

# MARSTON UPDATE

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### HANDBELL PROVISIONS GREATLY APPRECIATED

A big thank you to John Beale of Wolvercote tower for generously offering us the use of their numerous books of handbell tunes which will undoubtedly increase our midsession repertoire. We are also gratified that he enjoys reading our updates so much.

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HOORAY  
FOR  
JOHN  
BEALE!



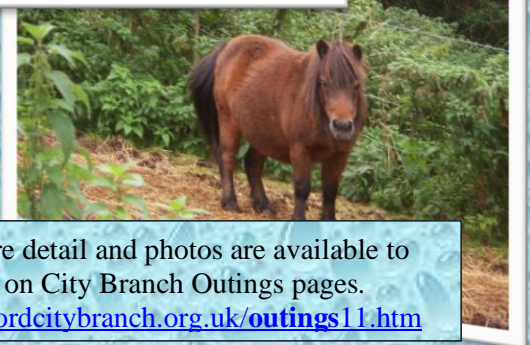
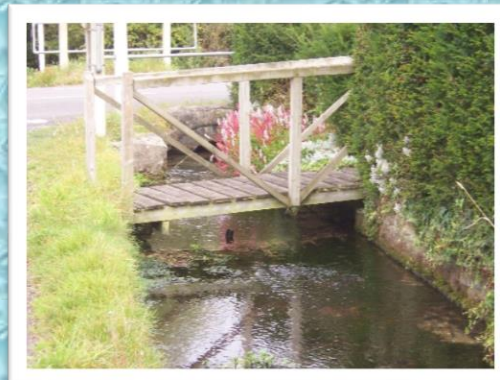
### WE'RE STILL AT IT

We continue to reacquaint ourselves via the handbells with more of our stock Doubles methods, this week adding St Osmund and All Saints, along with The Bell's of St Mary's in our tunes section.



### BACK IN THE DAY - SATURDAY 8th October 2005 Outing to Hampshire

Longparish, possibly England's longest village, is aptly named as it stretches to two miles in length. The twin Clatford villages straddle the River Anton, one of Hampshire's famed clear chalk streams. For all the breadth of ringing (Cambridge, Stedman, etc), lovely location and good weather, the day is most remembered by those who came along for Bernard and Bob being briefly left behind in the toilets after the church at Goodworth Clatford had been locked. Jonathan Beale ably took charge of the ringing at Upper Clatford as Hugh liased with the key holder to return to Goodworth and then put in our lunch orders at the pub. Hugh particularly remembers this incident as it wasn't until 2019 that he finally got to ring on the Upper Clatford bells. Hampshire has numerous thatched pubs, The Crook & Shears being a fine example and an excellent lunch venue for us. In the afternoon we moved on to Abbots Ann, situated on another diaphanous river from which it takes its name, and reached the chequered flag at Thruxton (the church, not the race circuit).



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