

Latest 'News from the Guild' – July 2025

Dates for your diary:

- Thursday 7th – 10th August: North-West Ringing Course
- Last Sunday in month starting 31/8 – Herdwicks will be practicing in the afternoon (see below)
- 5th-7th September – 2025 CCCBR Annual meeting: Sheffield
- Sunday 5th October - Blessing (3pm) of project at Arlecdon Church and Open Day (11am-5pm) with drop-in ringing in the morning.
- Saturday 10th January 2026: Guild Ringing Meeting at Workington

The Cumbria Herdwicks take on Birmingham

Imogen Carrie reports on the success of our youth team, the Cumbrian Herdwicks, at the 'Ringing World' National Youth Contest in Birmingham:

<https://bellringingincumbria.com/the-cumbrian-herdwicks-take-on-birmingham/>

New practice times for the 'Herdwicks'

From Sunday 31st August the Herdwicks will be practicing on the afternoon of the last Sunday in the month (usually). Further details can be obtained from Cumbrian.herdwicks@gmail.com and found here:

<https://bellringingincumbria.com/new-practice-times-for-the-herdwicks/>

Blessing and Open Day at Arlecdon Church

There will be a blessing of the Arlecdon Church project by Bishop Rob on Sunday 5th October at 3pm. It will be a chance for the congregation to thank the donor's Trust and everyone who has worked on the church.

The church will be open all day from 11am-5pm with refreshments and activities for children. In the morning there will be a drop-in ringing session (a team from Workington is leading that); then at 2.30pm there will be service ringing ahead of the service. Richard Last from Whitehaven will be leading that. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

Annual meeting – CCCBR 2025 - Sheffield

The 2025 Council weekend will take place in Sheffield from Friday 5th to Sunday 7th September. All ringers are invited to attend the weekend and take part in the activities on offer.

The booking form for the CCCBR AGM & Roadshow is now available for registration. Booking is essential for catering and other purposes. The CCCBR warmly welcome all society members and encourage as many people as possible to attend.

<https://events.cccbr.org.uk/product/annual-meeting-2025/>

ART M1 Training at Workington

On a Saturday at the end of June, 10 Guild members from across the Guild gathered at St Michael's, Workington for an excellent M1 training day run by Andrew Slade, Chairman of ART.

You can read a report on the day by Julie Sandilands, one of the attendees:

<https://bellringingincumbria.com/art-m1-training-at-workington/>

ART Chairman's Chatter

Remaining with Andrew Slade – you can read his latest bulletin about what is happening at ART here:

<https://bellringing.org/2025/07/24/chairmans-chatter-july-2025/>

Crossing the Morecambe Bay sands

Four intrepid Cathedral ringers braved inclement weather to cross the Morecambe Bay sands to raise funds for Jigsaw and the Eden Valley Hospice – you can read about it here:

<https://bellringingincumbria.com/crossing-the-morecambe-bay-sands/>

Congratulations to...

At Barrow:

5088 Yorkshire Surprise Major

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1863220>

Rung to celebrate Dave Day 2025 in joyful memory of Barrow's Dave Myers aka the Hairy Biker

At Penrith:

1274 Plain Bob Triples

Mike Lee – 1st covering on 8

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1858279>

At Wigton:

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1859665>

To celebrate the 26th anniversary of the hanging of the bells

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Chris Ingham – First Quarter Peal

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1863386>

1260 Grandsire Doubles

Diana Green – 1st of Grandsire

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1871736>

At Bampton:

1260 Plain Bob Doubles

Angela Murphy – First Quarter Peal

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1862312>

At Cathedral:

1344 Plain Bob Major

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1864791>

Rung prior to evensong celebrating the 80th Anniversary of the end of WWII and also celebrating the installation of Canon Peter Gunstone as Canon Precentor at Carlisle Cathedral that morning

1280 London Surprise Major

Ruth Gilbert and Simon Durrant – 1st London and completes the Standard 8 Surprise Major

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1868172>

Rung in memory of James Armstrong, Head Verger at Carlisle Cathedral, whose funeral was on 13/6/2025

At Whitehaven:

1260 Plain Bob Triples

Andrew P Moncrief – 25th Quarter Peal

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1867104>

At Shap:

1260 Plain Bob Minor

Paisley R C Cater – First of minor

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1867953>

Remembering Alison K Regan who sadly passed away 13 years ago today

At Greystoke:

1260 Plain Bob Minor

Hannah Saudek – First inside

Elisa Liptrot – First inside for method

Milly R Lawson – First treble to minor

Imogen Carrie – First minor as conductor

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1871570>

A birthday compliment to Hannah Saudek (17th birthday) and to Ally Walton (40th birthday).

A celebration of Ellisa Liptrot's graduation from Northumbria University

At Newton Hall:

1260 Plain Bob Triples

Janet Yasities – First on 8 on inside bell

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1865651>

At Tanfield:

1260 Grandsire Triples

Janet Yasities – 1st of Grandsire Triples

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1865656>

RIP Scotby aka "Mr Rats" 2010-2025. (He preferred sleeping on Grandsire or Stedman blue lines)

At Jesmond:

1260 Plain Bob Triples

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1865654>

At Penrith Mell Fell View (Handbells):

736 Bristol Surprise Major

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1860273>

A stepping stone towards a Quarter Peal – just another 3 courses to add!

1408 Bristol Surprise Major

Simon Durrant and Sally Walker – 1st Bristol in hand

<https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1866030>

The Guild is on Facebook – Cumbria Bellringers

This Facebook page is for members and friends of the Carlisle Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers, and bellringing visitors to Cumbria.

You can find us by searching on Facebook for 'Cumbria Bellringing' or going to:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/479827378371419>

It would be great if you have something to post - or want to comment on posts.

It will be a means of the Guild contacting members and members being able to contact other members and the Guild – such as requests for ringers for a wedding or last-minute requests for Sunday service ringers... getting help for an Open Day; relating about a special occasion. That kind of thing.

This 'News from the Guild' can be viewed on the Guild website at

<https://bellringingincumbria.com/the-guild/documents/>

We would love to hear the news from your tower – so get in touch at guildcomms@gmail.com