

FRESSINGFIELD BELL RINGERS

Annual Report to Date 30/03/23

Despite a nationwide shortage of bell ringers, we at Fressingfield have been able to ring for a high percentage of morning services at the Church. Regrettably at times only on 5 bells because of members' other commitments. Because of this problem we would always welcome anyone who would like to try their hand at ringing to join us to enable us to ring all 8 bells. Our Tower Captain Adam Hay has been for bell handling teacher training and at the moment we have one person receiving training and they are progressing well

We practise every Wednesday between 7.00pm and 8.30pm and still alternate these practices with Wingfield.

Ringling for weddings has been rather thin on the ground but special occasions have made up for this. We rang for Queen Elizabeth 11 Platinum Jubilee in June and then unfortunately had to toll a bell the day she passed away and again for her funeral. In between we had the pleasure of ringling for the Proclamation of King Charles 111.

During the year we had the pleasure of two peals being rung by visiting ringers. The first being rung by a band made up of several Westminster Abbey ringers led by one of Gt. Britain's top 3 bell ringling judges David Dearnlel and the second by a band of Suffolk Guild Ringers which was the 100th peal to have been rung at Fressingfield.

So after all that excitement we will be looking forward to another successful year.

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