

Bulletin 1: 30 April 2022

We will be sending out regular bulletins of ringing related topics which we hope are of interest to members. This is our first and we are always keen to get contributions and feedback. Please send any materials and comments to Julia Cater our new Communication and PR Officer:

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Saturday 14 May: Dalemain and Greystoke

As many bands are only just starting to return to ringing, we have decided not to have an in-person striking competition this year. Instead, we encourage you to come along to a day of fun and ringing at Dalemain and Greystoke. This year, The Borders Mini Ring feature heavily at [Dalemain's annual marmalade festival](#) with "have a go" opportunities for members of the public plus opportunities to ring with the Borders team.

Coupled with this is a Tower Open Day just down the road at Greystoke, which coincides with their village plant sale. Available 11:00-16:00, there will be opportunities to meet other ringers and grab the bells. With the activities at Dalemain, cafes in both locations and a pub in Greystoke, it sounds like a fun day out. Please find further information in the attached flyer.

Saturday 18 June: Learn to teach bellringing course

There are a few spaces left on the ART (Association of Ringing Teachers) Module 1 training course at Penrith on Saturday 18 June 10:00-17:00. This has been especially commissioned by the Guild and is a fabulous opportunity to learn to teach others to ring, or to refresh your teaching skills since lockdown. Please book your place [here](#), but hurry, before all places are filled.

Join the 50/50 club

Similar to a lottery, the Guild 50/50 club is a fun and easy way of raising money for the Bell Restoration Fund which enables grants to be made to towers in the Guild for restoration projects large or small. You purchase one number for a year (or more if you want) and prizes are allocated monthly amounting to 50% of the income, with the rest going to the BRF. It's a win-win! For more information, please see the attached flyer.

Sad news of a former Cathedral ringer - Rachael Rodway

Many Guild members will remember Rachael Rodway who sadly died at the Eden Valley Hospice on 25 April. Rachael rang at the Cathedral from 1988 until 2015, and was a ringer at Harraby from 1985 until she moved to the Cathedral. She was also a CC Rep for the Guild from 1993 to 2001 plus was the donor of the sharp second at the Cathedral in 2005. She continued to support the Guild through the 50/50 Club and her most recent win was only a few days prior, which the Guild donated to the Hospice.