.

### AGENDA

1. Opening prayer.
2. Report of the Honorary Secretary as to the representation of societies and subscriptions.
3. Welcome to new members.
4. Apologies for absence.
5. Loss of members through death.
6. Minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting (p.433).  
Corrections to the Minutes are given in Appendix A (p.432).
7. Matters arising from the Minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda.
8. Annual Report of the Council (p.438).
9. Accounts for 2010 (p.439).
10. Election of Additional Members:  
Alan Bentley, Janet Edwards, Alan Ellis, Alan Frost, Eric Godfrey and Peter Trotman retire. The following nominations have been received; in accordance with Rule 6(ii), supporting statements for the candidates are given in Appendix B (p.432) of this Agenda:

<i>Nominee</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconder</i>
Peter Trotman	Mike Chester	Chris Mew
David Willis	Patricia Halls	John Harrison
Adrian Semken	George Dawson	Bernard Stone
Alan Frost	James Clarke	Chris Povey
Alan Bentley	Norman Mattingley	John Harrison
Elva Ainsworth	Andrew Wilby	Michael Church

11. Election of Officers for 2011 - 2014:

<i>Office</i>	<i>Nominee</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconder</i>
President	Kate Flavell	Jackie Roberts	Ernie de Legh-Runciman
Vice-President	Chris Mew	Mike Chester	Christopher O'Mahony
Hon Secretary	Mary Bone	Robert Cooles	John Baldwin
Hon Assistant Secretary	John Cater	Gill Hughes	Pip Penney
	Carol Franklin	Alan Regin	Andrew Preston
	Robin Walker	Ian Oram	John Couperthwaite
Hon Treasurer	Derek Harbottle	Angela Newing	Michael Church

12. Election of Independent Examiners.  
Jeremy Cheesman and Richard Wallis retire; both are eligible for election.
13. Motions:

*(A) That the subscription be increased to £25 per representative member from 1st January 2012.*

Proposed on behalf of the Administrative Committee by Derek Harbottle (Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association), seconded by Mary Bone (ex-officio).

[Explanatory note: The subscription is currently £20 per representative member and this has been the amount since 1st January 2007. This provides income to the General Fund of £4,000. The affiliation subscriptions are intended to cover the cost of conducting the business of the Council. The cost of the Council's meeting venues has steadily increased and together with other costs of the annual meeting and committee expenses amounted to £5,881 in 2010 and £5,761 in 2009. Currently, other costs are increasing: VAT to 20%, train fares and postage rates at +11%. The Administrative Committee also intend to review the level of the subscription rate on a regular basis, to enable a smaller rate of increase but more frequently.

This proposal will provide an additional £1,000 income to the General Fund.]

*(B) That Decision (E) D.4 be amended to replace the words preceding "or includes it in a multi-method peal" so that it starts as follows:*

"The band that first rings a peal of a new method complying with Parts A to D of the Decision on Peal Ringing or, in the case of Doubles or Minor only, rings an extent or round block as permitted in Part B.2 of the Decision on Peal Ringing, ..."

Proposed on behalf of the Methods Committee by Peter Niblett (Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild), seconded by Robin Woolley (Southwell and Nottingham Diocesan Guild).

*(C) That Decision (E) A.2 be deleted and replaced with the following:*

“A call is a means of passing from one course of a method to another. It is not part of the definition of the method. A call may be effected in one of the following ways:

- (a) by altering the places made between two or more consecutive rows without altering the length of a lead;
- (b) by omitting changes, altering the length of the lead.”

Proposed on behalf of the Methods Committee by Philip Saddleton (Ancient Society of College Youths), seconded by Richard Edwards (Kent County Association).

14. To receive, discuss and if thought fit to adopt the reports of the following Committees; and to pass such resolutions as may be necessary on matters arising from the reports. In all cases one-third of the present members retire and are eligible for re-election if still members of the Council.

The appointment of the Steward of the Library will be taken after the presentation of the Library Committee report. Alan Glover is proposed by John Eisel and seconded by Paul Johnson.

(a) Administrative (p.442):

John Cater will no longer be a Council member. Roger Bailey and Anthony Lovell-Wood retire. Roger Bailey is not seeking re-election. Brian Meads has become an ex-officio member. There are 4 vacancies.

(b) Compositions (p.442):

Paul Flavell, Philip Larter and John Thompson retire. There are 4 vacancies.

(c) Education (p.442):

Simon Linford and John Mabe will no longer be Council members. John Atkinson and Pip Penney retire. John Atkinson is not seeking re-election. There are 4 vacancies.

(d) Information and Communications Technology (p.443):

Michael Wilby will no longer be a Council member. Peter Trotman retires. There are 3 vacancies.

(e) Library (p.443):

Paul Johnson retires. Alan Glover will become an ex-officio member of the Committee. There are 2 vacancies.

(f) Methods (p.444):

Richard Edwards and Leigh Simpson retire. There are 3 vacancies.

(g) Peal Records (p.444):

Alan Baldock, Mark Bell and Ben Duke (co-opted) retire. There are 3 vacancies.

(h) Public Relations (p.448):

Neil Donovan will no longer be a Council member. Beverley Faber and John Harrison retire. There are 6 vacancies.

(i) Publications (p.450):

Andrew Aspland and Derek Jones will no longer be Council members. There are 2 vacancies.

(j) Redundant Bells (p.450):

Ian Hastilow and Julian Newman retire. There are 2 vacancies.

(k) Ringing Centres (p.451):

Peter Dale (co-opted), Janet Edwards and Norman Mattingley retire. Janet Edwards does not seek re-election. There are 4 vacancies.

(l) Ringing Trends (p.452):

John Cater will no longer be a Council member. Beryl Norris retires. There is 1 vacancy.

(m) Towers & Belfries (p.452):

William Jones, Adrian Semken and Jim Taylor will no longer be Council members. Michael Banks and David Kirkcaldy retire. There are 4 vacancies.

(n) Tower Stewardship (p.452):

David Burgess and Robert Wood retire. Robert Wood does not seek re-election. There are 2 vacancies.

(o) Bell Restoration (p.453):

Pat Albon (co-opted), Kate Flavell, Robin Shipp and Peter Wilkinson retire. Kate Flavell is not seeking re-election. There are 4 vacancies.

(p) Biographies (p.454):

Dinah Rhymer will no longer be a Council member. Jane Mason and Judith Rogers retire and are not seeking re-election. There are 4 vacancies.

15. (a) Report of the Stewards of the Carter Ringing Machine Collection (p.455).

(b) Appointment of Stewards for 2011 - 2014: Alan Berry is proposed by Andrew Wilby and seconded by George Dawson; Bill Purvis is proposed by George Dawson and seconded by Andrew Wilby.

16. (a) Report of the Steward of the Rolls of Honour (p.455).

(b) Appointment of Steward for 2011 - 2014: Alan Regin is proposed by Yvonne Cairns and seconded by James Blackburn.

17. (a) Report of the Stewards of the Dove Database (p.455).

(b) Appointment of Stewards for 2011 - 2014: John Baldwin is proposed by Robert Cooles and seconded by Angela Newing; Tim Jackson is proposed by Michael Church and seconded by Patricia Halls.

18. Central Council Rescue Fund for Redundant Bells (registered charity no. 278816) (p.456):

Report and Accounts.

19. Future meetings.

20. Any other business.



## Appendix A

### Corrections to the Minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting:

item 6, line 9: Harold Clark (*not* Clarke)

item 12: insert at line 14 "(A) *That Honorary Members be replaced by Additional or Ex-officio Members, that the relationship between the Council and The Ringing Foundation be formalised and that other rules be simplified, by making the following changes:*"

item 13(i), line 7: Andrew Aspland (*not* Apsland)

## Appendix B

### Additional Member Nominations – Supporting Statements

#### Peter Trotman

Peter Trotman has been a member of Council and a very active member of the ICT/Computer Co-ordination Committee since 1996; being a past Chairman. He has since 2000 been our Webmaster and spends much time keeping its content up to date and adding new material on behalf of the Officers and most Council Committees.

One significant work in progress is the online version of the Rolls of Honour, listing 1500+ ringers who gave their lives in the Great War and the Second World War. Many photographs supplied by the Steward of the Roll are still being added to complement the listings of the ringers' names and other details. More recently, Peter has been helping the Biographies Committee to publish online its existing collection of biographical records of past members of the Council. A second stage will address the Committee's future research into biographical information of other significant ringers.

As the website has grown over the past 10 years it has become increasingly labour intensive to maintain and is heavily dependent on Peter's knowledge of its inner workings. Consequently he has started work on a major conversion, based on a content management system (CMS), which will facilitate future growth and allow more participation by others.

As there is still much to be done we feel that it is very much in Council's interest to elect him as an Additional Member in order that he can continue to guide this project towards a successful conclusion.

We are therefore delighted to nominate him.

Proposed by Mike Chester  
Seconded by Chris Mew

#### David Willis

I should like to propose David Willis of Barnstaple as an additional member of the Council. In the past year he has given a tremendous amount of help to the Biographies Committee in particular by finding the dates of birth and death of

deceased Council members and also by finding the full names of members where previously we had only initials. In addition to searching for missing dates and names, he has contacted numerous people in order to verify some of the more difficult facts and to find new avenues for research. He has used his own initiative to find information which was missing.

He is interested in the work of the Biographies Committee and I am sure he will continue to make a valuable contribution to this work in the future and I would like his work to be recognised by his being elected to the Council.

Proposed by Patricia Halls  
Seconded by John Harrison

#### Adrian Semken

Adrian Semken has served as an Association Representative member of the Essex Association since 1995. Whilst serving he has been a member of the Education Committee, and more recently on the Towers & Belfries Committee for about 10 years. In this capacity he has been a hard working Committee member looking after enquiries in the East of England, as well as leading in the preparation of the new Maintenance Handbook. With his wide experience of bell restoration work he will continue to be a useful member of the Committee, & I therefore commend him to you.

Proposed by George Dawson  
Seconded by Bernard Stone

#### Alan J Frost

We wish to propose Mr Alan Frost as an Additional Member of Council. He has served the Council in general and a number of its committees in particular for many years with great distinction. His calm, measured and professional approach to issues encourages people to listen when he speaks, and the Council is indeed fortunate to have members of his style and calibre within it.

On behalf of the Towers & Belfries Committee, of which he is a past Chairman, he is an invaluable member being our only Architect. He gives us his expertise in this respect, together with a great authority arising from his significant professional work as well as his position as DAC Bell Advisor to three significant dioceses. His long, deep and practical experience of the subject is greatly appreciated, by both fellow committee members and, equally importantly, the church representatives to whom we provide advice.

Alan also serves currently as a directly elected member of the Administrative Committee and on the Redundant Bells Committee. I am sure these committees also value his services and wish him to continue his work with them.

Proposed by James Clarke  
Seconded by Chris Povey

#### Alan Bentley

Alan was first elected to the Council in 2008 and immediately became a member of

the Ringing Centres Committee being responsible for the data bases it retains. In recent years he has acted as collator for Ringing Centre reports and web-site updates. He was the author of the Ringing Centres Marketing strategy paper. He assisted at the Stoneleigh Roadshow in the Personal Development Zone and is at present involved in organising a seminar on behalf of the Committee.

Alan manages the Aston Clinton Ringing Centre and is actively involved in arranging teaching events for the Oxford Diocesan Guild's Education Committee, of which he is an elected member, and of award schemes to encourage the development of young ringers.

He is now active as a tutor in the ITTS Beta Phase. He would particularly wish to stimulate further interest of this scheme amongst Ringing Centres generally.

His professional qualifications and experience in Technical Education and with the Chartered Institute of Building Services Engineers gives him experience and knowledge of current practices in the commercial world which is of great value to the Committee and very useful to the Council generally.

His work on behalf of his 'home' association, the experience of the world of commerce, the work he has completed and is at present undertaking for the Committee and his commitment to ITTS and its future is evidence of his value to the Council and the Ringing Centres Committee.

Proposed by Norman Mattingley  
Seconded by John Harrison

#### Elva Ainsworth

We propose that Elva Ainsworth be elected an Additional Member of the Council to help develop, facilitate and lead the Council's mission "A Healthy Future" for ringing.

Out of this mission should come: -

- A fresh generation of younger ringers with enthusiasm and ideas.
- A healthy age profile for the ringing exercise.
- A better trained teaching base in the country and resource for the future.
- A brighter more positive image of ringing with many potential consequences.

Elva facilitated the first consultative project meeting in November 2010, has advised on the project development since and is willing and able to help organise and facilitate the proposed next stages including a National Consultative Conference in November 2011 and development of the Youth Forum.

Elva is Managing Director of Talent Innovations Ltd, a market leading specialist in human resources and people development solutions based in Kings Langley, Herts. She is a member of a well-known ringing family, a member of the University of Bristol Society and SRCY. She brings a wide knowledge of ringing and ringers to the project as well as her professional expertise.

# The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

**Minutes of the Third Session of the 40th Council (113th Annual Meeting), held in the Sunken Lounge, Derby Conference Centre, London Road, Derby on Monday 31st May 2010, at 10.00 a.m.**

## Present

**Life Members:** H W Egglestone, H W Rogers, A N Stubbs, D G Thorne.  
**Honorary Members:** A Bentley, A P S Berry, Mrs S Bianco, R Booth, R J Cooles, Mrs J A Edwards, J C Eisel, A Ellis, A J Frost, E G H Godfrey, W A Hibbert, T Jackson, D J Kelly, R A Lewis, A Regin, Miss J Roberts, P A Trotman, Mrs P M Wilkinson.  
**Ex-officio:** Mrs M Bone.  
**Ancient Society of College Youths:** R I Allton, S Linford, P A B Saddleton, A W R Wilby.  
**Australian & New Zealand Assn:** C D O'Mahony, L R Reynolds, R Shepherd (alt. member).  
**Bath & Wells Dio. Assn:** R C Backhurst, Miss J Bunyan, M Hansford\*, M R T Higby.  
**Bedfordshire Assn:** P J S Albon, K Lewin, Mrs W Piercy.  
**Beverley & District Society:** A J Atkinson, J Blackburn.  
**Birmingham University Society:** P Chandler.  
**Cambridge Univ. Guild:** R Shipp#, L D G Simpson.  
**Carlisle Dio. Guild:** Ms W Graham, J J Proudfoot.  
**Chester Dio. Guild:** P Dyson, C M Orme, Mrs P Thomson, P Wilkinson.  
**Coventry Dio. Guild:** M Chester, M J Dew, C F Mew.  
**Derby Dio. Assn:** M Banks, J A Cater, Mrs P A M Halls, Mrs G Hughes.  
**Devonshire Guild:** L E Boyce, J M Clarke, M G Mansley, D J Roberts.  
**Durham & Newcastle Dio. Assn:** Mrs Y Cairns, H Smith, R R Warford, Mrs B M Wheeler.  
**Durham Univ. Society:** M Williams.  
**East Derby & West Notts Assn:** The Revd A Dempster.  
**East Grinstead & District Guild:** R A Grant.  
**Ely Dio. Assn:** G E Bonham, M B Davies, B Hullah, P Seaman#.  
**Essex Assn:** J Armstrong, F J P Bone, B Meads, A G Semken, D L Sparling.  
**Four Shires Guild:** A Gunn\*.  
**Gloucester & Bristol Dio. Assn:** D Harbottle, W Nash, Prof A Newing, J Nicholls.  
**Guildford Dio. Guild:** W J Couperthwaite, Mrs B R Norris, C H Rogers, M J Turner.  
**Hereford Dio. Guild:** J H Croxton, A Fortey, Mrs J Lawrence, Mrs J Mason.  
**Hertford County Assn:** R Chandler, G A Duke, G T Horritt, B C Watson.  
**Irish Assn:** C Holliday, Ms J Kelly, Mrs J Lysaght.  
**Kent County Assn:** P R J Barnes, P T Dale, R H Edwards, P H Larter, Mrs C M Lewis.  
**Ladies Guild:** Mrs A R Caton, Mrs J Stevenson, Ms J K Wyatt.  
**Lancashire Assn:** G Blundell, D Burgess, Mrs A E Pettifor, E Runciman.  
**Leeds University Society:** R Green.

**Leicester Dio. Guild:** Mrs C N J Franklin, Mrs A S Preston, J R Thompson, Mrs W M Warwick.  
**Lichfield & Walsall Archd. Society:** S Hutchieson, J F Mulvey, C M Smith.  
**Lincoln Dio. Guild:** Mrs S Faull, A R Heppenstall, Mrs J M Rogers, L G Townsend.  
**Liverpool Univ. Society:** Mrs V Wilby.  
**Llandaff & Monmouth Dio. Assn:** P S Bennett, Mrs P Penney.  
**Middlesex County Assn. & London Dio. Guild:** R Bailey, F T Blagrove.  
**National Police Guild:** The Rt Revd B F Peachey.  
**North American Guild:** B N Butler, Ms B Faber, J I Mabe, Ms K Tucker.  
**North Staffordshire Assn:** C Adams\*, F Beech, Mrs J Beech.  
**North Wales Assn:** G P Morris, D Stanworth.  
**Norwich Dio. Assn:** P Adcock, Miss T Crowder, D McLean.  
**Oxford Dio. Guild:** W Butler, G Clifton\*, K R Davenport, J A Harrison, Mrs B May, T G Pett.  
**Oxford Society:** Ms C L Bell, B J Stone.  
**Oxford Univ. Society:** M Bell.  
**Peterborough Dio. Guild:** Mrs H Aslett, A Chantler, D J Jones, Mrs E J Sibson.  
**St Martin's Guild:** Mrs S J Warboys, M P A Wilby.  
**Salisbury Dio. Guild:** A J Howes, A C D Lovell-Wood, J Newman, A P Nicholson, R J Purnell.  
**Scottish Assn:** S Elwell-Sutton, M A Neale.  
**Shropshire Assn:** A M Glover, N J Green.  
**Society of Royal Cumberland Youths:** J S Barnes, I H Oram, A J Preston, D E Sibson.  
**Society of Sherwood Youths:** P Hawcock.  
**Southwell and Nottingham Dio. Guild:** G A Dawson, A B Mills, Ms M J Stephens, R E H Woolley.  
**Suffolk Guild:** A McBurnie\*, R J Munnings, S D Pettman, D G Salter.  
**Surrey Assn:** J D Cheesman, Mrs K Flavell, P Flavell, R J Wallis.  
**Sussex County Assn:** A R Baldock, Mrs C M Baldock, D Kirkcaldy, Mrs M E Oram.  
**Swansea & Brecon Dio. Guild:** P C Johnson.  
**Truro Dio. Guild:** Ms M Jones, N R Mattingley, R J Perry, I P Self.  
**Univ. Bristol Society:** C Darvill, R M Wood.  
**Univ. London Society:** M Trimm.  
**Veronese Assn:** Dr A M Hodge.  
**Winchester & Portsmouth Dio. Guild:** M J Church, P D Niblett, A P Smith, D Strong, M J Winterbourne.  
**Worcestershire & Districts Assn:** C M Povey, A Roberts, R J Walker.  
**Yorkshire Assn:** A R Aspland, N Donovan, C B Dove, Mrs D M Rhymmer, B Sanders.  
 The Devon Association, the Dorset County Association, the St David's Diocesan Guild, the South African Guild and the Zimbabwe Guild were not represented.  
**The Chair** was taken by the President, Tony Smith.

## 1. Opening Prayer

The Revd Adrian Dempster led the Council in prayer.

## 2. Report as to membership and subscriptions

The Hon Secretary, Mary Bone, reported that 65 societies were affiliated to the Council with 198 representatives; there were two vacancies. There were 6 Life Members, 18 Honorary Members and 1 ex-officio Member. All subscriptions had been paid.

## 3. Application to affiliate

The Hon Secretary reported that documentation had been received from the Four Shires Guild, confirming that the Guild met the requirements of Rule 4 (ii). The application was reviewed by the Administrative Committee, which recommended affiliation. The application was approved by majority and the President declared the Guild affiliated. John Nicholls expressed the gratitude of the Four Shires Guild. Andrew Gunn took his seat as a representative member.

## 4. Welcome to new members

The President gave a warm welcome to new and returning members (indicated by \* and # respectively in the list of those present). He additionally noted that 2009 had been Ian Oram's 50th meeting: Ian had joined the Council in 1960 and was still an active member of Council as a member of the Bell Restoration Committee (applause).

## 5. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from the Revd John Baldwin and Doris Colgate (Life Members), Roger Lubbock and Ian McCulloch (Australian and New Zealand Assn), Mervyn Way (Devon Association), Chris White (Dorset CA), Simon Woof (Lancashire Assn), Julian Parker (Llandaff and Monmouth DA), Betty Baines (Norwich DA), John Prytherch (St David's DG), Jane Webster (South African Guild), Ian Hastilow (Sussex CA), Stewart Holbeche (Worcestershire and Districts Assn) and Anne Phillips (Zimbabwe Guild). Further apologies were presented from Paolo Avesani (Veronese Assn).

## 6. Loss of members through death

Members stood in silence as the Hon Secretary read the names of former members of the Council who had died in earlier years but whose deaths had not been previously reported to the Council: Alfred Battin (Romney Marsh and District Guild 1930-1932); Charles Binyon (Worcester and Districts Assn 1927-1929); William Jenkins (Scottish Assn 1932-1950); Harold Clarke (Truro DG 1932); and Graham McKay (Cumberland and North Westmorland Assn 1959-1965); and the following members and former members who had died since the last meeting: George Feirn (Lincoln DG 1945-1986); Carol Hardwick (Bath & Wells DA from 1988); Jean Sanderson (Hon member 1982-1997, Ely DA 1998-2007, Hon member from 2009); Barry Ward (Hon member from 2005); Dom Paulinus Angold (Guild of Devonshire Ringers 1969-1974); Stephen Ivin (Oxford University Society 1960-1968, Hon member



1970-1980); Malcolm Tyler (Peterborough DG 1972-1983, Hon member 1984-1993); Douglas Rooke (Southwell DG 1960-1965); George Massey (Bath and Wells DA 1972-2001); Joan Peel (Sussex County Assn 2005-2007); and Revd Roger Fry (Bath and Wells DA 1954-1959). The Revd Adrian Dempster led members in prayer.

## 7. Minutes of the 2009 Annual Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 25th May 2009 had been published in *The Ringing World* of 3rd July 2009. The Hon Secretary reported a correction to the Minute of the ICT Committee report on page 680, item 13(e): in line 4 insert a full stop after 'server' and amend the following sentence to 'The work on method names was being taken over by Alan Baldock from Tim Pett and he therefore becomes the link person with this Committee'.

After the corrections were made, the Minutes were approved and signed by the President.

The President drew attention to the Appendix to the Report of the Administrative Committee and reminded members to declare any interest in the bell-related trade to the Hon Secretary and to declare any relevant interest before speaking at that meeting.

## 8. Matters arising from the Minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda

No member wished to raise any matter.

## 9. Annual Report of the Council

(RW 30th April 2010, p442)

The Hon Secretary noted that, since the preparation of the report, there had been a number of changes to the figures in paragraph 4: one Representative Member has resigned and his vacancy filled by an Honorary Member; one Representative Member has resigned and his vacancy filled; and one Representative Member has resigned and her vacancy has not been filled. The figures in the last two sentences should therefore read: 6 Life Members, 18 Honorary Members, 198 Representative Members and 1 ex-officio Member. There are 2 other vacancies.

Adoption of the report was then proposed by the Hon Secretary, seconded by the Vice-President, Kate Flavell, and agreed.

## 10. Accounts for 2009

(RW 30th April 2010, pp442-445)

In presenting the Accounts, the Hon Treasurer, Derek Harbottle, noted that the Independent Examiners had been able to give an unqualified report. He drew attention to the key areas of the Statement of Financial Activities, noting a small deficit on the General Fund, lower committee expenditure, a reduction in the cost of the annual meeting, and increased insurance costs. On the Bell Restoration Fund, the Hon Treasurer noted the recent legacy and grant awards (RW 21 May 2010, p515). Low interest rates would continue to impact on the General Fund in 2010; he was investigating suitable alternative investments and the Officers would keep the situation under review. The Ringing

Foundation had not yet called on the £10,000 committed in the previous year.

The Hon Treasurer proposed the adoption of the Accounts, the Vice-President seconded and they were agreed.

## 11. Election of Honorary Members

Six Honorary Members would complete their three-year term at the end of the meeting: of these David Kelly was not seeking re-election. The following were proposed, seconded and declared elected after a ballot: Tim Jackson, for his work on the Dove database; Robert Cooles, for his work on the Committee for Redundant Bells and with the Rescue Fund, and for his legal expertise; Stella Bianco, for her work with the Library Committee; Bill Purvis, who was willing to be proposed as a Steward of the Carter Ringing Machine Collection; and Roger Booth, for his interest in training and work on ringing centres. Bill Hibbert was proposed and seconded but declined to stand. Seven vacancies remained unfilled.

## 12. Motion

The President stated that this was a single Motion in two parts. He added that one additional occurrence of 'Honorary' in the existing Rules had come to light and therefore the following sentence should be included at the end of Part A:

*That the first sentence of new Rule 20(i) be amended to read:*

Each member present, whether Representative, Additional, Life, Alternate, or Ex-officio, shall have one vote.

Roger Bailey then proposed on behalf of the Administrative Committee:

*That Rule 3(ii) be amended to read:*

Additional Members, not exceeding 18 in number, elected by the Council;

*That Rule 5(ii) be amended to read:*

No Representative Member shall be eligible as an Additional Member.

*That the second sentence of Rule 5(iv) be amended to read:*

An Alternate Member may not be elected an independent examiner, nor be appointed to a committee of the Council; neither shall an Alternate be entitled to membership of The Ringing World Limited or The Ringing Foundation Limited, nor to give notice of motion in accordance with Rule 18.

*That Rule 6 be amended to read:*

### Additional Members

(i) Additional Members shall consist of those who possess knowledge or skills needed by the Council. They shall be elected for three years and shall be eligible for re-election (retirement and election taking effect as from the end of the annual meeting). An Additional Member who is elected a Representative or Life Member, or becomes an Ex-officio Member, shall immediately cease to be an Additional Member. Election shall be by ballot at an annual meeting of the Council and require the vote of a majority of those present. Notwithstanding the note above concerning when the election takes effect, a new Additional Member shall be eligible for election to a committee at that meeting.

(ii) All nominations for Additional Membership shall be sent to the Honorary Secretary, signed by two Representative, Life or Ex-officio members of the Council, not less than two calendar months previous to a meeting of the Council. Such nominations shall appear on the agenda paper. Nominations shall be accompanied by a supporting statement of not more than 250 words which will be distributed to members of the Council. Supporting speeches will not be permitted at the meeting.

*That the first sentence of Rule 7(ii) be amended to read:*

All nominations for Life Membership shall be sent to the Honorary Secretary, signed by two members of the Council, not less than two calendar months previous to a meeting of the Council.

*That the existing Rule 8 be renumbered 8(i) and the following new Rule 8(ii) be added:*

The Chairman of The Ringing World Limited shall be an Ex-officio member of the Council if not already a Life or Representative Member.

*That the existing Rules 9 to 22 be renumbered 10 to 23, that the references in existing Rules 4(iii)(b), 14(i) and 22 to "Rule 9," "Rule 22" and "Rule 17" be changed to "Rule 10," "Rule 23" and "Rule 18" respectively and the following new Rule 9 be added:*

### The Ringing Foundation Limited

9. (i) All members of the Central Council as shall from time to time consent in writing shall be members of The Ringing Foundation Limited.

(ii) The Chairman of The Ringing Foundation Limited shall be an Ex-officio member of the Council if not already a Life or Representative Member.

*That the second sentence of new rule 12(i) be amended to read:*

In the event of the President, Vice-President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Assistant Secretary or Honorary Treasurer vacating office before the expiry of the three years, the remaining officers shall have the power to make a temporary appointment to fill the vacancy until the ensuing meeting, which meeting shall elect a replacement for the remainder of the period.

*That new Rule 12(ii) be amended to read:*

The President, Vice-President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Assistant Secretary and Honorary Treasurer shall be Ex-officio members of the Council if not already Life or Representative Members.

*That new Rule 13 be renumbered Rule 13(i) and the third sentence be amended to read:*

In the event of a Steward vacating office before the expiration of the three years, the ensuing meeting shall appoint a replacement for the remainder of the period.

*That the following new Rule 13(ii) be added:*

The Stewards shall be Ex-officio members of the Council if not already Life or Representative Members.

*That the following be added to new Rule 15(iii):*

(e) The Chairman of The Ringing Foundation Limited.

(B) At the end of the annual meeting any Honorary Members who are not Stewards, the Chairman of The Ringing World Limited or the Chairman of The Ringing Foundation Limited

*shall become Additional Members and shall retire three years after they were last elected Honorary Members.*

Roger recalled the motion on Honorary Members proposed in 2009: there had been some difficulties with the motion but Council members had felt strongly on the issue. However, the Council needed specialist knowledge and Roger listed some of the skills required. The current motion renamed Honorary Members as Additional Members, reduced the maximum number from 24 to 18 as the Stewards became ex-officio members, and introduced an advance nomination procedure. David Sparling, seconding, drew attention to the direct election of Stewards which both removed the existing cumbersome two-stage process and recognised the importance of their rôles. He trusted that the Motion addressed the concerns of those who supported the 2009 motion and would prove a useful step in the Council's continuing modernisation process. In response to a query from Chris Rogers on the proposed new Rule 12(i), the President stated that similar wording was used in the proposed new Rule 13(i); the term "replacement" was used instead of "member" in order to avoid any ambiguity.

The Motion was carried nem con.

Laith Reynolds, proposer of the 2009 motion, stated that the intention of his earlier motion had been to trigger a discussion on these important aspects of the Council's constitution. He recognised the Council's need for expertise and welcomed adoption of the Motion.

### 13. Committee Reports

*(The reports were published in The Ringing World Supplement of 30th April 2010. The relevant page numbers are shown against each report).*

#### (a) Administrative (p446)

Adoption of the report was proposed by the Hon Secretary, who thanked Robert Lewis and *The Ringing World* staff for their assistance in producing an excellent Supplement. She drew attention to the revised wording of the Guidance in managing actual, potential or perceptions of conflicts of interest and noted the significant changes from the 2009 version. Mike Winterbourne seconded and adoption of the report was agreed.

Michael Church, Angela Newing, Derek Sibson and David Sparling retired. The following four members were proposed, seconded and elected to fill the 4 vacancies on the Committee: John Cater, Michael Church, Angela Newing and Derek Sibson. David Sparling declined to stand.

#### (b) Biographies (pp446-447)

Adoption of the report was proposed by Pat Halls, who noted that the last name in the list of those members and former members who died in 2009 should read Lionel Barrington Ward. John Harrison seconded. Roger Bailey requested an update on the Committee's plans to move to a less paper-based system; Pat acknowledged the assistance of the ICT Committee and confirmed that work on this was in progress. Adoption of the report was then agreed.

Hilary Aslett (co-opted), Jenny Lawrence, David Stanworth and Kathryn Tucker retired. Jenny Lawrence, David Stanworth and Kathryn

Tucker were not seeking re-election. There were 3 vacancies on the Committee: the following two members were proposed, seconded and elected: Hilary Aslett and Judith Rogers. One vacancy was unfilled.

#### (c) Compositions (p447)

In proposing adoption of the report, Paul Flavell thanked those retiring from the Committee for their work. Richard Allton seconded and adoption of the report was agreed.

Robin Hall, Philip Saddleton and Simon Woof retired. Robin Hall was no longer a member of Council. Simon Woof was not seeking re-election. There were 3 vacancies on the Committee: the following two members were proposed, seconded and elected: Philip Saddleton and Paul Seaman. One vacancy was unfilled.

#### (d) Education (p448)

Adoption of the report was proposed by Catherine Lewis. Geoff Horritt seconded and adoption of the report was agreed.

Claire Bell, Peter Dale, Gill Hughes (co-opted), Simon Linford and Jan Wyatt retired. Seven candidates were proposed and seconded to fill the 5 vacancies on the Committee. After a ballot the following were declared elected: Claire Bell, Peter Dale, Sue Faull, Gill Hughes and Simon Linford. The unsuccessful candidates were James Blackburn and Jan Wyatt.

#### (e) Information and Communications Technology (pp448-449)

Adoption of the report was proposed by Mike Chester. Peter Trotman seconded and adoption of the report was agreed.

Alan Chantler and Mike Chester retired. There were 4 vacancies on the Committee: the following three members were proposed, seconded and elected: Alan Chantler, Mike Chester and Leigh Simpson. One vacancy was unfilled.

#### (f) Library (p449)

Stella Bianco proposed adoption of the report and drew attention to the DVD of early *Ringing Worlds*, on sale that day, and to the forthcoming publication of Cyril Wratten's collection of eighteenth century newspaper articles. She encouraged support for the Friends of the Library scheme; friends received a discount on the price of the DVD. John Eisel seconded. Roger Bailey welcomed the online obituaries index and asked if the *Ringing World* DVD was suitable for use on Mac computers, as the *Bell News* DVD was not compatible with these computers. Stella replied that the data on the new DVD was in pdf format and that no further work was planned on the *Bell News* DVD. George Dawson deplored the potential disposal of the duplicate set of *The Ringing World*. Stella Bianco responded that this disposal had not yet taken place; she added that accommodation was a problem and that it was undesirable that both sets should be housed in the same location. Ian Oram corrected the spelling of Margery Wratten's name (p449, column 2, line 1). Adoption of the report was then agreed.

Stella Bianco retired and Jean Sanderson had died. The following two members were proposed, seconded and elected to fill the 2 vacancies on the Committee: Stella Bianco and Alison Hodge. Alan Ellis declined to stand but

would be happy to continue to assist the Committee.

#### (g) Methods (pp449-450)

Adoption of the report was proposed by Peter Niblett and seconded by Richard Edwards. Peter added that the Committee was preparing a revised version of its paper on method extensions. Michael Wilby asked the Committee to consider changes to the Decisions to allow the 5040 of Grandsire Variable Treble Triples rung for the St Martin's Guild on 24 November 2009 to be accepted as a peal. Peter agreed that the Committee would consider this. Adoption of the report was then agreed.

Peter Niblett and Robin Woolley retired. There were 3 vacancies on the Committee: the following two members were proposed, seconded and elected: Peter Niblett and Robin Woolley. One vacancy was unfilled.

#### (h) Peal Records (pp450-453)

Adoption of the report was proposed by Phillip Barnes, who noted that several peals rung during 2009 were published late; the revised total was 5047, increasing the tower bell total to 4276 and the handbell total to 771. Phillip noted discrepancies in the figures for the peal total for the Guild of Devonshire Ringers compiled by the Committee and the Guild: it appeared that a number of peals had appeared on Campanophile and may be included in the Felstead database but had not been published in *The Ringing World*. Andrew Craddock was thanked for his work on the Felstead database. Alan Baldock seconded. George Dawson stated that there appeared to be some confusion between Willoughby on the Wolds and the Willoughby campanile; he believed that the correct peal total for Willoughby on the Wolds was nine. Phillip Barnes clarified, in response to a question from Bill Butler on the peal total for the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, that the Committee used the peals published in *The Ringing World* as its source. Frank Blagrove questioned whether the 5040 Grandsire Variable Treble Triples could be classed as a peal of Original Triples and thereby included in the analysis. Stephanie Warboys suggested that this be left to the Methods Committee to review. Adoption of the report was agreed.

Phillip Barnes, Ben Duke and Mike Trimm retired and were not seeking re-election. The following member was proposed, seconded and elected: Derek Sibson. One vacancy was unfilled.

#### (i) Public Relations (pp453-455)

Adoption of the report was proposed by Neil Donovan and seconded by Michael Orme. Ernie Runciman queried the international reports: should the Isle of Man be included? Julia Lysaght added that the Irish Association included both the north, part of the United Kingdom, and the Republic. Andrew Apsland queried the phrase "Devon Style Call Change ringing": was this in fact Devon call changes? Neil replied that any territory could submit copy for the international reports to Bruce Butler although the final decision on publication rested with the Editor of *The Ringing World*. Michael Orme, liaison member of the Committee for the Bells on Sunday programme, replied that descriptions of ringing had to be suitable for the general programme audience. Adoption of the report was then agreed.



Bruce Butler, Christopher O'Mahony and Stephanie Warboys retired. Chris Darvill had resigned. There were 5 vacancies on the Committee: the following members were proposed, seconded and elected: Barrie Dove and Bruce Butler. Three vacancies were unfilled.

**(j) Publications (pp455-456)**

John Couperthwaite proposed adoption of the report and drew attention to the two new titles available: *Teaching Tips* and *The New Ringer's Book*. The report was seconded by Derek Jones. Derek Sibson asked if volume 2 of the *History of Change Ringing* would be reprinted and if there were any plans for the fourth volume. John Couperthwaite replied that volume 2 would only be reprinted if there were sufficient demand and that the next volume depended on an author or editor with the time for such a project. Adoption of the report was agreed.

Derek Jones and Beryl Norris retired. These two members were proposed, seconded and elected to fill the 2 vacancies on the Committee.

**(k) Redundant Bells (pp455-456)**

Adoption of the report was proposed by Bob Cooles, seconded by Alan Frost and agreed.

John Baldwin and Robert Cooles retired. These two members were proposed, seconded and elected to fill the 2 vacancies on the Committee.

**(l) Ringing Centres (p457)**

Adoption of the report was proposed by Norman Mattingley, who thanked Christine Baldock for her work as Secretary of the Committee. Norman stated that no valid applications for the Young Persons Award had been received; however, the Committee is in contact with the Founders Company who remain supportive. Leslie Boyce, seconding, drew attention to the news sheet placed on the seats and to the forthcoming regional seminars for ringing centres advertised in this. Adoption of the report was then agreed.

Christine Baldock, Roger Booth and Janet Edwards (co-opted) retired. The following three members were proposed, seconded and elected: Roger Booth, Janet Edwards and Pip Penney. Two vacancies were unfilled.

**(m) Ringing Trends (pp457-459)**

In proposing adoption of the report, Beryl Norris drew attention to a new chart, displayed for members, showing that the majority of Council members were aged over 50. Stephen Elwell-Sutton seconded. Phillip Barnes commented that he had always been one of the younger members and that it was now time to seek answers. His view was supported by Barry Peachey, who, in his final speech as a Council member, stated that ringing currently shared the problems of Church of England congregations, and by Roger Bailey, who suggested that the Committee should be wound up and a Committee for Ringing established in its place. Peter Bennett pointed out that the Committee had been set up to ascertain the trends and to provide information to be used by Council committees and ringing societies; these should be criticised, not the Ringing Trends Committee. Andrew Wilby said that at the time this committee was formed many Council members were "in denial" about the decline of

ringing. The committee had done important work in establishing that as fact and should continue its monitoring work into the future. It will always fall to local associations and tower captains to deliver solutions at grass roots level. Andrew proposed that the matter be referred to the Administrative Committee's October meeting to consider how we can now address the crisis and work to attract more young learners. Roger Bailey seconded. The proposal was supported by Stephanie Warboys, company secretary of The Ringing Foundation; by Bill Hibbert, who urged the Council to increase its support for local branches and towers to help them deal with these recruitment and retention issues; and by Pip Penney, who suggested that a more radical approach was now needed as past measures were no longer effective. The proposal was carried. Angela Newing suggested that societies submit information on the ways in which they recruit and retain young ringers so that a list of ideas could be maintained. Don Roberts pointed out that Figure 1 (p458) showed some improvement; Derek Jones added that book sales were also encouraging. Beryl Norris thanked members for their contributions and reiterated that the Committee's rôle is to monitor the situation and that other committees and ringing societies should use this information. Adoption of the report was then agreed.

Alison Hodge retired. Andrew Wilby and the Vice-President both urged members to assist the work of this Committee, with the Vice-President stressing that a key purpose of being a Council member is to undertake work for the Council. The following members were then proposed, seconded and elected: John Cater, Ashley Fortey, Alison Hodge and Tim Pett.

**(n) Towers and Belfries (pp459-460)**

Adoption of the report was proposed by James Clarke, who confirmed that the second sound control seminar would be held at St Giles, Holborn, on 25th September, and seconded by Chris Povey. Richard Edwards asked about delays in the supply of new bell ropes. James responded that the Committee was concerned at the lack of competition and delays of over 12 months; some potential alternative suppliers are experimenting with rope production. George Dawson added that Ellis & Pritchards had a full order book but would assist towers with urgent orders if possible. Adoption of the report was agreed.

James Clarke, Adrian Dempster, Alan Frost, Andrew Preston and Adrian Semken retired. Roland Backhurst, James Clarke, Alan Frost, Andrew Preston and Adrian Semken were proposed, seconded and elected to fill the 5 vacancies on the Committee.

**(o) Tower Stewardship (p460)**

Christopher O'Mahony, in proposing adoption of the report, referred to the Committee's wide remit. He thanked Chris Mew for his work on child protection issues and active liaison with both the House of Bishops and the Home Office; the latest update note was available on the Committee's web pages. He also thanked Janet Edwards for her work for the Committee. Robert Wood seconded and adoption of the report was agreed.

Christopher O'Mahony and Janet Edwards retired. Janet Edwards was not seeking re-

election. The following members were proposed, seconded and elected to fill the 2 vacancies on the Committee: Christopher O'Mahony and David Salter.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.45 p.m. and resumed, after the Annual Meeting of The Ringing World Limited, at 3.30 p.m.

**(p) Bell Restoration (pp460-461)**

Proposing adoption of the report, Robin Shipp referred to the recent grant awards (*The Ringing World*, p515) and added that grants from the Fred Dukes Fund had been offered to Kimberley, South Africa, and Bunbury, Western Australia. He noted that the Committee had awarded grants totalling £100,000 since 2001. Robin confirmed that training bands was seen as an integral part of any restoration project. Peter Wilkinson seconded and thanked Peter Trotman and the ICT Committee for their assistance with updating the Committee's web pages. Chris Rogers, Guildford Diocesan Guild, asked if other guilds had experienced major increases in the costs of their personal accident insurance policies, which covered members working as volunteers on bell restoration projects. The Vice-President suggested that guild officers contact her or Chris Rogers about this directly. Adoption of the report was then agreed. Jay Bunyan (co-opted) and Ian Oram retired. Laith Reynolds had resigned and Carol Hardwick had died. There were 4 vacancies on the Committee: these three members were proposed, seconded and elected: Frank Beech, Jay Bunyan and Ian Oram. One vacancy was unfilled.

The President thanked all committee members for their work for the Council, especially those not standing for re-election.

## 14. Report of the Stewards of the Carter Ringing Machine Collection

(RW 30th April 2010, p461)

(a) Adoption of the report was proposed by Alan Berry, seconded by Andrew Wilby and agreed.

(b) Appointment of Steward for 2010-11: Alan Berry referred to his statement proposing Bill Purvis as an Honorary Member; Bill demonstrated the machine during the open day at John Taylor & Co on Sunday 30th May and met many members of Council then. The President declared him elected.

## 15. Report of the Steward of the Rolls of Honour

(RW 30th April 2010, p462)

In proposing the report for adoption, Alan Regin stated that there were currently over 60 names to add to the Great War memorial book and 6 to add to that for the Second World War. He thanked the many people who had assisted with research and invited further assistance in identifying fallen ringers from tower memorials and other sources. Alan had received advice from bookbinders who recommended that pages should not be added to the Great War volume; he therefore proposed that a similar volume be commissioned and funded by contributions from towers and ringers so that additional names could be commemorated in



the same way as in the past. Laith Reynolds seconded. George Dawson suggested that the Council proceed with the purchase of an additional volume and fundraise for this later, while Jenny Lawrence welcomed the proposal to seek funds from guilds and towers and thereby give ringers throughout the country a sense of ownership. Alison Hodge suggested that guild libraries could be a useful additional source of information. Adoption of the report was then agreed.

## 16. Report of the Stewards of the Dove Database

(RW 30th April 2010, p462)

Adoption of the report was proposed by Tim Jackson, who noted that half the entries have been updated since the last printed edition. Similar numerous changes have also been made to the proto-National Bell Register. Tim encouraged members to continue to submit revised information for *Dove*, the Register and the bell frame database. Michael Williams seconded. George Dawson asked about the policy for listing foreign towers in the forthcoming 10th printed edition; Tim Jackson undertook to review this. Adoption of the report was agreed.

## 17. Central Council Rescue Fund for Redundant Bells (Registered Charity no. 278816)

### Report and Accounts

(RW 30th April 2010, p463)

In proposing adoption of the report and accounts, Bob Cooles confirmed that the outstanding loans to parishes, including Northampton, had now been repaid and individual loans repaid to ringers. He thanked ringers for their expressions of support for the proposed transfer of the bells from Hanley to Stone. Robert Lewis seconded. In reply to Roger Bailey, Bob Cooles stated that the old Northampton bells no longer exist as a ring of eight. Laith Reynolds quoted from the Committee's current terms of reference and suggested that these should be revised to allow for the transfer of bells to secular towers; Bob agreed that such a change might be consistent with charitable status if public benefit could be demonstrated. David Kelly clarified the position on the transfer of bells from Cradley (not Cradwell) Heath: three of these bells were passed on to St John the Divine, Merton, and not the Highfield bells as printed in the report. Simon Linford informed members that he hoped for a successful outcome to the Hanley planning appeal. Adoption of the report and accounts was agreed.

## 18. Future meetings

The President reminded members that invitations had been accepted for future years as follows:

- 2011 – Hereford Diocesan Guild
- 2012 – Chester Diocesan Guild
- 2013 – Guildford Diocesan Guild
- 2014 – Kent County Association

An invitation had been received from the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild for 2016; the meeting agreed that this should be accepted.

The President reminded Council that an invitation for 2015 would be welcomed and suggested that any society with a significant anniversary that year should consider inviting the Council to its area.

Jane Mason outlined plans for the visit of the Council to Hereford in 2011.

## Attendance

The Hon Secretary reported on attendance at the meeting as set out in the table below and thanked Stephen Franklin for compiling the attendance records.

## 19. Other Business

(a) The President sought agreement for the ballot papers to be destroyed and this was given.

(b) The Hon Secretary reminded members to return badges or badge holders.

(c) Any member wishing to order polo or sweat shirts with the commemorative logo should contact Gill Hughes.

(d) Tim Pett, trustee of the Sharpe Collection, informed members that the Pitt Rivers Museum wished the collection to be moved. He expected accommodation for this and other such bell collections to become more difficult in future and invited members to contact him directly to discuss this further.

(e) Frank Beech thanked members for their support for the proposed transfer of the Hanley bells to Stone.

(f) Ashley Fortey invited support for the bell and tower restoration project at Yarkhill, the birthplace of Fabian Stedman.

(g) Stephen Pettman urged the Methods Committee to review the Decision on the naming of Minor methods; he had rung a block of 1440 of a new method but this had not been accepted as it was not an extent.

## Votes of Thanks

The President moved a comprehensive vote of thanks to all those involved in the Council's visit to Derby: to the organising committee of the Derby Diocesan Association: Pat Halls, Jane Boden, John Cater, Andrew Hall, Gill Hughes, Emma Humphrey, Don Jones, Hazel Jones and Ian Sterritt; and to all the members of the Association who had willingly given assistance on the Help Desk, at that day's

meeting and throughout the weekend, provided stewards for the tours and acted as tellers and microphone operatives that day; to the Bishop of Derby, the Right Reverend Alastair Redfern, for his welcome to the Diocese; to the Reverend Dr John Davies for the Songs of Praise service the previous afternoon in Melbourne; to all those involved in the organisation of the Sunday evening Reception and Dinner and especially the Mayor of Derby, Councillor Amar Nath, and the Chairman of the County Council, Councillor Robin Baldry, for their welcome; to the Vicar of St Andrew with St Osmund, the Reverend Canon Donald Macdonald, for the service of Holy Communion that morning; to the Chairman, Nicholas Smith, for the visit to Smith of Derby on Friday; to the Directors and Staff for the visit to John Taylor & Co on Sunday; to the staff of the Derby Conference Centre; and to the incumbents and ringers of the churches who had made their bells available to Council members (applause).

The President thanked all members, and particularly those retiring at the end of this triennium, for their support during this meeting and throughout the year. He stated that, on the conclusion of this meeting, all Honorary Members who were Stewards would become Ex-officio members and all other Honorary Members would become Additional Members with their terms expiring three years after they were last elected.

Harold Rogers thanked the President and officers for their work during the year and for the conduct of the meeting.

The President declared the meeting closed at 4.16 p.m.

## Summary of Attendance

	Members		
	Societies Present		Absent
Fully represented	48	146	–
Partly represented	13	35	11
Not represented	5	–	7
	66	181	18
Life Members		4	2
Honorary Members		18	0
Ex-officio		1	
		204	20



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## Central Council of Church Bell Ringers



### Annual Report for 2010

1. The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers ('the Council') was founded in 1891 and is a registered charity, no. 270036. Its address is that of its Honorary Secretary for the time being, namely 11 Bullfields, Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire, CM21 9DB. The constitution and conduct of the Council is governed by its Rules.

2. The Council's Trustees during 2010 were as follows:

President	Mr A P Smith
Vice-President	Mrs K Flavell
Hon Secretary	Mrs M Bone
Hon Treasurer	Mr D Harbottle

3. The Council's bankers are Lloyds TSB, Westminster House Branch, Dean Stanley Street, London, SW1P 3HU. Its Independent Examiners are Mr J D Cheesman and Mr R J Wallis.

4. At the close of the Annual General Meeting on 31st May 2010 the Council's membership comprised 6 Life Members, 18 Honorary Members and 199 Representative Members representing 66 affiliated societies. At this meeting Rule 6 on Honorary Members was amended: this category of membership was renamed Additional Member and an advance nomination procedure was introduced. Rule 13(ii) was added such that any Steward who is not already a Life or Representative Member shall become an Ex-officio Member. Since then 6 Additional Members have retired and 3 who had been elected at that meeting took office; there are 7 ex-officio Members. Details of the changes to the Representative Membership are set out in the Appendix below. Subject to any further changes, at the start of the 2011 Council meeting there will be 6 Life Members, 11 Additional Members, 193 Representative Members and 7 ex-officio Members. There are 7 other vacancies.

5. The Object of the Council is to promote and foster the ringing of bells for Christian prayer, worship and celebration and in furtherance thereof:

- (i) To promote awareness of and educate the general public in the ringing of church bells and the art of change ringing;
- (ii) To make available advice, assistance and information to church authorities, ringers and ringing societies and to promote good practice on all matters concerned with bells and bell ringing;
- (iii) To encourage development of the art of ringing through innovation;
- (iv) To bring together ringers to discuss matters of common interest and to represent ringers both nationally and internationally;

- (v) To encourage high standards of performance in ringing;
- (vi) To recommend technical standards in change ringing and maintain such records as may be necessary to uphold these standards;
- (vii) To assist in the provision, restoration, maintenance and transfer of church bells.

6. The work of the Council in pursuing this object is for the most part carried out by its sixteen committees and by working groups appointed by them. Summaries of their activities during 2010 are given in the committee reports, which appear elsewhere on the Council's agenda and are being published in the 29th April 2011 issue of *The Ringing World*.

7. The public benefits from the following areas of activity of the Council: the promotion of public worship by the ringing of church bells, the preservation of the tradition and heritage of change ringing, the encouragement and promotion of high standards of ringing and providing financial and specialist knowledge in the support of belfry repairs and maintenance.

8. The Accounts for 2010 show Total Funds at the year-end of £392,508 of which £213,407 is in Restricted Funds. The income for the year totalled £56,619, compared with £20,009 in 2009. The 2010 figures include a legacy for the Bell Restoration Fund and sales of new publications and CDs in the Publications Fund and Library Fund. The General Fund expenditure includes the agreed funding of £10,000 to The Ringing Foundation Limited. The Trustees have the power to invest money and adopt such measures as seem to them necessary in the interest of the Council. They do not have any power to borrow money.

9. It is confirmed that the Council's assets, together with the expected income for 2011, are available and are likely to be adequate to fulfil the object of the Council in that year.

#### 10. Reserves policy:

- (i) General Fund – the balance on the General Fund is invested to produce income which, together with member societies affiliation fees, provides sufficient funds to support the work and activities of the Council. The balance also facilitates cash flow and enables the development of new projects and initiatives.
- (ii) Education Courses – the balance provides cash flow to enable the Education Committee to run various training courses; in general the costs are recouped from attendees.
- (iii) Bell Restoration Fund – the balance is fully allocated to bell restoration projects and paid on satisfactory completion of the work. Grants are made in proportion

to the types of applications received and in accordance with priorities agreed by the Council and reviewed annually.

- (iv) F Dukes International Bell Fund – Grants from the Fred Dukes International Bell Fund are made in accordance with the terms of Mr Dukes' legacy. Grants are awarded from the interest on the legacy and reviewed annually.
- (v) Publications Fund – the balance represents the stock of publications held and a cash balance to facilitate the production of new titles and the reprinting of existing publications.
- (vi) Library Fund – the balance represents the value of the library which is maintained for use by council members and affiliated societies.

11. Funds are invested in low risk investments and bank accounts. The need for regular income from investments is considered important to support the work of the Council.

12. No significant fund-raising activity has been carried out during the year.

13. The Council had no employees during the year. All of its work is carried out on a voluntary basis.

MRS M BONE  
Honorary Secretary

April 2011

### Appendix

#### Membership of the Council 2011 - 2014

Arising from the triennial elections of Representative Members by the affiliated societies, the Middlesex County Association & London Diocesan Guild has increased its representation by one, while the Dorset County Association has two fewer members and the Zimbabwe Guild is no longer affiliated. Of the 193 Representative Members, 143 (74%) were members of the previous Council (of whom three are representing a different society) and 50 are new members (of whom nine have been members at some time in the past).

57 Representative Members of the previous Council are not returning. Special mention should be made of those who had been members for more than 15 years: Alison Caton (Ladies Guild) elected 1996; Mike Davies (Ely Diocesan Association) elected 1987; Adrian Dempster (East Derbys & West Notts Association) elected 1975; Neil Donovan (Yorkshire Association) elected 1987; Peter Dyson (Chester Diocesan Guild) elected 1979; Robin Grant (Surrey Association, East Grinstead & District Guild) elected 1981, served until 1990 and re-elected 1996; Derek Jones (Peterborough Diocesan Guild) elected 1984; Keith Lewin (Bedfordshire Association) elected 1979; Julian Parker (Llandaff & Monmouth Diocesan Guild) elected 1996; Barry Peachey (National Police Guild) elected 1981; Anne Pettifor (Lancashire Association) elected 1994; Dinah Rhymer (Yorkshire Association) elected 1996; Donald Roberts (Guild of Devonshire Ringers, Honorary Member) elected 1972, served until 1984 and re-elected 1986; Adrian Semken (Essex Association) elected 1996; David Sparling (Essex Association) elected

1996; James Taylor (Gloucester & Bristol Diocesan Guild, Honorary Member, Bath & Wells Diocesan Association) elected 1966, served until 1993 and re-elected 1994; Leslie Townsend (Lincoln Diocesan Guild) elected 1984; Brian Watson (Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, Hertford County Association) elected 1972, served until 1978 and re-elected 1981; Jane Webster (South African Guild) elected 1995. Thanks are due to these, and all others not returning, for their services to the Council.

## Central Council of Church Bell Ringers Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2010

### 1 Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities.

### 2 Accounting Policies

The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the going concern, accruals, consistency and prudence concepts.

#### 2.1 Incoming resources

Interest is accounted for when receivable.

Donations, grants and legacies are accounted for as soon as the Council is notified of the legal entitlement and the amount due.

#### 2.2 Resources expended

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis.

Grants are accounted for when paid over.

### 3 Consistency

The accounts are prepared on a consistent basis with the exception of the valuation of the Library Collection.

The revaluation due in 2008, was undertaken in 2009 and the revaluation is included in the accounts for 2009, see note 6 below.

### 4 Funds

The General Fund is unrestricted and includes designated funds raised and held for a particular purpose.

The Education Courses Fund and Publications Fund are unrestricted designated funds.

The Bell Restoration Fund, the Fred Dukes International Bell Fund and the Library Fund are maintained for restricted purposes.

### 5 Transfers between Funds

There were no transfers between funds in the current year.

### 6 Tangible Assets and Intangible Assets

The major tangible assets of the Council are the Investments in National Savings Income Bonds and the Library Collection. The Library Collection is valued at a replacement cost of £105,200. The revaluation was undertaken by J M Farrington at March 2009. The policy is to revalue the collection every five years. It is being depreciated for accounting purposes at 2% per annum. An asset register is maintained for other tangible assets. The policy is to treat assets of an

individual cost up to £1,000 as fully depreciated in the year of purchase.

The major intangible asset of the Council is the copyright of Dove's Guide.

### 7 Interest receivable

The interest was received from

	2010 £	2009 £
National Savings		
Investment Bonds	2,379	1,703
Central Board of Finance of the Church of England Deposit	504	1,236
CAF Bank Limited Gold Account	69	493
Other banks	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,953</b>	<b>3,433</b>

### 8 Donations received

A legacy of £15,285 was received in 2010 and in accordance with the donor's wishes, this amount was designated to the Bell Restoration Fund.

Donations were received in respect of the proposed new volume of the Roll of Honour. This is included in the General Fund as a designated item and, together with the related gift aid, amounts to £2,584.

### 9 Committee Expenses – General Fund

These were as follows

	2010 £	2009 £
Administrative	294	837
Bell Restoration	319	243
Biographies	53	82
Education	641	820
Information and Communications	384	380
Library	426	335
Peal Records	0	83
Public Relations	386	350
Redundant Bells	0	112
Ringling Centres	101	57
Ringling Trends	236	150
Towers & Belfries	597	419
Towers & Belfries – sound control seminar	154	0
Tower Stewardship	0	245
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,591</b>	<b>4,113</b>

### 10 Grants

The Fred Dukes International Bell Fund awarded two grants totalling £3,000. One grant was paid during the year and one grant, originally awarded in 2006, was withdrawn.

Year award- ed	Unpaid 1/1/ 2010 £	Award- ed in 2010 £	Paid in 2010 £	With- drawn in 2010 £	Unpaid 31/12/ 2010 £
2006	2,750			-2,750	0
2008	3,022				3,022
2009	2,500		-2,500		0
2010		3,000			3,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,272</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>-2,500</b>	<b>-2,750</b>	<b>6,022</b>

The Bell Restoration Fund awarded twenty eight grants in 2010. Nine grants were paid in the year, including the last two grants awarded in 2004 and 2005.

Year awarded	Unpaid 1/1/2010 £	Awarded in 2010 £	Paid in 2010 £	Unpaid 31/12/2010 £
2004	800		-800	0
2005	1,400		-1,400	0
2010		27,000	-5,000	22,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>27,000</b>	<b>-7,200</b>	<b>22,000</b>

### 11 Charitable Commitments

There were unfulfilled charitable commitments at 31st December 2010 in respect of three grants totalling £6,022 awarded but not yet paid by the Fred Dukes International Bell Fund, and twenty one grants totalling £22,000 awarded but not yet paid by the Bell Restoration Fund.

### 12 Publications Fund

Storage and distribution cost of £2,100 was paid to Council members.

### 13 Payments to Trustees

There were no payments to Trustees.

### 14 Emoluments of Employees

The Council had no employees during the year.



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*'cocooh, I sees she's still ringing peals  
with wots' is name then, even after  
all that to-do' NASH*



**CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS**

Registered Charity Number 270036

**Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st December 2010**

	Note	General Fund £	Education Courses £	Bell Rest-oration Fund £	F Dukes Internat'al Bell Fund £	Public-ations Fund £	Library Fund £	Total Funds 2010 £	Total Funds 2009 £
<b>Income and Expenditure</b>									
<b>Incoming resources:</b>									
Affiliation fees		4,040						4,040	4,000
Subscriptions from Friends of Library							1,771	1,771	1,130
Interest receivable	7	2,008	1	105	732	51	56	2,953	3,433
Sales of publications, books and CDs		184				17,466	9,454	27,104	9,285
Sales of jigsaw puzzles				879				879	618
Sales of training video/dvd		129						129	58
Legacy				15,285				15,285	0
Courses and seminars		160	270				320	750	0
Stock written back						563		563	784
Donations re Roll of Honour		2,269						2,269	0
Gift aid		315						315	0
Other donations		482					79	561	701
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>9,587</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>16,269</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>18,080</b>	<b>11,680</b>	<b>56,619</b>	<b>20,009</b>
<b>Resources expended:</b>									
Council meeting		2,416						2,416	1,648
Committee expenses	9	3,591				308		3,899	4,417
Council and other committee costs						617		617	49
Courses and seminars			461				420	881	0
Cost of publications sold						10,543	7,102	17,645	5,172
PR Posters/Leaflets		1,879						1,879	0
Library maintenance							600	600	841
Grants	10			7,200	2,500			9,700	2,187
The Ringing Foundation - grant		10,000						10,000	0
Advertising						2,487	76	2,563	2,249
Storage and distribution	12					2,100		2,100	2,000
Stationery, postage & telephone		80	4			12	751	847	423
Insurance		1,849				768		2,617	2,322
Stock written off and disposed of						113		113	45
Depreciation of Library Collection							2,020	2,020	2,104
Depreciation of shelving							106	106	106
Sundry expenses		73						73	80
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>19,888</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>7,200</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>16,948</b>	<b>11,075</b>	<b>58,076</b>	<b>23,643</b>
<b>Net l/c resources before transfers</b>		<b>-10,301</b>	<b>-194</b>	<b>9,069</b>	<b>-1,768</b>	<b>1,132</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>-1,457</b>	<b>-3,634</b>
Revaluation of Library Collection									41,678
Transfers between funds								0	0
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-10,301</b>	<b>-194</b>	<b>9,069</b>	<b>-1,768</b>	<b>1,132</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>-1,457</b>	<b>38,044</b>
Balances at 1st January 2010		144,912	2,631	13,935	85,233	25,636	121,618	393,965	355,921
<b>Balances at 31st December 2010</b>		<b>134,611</b>	<b>2,437</b>	<b>23,004</b>	<b>83,465</b>	<b>26,768</b>	<b>122,223</b>	<b>392,508</b>	<b>393,965</b>

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**Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2010**

	General Fund	Education Courses	Bell Restoration Fund	F Dukes Internat'l Bell Fund	Publications Fund	Friends of Library	Total Funds 2010	Total Funds 2009
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>								
<b>Tangible assets</b>								
Investments at cost	90,000			75,310			165,310	169,461
Library Collection						101,076	101,076	103,096
Library shelving						1,378	1,378	1,484
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>90,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>75,310</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>102,454</b>	<b>267,764</b>	<b>274,041</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>								
Stock					12,592	523	13,115	11,044
Debtors and prepayments	1,347				729	646	2,722	2,745
Cash on short term deposit and at bank	55,991	2,437	23,004	8,155	14,087	18,655	122,329	107,761
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>57,338</b>	<b>2,437</b>	<b>23,004</b>	<b>8,155</b>	<b>27,408</b>	<b>19,824</b>	<b>138,166</b>	<b>121,550</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>								
Creditors								
Amounts due within one year	12,727				640	55	13,422	1,626
<b>Net current assets</b>	<b>44,611</b>	<b>2,437</b>	<b>23,004</b>	<b>8,155</b>	<b>26,768</b>	<b>19,769</b>	<b>124,744</b>	<b>119,924</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>134,611</b>	<b>2,437</b>	<b>23,004</b>	<b>83,465</b>	<b>26,768</b>	<b>122,223</b>	<b>392,508</b>	<b>393,965</b>
<b>Funds</b>								
Unrestricted	132,027						132,027	144,912
Unrestricted (designated)	2,584	2,437	15,285		26,768		47,074	28,267
Restricted			7,719	83,465		122,223	213,407	220,786
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>134,611</b>	<b>2,437</b>	<b>23,004</b>	<b>83,465</b>	<b>26,768</b>	<b>122,223</b>	<b>392,508</b>	<b>393,965</b>

Derek Harbottle  
Hon Treasurer April 2011

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General guidance and technical information within the CCCBR website at  
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- A Bells Project From First Principles, a general guide for Principal PCC Officers and their ringers.
- Clapper Notes, a technical article on design, centre of percussion, and physical testing of clappers.
- The Faculty Jurisdiction, a general guide for Principal PCC Officers and their ringers.
- Radio Aerials & Telecommunications Equipment in Church Towers, a general guide, for Principal PCC Officers and their ringers, on management issues, principles, procedures, responsibilities and actions.
- Radio Aerials & Telecommunications Equipment in Church Towers, a technical article for Principal PCC Officers and their ringers.
- Sound Management, a general guide, for Principal PCC Officers and their ringers, on principles and practice to be used in the good acoustic management of the sound of church bells, both inside the tower and outside the tower.

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## Administrative Committee

Since the 2010 Council meeting the Committee has met twice in London, in October and March. The arrangements for the 2011 Council meeting were discussed and agreed; the Committee has continued its practice of reviewing the work of Council Committees and received presentations from the Bell Restoration Committee in October and the Biographies Committee in March. In March Committee chairmen advised which members would be retiring under the provisions of rule 14 (i) and the committee sizes needed for next year. Lots were drawn for those elected members of the Administrative Committee to retire this year.

The Committee considered the following item from the 2010 Council meeting:

**Ringling Trends** - an extensive discussion on the recruitment of young ringers took place in October with contributions from representatives of the Education and Ringing Trends committees and The Ringing Foundation. Andrew Wilby, assisted by a number of others, prepared a strategy paper for further discussion at the March meeting; this was accompanied by a summary of The Ringing Foundation's business plan. A national conference will be held at Wellesbourne/Kineton on 12 November, organised by the Education Committee, to develop an action plan for a Healthy Future for Ringing. The Vice-President will actively co-ordinate the work of relevant committees, especially Education, Ringing Centres and Public Relations.

Other matters reported on included:

**Guidance for Central Council Committees** – this was revised by the Vice-President, approved by the Committee at its October meeting and subsequently placed on the website.

**Council Finances** – low interest rates continue to affect the Council's finances. After examination of the draft 2010 accounts, and comparison with previous years, the Committee identified a persistent structural deficit and therefore recommended that the affiliation fee be increased to £25 per representative. A motion appears on the agenda.

**Ringling Alliances** – the Committee recommends that a formal alliance be established with the Zimbabwe Guild, which now has too few members to remain an affiliated

society. This proposal has already been welcomed by the Zimbabwe Guild.

**Church Buildings Council (formerly Council for the Care of Churches) & English Heritage** – a meeting was held on 11 October 2010, attended also by the Committee for Redundant Bells. Matters discussed included training in bell frame recording, the next DAC bell advisers conference at Southwell Minster on 8 June, changes to the VAT recovery scheme, and changes in the conditions for recipients of English Heritage grants. The next meeting is planned for 11 April 2011.

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JAMES CLARKE (*Towers and Belfries*)  
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DEREK SIBSON  
ANDREW WILBY

## Compositions Committee

The Compositions Committee held a face to face meeting at Derby in May 2010 to set the agenda for the coming year, and is in regular electronic contact by email. We should like to welcome Paul Seaman to the committee.

The Stedman collection now consists of around 270 Stedman and Erin compositions (Caters and above) and this has been submitted to the Publications Committee. A foreword has been provided by David House.

We are still waiting for details of the Handbell Collection to be provided for publication.

Reviews of peal and quarter peal compositions regularly appear in *The Ringing World*; 66 peals and 21 quarter peals were published in *The Ringing World*. In addition, the Compositions Committee collated and published a number of 2011 date touches in *The Ringing World*.

The Compositions Committee should like to encourage all composers to submit their quarters and peals for review and publication in *The Ringing World* and the Council collection. This is to broaden the scope of the collection and to ensure that there are compositions that appeal to everybody.

The Compositions Committee submitted suggested amendments to the 2011 Diary and a number of these have been incorporated to modernise the collection and cater for current tastes. We welcome suggestions as to how to take the diary compositions forward in the future.

The on-line collection of compositions on the Central Council Website continues to be updated on a regular basis and currently stands at over 15,000 compositions.

Finally, to reiterate, we very much welcome submissions of new peal and quarter peal compositions and these should be sent to [compositions@cccbr.org.uk](mailto:compositions@cccbr.org.uk)

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PAUL SEAMAN  
PHILIP SADDLETON  
JOHN THOMPSON

## Education Committee

Since the 2010 Council meeting the Committee met on three occasions, at Wellesbourne in Warwickshire.

We were particularly busy with the Bell Control module of our Teaching the Teachers course this year, with day courses at Bletchingley (requested by some Surrey ringers), Thorverton and Silverton (for The Guild of Devonshire Ringers), Eckington and Chesterfield (an Education Committee event) and Wraxhall and Portishead (for The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association). In total there were 28 students.

In February 2011 there was a weekend course at Atlanta and Marietta (for The North American Guild). In a very intensive weekend we covered the Bell Control module, an abbreviated Raising and Lowering in Peal module, and a collection of useful ideas entitled "From one whole pull to Bell Control". There were 12 students and a number of observers and local helpers. We also



*The Administrative Committee meeting in the Georgian vestry hall of St Giles-in-the-Fields, Holborn, Central London in October 2010 (Photo by Robert Lewis)*





*Peter Dale, Geoff Horritt, Brian Sanders, Claire Bell, Simon Linford, Pip Penney, Sue Faull, Catherine Lewis, Wendy Graham and Gill Hughes at the 100th meeting of the committee in November 2010*

achieved three quarter peals, which gave people extra experience.

Responding to the Ringing Foundation's "Brief for Creating Modern Training Structure for Change Ringing", in 2009 the Committee commissioned a pilot run of the Integrated Teacher Training Scheme (ITTS). The last of the three trials was in June 2010 and, with some minor changes, a series of five further tests was conducted in October and November. In all, 65 students attended, with 33 mentors to oversee subsequent teaching practice.

Four more tutors, including three from this committee, will now continue with the testing process for ITTS Module 1, Teaching Bell Handling. Only one pilot Module 2 course has taken place to date, covering Teaching Elementary Change Ringing. A central on-line resource (Moodle) exists to monitor progress and provide course material.

To go alongside the continuing development of its courses, the Committee is producing a detailed Teaching Manual. It will embrace all the techniques for taking a non-ringer up to the stage when they are ready to learn method ringing, including such skills as raising and lowering in peal. The object is to document the step-by-step teaching sequence that is evolving from the courses, with the aim of preventing learners from developing less-than-ideal habits.

In April we began making regular first-issue-of-the-month contributions to *The Ringing World*. We would like to thank the Editor for facilitating this. They have so far been mostly "Learning: what helps, what hinders" articles. A wider variety of articles is planned as these come to an end. We are grateful to Denis Pearson for providing the cartoons.

*Conduct 5040*, our email-based initiative for individually mentoring aspiring conductors, continues to work well. The email group *Network for Ringing Training* has become more active in the past year.

Sales of *The New Ringer's Book* have topped 1000 since it was unveiled at Derby in 2010. A new publication on striking competitions is complete, but work is in hand to include with it a CD of an actual competition and discussion of the judging. Work is progressing on an update to *Simulators and Teaching*. A software review to go with it is being considered. A

publication on organising young ringers' groups is being planned, initially based on experience gained with "Kids Ring Out".

A conference for those interested in teaching ringing is planned for 12th November 2011. Based at the Wellesbourne Parish Centre in Warwickshire, it will include sessions at the nearby Kineton Ringing Centre.

The committee will continue to work on the production of wall charts comparing good and poor practice in teaching bell handling, round the table games to aid learning methods, material for teaching handbell ringing, and a collection of source copies of current educational publications.

Our thanks go to Phil Gay, John Harrison, Frank Lewis and Jan Wyatt who, although not currently on the Committee, have all helped with its work this year.

Sadly, in 2011, John Atkinson, Simon Linford and John Mabe retire from the Committee. We would like to thank them all for their contributions.

PETER DALE (*Chairman 2011*)  
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 GILL HUGHES  
 SIMON LINFORD  
 JOHN MABE  
 PIP PENNEY

## Information and Communications Technology Committee

During 2010 we have continued to maintain and grow the CCCBR website, while starting to plan for migration to a Content Management System during the new triennium, as summarised below:

### Achievements

- A new webpage was added to the Biographies Committee's section of the website linking to scanned images of their collection of 564 Biographical Records of past Council members.

## On-going work

- Routine updates and new content additions to the website, especially changes to membership data for the coming new triennium.
- Continuing to add photos and personal information to the Rolls of Honour section of the website.
- Design and planning for eventual migration of the website to the Drupal content management system.
- Maintaining the Software Catalogue.

## Future plans

- Reduce the Council's heavy reliance on two key individuals: the Server Administrator and the Webmaster, by recruiting and/or developing additional volunteers.
- Obtain and develop additional skills and resources, in particular for server administration and for conversion of the website to Drupal.

## Acknowledgements

We are grateful for the contributions of:

- Richard Allton, Claire Bell, Paul Johnston, and Stuart Piper (volunteer) for their work on the website sections of the Peal Records, Education, Library, and Biographies Committees respectively;
- Aidan Hopkins (volunteer) as Server Administrator and Peter Trotman as Webmaster; and
- Andrew Craddock, Don Morrison and Tina Stoecklin, former members of this committee, for their continuing advice and support.

MIKE CHESTER (*Chairman*)  
 ALAN CHANTLER  
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 PETER TROTMAN  
 MICHAEL WILBY

## Library Committee

In 2008, John Eisel gave three years' notice of his wish to retire as Library Steward and we are grateful to Alan Glover for agreeing to stand for election as the new Steward with effect from the Hereford Central Council meeting. We will miss John hugely after 19 years, as Steward, and on the Committee, but he assures us he will be available should we need his help. We must remember that he took over following the death of W. (Bill) Cook and all the complexities that entailed. This time we will have the luxury of a planned handover and moving the Library a shorter distance from Hereford to Worthen on the Shropshire border.

The success of Paul Johnson's work to produce the new DVD of the early Ringing Worlds 1911-1940 is shown in the large number we have sold. Our thanks go to Chris Ridley for his review in *The Ringing World*. A positive spin-off from the advertising has been more sales of the *Bell News* DVD, the two ringing periodicals CD, Trollope Manuscript CD and Library Catalogues, thus keeping the ringing fraternity alert to the work of the Library.

As a result of Cyril Wratten's many years spent compiling his research into 18C newspaper extracts, the Exercise can now

benefit from a new publication: “*Order & Disorder in the Eighteenth Century: Newspaper Extracts about Church Bells and Bell Ringing*”. This has taken John Eisel five years to complete, edit and prepare for publication (with illustrations). We thank Chris Pickford for his review in *The Ringing World*. The publication was sold out by Christmas – another success!

The Obituary Index from 1881-2000 is now accessible on the Library website via [www.cccbr.org.uk](http://www.cccbr.org.uk) and will be updated to 2007, in due course. Subsequent years are available via a link to *The Ringing World* website at [www.ringingworld.co.uk](http://www.ringingworld.co.uk)

A lively “Book Day for Ringing Booklovers” was held on 27 February 2010 at Thatcham Memorial Hall and attracted 33 people, including seven Guild/Association/Society librarians. Whilst ‘the book’ will not be totally superseded by technology, there’s no doubt ‘change’ is much in evidence. Thank you to: John Eisel, Chris Ridley (ASCY Librarian), Roger Barnes (Church Green Books), Malcolm Loveday (Guildford Guild Librarian Committee), John Harrison (Biographies Committee) and Ian Self for their presentations and John Baldwin (Sharpe Trust), David Gay, Alan Glover, Alison Hodge (W&DCR), Chris McKay (Author of “Big Ben”) and Paul Johnson for running sales tables etc.

We plan to hold another outreach event in 2013. We were pleased to welcome Alison Hodge (Worcs & Districts Librarian) onto the Committee at the May Council meeting, following her attendance at the Book Day. The committee met in February and October and will be looking for a new member in May. The terms of reference were reviewed and agreed without amendment.

John Eisel has written over 60 articles for *The Ringing World* in the last 11 years and the plan is to publish them in a single volume when he retires as Steward. John is already working on the enormous task of keying-in Cyril Wratten’s 19C newspaper extracts covering the thirty year period 1800-1829. We recognise the need to convert 78s, LPs, audio and video cassettes to DVD in the near future. We are pleased with the response to our plea for help made in *The Ringing World*, but if anyone else could assist, please let us know. Plans to sell the duplicate set of *Ringing Worlds* have been put ‘on hold’, as we consider the possibility of producing a second DVD of the next thirty years 1941-1970. We also intend to liaise more with Guild/Association/Society librarians.

We are grateful for the accessions received during the year. As well as being an archive, annual reports are a very valuable source of information and are used as much as any other section of the library. The library stock is in very good condition, and the programme of binding annual reports is as up to date as it can be.

Twenty-nine loans were made in 2010. Technology enables queries to be answered easily, as often material can be scanned into the computer and sent as an attachment.

The Library Steward’s annual Essay (No.18 in the series) on “Publications of the Central Council, prior to the First World War” accompanied the 2011 Newsletter to the Friends of the Library.

We record our thanks to the Friends for their continuing support, as without them the Library could not tackle the projects mentioned above. Ian Self is the Friends’ co-ordinator and Hon Treasurer for the library and welcomes subscriptions from new Friends and renewals.

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## Methods Committee

The Methods Committee held one face-to-face meeting, in London on 30 October, and have corresponded via an on-line mailing list during the remainder of the year.

Work continued on *The Ringing World Diary*. We have provided new diagrams and a new selection of quarter peals and touches of Grandsire Triples and Stedman Triples which appeared in the 2011 Diary, along with some new touches of Grandsire Doubles. We would like to thank Roger Bailey for helping the committee by typesetting these pages. We are now planning to complete the revision of the remaining methods pages (Doubles, Caters and Cinques), after which we anticipate there being only occasional changes in the selection of less-standard methods that are included.

We have continued to answer a regular stream of enquiries about method names, CC Decisions and other matters received on the committee’s email address: [methods@cccbr.org.uk](mailto:methods@cccbr.org.uk). Much of our work program has been taken up considering changes to the Decisions following requests made at the 2010 Council meeting, but we have also continued work on two publications: the Doubles collection and the four-way table of Minor methods. We are considering a number of possible enhancements to the committee’s website including technical articles, to help answer common questions and to stimulate a wider interest in methods and related technical topics.

Once again, we are very grateful to Tony Smith for continuing to update the on-line method collections at [www.methods.org.uk](http://www.methods.org.uk). These provide an invaluable resource for ringers and Tony updates them on a weekly basis.

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## Peal Records Committee

During the last year we have continued our three main duties of the Peals Analysis, the recording of record length peals and peals in new methods together with maintenance of the Felstead database. We have met briefly at the Derby meeting, held conference calls, and one face to face meeting. Graham Duke was co-opted as he found himself returned to the Council, and could therefore carry on with the work.

## The Peals Analysis

We have recorded a total of 4,937 peals rung in 2010 and published in *The Ringing World* up to 4th March, of which 4,200 were on tower bells and 737 on handbells. The revised total for 2009 was 5,064 – making a net reduction of 127. Full details are included in the methods table that accompanies this report. The Oxford Diocesan Guild has once again become the leading society with 377 peals (an increase from 324 in 2009). The Chester Diocesan Guild rang the most handbell peals with 93. Eighteen societies rang 100 or more peals in 2010 compared with 15 in 2009. Please see the separate table for details of peals rung for individual societies.

At this point we believe that there are at least 15 performances from 2010 that have not yet been published in *The Ringing World*. We would encourage the bands to ensure that these are published soon, so that they can be included in next year’s adjustment for 2010.

## Record Peals

Although there were a number of peals of over 10,000 changes in 2010, there were only three record peals, which are detailed in the Records table below.

## Peals not complying with the Decisions on Peal Ringing

We have identified the following performances published in *The Ringing World* as peals that do not comply with Decision D (Parts A-D) relating to peal ringing. These have not been included in the totals below:

21 April: Hurstpierpoint, Sussex, the Whickham Ring, 5088 Yorkshire S Major – was rung on dumbbells using a simulator.

29 May: Staunton-on-Arrow, St Peter, 5040 Spliced Plain Minor in 42 methods – includes methods that do not comply with Decision A.1.f requiring no more than four consecutive blows in the same place.

## Methods and change on year

The accompanying table incorporates a summary of the more popular methods with an analysis of the year on year change in the numbers of peals rung on each number of bells. All individual methods where 15 or more peals were rung in 2010 are included. An ‘Other’ category is included for completeness.

A total of 235 methods were rung to peals for the first time in 2010 (13 of these were rung in hand). A further 9 methods that had been rung previously on tower bells were rung in hand for the first time, and one on tower bells that had previously been rung in hand.

A list of the new methods and when they were rung is included alongside our report.

## Towers

The following 77 towers had 10 or more peals in 2010: (78 in 2009):

- 50 Thorverton
- 49 Meldreth
- 43 Leeds, W Yorks (St Anne)
- 42 City of London  
(St Magnus, Lower Thames Street)
- 38 Huntsam
- 33 Oxford (St Thomas)



- 30 Birmingham (Cathedral)  
 29 Bishopstoke, Milton  
 28 Marston Bigot (Pig le Tower)  
 27 Rotherham (All Saints)  
 25 Burnley (St Peter),  
 Ipswich (Old Stoke, The Wolery)  
 23 Leicester (St Mary de Castro),  
 Maidstone (All Saints),  
 Maidstone (St Michael), Shoreditch  
 22 Burghill, Keele (Woodlands)  
 20 New York, Sheffield (Dore)  
 19 Awbridge (Clock House Bells),  
 Barnsley (S Yorks), Belper  
 18 Lundy Island,  
 Dordrecht ('t Klockhuys)  
 17 Chilcompton (St John), Northallerton  
 16 Birmingham (St Paul),  
 Cambridge (St Mary),  
 Isleworth, Thatcham  
 15 Barrow Gurney, East Ilsley,  
 Newcastle upon Tyne (St John)  
 14 Amersham, Croydon, South Croydon,  
 Southampton (Bitterne Park), Terling  
 13 Bishopsteignton (Bishops Ting Tong),  
 Blackburn (Cathedral), Campton,  
 East Huntspill (Little Orchard Tower),  
 Farnworth and Kearsley,  
 Rothwell (Nhants), Spitalfields,  
 Whitley Bay, Willesden,  
 Withycombe Raleigh, York (St Lawrence)  
 12 Bushey, Grundsburg,  
 Hanbury (Worcs), Mavesyn Ridware,  
 Newcastle upon Tyne (Cathedral),  
 Oxford (St Mary Magdalen),  
 Saltby, Trumpington,  
 11 Burton Latimer, Henlow,  
 City of London  
 (St Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside),  
 Portsmouth (Cathedral),  
 Windsor (St John), Worsley  
 10 Aldeburgh,  
 Church Lawford (The Plantagenet Ring),  
 Clifton (Notts, St Mary), Harborne,  
 Hexham, Holybourne,  
 Middleton (Gtr Man), Northfield,  
 Pinhoe, Shepton Beauchamp,  
 Sproxtton, Swindon (St Mark), Walworth

There were also 26 handbell venues where ten or more peals were rung during the year.

### First pealers and firsts as conductor

We have noted 149 people who rang their first peal in 2010 (186 in 2009) and 32 firsts as conductor (41 in 2009). We congratulate all those involved in these performances, particularly where several firsts were included in one peal.

These statistics have been generated by Andrew Craddock from *Pealbase* and we would like to acknowledge his excellent work in providing the information and adding an additional search facility to *Pealbase* in the process. The data for first as conductor is based on the counts of peals where the string 'First as conductor' or 'First peal as conductor' occurs in the peal footnotes and lists ringers who apparently have not called a peal in the years prior to 2009-2010.

The number of ringers ringing their first peal has been consistently below 200 since 2004. Prior to this, the number of first pealers had been consistently above 200 since 1957 with a high of 851 in 1977. This appears to be showing a continuing downward trend whereas the number of first conductors has been relatively stable since 2000 – see table at foot of page.

### Corrections to the 2009 Analysis

There are a number of alterations to the 2009 Analysis due to late publication as detailed below.

Corrections relate to tower bells except where specified.

ASCY	Royal +1
Bath and Wells	Doubles +1, Minor +1, Major +2, Royal +1
Birmingham University	Royal +1
Cambridge University	Major +1
Chester	Royal (hand) +1
Devonshire Guild	Minor +1, Major +6, Royal +2, Maximus +2
Hertford County	Minor +1
Leicester	Royal +1
Lincoln	Minor (hand) +1
North American	Major +1
Oxford Guild	Minor +1
Peterborough	Minor +1
Transvaal Society	Triples +1
Truro	Triples +1
Yorkshire	Royal -1
Non-Association	Major +2, Royal +1
Non-Affiliated	Major +1

The amended methods analysis for 2009 is shown in the 2010 methods table, which forms part of this report. Revised totals for 2009 are: tower bells 4,291, handbells 773, total 5,064.

### The Felstead Project

Work on maintaining the accuracy of the Felstead database has continued during the year. Andrew Craddock is responsible for all peal data post-1989 and downloads the data regularly from the *Ringling World* and *Campanophile* websites for all new peals rung; the committee is grateful for his doing this work. Alan Baldock looks after the data for all pre-1990 peals and arrangements have recently been put in place for him to enter the data directly on to the database without having to send it to Andrew Craddock for uploading; thanks are due to Peter Trotman and Andrew for enabling this procedure.

There are many instances of inaccuracy on the database where the name of the method does not appear in the Council's record of method names. The most common reason for this is that the name had to be changed after being published and either no correction was published or a correction was not picked up and the record card changed. There are also a number of peals, which have been found to be false, still appearing on the database as valid. Work is on-going to correct the inaccuracies in these areas but it is quite a lengthy task sometimes requiring a number of enquiries being made before the correct status of a peal is discovered.

We continue to receive notification from various ringers of some previously unrecorded or inaccurately recorded peals and the committee is grateful to all who have contributed in any way to the accuracy of the data. John Eisel has continued to be of great help in answering queries by reference to the material in the library. His on-going work with the extracts from eighteenth and nineteenth century newspapers has also enabled a considerable number of previously unrecorded peals to be added to the database.

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### First peals in methods rung on Tower Bells

January		
1	5088 Berrier S Major	Hereford DG
1	5056 Lachlan Macquarie S Major	ANZAB
1	5152 Tideswell S Major	Yorkshire A
2	5012 Plantagenet A Major	Peterboro DG
2	5056 Janetstown S Major	Glos & Bris DA
2	5024 Fordington S Major	SRCY
2	5040 Wingrave A Major	Oxford DG
12	5040 Ashmansworth S Royal	Oxford DG
13	5056 Snowdrift S Major	Yorkshire A
16	5056 Farleigh Green S Major	Kent CA
16	5040 Fratton Park S Royal	Kent CA
16	5040 LUSCR D Royal	LUSCR
21	5056 Zenzizenzizenc D Major	Dorset CA
22	5088 Allan S Major	D&N DA
22	5152 Colston D Major	St Michael's Soc
23	5088 Wayland's Smithy S Major	Bristol Soc
25	5024 Alloway S Major	St James' G
26	5002 Venngreen S Royal	S'well & Nottm DG
28	5024 Affpuddle TB Major	Dorset CA
31	5152 Halifax Minster D Major	Yorkshire A
31	5088 90th Birthday S Major	Worcs & District A
31	5082 Hebrides D Royal	Lancashire A

February		
2	5004 West Bridgford A Major	S'well & Nottm DG
3	5088 Careby S Major	Lincoln DG
3	5152 Wormald's Cut D Major	Yorkshire A
5	5000 Ashgate S Royal	Peterboro DG
6	5088 Vetch S Major	Glos & Bris DA
8	5088 Sopwell S Major	St James' G
13	5184 Canard S Major	St James' G
13	5042 Crowder S Maximus	ASCY
14	5600 Rome S Major	Bath & Wells DA
18	5088 Bovey Tracey TB Major	Dorset CA
18	5024 Bowler D Major	Amersham Guild
18	5088 Pimlico D Major	SRCY
19	5040 Sandfield S Royal	NUSCR
20	5040 Whistler D Royal	Bath & Wells DA
20	5040 Whittlebury B Doubles	Peterboro DG
23	5120 Rochelle S Major	St James' G
23	5080 Lincolnshire Bells D Royal	S'well & Nottm DG
24	5024 Fielder D Major	Amersham Guild
27	5040 Laus Deo TB Minor	Peterboro DG

March		
3	5024 Creeton S Major	Lincoln DG
3	5088 Trimillennial S Major	Oxford DG
4	5088 Droop TB Major	Dorset CA
6	5152 Double Sally D Major	Yorkshire A
7	5040 Bailey D Royal	Lancashire A
9	5040 Thames Valley S Royal	Oxford DG
10	5040 Ferrybridge S Royal	Yorkshire A
11	5088 Effin TB Major	Dorset CA
11	5042 Gosforth A Royal	Leicester DG
18	5042 Ocean Village S Maximus	Oxford DG
20	5088 Phuket D Major	Win & Ports DG
20	5184 Brandau S Major	CEA
20	5042 Plantagenet A Royal	Peterboro DG

Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
1st Peal	343	245	301	234	271	179	157	167	179	186	149
1st as Conductor	42	36	42	27	41	26	37	38	31	41	32



2010	TOWER																	HAND																
Society	4	5	6	6	7	8	8	9	10	10	11	12	12	14	14	15	16	Total	5	6	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	16	Hand Total	Society Total		
Ancient Society of College Youths	0	0	0	10	5	0	54	17	0	44	10	3	50	0	0	0	1	194	1	0	2	0	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	9	203		
Australia & New Zealand Association	0	1	0	6	3	0	6	1	0	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	3	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	31		
Bath & Wells Diocesan Association	0	7	1	18	8	0	99	2	0	23	3	0	11	0	0	0	0	172	0	0	2	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	184		
Bedfordshire Association	0	0	0	18	1	0	29	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	53		
Beverley & District Society	0	1	0	2	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9		
Birmingham University Society	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2		
Bristol University Society	0	1	0	5	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12		
Cambridge University Guild	0	0	0	1	1	0	5	2	1	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	18		
Carlisle Diocesan Guild	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2		
Central Council	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3		
Chester Diocesan Guild	0	2	0	8	0	0	13	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	17	0	43	0	27	0	6	0	0	0	93	120		
Coventry Diocesan Guild	0	0	0	8	0	0	14	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	11	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	44		
Derby Diocesan Association	0	0	0	5	0	0	41	3	0	11	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	62	0	0	2	0	7	0	4	0	2	1	0	0	16	78		
Devon Association	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
Devonshire Guild	0	2	0	73	2	0	68	5	0	28	3	0	12	0	0	0	0	193	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	205		
Dorset County Association	0	0	0	12	0	0	26	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39		
Durham & Newcastle Diocesan Association	0	0	0	7	1	0	48	3	0	10	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	72	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	73		
Durham University Society	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5		
Ely Diocesan Association	2	1	0	22	1	0	78	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	109	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	112		
Essex Association	0	0	0	15	4	0	23	3	0	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52		
Gloucester & Bristol Diocesan Association	0	4	0	11	7	0	69	4	0	5	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	106	0	0	3	0	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	137		
Guildford Diocesan Guild	0	0	0	6	2	0	31	3	0	8	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	52	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	54		
Hereford Diocesan Guild	0	23	0	35	7	1	53	1	0	8	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	132	0	0	9	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	145		
Hertford County Association	0	0	0	10	0	0	31	2	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	54		
Irish Association	0	1	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7		
Kent County Association	0	1	0	21	8	0	66	4	0	23	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	124	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	128		
Lancashire Association	0	3	0	17	4	0	94	2	0	61	0	0	10	0	0	0	1	192	0	0	0	0	12	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	17	209		
Leicester Diocesan Guild	0	1	0	1	0	0	19	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	0	0	10	0	22	0	21	0	8	0	1	0	62	101		
Lichfield & Walsall Archdeacons Society	0	2	0	19	1	0	21	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	51		
Lincoln Diocesan Guild	0	6	0	32	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	57	0	0	12	0	28	6	2	3	1	2	0	0	54	111		
Liverpool Universities Society	0	2	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10		
Ulandaff & Monmouth Diocesan Association	0	7	0	13	6	0	18	3	0	1	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	54	1	0	0	0	14	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	21	75		
London University Society	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	12		
Middlesex County Association & London Diocesan Guild	0	2	0	5	3	0	19	13	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	0	0	5	0	36	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	44	91		
North American Guild	0	1	0	1	1	0	6	7	0	1	2	0	5	0	0	0	0	24	0	0	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	30		
North Staffordshire Association	0	1	0	23	0	0	9	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35		
North Wales Association	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5		
Norwich Diocesan Association	0	5	0	19	3	0	6	2	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	39	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	44		
Oxford Diocesan Guild	0	11	0	62	17	0	166	10	1	31	3	0	7	0	0	0	0	308	0	0	0	0	13	0	26	2	28	0	0	0	69	377		
Oxford Society	0	0	0	1	1	0	10	3	0	15	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31		
Oxford University Society	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8		
Peterborough Diocesan Guild	0	6	0	15	0	0	15	0	0	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	51		
Salisbury Diocesan Guild	0	2	0	4	2	0	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	15		
Scottish Association	0	0	0	5	2	0	18	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	1	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	37		
Shropshire Association	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3		
Society of Royal Cumberland Youths	0	0	0	13	0	0	113	3	0	43	6	0	15	0	0	0	0	193	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	199		
Society of Sherwood Youths	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3		
Southwell & Nottingham Diocesan Guild	1	7	0	34	2	0	46	0	0	17	1	0	4	0	0																			



## Analysis of Peals by method and change on year

	TOWER			HAND			TOTAL		
	2010	2009 +/-		2010	2009 +/-		2010	2009 +/-	
<b>Sixteen</b>	2	2	0	1	0	1	3	2	1
<b>Septuples</b>	2	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	1
<b>Fourteen</b>	1	1	0	1	0	1	2	1	1
<b>Sextuples/Fourteen</b>	1		1	0		0	1		1
<b>Sextuples</b>	0	0	0	3	3	0	3	3	0
<b>Maximus</b>									
Spliced S	11	19		7	6		18	25	
Other Spliced	25	22		1	5		26	27	
Bristol Surprise	80	67		8	4		88	71	
Cambridge Surprise	67	55		15	15		82	70	
Yorkshire Surprise	60	47		7	6		67	53	
Other Single Surprise	43	39		11	8		54	47	
Other	10	13		6	7		16	20	
<b>Total</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>Cinques/Maximus</b>	10	6	4	0	0	0	10	6	4
<b>Cinques</b>									
Stedman	77	84		7	9		84	93	
Other	20	19		0	0		20	19	
<b>Total</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>-8</b>
<b>Royal</b>									
Spliced Surprise	42	50		20	21		62	71	
Other Spliced	5	4		2	2		7	6	
Cambridge Surprise	86	91		24	24		110	115	
Yorkshire Surprise	93	110		13	13		106	123	
Bristol Surprise	82	99		7	6		89	105	
London No.3 Surprise	42	62		6	6		48	68	
Lincolnshire Surprise	26	19		4	8		30	27	
Other Surprise	136	134		11	21		147	155	
Single Delight	33	37		11	0		44	37	
Other	25	22		25	39		50	61	
<b>Total</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>-58</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>-17</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>-75</b>
<b>Caters/Royal</b>	4	3	1	0	0	0	4	3	1
<b>Caters</b>									
Grandsire	67	59		2	3		69	62	
Stedman	94	115		10	9		104	124	
Other	9	6		0	0		9	6	
<b>Total</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>-10</b>

	TOWER			HAND			TOTAL		
	2010	2009 +/-		2010	2009 +/-		2010	2009 +/-	
<b>Major</b>									
Spliced Surprise	318	343		76	76		394	419	
Other Spliced	10	6		5	4		15	10	
Yorkshire Surprise	191	168		52	30		243	198	
Bristol Surprise	196	218		18	13		214	231	
Cambridge Surprise	99	120		18	18		117	138	
London Surprise	79	64		9	7		88	71	
Superlative Surprise	58	53		9	6		67	59	
Lincolnshire Surprise	49	57		10	15		59	72	
Rutland Surprise	50	54		9	8		59	62	
Lessness Surprise	33	31		1	1		34	32	
Glasgow Surprise	27	34		6	0		33	34	
Pudsey Surprise	25	16		6	2		31	18	
Uxbridge Surprise	16	13		1	1		17	14	
Other Surprise	492	534		11	3		503	537	
Single Delight	142	144		2	1		144	145	
Plain Bob	44	59		66	95		110	154	
Double Norwich Court Bob	29	25		0	2		29	27	
Kent Treble Bob	4	5		32	36		36	41	
Other	46	21		11	15		57	36	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1908</b>	<b>1965</b>	<b>-57</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2250</b>	<b>2298</b>	<b>-48</b>
<b>Triples/Major</b>	3	12	-9	0	0		3	12	-9
<b>Triples</b>									
Stedman	88	85		9	14		97	99	
Grandsire	74	67		2	3		76	70	
Plain Bob	20	20		0	0		20	20	
Other	6	9		0	2		6	11	
<b>Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>Minor</b>									
8+ Methods	178	182		67	86		245	268	
7 Methods	383	361		34	30		417	391	
2-6 Methods	107	123		27	31		134	154	
Plain Bob Minor	46	46		22	42		68	88	
Cambridge Surprise	50	58		6	9		56	67	
Other	20	26		21	7		41	33	
<b>Total</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>1001</b>	<b>-40</b>
<b>Doubles/Minor</b>	1	2	-1	1	1		2	2	0
<b>Doubles</b>									
2+ Methods	122	116		0	0		122	116	
Grandsire	20	11		0	0		20	11	
Stedman	12	13		4	1		16	14	
Other	4	7		0	0		4	7	
<b>Total</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Minimus</b>	5	2	3				5	2	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>4200</b>	<b>4291</b>	<b>-91</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>-36</b>	<b>4937</b>	<b>5064</b>	<b>-127</b>

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21 5088 Evening Star S Major	Glos & Bris DA	8 5024 Loki's Gate S Major	Win & Ports DG	8 5002 Ludlow Castle S Major	Dorset CA
23 5040 Yatesby S Royal	S'well & Nottm DG	9 5088 Lisbon S Major	Bath & Wells DA	8 5040 De Montfort S Royal	Leicester DG
24 5000 Quimper D Royal	Leicester DG	10 5376 Taumatawhakatangihangakoauauotama		10 5056 Bovey Tracey Charter S Major	
25 5040 Old Dragon S Royal	G Devonshire Ringers	teapokaiwhenuakitanatahu S Major	Dorset CA		G Devonshire Ringers
25 5184 Wellenkuppe D Major	G Devonshire Ringers	13 5040 Schiehallion D Royal	G Devonshire Ringers	10 5040 Padiham A Major	Lancashire A
26 5024 Quayside D Major	D&N DA	13 5088 Gittisham TB Major	Dorset CA	10 5096 Caistor A Major	Lich & Dist S
28 5040 Fair Isle D Royal	Lancashire A	14 5056 Hillheads D Major	D&N DA	11 5040 Carrow Road S Royal	Norwich DA
		15 5056 Aldermaston Manor D Major	Oxford DG	11 5040 South East Iceland D Royal	Lancashire A
		17 5056 Dire TB Major	Coventry DG	13 5040 Shepton Beauchamp B Royal	
April		20 5001 Llandovery Castle S Major	Dorset CA		Bath & Wells DA
7 5152 Wideopen S Major	D&N DA	20 5088 Broadway S Major	Glos & Bris DA	15 5040 Farewell Geoff S Royal	Oxford DG
7 5152 Clementhorpe D Major	Yorkshire A	25 5088 Clerk's D Major	St James' G	18 5040 Napton on the Hill TP Minor	Peterboro DG
8 5088 Fairy Cross TB Major	Dorset CA			22 5040 Panlydd D Royal	G Devonshire Ringers
9 5040 Wheelwright S Royal	Peterboro DG	June		24 5056 Seventy D Major	SRCY
11 5024 Campton D Major	SRCY	3 5184 Hen Poo TB Major	Dorset CA	24 5184 Southam D Major	SRCY
11 5000 Faeroes D Royal	Lancashire A	4 5004 Trinity A Royal	Peterboro DG	27 5040 Brattleby S Royal	S'well & Nottm DG
12 5056 Charlie D Major	Sussex CA	5 5042 Putney S Maximus	ASCY	28 5056 Chant D Major	Yorkshire A
12 5088 Temple Row D Maximus	St Martin's G	6 5024 Mitchell D Major	Lancashire A	31 5024 Tunnel End D Major	Yorkshire A
13 5040 Xantan S Royal	Oxford DG	6 5080 Lundyite S Royal	Lundy IS		
15 5040 Ramsbury Bitter S Royal	Oxford DG	7 5000 Warstone S Royal	St Martin's G	August	
16 5024 Sartoria S Major	D&N DA	7 5088 Olive Green D Major	Freehold S	1 5096 Skipton A Major	Lancashire A
17 5088 Amelie S Major	Guildford DG	12 5152 Ditchat D Major	Bath & Wells DA	2 5056 Camberwick Green D Major	Freehold S
19 5088 Meyrick TB Major	Coventry DG	13 5280 Berne S Major	Bath & Wells DA	3 5088 Don's D Major	G Devonshire Ringers
19 5088 Ashes S Major	St James' G	14 5024 Sawbridgeworth S Major	St James' G	7 5024 Ovingdean S Major	Sussex CA
22 5088 Nike S Major	St James' G	17 5120 Bampton S Major	Glos & Bris DA	8 5184 Rawmarsh S Major	Yorkshire A
22 5040 Kilmahog S Royal	G Devonshire Ringers	17 5088 Ramsbury Gold S Major	Oxford DG	8 5184 Berlin D Major	Bath & Wells DA
24 5152 Knightstone D Major	Glos & Bris DA	19 5184 Pettaugh S Major	Glos & Bris DA	9 5088 Glasshouse TB Major	Coventry DG
25 5148 Bristolian TP Caters	Glos & Bris DA	20 5040 Erin Septuples	Win & Ports DG	10 5000 Lyme Regis B Royal	Dorset CA
26 5056 Rudgwick Castle D Major	Sussex CA	22 5000 Ingoldsby S Royal	S'well & Nottm DG	11 5056 Houndkirk Moor D Major	Yorkshire A
27 5000 Fulnetby S Royal	S'well & Nottm DG	24 5040 Aonach Eagach S Royal	Leicester DG	12 5040 Brazil Island S Royal	Leicester DG
29 5040 Maol Chean-Dearg S Royal	G Devonshire Ringers	26 5088 Duffell D Major	D&N DA	13 5040 Nightingale TP Royal	Win & Ports DG
		26 5088 Chiddingly S Major	Sussex CA	21 5040 Great Western A Major	G Railway Rgrs
		26 5152 Brighthouse D Major	Yorkshire A		
May				September	
2 5004 Tamworth A Royal	Lancashire A			4 5056 Congresbury D Major	Win & Ports DG
3 5024 Lancre D Major	Non-Association	July		5 5040 Parson's Pleasure S Maximus	OUS
5 5152 Ugley Green D Major	D&N DA	2 5040 Westwood D Royal	Peterboro DG	6 5044 Summer Lane A Maximus	St Martin's G
6 5000 Launceston Castle S Major	Dorset CA	7 5088 Heslington East S Major	Yorkshire A		
7 5040 Whitefriars S Royal	Peterboro DG				

8	5056 Birstwith D Major	Hertford CA	25	5006 Tregenna Castle S Major	Dorset CA
9	5056 Itchen TB Major	Dorset CA	25	5040 Catherine S Royal	Leicester DG
10	5152 Hodister D Major	Non-Association	28	5056 Blue Ridge Carolina S Major	SRCY
10	5152 Drury D Major	S Michael Soc	30	5088 Brightstowe D Major	Bath & Wells DA
11	5042 Mather D Maximus	Win & Ports DG			
14	5040 King-of-the-Mountains B Royal	Bath & Wells DA	December		
16	5056 Longcot D Major	Glos & Bris DA	3	5040 Littlewood S Royal	Peterboro DG
18	5024 Tang Hall S Major	ASCY	7	5056 Ytterbia A Royal	S'well & Nottm DG
20	5088 Westhill D Major	St James' G	9	5152 Winford D Major	Bath & Wells DA
20	5040 Hamstede S Royal	Oxford Soc	9	5007 Rougemont Castle S Major	Dorset CA
23	5000 Watermead S Royal	Leicester DG	9	5040 Hedgehope S Royal	Leicester DG
24	5152 Little Waller D Major	Glos & Bris DA	11	5184 Liathach Little S Royal	G Devonshire Ringers
24	5056 Boudewijn D Major	CEA	16	5088 Hitchenden S Major	Amersham Guild
27	5024 Barley S Major	St James' G	16	5056 Longcot Village S Major	Glos & Bris DA
29	5088 Blacka Moor D Major	Yorkshire A	17	5040 Spacehopper Little S Major	Non-Association
29	5088 Henffordd S Major	Llandaff & Mon DA	19	5152 Christmas Steps D Major	Glos & Bris DA
			28	5040 Peter's Tree S Minor	Suffolk G
October			28	5000 Netherby S Royal	S'well & Nottm DG
2	5184 Sausalito S Major	Win & Ports DG	30	5120 Moss Road D Major	Yorkshire A
2	5152 Frittenden S Major	Kent CA			
6	5088 Celtic Manor S Major	Yorkshire A	<b>First peals in methods rung on Hand Bells</b>		
6	5056 Amy D Major	Lincoln DG	January		
8	5120 Compton Greenfield D Major	Glos & Bris DA	8	5040 Over Stowey S Minor	Iceni S
10	5376 Odysseus S Major	Suffolk G	6	5040 Jotunheimen S Minor	Iceni S
10	7007 Great Western S Major	Dorset CA	9	5040 Uckingham S Minor	Iceni S
10	5152 Andorra La Vella S Major	Bath & Wells DA	10	5040 Tranquillity S Minor	Iceni S
11	5014 Dokkumer Nieuwe Zijlen A Maximus	St Martin's G	27	5040 January D Royal	Leicester DG
11	5088 Albury S Major	St James' G	February		
13	5088 Dunville VC S Major	SRCY	15	5040 Yellowstone D Royal	Leicester DG
15	5152 St Mary of the Cross S Major	ANZAB	March		
16	5088 Marlborough Mop S Major	Glos & Bris DA	24	5000 Quimper D Royal	Leicester DG
18	5040 Southam A Major	Glos & Bris DA	April		
20	5056 Finchale D Major	D&N DA	12	5040 Yellowstone D Maximus	Leicester DG
21	5003 Lulworth Castle S Major	Dorset CA	May		
24	5024 Old Cleve S Major	Bath & Wells DA	10	5040 Gironde D Royal	Leicester DG
28	5004 Llanstephan Castle S Major	Dorset CA	12	5040 Flores D Royal	Lancashire A
28	5040 St Edfrith S Royal	Hereford DG	July		
28	5040 Mam Sodhail D Royal	G Devonshire Ringers	12	5040 Nineveh D Royal	Lancashire A
30	5056 Archdeacon Johnson S Major	S Northants S	19	5096 Yellowstone D Fourteen	Lancashire A
30	5056 Broxbourne D Major	Hertford CA	August		
November			22	5152 Brickyard Cottage S Major	Derby DA
1	5088 Petts Wood D Major	Non-Association	25	5040 Upham D Royal	Leicester DG
3	5152 Lord Deramore S Major	Yorkshire A	September		
3	5088 All Souls D Major	Oxford DG	22	5040 Penniford D Royal	Leicester DG
4	5005 Manorbier Castle S Major	Dorset CA	October		
4	5040 Black Sheep D Royal	Lancashire A	6	5040 Asaph Hall S Maximus	Oxford DG
6	5184 President D Major	Devon Assoc	11	5040 Samarkand D Royal	Leicester DG
6	5184 Holybourne S Major	Guildford DG	13	5040 Xaronaal D Royal	Lancashire A
9	5040 Wareham S Royal	Salisbury DG	November		
9	5024 Shoreditch High Street S Major	St James' G	3	5040 Jacob's Wells S Royal	Oxford DG
11	5152 Greendown D Major	Bath & Wells DA	10	5152 Hunsdon D Major	Leicester DG
16	5184 Devonshire S Major	Dorset CA	24	5152 Lincolnshire D Major	Leicester DG
18	5088 Downton Abbey S Major	Oxford DG	December		
19	5184 Kakorrhaphiophobia S Major	Dorset CA	13	5040 Rotorua D Royal	Leicester DG
20	5056 Ephebe S Major	SRCY			
22	5040 Ella D Royal	Derby DA			
22	5056 Standon S Major	St James' G			
23	5120 Owthorpe D Royal	S'well & Nottm DG			
24	5024 Wild Hare S Major	Yorkshire A			

## Noise Complaints

This year has been much quieter with only five contacts having been made. We responded to all, which as far as we know were resolved satisfactorily.

## Learn to Ring

This year we received a total of almost 50 enquiries. In each case the enquiry has been referred to a suitable local contact. No feedback has been recorded.

## Roadshows

Having been asked to conduct a comprehensive review, prior to any decision about the format and direction of future 'Roadshows', we spent some time considering the strengths and weaknesses of past events, and how best to obtain input from the ringing community. This led to a plan for a web based survey, supplemented by paper questionnaires at various events during early 2011.

## Bells on Sunday

The Committee has maintained close contact with the producers of this programme with a view to maintaining the quality and variety of items produced. Some examples of the success of this strategy have already been noticed.

## Wider Remit

We have spent some time considering how, in addition to the services that we already provide, we might stimulate more widespread developments in the relationship between ringers and the public. With our resources currently limited, we have not progressed this beyond initial ideas, but we hope to do so in the future.

## Liaison

Members of PRC continue to work with other Council committees as appropriate. Particular links this past year have included Tower Stewardship, Ringing Trends and ICT.

NEIL DONOVAN (*Chairman*)  
ALAN CHANTLER (*Secretary*)  
CLAIRE BELL  
BRUCE BUTLER  
BARRIE DOVE  
BEVERLY FABER  
JOHN HARRISON  
MICHAEL ORME  
JANE WILKINSON

## International reports

### A N Z A B [www.anzab.org.au](http://www.anzab.org.au)

The ANZAB Executive had another busy year in 2010 and is continuing to review the administrative workings of the Association. More propositions will be put to the next AGM which, after a gap of seven years, will be held in June 2011 in New Zealand in Hamilton and Auckland.

The 2010 AGM was held in Melbourne and was a great success. It was novel for some attendees to be travelling back and forth across a big city and the trams were much enjoyed together with the superb catering, and good fellowship. There was an excellent success rate with quarter peals and an 'alternative' striking competition format tried out.

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## Record peals.

March		
18	20160 Spliced S Royal (56m)	ASCY
November		
20	10080 Fastnet D Royal	Lancashire A
December		
20	12000 Staffordshire S Major	Lich & Dist S

## Public Relations Committee

The Committee continues to meet on a regular basis and also carries on much of its work via email. This important, front-line committee has been operating below strength for some time.

## Leaflets and Posters

Demand for the publicity leaflets remains high, and a further 50,000 were printed during the year. The Publications Committee is responsible for advertising and selling the posters. A simplified downloadable leaflet is in production for use when time does not permit the supply of pre-printed materials.



The 2011 Executive is unchanged with Julie Doyle (Canberra) President; David Pacey (Melbourne) Treasurer; Anita Adams (Christchurch) Secretary; together with Vice Presidents David Smith (Brisbane), Roger Lubbock (Perth) and Lexi Prabhakar (Sydney). There were some notable ringing achievements during 2010 including:

- The first peal on the augmented bells at St David's Cathedral in Hobart,
- The first peal on the twelve in St John's Cathedral, Brisbane; and
- A peal of St Mary of the Cross Surprise Major at St Mary's Basilica in Sydney for the canonisation in Rome of Australia's first saint, Mary MacKillop.

NEANZAB continues to be very active in ringing training and weekend visits have been made to the majority of the country New South Wales towers. These provide an excellent morale boost to towers in more remote areas as well as being great opportunities for general ringing education and socialising.

The 2012 ANZAB Festival will be the occasion of ANZAB's fiftieth birthday and it promises to be an outstanding event. The NEANZAB Branch is well advanced with preparations for this big event in Sydney and we look forward to ringing with a large group of visitors from around the world.

JULIE DOYLE  
President ANZAB

### Central European Association [www.change-ringers.eu](http://www.change-ringers.eu)

The Central European Association continued to meet every 6-8 weeks during 2010, at centres as wide apart as Dordrecht, Holland, and Winterthur, Switzerland. One important development was the augmentation of the mini-ring at Brandau [Die Gloeckli] to 8. These are installed in Brian Diserens' living room and provide a good central point for ringers in Holland and the Frankfurt area. Peals of Cambridge, Yorkshire and Brandau Surprise Major were rung on these bells during 2010. A particularly successful weekend was held at Brian's from 7-9 January, during which a wide variety of quarter peals were scored on the miniring and in hand. There have also been several trips to Dordrecht, where 8 peals in a variety of methods have been rung. We have also had the luck that Mike Trimm has moved to Bonn and this has made it possible for us to ring peals of Rutland and Cambridge Major and Kent Maximus in hand.

We currently have hand bell groups in Winterthur (Switzerland) and Ludwigshafen (Germany), as well as a tower bell group in Dordrecht (The Netherlands). There are prospects of starting a hand bell group in Ulm in the course of 2011. There are clearly major problems, not only in the amount of travelling involved, but also in the limited number of ringers. Any expatriate (or anyone knowing an expatriate) is invited to send an e-mail to Rodney Yeates at [rodney.yeates@t-online.de](mailto:rodney.yeates@t-online.de). Anyone willing to finance the installation of a

24cwt 10 at Frankfurt Cathedral is also invited to contact me at the same address.

RODNEY YEATES

### North American Guild of Change Ringers [www.nagcr.org](http://www.nagcr.org)

The North American Guild had yet another extremely successful year in 2010. No new rings were installed, however several ringing areas are returning to active ringing status thanks to completed maintenance projects and/or renewed interest.

During 2010, the NAGCR lost three ringers: Bill Hall, NRLM, Ken Quimby, former member and Kurt Ward. Our membership decreased slightly and still stands at just under 600 members (not including Non-Resident Life Members).

As with last year, each month of the NAGCR calendar was filled with at least one of a wide variety of ringing offerings to satisfy all levels and in all geographic regions. These included ringing festivals, regional meetings and our annual AGM this year was held in Little Rock, Arkansas during the first weekend of October.

Personal accomplishments by members included two members conducting a peal for the first time, eight members ringing their first peal, and a veritable plethora of firsts in the quarter peal category.

New initiatives for the Guild include various functions and support to help new bands of ringers, support for the improvement of online submissions of peals and quarter peals, and the formation of a website team to help with the expansion of available services online.

We look forward to continue to host visitors from overseas and for more information on any of our events and tower details go to [www.nagcr.org](http://www.nagcr.org).

SCOTT STRICKER

### South African Guild of Church Bell Ringers [www.scifac.ru.ac.za/cathedral/bellguild](http://www.scifac.ru.ac.za/cathedral/bellguild)

Two events dominated 2010 in South Africa south of Johannesburg, the disaster at Durban and the departure of a leading ringer from Grahamstown.

In May, the 2nd at St Mary's Greyville, as it was being rung up, crashed into the treble. Both wheels damaged in the accident have now been repaired, except for some metal braces which have been sent to a foundry for straightening. The wheel of the 2nd now needs to be returned to the bell chamber through the roof. (That of the treble was repaired *in situ*). Taylors have cast the two replacement headstocks. At St Paul's, where concerns about the safety of the tower had prevented ringing, work finally started in December 2010. This includes replacement of beams very seriously affected by dry rot, repair of damaged masonry, and of an unsafe floor. (It had been hoped that this would be completed by the end of February 2011, but there appear to be complications.)

Towards the end of the year, Colin Lewis, who has been active in ringing in South Africa since he arrived in 1983, emigrated and returned to Wales. He had been instrumental in founding

the SAGCBR, in the restoration in Grahamstown and other bell installation projects and in teaching a continually changing home band at the cathedral there. His departure will leave a gap in Grahamstown, which will be all the more noted following the untimely death late in the year of Judith Orpen, who was doing much to hold ringing together in Grahamstown.

The AGM for 2010 was held in Johannesburg, who were perfect hosts for a successful weekend.

ED ELDERKIN

### Transvaal Society

The Transvaal Society, centred on Johannesburg, South Africa, is responsible for all ringing in and around that city. Sunday service ringing has now been maintained at St. George's church, Parktown, for an unbroken period of 25 years and also takes place on the first Sunday of every month at the new tower of All Saints, Fourways Gardens. Both towers have a number of new recruits and we are grateful to Chris Fitter for stepping up to become Tower Captain at Fourways and shouldering the heavy teaching load there. We understand that an order has been placed for a new ring of bells for a school in the northern suburbs of Johannesburg and we look forward to this project coming to fruition during 2011; the Society has offered all possible assistance with the installation and in training members of the school staff so that they may, in turn, teach pupils of the school.

The Society hosted the AGM of the South African Guild on the weekend of October 15-17th, 2010 and we were pleased to see a good turnout at both towers. We were fortunate to have the services of John Pusey, visiting from Oxford, England, for the weekend, and he kindly agreed to judge the striking competition. As always on these occasions, the winner is less important than the experience for our newer ringers and we were pleased to see a team from Fourways taking part for the first time, although they were unplaced in the final standings.

Johannesburg is often the first port of entry for visitors to South Africa and we are pleased to welcome the ringers amongst them to our towers, although we like to put them to work in assisting our bands to grow and develop their skills! Practices are held at Parktown on Tuesday evenings and at midday on Saturdays at Fourways.

RICHARD ROBERTS

### Associazione Suonatori di Campane a Sistema Veronese [www.campanesistemaveronese.it](http://www.campanesistemaveronese.it)

In June 2010, a group of Italian ringers led by Alberto Bozzo from Vicenza visited the Malvern area for a few days marking the 25th anniversary of their first visit to England and first encounters with change ringing. They took the opportunity to do a little sightseeing in the Malvern area as well, of course, as revisiting local towers and meeting up with ringing friends. The photo shows us at Pershore in the 'cage' before joining the Martley Guild at their Annual Dinner in a



*The group of Italian ringers led by Alberto Bozzo from Vicenza which visited the Malvern area to mark the 25th Anniversary of their first visit to England in the 'cage' at Pershore*

beautiful rural setting on the Herefordshire – Worcestershire border.

For June 2011, David Bagley is organising a visit led by Lucio Barbieri for ringers from Montegaldella to the Tewkesbury / Worcester area.

ALISON HODGE  
ASCSV CC rep in UK

### Zimbabwe Guild of Bellringers

For many Zimbabwe ringers our nearest tower is 220 kilometres away in Kwekwe. Ringing in Harare is still not possible, but we have made a day trip to Kwekwe twice during the year to meet with the ringers there and those from Bulawayo.

We are delighted to report that Teddy has now recovered from his eye operation and only has to wear dark glasses in bright sunlight. A big thank you to all those ringers who so generously supported him.

The most notable event of the year was the 50th Anniversary of the Guild on 14 December. This event will be commemorated at our AGM on 26 February, 2011 in Kwekwe and in Reading.

ANNE M. PHILLIPS  
Guild Master

### Publications Committee

The Committee had a busy and productive year. Four new publications were produced: *The New Ringer's Book*, *Teaching Tips* (which was also reprinted), an updated edition of *Organising a Bell Restoration Project*, and *CC Rules and Decisions 2010*. *The New Ringer's Book* and *Teaching Tips* deservedly sold exceptionally well, accounting for a large proportion of the marked increase in income from sales.

Twelve titles were reprinted: *Beginners Handbook*, *Towards Better Striking*, *Ring-*

*Jargon Made Easy*, *Beginners Grandsire*, *Beginners Plain Bob*, *Doubles and Minor for Beginners*, *Ringling Circles*, *Listen to Ringling CD1 and CD2*, *Understanding Place Notation*, *Kaleidoscope Ringing* and *Teaching Tips*. *Ringling Circles* was again popular and again sold very well.

The Committee held three meetings during the year, in addition to which the usual large number of telephone and e-mail conversations took place. We continued to maintain close contact with Tim Jackson, representing the Stewards of the *Dove* Database, on "*Dove 10*". Two relatively early draft versions of "*Dove 10*" had been received for comment by the end of the year and we plan to hold a meeting with Tim to discuss many of the important aspects of production early in 2011. We hope to be in a position to seek indicative quotations quite soon.

The income from sales rose sharply to £17,500 from £8,300 in 2009 and £13,400 in 2008. The value of stock held rose to £12,600 from £10,700 in 2009. Income exceeded expenditure by £900 and the total cash available remained steady at around £14,000. A small amount of slow selling stock was written off. The fund remains in a healthy state and will be adequate to support production of "*Dove 10*". Bulk discounts were offered in March as usual, and advertisements were again placed in a number of Association reports.

Andrew Aspland will leave the Council in 2011 and we thank him for his work. Derek Jones, who has been a key member of the Committee for many years, will also leave the Council in 2011. He has undertaken a huge amount of work for the Committee for which the remaining members record grateful thanks. We are pleased, and grateful, to be able to record that Derek will continue to be closely associated with our work in a consultative

capacity. We also wish to record our grateful thanks to Sue Jones for her superb hosting of our meetings and for her expert help in running our bookstall at numerous Council meetings and at Roadshows.

JOHN COUPERTHWAIT (Chairman)  
ANDREW ASPLAND  
JULIAN NEWMAN  
BERYL NORRIS  
DEREK JONES  
BARBARA WHEELER

### Committee for Redundant Bells

The Committee has monitored developments concerning the fate of bells in redundant churches and redundancy generally by maintaining communication with the Church Commissioners, the Church Buildings Council and the Churches Conservation Trust.

The Committee has continued to administer the Rescue Fund and there is a separate report relating to this (p.456).

The number of churches declared redundant continues to reduce. The number of churches being vested in the Churches Conservation Trust is now the minimum as there are no new funds to enable the Trust to take on the responsibility of restoring and maintaining new vestings. Indeed it seemed the CCT might be abolished in 2010 but it is now to continue though with reduced resources.

It has become increasingly obvious throughout the year that the guiding principle that bells should remain in churches that are being declared redundant and not be removed prior to being declared redundant is very likely to result in the bells being "walled up" and unlikely to be available for any future use or inspection. Hanley has been a case in point, along with Layston in Hertfordshire and potentially St Cross, Oxford. The Church Commissioners are very aware of the problem and their cooperation and the very energetic work of the Chester Diocesan Guild and its members has enabled the bells at St John's, Bollington to be removed for re-hanging elsewhere in the diocese. The Committee has kept a watch on the plans for the future of the bells at St Peter's, Belgrave (Leicestershire), St Botolph, Heene (Sussex) and St Leonard, Aldington (Sussex).

The Committee continues to receive a number of incidental enquiries concerning individual redundant bells and requests for bells. General advice is given and specific enquiries are referred to the Keltek Trust. The Trust is an integral part of any discussion or decisions concerning redundant bells. The Committee is grateful that David Kelly of the Trust is readily involved with the work of the Committee as a consultant.

The Committee plans at its first meeting in 2011 to consider the future working and rôle of the Committee.

ROBERT COOLES (Chairman)  
The Revd Dr JOHN BALDWIN  
ALAN FROST  
IAN HASTILOW  
ROBERT LEWIS  
JULIAN NEWMAN



**Stocklist at December 31st 2010**

<i>Title</i>	<i>Sales to 31 Dec 2010</i>	<i>Stock at 31 Dec 2010</i>
New Ringers Book	1014	486
Beginners Handbook	203	557
Towards Better Striking	34	74
Raising and Lowering	65	219
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**Ringing Centres Committee**

We welcomed two new members of the Committee in 2010 following the Council meeting at Derby. Pip Penney joined us as an elected member and Peter Dale was co-opted onto the Committee at our first meeting after the Council meeting. In addition, Janet Edwards was elected to the Committee after previously being co-opted. We were sorry that Christine Baldock who had acted as Secretary for a number of years decided to retire from the Council and this Committee. We miss the efficiency and dedication she gave and are pleased that she remains in contact with the Committee and continues to assist with the Committee's work. There are vacancies on the Committee that were not filled last year, and there is scope for the Committee's work to be made more effective with additional Committee members being available to contribute.

We held three meetings during the year with one being at Derby before the Council meeting and another by telephone conference.

We completed our annual survey at the beginning of the year and responded positively to matters which were raised by the Centres. We have received a trickle of enquiries about Centres, their establishment, our requirements and similar matters throughout the year and also, through meetings, attempted to discuss with Centres (including those which are no longer operating on a regular basis) the problems of continuing to run, the ability to attract recruits and the need to establish a quality standard. The majority of Centres appear to accept the need for a standard to be established, for the regular interchange of ideas between Centres and for some form of inspection or assessment to facilitate a network of Centres where the quality of teaching can be assured. More meetings are planned for 2011.

The Committee has continued to produce its News Sheet and this has generally been welcomed. We still need more contributions from different Centres for this to work as intended but it is including suggestions and initiatives from Centres which could be adopted by other Centres and is a vehicle for problems particular to Ringing Centres to be aired and the achievements of Centres publicised.

As part of ensuring standards at Centres, the Committee is following the development of ITTS with particular interest in its possible application and use in Ringing Centres. There is acceptance that there may be more than one good teaching course and others would be considered but there would also appear to be a number of poor teachers involved in teaching ringing generally who would benefit from a system such as this even if it is encouraged rather than made mandatory in Ringing Centres.

We would like to remind Centres that we need details of any amendment to contacts, websites and addresses to maintain our own records so that we may remain in contact with all existing Centres and if possible, with those no longer operating and certainly with anyone or any Guild /Association thinking of establishing a Ringing Centre so that we can be of assistance.

Janet Edwards has indicated that she wishes to retire this year from the Committee. We



thank her for the work and contribution she has made over the last two years.

NORMAN MATTINGLEY (*Chairman*)  
ALAN BENTLEY  
ROGER BOOTH  
LESLIE BOYCE  
PETER DALE (*Co-opted*)  
JANET EDWARDS  
PIP PENNEY

## Ringing Trends Committee

At the Council meeting in May 2010, the report from the Ringing Trends Committee presented graphs covering information from nearly 12,000 ringers. The data presented was totally consistent with all previous data presented which showed that the major trend was towards a much older ringing population with 62% of ringers over the age of 50. Additional graphs showed that just 10% of ringers today were under the age of 20 compared with 20% of ringers in the 1988 survey. There were also fewer people that learnt to ring before they were 20 than there were in 1988.

The report generated a significant debate about what should be done about the perceived decline in ringing, and, as a consequence, a proposal was made that the matter should be taken back to the Administrative Committee to consider what should be done to address the crisis. The question of how to attract young learners was paramount.

There are currently six members of the Committee assisted by Jennifer Holden, who is not a member of Council, but acts as a consultant. The Committee met in October to discuss the immediate way forward for Ringing Trends in the light of the discussion at the Council Meeting and to decide what our next steps should be.

It had been previously agreed that no more general surveys would be undertaken for the present but it was agreed to progress a number of proposals to identify more detailed data about young ringers:

- A survey of those towers that have been successful with recruitment and retention of younger ringers and how they have achieved that, with the aim of finding 'best practice'. This would be progressed as a pilot scheme in the Oxford Diocesan Guild.
- A longer term project was to target as many towers as possible which had been successful with young ringers. Towers with ringers under 20 would be identified from the database and approached to find out the retention rates for those ringers.
- Different ways of recruitment, such as 'Kids Ring Out', would be examined to find out which, if any, has been the most successful, particularly with the retention of young learners.
- University students would be asked about how they started ringing.

A significant amount of work has already been carried out with University Trends, which was reported on last year, and final results will be published in an article in *The*

*Ringing World* shortly. It is hoped to publish all of the data obtained from the original survey on the Ringing Trends website in the near future.

The role of the Ringing Trends Committee for the future will be to continue to provide statistical support to the Council and the state of ringing will need to be measured again in the next few years. This will enable us to monitor and evaluate trends from current initiatives.

BERYL NORRIS (*Chairman*)  
JOHN CATER  
STEPHEN ELWELL-SUTTON  
ASHLEY FORTEY  
ALISON HODGE  
TIM PETT

## Towers and Belfries Committee

Three meetings were held during the year, at Evesham, Loughborough Bell Foundry, and at The Building Research Establishment HQ at Watford.

James Clarke, Andrew Preston, Alan Frost, Adrian Dempster and Adrian Semken retired on rotation at the last meeting and were re-elected except for Adrian Dempster who was replaced by Roland Backhurst of the Bath & Wells Association.

We have received enquiries from all around England and Scotland during the year, and also from Australia, New Zealand and the United States. Some of these require a simple reply and some require more but we have also completed inspections and submitted written reports in respect of six towers. Some of the enquiries were in respect of the possibility of installing new ringing peals.

The Committee's main event of the year was our second Seminar on Sound Control held in London in September. Mike Banks is owed particular thanks for doing all of the hard work and Alan Frost for making the local arrangements and supporting him on the day. The event seemed to be well received and was attended by ringers, bell advisors, architects and surveyors etc from all around the country. The Committee considered organising a third such seminar but considered that it was unlikely to be sufficiently well supported, judging by the level of support at the last one. If we are wrong, please let us know. In order to give ringers a source of information available at all times, we are investigating the possibility of publishing the Powerpoint demo on our sector of the CCCBR website.

We have carried out one tower movement survey during the year and have had a restudy undertaken as a trial to verify predicted tower oscillation against actual. This last study was carried out by Mr Gordon Breeze of The Building Research Establishment who has recently been involved with the Committee as a new ringer and as their expert on structural dynamics.

The Committee, assisted by Gordon, believes that those currently studying tower oscillation should be co-ordinating their effort in order to ensure that there is uniformity of approach and understanding. Members therefore intend to attempt to organise a meeting or series of meetings as necessary.

The Committee has been represented at several meetings during the year, between EH, CBC and the CCCBR. For those interested in the subject matter discussed, the Secretary always publishes an account in *The Ringing World*.

Members have resolved to organise another seminar during 2011, but this time to train those who would like to know how to carry out a tower inspection, and prepare and present a report. This is being set up for September again and preliminary advertising is under way.

The long awaited new edition of the *Maintenance Handbook* is nearly complete and it is hoped to have it with the publishers this year. In addition to this, members are also preparing guidance for PCCs on how to manage a bell contract from placement of order to completion of work. This is an area where members believe that there is a need for further advice.

JAMES M. CLARKE (*Chairman*)  
ROLAND BACKHURST  
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PETER S. BENNETT  
GEORGE A. DAWSON  
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WILLIAM K. JONES  
DAVID KIRKCALDY  
CHRISTOPHER M. POVEY  
ANDREW J. PRESTON  
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## Tower Stewardship Committee

### Introduction

Throughout the past year, the Tower Stewardship Committee has continued to offer guidance in the general areas of tower management within the wider community recognising Church and Common Law. This report gives brief details of work undertaken over the past twelve months.

### Guidance Notes

A key outcome of the Committee's remit has been the production of a set of Guidance Notes. During 2010, a new Guidance Note was added to the collection: "GN7 – Noise and the Environmental Health Officer". This offers practical and common-sense advice regarding noise complaints, abatement notices and working constructively with local authorities.

All Guidance Notes are reviewed annually. 2010 updates – revision 4 – are available via the Central Council website, as follows:

[www.cccbr.org.uk/towerstewardship/](http://www.cccbr.org.uk/towerstewardship/)

GN1 Insurance and Ringing  
GN2 Tower Management  
GN3 Child Protection in Towers  
GN4 Tower Safety and Risk Assessment  
GN5 Church Law  
GN6 Fire Risk Assessment and Protection  
GN7 Noise, the Law and the Environmental Health Officer

### Child Protection

For more than two years, the Tower Stewardship Committee has been helping to

### Child Protection & Bell Ringing

- **Always have two adults** present when children are being taught
- **Invite parents** of any trainees to come and watch a training session before allowing their child to start to learn. Require a parent to attend the first training session and ensure that the parent fully understands what is involved in learning to ring
- **Make sure** a parent is responsible for delivering the child to and collecting the child from the tower
- **Ask parents** to sign a 'permission to learn to ring' form
- **Keep an attendance register**
- **Be aware of the insurance position for children**
- **Never allow** children up amongst the bells apart from an initial demonstration visit if it is safe to have one
- **For tower outings** get parents to sign a detailed permission form. Organisers should be aware of Health and Safety and other issues: for example, it is inadvisable for a child to travel alone in a car with an adult

prepare the ringing community for the implementation of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006. This Act had been due to be phased in from October 2009; however the newly-elected Coalition Government announced a review of the legislation in October 2010, the results of which were published in February 2011.

The outcome of this review, along with the publication of a new edition of "Protecting all God's Children" by the House of Bishops, has necessitated a significant re-write of the Committee's advice. We are grateful to Chris Mew for his efforts in this area – communicating with a large number of stakeholders, and succinctly synthesizing the complexities of Child Protection for the ringing community. All relevant advice to ringers is available on the Tower Stewardship section of the CCCBR website, supported by updates published in *The Ringing World*.

### Website

Peter Trotman continues to assist in keeping an up-to-date and fresh look for the Committee's work. All Guidance Notes can be found there, along with any supporting documents and guidelines; all Reports to Council are there, and contact details of all Committee members. Cross-referenced links are good, enabling visitors to find our material through a variety of links.

### Other work

- The Committee has offered advice to a number of towers on such subjects as child protection, noise abatement regulations, wireless masts, belfry finances, dealing with complaints and how to complete risk assessments.
- The Committee maintains communication links with other Committees – in particular Public Relations Committee and Towers & Belfries Committee.
- The Committee also maintains communication links with other relevant bodies, such as Ecclesiastical Insurance Group.

### Conclusion

The Committee is well served by the wide range of skills, qualifications and experience brought by members. At the time of writing, Robert Wood has elected to stand down from

the Committee, and we express our gratitude for his contributions over these past few years.

As well as being pro-active in offering assistance, the Tower Stewardship Committee is also very open to suggestions and recommendations from all areas of the Central Council regarding our remit, our communication methods and any other component of our work.

CHRISTOPHER O'MAHONY (*Chairman*)  
DAVID BURGESS  
CHRIS MEW  
ERNIE DE LEGH-RUNCIMAN  
DAVID SALTER  
ROBERT WOOD

### Bell Restoration Committee

The Committee met three times in 2010: in London in February; in Derby in May during the Council weekend; and in London in October.

### Membership

There have been several changes to the membership and composition of the Committee during the year. Frank Beech was elected to the committee in May and Jay Bunyan and Ian Oram were re-elected at the same time. Pat Albon was co-opted at the October meeting.

Robin Shipp and Peter Wilkinson will stand down at the 2011 Council but make themselves available for re-election. Kate Flavell will also stand down but is not seeking re-election.

### Provision of Information and Advice

We continue to maintain contact with parishes and individuals across the United Kingdom, and occasionally from overseas. Mostly, these are requests for general fundraising advice but we are also pleased to receive news of ongoing projects. We had more than 67 contacts during 2010 and these included 25 initial contacts. In addition to contact by telephone, email and letter, Committee members also make visits to parishes where such contact is thought to be useful. Five visits were made last year and were much appreciated by the parishes concerned. We still provide a service for searches using the FunderFinder system and it is pleasing to note that this continues to assist a good number of parishes. During 2010 we received 33 enquiries (32 in 2009) and completed 11 searches (12 in 2009). We have been notified that the FunderFinder facility will cease to operate in June 2011 and we are currently exploring the possibility of subscribing to an alternative but similar service.

Information useful to parishes and/or ringing societies continues to be notified widely through the pages of *The Ringing World*. During the year such matters included Gift Aid and the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme, as well as a feature about the legacy we received during the year.

We have completed work on updating the Appendices to *Organising a Bell Restoration Project* and these have been included in the new edition of the booklet completed during the year as well as being published on the website, where they are regularly reviewed and updated as necessary.

Preparation of a checklist to assist parishes in comparing estimates and quotations for bell restoration work has been completed and we are

grateful to the Towers and Belfries Committee for their advice and comments on the draft document. The checklist has been included as an appendix in the *Organising a Bell Restoration Project* booklet and on the website.

### Administration of Funds

As reported previously, the Manifold Trust will not be making further grants via the Committee. One outstanding grant was paid during the year; the other remaining project was only completed just before the year-end. The Trust continues to receive requests for help with bell restoration, although it has very limited resources to offer help; the Committee has provided assistance when requested.

We reported last year that we were inviting applications from the Central Council Bell Fund, despite there being just a modest amount available for distribution. Shortly after the closing date of 17th January we heard that the Fund was due to receive a legacy of an unspecified amount. As we had been overwhelmed by the number of applications, we felt it sensible to wait until we knew the amount of the legacy, as we hoped that we would then be able to offer more and larger grants than would otherwise have been the case.

We had previously advertised the criteria and priorities of the Fund and, due to the large number of applications, these were applied in order to arrive at a fair distribution of the available money. 28 grants were offered and accepted as follows:

Atherington, Devon £1,000; Benefield, Northants £800; Brentor, Devon £600; Buckland, Oxon £700; Builth Wells, Powys £400; Campsea Ashe, Suffolk £400; Elston, Notts £400; Freeland, Oxon £500; Great Brickhill, Bucks £1,500; Helmingham, Suffolk £1,500; Herne, Kent £700; Hutton, Somerset £1,400; Kington Magna, Dorset £600; Long Ashton, Somerset £400; Long Stratton, Norfolk £700; Moseley (St Mary), West Midlands £1,400; Peatling Parva, Leics £1,300; Porlock, Somerset £400; Ridgewell, Essex £1,500; Sandiacre, Derbys £900; Slapton, Bucks £1,300; Stoke Canon, Devon £1,500; Stoodleigh, Devon £1,500; Tong, West Yorks £1,400; Upper Boddington, Northants £600; Wollaton, Notts £1,000; Worcester (Old St Martin), Worcs £1,200; Zeals, Wilts £1,400.

We are most grateful to all who support the Fund; in addition to the legacy mentioned above, the Fund has also received various donations and income from the sale of jigsaws in earlier years. Whenever there is money in the Fund, the demand for grants is invariably very heavy and therefore we are always grateful for any donations or legacies. However, the Fund will need to grow significantly before we will be in a position to invite applications for grants again.

The locations of parishes which have received grants from the Central Council Bell Restoration Fund were plotted on a map in an effort to monitor the geographical distribution of the grants made. It proved difficult to draw firm conclusions from this as the distribution of towers and unringable towers is not uniform





*The front cover of the recently published booklet*

but the Committee will continue to strive to ensure that applications are encouraged from all areas and that all who may wish to apply for grants are aware of the availability of this funding and of the procedure for application.

We still hold a stock of *Oranges and Lemons* prints kindly donated by the ASCY and SRCY during 2009. We intend that these will be offered for sale on *The Ringing World* Centenary Day and at other suitable opportunities with proceeds to the Central Council Bell Fund.

In accordance with the terms of the Fund, the Fred E Dukes International Bell Fund offered the following grants: St Cyprian's Cathedral, Kimberley, South Africa: £1,000 and St Boniface's Cathedral, Bunbury, Western Australia: £2,000. One grant to St James Anglican Church, Menangle, NSW, Australia of £2,500 was paid. Further applications for grants will be invited early in 2011.

### Future Work

Work continues to make available in a downloadable form on the website the considerable amount of material in paper form that the Committee has acquired. This will support the information in the booklet *Organising a Bell Restoration Project*.

The Committee has arranged a stall for the sale of *Oranges and Lemons* prints and Jigsaws on *The Ringing World* Centenary Day in March and members will also be available to answer queries and provide advice to visitors.

It is anticipated that a new Jigsaw will be prepared during 2011 through the kind efforts of Stella Bianco, to whom we are most grateful, and the Committee will support Stella in this project.

With the growing emphasis, particularly from grant-awarding trusts, on public access, the Committee is preparing advice on ways that access may be enhanced in the many differing circumstances at the various towers undertaking restoration projects. This will assist parishes in making more comprehensive applications for grants with, it is hoped, a greater chance of success.

The Committee is drafting a series of articles that will be submitted for publication in *The Ringing World* from time to time and will also be available to ringing societies and parishes for use in annual reports, newsletters and parish magazines, for example.

During 2011 the Committee will prepare a glossary of terms, initials, acronyms etc used in a bell restoration context. This will form a useful aid to parishes and individuals embarking on a project and will include a Who's Who of useful contacts. The completed glossary will be made available on the website and may also form an additional appendix in a future edition of the *Organising a Bell Restoration Project* booklet.

ROBIN SHIPP (*Chairman*)  
PAT ALBON (*Co-opted in October 2010*)  
JOHN BARNES  
FRANK BEECH  
JAY BUNYAN  
KEN DAVENPORT  
KATE FLAVELL  
IAN ORAM  
JACKIE ROBERTS  
PETER WILKINSON (*Secretary*)

### Biographies Committee

The last year has seen considerable progress in some areas of the committee's work. We have greatly reduced the backlog of unwritten biographical records of deceased Council members. Thanks to the ICT Committee 564 old records, which were written up by calligraphers in the past, are now online and available for everyone to read. We are hoping that some of the recently written up records will be online in the near future.

There has been little progress in persuading living CC members past and present to fill in forms giving information about their ringing careers; several people have requested forms, but few have returned the completed ones to the committee. I would like to thank those who have returned completed forms – and urge those who have not yet done so to try to find time to return them.

Work is proceeding on devising a way in which biographical material relating to any ringer can be put online. Our Committee is discussing the best way forward in this respect with members of the ICT Committee. Obviously it is important to get it right so that once the information is there it can be searched in a variety of ways.

The Committee met in May in Derby, but otherwise have communicated by email.

Thanks are due to David Willis for the huge amount of work he has done this year in finding dates of birth, etc. of deceased ringers who did not fill in biography forms; to John Eisel for supplying numerous scans of information required for biographical records; to Peter Trotman and Stuart Piper for the work they have done in connection with putting records online; and to the many Guild secretaries and other people who have supplied information when asked. I should also like to thank the retiring members of the Committee for their contribution to the Committee's work during the past.

The following former Central Council members died in earlier years, but their deaths have not been previously reported:

James Kenneth Armstrong, Gloucestershire, 1936-1939, attended 1 meeting, died 1964

Robert Binns, Leeds and District Society, 1897-1899, attended 1 meeting, died 1919

Frank Donald Boreham, Oxford Diocesan Guild, 1948-1956, attended 7 meetings, died 1978

Charles Frederick W Eyre, Staffordshire Archdeaconry Society, 1969-1975, attended 7 meetings, died 1994

Herbert Green Fretwell, East Derbyshire and West Nottinghamshire Association, 1927-1929, attended 1 meeting, died 1957

Joseph Griffin, Midland Counties Association, 1891-1924, Honorary member 1924-1936, attended 34 meetings, died 15th October 1947

John Horace Hine, Devon Association, 1965-1992, attended no meetings, died 5th September 1998

Charles William Metcalfe, East Derbyshire and West Nottinghamshire Association, 1945 only, attended 1 meeting, died 1964

Reginald Herbert Newton, Shropshire Association, 1961-1965, attended 4 meetings, died July 1989

Philip Leslie Parrott, Derby Diocesan Association, 1949-1951, attended no meetings, died 1989

Henry James Poole, Bath Association, 1903-1906, attended 1 meeting, died 3rd January 1944

Canon Bertram Freer Sheppard, Cambridge University Guild, 1939-1950, attended 4 meetings, died June 1973

William Stainthorpe, Yorkshire Association, 1900-1905, attended no meetings, died 1922

Stanley George Buchanan Wollaston, Guild of Devonshire Ringers, 1902-1903, did not attend any meetings, died 1923

Ralph Oliver Wright, Devon Association, 1984-1992, attended no meetings, died 1995

The following former Central Council members died during 2010:

Stephen Ivin, Oxford University Society, 1960-1968, Honorary member 1970-1980, attended 14 meetings, died 7th January 2010

John Malcolm Tyler, Peterborough Diocesan Guild, 1972-1983, Honorary member 1984-1993, attended 18 meetings, died 5th February 2010

Douglas Herbert Rooke, Southwell Diocesan Guild, 1960-1965, attended 2 meetings, died 6th February 2010

George Wilkins Massey, Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, 1972-2001, attended 29 meetings, died 14th February 2010

Joan Mary Peel, Sussex County Association, 2005-2007, attended 3 meetings, died 13th March 2010

Revd Roger Owen Fry, Bath and Wells Diocesan Association 1954-1959, attended one meeting, died 8th May 2010

John (Jack) Percy Sims, Guild of Devonshire Ringers, 1981-1983, attended 3 meetings, died 15th June 2010

Frank Charles John Arnold, Norwich Diocesan Association, 1978-1989, attended 12 meetings, died 7th September 2010



Olive Delia Barnett, Honorary member, 1953-1989, attended 36 meetings, died 25th October 2010

PATRICIA HALLS (*Chairman*)  
HILARY ASLETT  
JOHN HARRISON  
JANE MASON  
BOBBIE MAY  
MARGARET ORAM  
DINAH RHYMER  
JUDITH ROGERS

## Report of the Stewards of the Carter Ringing Machine Collection

The past year has been very quiet with the only demonstration being last May to coincide with the Annual Meeting in Derby. The Bellfoundry had an open day and we gave three demonstrations during the course of the day to appreciative audiences.

Two faults became apparent during the demonstrations and these were subsequently traced. One was a fault in the wiring harness, which has become very brittle and it was decided that, in order to keep the machine in working order, it would be best to replace the whole of the harness. A jig was constructed in order to make up the harness away from the machine, and then the original was removed and has been put in safe storage while the new harness took its place. Outwardly the machine appearance is the same, but the new wiring is modern, plastic-coated wire which should be good for a few years!

The second fault was due to a lever becoming loose on its shaft. It was not apparent how this was originally fixed, and so we resorted to a modern glue which has proved to be quite successful.

A further project was to provide a computer interface so that we could monitor the behaviour of the machine. This is connected via an alternative cable, which is more robust than the

original cable. It is now possible to ring the bells under computer control, but the task of monitoring the output of the machine still needs more work done. When not connected to the computer the new cable can be used in place of the old one (which is still functional).

The last time the machine was run, it was very cold and we believe this may have caused the machine to be somewhat erratic with a number of jams. We hope that the warmer weather will improve the situation.

It is hoped to organise a number of demonstrations later this year.

ALAN BERRY  
BILL PURVIS

## Report of the Steward of the Rolls of Honour

The two Memorial Books are kept in their display case at St Paul's Cathedral; they are in good condition and the pages are regularly turned. The books were removed during March 2011 and were displayed as part of the "Inspired by Bells" Ringing World Centenary Art Exhibition.

The Rolls of Honour section of the Central Council website has continued to be updated with a large number of cemetery and memorial photographs being added – there are a large number of photographs to be added in due course. The website has continued to produce enquiries from both ringers and non-ringers about those listed; Peter Trotman again deserves great thanks for his work on the website. Perhaps the following comment from one correspondent who wrote: "I've just visited the very impressive CCCBR website and offer my congratulations to you and your colleagues for creating such a splendid piece of work" shows just how good a job Peter has done!

Further research on those names that are currently shown in the Rolls of Honour has continued. This involves confirming the identity

and details of some of those listed. I am very grateful to Yvonne Cairns for her continued help in this respect. David Underdown has also continued to assist in researching those listed, particularly those that I have struggled to identify. Indeed, two soldiers – Private Gilbert Drew of Dinder, Somerset, and Private George Barrick of Great Dunmow, Essex, have recently been recognised as War Casualties by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission as a direct result of David's efforts.

An article was published in *The Ringing World* in November 2010 which gave more details about the thirteen ringers known to be buried in the Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery in Belgium.

Fund raising for the new Great War Memorial Book has gone well with over £2,400.00 being raised so far. I am very grateful to all those that have contributed. This total covers many personal donations together with donations from Guilds and Associations. I have been discussing the dedication page of the new book with professional illuminator, Mr Tim Noad. The design of this is nearly complete – the vellum pages have been ordered and I have made contact with the binder who will be making the new book. Due to the great craftsmanship that this work entails it is difficult to put a precise timescale on the project. However I am confident the end result will be a worthy commemoration of the 68 names not yet recorded together with those that come to light in the future.

ALAN REGIN

## Report of the Stewards of the Dove Database

We are pleased with our progress so far towards producing a new, 10th edition of *Dove's Guide*, although this has taken longer than we originally anticipated. This is partly because we have re-introduced many of the appendices that had appeared in earlier editions but were missing from Edition 9 and partly because we have been developing a semi-automated method for swiftly repopulating the book's data content from the underlying database. Before Christmas, we submitted a draft to the Publications Committee and to our team of independent reviewers for their comments, and have received positive feedback.

Perhaps surprisingly, the rate at which changes are made to the database contents underlying *Dove* continues at the rate we reported a year ago: still *more than four* altered entries *each and every day* – and that is a figure measured *over the last eight years*. A similar number of changes are made (and, surely, *this* must begin to decrease at some stage!) to the proto National Bell Register data, which now form an integral part of the facility. The combined result is an upload of about 7Mb of data to the Council's website virtually every day of the year. It is pleasing to note that we have made substantial progress with the bellframe data, and we are grateful to Chris Pickford for his ready help and guidance in this specialised area.

A few statistics (as at 7 March 2011) may not be out of place:



*The Carter Ringing Machine*

Total number of rings ( <i>exc</i> 3s):	6,126
Number of rings of 3:	997
Entries changed since Edn9:	3348
	( <i>exc</i> 3s: 54.6%)
Number of bells:	45,925 (6.4 per tower)
Number of bells wt only approx:	6,257 (13.6%)
Number of bells note not known:	1,911 (4.2%)
Number of bells date only approx:	2,594 (5.6%)
Number of bells founder missing:	196 (0.4%)
'Historically important' bells:	6,169 (13.4%)
Rings with some bellframe info:	2003
	( <i>inc</i> 3s: 28.1%)
Bellfounders with bells in pNBR:	792

It is with gratitude that again we acknowledge the work of our co-opted consultant, Ron Johnston, and John's son, Sid, in all that they do to make this truly a team effort. Others too have been most helpful, not least our regular contributors, and also those from 'within the trade', all of whom – taken together – are as assiduous as ever in ensuring that few changes go by unrecorded for more than a very short period of time. Our sincere thanks go to them all.

We are also grateful to Anne Sladen for the work she did during the course of 2010 to refine the physical location (*i.e.*, latitude and longitude coordinates, and National Grid ones for UK towers) of each and every ring.

JOHN BALDWIN  
TIM JACKSON

Hanley and hang them at the nearby parish church of Stone would at last be achieved. The last hurdle was to obtain Listed Building Consent for removal from Hanley. After much campaigning, including one orchestrated by the Trustees in conjunction with *The Ringing World*, the hopes were dashed when Listed Building Consent for the removal of the bells was refused. The Trustees are very grateful to all those who participated and sent in representations to the Borough Council and to *The Ringing World* for its support. It appears now that the bells must remain at the church. There is a little hope that the bells may be restored in the future.

The Trustees received an enquiry concerning the possible acquisition of a chime of bells in Canada currently in storage which could be used to provide a ringing peal. The project was encouraged. The Trustees also kept a watching brief on St John's, Bollington and Chatham Victoria Tower and St Cross, Oxford in case of plans to remove the bells from these closed churches were realised and bridging finance was required to enable a scheme to be achieved. The Bollington bells have been

removed without the need of funding from the Rescue Fund, the St Cross bells look as though they have to remain where they are and negotiations concerning the future of the bells at Chatham continue.

The Trustees have remained in discussion with the Keltek Trust throughout the year concerning other churches that have been closed, and where bells are at risk to coordinate and jointly fund the cost of removing the bells for future use elsewhere if this can be achieved.

The Trustees are always grateful to those ringers who have undertaken to provide loans for the Fund and prompt to respond when loans are requested. New promises of loans are welcome and the Trustees hope that Council members will consider offering loans by notifying the Treasurer.

R. J. COOLES (*Honorary Secretary*)  
J. C. BALDWIN (*Honorary Treasurer*)

## CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS Rescue Fund for Redundant Bells

Registered Charity No 278816

### Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2010

	2010	2009
<b>Incoming resources</b>		
Interest receivable	36	6
EveryClick (=donations from ringers)	34	
Loans from ringers	0	0
Loan repayment (part) from parishes	<u>10,000</u>	<u>8,020</u>
	<b>10,070</b>	<b>8,026</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>		
Payments	1	0
Repayments of ringers' loans (2009)	<u>0</u>	<u>5,080</u>
	<b>1</b>	<b>5,080</b>
<b>Net incoming resources</b>	<b>10,069</b>	<b>2,946</b>
Balances at 1 January 2010	3,214	268
Balances at 31 December 2010	<b>13,283</b>	<b>3,214</b>

### Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2010

<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors: loans to parishes ( <i>see Note 1</i> )		10,000
Cash in bank and on deposit	<u>13,283</u>	<u>3,214</u>
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>13,283</b>	<b>13,214</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>	<b>13,283</b>	<b>13,214</b>
<b>Funds</b>		
Unrestricted	<b>13,283</b>	<b>13,214</b>

### Note 1:

*The one outstanding loan to a parish was repaid during 2010*

J C Baldwin  
12 March 2011

## Rescue Fund for Redundant Bells

The full name of the charity is:

CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH  
BELL RINGERS RESCUE FUND FOR  
REDUNDANT BELLS

The charity is not incorporated. The constitution derives from rules adopted on the 29 May 1979 and amended on the 26 May 2008 and registered with the Charity Commission on the 22 October 1979. The Charity's registration number is 278816.

The principal address of the Charity is that of the secretary namely:

8 LEBANON GARDENS LONDON  
SW18 1RG

The principal object of the Fund is to advance the Christian religion by the rescue of redundant bells for the purpose of their being rehoused elsewhere for ringing in churches.

The Trustees of the Fund are the members of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers Committee for Redundant Bells namely:

The Revd Dr JC Baldwin

R. J. Cooles

A. J. Frost

I. Hastilow

R. Lewis

J. Newman

The Honorary Secretary is: R. J. Cooles

The Honorary Treasurer is:

The Revd Dr J. C. Baldwin

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The final repayments of loans in connection with the Northampton Project were paid to the Fund in 2010.

There were high hopes during the year that the project to remove the ring of 10 bells at