



Oxford City Branch Hugh's News



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

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OXFORD DIOCESAN BELL FUND (Registered Charity Number 268390)

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To make a donation or to request a Grant Application Form, email: treasurer@odg.org.uk. Alan Marchbank.

Branch Practice at Iffley (6) 10cwt

On Saturday 8th March, a joint practice was held by the Marston, Cowley and Iffley towers at Iffley, which was attended by 22 ringers from eight towers. We were fortunate to have John Pusey, Andrew Freer, Paul Lucas and Bernard Masterman to help, which enabled us to put learners in one at a time with a strong band around them. We rang Plain Hunt on 5 and 6, Bob Doubles, Grandsire (and touches of both), Stedman and Bob Minor. The feedback was positive, with the learners gaining in confidence and looking forward to the next such event. **Susan King**

10 Bell Practice at St Mary Magdalen (10) 7cwt

On the same day as the Iffley practice, there was another practice in the evening on the lovely little bells of St Mary Magdalen in the centre of Oxford. The two less experienced ringers who came along, were able to enjoy Plain Hunting Caters, and call changes, while the rest of us

rang Surprise Minor and Major methods. This was originally a wooden Saxon church which stood here a thousand years ago, but was burnt down in 1074. Robert D'Oyley, the Norman Constable of Oxford, built a single aisle chapel to replace the wooden church. Saint Hugh, the Bishop of Lincoln, rebuilt the church in 1194. Following

the English Reformation, the church's patronage passed from St Frideswide's to Christ Church. In 1841-42, George Gilbert Scott, then young and unknown, rebuilt the chancel and the north aisle. This complemented his Martyrs Memorial, just north of the church. It was the first Victorian Gothic interior in Oxford. **Paul Lucas.**

Spring Outing to Wiltshire next Saturday - 22nd March

10.00am - Royal Wootton Bassett (8) 19cwt, 11.00am - Lyneham (6) 14cwt, 12.15pm - Lydiard Tregoze (6) 11cwt, (1.15pm - Lunch at 'The Sun' at Lydiard). 2.30pm - Lydiard Millicent (6) 6cwt, 3.30pm - Purton (8) 20cwt.

There are 2 extra pages below once again, with the Menu for 'The Sun' at Lydiard Millicent. If you're having lunch with us, please let Hugh know what you would like to order from the menu by next Wednesday 19th March - at the latest please!

With the first major outing of the year coming up this would seem an opportune moment to make mention of the 'Outings' page on the Branch website where photos and location descriptions of outings going back as far as the 1980s are archived. Whilst photos alone cannot replicate the full ambience of an outing, they can hopefully whet the appetite for what is one of the most exciting and rewarding facets of ringing. **Hugh.**

Dates for your Diary

Full details from Hugh Deam at: hugh.deam@btinternet.com or phone: 07899-871079.

Advanced Practice at Kidlington (8) All experienced ringers welcome.	7.30p-9.00pm
Advanced Practice at Headington (8) All experienced ringers welcome.	8.00pm-9.00pm
Advanced Practice at St Giles (8) All experienced ringers welcome.	7.30pm-9.00pm
Kidlington (8) Grandsire Triples & Upwards Practice with Kidlington Ringers.	10.30am-12noon
Doubles & Minor Method Mini-Outing to Stowe (6)	11.00am-12noon
and Lillingstone Lovell (6).	12.30pm-1.30pm

Local Practice Nights

Mondays:	St Aldates (6), Garsington (6)
Tuesdays:	Kidlington (8), Horspath (6).
Wednesdays:	Headington (8), Iffley (6).
Thursdays:	St Giles (8), Wolvercote (6), Stanton St John (5), Cowley (6).
Fridays:	Old Marston (6), Wheatley (6), North Hinksey (6) (6.30pm-7.30pm).

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

Any information or photographs for inclusion in **Hugh's News** please email me: paulclucas@hotmail.co.uk





Bistro Menu

Sun Inn Classics

Homemade Chilli Con Carne, Rice or Chips Topped with Cheddar Cheese, Garlic Bread £7.95

Homemade Purton House Free Range 3 Egg Omelette with Dressed Salad.

Choose one Filling: Cheese, Ham, Tomato, Mushroom, Red Pepper £6.95

Extra Fillings 75p each

Hand Carved Fresh Wiltshire Ham, 2 Purton House Free Range Eggs with Chips £6.95

Warm Salad Nicoise: Flaked Tuna, Green Beans, New Potatoes, Olives, Boiled Egg, Capers and Anchovies on Mixed Leaves, Mustard Dressing £7.95

Smoked Chicken and Asparagus Salad with Pine Nuts set on Salad Leaves, French Dressing £7.95

Goat's Cheese Salad, Sun Dried Tomatoes, and Toasted Pine Nuts, Mixed Leaves, Drizzled with Balsamic Syrup £6.95

Sun Ploughman's: Wiltshire Ham or Cheddar Cheese, Mixed Salad, Pickled Onion, Branston Pickle, Apple and Crusty Baguette with butter £7.95

Filled Crusty Baguettes (White or Granary) served with Homemade Coleslaw, Salad Garnish and Crisps £6.50

Choose from one of the following fillings:

Cheese and Pickle

Tuna & Cucumber, Ham, Tomato and Mustard

Roast Chicken, Brie and Cranberry Sauce

Prawn Marie Rose and Salad Leaves £7.95

Steak and Onion £8.95

Freshly Baked Jacket Potatoes with Dressed Salad £6.50

Choose from one of the following fillings:

Baked Beans & Cheese, Chilli & Cheese, Prawn Marie Rose, Tuna Mayo and Red Onion

Spicy Nachos with Tomato Salsa and Melted Cheese £3.50

(with Chilli Beef and Melted Cheese) £5.00

Sun Inn Specials

Starters or Snacks

Chefs Homemade Soup of the Day, Crusty Bread £3.95

Eggs Benedict – Toasted Muffin, Ham, Poached Eggs, Hollandaise Sauce

One Muffin, £3.75

Two Muffin, £5.50

Crispy Fried Whitebait, Dressed Salad and Aioli £4.95

Red Onion and Goats Cheese Tartlet, Tomato Chutney, Balsamic Glaze £5.75

Pan Fried Sweet Chilli King Prawns, Sesame Seed Salad, Mustard Dressing £6.50

Duck Liver & Orange Pate, Beetroot & Horseradish Relish, Crusty Roll £5.50

Main Courses

Cajun Marinated Fresh Chicken Fillet, Chips or Wedges, Salad Garnish £8.95

Homemade 60z Beef Burger, Bacon and Cheese,
Chips or Wedges, Salad Garnish £8.50

Grilled Fresh Scottish Salmon Fillet, Dressed Salad, Roasted New Potatoes, Hollandaise Sauce £11.50

Chefs Homemade Fishcakes, Dressed Salad, French Fries, Redcurrant and Chilli Jam £9.95

Fresh Local Sausages of the Week, Mustard Mash or Chunky Chips, Green Peas, Onion Gravy £9.95

5oz Gammon, Chunky Chips, Onion Rings, Peas, Fried Egg or Pineapple £7.25
(10oz Steak £14.50)

5oz Rib-Eye Steak, Chunky Chips, Onion Rings and Peas £8.95
(10oz Steak £17.50)

Tagliatelle tossed with Roasted Vegetables in a Tomato and Basil Sauce, Parmesan and Garlic Bread £9.25