



MARSTOAN UPDATE

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Three Year Anniversary
It hardly seems three years, but in 2017 our current vicar, Skye Denno was inducted, and of course we rang a quarter peal for the event. On a practice night later that month we were able to have a group photo taken with her. The framed photo is now on the wall of our ringing chamber alongside those taken with previous incumbents going back over 60 years.

*Thursday, 4th
May 2017*
1260 Doubles (3m)
Plain Bob,
Grandsire, Reverse
Canterbury
1 Robert Bruce 2
Lindsay Powell
3 Judy Kirby 4
Maarit Kivilo
5 Hugh Deam (c)
6 Michael Haynes



This week's photo thanking the NHS is to be seen on the Abingdon Road at the Duke of Monmouth pub.



Back in the Day Sunday, 2nd May 2004

Bletchingdon, St Giles

1260 Doubles (2m) Plain Bob, Grandsire 1 Suzette Reynolds 2 Hillary Stevens
3 Roy Jones (c) Susan King 5 Hugh Deam (c) 6 Steve Jeffery



There are very few Marston ringers who haven't rung at Bletchingdon since their bells were rehung in 1999, whether as part of an outing or most probably a quarter peal. For this particular quarter we had three ringers from Marston ringers and three from Iffley. Although Marston is probably most noted for its sheer volume of ringing (163 peals and 1300+ quarter peals), we take more pleasure in having been able to facilitate numerous firsts and personal achievements for so many ringers beyond our own tower down the years. On this occasion it was the first quarter peal for Iffley ringer Hillary Stevens, who subsequently rang several more quarters with us before returning home to her native Texas. The church stands amidst Bletchingdon Park, with the Palladian mansion commanding extensive views. The house was a Royalist garrison during the Civil War and was eventually surrendered after the Roundhead victory in the Battle of Islip.