

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

Upcoming events

January meeting – to be held in three parts!

- SACR committee meeting. This will be held online on **Wednesday 19 January at 8pm**. All towers have been sent an invitation to send a rep. Papers will follow in early January but please try and encourage your tower rep and provide feedback via them.
- SACR ringing meeting – in person. This will be held on **Saturday 22 January** in Edinburgh and all are welcome. Plans for the day are as follows
 - 10.30–12.00 – advanced practice at Edinburgh St Mary
 - 12.00–13.30 – bring your own lunch and business meeting in the cathedral halls
 - 13.30–14.30 – general ringing at Edinburgh St Mary
 - 15.00–16.30 – general ringing at Edinburgh St Andrew and St George
- SACR virtual practice (S Major) – **Friday 29 January at 7.30pm**

February advanced practice :: In-person at Glasgow on Friday 25 February at 7.30pm

March training day :: In-person at Tulloch on Saturday 12 March. More details to follow in due course.

May meeting – Saturday 14 May :: We hope that the AGM and striking competition will be able to take place in a traditional format. Venue tbc but please save the date.

Do please put the above dates in your diary. We hope there will be something for everyone, but feedback is always welcome.

News

Remembrance :: There was ringing in various parts of Scotland including [Grandsire Doubles in Haddington](#) and tenor chiming in Inveraray ahead of wreath-laying ceremonies on Remembrance Sunday. At St Andrew and St George West, Edinburgh a quarter of [Cambridge Major](#) was rung on Remembrance Day.

Inveraray 10-bell practice :: It was great to hear the bells at Inveraray ring again on [20 November](#), with a variety of ringing from Grandsire and Stedman to Yorkshire and Bristol. It's 100 years this November since the bells were transported from Taylor's of Loughborough to Inveraray, so we rang with this anniversary in mind.

The [Argyllshire Advertiser](#) ran a feature on Inveraray's "Fyne bells" (the perennial pun!), including a cartoon about the bells' eventful journey over the Rest and Be Thankful.

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Bell Restoration Fund 50-50 Club :: This week at the Aberdeen weekly practice, we carried out the two final SACR BRF 50-50 club draws for 2021. The results are:

- November – Barbara Bell won £28
- December – Ruth Ogilvie won £28 (and yes I have several witnesses that it was not fixed!!!)

In January I will be issuing the annual reminders so keep an eye out for my email in the New Year. Happy Christmas All, Cheers, Ruth Ogilvie (50-50club@sacr.org).

Another way to support the Bell Restoration Fund :: With Christmas coming up, here's a reminder that you can help raise funds for the BRF using this link for Amazon purchases (other online sellers are available!): <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/SC011080>. By using this link the BRF can benefit... it's a small percentage, but it all adds up! Up to November £4,504 worth of transactions qualified and thus they have made a donation of 0.5%: £22.52 to the BRF.

Photo competition :: The theme for the latest section of the CCCBR's [photo competition](#) is *Ringers in Action*. Deadline for entries is 19 December.

Covid guidance :: The guidance page was last updated in August: see [details via this link](#).

Planning ahead: dates for the diary

70th Anniversary of the Queen's Accession :: Sun 6 February

90th Anniversary year of SACR ::

Sat 23 April – anniversary of the inaugural meeting of SACR, St Mary's, Edinburgh

Sat 4 June – anniversary of first peal at St Cuthbert's, Edinburgh

Sun 12 June – anniversary of first handbell peal at 66 Hillhead Street, Glasgow

Queen's Platinum Jubilee :: Thu 2 June

Social media

Even if you don't have an account with facebook or twitter you should still be able to look at posts using these links:

<https://www.sacr.org>

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

<https://twitter.com/SBellringing>

@SBellringing

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/bellringers>

Wishing everyone a fun Festive Season and Happy Hogmanay! Here's a bit of seasonal facebook frivolity from Selby Abbey: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/bellringers/permalink/10159835211475859/>

The SACR Committee