



MARSTON UPDATE

Hugh Deam

11th March 2020

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Saturday 29th February

On Saturday 29th February we welcomed Colin Turner and the St Blaise Society to Marston once again. On this occasion they rang 5040 Spliced Surprise Minor, 41 methods. This was the 163rd peal on St Nicholas bells. Details of this peal are to be found on Bellboard page for this date.

On Sunday afternoon (March 1) Paul Lucas and Hugh travelled over to Kirtlington to ring a Grandsire Doubles quarter peal which means Charlie Bates from Kirtlington tower has now reached ART LTR L5.

1260 Grandsire Doubles

Teresa Carter, Kathryn Grant, Charlie Bates, Paul Lucas, Hugh Deam (c), Steve Vickars



Other news and information

On Tuesday morning (March 3) we welcomed ringers from the Chiltern Branch who rang at several other Oxford towers during the day. Then on Wednesday evening (March 4) Hugh was part of the band which rang a 1320 of Kent Treble Bob Minor. Details of this quarter peal are available on Bellboard page for this date.



Back in the day - Saturday 11th March 2017

Chalgrove, St Mary 16cwt

Little Bob Minor, Stedman, Grandsire

Chalgrove is the site of the most significant battle to have been fought in Oxfordshire during the early stages of the Civil War. Oliver Cromwell's cousin, John Hampden was killed on the battle, and the Hampden monument is to be found at a crossroads just outside the village. The 12th century church remains substantially unaltered, having been built for the monks of the Benedictine abbey in Bec, Normandy. The 14th century tower houses a resonant set of bells. During the morning we rang some Little Bob and Stedman, amongst other methods, and we welcomed Steve Vickars for his first time on one of these events.



Upcoming events

Friday 13th March - 7.25pm Practice
Sunday 15 March - 9.00am QPA

Saturday 21 March - Outing to Hampshire / Berkshire. Richard Bennett has booked us in for lunch at the Greenham Common Airfield.