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**BELL RINGERS**

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# PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

## Friday 1<sup>st</sup>

Ringling Development sessions at local towers.  
Welcome Desk at St Mary le Tower  
Open Ringing at St Mary le Tower (12)  
The Halberd Inn social (including buffet)

## Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Welcome Desk at The Hold  
Workgroup reception  
The Ringing World AGM  
Lunch  
The Central Council Annual Meeting  
Social Event inc Beer & Cider tasting at St Peter's

## Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>

5K Run around Ipswich  
Service ringing at local towers.  
Ringing 2030 Q&A at St Clement's  
Development Sessions at Ipswich Towers

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## MAIN MEETING VENUE

The Hold (Suffolk Archives), 131 Fore St, Ipswich IP4 1LN

## WELCOME DESK LOCATIONS

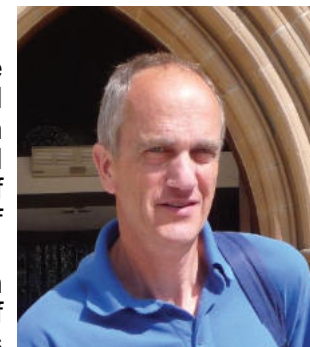
Friday      St Mary le Tower church entrance  
Saturday    The Hold - The Street - Garden Entrance





## WELCOME TO IPSWICH 2023

On behalf of the team who have arranged the annual meeting weekend of the Central Council, welcome to Ipswich 2023. Building on the success of recent 'in person' events a full schedule has been put together by members of the Central Council and the Suffolk Guild of Ringers.



We are especially pleased to be in Ipswich during the centenary year of the Suffolk Guild of Ringers and congratulate them on reaching this milestone in their history. Again, it is important to say that the programme is open to all ringers and I hope we will meet with many, not just from Suffolk but the adjoining Guilds and Associations. There is still much on offer, although some notable differences to our visit to Nottingham in 2022.

Commencing on Friday, 1st September, with ringing development sessions at a series of towers near Ipswich. In the evening there is open ringing at St Mary le Tower in the centre of Ipswich, followed by an opportunity to socialise and meet up with friends whether old or new.

On Saturday, 2nd September, we start with an opportunity to meet and chat over coffee with members of the Central Council, plus its Executive and workgroup leads. In addition, it is hoped the Editor and members of the board of The Ringing World will be present.

Afterwards there is the annual meeting of The Ringing World, following this the Central Council will have their meeting. This is when ringers can come along to find out what is happening now; in addition hear our plans going forward. More importantly you will be able to find out how you can contribute to the future of ringing. In the evening there is another event to allow socialising and catching up with friends.

For those keen and up early on the Sunday, there is a 5K run around the historic centre of Ipswich, followed by ringing at local churches for Service. In the morning there is a presentation on the Ringing 2030 project, and in the afternoon there are a series of development sessions.

As you can see there is a lot on offer and we hope that you enjoy your visit to Ipswich. Of course, the success of the weekend is due to the hard work put in over the last few months by a dedicated group of volunteers all of whom deserve our thanks. Members of the Executive of the Central Council and leaders of the various workgroups will be present at events over the whole weekend. I am sure that they be looking forward to meeting and chatting with as many people as possible.

*David Kirkcaldy*

Deputy President, Central Council  
Chair of the Ipswich 2023 Organising Committee

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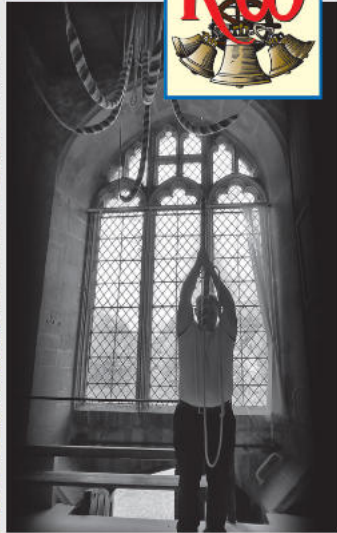
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## Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September

### RINGING DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS

offered in conjunction with the Suffolk Guild

#### Group 1: Moving on to Minor

11.00 - 12.30	Bramford, St Mary the Virgin (6 bells, 10-3-6 in G)
14.00 - 15.30	Sproughton, All Saints (6 bells, 8-2-25 in A <sup>b</sup> )
16.00 - 17.30	Rushmere St Andrew, St Andrew (6 bells, 9-2-0 in A)

#### Group 2: Moving on to Major

11.00 - 12.30	Grundisburgh, St Mary (12 bells, 9-2-24 in G)
14.00 - 15.30	Henley, St Peter (8 bells, 8-0-3 in A <sup>b</sup> )
16.00 - 17.30	Offton, St Mary (8 bells, 8-1-8 in A)

#### Group 3: Moving on to Surprise Major

11.00 - 12.30	Stowmarket, SS Peter & Mary (10 bells, 19-3-15 in D)
14.00 - 15.30	Buxhall, St Mary (8 bells, 15-0-7 in F <sup>#</sup> )
16.00 - 17.30	Hitcham, All Saints (8 bells, 15-2-14 in F)

#### Evening Ringing and Social

18.00	Welcome Desk	Ipswich, St Mary le Tower Collect your ID Badge and Programme
18.30 - 20.00	Open ringing	Ipswich, St Mary le Tower (12 bells, 34-3-6 in D <sup>b</sup> )
20.00 - late	Informal Social Event	At The Halberd Inn where a room has been reserved for our use and a buffet supper will be available for those who have pre-booked it.

## FOOD and DRINK

### Friday Buffet

This is only available for those who have pre-ordered, at The Halberd Inn, 15 Northgate St, Ipswich IP1 3BY (5 minutes walk from St Mary-le-Tower).

### Saturday - At The Hold

Coffee and Tea are available near The Square during the morning and at a break during the afternoon meeting.

The Hold Café is open from 10am to 4pm for light refreshments.

### Saturday Lunch

For those who have pre-booked, a lunch box meal (sandwich, cold drink, crisps, piece of fruit) will be available to pick up near The Square.

There are coffee shops and various food establishments along the quay (Neptune Quay, Wherry Quay), on roads near The Hold and towards the town centre.

### Saturday Evening - At St Peter's by the Waterfront.

The ticket price includes a curry (curry, rice, naan and bhaji, with vegetarian option) and includes Beer and Cider Tasting for those who chose that option.

Beer and Cider Tasting is provided by the Briarbank Brewing Company. Those that have booked will be provided with 10 raffle tickets which you exchange for 10 samples (equiv. 2 pints) - you can taste the same beer 10 times or all 10 beers/ciders once or any combination thereof.

If you have opted out of the tasting, or you have run out of tickets, you can still purchase from the bar. There will be limited wine and a small selection of soft drinks.

### Sunday - St Clement's

Tea and Coffee making facilities available.

You may bring your own lunch to St Clement's or choose to make other arrangements.

## Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

### Welcome Desk: The Hold (Garden Entrance)

<b>09.30 - 11.00</b>	<b>Welcome Desk open.</b> Sign in and collect your ID Badge and Programme.
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### Saturday Programme

<b>09.30 - 11.00</b>	<p><b>Central Council Workgroup Reception</b> - Seminar Rooms and Reception Space.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meet up with other ringers and talk to Workgroup members and the CC Executive team over a coffee.</li> <li>- Sign up for service ringing opportunities on Sunday</li> <li>- Council Members Sign-in for the Ringing World AGM</li> <li>- Ringing World, CC Publications and ART stands.</li> </ul>
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<b>11.00 - 12.30</b>	<b>Ringing World AGM</b> - Auditorium.
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<b>12.30 - 13.45</b>	<p><b>Lunch</b> - pre-booked lunch box, or own arrangements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Council Members Sign-in for the Annual Meeting.</li> </ul>
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<b>14.00 - 17.00</b>	<p><b>Central Council of Church Bell Ringers Annual Meeting</b> - Auditorium. Please be seated by 13.50.</p> <p><i>Agenda (full agenda available in the meeting papers):</i></p> <p>Welcome and introduction.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Opening prayer.</li> <li>2. Application(s) to affiliate.</li> <li>3. Welcome to new members</li> <li>4. Apologies for absence.</li> <li>5. In Memoriam.</li> <li>6. Minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting.</li> <li>7. Matters arising from the Minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Governance Review</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. Annual Trustees' Report for 2022.</li> <li>9. Accounts for 2022.</li> <li>10. Annual Report of the Executive and Workgroups for 2022 – May 2023.</li> <li>11. Executive and Workgroup updates for May – August 2023.</li> <li>12. Forward Plan for 2024.</li> <li>13. Financial update for 2023 and outline General Fund budget for 2024.</li> <li>14. Election of Trustees.</li> <li>15. Election of Independent Examiner(s).</li> <li>16. Motions.</li> <li>17. Future Meetings.</li> <li>18. Any other business.</li> </ol>
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<b>19.00 - 23.00</b>	<b>Social Event</b> - St Peter's by the Waterfront Church. Including Beer & Cider Tasting with hot food.
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St Matthew

HALBERD

St Margaret

St Mary-le-Tower

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ST PETER'S Waterfront

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### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

#### Running, Ringing, Service

<b>08.30</b>	5K run around historic Ipswich	Meet at St Peter's Church by the Waterfront
<b>various</b>	<b>Service Ringing</b>	Local towers - sign-up list available on Saturday at the Welcome Desk
<b>09.30 - 10.30</b>	<b>Ipswich, St Mary le Tower - Choral Matins</b>	

#### Ringing 2030 Q&A

<b>11.30 - 13.00</b>	<b>Ringing 2030 Presentation / Q&amp;A</b>	<b>Simon Linford &amp; the CC President</b> at St Clement's Church
<b>11.30 - 14.00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	Own arrangements St Clement's Church - Tea & Coffee available

#### Afternoon Development Sessions

<b>14.00 - 16.00</b>	<b>Belfry Maintenance</b>	<b>Alan Frost</b> at St Lawrence's Church Numbers strictly limited
	<b>Basic Conducting</b>	<b>Simon Linford</b> at St Clement's Church
	<b>Rope Splicing</b>	<b>Katherine Salter, Cath and Nathan Coleman</b> at St Clements's Church
	<b>Introduction to change ringing on handbells</b>	<b>Tina Stoecklin</b> at St Matthew's Church
	<b>Ringing up and down in Peal</b>	<b>Lesley Boyle</b> at St Margaret's Church



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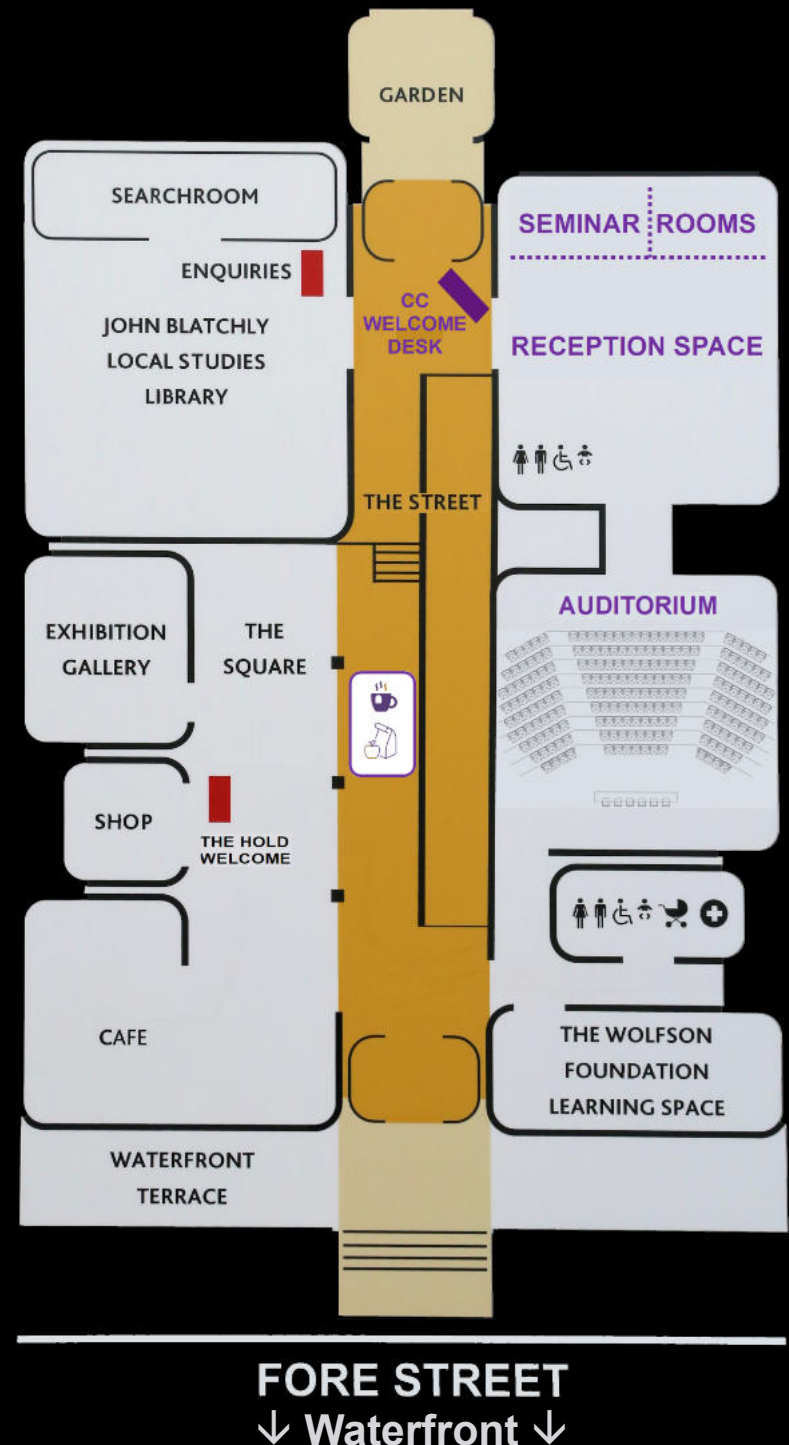
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St Peter by the Waterfront  
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St Mary at the Quay  
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# Ipswich Towers