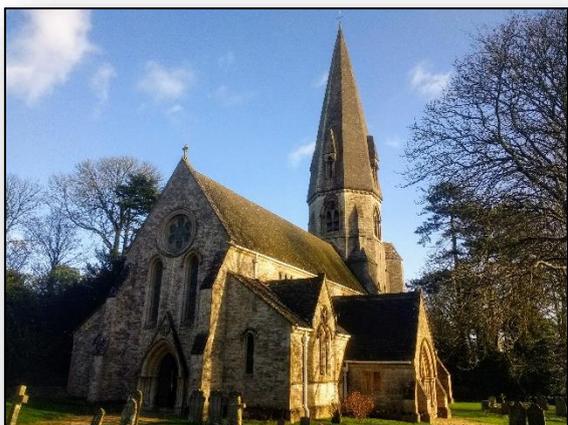




MARSTON UPDATE

11th February

HUGH DEAM
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Saturday, 1st February

On Saturday morning Michael, Benjamin and Hugh joined the Chipping Norton Branch practice at St Michael and All Angels, Leaffield. The bells here are an excellent six, with a tenor weighing 11cwt. There was a varied range from rounds through to Stedman and Cambridge, plus the bonus of a coffee morning in the church which we availed ourselves of a delicious lemon Victoria sponge cake. Near the entrance to the tower stairway at the rear of the church was a colourful evidencer that we are hopefully now in the last throes of winter, courtesy of some crocuses.

(Photo of church and crocuses left)



Sunday, 2nd February

Our quarter peal on Sunday evening not only marked Candlemas, but was one of several across the country denoting the palindromic date 02/02/2020 by being 2020 in length. 2020 Doubles 36m/v

1 Judy Kirby 2 Colin Taylor
3 Michael Haynes 4 Maarit Kivilo (c) 5 Hugh Deam
(c) Jamie Brown

(Details of the method/variations rung are available on Bellboard page for this date)



Back in the Day - Saturday 9th February 2008

Practice Morning Outing Great Milton, SMV (8)
18cwt

Cambridge Major, Stedman Triples, Single Oxford Triples

The village is internationally known now as being the location of Le Manoir aux Quat Saisons, one of the world's highest rated restaurants, alongside the world renowned restaurateur Raymond Blanc who lived in Old Marston during the 1990s and who was a generous benefactor to our yearly Children's Society cake bake and sponsored ringing at that time. The parish church stands adjacent to the grounds of the manor house and the bells are occasionally rung for weddings taking place at Le Manoir, which is also now a hotel. Marston ringers have been fortunate enough to have rung for a couple of such weddings here. The substantial tower dates to the 14th century and houses an excellent peal of eight bells.

(Group photo upper left & photo of church above)

Upcoming Events

Friday 14 February 7.25pm Practice
Saturday 15 February 2.30pm QPA at Launton
Sunday 16 February 9.00am QPA
Saturday 21 March - Outing to Hampshire towers