



Oxford City Branch Hugh's News

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

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These are the 2011 Wolvercote Quiz Champions! Who will be the 2012 winner?

Don't miss out on the increasingly popular **Annual Quiz at St. Peter's in Wolvercote on Thursday 16th February!** Last year the winning team took home an engraved silver tankard with the 'honour' of arranging next year's questions. The time has now come to pass it on to the next champions, so Adrian, Ailsa, and Hugh, are putting together various general knowledge questions that are sure to keep us all entertained. A picture round compiled by Janice and Christopher promises to be a 'toot' as well! Ringing practice beforehand is a must of course to get the brain in full circulation! Bring food to share, along with plenty of your knowledge, or you can just pay the £2 entry fee. Ringing starts at 7.15pm, and the Quiz starts at 8.15pm in the church hall. **Please come along. Everyone is welcome!**
Donna Murphy.

Branch Practice at St Giles.

Many thanks are due to John Pusey for the warm welcome to ring the refurbished St. Giles bells on 21st January for the first joint meeting with the Witney and Woodstock Branch. What a difference, and an asset the bells are! We were pleased to

welcome our new Branch Secretary, Katherine Stonham, to her first ringing meeting, as well as a number of visitors. The Oxford City Branch wishes its chairman Simon Edwards, a speedy recovery from his minor operation and his return to ringing very soon. *Roy Jones.*

Nostalgia Corner!



Can you identify any of these ringers? The picture on the left was taken after a quarter-peal of 1259 Grandsire Triples on 9th July 1977 at St Giles. The one on the right was taken in August 2000. These should bring back a few memories for some of you!

Dermot Roaf.

I'm planning to make 'Nostalgia Corner' a regular feature in Hughs News, so if you have any nice old pictures you think

might be of interest to people, then please can you email them to me. Make sure you send me as many details about your photo as possible....! Paul.



Dates for your Diary

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

Saturday 4th February	Stedman Triples Practice at Witney (8) 16cwt. (Combined Practice with Witney & Woodstock)	10.30am-12.00pm
Tuesday 7th February	Advanced Practice at Headington (8) 7½ cwt.	8.00pm-9.00pm
Saturday 18th February	Branch Practice at Headington (8) 7½ cwt. (This Practice will include a short meeting to approve the end of year Branch accounts)	10.30am-11.45am
Saturday 3rd March	Stedman Triples Practice at Kidlington (8) 21cwt. (Combined Practice with Witney & Woodstock)	10.30am-12.00pm
Saturday 17th March	10 Bell Practice at St. Mary Magdalen (10) 7cwt	6.30pm-7.45pm
Saturday 14th April	Major Method Practice at Witney (8) 16cwt (Combined Practice with Witney & Woodstock)	10.30am-11.45am
Saturday 24th March	'Spring Outing' to Cambridgeshire on Saturday 24th March. 10.45am Cambridge (Trumpington) (8) 10cwt. 12.15pm Gamlingay (8) 16cwt. 1.15pm lunch at The Duncombe Arms, Eltisley. 2.45pm Great Grandsden (6) 13cwt. 3.45pm Croxton (6) 10cwt.	

(Hugh has hired a minibus for the day, so he needs to know how many people are going. The cost per person including tower fees is £15)

Local Practice Nights:

Mondays:	Garsington (6), St Aldates (6).
Tuesdays:	Headington (8), Kidlington (8), Horspath (6).
Wednesdays:	Iffley (6).
Thursdays:	Wolvercote (6), St Giles (8), Stanton St John (5), Cowley (6).
Fridays:	Old Marston (6), Wheatley (6), North Hinksey (6) (6.45-7.45).

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

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