

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION (founded 1961)

Formerly: New South Wales Association of Change Ringers (1946 to 1961)



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Sterling silver 'N S W ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS' 'STG SIL' and '39' on reverse

Buttonhole fastening Length 25mm

Information from Tom Goodyer: This badge is believed to have been hand-made by Ted McDonald, who was captain of St Mary's Cathedral band for many years until his accidental death in 1950, and who had worked in the jewellery trade. Margaret Goodyer has a later badge with a pin fitting (see below left). The badges appear to have been made as 'one offs'.



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Version A

Cupronickel 'ANZAB' on headstock and Southern Cross on bell

18mm in length

Brooch fastening with plain reverse No manufacturer shown

At the 1963 ANZAB Council meeting members were asked to submit designs for an Association badge by the end of the year. At the 1964 meeting it was announced that four designs had been received, including one from overseas, and after some discussion it was left to a committee to go into the matter more fully. At the 1965 meeting the committee passed round likely designs for comment. The favourite was a small, neat badge featuring a bell pendent from a headstock, with the lettering ANZAB embossed thereon, but with no colour. At the 1966 meeting the committee announced that the design had been decided on and that badges should be available before long at a cost of 75c. The 1967 meeting heard that the badges, which were not yet ready, would cost \$1. It was decided, after discussion, that they would be available to all members, of whatever category, of any branch of ANZAB, and to 'such other persons as any branch may decide.' When the badges finally appeared, they were rejected as the workmanship was unsatisfactory and the manufacturer agreed to remake them all. In February 1968, *'Ringing Towers'* announced that the badges were now available. The 1968 committee meeting heard that 185 badges had been received at a cost of \$214. 110 had already been sold, but further faulty badges had been found. Among the early recipients were the participants in 'Great Adventure II', who were sent them as mementoes denoting honorary membership of the Association.



Version B

As Version A but gold plated version for Life Members of ANZAB

In addition, there are further ringing societies within ANZAB with badges: St Paul's Cathedral Society (Melbourne, Australia); Wellington Cathedral Society of Bellringers and St Paul's Guild of Bellringers (both Wellington, New Zealand)