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## *Newsletter 16 - January 2010*

# Sheffield Universities' Guild of Change Ringers

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### **NOTES FROM A PRESIDENT: Sue Burchell**

Well, another year's over and it's been quite eventful what with all the celebrations for the Guild's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The dinner weekend was a triumph – thanks to the Committee, particularly Claire. The 'inter-generational' striking competition was enjoyed by all and fittingly won by the band of past Masters. We celebrated with a service at St Marie's, the Guild's home tower, led by Revd Paul Cubitt, past president, aided and abetted by Fr Chris of St Marie's and yours truly, and then the dinner itself, with speeches from representatives from all five decades, plus that amazing cake. It was great to catch up with people we hadn't seen in a while. On the Sunday a few of us enjoyed a tour of the university, seeing how it had grown since 'our day', and the student 'village' – a far cry from our halls of residence. My thanks to all those who organised or played a part in the weekend.

And of course, we've had celebratory peals and quarters. In addition, the 100<sup>th</sup> peal for the Guild was scored at St Marie's in October – well done to all the band.

So after all the fuss has died down, what now? Although we're not celebrating a particular anniversary, we can still celebrate the ringing, the friendships and the belonging to this great group of people called SUGCR. Join us at the annual dinner on 27 February 2010 to celebrate the Guild and to catch up with friends. And there's bound to be some anniversary or other to ring peals for over the next twelve months.

*Sue Burchell*

## PEOPLE NEWS!!

### Who are we? – “The Committee” 09 - 10

A reshuffle from last's list and here we are:

Chair: Sarah Green  
Master: Dan Richardson  
Vice-Master: Claire Monk  
Secretary: John Prebble  
Treasurer: Helen Scarf

### New members

Three new members this term;

**Tom** has been ringing for 3 years and learnt at St. Marys Olveston, he is studying Medicine.

**Heather**, 3rd year speech science student, and **Eleanor**, 2nd year medic, have recently begun to learn to ring at St. Maries and are progressing well.

### The Leavers

**Jenny Crabtree** graduated with a Masters in Chemical Engineering and Chemistry and is now studying for an integrated PhD in Sustainable Chemical Technologies at Bath University.

**Tim Jarvis** graduated with a FdEng in Railway Engineering and now works in London on the Thameslink Project.

**Emily Armitage** graduated with a Masters in Civil Engineering and is now on a Graduate Training Agreement in Flood Risk Management with the Environment Agency.

## SUGCR Tours and Socials....



**Freshers Tour 2009:** The start of the 51st year was marked by coinciding it with this year's Freshers' tour, arranged this year by our new ringing master, Dan. We drove out to the Peak district and rang at a number of towers, accompanied of course by an excessive amount of food - a cream tea/cooked breakfast replaced Chapel en le Frith, and we had a 2 hour lunch break.

**NUA:** Striking Competition Band – we didn't win but didn't come last either (sounds a familiar story – it's the taking part that counts huh?)



**Peal:** The 100<sup>th</sup> SUGCR Peal at St Maries 2009. A very fitting way to celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

**Picnic:**  
The SUGCR Picnic Social at Renishaw Hall.



Full Details of all tours can be found on our web site: <http://www.sugcr.union.shef.ac.uk/tours/>

**GUILD EVENTS COMING UP SOON.....**

**The 51<sup>st</sup> Dinner – February 27th:**

**Date:** 27th February 2009  
**Time:** 7.30 for 8:00pm  
**Venue:** Kenwood Hall, Kenwood Road, Sheffield, S7 1NQ  
**Price:** £39 (£37 for students)  
**Entertainment:** Sheffield University Ceilidh Band  
**Guest Speakers:** Andrew Mills  
[Booking form at the end of this newsletter]

**Menu**

*Carved Scottish Smoked Salmon with Mixed Greens and wholemeal bread*

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*Roasted Pepper and Tomato Soup with Croutons*

*oOo*

*Braised rump of lamb served with a Rosemary and red currant jus*

*oOo*

*Apple Tart Tatin with Cinnamon Cream*

*oOo*

*Followed by Tea or Coffee*

**Vegetarian option**

*Tian of Tomato and mozzarella served with a Pesto Dressing*

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*Roasted Pepper and Tomato Soup with Croutons*

*oOo*

*Butternut squash and Pea Risotto served with Parmesan Cheese*

*oOo*

*Apple Tart Tatin with Cinnamon Cream*

*oOo*

*Followed by Tea or Coffee*

### **Missing Members!!!**

Do you know any members who do not receive the newsletter? Or keep up to date with SUGCR? Please send an email or postal addresses to [GillCodd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:GillCodd@yahoo.co.uk) so I can add them to the distribution list.

### **A Trip To Sheffield – Sue Buchell**

Seems I couldn't stay away from Sheffield this last year. In May, I brought a group of ringers from the Banbury area to stay for the Spring Bank Holiday weekend. We rang at Worksop Priory and St Anne's (bells from All Saints, Pitsmoor, I believe – and a grab for me) and then enjoyed Harthill and Rotherham. On the Sunday we rang at the Cathedral and Walkley (surprising the editor\*), went to the Fat Cat for lunch and later joined Guild ringers at St Marie's in ringing for evening service.

We were blessed with glorious weather and had a wonderful weekend, ringing at Handsworth, Treeton, Rawmarsh and Sprotbrough on the Monday. Not many tower grabs for me but it was certainly a trip down memory lane, remembering past ringing, particularly at Handsworth and St Marie's (and past drinking, too!).

As if that weren't enough, my daughter Janet expressed an interest in visiting Sheffield, so we came up in September and visited the Kelham Island Museum and (you've guessed) the Fat Cat. As we left Sheffield, Janet said that she was disappointed because it wasn't industrial enough. How things change – no one said that in the 1970s when I was a student.

(\* Note from Gill – It was a lovely surprise to find Sue waiting on the steps of Walkley Church one sunny Sunday morning. Even more of a surprise was how many people were also waiting with her. I don't think I ever saw so many people fit inside Walkley Tower – I cant imagine there was much room for ringing!)

### **NOTES FROM THE EDITOR ..... Gill Codd**

This year I am very pleased to announce I am once again a bellringer!

It's the usual story, I left University, started work and never seemed to have the time to go to practices. Then every Dinner I would remember what I was missing out on. So, soon after the 50<sup>th</sup> Dinner last year I tentatively climbed the steps at Walkley and am now a regular member of the band (snow permitting!). So far I have remembered everything I knew as a student (except certain facts about Genetics which I fear may be gone forever), and have learnt more.

Walkley is a fantastic place to ring, and is very welcoming to new and old ringers. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone at Walkey for welcoming me, and especially Pete for being a great and patient teacher. Thank you.

Last year Terry Hargreaves very kindly submitted his latest “Reminiscences” piece for the newsletter which was very well received. This got me thinking. We all have so many memories of SUGCR life, our own reminiscences. This year I would really like to work with Stu who runs our web page to set up a section where we can store these. I would love for Terry to continue his own series and for others to also contribute their own, either a one off paragraph or a number of pieces. I will send a mail out later this year with more details.

I hope to see you all at the dinner in February and would urge you all to book your tickets as soon as possible! Hope to see you all soon.

*Gill x*



PS. Who would have thought Christmas Crackers would provide a set of handbells along with instructions on how to ring popular Christmas songs. Well here is photographic evidence of myself, Stu, Philip and Ruth attempting to entertain Fleur and Josh by ringing rounds.... Swiftly followed by an expert rendition of Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, and a beautifully prepared Christmas Dinner. Yummmm 😊

# SUGCR Annual Dinner 2010 Ticket Booking Form



**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Kenwood Hall, Kenwood Road, Sheffield, S7 1NQ**

**Ticket prices:**

Non-students: £39  
Students: £37

Number of tickets required:

Meat \_\_\_\_\_

Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

Names for each ticket:

1. Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms / Dr / Other (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms / Dr / Other (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
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Address to which (all) tickets to be sent:

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Contact telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of people with whom you would like to sit **if possible**

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(Tables are for 10 people. Please let us know if you would like to reserve an entire table)

Dietary requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

Once completed, please return this form with a cheque payable to “**University of Sheffield Union of Students**” with your **name and address written on the back** to:

Sarah Green: 17 Elgin Street, Sheffield, S10 1UQ  
Tel: 07794 547696

Please include a **stamped, self-addressed envelope** with this form.  
The closing date for booking forms is **Monday, 25th January 2009**.