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AUTUMN RALLY – BEVERLEY OCTOBER 17TH 2015 **ADVANCE NOTICE**

Members of Beverley Town Handbell Ringers are looking forward to welcoming North East Region teams to Beverley for the 2015 Autumn Rally.

Preparations are now in hand and, as announced at Grassington, we have chosen a theme of “*Christmas Comes Early*”

We know that the weeks leading up to Christmas is when much of our concert work takes place and yet our festive repertoire is seldom heard by other ringers in the region.

Our rally in Beverley gives us an early opportunity to dust off those yuletide favourites so out with the folders *now* and get practicing.

The usual application forms and supporting information will be circulated soon but, in the meantime, if you are hoping to attend, please let Andrew Ford know as soon as possible at aford11@aford11.karoo.co.uk. This will help with our early planning

LIVERSEEDGE HANDBELLS

The “Liversedge Handbells” are a 4 ½ octave set of restored Mears & Stainbank (Whitechapel) bells donated to the region by Mrs Elizabeth Lee. Following an appeal for donations toward the cost of restoration the work was undertaken by the Whitechapel Bell Foundry in 2010 / 2011.

The North East Region Committee make the bells available on loan to groups wanting to start ringing, whilst waiting to purchase or restore their own set; The most recent recipients being the newly formed Hedon Handbell Ringers.

The handbells are currently stored in Beverley awaiting requests from groups wanting to use them. If members of the region wish to borrow the bells, or know of a group that would benefit from using them, please contact the Regional Chairman, John Atkinson at ajatkinson@ajatkinson.karoo.co.uk. There is no charge for using the bells other than meeting the cost of insurance.

John Atkinson
North East Region Chairman

Notes from the Regional Secretary

International Symposium, Vancouver, Canada 2016

I have received the following information about registering for the Symposium from the National Secretary, Christine Reid.

If there are enough of us attending the Symposium from the North of the country then we can form an 'HRGB North' team and get together to practice the music.

Please would you let me know if you intend registering?

Dear All

As some of you are already aware, the registration for the International Symposium in Vancouver in 2016 is now open.

The Symposium website is <http://www.ihs2016vancouver.ca/>

The cost for the Symposium is \$1150 Canadian dollars. If you register and pay a deposit before 31st October 2015, the cost is \$1085. Do note that if you register after 26th February, 2016, the cost will be \$1250.

Unlike in previous years, you will register yourself and everything will be done via the Symposium website. However in order to register, you require a code from me. This is because every guild is given an initial set allocation of places.

To obtain this code, I require from you the name of the team you will be ringing with, the team conductor or contact person and also your region. I have attached the full registration instructions to this email – but they are available on the website – as too is a list of IHS2016 special rate hotels.

Should you not have a team or if there are only a couple of you, please let me know. We will form you into Team HRGB. I will let you know who makes up this team so that you can make arrangements with each other for hotels, travel or music practice before hand.

Please do let others in your region know that the Symposium registration is now open and ask them to get in touch with me should they be interested in attending and taking advantage of the early bird registration fee.

If there are other questions at the moment, I will try and answer them.

Best wishes

Christine

Christine Reid
Secretary Handbell Ringers of Great Britain

World Peace Day Bell Project

This information has come via HRGB nationally about a 'World Peace Day Bell Project'. If any teams decide to take part it would be good to hear from them.

Dear Friends,

We are delighted to invite you to commemorate the UN International Day of Peace (World Peace Day) on 21 September 2015. We have a few months left to notify everyone who would like to participate in this project. There is strength in unity and the sound of peace bells ringing throughout the world will focus on the importance of peace in our lives. So please spread the news and let everyone know. Send us your photos and videos for our website.

As members of the global community sharing a common humanity we unite in a concerted effort towards building peace initiatives and work together to achieve peace throughout the world not just on World Peace Day but every day of our lives.

HISTORY

The UN International Day of Peace, generally known as World Peace Day or Peace Day, is observed annually on 21 September. It is dedicated to world peace, and specifically the absence of war and violence – this day is observed with a temporary ceasefire in a combat zone to enable humanitarian aid access. It was established by a United Nations resolution in 1981 to coincide with the opening of the General Assembly's yearly session. The UN International Day of Peace was first celebrated in 1982, and is honoured by many nations and peoples. In 2001, 21 September was designated as the official date for World Peace Day.

ABOUT THE UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

The United Nations Association of Australia is a national not-for-profit organization dedicated to informing the community about the work of the United Nations and seeking to advance its goals in Australia and around the world. UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon stated: 'Peace is one of humanity's most precious needs. It is also the United Nations' highest calling.'

Thank you,

MONA RAMI AYOUB

On behalf of the UNAA UN Peace Program

World Peace Bell Project

UN International Day of Peace

www.dayofpeaceaustralia.com

Thank you,

Christine Lazenby

(NE Region Secretary)

Forthcoming Events

2015

Friday 7 August - Ringing Week Concert - The Edge, Sheffield

Further details from aidan@soloringer.com 07906 259721

Friday 25 - Sunday 27 September - Yorkshire Dales Handbell Gathering - Hardraw

Saturday 17 October - NE Region Autumn Rally - Beverley

Further details to follow -

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Saturday 27 February - Joint Tower Bell and Handbell event - St Matthias Church Hall, Burley, Leeds, LS4 2DZ

Further details to follow or contact Solna Burnham rnsburnham@talktalk.net

Friday 1 - Sunday 3 April - National Rally - Penrith

Saturday 7 May - NE Region Spring Rally - Grassington

All items for the next scheduled issue of eNEws should be sent to aford11@aford11.karoo.co.uk by 30 September 2015

Don't forget, if you are sending pictures out of a newspaper or magazine, you will need to know the name and address of the newspaper or magazine as well as the date of publication.