



UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS

Annual Report 2016-17



MASTER - JEMMA L MILLS (UWL)

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Master's Report

The past year has been a challenging year for the UL. Many of our regulars have become adults and entered the working world, making increasingly difficult to attend weekday events, and this paired with a low number of student members, has led to a huge challenge to keep everything rolling.

That said, we have had most of the 'usual' events take place. We've had a handful of tours, some more successful than others, a wonderful dinner, with a successful dinner day Peal and Quarter, both rung for the occasion, peal weekend, where one peal was scored out of three, and much more.

In July (2016) we hosted the RWNYC, when hundreds of young ringers descended on the city of London, to compete, and enjoy a day of grabbing towers. A massive well done to the members that played a huge part in the organisation of this, and helped out by running things on the day, everybody seemed to enjoy the day, including the supporting adults!

We entered a team for the London 12 bell this year, held at St Sepulchre, with the test piece being half a course of Cambridge surprise maximus. The band arrived at seps having had only a couple of practices, and rang very respectfully, coming 5th out of 9 teams, and even beating one of the college youths teams!

A handful of members attended SUA in Cambridge (for the Saturday) and joined with the Bristol uni ringers to form a couple of scratch bands for the 6 bell, which we didn't do very well in.

In total, this year, there have been 6 peals rung by the society. 2 on tower bells, and 4 in hand. 3 of the handbell peals were in memory of Roger Bailey, who would now have been 70 years old.

There have been 37 quarters this year, with many of these contributing to the 70th year quarter peal challenge, which we successfully completed (thanks to the organisers for their hard work!), with a slight extension.... These quarters included a rather enjoyable quarter at St Paul's Cathedral, where we achieved a very high standard of ringing throughout, I am particularly proud of this! Another notable quarter was that of 4 spliced surprise major, at Walthamstow st Saviour, called by Luke. This was the UL's most 'liked' performance on bellboard this year, achieving a massive 72 likes. I have no idea why...

This year has seen attendance for Sunday ringing drop dramatically, with only a handful of Sunday's where all 8 bells have been put into action. The ellacombe apparatus has been put into use several times, and Tom has kindly provided some new music for this.

Thursday practices have had a varied attendance, with some practices finishing early due to a small number of attendees, and some nearly overrunning because of the large number! There have been a few out of tower practices, the most notable being at St. Mary Le Bow, where attendance peaked at 28!

To conclude, I would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who has done anything for the UL, and that includes turning up. I really do appreciate it. It has been a bumpy year, but I've made it through with the help of you all, so thank you so much!

Jemma L Mills – BIMM London (University of West London)

Secretary's Report

This year has certainly been a fun and eventful time to have become secretary. Firstly I would like to offer engagement congratulations to Tim Forster and Laura Caine, as well as wedding congratulations to Lizzie Stokoe and Rob Lee, from everyone in the UL.

We also had a number of new members join the society, including Katharine Waldron (Completing a Postgrad Diploma in the Conservation of Easel Paintings, Courtauld Institute of Art), Racheal Deakin (Studying History, Goldsmiths University), Alistair Cherry (Teaching Course, Goldsmiths University), Alistair Smith (Studying Medicine, UCL).

As well as the usual UL fun, we have also have some larger issues in the society to address as a committee. Membership of the Central Council was put to a vote at the AGM in May, with a majority voting to remain a part of the organisation.

The UL dinner was amazingly organised by Chris and Chloe, and was as ever very well attended. The food was amazing as ever, and the cheesy tunes were played afterwards. The captain Vom hat was certainly worn by more than one person.

The Roger Bailey weekend, was merged with the winter tour this year due to fewer numbers. It was one of the best events of the year, with a quarter peal rung in the morning, ringing at Queens tower in the afternoon and later a pub crawl round south Kensington.

The UL Summer tour was organised this year by Andrew and Ryan, taking place in Cornwall, and after the long drive was an amazing tour with lots of ringing and of course.... Drinking.

Despite struggling with numbers at some of the events this year, the events this year have been super fun, with plenty of hangovers to follow! Thanks to all those who have put the effort into organising

Its been an amazing experience being secretary this year, and I wish every luck to whoever takes over.

Charlotte Beaver – Royal Holloway University

** Editors note – Summer tour was to Cumbria this year – with a trip to Devon the year after!*

Membership Secretary's Report

Mike Trimm

Trustees Report

The Society's assets are as follows:

- 6 wooden folding chairs
- 14 handbells with box
- Gavel with box
- Westminster Abbey 'trophy'
- 8 muffles – one missing a buckle
- 2 clapper ties
- 2 cupboards
- 1 whiteboard
- 3 pinboards
- Various sports equipment
- Various Christmas decorations
- 2 tool boxes with tools
- 1 peal board
- UL-opoly
- Captain's hat
- Disco ball
- Little Bob Maximus
- 3 music stands
- 5 small collecting buckets
- 3 large buckets
- 1 fan heater
- 1 extension lead
- 1 RCD
- 14 selfie sticks
- 2 vacuum cleaners
- Library – full details with the society librarian

The Society's inventory currently includes:

- 5 65th anniversary pint glasses
- 136 70th anniversary pint glasses
- Several learner booklets

The second trustee was not able to confirm these assets, so this report is submitted in my name only.

Tom Nagel 2017-05-12

Treasurer's ReportAccounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2017

	Year Ended 2017	Year Ended 2016
<u>Opening Balances</u>		
Petty Cash	734.65	423.24
Lloyds TSB	-	-
NatWest	3,237.02	3,661.83
Halifax	-	-
Ringling World	28.55	(3.66)
Total Funds	<u>4,000.22</u>	<u>4,081.41</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Tower Donations		
Peals and Quarters	-	14.00
Carol Service Ringing	60.00	-
Steepleage	22.08	97.08
Visiting Ringers	267.50	80.00
Other	-	187.82
Membership Fees	30.00	100.00
Profit on 2016 Dinner (2014)	138.27	537.00
Profit on T-Shirt Sales	-	100.93
Total Income	<u>517.85</u>	<u>1,116.83</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Ringling World Advertisements	-	17.79
Ringling World Subscription	73.00	70.00
CC Subscription	30.00	30.00
CC Meeting Expenses	-	90.00
Loss on 2015 Dinner	-	743.42
Handbell Insurance	35.35	34.07
Website Expenses	47.99	47.99
Engraving SUA Trophy	-	15.00
70 Quarters Map	-	24.75
Striking Competition Entry Fees	-	125.00
Loss on UL Clothing	180.97	-
Total Expenditure	<u>367.31</u>	<u>1,198.02</u>
Profit for year	<u>150.54</u>	<u>(81.19)</u>
<u>Closing Balances</u>		
Petty Cash (Uncashed Cheque)	20.27	734.65
Lloyds TSB	-	-
NatWest	4,101.94	3,237.02
Halifax	-	-
Ringling World	28.55	28.55
Total Funds	<u>4,150.76</u>	<u>4,000.22</u>

Dinner Account

	26th November 2016	28th November 2015
Income		
Ticket Sales - 84 @ £45 (180 @ £50)	3,780.00	9,000.00
Glassware Sales (estimated figure)	15.00	370.00
Total Income	<u>3,795.00</u>	<u>9,370.00</u>
Expenditure		
Food - 87 @ £22 (181 @ £52)	3,301.20	9,412.00
Menu Printing	-	30.00
Disco	300.00	290.00
Late Licence Fee	21.00	
Glassware	-	347.52
Other Expenses	34.53	33.90
Total Expenditure	<u>3,656.73</u>	<u>10,113.42</u>
Profit / (Loss) on Dinner	<u>138.27</u>	<u>(743.42)</u>

*Andrew Hills - UCL***Auditor's Report**

"I have reviewed the accounts prepared for the year to 31st March 2017 and all the documentation supplied to me. I am pleased to report that it supports the accounts presented"

Peter Jasper

BBC Music Day 2016

The first event of the new master's year was to be organised by the previous master. It is thought it was some sort of trade done, in that Jemma organised the Tewkesbury Shield team, and Richard this.

Either way, there was much excitement in the build up to this, as we were told there might be a TV crew in attendance. We found out just before that there would be no TV crew, and that we would have to film ourselves... Oh well, fame can wait...

We rang some respectable touches, including some minor methods, Cambridge major, and some call changes. Videos from this can be found on the society's newly created Instagram page.

Bonus of the event was that we all got a new, free, t-shirt – RESULT!!!



Report written by Jemma Mills

Last Practice of Summer Term – Celebrating the Queen's Official 90th Birthday



For the final practice of summer term 2016, we decided to throw a party to celebrate the official 90th Birthday of HM the Queen. There was booze, food, bells, bunting, masks and crowns.



UL Treasure Hunt 2016

Another year, another treasure hunt – this time with an unprecedentedly cultural theme (unfamiliar territory for the UL...)



That's right – this year saw teams of keen-minded bellringers spreading out across central (and greater) London in quest of clues in an impressive range of museums. The treasure hunt pack had the potential to lead us to all corners of London, seeking out the ingeniously devised questions and answers hidden in exhibitions on all manner of subjects.

Quite apart from the effort that went into visiting and dreaming up appropriate questions for all these museums, the treasure hunt organisers had laid on another treat for us – a surprise hidden away in an Amazon locker that only our team could unlock.

I actually missed the opening ceremonies for the treasure hunt this year, as I had been roped into a quarter peal with Kate Wallis and assorted others at Kilburn in the morning. If I remember correctly it was a sweaty sort of quarter, on exceedingly teeny bells, but we scored it and managed to convince Tom Wood (one of the tour organisers) to pass on our team pack.

With our instructions in hand, the team that would come to be known as 'Team Excessive Packaging' set off, immediately losing one of our team members when Kate went to drop off her bike. Undeterred, Mariko and I carried on in search of the Wellcome Collection where we found many weird and wonderful things – including I think all the things we were supposed to find!

At this point we lost Mariko, but had found Kate again so Team Excessive Packaging was going strong. We went to The British Museum next, but found that it is literally rammed with people, and also with statues that bear more than a passing resemblance to those referenced on our quiz sheet, and became slightly discouraged.



The organisers knew their audience well, however, and had sneaked a pub into proceedings, which we realised was gratifyingly close to the British Museum! We thought it would be rude to miss up such an opportunity, so went with haste to the Museum Tavern where we recruited an intrigued, but confused, member of staff to do the work for us while we had a G&T. Very good.

I think the next stop on our route was the Museum of Childhood – an exceptionally good museum in Bethnal Green (if you haven't already been there, it is well worth a visit). We were becoming weary and foot sore by this point, however, and were running out of time so decided to call a halt to proceedings and head back to submit our score sheet.

I will confess that this is where my memory of the treasure hunt becomes hazy, as (surprise!) I started drinking beer the second we hit the meeting-up pub at the end of the day.

What I do remember is that the Oxford team won (I think they had been taking the whole exercise rather more seriously than Team Excessive Packaging). Congrats to those guys – but our prize of a set of kitchen scourers was both practical and attractive, so really everyone was a winner!

Thanks go to the treasure hunt organisers, Tom W, Chris B and Jenny Willis for another great day out in London. Roll on the next year!

Report written by Rosemary Hill

RWNYC 2016 – London

On the morning of Saturday 2nd July, I woke up to a bright sunny day, which was a great start to what was the day of the Ringing World National Youth Contest. I must say I did find the start time a little early to cope with, myself being a student on my summer holiday, but it was promised to be a good day, which I was sure would make it all worthwhile.

I arrived at the central area for the day (St Mary Le Bow) a little after 9, to sign in and get on with the day. The church was already filling up with young ringers and adult helpers. I made my way to the stewards desk to find the Poodle sitting there giving us all wristbands and telling us to use our neatest handwriting for the stickers. He did not approve of me putting a little decorative heart next to my name...

Shortly after this, I was shepherded away to St Lawrence Jewry where I was to make sure everyone got a fair go at ringing on the glorious bells, and that neither a child, or bell was injured in the process.

While I was at Jewry, there was also open ringing at St Martin-In-The-Fields, Bow, and a 12 bell workshop at St Magnus-The-Martyr. At a couple of these towers, one being Jewry, we found that the stewards were unfortunately outnumbering the 'youths', as most of them were either hanging around at Bow, or ringing in the contest. It was great to hear from SmiTF that Plain Hunt on 11 was rung with the 'Coventry Spires' team!

Many ringers that visited us at Jewry were saying how fantastic it is that there was so much to do, and all were saying they were having a great day out, and enjoying the sun while they could!

After the morning eliminators and open ringing came to an end, many youngsters returned to Bow, to ring on the bells, and to find out if they'd made the final at Hart Street! The atmosphere was tense as we awaited results from the judges to find out which two teams from each of the three towers had secured a place in the final.

Once the results were in, the church began to clear again, with the lucky 6 teams heading off to the final, and the remainder of the youths going to get a cheeky grab at the many towers that had opened up for the afternoon!

Ringing went on, fairly uneventfully; until about 5, when everyone once again filled the church at Bow for the results.

It was at this point I actually left and found the Watling, but in the pub we were receiving the full results from Martin Cansdale via Whatsapp!



Overall I think I good day was had by the next generation of ringers, and they had lots of fun activities to do. Well done to Linda Garton, Becca and Ryan and everyone else involved in organising the day! I think the stewards found it rewarding to be involved in such a busy (slightly stressful), yet successful day.

Report written by Jemma Mills

Early Summer Tour 2016 – ‘One Hobby To Rule Them All’

Sammy Rider and her wife were dissatisfied. They lived a relaxing, secluded lifestyle with the regulation number of children in a regulation 3 bed house in East Croydon. Every Monday they took part in the regulation Morris dancing sessions at the church hall and listened to the bell ringing broadcast across the nation on their regulation radio. They had everything they could hope for and yet they couldn't have been more unhappy.

One Friday afternoon, Sammy and Felicity were in a very much non-regulation restless mood. It was such a perfect sunny afternoon that they wanted to do something more exciting than sit in their small, perfect garden drinking Pimms and eating strawberries and ice cream. They wanted adventure!

On a whim, they headed to the station and boarded a Southern train to Lewes. They were a bit surprised to find there was no guard on the train but given the recent fuss on the government trying to take over the railway, that wasn't completely unheard of.

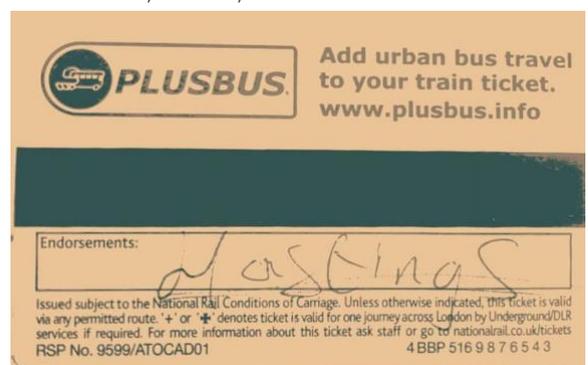
On arriving at lovely Lewes, a small town renowned for its appreciation of the pure British government and their regulations, they wandered aimlessly until they spotted a B&B. Knocking the door and enquiring about rooms led them into a lovely 4 story townhouse.

After a brief discussion, they were escorted downstairs and presented with a cozy scene of other travellers and a large bowl of delicious spaghetti bolognese. Thanking their host profusely, whilst listening to the yearly tennis championship on the radio and munching on a truly massive 66% saturated fat cheesecake, Sammy and Felicity began to look around the room for the first time.

The room was furnished with a variety of furniture, a comfy looking sofa and a bunch of memorabilia. A small orange piece of card caught Sammy's eye and she picked it up for a closer look. It looked as if it



has been lost by someone a long time ago. The words "Lewes" and "Rye" were just visible along one edge. Flipping it over, there was a hand scrawled word on the back. After a brief discussion amongst the other guests, they decided the word said Hastings, a town just down the railway line. Quite taken with their discovery, Sammy and Felicity decided to explore the town the next day as they retired to bed at the top of the house.



The next morning dawned and it was another sunny one. Sammy and Felicity descended the stairs to find the smell of bacon wafting upwards. On entering the kitchen, they discovered half toasted bread and more bacon than they could comfortably eat. Helping themselves, they began to plan the next stage of their adventure.

They climbed aboard the 9.42 towards Hastings. A brief interruption in the regulation railway normality left them running to catch a connecting train and then

eventually stranding them on another village platform. Given that the next train wouldn't be for a few hours, they went off to explore.

Westham turned out to be a small, centrally located village. The entire row of shops that it boasted were still shut so the couple wandered into the local church where there was a lively coffee morning. It would be rude (not to mention against regulations) to avoid such a pleasure so they both grabbed a slice of cake and admired the local bell ringers attempting something they called Double Dunkirk. It was very impressive.

Next, they decided to pass around what looked like a very old Castle and see Pevensey. Unfortunately for them, Pevensey also didn't have anything open but the church. As they ventured inside, they saw some higher-ups from the government having a go on the bells. A little bell ringer was having a difficult time trying to appear composed as she hefted the wildly swaying rope around, and since there was no one else in the church apart from a short, happy little man, Sammy and Felicity headed back to the train station to avoid arousing suspicion.

It was turning out to be quite a pleasant day, although S and F had never seen so many Bellringers. They assumed it was a side effect of them living so far removed from the power hobbies that their presence seemed odd. They had never been career oriented people and, as such, had never learnt to Morris dance, bell ring or take part in any other quaint English traditions. Ever since the dreadful "Brexit" incident decades before, English traditions had started to take over until eventually they became the hobbies required to get a cushy government job. Sort of the equivalent of Eton, or so they had heard. Eventually, the College of Youths had gained so much power that they staged a coup and overthrew the Conservatives. Ever since that day ("beerday") the Morris men had taken over the universities and bell ringers had become the people in charge. They began imposing many rules, including a recommending weekly minimum of alcohol consumption (14 units) and regulations to cover everything else that wasn't method shaped.

Sammy and Felicity's musings were interrupted at that moment as a very old man appeared out of nowhere who began to gesture profusely at them. Given that he had a hat, they assumed he was the guard and passed him the stub of orange paper that was their tickets. He then surprised them both by becoming quite animated upon receiving the orange stub and a huge smile spread across his face.

"This ticket is for Rye! You'll need another!" he exclaimed. They looked worriedly at each other in shock. Had they got the wrong tickets?

"36 past the hour! Only one an hour!" he cried. He then shoved their wad of tickets back at them and disappeared.

Just as they were recovering from this incident, he bowled back into the carriage and thrust another few tickets at them. "For Rye! On the house! I remember a group going this way before, years ago now. Didn't know if they knew the train times, they looked a bit unreliable, but I told them! I helped them, they knew the train times once I was done with them!"

He stopped, smiled happily at them once more, then retreated to another carriage with a look of glee etched into his features.

Sammy and Felicity looked at each other and burst out laughing just as the train pulled into Hastings. "36 minutes past the hour!" burred the intercom as they stepped off the train.

Bewildered and amused, they realised they didn't actually have a plan now they were here, so they stood around thinking about the possibilities for 10 or 15 minutes, making sure they'd considered them all before attempting to find some lunch, which had actually been their first thought.

Wandering aimlessly, they attempted to enter a slightly-not-regulation pub that served almost-regulation beer but found it to not serve any regulation food at all, so they turned back the way they came, filled with increased hunger and frustration. Adventures weren't all the were cracked up to be when you have an empty stomach!

Given that eating sub-regulation food was problematic, they settled on the government pub chain, a 'spoons. Guaranteed to serve exactly regulation food at all times, they wandered in, ordered their usual and sat down. This particular 'spoons was one of the rare ones that used to have a "Wether" before it, before the prefix was eliminated back in '34.

Freshly fed and watered, they headed for the beach, then went North through the old town after taking in spot of seagull feeding by the local Ice Cream shop, and stumbled onto another church and set of government officials. Quite bewildered, they ran away quickly before the heavy and apparently quite hard bells started up again. There were only so many officials they could take in one day.

They hadn't gone 5 steps before they remembered the guard's warning – there was only 15 minutes before the train to Rye! After a very hurried trip across Hastings, they boarded the train and arrived in the pretty town. Here, they spotted an old, dilapidated coffee shop that looked as if it had just been bought by a tea company, as well as, obviously, the church which appeared to be offering tours up to the top.

Deciding that the local government might appreciate them taking part in the tour, and therefore hopefully lowering their beer requirement due to good behaviour, they headed up. Shortly after ascending the first set of stairs, they encountered a very slim passage, a very loud clock and a very eccentric man talking loudly about bells being up or down or both in some order that he didn't seem to quite understand.

Quickly recovering, they asked him about going to the top and he ushered them up after slipping them a piece of paper. They thanked him, headed up and opened the paper once he was out of sight. It was an old photograph of a bunch of young people looking happy and beautiful on a lovely summers day on the top of this very same church. Feeling inspired, they took a quick "belfie" at the top of the tower, took in the view and headed down quickly, ready to catch the train back to the B&B.



On arrival, their hosts were just firing up a bbq so they settled in, helped themselves to a very large glass of gin, and had an enjoyable evening with the other guests discussing the extremes of regulation towns, flower arranging competitions and sleepy villages.

On Sunday they rose with a sore head and high spirits. They got up promptly to listen to the regulation Sunday morning bell session from the local church and set out to wander some country lanes for a

morning. After they had got good and lost were forced to ask for directions and flagged down the first vehicle that headed their way. Unfortunately for them, it was a truck of Morris dancers heading to a festival.

“What’ya doin’ wanderin’ round these roads, lassie? Yer in the mid’le o’ nowhere!” he cried out the window, jangling gently. “We’ll give yer a lift to the next government spot o’er that hill!”.

Thanking their drivers, they got out hurriedly after a short, hair-raising drive round the Sussex countryside. Felicity had always disliked Morris dancers. She only took part in the weekly class back home because it was that or bell-ringing and she didn’t much fancy being one of those people.

Looking around, the local government centre was, unsurprisingly, a church, with a large double car park and a luscious looking garden off to the left. It must be quite a high up official to have such a nice place!

They stepped through the oak doors and were immediately met by a large glass walled waiting room. They took their seats, were asked difficult questions about things such as names of various methods which they didn’t know the in’s and out’s of, all whilst being stared at by people through the glass.

They felt a bit trapped, like wild animals in a cage, and were very relieved when they were finally met by a very jolly lady who gave them directions and set them free. While she walked them back to their car, she told them they had given the best answers to the method questions since a young group had showed up, years ago, to ring the bells there. She even had some old CCTV stills from their monitoring system, and to their surprise they recognised the same group from the picture on the top of the church in Rye! Asking about them, the jolly lady told them they were a group of pre-Brexit incident bell ringers who did it for fun rather than power. Apparently they had been down for the weekend, visited many towns and were keenly remembered by all the locals as some of the nicest people they had met before the hobby was taken over by bureaucracy and elite power struggles.

She seemed almost nostalgic as she told them this and they had to ask what else she knew about the group. She stared off wistfully into the sky for a bit before recalling that they had next headed to a small set of bells in a small garage. Their interest perked, they asked for directions and set off across the fields to finish the story of the set of bell ringers they had unwittingly followed in the footsteps of. The quest was nearly over and they had only just discovered it had begun! How exciting!

The garage had since become a museum of English Traditions, filled with memorabilia, artifacts and memories. They explored extensively discovering quaint items including some kind of slow running bell, a box called “Becca” and some slanty pieces of wood that matched the floor. There was also a collection of morris bells, plenty of photos and a delicious chocolate cake to be consumed! While they munched they asked the owners about the group of happy bell ringers that had travelled through all those years before. The owners immediately broke into the blissful look Sammy and Felicity had some to associate with the travelling group as they regaled them of stories of how “Becca’s box” came into being and their memories of the group.

Before they knew it, they’d been chatting to the owners for hours and the sun was beginning to set. They hurried back toward the station, turning down further offers of cake, and were just in time to catch the train home to East Croydon. On the journey home, they reflected on their adventures around Hastings, Rye, Lewes and all the villages in between. Seeing all the happy, smiling faces of the locals as they discovered more about the roaming band of bell ringers had given them a new appreciation for their government, for the hobby of bell ringing and all the old English traditions that were forced upon them by the new regime.

They both silently resolved to take up bell-ringing, but to do it for fun, for the laughs and for the friends they would meet along the way. They would also do it for the challenge. The establishment needed shaking up and England needed to be returned to the relaxing, friendly, accepting and diverse place it used to be. They could do it, they decided, as they entered their regulation house with regulation garden. Making themselves a cup of tea, Sammy and Felicity Rider settled down to plot some very much non-regulation treason. What an adventure it had been!

Report written by Ben Clive

ULSCR Summer Tour 2016

This year our tour organisers, Nix, David and Mariko took us to Cumbria, Northumberland and County Durham. The journey to the North of England began on Love Lane in London at 10am where the minibus was filled with people, luggage and supplies for the long journey. A brief stop was made at Newport Pagnell services to pick up a certain feline creature and then we were well and truly on our way to the City of Carlisle, where we were based in the university accommodation. On arrival a food and booze trip was quickly instigated, this also included the purchase of David Phillips' famous wine decanter (aka plastic measuring jug). Many, if not all, of us deviated from the itinerary and decided not to go ringing.

Saturday

Because I can't really remember anything about the ringing on the tour, I am going to say that our two morning towers were really just a way of getting to the most exciting part of the day – a trip to Whitehaven – where we had a tour booked of “The Rum Story” which is a rum museum. Yes, apparently Whitehaven is famous for it. We started off by having a slightly odd lunch of soup, sandwiches with bizarre fillings and chips. And then the real excitement followed with the tour guide showing us round the museum which covered how rum is made and how it got to Whitehaven and a whole host of other irrelevant stories and ramblings – prompting someone to ask our guide the phrase of the tour “How is that relevant to the Rum Story!?” Eventually we got to the end of the tour and the reward for making it was a shot of rum.

We had an afternoon break involving Ice Cream and a group photo opportunity.



Afternoon ringing was at the 12 in Whitehaven, the bells were quite light but unfortunately not all that easy to ring or listen to. We began to make our way back to Carlisle with a cheeky grab at Cockermouth on the way. A Spag Bol dinner was pretty much ready as we got back, thanks to our first catering duo of Nix and David.

Sunday turned out to be a bit of a wet day. Some of us made it out in time to do service ringing at Carlisle cathedral – those who did managed to get 5 seconds of fame on television with the local BBC



news crew rocking up to record a segment to go out that week. Service ringing was followed by the trad UL breakfast/lunch in a Wetherspoon's. Most of the day was freedom – for some people this meant staying in the pub and for others it meant shopping, including visiting an all-year-round Christmas shop!

Several of us met to attempt a quarter peal at the Cathedral in the middle of the afternoon, although this wasn't successful. There was also a planned quarter peal at Wigton in the evening although I'm not sure if this went ahead – and if it did

BellBoard suggests it wasn't very successful either! Dinner was some of that delicious Dominos goodness brought to us by James and LukeO. If Luke wasn't already a favourite customer of Dominos, he certainly was by the end of that evening.



On **Monday** we headed very south towards Ambleside – Unfortunately we only drove through the town and didn't ring on the glorious ring of eight. We did however stop off to ring at some villages and towns around Windermere including Bowness, a not so nice ring of eight and several light sixes. When we arrived very early for ringing at Brathay there was even time for Chloe and LukeO to head off to the stream for a spot of daylight skinny dipping (in full view of the rest of us). On the way to the last tower we encountered a bit of a problem when it became clear that the bridge we wanted to use had been washed away in some of the recent floods – the pause prompted some exhibitionists and those who had too much to drink to get out to relieve themselves. After a long bit of reversing up the single-track road and lots of horn tooting, we finally

managed to get to a suitable space to turn around and resume driving the conventional way. We said our goodbyes and dropped off the weekend tourers at Windermere station for their journeys back to London. Our evening meal was cooked by Becca and yours truly, of Chicken Pie and Veg (perhaps the healthiest tour ever?).



We spent **Tuesday** around the Penrith area; ringing at two six bell towers in the morning before having a perfect Fish and Chip lunch at “The Shap Chippy” where we also happened to find a London Underground cryptic quiz to keep us entertained for a few hours. Our afternoon ringing led us towards dinner in the centre of Penrith at an Italian where the second pizza of tour was consumed. We finished off the day ringing at Nix's home tower of Penrith which despite being from several different founders are quite a good eight. We stayed around for a quick drink in the pub before continuing drinking back at our base.

My memories of **Wednesday** are quite vague, and this paragraph will be short. It was an early start, leaving the halls by 8.30am. We headed out towards Barrow-in-Furness, perhaps not the most beautiful of places to visit. During the day we did manage to find some good rings of bells in the Furness area.

Thursday was much clearer in my head. After taking not the most direct route to our destination, we stopped at the Westminster method of Allendale, although we didn't ring it there. Then it was onwards to Frosterley, where we rang on the fun ring of 12 in the out house at the Black Bull Inn. We had a lot of fun trying to ring various things and combinations although ended up with several bells slipping wheel. It was decided that we would be better off heading inside to sample the excellent beer, cider and food. Thanks to David, our navigator, who chose the "scenic" route back, we ended up having a bumpy ride, so bumpy that one of the passengers who had slightly too much to drink at lunch ended up requiring a sick bag – beards are not good in this situation. Once the mini bus had aired out and all passengers were back on board we headed onwards to the final tower of tour; Brampton, which were quite a lumpy six. Typically for the last tower enthusiasm was low so we didn't hang around too long and went straight back to the halls.



The last evening of tour is always a great one; everything needs to be finished, so it can be quite easy to overindulge! Chloe cooked for us lots of fajitas (I think). Once enough alcohol had been

consumed hair spray came out and some of us ended up with blue hair. The entertainment for the evening was Tom N, who just found out he had got a new job and downed a bottle of port: the result was that he began rapping to "Baby got back" and several other popular tunes. After a while it was realised that Tom may be driving some of the way back to London the next day, so we needed to get him to have a nap to sleep it off and ensure he was sober for the morning.



Sore heads and tired faces appeared in the morning ready to clear up and say our farewells. Most people were sensible enough to get the train back home or live in the north, however 4 of us ended up back in the mini bus back to Love Lane, via Newport Pagnell.

So, all that remains to be said is Thank you to Nix, David and Mariko for organising an excellent tour and roll on the next tour.

Report written by Ryan Noble

P.S. I'm very sorry this report is late!

(E&OE)

Freshers Pub Crawl

Dressed as Frenchie from Grease (because what else can you come up with for a costume on two days' notice as a poor student), I arrived at The Market Porter early – still getting my bearings around central London! I was shocked at how busy the place was – people were spilling out of the doors, which according to Jemma is because it is "the best pub". How on earth was I supposed to find the other ringers when either a) I hadn't yet met them, or b) were dressed in costume! After frantically messaging the group chat and confirming that others were already inside, I ventured over to the bar and sampled a Cola Cider – yuckkkkk.

Eventually the group expanded and I was greeted by old and new faces. Some were braver than others and arrived in costume – others claimed they were changing either on the train or later at the house. Once all had arrived at the pub, we "crawled our way Halloween-style" as Chloe had intended, to the train station, with two running off to get bottled beers for the journey. On the train, out came Simon's ghost with CD holder erection, and Chloe's "explicit content" costume which were both highly amusing

to see constructed. The beers were handed out; after my objection to drinking beer, I was told not to worry and was swiftly presented with a bottle of cider from Tom.

Before making our way to the house, we stopped off at the local Co-op to buy drinks and snacks, amusing the staff in the process. We made our way to the house, where Luke became a ghost with a vegetable erection (which I believe received some action), and Ed joined Katie in becoming a minion. I was then presented with a suspicious looking cocktail which I assume was more a case of "what's not in it?", than "what is in it?" as things start to get a bit hazy from here! After starting off



sophisticated, bringing my own wine glass, I vaguely remember ending up downstairs, crashing into an ironing board and being given lots of water. I believe the alcohol was a bit too much for the inexperienced fresher, resulting in emergency trips to the bathroom... oops! I couldn't tell you who helped me through all of this – partially because the names have escaped me, and I am struggling to distinguish between what happened and what I may have imagined! I was later told that I'm in the running for the Captain vom hat after this.

Somehow, I managed to stumble home with help from Rosemary. On reflection, the cocktail was the culprit, and I wasn't even back late as I'd messaged several of the ringers saying I was back in my flat at about 12.30!

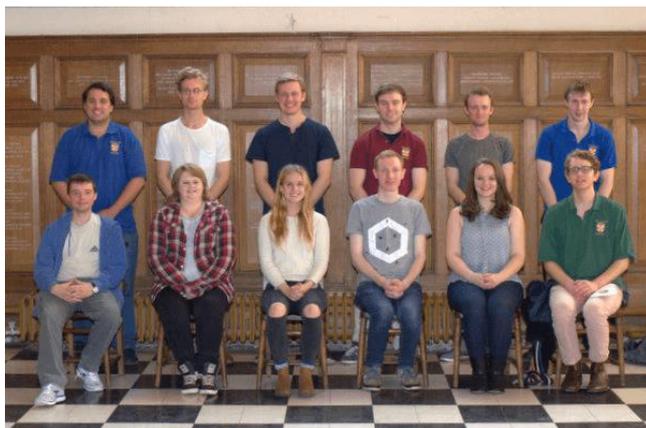
All in all, if this was to be my first alcohol induced sickness, I'm glad it happened with the ringers, who in theory should be more "mature" than my fellow freshers.

This write up was compiled from vague memory, drunken messages from the evening, and others' recollections.

Report written by Rachel Deakin

London 12 Bell Competition 2016 – St Sepulchre

On the morning of the 22nd October, 2016, several ringers, including several UL ringers gathered at the church of St Sepulchre's, for the much anticipated London 12 Bell competition. This year the competition was hosted by the College Youths!



The draw was to be held at 1030, and the UL were drawn second. I have to say, I was a little concerned when I realised 25% of the band was still in a bank just a few minutes before we were due to ring, and was rather relieved when I saw them appear through the door of the church.

10 minutes before our ringing time (1120) we gathered at the bottom of the tower, naturally in circle formation. We had a small panic when we only counted 11, but we soon realised our twelfth was already up the tower ringing for

his other team.

Nerves kicked in as we stepped into the ringing room, we had the challenge of ringing between the ASCY Alpha team, and the SRCY team, so the standards were set to a high level.

Despite the nerves, we rang very well, with no method mistakes! Hills set a great rhythm on the tenor and the rest of the back bells helped keep this rhythm going, well done!

An early slot for us meant we had plenty of pub time, which we were all very grateful (although many were ungrateful the next morning). We gathered around a large table in the Butchers Hook and Cleaver, near to Smithfield market, and the beer was flowing. Many pints of Oliver's Island were consumed.



Luckily for some of us, the drinking was broken up a little bit (it helped pace ourselves!) by some wedding ringing at St Lawrence Jewry. As the bride was late, Hills decided to try to make friends with the fish in the pond, while Richard fell asleep. They claim they were not that drunk...

Shortly after the wedding ringers' return, the results were announced. The UL managed a very

Position	Rang	Team	Mark	Speed
1	9th	St Paul's Cathedral	89%	3h37
2	3rd	Society of Royal Cumberland Youths	87%	3h33
3	1st	Ancient Society of College Youths (Alpha)	86%	3h31
4	7th	Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild	83%	3h31
5	2nd	University of London Society of Change Ringers	78%	3h39
6	4th	St Michael's, Cornhill	75%	3h32
6=	5th	Ancient Society of College Youths (Aleph)	75%	3h37
8	6th	Southwark Cathedral	73%	3h34
9	8th	Croydon (Surrey)	65%	3h24

respectable 5th place, which I am certainly proud of. We managed to beat Southwark (sorry), and one of the ASCY bands (Aleph).

The end of the results meant the start of a rather heavy drinking session. There was a lot of singing, unfortunately not that tuneful, and a lot of funny memories.

Thank you to everyone who rang, and everyone who came drinking to support us!

Report written by Jemma Mills

Southern Universities Association – 2016 – Cambridge

The rain in Camb AINT mainly on the train.

Lovely lunch and worth the wait – some juicy gammon on my plate.

A ding and a dong at St. Bennett – the stay stayed on, even when-hit.

A lock out for me, at Great St Mary

The suspicious man there thought me a swine – it's no wonder congregations are in decline.

A walk back to the railway station – and still that ceaseless precipitation.

The rain in Camb AINT mainly on the train.



ULSCR 71ST Annual Dinner

Awaiting report from JJW

Christmas practice 2016

'Twas the last night of UL, when all thro' the city

Not a member was stirring, not even the committee;

The tower was decorated by master with care,

In hopes that UL soon would be there;

The members were nestled all snug in pub,

With visions of bell ringing and all that fine grub

And that, unfortunately, is about where my literary ability finishes...

With copious amounts of food, a respectable amount to drink and some tunes rung (full circle) on the tower bells, including the First Noel, fun was had by all!

Report written by Ben Meyer

New Years Eve 2016-17

A small group of UL members and friends waved a fond farewell to 2016, and welcomed in the new year with bubbles, bells and board games at Chez Luke & Chloe (minus Luke). The contingent was a select few (those who had not the foresight to make snazzier or jazzier plans in advance) but all who came were welcomed with open arms and heart. Laughing did occur, and many, oh so many, carbolicious snacks were enjoyed courtesy of Katie.

Many rounds of Empires were played, as was a heated round or two of Articulate. We were also joined by one muggle, bizarrely known as Greyhound, who rolled up his sleeves and dove right in, immersing himself so easily into the campanological setting, he might've fooled even you.

We took the tube, for free! And train bubbles were enjoyed en route to Bow, where we did some, err, arguably dangerous (and terrible) ringing, braless and boxless, followed by the most frustrating game(s) of 21 I have ever played in my life. Oh yes, and of course, we saw fireworks – only the literal kind, of course.



Report written by Chloe Grimmett



others to arrive at 1pm in the afternoon. As someone who had never rung there before, it was an amazing tower grab to add to the list. After the long walk to the top and a few minutes to have a breather after the 325 steps... we spent a good hour at Queens tower before quenching our thirst with a pub crawl round the Knightsbridge area, organised by Rupert. Many of us ended up lasting til late in the evening and ending up in a Wetherspoons....(of course), before heading home. Thanks to Jemma and Rupert for organising a fab day out!

Report written by Charlotte Beaver

Roger Bailey Day 2017

This year the Roger Bailey weekend, became the Roger Bailey Day. Although Jemma initially didn't think there were enough to ring the Quarter, a big group of us attended the day with a band of 8 ringing a Quarter at 10am on the Saturday morning.

The QP rung at Garlickhythe was nearly interrupted! however didn't stop a great ring on the Jubilee bells. Me and others who weren't part of the peal, waited at Queens tower in the Imperial college, for the

Peal Weekend

This year, ULSCR peal weekend took place on the weekend of the 10th-12th February. Three peals were organised, one for each day, as there wasn't strong demand for *too much* bellringing. I agreed with the chosen conductors that they would choose the methods for their peals, so they would feel comfortable!

The Friday evening was to be 7 surprise minor, at St Katherine Cree, conducted by Martin Cansdale. I hear the ringing from this was good, until 'Cunecaster' was called.... The description of the death of this attempt, as described by Martin is as follows: 'Misheard change of method, people ringing the wrong overwork, general chaos!'. This allowed a little more pub time for the band.

Saturday morning saw 10 members of the UL gather at St Dunstons in the West for a peal of Grandsire Caters, of which Andrew Hills would be conducting. The method was chosen to mark the 300th anniversary of the first 10 bell peal of Grandsire Caters, which was rung just down the road in the, now silent, tower of St Bride's, Fleet Street. I heard several reports following the peal that it was of excellent quality, so many congratulations to those that rang! After this, a few members gathered in a pub, but a lengthy pub session was not to be, and most people left early in the afternoon.

At lunchtime on the Sunday, we held an EGM in the ringing room at St Magnus the Martyr (London Bridge), where we voted on very important things. We also rang a respectable touch of stedman Caters, and some nice rounds and call changes.

Sunday afternoon's efforts were an attempt of 5 spliced major, at our home (Hart Street), conducted by Rosemary. According to the band, lots of little things happened at once, putting it beyond the point of no return.

I'd like to say a massive thank you to everyone who rang in these peals, and an even bigger thank you to the conductors! I hope everyone had an enjoyable weekend.

Report written by Jemma Mills

UL Pancake Party – St Thomas's Edition



Shrove Tuesday this year saw the UL pancake party hosted by Bex at her amazing flat at St Thomas' Hospital. After finding our way through the distinctively hospital-smelling lower floors, we were greeted by a panorama of the Houses of Parliament in twilight, with Big Ben chiming the hour.

The sound of the bells was soon replaced by a playlist of '90s classics, as the smell of pancakes filled the flat. Many sweet and savoury pancakes were consumed, including a few experimental ones made with chocolate milk, and some attempts at pancake 'art'.

Unlike last year the black pudding did not make an appearance, but there was evidence of pesto, sun-dried tomatoes, chocolate truffles and chorizo, in addition to the usual toppings. Some people were making the most of the last night before their lent fast, respectively of cheese, sarcasm or profanity.

Many thanks to Bex for hosting.

Report written by Tom Nagel

Peals rung by ULSCR**LONDON, St Magnus the Martyr**

Saturday June 25, 2016 in 2h32 (12)

5024 Kent Treble Bob Major

Comp: Graham A C John

1-2 Lucy M Bricheno

3-4 Katherine L Town

5-6 Michael J Trimm (C)

7-8 Christopher M Gould

Remembering Roger Bailey, who was born 70 years ago today.

50th peal and 25th handbell peal: 1-2.

First peal on the bells.

Ringing World page ref: 5515.0011

LONDON, Islington, 9G Highbury Crescent

Saturday June 25, 2016 in 2h40 (15)

5040 Cambridge Surprise Royal

Comp: Peter Border

1-2 Peter J Sanderson

3-4 Jennifer A Town

5-6 Katharine J Firman

7-8 Graham G Firman

9-10 David G Maynard (C)

Remembering Roger Bailey, who was born 70 years ago today.

Ringing World page ref: 5515.0011

KENSAL GREEN, 52 Burrows Road

Saturday June 25, 2016 in 2h0 (8)

5040 Cambridge Surprise Minor

Comp: Roger Bailey

1-2 Peter J Blight

3-4 Katherine L Town

5-6 Michael J Trimm (C)

Remembering Roger Bailey, who was born 70 years ago today.

Ringing World page ref: 5515.0011

LONDON, Greater London, St Michael

Saturday November 26, 2016 in 3h30 (32cwt)

5040 Bristol Surprise Maximus

Comp: Mark B Davies

1 Richard O Humphries

2 Michael J Trimm (C)

3 Jemma L Mills

4 Rachel J Mitchell

5 Alistair A F Smith

6 Benjamin J Meyer

7 Richard B Pullin

8 Charles W G Herriott

9 Ryan S Noble

10 James J Watkins

11 Daniel J Smith

12 Andrew M Hills

First inside on 12: 3.

50th peal for the Society: 1.

Ringing World page ref: 5512.1267

LONDON, Greater London, St Dunstan in the West

Saturday February 11, 2017 in 2h55 (11cwt)

5039 Grandsire Caters

Comp: T Hooley

1 Heather M Forster

2 Rosemary E Hill

3 Rupert H J Littlewood

4 Andrew M Hills (C)

5 Christopher P G Rimmer

6 Adrian R Udal

7 James J Watkins

8 Richard O Humphries

9 Richard B Pullin

10 Alistair A F Smith

On Society peal weekend to mark the 300th anniversary of the first 10 bell peal of

Grandsire Caters at St Bride's Fleet Street.

Ringing World page ref: 5534.0508

CAMBRIDGE, 102 Mawson Road

Saturday April 29, 2017 in 1h56 (8)

5040 Cambridge Surprise Minor

(7 exts)

1-2 Adrial R Walton

3-4 Gareth Davies

5-6 Paul S Seaman (C)

Remembering Philip Gray, a founding member of this Society.

Ringing World page ref: 5534.0506

Peals rung by the St Olave's Society

ST OLAVE'S SOCIETY

LONDON, Greater London, St Vedast-alias-Foster

Saturday December 17, 2016 in 3h6 (17cwt)

5040 Surprise Minor (7m)

(London, York, Surfleet, Norwich, Bourne, Ipswich, Cambridge)

- 1 Timothy R Forster
- 2 Ryan S Noble
- 3 Richard B Pullin
- 4 Andrew D Hodgson
- 5 Andrew M Hills
- 6 Nicholas D Brown (C)

For Christmas.

Ringling World page reference: 5516.0034

St Olave's Society

Kensal Green, Middlesex

52 Burrows Road

Thursday, 3 November 2016 in 2h 29 (13)

5024 London Surprise Major

Stephen J Ivin (No.26)

- 1-2 Peter J Blight
- 3-4 Richard A Pearce (C)
- 5-6 Ruth Blackwell
- 7-8 Lesley J Belcher

St Olave's Society

Islington, Greater London

4 Liberia Road

Sunday, 9 October 2016 in 2h 19 (7 in A)

5056 Superlative Surprise Major

Richard A Pearce

- 1-2 Peter J Blight
- 3-4 Lesley J Belcher
- 5-6 Richard A Pearce (C)
- 7-8 Ruth Blackwell

St Olave's Society

Islington, Greater London

4 Liberia Road

Sunday, 12 February 2017 in 2h 28 (7 in A)

5184 London Surprise Major

Stephen J Ivin (No.28)

- 1-2 Peter J Blight
- 3-4 Lesley J Belcher
- 5-6 Ruth Blackwell
- 7-8 Richard A Pearce (C)

Quarter Peals (and date touches) rung by ULSCR

Southwark, Surrey

Cathedral Church of St Saviour

Sunday, 15 May 2016 in 61m (48-0-9 in Bb)

1311 Stedman Cinques

Composed by A M Hills

- 1Jemma L Mills
- 2Andrew M Hills (C)
- 3Helen M Herriott
- 4Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 5Rachel J Mitchell
- 6Charles W G Herriott
- 7Richard B Pullin
- 8Christopher P G Rimmer
- 9James J Watkins
- 10Benjamin J Meyer
- 11Ryan S Noble
- 12Rupert H J Littlewood

Rung for evensong on Whit Sunday

Borough, Surrey

St George the Martyr

Sunday, 15 May 2016 in 54m (14-2-24 in F)

1344 Grandsire Triples

Composed by Richard B Pullin

- 1Thomas L Nagel
- 2Jacqui L Brown
- 3James J Watkins (C)
- 4Thomas P Wood
- 5Christopher J Brown
- 6Jemma L Mills
- 7Christopher M Gould
- 8Gary S Barr

Rung for Pentecost and in the 70th year of the ULSCR on its AGM weekend.

City of London, Middlesex

St Bartholomew the Great, Smithfield

Sunday, 22 May 2016 in 62m (5½ in B)

2016 Doubles (18m)

120 each of Westminster II Bob, Blackburn Place, St Hilary Bob, Dragon Place, New Bob, Huntspill Bob, St Vedast Bob, Blaisdon Bob, St Nicholas Bob, Winchendon Place, St Remigius Bob, Huntley Place, St Simon's Bob, St Martin's Bob, St Osmund Bob, Eynesbury Bob, 80 Plain Bob, 16 Little Bob

- 1Benjamin J Meyer
- 2James K Eggleston
- 3Timothy R Forster
- 4Benjamin D Kipling (C)
- 5Thomas Wood

Rung prior to evensong.

70th Birthday complements to Paul Norman, tower captain of St Bartholomew-the-Great.

Kilburn, Middlesex

St Augustine

Saturday, 11 June 2016 in 40m (8-1-0 in A)

1250 Yorkshire Surprise Major

trad

- 1Luke O Camden
- 2Rachel E Prior
- 3Mariko H Whyte
- 4Thomas Wood
- 5Kate R Wallis
- 6Asher Kaboth
- 7Rosemary Hill
- 8Robert Sworder (C)

Rung to celebrate 5 leaving full time education, and the 90th birthday of HRH Queen Elizabeth II.

First touch of Yorkshire: 2

Rung as part of the ULSCR 70th birthday celebration

Westminster, Middlesex

St Clement Danes

Sunday, 12 June 2016 in 51m (21-1-23 in E)

1287 Stedman Caters

[Composed by L J Woodward](#)

- 1 Timothy E S Holmes (C)
- 2 Rebecca A Cullen
- 3 Rebecca A Steed
- 4 Thomas P Wood
- 5 Chloe A Grimmett
- 6 Tom Nagel
- 7 Rachel J Mitchell
- 8 Rosemary E Hill
- 9 Jemma L Mills
- 10 Christopher P G Rimmer

Rung to celebrate the Official Birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Bow, Middlesex

St Mary

Thursday, 23 June 2016 in 46m (13-3-23 in F#)

1280 Cambridge Surprise Major

[View composition](#)

- 1 Katie E M Hughes D'Aeth
- 2 Rupert H J Littlewood
- 3 Helen M Herriott
- 4 Benjamin A Clive
- 5 Thomas L Nagel
- 6 Thomas P Wood
- 7 Jemma L Mills
- 8 Benjamin J Meyer (C)

Rung during the 70th year of the ULSCR.

City of London, Middlesex

St Sepulchre without Newgate, Holborn Viaduct

Friday, 29 July 2016 in 56m (28-2-16)

1346 Cambridge Surprise Maximus

- 1 Rebecca A Cullen
- 2 Tessa K Beadman
- 3 Jemma L Mills
- 4 Katie E M Lane
- 5 Richard B Pullin
- 6 Thomas P Wood
- 7 Rachael C Herriott
- 8 James J Watkins
- 9 Benjamin J Meyer
- 10 Charles W G Herriott (C)
- 11 Ryan S Noble
- 12 Andrew M Hills

Rung for the ULSCR 70th anniversary

Guildford, Surrey

Cathedral Church of Holy Spirit

Sunday, 7 August 2016 (30-1-10)

1323 Stedman Cinques

L J Woodward

- 1 Rosemary E Hill
- 2 Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 3 Jill Leale
- 4 Rebecca A Steed
- 5 Richard B Pullin
- 6 Harriet J M A Armitage
- 7 Rhiannon M Meredith
- 8 Christopher P G Rimmer
- 9 Richard H Burton (C)
- 10 James J Watkins
- 11 Luke O Camden
- 12 Anthony P Matthews

Rung after the Mattins Service.

Specially composed and rung as a twenty-third birthday compliment to Chris Rimmer.

Hackney, Middlesex

St John at Hackney

Thursday, 18 August 2016 in 47m (16 cwt)

1317 Stedman Caters**Composed by R Pullin**

- 1Jemma L Mills
- 2Chloe A Grimmett
- 3Thomas P Wood
- 4Richard B Pullin (C)
- 5Rebecca A Steed
- 6Alistair J Cherry
- 7Benjamin Clive
- 8Anthony P Matthews
- 9Benjamin J Meyer
- 10Thomas L Nagel

Rung to celebrate the 70th anniversary year of the University of London Society.

West Ham, Essex

All Saints

Saturday, 17 September 2016 in 49m (26-1-23)

1296 Little Bob Royal

- 1Laura Caine
- 2Rebecca A Cullen
- 3Chloe A Grimmett
- 4Rebecca A Steed
- 5Timothy R Forster
- 6Benjamin A Clive
- 7Rebecca Gingell
- 8Thomas L Nagel
- 9J Chapman Q Knott
- 10Anthony P Matthews (C)

Rung for the ULSCR 70th anniversary

Leyton, Essex

St Mary the Virgin

Saturday, 17 September 2016 in 42m (8-2-16)

1260 Stedman Triples

- 1Rebecca A Cullen
- 2Chloe A Grimmett
- 3Rebecca A Steed
- 4J Chapman Q Knott
- 5Benjamin A Clive
- 6Anthony P Matthews (C)
- 7Rebecca Gingell
- 8Thomas L Nagel

Rung for the ULSCR 70th anniversary

Compliments to Julien (Jellybean) Simon-Vermot (godson to 2) on his 3rd birthday

Bethnal Green, Middlesex

St Matthew

Saturday, 17 September 2016 in 46m (13-3-23)

1250 Cambridge Surprise Major

3M.2H.sW.sH.sW.

- 1Chloe A Grimmett
- 2Jemma L Mills
- 3Rebecca A Steed
- 4Thomas L Nagel
- 5Benjamin A Clive
- 6Benjamin J Meyer
- 7Andrew M Hills (C)
- 8Anthony P Matthews

Streatham, Surrey

St Leonard

Sunday, 18 September 2016 in 43m (12-3-6)

1280 Cambridge Surprise Major**Composed by Matthew Durham**

- 1Rebecca A Steed
- 2Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 3Rachel J Mitchell
- 4Benjamin A Clive
- 5James J Watkins (C)
- 6Thomas L Nagel
- 7Anthony P Matthews
- 8Daniel J Smith

Rung for the ULSCR 70th anniversary

Clapham, Surrey

Holy Trinity

Tuesday, 20 September 2016 in 34m (6-0-21)

1296 Cambridge Surprise Minor

- 1Chloe A Grimmett
- 2Benjamin A Clive
- 3Rupert H J Littlewood
- 4Daniel J Smith
- 5Luke O Camden
- 6Thomas L Nagel (C)

For the ULSCR 70th anniversary.

Woolwich, Kent

St Mary Magdalene

Thursday, 22 September 2016 (12-3-6)

1270 Stedman Triples

Composed by [Lucinda J Woodward](#)

- 1Rosemary E Hill
- 2Kate R Wallis
- 3Chloe A Grimmett
- 4Rupert H J Littlewood
- 5Thomas P Wood
- 6Andrew M Hills (C)
- 7Ryan S Noble
- 8Thomas L Nagel

Shoreditch, Middlesex

St Leonard

Friday, 23 September 2016 (25-1-11)

1346 Cambridge Surprise Maximus

- 1Luke O Camden
- 2Tessa K Simpson (C)
- 3Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 4Christopher P G Rimmer
- 5Leigh D G Simpson
- 6Richard B Pullin
- 7Christopher M Gould
- 8Jemma L Mills
- 9Daniel J Smith
- 10Ryan S Noble
- 11Paul J Tiebout
- 12Andrew M Hills

Kilburn, Middlesex

St Mary

Sunday, 25 September 2016 (9-3-22 in G)

1260 Cambridge Surprise Minor

- 1Jennifer C E Lane
- 2Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 3Daniel J Smith
- 4Rupert H J Littlewood
- 5Luke O Camden
- 6Benjamin D Kipling (C)

Rung in celebration of the arrival of Atticus James, born to Zoie and Jon Pitman this morning

Walthamstow, Essex

St Saviour

Tuesday, 27 September 2016 in 46m (16-0-16)

1280 Spliced Surprise Major

320 each of Cambridge, Uxbridge, Lincolnshire and Tavistock 39 com V H sV sH x 5, methods in obvious order

- 1Chloe A Grimmett
- 2Jemma L Mills
- 3Daniel J Smith
- 4Rachel J Mitchell
- 5Andrew M Hills
- 6Anthony P Matthews
- 7Luke O Camden (C)
- 8Benjamin J Meyer

Rung to celebrate Meat Loaf's 69th birthday

"I would do anything for love, but I won't do that"

Tottenham, Middlesex

All Hallows

Friday, 30 September 2016 in 45m (13-2-0)

1250 Bristol Surprise Major

- 1Rupert H J Littlewood
- 2Joanna C Franklin
- 3Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 4Ryan S Noble
- 5Helen Porter
- 6Thomas L Nagel (C)
- 7Anthony P Matthews
- 8Andrew M Hills

Rung for the ULSCR 70th anniversary, and to celebrate the birth of Peter James Nagel and Joseph Michael Darch, nephews of the conductor.

First in method as conductor.

City of London, Middlesex

St Giles Cripplegate

Saturday, 1 October 2016 in 51m (34 cwt)

1293 Stedman Caters**Composed by R Pullin**

- 1Rebecca A Steed
- 2Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 3Richard B Pullin (C)
- 4Simon D Roberts
- 5Benjamin Clive
- 6James C Marchbank
- 7James White
- 8Anthony P Matthews
- 9Andrew M Hills
- 10Luke O Camden

Westminster, Middlesex

St Martin in the Fields

Sunday, 9 October 2016 in 55m (29-1-1)

1270 Stedman Cinques**Composed by R. Pullin**

- 1Jemma L Mills
- 2Christopher P G Rimmer
- 3Richard B Pullin (C)
- 4Ryan S Noble
- 5Rachel J Mitchell
- 6Alistair A F Smith
- 7Louise Booth
- 8D Robert C Sworder
- 9James J Watkins
- 10Luke O Camden
- 11Anthony P Matthews
- 12Benjamin J Meyer

Rung following the Sunday Morning Eucharist and prior to the Service in Mandarin.

Rung during the ULSCR's 70th Birthday.

First of Cinques as conductor.

First quarter of Stedman Cinques - 7

Chelsea, Middlesex

St Luke

Sunday, 9 October 2016 in 49m (23 cwt)

1259 Grandsire Caters**Composed by R Pullin**

- 1Luke O Camden
- 2Jemma L Mills
- 3Chloe A Grimmett
- 4Tessa K Simpson
- 5Alistair A F Smith
- 6Richard B Pullin (C)
- 7Simon D Roberts
- 8Rupert H J Littlewood
- 9Daniel J Smith
- 10Thomas L Nagel

Rung prior to Choral Evensong.

To celebrate the 70th anniversary year of the University of London Society.

Leytonstone, Essex

St John the Baptist

Tuesday, 11 October 2016 in 35m (12¾)

1250 Yorkshire Surprise Major

- 1Chloe A Grimmett
- 2Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 3D Robert C Sworder
- 4Tom L Nagel
- 5Rachel J Mitchell
- 6N Simon D Roberts
- 7Luke O Camden
- 8Daniel J Smith (C)

Kensington, Middlesex

St Mary Abbots

Sunday, 16 October 2016 in 54m (31-0-4)

1282 Cambridge Surprise Royal

- 1Christopher J Brown
- 2Timothy E S Holmes (C)
- 3Jacqueline L Brown
- 4Christopher P G Rimmer
- 5Tom L Nagel
- 6Rupert H J Littlewood
- 7Timothy R Forster
- 8Stephanie J Pattenden
- 9Daniel J Smith
- 10James J Watkins

Rung in celebration of the 18th birthday of Gareth Littlewood, brother of Rupert.

Rung in the ULSCR 70th Anniversary year.

City of London, Middlesex

Cathedral Church of St Paul

Monday, 24 October 2016 in 61m (61-2-12)

1299 Stedman Cinques

Composed by M J Cansdale

- 1Tessa K Simpson
- 2Martin J Cansdale (C)
- 3Jemma L Mills
- 4Richard B Pullin
- 5James J Watkins
- 6Ryan S Noble
- 7Benjamin J Meyer
- 8Daniel J Smith
- 9Andrew J Graham
- 10Phillip P Ridley
- 11Andrew P F Bradford
- 12Andrew M Hills

Gospel Oak, Middlesex

St Martin

Saturday, 29 October 2016 in 46m (12½)

1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor

trad

- 1Tom Nagel
- 2Robert Sworder (C)
- 3Adrian P Sweeting
- 4Rachel Prior
- 5Jemma L Mills
- 6Benjamin J Meyer

Rung for the ULSCR 70th anniversary

Cornhill, Middlesex

St Michael, Cornhill

Monday, 31 October 2016 in 51m (32-1-6)

1346 Cambridge Surprise Maximus

- 1Clare E F Dyer
- 2Timothy R Forster
- 3Ryan S Noble
- 4Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 5Christopher P G Rimmer
- 6N Simon D Roberts
- 7Alistair A F Smith
- 8Rupert H J Littlewood
- 9Anthony P Matthews
- 10James J Watkins
- 11Daniel J Smith (C)
- 12Andrew M Hills

For the UL 70th anniversary

Poplar, Middlesex

All Saints

Sunday, 6 November 2016 in 52m (23-3-6)

1299 Stedman Caters**Arranged by M J Cansdale**

- 1Christopher P G Rimmer
- 2Martin J Cansdale (C)
- 3Rosemary E Hill
- 4Richard B Pullin
- 5Alistair A F Smith
- 6Thomas L Nagel
- 7Rupert H J Littlewood
- 8Michael J Trimm
- 9James J Watkins
- 10Andrew M Hills

In memory of Philip V C Watkins, father of James.

Rung in the ULSCR 70th Anniversary year.

Greenwich, Kent

St Alfege

Sunday, 6 November 2016 in 50m (23-2-14)

1259 Grandsire Caters

R W Diary

- 1Gillian Harris
- 2Rhiannon Meredith
- 3Helena Mattingley
- 4Alastair Smith
- 5Thomas Hinks
- 6James Croft
- 7Andrew Hills (C)
- 8Ryan Noble
- 9James Watkins
- 10Anthony Matthews

Hampstead, Middlesex

Christ Church

Sunday, 13 November 2016 in 53m (24 cwt)

1253 Stedman Triples**Composed by LJW**

- 1Lucinda J Woodward (C)
- 2Christopher P G Rimmer
- 3David I Bassford
- 4Rebecca A Steed
- 5Thomas L Nagel
- 6Anthony P Matthews
- 7David Woodward
- 8Timothy E S Holmes

Rung half-muffled on Remembrance Sunday, prior to Evening Prayer, as part of the ULSCR 70th anniversary celebrations

City of London, Middlesex

St Mary le Bow, Cheapside

Friday, 18 November 2016 in 52m (41-3-21 in C)

1257 Stedman Cinques

Composed by M J Cansdale

- 1Rosemary E Hill
- 2Timothy E S Holmes
- 3Rebecca A Cullen
- 4Rachel J Mitchell
- 5Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 6Clare E F Dyer
- 7Charles W G Herriott
- 8Alistair A F Smith
- 9Martin J Cansdale (C)
- 10James J Watkins
- 11Daniel J Smith
- 12Ryan S Noble

Rung for the ULSCR 70th Anniversary

Westminster, Middlesex

St Stephen

Sunday, 20 November 2016 in 49m (23-0-0 in C#)

1250 Yorkshire Surprise Major

- 1Garry S Barr
- 2Stephanie J Pattenden
- 3Katie E M Hughes-D'Aeth
- 4Thomas L Nagel
- 5Christopher P G Rimmer
- 6Rupert H J Littlewood
- 7James J Watkins (C)
- 8Matthew E Rayner

The 70th quarter peal for the ULSCR 70th anniversary year.

City of London, Middlesex

St James Garlickhythe, Garlick Hill

Saturday, 26 November 2016 in 44m (9-1-25 in G#)

1296 Cambridge Surprise Minor

- 1Chloe Grimmett
- 2Sophie Middleton
- 3Lucy Bricheno
- 4William Norton
- 5Chris Rimmer
- 6Peter Jasper (C)

Rung on society dinner day by a band of treasurers.

"Holding the UL to Account"

100th quarter peal as conductor

City of London, Middlesex

St James Garlickhythe, Garlick Hill

Saturday, 21 January 2017 (9-1-25 in G#)

1344 Grandsire Triples

Roger Bailey

- 1Anthony P Matthews
- 2Andrew M Hills (C)
- 3Thomas L Nagel
- 4Richard Humphries
- 5Chloe A Grimmett
- 6Clare E F Dyer
- 7Rosemary E Hill
- 8Jennifer C Willis

Rung in memory of Roger Bailey.

Also rung in celebration of the wedding anniversary of the parents of the 5th.

Band placement in support of women's marches taking place all over the world today.

City of London, Middlesex

St James Garlickhythe

Saturday, 13 May 2017 in 45m

1312 Cambridge Surprise Major

1Thomas L Nagel

2Alistair A F Smith (C)

3Kate R Wallis

4Jemma L Mills

5Rosemary E Hill

6Rupert H J Littlewood

7Benjamin J Meyer

8Anthony P Matthews

Rung on AGM Day in memory of Philip Gray,
founder member of the ULSCR and also as
birthday compliments to John D Lewis and
Giles Littlewood, grandfather and brother of
the ringer of the 6th.