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1. Gloucester Cathedral Cancelled
2. 10 Bell Practice Cancelled
3. Ringing Road show
4. Tower Captains meeting Having problems finding a suitable date

Farcited Ringing September

Thursday September 1st
14.30 -16.00

Stinchcombe

Followed by tea at

Wynne Holcombe's house

Directions on the day

September 10th

Ringing Roadshow Newbury race course

Branch Ringing September

Branch Practice

!0 Bell at Stroud cancelled

Gloucester Cathedral ringing

Cancelled

WW2 Ringing

I sent a note out to tower

contacts to see who rang for the WW2 celebrations and had quite a good response.

The following towers have informed me they also rang on Sunday the 10th in addition to the list I published last month :-

Coalpit Heath

Thornbury and

Westerleigh



Gloucester Cathedral Ringing Cancelled

I am afraid that with the small numbers attending branch practices in recent months the decision was made by the Branch Chairman and Secretary to cancel the annual ringing at Gloucester, without a ringing master or deputy we had no one to organise the people to go and run the ringing when we were there.

I made the branches apologies to the relevant people at Gloucester, but leaving the door open for next year if we as a branch are in a position to take up the offer.

In a similar vein I took it on my head to cancel the annual 10 bell practice which was to be arranged again at Stroud.

Annual Marlborough Day Outing

I had an email from Dave Ford advertising the Marlborough outing which is on September the 17th

The towers are:

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| 9:00 - 9:30, | Ashwick, St James |
| 9:50 - 10:30, | Doultling, St Aldhelm, 6, |
| 10:50 - 11:30, | Marston Bigot, St Leonard, |
| 11:45 - 12:30, | Nunney, All Saints 6, |
| 2:15 - 2:45, | Leigh on Mendip, St Giles,6, |
| 3:00 - 3:40, | Whatley, St George (GF), 6, |
| 4:00 - 4:40, | Buckland Dinham, St Michael and All Angels, 8, |
| 5:00 - 5:30, | Beckington, St George (GF),8 |

If anyone is interested in going let me know and I can provide further details.

Tower Captain Meeting

I am having problems setting a date for this meeting. I have had several people say they are not available at the end of the month, and with the road show on the 10th it makes it quite a busy time. With the cancellation of Stroud and the Cathedral I thought we could perhaps hold it on the Saturday the 17th except I am likely be away.

As I know of two towers who have not discussed the issues yet, you might know of more.

If you have discussed it and have input please telephone or email Bryn Shackleton or myself with your suggestions.



I have intended for some time to start a branch history occasional input to the newsletter, this old photo came into my hands recently, any one guess which tower the ringers come from. No prizes for knowing.

Those of you who have the internet can look at the branch web site to find out who the ringers are under the new History pages section, and I will include a list next month.

Farcited Christmas Outing

Thursday December 1st

This year arranged by Wynne Holcombe it is to the Oxford area.

The Xmas lunch will be at the Randolph Hotel and a deposit of £20.00 will be required.

Menu later, the tower list has been issued and can be seen on the Farcited web pages on the Rural Branch web site using the address at the top of the newsletter.



What already!

G and B Training day

All towers will have received information about the October 8th Training day, get your place booked it fills up very quickly.

Bitton

Son et Lumiere

On the back of the newsletter is a poster sent to me by David Perrett asking me to advertise the event at Bitton. It will be interesting from the point of view that the Ellacombes Chimes will be included in the show



Son et
Lumiere

St Mary's Church Bitton
30th November to 3rd December, at 7.30 pm.

- Hear, and see, how the historical events of England impinged on the Parish of Bitton.

At one time a Parish stretching from St George to Mangotsfield.

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- Watch the local school act out the trial and sentencing of William Seymour for buying a cow with a dud coin.
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- What are the Ellacombe Chimes? Hear them played.

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For further details and tickets contact;
David Perrett, 1 Church Farm Paddock, Church Rd., Bitton, Bristol BS30 6HW.
Tel. 0117 932 3186.

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(Concessions over 60 yrs or parties of 10 or more £5 each. Children under 16- £3

Name.....

Address.....

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