

THE
Guild of Devonshire Ringers.

Established March 21st, 1874.

SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL
REPORT
FOR THE
Year ended 31st December, 1941.

EXETER :
SOUTHWOODS (ISCA) LTD., PRINTERS.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The General Committee of the Guild at their Meeting on February 21st, 1942, decided :—

1. That the Annual General Meeting of the Guild shall be in abeyance for this year.
 2. That the Annual Report shall be reduced to four pages.
 3. That no levy on Reports shall be made this year.
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The Guild of Devonshire Ringers.

Patron :

THE RIGHT REV. THE LORD BISHOP OF EXETER.

President :

Rev. Prebendary E. V. COX, The Rectory, Tedburn St. Mary, Exeter.

Vice-Presidents :

THE RIGHT REV. THE LORD BISHOPS OF CREDITON AND PLYMOUTH, VEN. ARCHDEACON OF EXETER, VERY REV. DEAN OF EXETER, REV. CHANCELLOR D. McLAREN.

REV. E. A. JULLYAN, REV. W. H. SMALE, MR. E. SHEPHERD.

Gen. Treasurer :—MR. T. LAVER, 21, Cross Park, Heavitree.

Gen. Secretary :—MR. F. C. SMALE, Oakfield, Station Rd., Okehampton.

Chairmen and Secretaries of Local Branches :

Exeter—MR. E. J. RYALL, Chairman; MR. W. H. HOWE, Secretary.

Aylesbeare Deanery—REV. E. C. GRIMALDI, Chairman; MR. R. BROOK, Sec.

East Devon—REV. BERNARD C. JACKSON, Chairman; MR. J. H. GODFREY, Sec.

North-East Devon—REV. F. CARTER, Chairman; MR. R. HARRIS, Secretary.

North Devon—REV. H. P. F. SCOTT, Chairman; MR. A. H. HAYWARD, Sec.

North-West Devon—REV. W. H. T. RAVENHILL, Chairman;

MR. J. W. SANGWIN, Secretary.

Mid. Devon—REV. W. R. D. MILLS, Chairman; MR. A. L. BENNETT, Secretary.

South-West Devon—REV. F. W. MOORE, Chairman; MR. E. W. MARSH, Secretary

Honorary Members' Representative : MR. J. C. OKE.

Ex-Officio Members of the General Committee :

MR. J. R. HAYMAN. MR. G. H. MYERS.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE.

The continuance of the War makes our Report inevitably brief; not only are many of our members on active service at home and abroad but the use of the bells is still denied to us.

The whole-hearted sympathy of the Guild goes out to the South-West Branch in the terrible destruction wrought by enemy action in its midst last spring and particularly to the incumbents, congregations and members of the Guild at St. Andrews, Charles and other Churches. As soon as the opportunity is offered, the Guild will have a great chance to extend its sympathy in the most practical way and thus show its less fortunate members in Plymouth and elsewhere the meaning of fellowship.

We regret to record the deaths of the Rev. H. P. F. Scott, Chairman of the N.D. Branch and Mr. J. Woodley, of Emmanuel, Plymouth, a member of the General Committee and a staunch supporter of the Guild.

The Exeter Branch have held four meetings and the Aylesbeare Deanery and North-East one each with encouraging results. A certain amount of useful work has been done with handbells and the spirit of comradeship has been kept alive. Mr. C. R. Lilley has now rung a peal on every day of the year. We heartily congratulate him.

We draw the attention of our members to the pamphlet entitled "Church Towers and Bells in War Time."

Forty-seven members of the Guild are in the Forces.

REPORTS OF LOCAL BRANCHES 1941.

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HIGHWEEK.

On Monday, February 3rd, 1941, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes.

At PERRY FARM,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5,040 CHANGES ;

Being one six-score each of St. Dunstan's, Dream, Morning Star, College Pleasure, College Doubles, London Doubles, Primrose, April Day and Old Doubles, four six-scores of Bob Doubles and 29 of Grandsire Doubles (10 callings).

JAMES E. LILLEY 1-2 CHARLES R. LILLEY 3-4
HENRY G. LEWIS 5-6
Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

From January 1st to December 31st, 1941.

<i>Receipts.</i>		<i>Expenditure.</i>	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Balance 1st January, 1941	81 0 9	Printing Reports	11 11 0
Half Subscriptions from following Branches:		Secretary's Travelling Expenses	12 3
Exeter	2 2 9	Postages	15 11
Aylesbeare Deanery	1 19 0	Treasurer's	2 6
East Devon	1 14 3	Central Council	1 0 0
North-East Devon	14 0 0	Committee Rooms	5 0
North Devon	15 6 6	Stationery	1 1 2
North-West Devon	6 6 6	Carriage of Reports	5 3
Mid-Devon	2 0 0	Printing	5 0
South-West Devon	15 6 6	Subsn. Friends of Cathedral	1 0 0
Levies for Reports	6 0 6	Balance forward	79 16 10
Bank Interest	1 4 2		
Bells Restoration Fund.			
Balance 1940	£113 16 6		
Interest	£ 2 16 7		
Balance in hand	£116 13 1		
	£96 14 11		£96 14 11

Audited and found correct,

J. C. OKE, 3/4/42.

T. LAVER,

General Treasurer.

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Exeter	2	2	9	" Postages	..		15	11
Aylesbeare Deanery	..	1	19	0	Treasurer's		2	6
East Devon	1	14	3	Central Council	..	1	0	0
North-East Devon	..		14	0	Committee Rooms	..		5	0
North Devon		15	6	Stationery	1	1	2
North-West Devon	..		6	6	Carriage of Reports	..		5	3
Mid-Devon		2	0	Printing		5	0
South-West Devon	..		15	6	Subsn. Friends of Cathedral	..	1	0	0
Levies for Reports	..	6	0	6	Balance forward	..	79	16	10
Bank Interest	1	4	2					
Bells Restoration Fund.									
Balance 1940	£113	16	6						
Interest	£	2	16	7					
Balance in hand	£116	13	1						
		£96	14	11			£96	14	11

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T. LAVER,

General Treasurer.

BRANCH ACCOUNTS

for year ending December, 31st 1941.

	Exeter	Ayls.D.	East	N-East	North	N-West	M-Dev.	S-West
RECEIPTS	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balances in hand, ..	17 18 9	15 3 5	20 13 4	26 6 11	2 17 0	6 11 7	2 8 2	5 19 0
Honorary Members' Subscriptions ..	3 10 0	1 5 0	7 6	—	1 0 0	—	—	5 0
Performing " " " " ..	2 11 0	3 3 0	2 19 0	1 8 0	10 0	13 0	4 0	1 4 0
" " " " unattached ..	10 0	—	2 0	—	1 0	—	—	2 0
Bank Interest	8 2	7 3	10 7	14 0	—	—	—	—
	24 17 11	19 18 8	24 12 5	28 8 11	4 8 0	7 4 7	2 12 2	7 10 0
EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
4 Half Subscriptions to General Fund ..	2 2 9	2 4 0	1 14 3	14 0	15 6	6 6	2 0	15 6
Hire of Rooms, Gratuities, etc. ..	17 6	3 0	—	4 0	—	—	—	—
Tea at Meetings	4 1 3	15 0	—	16 0	—	—	—	—
Postages and Stationery	1 11 2	5 6	6 0	1 7	2 6	2 3	—	6 9
Advertising in " Ringing World " ..	11 11	3 6	—	1 10	—	—	—	—
Levies for Reports	1 6 6	1 6 9	1 4 6	14 6	6 3	6 0	3 0	13 0
Wreath	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15 6
Balances carried forward	14 6 10	15 0 11	21 7 8	25 17 0	3 3 9	6 9 10	2 7 2	4 19 3
	24 17 11	19 18 8	24 12 5	28 8 11	4 8 0	7 4 7	2 12 2	7 10 0
INSTRUCTION ACCOUNT	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balances carried forward	26 18 11	—	—	2 15 6	—	—	4 4 4	18 6
	26 18 11	—	—	2 15 6	—	—	4 4 4	18 6