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Dear Members

Here's the latest edition of the newsletter

### News

**Covid guidance** :: There's a page on the SACR website giving guidance, and this has been updated recently; see the [page here](#).

- If you have questions, or need support with risk assessments or frameworks, or just to share how you are doing don't hesitate to reach out to [advisor@sacr.org](mailto:advisor@sacr.org). Please email with any questions.
- At the end of the page there are examples where some ringing has resumed; please email [publicity@sacr.org](mailto:publicity@sacr.org) as and when examples of ringing at your tower need to be updated.

**Training Officer** :: A new role of training officer has been suggested by the Training Group, and the Committee is finalising a description for the role with a broad remit to help coordinate training. Look out for a more detailed email about this soon!

**Photo competition** :: Congratulations to Chris Frye, who won the first round of the CCCBR photo competition with this photo of Dunblane Cathedral and Holme Hill in the snow. Here's an article about the winners: [click here](#). Out of the 63 entries for the category four entries were from Scotland, which is a good representation.

The current category in the competition is **Bells and Installations**, which runs until 15 August. Details are available [here](#).



**NHS, Social Care & Frontline Workers Day** :: Ringing took place in Scotland at various locations, including Balnaferry Campanile, Inverness, and in Glasgow on handbells with a cunning quarter of 1273 changes composed by Simon Gay ([link here](#)). A list of performances from around the UK is on [this link](#).

**Hand bellringing** :: If you're in to handringing, Simon Gay has an excellent blog at <https://www.handbellringing.co.uk>, including a technical description of how he composed the above 1273 changes. Worth a scroll through the archives for lots of interesting topics.

**TowerTalk** :: The latest edition of the TowerTalk newsletter, produced by the Association of Ringing Teachers, is available at <http://www.learningtheropes.org/resources/our-newsletter>.

### **Planning ahead**

**Cycle tour of Britain** :: This takes place in September and 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>. Here are the dates for each region:

**4-5 Sep: Dumfries, Inverness**

**11-12 Sep: Aberdeen, Angus, Central Fife**

**18-19 Sep: Glasgow, Stirling, West Fife**

**25-26 Sep: Edinburgh, East Lothian, Argyll**

**October Meeting** :: 23 October 2021

**January Meeting** :: 22 January

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

<https://www.sacr.org>

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

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Please send in any items or articles that you would like included in the newsletter to Martin at [publicity@sacr.org](mailto:publicity@sacr.org).

The SACR Committee

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