

Subject: SACR Newsletter :: Scottish Association of Change Ringers
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Dear Members

Here's the latest edition of the newsletter, including details of this Saturday's **Recovery Group Drop-In Session** at 10am. Not to be missed!

Upcoming events

Recovery Group Drop-In Session :: Sat 12 June, 10am, via zoom. One of the Recovery Group recommendations was to start regular open drop-in sessions to share best practice around returning to ringing. To join, please use [this zoom link](#).

There is an ART/CCCBR return to ringing framework available to aid discussion. We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of the Survival and Recovery [toolkit](#), which has many useful resources.

Advanced practice: Fri 25 June, 7.30pm :: via zoom and in [ringingroom.com](#); focus methods to be confirmed. As usual, please let Ruth Marshall know (master@sacr.org) if you're attending so she can plan how many ringing room towers to set up, etc.

Ellacombe Chimes: 200th Anniversary :: On 26 June, Ellacombe chimes around the world will ring out at 12noon local time to celebrate the bicentenary of the chimes... and in Scotland you should be able to hear them ringing at Lamlash (Isle of Arran), Dunblane, Inverness, and Edinburgh St Cuthbert's.

"Starting at noon in New Zealand, over the next 17 hours, working their way across the world, bells will be chiming at noon local time in each of the major time zones" (see <http://www.bittonhistory.org.uk/ellacombe-chimes-bicentennial>).

Info about the Lamlash bells from Timothy Billings: I understand that the bells were made as a set by a founder in Glasgow, and that the ring is unusual because of that. About 10 year's ago a gentleman came over to Arran and was making records of bells in Scotland made by Scottish founders.

NHS, Social Care & Frontline Workers Day :: For 5 July, there's a national suggestion to ring something based around the number 73, which is how old the NHS is. Some information is [available here](#). Probably hard to find a touch with 73 changes... but there are may be other ways to mark 73 years.

We're aware that not all towers are ringing at the moment nor have been able to get back in the tower again. If appropriate at your tower, this could be a date to work towards for ringing maybe a small number of bells.

News

New Members :: Welcome to Alex Linton, Karen Slater and Timothy Billings, who were voted as

new members at the AGM. Happy ringing (be it virtual or on real bells)!

Hand bellringing :: If you fancy having a go at hand bellringing whether online or (as easing of restrictions allow) in person, Tina is happy to point you in the right direction. Feel free to email tina.stoecklin@gmail.com for more information.

Glasgow Cathedral :: In the tower again at Glasgow!: "Very happy to be returning to Sunday ringing - even though on only half our bells! St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Glasgow."



Balnaferry Campanile, Forres :: Hot sunshine brought out enthusiastic ringers at the Balnaferry Campanile on 31 May! See the post [on facebook](#)



St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, features on the front of *The Ringing World*, 7 May, one of the souvenir issues marking the death of HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/issues/5741.pdf#page=1>

<https://www.facebook.com/41158207280/posts/10160246480487281>

Bell Restoration Fund 50-50 Club :: Here are the latest winners: *April – Jonathan Frye; May – Iain Milne*. If you want to join the 50-50 draws, or check your ticket detail, please contact Ruth Ogilvie on 50-50club@sacr.org.

Photo competition :: The CCCBR is creating an image library via a photo competition Time to get your cameras out... and/or to look through your photo library... Full details are [available here](#).

Planning ahead

Cycle tour of Britain :: This takes place in September, so a while off yet, but two of the stages will pass cities with bells. Hopefully there will be a bit more ringing in towers by then. What better way

to welcome cyclists and tourists than to ring bells!

Stage 7: Hawick to Edinburgh, 11 September

Stage 8: Stonehaven to Aberdeen, 12 September

Heritage Open Days :: No doubt in previous years many church towers have been open for Doors Open Day... these take place in September and while some locations might mean that a virtual tour for the public is more realistic, there may be local opportunities to link in with local organisations' websites. <https://www.doorsopendays.org.uk>

October Meeting :: 23 October 2021

January Meeting :: 22 January 2022

Social media: For up to date info on social media:

<https://www.sacr.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/scottishbellringing>

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