

Tales from the Tower

Owing to problems regarding covid vaccinations, I have not been in the tower much of late, so the following notes are from our vice-captain, Phil, and need little editing from me!

'We rang a quarter peal for the Christingle service , with Chris ringing his first quarter of minor (treble to Plain Bob).

'We rang for the 9 lessons and Carols Service, Midnight Mass, and Christmas Day, and Sunday after (needed a rest after all that!). It's been great to be able have all 10 bells ringing despite a number of absentees.

'Ian and I rang at the Cathedral for the 6pm Grandison Service on Christmas Eve. (John Grandison was bishop of Exeter in the 14th Century, and wrote a lot about how and when bells should be rung). Ian was back there again to ring for the 8am Service on Christmas morning – such dedication

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Reverting to myself:

I am happy to report that I too was able to ring for Christmas Day at Peter Tavy, where I am a regular ringer as well as (in happier times) Tavistock.

The bells will also be ringing at midnight for New Year's Eve. This is a great contrast to last year when we were under strict Covid restrictions and we all hope that it heralds a year of hope and recovery from a difficult time.

Best wishes for a Happy New Year to everyone from all the bellringers!

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