



ANNUAL REPORT AND NEWSLETTER OF THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

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As last year's Newsletter went to press, members in the UK were looking forward to an unusual summer of national and international events calling for celebratory ringing. In June came the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations for HM Queen Elizabeth II, and then came the 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games.



The Royal Jubilee Bells passing below a bridge on 4 June 2012

The story of the installation of a ring of eight bells on a barge, to head a royal procession down the River Thames, was told in detail by Jennifer Earis and Dickon Love in *The Ringing World* of 27 July 2012.

The Royal Jubilee Pageant was, in the best English tradition, a rather damp affair. Following the brilliant sunshine of the previous week, when a practice peal was rung whilst travelling down river from Blackfriars to Barking Creek, the actual day of the pageant was cold and damp at the beginning, and extremely wet towards the end.

But the sight and sound of a splendid Whitechapel ring of eight ringing surprise major at the head of a flotilla of more than 1000 boats was an excellent promotional opportunity for the art of change ringing, and also for the Society, whose crest was prominently displayed on the side of the barge.

More remarkably, it took only a matter of a few weeks before the Royal Jubilee Bells were installed in their permanent home at the church of St James, Garlickythe, where already 35 peals have been rung, 11 of the by the Society.

Ringing for the Olympics in the City of London was organised by the one of the Society's officers, Simon Meyer, who successfully arranged bands for eighteen peal attempts – six on each day on which a marathon race was rung (men's, women's and Paralympics). Seventeen of these were successful, of which five were by Society bands.

In July, the 2012 Country Meeting of the Society took place in York, where we were warmly welcomed by Peter Sanderson and the Minster band. Nine peals were rung over the two days before the meeting, while Saturday was devoted to open ringing at a number of York towers, including the Minster. Proceedings concluded with a dinner in the splendid surroundings of the De Grey Rooms. We were grateful to the York band for kindly agreeing to take away and consume any of the real ale remaining at the end of the evening, and indeed for their contribution to the funding of the evening.

The London Twelve Bell competition was held at Croydon Minster in October. The Society's band was drawn to ring last of the ten teams – always a challenge for thirsty folk – and produced a good piece of ringing which merited third place behind St Paul's Cathedral and St Michael's, Cornhill.

The 375th Anniversary Dinner on 3 November saw us once again at the Guoman Tower Hotel, with 340 members and guests attending. The risk of a new Secretary making a mess of the complex arrangements was mitigated not only by advice from his predecessor, but the continuing help of Janet Hill, a Society member with a wealth of experience in the hospitality industry.

Our clerical speaker was Canon David Parrott, Guild Vicar of St Lawrence Jewry, who responded to the toast of the Church proposed by the Master, David Maynard. Whether by luck or judgement I am not sure, but they delivered two excellent complementary speeches. Many Society members are at the forefront of developments in handbell ringing, and the annual dinner is a chance for members at large to hear a little of a dimension of our art that few of us can aspire to. This year, we were treated to a touch of Orion and Ariel Surprise Maximus, with a little Crayford thrown in, by Jennie and Philip Earis, John Hughes-D'Aeth, Paul Mounsey, Paul Carless and Tom Hinks. The toast to the Society was proposed in elegant terms by Peter Sanderson of York Minster, with the traditional response by the Secretary.

There was general agreement that the meal served this year was of high quality, and many of the problems encountered with bar service in previous years had been resolved. Although we shall continue to keep an eye open for alternative venues, the Guoman Tower has set a standard, and we shall certainly be returning there for the 376th Anniversary Dinner in 2013.

Soon after the annual dinner comes the November business meeting, and the changing of the guard. This was our final chance to express our thanks to David Maynard for his leadership through 2011/12. David maintained a very clear focus on the quality of ringing at our Tuesday night practices throughout his year of office, and at his final meeting, he was complimented on the skill with which he had organised and placed bands to maximise the quality of ringing.

(Actually, it was not quite our last chance, because a tradition has been established going back about a decade that the those who have served on the top table with the retiring master entertain him or her to dinner soon after the conclusion of the year, and we carried out this obligation with great pleasure early in 2013).

Graham Bradshaw was duly elected Master following his service as Junior and Senior Steward in preceding years. Simon Meyer moved up to Senior Steward, and Katie Town was elected Junior Steward. Graham, whose message for the year is set out elsewhere in this Newsletter, shares David Maynard's view that the Tuesday practice is at the heart of the Society's activities, and has already shown himself to be a talented and effective organiser who is attracting a high degree of commitment from members. Katie is only the second woman to be elected as an officer of the society, but will doubtless be followed in due course by many more, bearing in mind the major contribution made by women to the Society's success.

Whilst serving as a steward, Graham developed plans for the trip to New York, which is described elsewhere in the Newsletter. This was a major undertaking, and was pulled off with great aplomb, with particular support from the Junior Steward, and from Tim Barnes, Jenny Mackley and John Hitchings at Trinity.

Richard Allton, our Peal Recorder, has carefully collated the peals rung between November 2011 and November 2012, and these are listed here. Notable peals included the long length of Bristol 16, followed by the first peal of Cyclic 16 with all the work for all 16 bells; a 10,000 of Stedman Caters at Inverary; a peal of Double Helix Differential Major on handbells; and the first peals of Variable Cover Major and Caters, and of Spliced Royal and Cinques. These last two may not often get repeated. 476 members took part in the year's peals, led by Graham Bradshaw in his year as Senior Steward. He shows little sign of slowing down now that he is our Master.

The 2013 National Twelve Bell Contest took place at Ripon Cathedral on 20 June. After qualifying for the final in a tense eliminator contest at Kettering, the Society's band was drawn to ring last in the final. We were placed sixth, a somewhat disappointing outcome after a good many hours of practice, albeit that the bands placed second through to sixth were separated from one another by just five percentage points in total, a real measure of the closeness of the competition.

The Society values the long service of its members, and the names of those celebrating 50 and 60 years membership are listed in the Newsletter. The year 1962 was quite a decent year for elections, and in October 2012, a dozen of those elected in 1962 rang a peal of Stedman Cinques. As we celebrated our joint 600 years of membership, we remembered fondly those of our year no longer with us – Tony Carter, Richard Stevens and Gerald Penney.



The class of 62 (anticlockwise from front right: John Eisel, Mick Hobbs, Roland Cook, Andrew Corby, Tony Kench, Peter Joyce, Martyn Jordan, Peter Bennett, Brian Harris, David Llewellyn, David House, Clarke Walters.

We remembered fourteen members who died in 2011/12, a number of them with many years membership and many years' service to their local ringing communities, including Peter Staniforth in Leicester, David Kingston in Bromley and Tony Davidson in Truro

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NEW YORK AND BEYOND: MAY 2013

Our traditional use of the term ‘country meeting’ is either a charming anachronism or a touch patronising – an occasion on which the glitterati descend from London to somewhere attractively provincial in search of good company and cheap beer, and a hangover from the days in which the *Bell News* reported peals under the headings ‘The Metropolis’ and ‘The Provinces’. At least this time around, the ‘country’ label could be justified, since we were off to a different country, and the City of New York is the last place on earth that could be labelled ‘provincial’.

This was not our first overseas meeting; it is now nearly twenty years since Dill Faulkes led a party of 36 to Washington, and there have since been meetings in Vancouver and Sydney. But this was the largest expedition to date, with 72 members and supporters making the trip – some for a quick weekend dash, and others stretching things out to three weeks.

There were two advance parties – one visiting the Boston area, and ringing a peal on the new ring of ten at Orleans, on Cape Cod, and the other joining Washington members for peal attempts at the Old Post Office, the Cathedral and Frederick.

There is, of course, only one ring of bells in New York, which posed challenges for the Master and Junior Steward in terms of scheduling. The ultra-efficient sound control system at Trinity meant that we could have virtually continuous ringing from Thursday morning until Saturday afternoon, and then again through much of Sunday. The six peals rung – two of Stedman, two of Cambridge, one of Bristol and one of Spliced – draw upon six different conductors and 59 members (13 of whom went on to ring a second peal). There were also four quarter peals, one of them rung jointly with the Trinity band, two periods of open ringing, and two sessions of Sunday service ringing.

Five of the six peals included members based in the USA. Tim Barnes showed that he retained his sharpness in the peal of RABS; Cecily Rock and Quilla Roth rang Stedman Cinques; Emily Russell was in the peal of Cambridge Maximus and Alex Taft and Duncan Large were part of the Bristol Maximus band. The final peal of Stedman Cinques included six US-based members, including the three recently elected members from the Trinity band – John and Tina Hitchings and Jenny Mackley – as well as Tim Barnes, Duncan Large and Beth Sinclair. There was a similar pattern through the quarter peals, making the whole weekend feel like a genuine international event.

It was a personal pleasure to see Roger Savory at the meeting and dinner. A College Youth for 61 years, Roger was a mainstay of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild before he emigrated to the USA. Roger, Chris Kippin and David House were in the first ASCY peal of London No 3 Surprise Royal at Beddington in 1962 (the latter two as teenagers, of course), but rarely have the chance to meet

up these days. It was therefore a pleasure for them to spend time together over this weekend, and be joined by other Winchester and Portsmouth members who know Roger well – Roy and Ann LeMarechal, Jim Clatworthy and Mark Esbester.

There were five new members elected at the London meeting in April, and they were all able to attend the meeting and dinner in New York, receiving their certificates in person and posing for pictures with the Master. There is now a strong ASCY presence in New York, Boston and Washington, as well as in Vancouver, Seattle and a few points in between. We look to our US members to be on the lookout for suitable new members, including selective conversions from the other side.



Rick DuPuy, John Hitchings, The Master, Tina Hitchings, Alex Taft, Jenny Mackley.

Not content with intensive ringing and high living in New York, a sizeable contingent – including the Master, Secretary, Treasurer and Junior Steward – moved south, first to Marietta, Atlanta and August, and then to the lovely city of Charleston. Peal boards here reminded us that the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths has been a major player in these parts, having long ago discovered its many attractions, and its members have done much to support the growth of change ringing in the region. Nonetheless, we were received with great warmth, particularly at

Marietta and St Michael’s Charleston, where there was a chance to join local practices. All seven peal attempts in the south-east were successful. Two of these were dedicated to the memory of Ron Warford, whose funeral took place during our visit. He was one of the SRCY members who had provided great support to ringing in the area, and we were pleased to recognise this at the suggestion of our hosts.

So we have now moved well beyond the old distinctions of ‘The Metropolis’ and ‘The Provinces’. The Society has a strong international membership, clearly demonstrated by the meetings in Sydney (2011) and New York (2013). We now look forward to welcoming overseas members to the UK in 2014.

MASTER'S MESSAGE 2013 by Graham Bradshaw



I have been fortunate to be elected Master at a time when the Society continues to flourish - we have a strong and flourishing national and international membership (built on by recent overseas trips, as well as UK05, 08 and 11) and attendances, quality of striking and variety of methods rung at our core Tuesday practices are high. It is these strengths that I intend to build on during my year as Master.

We are now over half way through my year as Master, which is flying by. It seems like only yesterday we were enjoying a fantastic informal dinner at Davy's wine bar in Holborn !

At the heart of the Society's activities are our Tuesday night practices. These practices give members (and potential members) an opportunity to take part in high quality ringing, to develop a method repertoire that is only available at a limited number of locations in the UK and also to enjoy a lively social scene.

Attendances and the quality of ringing at practices have been high - frequently very high - and members attending are keen to take part in advancing all aspects of ringing. This provides its challenges, but, as I keep reminding myself, the type of challenge any Master would relish. Stedman and Bristol continue to form the basis for the majority of touches on a Tuesday night, with an ever increasing number of members proficient in conducting these touches. Recent Masters have developed the method repertoire through the ORABS methods and to include Ariel Surprise and Zanussi Surprise. We frequently have 20-30 attendees capable of ringing all of these methods, together with a talented pool of "youngsters" keen to develop their method repertoire beyond Bristol Surprise. To satisfy this demand, we regularly ring two spliced touches - one adding Deimos Alliance and Phobos Surprise to the AZORABS methods and one drawn from a smaller subgroup to suit the requirements of those attending. Many visitors to London have also been in

touch before coming to practice, expressing a desire to ring more varied methods - and we are always more than happy to satisfy those requests. These spliced touches are being executed to a high standard - two recent touches at St Paul's being real highlights.

During the last year it has been a pleasure to visit and ring peals with members in Cambridge, Cheshire, Derbyshire, Gloucestershire, Leicestershire, Oxfordshire, Scotland, Shropshire, Surrey, West Midlands and of course the USA.

Of course the Society's membership extends far beyond London and one of the really enjoyable aspects of the role is meeting so many other members from around the world.

Much is written elsewhere on the Society's Country Meeting in New York. From a personal perspective, the memories of this trip will stay with me for a long time. Planning started not long after I was elected Junior Steward with a lunch with Dill Faulkes - benefactor of the fantastic ring of 12 in New York - as I was keen to tap into his thoughts and expertise. Anyone who has been for lunch with Dill will tell you it is not for the fainthearted, but his advice was clear - "absolutely you must do it". It was a real pleasure to meet up with our growing US membership see all the planning and ringing coming off as planned. Even the weather was perfect !

I have just returned home from the Society's UK Country Meeting - held in Chester and in the Diocese in which I learnt to ring. Once again the sun shone and it was fantastic to see so many of our local members support the event as well as ringing a peal on the 6 on which I learnt to ring (Chelford).

There is plenty more to come this year. The Society's peal weekend takes place over the weekend of the 21st September and I would encourage as many members as possible to take part in an attempt. We have identified members who have agreed to take on organising attempts in each of the ceremonial counties, details of which are on the website. If you are not already involved in an attempt, do get in touch with one of the organisers as I am sure any offers of support will be gratefully received. The first weekend in November is traditionally the Society's Dinner weekend - and I look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. I'm also looking forward to attempting peals on both sides of the Pennines over the summer as well as further consolidating the ringing on a Tuesday night.

Finally, a word of thanks for everyone who has supported Society ringing and events this year. The level of support makes all the effort worthwhile and makes the role of Master such a real pleasure.

THE SOCIETY'S FINANCES

Arguably, in an ideal world the Society would not have to worry about money. We would spend all of our time ringing and otherwise enjoying ourselves and not have to deal with cash. In the real world, the management of money is unavoidable. We organise social events, maintain a handwritten peal book, own a collection of books and other historic items some of which we insure, circulate a newsletter to our members and carry out other activities which have to be paid for. In consequence, we have to have some financial management.

The Society operates 2 Funds: the General Fund and the Bell Restoration Fund (BRF). This article relates only to the former. Unlike the BRF, there are no financial objectives for the General Fund. However, there is a tacit agreement that it should generate sufficient income to support the Society's activities without earning a significant profit. Society Treasurers have worked on this basis and, to date, have generally been successful. In 2012 there was a surplus of £263. This year, because of a number of one-off items of expenditure, a shortfall looks likely.

About 50% of the Society's annual income and expenditure relates to peal fees and the writing of the handwritten peal books. At present fees broadly cover writing costs. Of the remainder, the principal items of income and expenditure (based on 2012 figures) are:-

Income

New Member Fees	19%
Weekly Steepleage	23%
Surplus on Social Events	21%
Newsletter Donations	30%
Other	7%

Expenditure

Newsletter	42%
Property Insurance	14%
Central Council	10%
Library Costs	10%
Other	24%

Although overall the Society's income is sufficient to cover its expenditure, the most noticeable aspect of the above figures is the shortfall between Newsletter donations and costs. In cash terms this amounted to over £300 last year. Successive Secretaries have contained the printing costs of the Newsletter whilst maintaining or improving the quality of the product. However, rising postal costs, which are beyond our control, have led to increasing

losses. In 2012 the Secretary secured a stock of postage stamps before the swingeing increases in postage costs that year. These have now been exhausted and an increase in Newsletter costs of about £200 seems unavoidable this time.

We are frequently told by members how much they value the Newsletter but it seems unlikely that we will be able to continue with it in paper form forever. Members can help us defer the evil day in 2 ways. Firstly, they can opt to receive the Newsletter by Email, saving us the printing and postal costs. Secondly, they can make a donation, large or small. At the moment, we receive some large donations from a small number of members, and we urgently need to broaden this base.

In addition to normal income and expenditure, the Society has benefitted from 2 significant bequests (excluding BRF donations). In 1957 the Reverend F Llewellyn Edwards bequeathed the sum of £150 expressing the wish that "that the money be invested and the interest therefrom [be used to] provide a band to ring the bells of one of the London Churches every year on Shrove Tuesday". At the time this was a substantial sum of money, representing about one third of the Society's accumulated reserves. In subsequent years it became the custom to ring a touch at the Society's Shrove Tuesday practice in memory of the Rev Llewellyn Edwards and subsequently drink a toast to his memory paid for by the Fund. The tradition continues to this day. By the early days of the current century the fund had become so depleted that it looked as if the tradition would die out. However, a number of members topped it up and it currently stands at approximately £1,000, enough to keep the remembrance going for the foreseeable future even with current beer prices.

In 1957 the Master was J S (Stan) Mason. Stan went on to serve as both Treasurer and Trustee of the Society and was instrumental in establishing the BRF. When he died he left the Society £5,000, with no strings attached as to how the money should be spent. His wife Wyn left us a similar sum. To date we have used £1,500 of the bequest to purchase a cabinet for the Society's library. When the opportunity arises we would like to spend the remainder on suitable projects in memory of Stan and Wyn. One possibility is to purchase proper storage cases for the Society's silverware to replace the collection of old boxes and bags currently used.

In summary, the Society's finances are in good health without being awash with cash, although additional support for the Newsletter would be appreciated. Hopefully we will continue to be solvent for many years.

Phil Rogers, Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP PROPOSALS

The Society is committed to the pursuit of excellence, and welcomes proposals for new members who share that commitment, either in person at a business meeting or by letter or e-mail to the Secretary. In each case, a proposer and seconder are required. Proposals should be accompanied by the full postal address (including post code) of the candidate, and should set out clearly the rationale for the proposal, which will normally include an account of the candidate's ringing career to date and an assessment of their future potential. The future of the Society depends upon the recruitment of good new members, and we strongly encourage existing members to seek out suitable potential recruits.

Membership proposals are considered carefully and critically at our business meetings, where all members attending have a vote on each proposal. The fact that proposals are made at one meeting, while the actual election takes place at the next or a subsequent meeting, allowing members time for reflection, demonstrates the importance the Society attaches to the election process.

The Society chooses not to set out detailed criteria for membership in its rules. (The requirement to have rung at least a quarter peal is a longstanding requirement to make it clear that the Society does not elect non-ringing honorary members, and is not an indicator of the level of experience or expertise we seek). There is nevertheless a

common understanding that we are seeking to attract the best ringers of each generation. Membership of the Society is rightly seen as a privilege accorded only to ringers who have reached an excellent standard or who otherwise command respect in their local area. This obviously means excellent striking, and the determination to avoid mistakes. Most of those elected will be familiar with the standard surprise repertoire, and many will be comfortable with ringing on higher numbers of bells where their local opportunities permit this. The primary requirement, though, is not the ability to ring methods of great complexity, but to reach and maintain high standards of striking and method ringing. We also want those elected as members to enjoy and contribute to the fellowship which the Society offers.

Members planning to propose candidates are welcome to contact the Secretary for an informal discussion. It is in any event useful to have advance notice of membership proposals. Ideally at least one of the sponsors should be a long-standing and active member of the Society. Statements of support for the candidate from other members in the local area may also be helpful. Candidates and their sponsors are encouraged to be present at their election meeting if possible, but we recognise that distance will rule this out in some cases.

The (once-only) membership fee is £40, payable upon election.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

PEAL WEEKEND

We designate the third weekend of September as peal weekend, which this year falls on 20, 21 and 22 September. Last year, we managed to ring 32 peals, including one in Perth, Australia. The Senior Steward, Simon Meyer, will shortly be contacting those who have organised attempts in recent years, trying to make sure that we have a good range of attempts arranged throughout the UK and abroad. If you are planning to organize an attempt, please let Simon know. He will be pleased to try to broker arrangements between organisers and those who would like to be placed in an attempt (senior.steward@ascy.org). Even if you are not a regular and enthusiastic peal ringer, this is the weekend to make an exception.

376th ANNIVERSARY DINNER

The Society's 376th Anniversary Dinner will take place on Saturday 2nd November. It will again be held at the Guoman Tower Hotel, close to Tower Bridge. Tickets may be purchased using the enclosed order form. The seating plan will consist of round tables of 10. Members are invited to make up tables and to encourage "occasional" and prospective new members to join them.

Accommodation at the Tower and other hotels in the area is available at competitive rates through Reservations 2000. For details please contact them on 020 8547 0601, quoting the Society, or obtain an online booking form by e-mail (res2000@res2000.co.uk) or from the ASCY web site.

THE 237 PEALS RUNG IN 2011/12

The year's peal ringing activity involved 476 members in 237 peals – a slight increase in the number of peals and a slight decrease in the number of participants over the previous year. Not surprisingly, 79 of the peals were on twelve or more bells; less usually, there were no fewer than 21 peals of Minor. Peals were rung in 136 different towers. The leading tower was St Magnus the Martyr, which accounted for 15 peals, with other City towers (St Michael's, Cornhill, St Mary-le-Bow and St James Garlickhythe) strongly represented. Outside London, St Mary's Bishopstoke was the leading tower, and Roy LeMarechal was the Society's leading conductor for the year with 23 peals. Stedman Cinques was the most popular method (22 peals), followed by Bristol Major (20) and Bristol Maximus (19).

Date	Tower	Method	Conductor
12/11/11	City of London, S Michael, Cornhill	5040 Bristol S Maximus	DGM
12/11/11	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5038 Spliced Maximus (9m)	JNH-D
12/11/11	Westminster, S Margaret	5000 Bristol S Royal	AJG
12/11/11	(H) Cambridge, 16 Godesdone Road	5040 Double Helix Diff Major	DJP
16/11/11	Westminster Abbey	5400 Stedman Caters	JNH-D
19/11/11	High Wycombe, All Saints	5088 Bristol S Major	JAA
19/11/11	Oakham, All Saints	5024 Rutland S Major	TFC
19/11/11	Canterbury Cathedral	5136 Bristol S Maximus	JHP
26/11/11	Exeter Cathedral	5009 Stedman Cinques	MRE
03/12/11	Bristol, Cathedral	5152 Yorkshire S Major	KWS
03/12/11	City of London, S Michael, Cornhill	5016 Spliced Maximus (9m)	JNH-D
05/12/11	(H) Chesterfield, The Vicarage	5056 Yorkshire S Major	WSC
10/12/11	Guildford Cathedral	5088 Spliced Maximus (4m)	PNM
11/12/11	Windsor, S John the Baptist	5154 Bristol S Major	DGM
11/12/11	Birmingham, Parish of S Martin	5056 Bristol S Sixteen	SJLL
13/12/11	Luppitt, S Mary	5024 Spliced S Major (8m)	TFC
13/12/11	Stepney, S Dunstan	5120 Bristol S Royal	DCB
19/12/11	Cheapside, S Mary-le-Bow	5050 Stedman Cinques	SC
28/12/11	Morville, S Gregory the Great	5152 Spliced S Major (23m)	ALM
31/12/11	Sydney, Cathedral of S Andrew	5024 Spliced S Major (8m)	WTP
02/01/12	Birmingham, Parish of S Martin	10560 Bristol S Sixteen	SJLL



10560 Bristol Surprise 16: Front (r to l) Stef Warboys, Jennie Earis, Paul Mounsey, Simon Linford, David Brown, Roy LeMarechal, Philip Earis, Louis Suggett; Back (l to r) Andrew Graham, Tom Griffiths, Paul Tiebout, Rob Lee, John Hughes-D'Aeth, Paul Carless, Matt Hilling, Michael Wilby.

02/01/12	Bristol, S Mary V, Redcliffe	5016 Stedman Cinques	JRR
02/01/12	London, Cathedral	5042 Cambridge S Maximus	JAA
07/01/12	Cheltenham, S Mary V	5040 Bristol S Maximus	JHP
10/01/12	Bermondsey, S James	5024 Spliced S Major (10m)	DCB
16/01/12	Cheapside, S Mary-le-Bow	5021 Stedman Cinques	PNM
21/01/12	Southampton, Ascension	5040 Cambridge S Maximus	RL
21/01/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5015 Double Norwich C B Cinques	SSM
21/01/12	Portsmouth Cathedral	5042 Bristol S Maximus	RL
22/01/12	(H) Longthorpe, Vicarage	5120 Bristol S Major	MGP
29/01/12	London, S Katharine Cree	5040 S Minor (7m)	MRE
02/02/12	(H) Cambridge, 16 Godesdone Road	5040 Bristol S Royal	DJP
03/02/12	Sedbergh, S Andrew	5088 Superlative S Major	RL
04/02/12	Kendal, the Holy Trinity	5003 Grandsire Caters	RL
04/02/12	Dalton In Furness, S Mary	5120 Bristol S Royal	RL
06/02/12	Perth, Swan Tower	5040 S Minor (4m)	CJP
07/02/12	Southwark, Cathedral	5200 Stedman Cinques	DEH
11/02/12	Edinburgh Cathedral	5021 Stedman Cinques	DEH
11/02/12	Long Crendon, S Mary	5024 Littleport Little S Royal	JHP
11/02/12	London, S Sepulchre	5040 Spliced Maximus (6m)	JNH-D
13/02/12	Cheapside, S Mary-le-Bow	5040 Spliced Cinques/Maximus (2m)	SAC
14/02/12	Beckenham, S George	5120 Spliced S Royal (5m)	PR
18/02/12	Huntsham, All Saints	5040 Cambridge S Minor	MECM
18/02/12	Lincoln, Cathedral	5136 Bristol S Maximus	JHP
18/02/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5016 Spliced Maximus (6m)	JNH-D
19/02/12	(H) Godmanchester, Old Post Office	5040 Cambridge S Royal	MGP
25/02/12	Waltham Abbey	5088 Bristol S Maximus	RL
25/02/12	Plymouth, S Maurice	5088 Devonport Royal Dockyard S Royal	FMSS
03/03/12	Romsey Abbey	5120 Bristol S Major	RL
09/03/12	Edinburgh, SS Andrew & George	5120 Bristol S Major	RL
10/03/12	City of London, S Michael, Cornhill	5040 Spliced Maximus (3m)	AJG
10/03/12	Birmingham, Parish of S Martin	5088 Spliced Sixteen (6m)	DJP
10/03/12	Edinburgh Cathedral	5042 Cambridge S Maximus	MJC
11/03/12	Edinburgh, Parish of S Cuthbert	5040 Triton D Royal	RL
13/03/12	Rotherhithe, SS Mary & Paul	5040 Stedman Triples	DEH
17/03/12	Baldock, S Mary V	5100 Yorkshire S Major	SC
17/03/12	Ecclesfield, S Mary the Virgin	5040 Ecclesfield S Royal	MST
20/03/12	Bishopstoke, S Mary	5000 Bristol S Royal	RL
29/03/12	South Croydon, S Peter	5150 Stedman Cinques	MJU
31/03/12	Bishopstoke, S Mary	5031 Stedman Caters	RL
31/03/12	Evesham, All Saints & St Laurence	5057 Stedman Cinques	MRE
01/04/12	Cheapside, S Mary-le-Bow	5087 Spliced Royal/Cinques (2m)	SAC
07/04/12	Youlgreave, All Saints	5136 Bristol S Maximus	JC
09/04/12	Bristol, S Mary V, Redcliffe	5040 Bristol S Maximus	JHP
10/04/12	Spitalfields, Christ Church	5024 Spliced S Major (10m)	DCB
12/04/12	(H) Emsworth, 58 Horndean Road	5040 Plain B Minor	TJH
14/04/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5040 Spliced Maximus (6m)	DJP
15/04/12	Birmingham, Parish of S Martin	5136 Spliced S Maximus (4m)	JHP
21/04/12	Ipswich, S Mary-le-Tower	5040 Cambridge S Maximus	DER
21/04/12	Acton, S Mary	5040 S Minor (7m)	FRM
21/04/12	Guildford Cathedral	5019 Stedman Cinques	SAC
21/04/12	Inveraray, All Saints	10060 Stedman Caters	DCB
22/04/12	Potterhanworth, S Andrew	5040 Spliced S Minor (19m)	CCPW
28/04/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5020 Spliced Cinques/Maximus (3m)	MRE
28/04/12	Bristol, Cathedral	5024 Spliced S Major (8m)	MECM
28/04/12	Exeter Cathedral	5009 Stedman Cinques	MJH
29/04/12	Huntsham, All Saints	5088 Hackthorn S Major	FMSS
30/04/12	Bishopstoke, S Mary	5120 Spliced S Royal (4m)	EPDC
06/05/12	Midsomer Norton, S John the Baptist	5040 Bristol S Maximus	AJG
07/05/12	Stroud, S Lawrence	5040 Cambridge S Royal	PR
11/05/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5067 Stedman Cinques	DEH
12/05/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5004 Stedman Cinques	SAC
13/05/12	(H) Harrow On The Hill, 3 The Foss	5056 Cambridge S Major	DGM
18/05/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5088 Spliced TD Maximus (7m)	SAC
19/05/12	Peterborough Cathedral	5136 Bristol S Maximus	RIA
20/05/12	(H) Godmanchester, Old Post Office	5152 Yorkshire S Major	JMJ
26/05/12	River Thames, The Royal Jubilee Bells	5056 Cambridge S Major	DRL
02/06/12	York Minster	5040 Yorkshire S Maximus	PJS
03/06/12	Cheapside, S Mary-le-Bow	5088 Bristol S Maximus	DGM
03/06/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5060 Bristol S Royal	JHP
04/06/12	Clapham Common, the Holy Trinity	5040 S Minor (7m)	AJG
04/06/12	Colliers Wood, Christ Church	7200 Spliced S Minor (41m)	AJG
05/06/12	Westminster Abbey	5060 London No.3 S Royal	DPH
09/06/12	City of London, S Michael, Cornhill	5208 Spliced Maximus (9m)	JNH-D
12/06/12	Willesden, S Mary	5024 Spliced S Major (8m)	PR
16/06/12	Colliers Wood, Christ Church	7200 Spliced S Minor (41m)	AJG
16/06/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5040 Spliced TD Maximus (8m)	AJG
23/06/12	Bishopstoke, S Mary	5040 Yorkshire S Royal	RL
30/06/12	Liverpool, Our Lady & St Nicholas	5000 Bristol S Maximus	RWL
30/06/12	City of London, S Michael, Cornhill	5088 Spliced Maximus (4m)	JNH-D

05/07/12	Crowan, S Crewenna	5040 Stedman Triples	JP
05/07/12	St Gluvias, S Gluvias	5040 Stedman Triples	JP
07/07/12	London, S Sepulchre	5040 Spliced Maximus (10m)	JNH-D
07/07/12	Leckhampton, S Peter	5120 Bristol S Major	AMB
07/07/12	London, S Katharine Cree	5040 S Minor (7m)	PR
07/07/12	Amersham, S Mary	5040 Bristol S Maximus	JAA
09/07/12	(H) S Olave, Hart Street (ringing room)	5056 Spliced TB Major (2m)	SJFM
10/07/12	Poplar, Christ Church	5184 Spliced Major (2m)	DCB
14/07/12	Wirksworth, S Mary	5120 Cambridge S Major	RL
14/07/12	Ashover, All Saints	5053 Stedman Caters	PNM
14/07/12	City of London, S Michael, Cornhill	5024 Spliced S Major (8m)	AJG
15/07/12	(H) Godmanchester, Old Post Office	5056 Spliced S Major (8m)	MGP
18/07/12	(H) Cornhill Vestry	5040 Stedman Cinques	PNM
19/07/12	Pontefract, All Saints	5056 Cornwall S Major	AGR
19/07/12	Knottingley, S Botolph	5000 Yorkshire S Royal	RL
19/07/12	York, All Saints, Huntington	5024 Spliced S Major (4m)	PR
20/07/12	Northallerton, All Saints	5080 London No.3 S Royal	RIA
20/07/12	York, SS Philip & James, Clifton	5040 S Minor (7m)	DGM
20/07/12	Knaresborough, S John the Baptist	5088 Holbeach S Major	SSM
20/07/12	York, S Laurence	5056 Bristol S Major	RWL
20/07/12	Whitby, S Mary	5060 Stedman Caters	PNM
20/07/12	York, S Wilfrid	5000 Spliced S Royal (4m)	DEH
21/07/12	Thorverton, S Thomas of Canterbury	5056 Bristol S Major	MECM
21/07/12	Sefton, S Helen	5184 Spliced S Major (2m)	PBH
25/07/12	London, S James Garlickhythe	5152 Jubilee S Major	DRL
28/07/12	Westminster Abbey	5030 Stedman Caters	JRP
28/07/12	Liverpool, Our Lady & St Nicholas	5007 Stedman Cinques	PABS
29/07/12	Huntsham, All Saints	5088 Steeple Aston S Major	FMSS
31/07/12	(H) Chesterfield, The Vicarage	5056 Superlative S Major	WSC
01/08/12	London, S James Garlickhythe	5088 Spliced S Major (8m)	PNM
02/08/12	(H) Chesterfield, The Vicarage	5040 Minor (7m)	BHT
03/08/12	(H) Chesterfield, The Vicarage	5056 Spliced S Major (8m)	MGP
03/08/12	(H) Chesterfield, The Vicarage	5026 Bristol S Major	TJH
04/08/12	(H) Chesterfield, The Vicarage	5184 Littleport Little S Maximus	TJH
04/08/12	(H) Chesterfield, The Vicarage	5152 Spliced S Major (23m)	DCB
04/08/12	St Albans Abbey	5040 Bristol S Maximus	DEH
05/08/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5040 Bristol S Maximus	AJG
05/08/12	(H) Chesterfield, The Vicarage	5088 Avon D Maximus	JRF
08/08/12	London, S James Garlickhythe	5088 Gold S Major	PNM
12/08/12	(H) Longthorpe, Vicarage	5056 Spliced S Major (10m)	WSC
12/08/12	Cheapside, S Mary-le-Bow	5040 Bristol S Maximus	DEH
13/08/12	London, S James Garlickhythe	5184 Spliced S Major (4m)	CWGH
14/08/12	Stepney, S George-in-the-East	5024 Spliced S Major (8m)	PR
18/08/12	City of London, S Michael, Cornhill	5019 Stedman Cinques	RCK
25/08/12	Birchington on Sea, Quex Park	5136 Bristol S Maximus	JHP
28/08/12	Bishopstoke, S Mary	5000 Triton D Royal	RL
01/09/12	Wigan, All Saints	5040 Black Sheep S Royal	JEA
01/09/12	Newton Le Willows, S Peter	5000 London No.3 S Royal	PCR
02/09/12	Walkden, S Paul	5088 Bristol S Major	DGM
02/09/12	Lundy Island, S Helen	5000 Bristol S Royal	RL
08/09/12	Kensington, S Mary Abbots	5040 Cambridge S Royal	RL
09/09/12	London, Cathedral	5067 Stedman Cinques	DEH
09/09/12	Foster Lane, S Vedast	5040 S Minor (7m)	PR
09/09/12	(H) Godmanchester, Old Post Office	5056 Bristol S Major	MGP
10/09/12	Ansford, S Andrew	5040 S Minor	RDSB
11/09/12	(H) Cambridge, 102 Mawson Road	5024 Spliced S Major (4m)	MGP
11/09/12	Twickenham, All Hallows	5079 Stedman Caters	MJU
13/09/12	Campton, All Saints	5120 Lessness S Major	JHP
14/09/12	Warnham, Bell Meadow Peal	5056 Bristol S Major	SMA
14/09/12	Melksham, S Michael and All Angels	5088 London S Major	TFC
14/09/12	Catherington, All Saints	5024 Lessness S Major	EPDC
14/09/12	Hannington, S John the Baptist	5040 S Minor (7m)	JRR
14/09/12	Monks Kirby, S Edith	5184 Bristol S Major	GMB
15/09/12	Liverpool, Our Lady & St Nicholas	5088 Embankment S Maximus	SMA
15/09/12	Cirencester, Holy Trinity	5040 Stedman Triples	JRR
15/09/12	Northallerton, All Saints	5120 Bristol S Royal	JWH
15/09/12	Llandaff, Cathedral	5042 Yorkshire S Maximus	CWK
15/09/12	Kettering, SS Peter and Paul	5040 Spliced S Maximus (4m)	JHP
15/09/12	Newcastle Upon Tyne, Fenham	5104 Double Norwich CB Major	AMB
15/09/12	Harbury, All Saints	5120 Superlative S Major	MC
15/09/12	Loughborough, All Saints	5120 Spliced S Royal (4m)	KLT
15/09/12	Shepshed, S Botolph	5152 Spliced S Major (4m)	PR
15/09/12	Bishopstoke, S Mary	5040 Ecclesfield S Royal	RL
15/09/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5104 Spliced Maximus (6m)	JNH-D
15/09/12	New York, Trinity, Wall St	5059 Grandsire Cinques	EJF
15/09/12	Perth, Swan Tower	5039 Grandsire Caters	IDH
15/09/12	Bradford Peverell, The Assumption	5024 Bristol S Major	TFC
15/09/12	Basingstoke, All Saints	5024 Spliced VC Major/Caters (9)	EPDC
15/09/12	Withycombe Raleigh, S John Evan	5042 Cambridge S Maximus	PJP

15/09/12	New York, Trinity, Wall St	5042 Yorkshire S Maximus	TJB
15/09/12	Thorverton, S Thomas of Canterbury	5022 Grandsire Caters	MECM
15/09/12	St Kea, All Hallows	5056 Biddenden S Major	FMSS
16/09/12	Southampton, Ascension	5088 Spliced Maximus (2m)	RL
16/09/12	Oxford, Merton College	5040 Stedman Triples	MRE
16/09/12	Grundisburgh, S Mary V	5040 Yorkshire S Royal	DAP
16/09/12	Swindon, S Mark	5024 Spliced S Major (4m)	AGR
16/09/12	Hanwell, S Mary	5024 Spliced S Major (4m)	AJG
16/09/12	(H) Longthorpe, Vicarage	5056 Bristol S Major	MGP
16/09/12	Abbots Bromley, S Nicholas	5152 Glasgow S Major	SCWH
17/09/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5043 Stedman Cinques	DCB
17/09/12	Exeter, S Mark	5040 Swindon S Royal	MJH
02/10/12	Bishopstoke, S Mary	5000 Cambridge S Royal	RL
06/10/12	Youlgreave, All Saints	5002 Stedman Cinques	JNH-D
07/10/12	Birmingham, Parish of S Martin	5200 Spliced Fourteen (8m)	SJLL
07/10/12	Kingston Upon Thames, All Saints	5088 Bristol S Maximus	RHB
09/10/12	Bow, S Mary atte Bow	5024 Spliced S Major (10m)	JBK
13/10/12	City of London, S Michael, Cornhill	5007 Stedman Cinques	DEH
13/10/12	Writtle, All Saints	5120 Bristol S Royal	MJC
14/10/12	(H) Longthorpe, Vicarage	5056 Bristol S Major	MGP
14/10/12	Richmond, S Mary	5120 Spliced S Major (3m)	JWH
15/10/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5062 Stedman Cinques	RWL
19/10/12	Thorverton, S Thomas of Canterbury	5040 Cambridge S Royal	MECM
19/10/12	Exeter, Rose Duryard	5088 Yorkshire S Major	MJH
19/10/12	Broadclyst, S John the Baptist	5088 Dereham S Major	MJH
19/10/12	Exeter, S Mark	5000 London No.3 S Royal	RWL
19/10/12	Silverton, S Mary	5184 Superlative S Major	DPH
20/10/12	Sidbury, SS Peter & Giles	5024 Yorkshire S Major	RWL
20/10/12	Tiverton, S Peter	5056 Bristol S Major	TMP
20/10/12	Uffculme, S Mary the Virgin	5184 Ytterbium S Major	CWGH
20/10/12	Withycombe Raleigh, S John Evan	5040 Bristol S Maximus	DPH
20/10/12	Newton St Cyres, SS Cyr & Juletta	5088 Lessness S Major	PJP
21/10/12	Pinhoe, S Michael and All Angels	5090 Cambridge S Major	DGM
21/10/12	Woodbury, S Swithun	5152 London S Major	MJC
22/10/12	Bishopstoke, S Mary	5008 Spliced Caters/Royal (2m)	RL
25/10/12	Bampton, S Michael & All Angels	5040 S Minor (7m)	TFC
25/10/12	Bampton, S Michael & All Angels	5040 S Minor (7m)	RAMN
25/10/12	(H) Eastwood, NSW, 4 Spencer Street	5040 Cambridge S Royal	DCB
25/10/12	South Croydon, S Peter	5042 Cambridge S Maximus	DGM
26/10/12	(H) Eastwood, NSW, 4 Spencer Street	5024 Spliced S Major (4m)	DCB
26/10/12	Ditchingham, S Mary the Virgin	5040 S Minor (10m)	RL
28/10/12	London, S James Garlickhythe	5154 Bristol S Major	AJG
31/10/12	Marple, All Saints	5088 Bristol S Major	JEA
02/11/12	Walworth, S Peter	5056 Bristol S Major	DJS
02/11/12	London, S Katharine Cree	5040 Cambridge S Minor	RL
02/11/12	Cheapside, S Mary-le-Bow	5021 Stedman Cinques	JNH-D
02/11/12	Brecon, S David	5040 S Minor (7m)	TFC
02/11/12	London, S James Garlickhythe	5056 Spliced S Major (8m)	FS
03/11/12	Poplar, All Saints	5040 Cambridge S Royal	EPDC
03/11/12	City of London, S Lawrence, Jewry	5024 Spliced S Major (8m)	MJC
03/11/12	City of London, S Michael, Cornhill	5007 Stedman Cinques	PABS
03/11/12	Cheapside, S Mary-le-Bow	5088 Spliced Maximus (8m)	JNH-D
03/11/12	London, S James Garlickhythe	5088 Yorkshire S Major	RPJC
03/11/12	Southwark, S George the Martyr	5152 Quedgeley S Major	FMSS
03/11/12	Isleworth, All Saints	5040 Cambridge S Royal	SMA
10/11/12	London, S Magnus the Martyr	5016 Spliced Maximus (6m)	JNH-D
10/11/12	London, S Katharine Cree	5040 Spliced S Minor (36m)	JNH-D
13/11/12	Isleworth, All Saints	5040 London No.3 S Royal	PNM

The Peal Recorder maintains a record of compositions rung to peals, which can be viewed on the Society's web site. This depends upon the cooperation of conductors. Rule 6.3 requires conductors of Society peals to forward the composition to the Secretary within two months of the peal being rung, but this rule is more honoured in the breach than the observance!

The peal fee of £1.50 per ringer is used to fund the Society's continuing tradition of handwritten peal books. Two peal writers are currently working away to bring these up to date, and their work will be on display at the Anniversary Dinner.

NEW MEMBERS

The following were elected and welcomed as new Members in the year to November 2012:

D Robert C Sworder of London
Charlotte K Collis of Botley
Bryn C Kipling of Llandaff
Corinne M Duncan of Perth, WA
Alex W Tatlow of Great Barton
Beth Sinclair of Washington, DC
Robert E Franklin of Pinhoe

Justina M Buswell of Guildford
Owen H Winter of Ripon
Timothy E S Holmes of Richmond, N Yorks
Malcolm Evans of Gloucester
David I Braunton of Grantham
Alistair J Cherry of Grantham
Rev William G Wilson of Brighton

OBITUARY

We paid tribute to the following Members at Society Business Meetings in the year to November 2012:

Kenneth Arthur of Newcastle, elected in 1941
Edward J Chivers of Chilcompton, elected in 1948
David H Kingston of Bromley, elected in 1951
Peter J Staniforth of Leicester, elected in 1951
John F Sims of Eltham, elected in 1955
Anthony J Davidson of Truro, elected in 1961
John R C Tiley of Frome, elected in 1963

Ray Aldington of Winchester, elected in 1966
G Robert Mordaunt of Taplow, elected in 1968
Clive Holloway of Oxford, elected in 1971
John S Hopwood of Great Crosby, elected in 1971
Dennis G Blows of Upminster, elected in 1973
Leslie G Smith of Harrogate, elected in 1973
C Bryan Kitson of Epworth, elected in 1979

MILESTONES

We congratulate the following members who celebrated 50 years' membership in 2012:

Peter S Bennett of Newport, Gwent
Royston Blackler of Nottingham
Alan A J Buswell of Waterlooville
Roland H Cook of Leicester
Andrew J Corby of Canterbury
Anthony E Cox of Felton
Neville A C Crane of Sheerness
Peter T Dale of Dover
John C Eisel of Hereford
Monty W Gilbert of Herne Bay
Rev Brian Harris of Chester
A Trevor Hawkins of St Albans
Michael J Hobbs of Bristol
David E House of Brighton
John A Howard of Plourac'h, France
Martin L Howe of Norwich

J James Jeffries of Bethanga, Victoria
Martyn L J Jordan of Pangbourne
Peter J Joyce of Southfleet
Antony R Kench of London
Henry C Lewis of Ludlow
David J Llewellyn of Llandaff
Terence J Milsom of Trowbridge
Denis E Pepper of Meldreth
Lawrence R H Smith of Aylsham
Alan G Spreadbury of Norwich
D Paul Treble of Bishop's Cleeve
S Clarke Walters of Rugby
Michael V White of St Ives, Cambridgeshire
Gary Wignall of Blackburn
Clark Wyatt of Newark

And we congratulate the following members who reached 60 years membership in 2012:

Richard J Bowden of Bristol
Derek Fowles of Maidenhead
Roger J Fox of Yeovil
Roland W Morant of Market Rasen
A James Philips of Whitstable

R Roger Savory of Chatham, New Jersey
Raymond W Skinner of Perth, WA
Francis W Slocombe of Wellington, Somerset
Jack R Worrall of St Helier
David G Yeo of Long Ashton

PRACTICE SCHEDULE 2013

The practice schedule as currently arranged is set out below. Changes to this are posted on the Society's website and notified to members via the e-mail group. Business meetings take place after the practice on the second Tuesday of each month.

May 7	Cornhill
May 14	St Magnus Special practice: Bow)
May 21	St Sepulchre
May 28	St Paul's Cathedral
June 4	Bow
June 11	Cornhill (Special practice: St Paul's)
June 18	St Martin in the Fields
June 25	Southwark
July 2	Christ Church Oxford
July 9	Bow (Special practice: St Magnus)
July 16	St Paul's Cathedral
July 23	Cripplegate
July 30	St Sepulchre
Aug 6	St Paul's Cathedral
Aug 13	St Magnus (Special Practice: Bow)
Aug 20	Cornhill
Aug 27	Southwark
Sept 3	St Paul's Cathedral
Sept 10	Cornhill (Special practice: St Magnus)
Sept 17	Bow
Sep 24	Cripplegate
Oct 1	St Magnus
Oct 8	Bow (Special practice: Cornhill)
Oct 15	St Sepulchre
Oct 22	Southwark
Oct 29	Bow
Nov 5	Cornhill
Nov 12	St Magnus (Special practice: Bow)
Nov 19	St Sepulchre
Nov 26	Southwark
Dec 3	St Paul's Cathedral
Dec 10	tbc (Special practice at St Sepulchre)
Dec 17	Bow

The normal venue for Business Meetings and post-practice drinks (except when the practice is at Southwark) is The Counting House, 50 Cornhill, London EC3.

SOCIETY OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS 2012/13

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ASCY ON THE WEB

The Society's Web Site is at www.ascy.org.uk. The Web Site contains regular updates on Society activities, pictures of Society events, contact details for Members, Society peals and much more information.

PEAL FEES

Peal fees (£1.50 per rope) and details should be forwarded to the Treasurer within 2 months. Advance notice of peal attempts is given at Society Meetings if advised in time.

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SOCIETY E-MAIL NEWS SERVICE

The Society maintains an e-mail news service, which is free to Members. Subscription is via the Web Site or by sending an e-mail request to the Secretary or Webmaster. Members are encouraged to subscribe to the E-group and to provide their e-mail address for inclusion on the (hopefully spam-proof) web site list.

NEWSLETTER FINANCE

This Newsletter is financed entirely by donations from Members. We are most grateful to those Members who have contributed during 2012. Over 550 Members have now elected to do receive the newsletter by e-mail, rather than by a paper copy, which has led to a saving in production and postage costs. However, postal charges continue to rise, so we still need more of you to sign up. Of course, we accept that it will not suit all members and hard copies will continue to be available for those who want them.