

### **Marhamchurch Ringers in 2024**

We continued to provide the core of the Improvers Sessions, which were even more popular than they had been back in 2023. We included two 8 bell towers this year, Altarnun & Bridgerule, and we supported the revival of ringing at Lesnewth.

We rang a couple of quarter peals at Marhamchurch, one of which was more complex than we normally attempt, with 4 changes of method in the 45 minutes, and we also helped Poughill to record a couple of quarter peals.

Our secretary Liz G had a special outing arranged in honour of a Big Birthday, which included climbing Brentor to ring on the 5 there.

We entered the ringing competition at Week St Mary in October and finished the year with a dinner at The Olive Tree, organised by our friends at Launcells.

We took up the offer for the Guild President, Owen, and our branch Chairman Julian to have a survey of the condition of our bells in November. They were able to fix some minor problems and we have adopted their suggestion to have our bells inspected annually by Taylors of Loughborough. We intend to organise a work party to paint the frame in 2025.

We were pleased to welcome Helen to our band and with help from her and Cate, we've been able to ring all 6 bells for most Sunday services.

RJC April 2025.