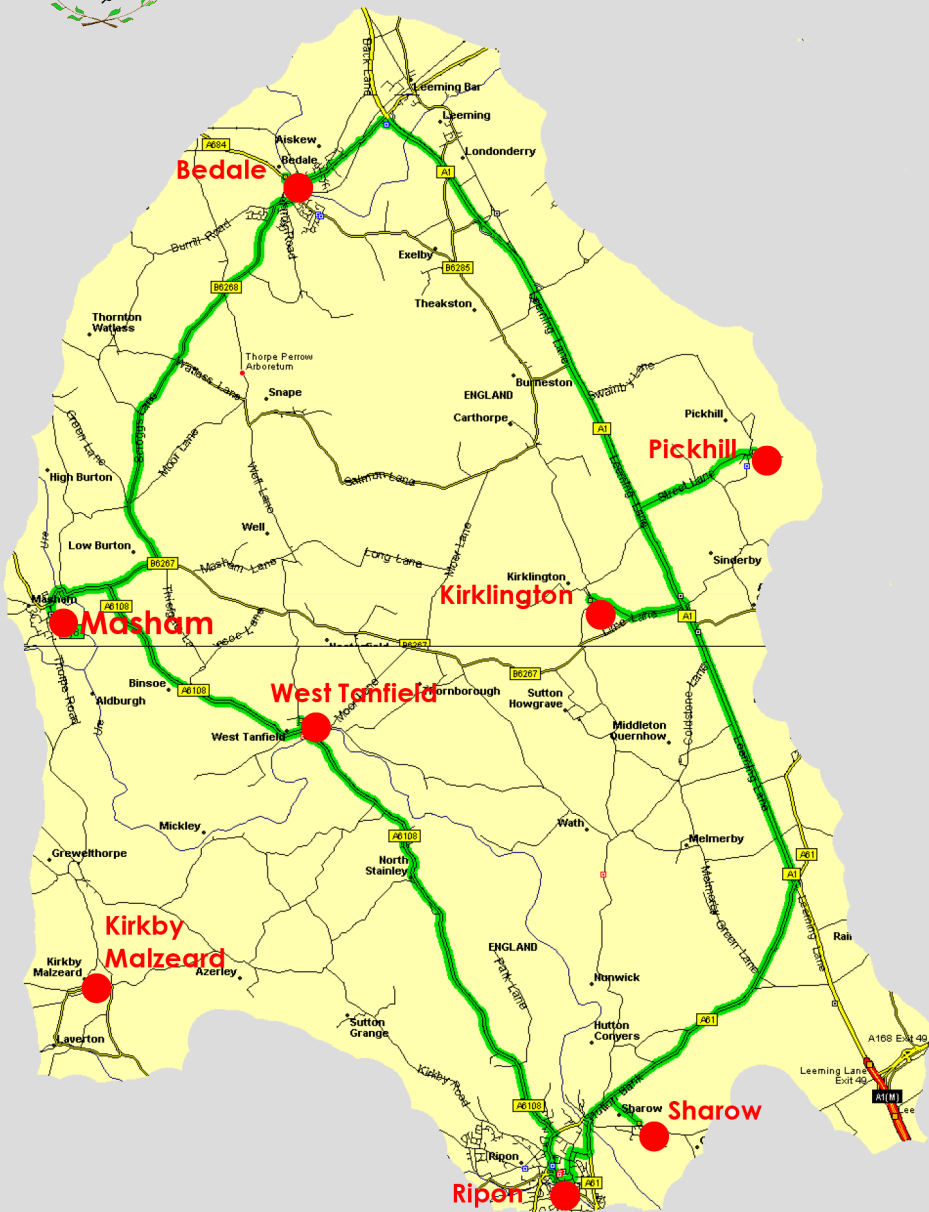


Guild of Medical Ringers



Summer Meeting 2004



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The 2004 Summer meeting of the Guild of Medical Ringers is to be held in and around Masham over the weekend of 14th – 16th May. Our thanks go to our Past President, Nick Davies, for all the organisation. There is ringing on Friday evening, during the day on Saturday, and Sunday morning service ringing in Masham. It is hoped, therefore, that many members will be able to stay overnight on the Friday and Saturday. The information sheet sent earlier gave details of suitable accommodation and is repeated in this booklet. Please indicate on the reply card if you are likely to be available for Sunday morning ringing. The ringing programme for the weekend is as follows:

Friday evening

20.00 – 21.00 **Kirkby Malzeard**

Saturday

09.15 – 10.00 **West Tanfield**

10.30 – 11.30 **Ripon**

11.45 – 12.30 **Sharow**

Lunch

14.15 – 15.00 **Pickhill**

15.15 – 16.00 **Kirlington**

16.45 – 17.45 **Bedale**

Sunday morning

10.00 – 11.00 **Masham**

Methods of the meeting: **York Surprise Minor** and **Yorkshire Surprise Major**

Dinner will be at the Kings Head Hotel, Masham at 7.00 for 7.30pm. If you wish to book dinner, please complete and return the attached card to arrive not later than Thursday 6th May. Please will you also include a deposit of £10.00 per person booked (*Cheques payable to 'Guild of Medical Ringers'*)

Masham and the Yorkshire Dales

Masham, in the heart of the Yorkshire Dales, is a peaceful market town, with much character and history. Besides its fine buildings, market squares and church it has no less than two breweries. Masham has been a sheep market for many years and up to 80,000 sheep were sold here in the large market place every year.

Masham was given to the Minster of York in mediaeval times, but as the Archbishop did not wish to travel across the moors to visit Masham he declared the Parish a Peculiar and it held its own ecclesiastical court and governed its own affairs. Even now the Archbishop can not summon the vicar to meetings, but must instead invite him.

The Yorkshire Dales are one of the most charming parts of England, and remains unknown to many people. The lush dales contrast with the bleakness of the flat moor lands which cover the limestone hills.



Friday Ringing Programme

Kirkby Malzeard 20.00 – 21.00

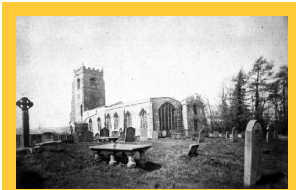
St. Andrew

6 *16³/₄cwt in F*

Grid Reference 236745

The first mention of Kirkby Malzeard appears in the Domesday book of 1086 when it was known as 'Churcheui', which means 'church in the clearing'. The name has since evolved to Kirkby Malzeard which means 'church in the bad or stony clearing'.

The back four bells came from the priory at Knaresborough, but when this was destroyed in 1539 the bells were dispersed to Knaresborough, Spofforth and Kirkby Malzeard churches. The front two bells were added in 1866.



Saturday Ringing Programme

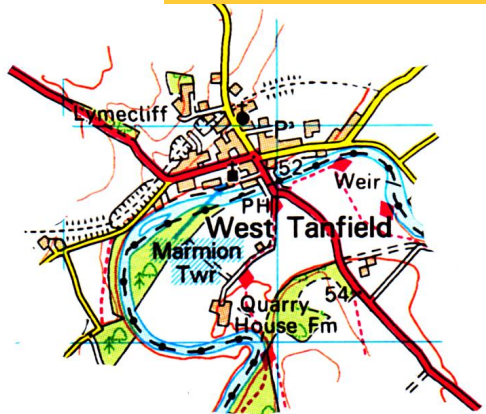
West Tanfield 09.15 – 10.00

St. Nicholas

6 10-3-12 in G

Grid Reference 268788

West Tanfield is a pretty village in the valley of the river Ure. Its small church has six bells, one of which is 17th Century, (S. Smith I) . Warners cast four bells in 1873. Parking is available near the church.



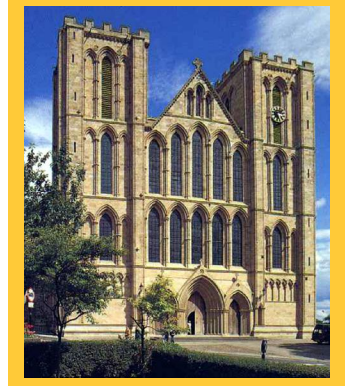
Ripon 10.30 – 11.30

Cathedral Church of SS. Peter and Wilfred

10 23-0-24 in Eb

Grid Reference 314711

The ten bells are hung in the South West tower and date from 1932, being cast by Taylor's of Loughborough. There have been bells in the Cathedral since the 14th Century, and they became a ten in 1890 when two trebles were added, cast by J. Shaw and Co. of Bradford. Parking may be difficult here, and it is suggested that Morrison's car park (pay) just to the North of the cathedral could be used.





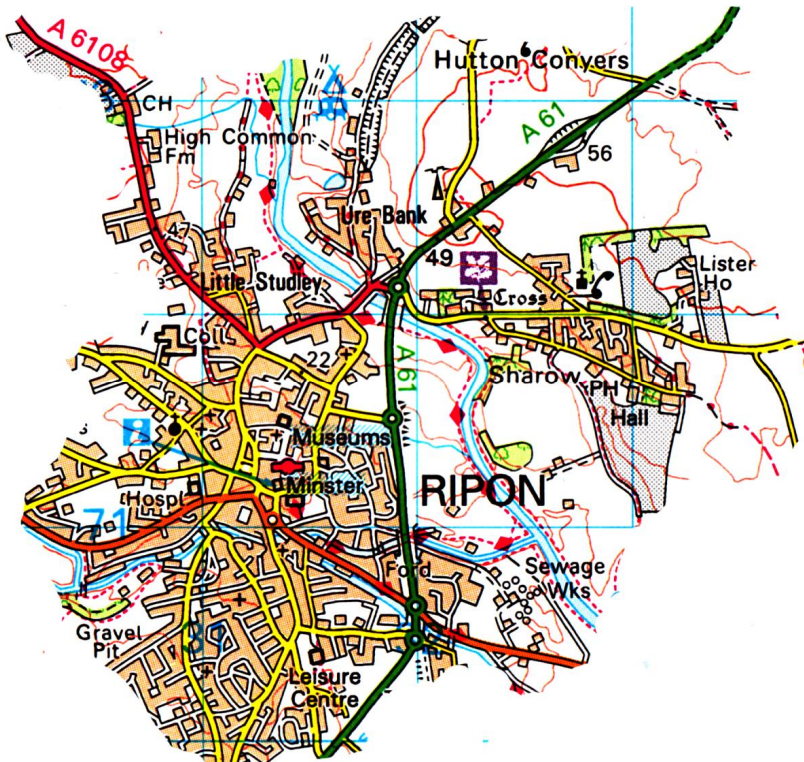
Sharow 11.45-12.30

St. John Divine

8 12-0-5 in G

Grid Reference 328721

The bells of Sharow were cast as a six by T. Mears in 1825 and the front two were added by Warner in 1876. To celebrate the new Millennium, the Sharow Millennium Star, a 46ft high illuminated star, was erected on the tower and could be seen for miles around as a witness to the beginning of the third Millennium of Christ. The Star remained illuminated until the beginning of Lent 2000.



Saturday Ringing Programme

Pickhill 14.00-15.00

All Saints

6 8-1-20 in G

Grid Reference

Pickhill is a tiny village situated just to the East of the A1. The ring of bells at the Church has recently been augmented to a six. The three back bells are of varying ages, 16th, 17th and 19th Century, but the front three were cast by Whitechapel in 2002. One of the older bells was cracked and was repaired by Soundweld.

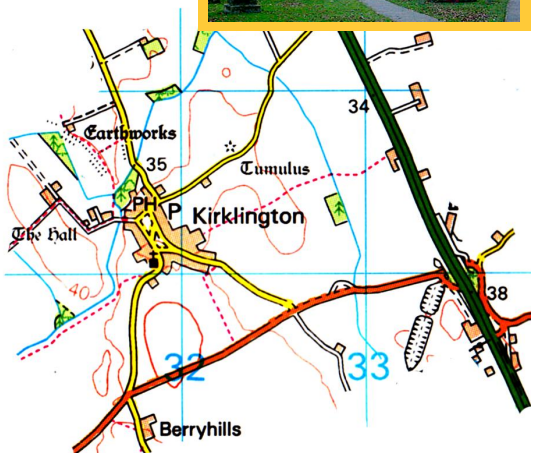


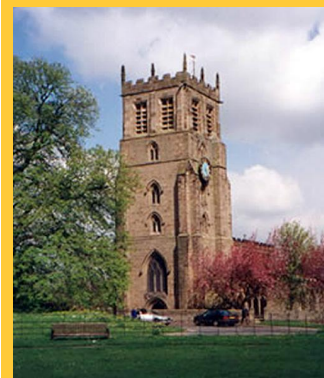
Kirklington 15.30-16.30

St. Michael

6 8-1-18 in F#

The bells here have recently been restored to a ringable condition and are of mixed ages. However the church itself is very interesting as it contains many carved heads which relate to pagan worship and pre-Christian gods. One notable carving is a triple headed sculpture showing a god of eloquence whose followers have a link between his words and their ears. This imagery is very early Celtic, even though the Celts integrated the Roman god





Bedale 17.00-18.00

St. Gregory

8 *20cwt*

Grid Reference 266884

The bells at Bedale are very mixed in their ages. The Tenor dates from around 1350 and was cast by 'Johanes de Stafford'. The next three bells are all by W. Oldfield II, but are of differing dates in the early 17th century. The fourth dates from around this time but is unnamed. The third is early 18th century by E. Seller II and the two trebles are J. Warner of 1873.

Bedale itself is a bustling market town whose charter dates back to 1251. There are many Georgian facaded buildings and the streets are paved with original cobblestones.



Kings Head Hotel

Dinner 19.00 for 19.30

King's Head Hotel

Market Place, Masham, N Yorkshire. HG4 4DQ

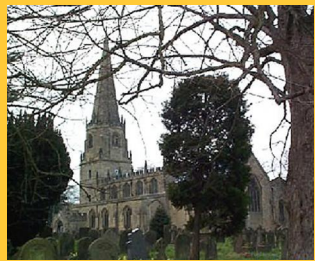
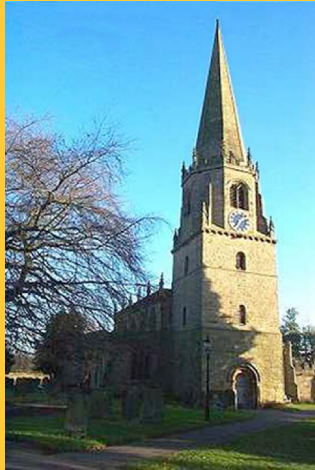
Tel: 01765 689295 Fax 01765 689070 Email: masham.kingshead@snr.co.uk



Brewing in Masham

There are at present two breweries in Masham. Theakston's, the home of Old Peculier, has been in the town for many years, but in 1988 Scottish and Newcastle Breweries took control of this old family firm and left some members of the Theakston family without a vocation. Paul Theakston, instead of joining the new company, had the idea of setting up a new 'traditional' brewery, and took to the task of finding premises and original equipment to work there. Thus, after a great deal of hard work and ingenuity, the Black Sheep Brewery was founded in 1992. Both breweries are open to the public with visitor centres, shops and tours. Either or both of these may be worth a visit after the heavy work of change ringing.

Sunday Ringing Programme



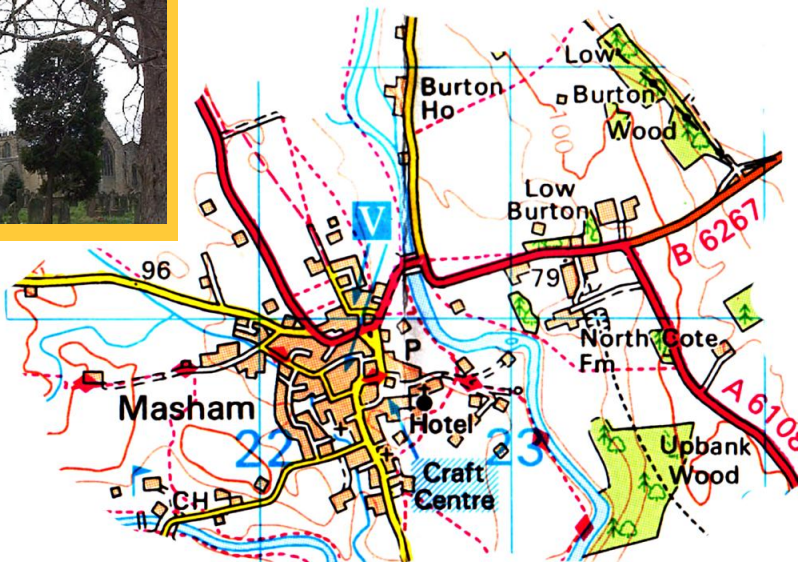
Masham 10.00-11.00

St. Mary the Virgin

10 29-3-20

Grid Reference 229246

Turn left out of the Corner House hotel, and head for the town centre – the top of the impressive tower of St. Mary's will soon be obvious. Walk past Mecca Bingo and on to the roundabout. Cross the road at the pedestrian crossing to the left and walk down Hammett Street. You cannot miss the church!



Dinner Menu

This is the menu for Dinner at the Kings Head Hotel.

Please will you make you selection and indicate your choice on the attached reply card.

Black Pudding Tower
Filo and Brie Pastry Tart
Tiger Prawns
French Onion Soup

Swiss Chicken

A chicken breast filled with emmental cheese, wrapped in proscuitto ham, oven baked and dressed with dijonaise sauce..

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Halibut Steak

Served with minted new potatoes, fresh asparagus spears and a rich hollandaise sauce.

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Locally Reared Venison Steak

Served on a bed of horseradish mash with a juniper and red wine sauce.

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Brie and Broccoli Pithivier

A rich and creamy mix of brie and broccoli encased in a light pastry parcel, served with a red pepper sauce.

Strawberry Pavlova
Normandy Apple Pie
Homemade Crème Brulée

Freshly Brewed Tea or Coffee

Accommodation

The Base Hotel and dinner venue is:-

The Kings Head Hotel,
Market Place, Masham, N Yorkshire. HG4 4DQ
Tel: 01765 689295
Fax 01765 689070
Email: masham.kingshead@snr.co.uk

There are also several guest houses, some almost next door to the hotel:-

B & B at the Square.
1, Little Market Place,
Masham, N Yorks.
Tel: 01765 689605

Garden House B & B.
1, Park Street,
Masham, N Yorks.
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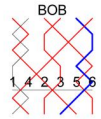
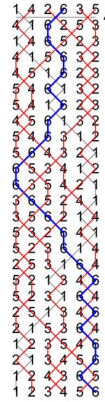
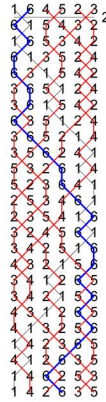
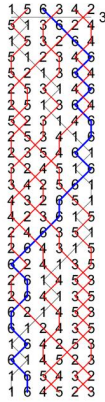
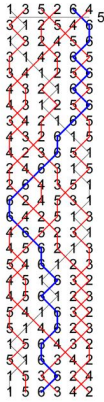
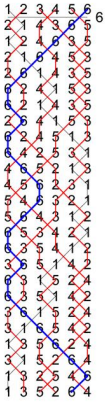
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Methods of the Meeting

York Surprise Minor



Yorkshire Surprise Major

