HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (founded 1886)







Version A (i)

'Stacey' design in brass, cupronickel ('white metal') or hallmarked silver with the enamel border varying in colour from almost black to a darkish blue.

Diameter 25mm Pendant and buttonhole fastening. Plain reverse with G S in interlocking circles

Manufactured by George Stacey (left, top image - white metal with very dark blue enamel; centre image - brass with lighter blue enamel.)

Version A (ii)

Almost identical to A (i) but bell is slightly narrower and crown is more rounded. Black enamel only known.

Manufactured by 'DOWLER // BIRMINGHAM' (below, left)

'Guild Badges. - The Rector of Ludlow, the Rev. A E Lloyd Kenyon, gave five guineas to pay for a die for Guild Badges. The Badges, in the shape of pendants or of studs for the buttonhole, are now on sale, price 1/3 each.' Hereford Diocesan Guild annual report for 1929

'Guild Badges. - There has been a large demand for these and probably about 300 have been actually supplied to members. The badges are in white metal, with an inlaid ring of blue enamel carrying the inscription, "Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers," and the price is 1/3. The makers will supply copies of the badge in silver for 4/-.' Hereford Diocesan Guild annual report for 1930

'Due for Badges £20 4 0' Hereford Diocesan Guild annual report for 1930

'Stacey - 6 dozen Badges £3 12 0' Hereford Diocesan Guild annual report for 1930

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (continued)



Version B (i)

Circular, brass with dark blue enamel border Diameter 26mm

Pin fastening with plain reverse

Manufactured by 'CAXTON / KEW / SURREY'

Version B (ii)

As Version C (i), but with cupronickel with dark blue or light blue enamel border

Diameter 26mm

Pin fastening with plain reverse

Manufactured by 'CAXTON / KEW / SURREY' or none shown

'Purchase of Badges, Caxton Name Plate Company £161.00' Hereford Diocesan Guild annual report for 1981







Version C (Centenary 1986)

Reproduction of Version A

Available as both gilt and silver varieties



'The Ringing World' 17.i.1986 p58

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (continued)



Version D (Millennium)

Circular, brass with red enamel date and border Diameter 26mm

Pin fastening with plain reverse No manufacturer shown



Version E

Circular, cupronickel with blue enamel border, 'open' around bell Diameter 26mm

Pin fastening with plain reverse No manufacturer shown



Version F (CCCBR / RW)

Circular, brass with green enamel border Diameter 33mm

Pin fastening, plain reverse No manufacturer shown

To mark the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers annual meeting in Hereford during the centenary year of the Ringing World

Some copies have an error in spelling of 'The Ringing World' (see example right)



HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (continued)



Version (Special)

'Stacey' type (see Specials Section)

This example is hallmarked silver with horseshoe fastening Diameter 25mm



Version (Special - 25 and 50 years membership)

Circular, cupronickel or brass with blue enamel border, '25' or '50' on bell

Diameter 26mm

Brooch fastening with plain reverse No manufacturer shown



