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	Methods	Compositions	Dove	ICT
Services	Methods Library	Composition Collections	Dove Website	Council Website
	Articles & Publications	Articles & Publications	Dove's Guide	Council IT Infrastructure
	Help & Advice	Help & Advice		Event Support
	Framework for Method Ringing			
Projects	Framework Version 1	The Ultimate Collection	11 th Edition	Ringin Remembers
	Framework Implementation	Doubles Variations and Calls Library	New Dove Database	New Website
	Review of Extension Processes		Dove iOS App	Office 365 Migration
				not started
			active	
			complete	



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Workgroup Projects

Framework for Method Ringing (Version 1) ✓ Complete	Core: Tim Barnes - project leader; Mark Davies (G&B); John Harrison (ODG); Graham John (ODG); Philip Saddleton Reviewers: Philip Earis; Andrew Johnson (W&P); Don Morrison; Peter Scott; Leigh Simpson (ASCY); Richard Smith; Derek Williams (ANZ); Robin Woolley (SSY)
Ringing Remembers Website & Database ✓ Complete	Andrew Hall (DDA)
Dove 11 ✓ Complete	Compilers: John Baldwin (Fellow); Tim Jackson (Ex Officio) - dove steward; Ron Johnston Contributors: Nick Bowden; David Cawley; Philip Green(LDG); David Kelly (Fellow); Chris Pickford; Neil Skelton; Michael Williams
New Dove Database	Tech Lead: Richard Smith Contributors: Peter Harrison (ANZ); Steve Nash (EA); Leigh Simpson (ASCY); Dove Stewards: Doug Davies (KCA); Tim Jackson (Ex Officio); Tim Pett (ODG)
Dove iOS App	Jeremy Knowles
New CCCBR Website	Doug Davies (KCA)
Office 365 Migration	Doug Davies (KCA)





CCCBBR Methods Library

- Maintained using Composition Library since the May 2018 CC AGM
- Lists by place notation archived in a CC repository in three formats
- Online at methods.cccbr.org.uk
- Comprehensive search, blue lines, suitable compositions and validation of new methods provided by Composition Library at complib.org
- 494 new methods rung in 2018:
26 in extents, 113 in quarters and 355 in peals
- Questions and advice provided via methods@cccbr.org.uk





Framework for Method Ringing

Simple, permissive, descriptive, maintaining historical continuity

- Drafting and two rounds of consultation completed in 2018
- Approved as a Standard by the Executive on 24 February 2019
- Implemented on 1 June 2019, replacing the “Decisions”
- Online at framework.cccbr.org.uk
- Five articles on the framework published in the Ringing World





Framework Implementation

- Composition Library software updated to support the framework:
 - Classification and terminology changes
 - Methods retitled

https://ccabr.github.io/method_ringing_framework/amendedmethodtitles.html

- Ability to find methods using historic titles
- Revised method extension construction notation
- Retroactive recognition of methods in progress – 600+ added to date
- The framework is very flexible – some aspects will implemented later





What Next?

- Framework Implementation:
 - Support other aspects, such as jump changes and methods
- Review of extension processes:
 - Document anomalies and issues
 - Research potential improvements
 - Recommend/implement changes
- Minor update to the Framework for Method Ringing:
 - Changes arising from the extension review
 - Corrections and improvements





Composition Collections

- Composition Library (Complib)
 - Now holds 32,000 compositions and has 1,100 registered users
 - Used as the primary repository by the compositions team
 - Currently capturing:
 - Compositions rung to new methods
 - Innovative compositions soon after being rung
 - Compositions from Bell News, Campanologia, Ropesight etc
 - CC Collection of Universal Major Compositions
 - Help provided to those wishing to self-publish in Complib
 - Questions and advice to compositions@cccbr.org.uk answered





Publications

- Special collections
 - 2019 date touches for the Ringing World
 - Compositions for the 2020 Ringing World Diary
- Articles
 - Notable composers of the past
- CC Compositions Committee collections
 - Available free online from the CC shop





What Next?

- Doubles Variations and Calls Library
 - Establish a definitive CCCBR Variations and Calls Library
 - Develop supporting software to maintain the libraries and provide a searchable database of variations, calls and extents
- The Ultimate Collection
 - A long term project to capture published compositions from all sources into Complib to provide the definitive reference
 - Touches, quarter-peal and peal length compositions available for every method in the CCCBR Methods Library
 - Develop software to automatically detect duplicates, rotations, reversals and trivial variations



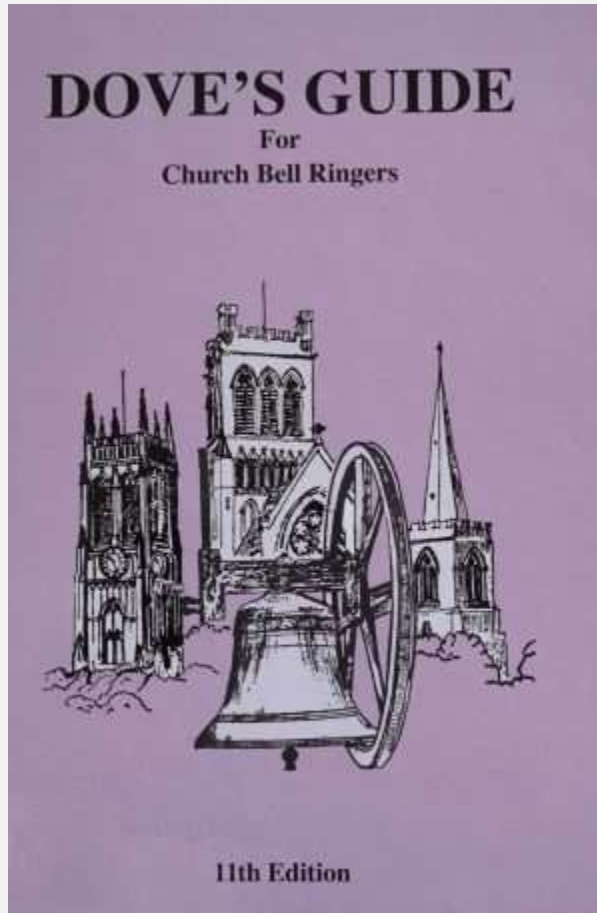


Dove Database

- Maintained by the CC Stewards of the Dove Database
- In 2018, 1064 updates were made to Dove entries and 917 updates to the prototype-National Bell Register (pNBR)
- Dove now contains 7,148 rings and the pNBR 47,138 bells
- Dove website/database migrated to the same server as BellBoard
- Updates are still managed through John Baldwin's DOS-based system while the replacement solution is being developed (an acknowledged risk)
- Good progress has been made developing the replacement solution, but it is not yet ready to deploy



Dove 11



- The 11th edition of Dove's Guide was published on 31 December 2018
- An initial print run of 1,000 copies is selling well





What Next?

- Complete development of the new database and maintenance software
- Develop a Dove Application Program Interface (API) for apps to access the database
- Develop a replacement iOS app and subsequently an Android app





CC IT Infrastructure

- CCCBR Website support
- Development of a newly structured website – live in July 2019
- Ringing Remembers website and database to record participants developed and maintained through the project
- Automation of newsfeeds to and from the Ringing World and CCCBR
- Technical support provided for events





What's Next

- Migration of the Council's email services to Microsoft Office 365
- Establish a project to catalogue and assure the continuity of existing services valued by ringers
- Consider development of central IT services that would benefit affiliated societies (e.g. membership system, towerpedia)

