

Bell Ringers Report 2022

The ringers were pleased to be back in the bell tower in September 2021 after an extended period away due to lockdowns and also a reluctance to return, even after it was allowed, as the bells are so close together that social distancing is not possible. The team rang the bells for Ann Rigby-Jones funeral in August last year, our former much loved Tower Captain and huge supporter of the bells and ringing in general. She will be very missed.

Since we have returned to ringing, we have a regular group that consists of David Aylmore (Tower captain), Martin Sampson, Mark Bertram, Jenny Codling, Kathy Strong, Nicola Aylmore and Vicki Gardner. We're very grateful that Mark, Jenny and Kathy regularly come to support us from Exeter and Tedburn. We also hope that Ashley Lamb will return to ringing with us when her studies allow. We have also welcomed two new ringers this year and we hope that they will continue to ring with us. Bell ringing is fun and social. You don't need to be musical either. If anyone fancies having a go, come along on a Thursday evening at 7.30. We'll make you very welcome and you'd be continuing a tradition that's been going for over 500 years.

The ringers also intend to put a poster up, thanking all the people that donated to the bell ropes fund. The ringers are very appreciative of all the support and are enjoying ringing with the new ropes.