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March

Dates for your Diary

Friday 14th March	8 Bell Practice 14.30 – 16.00	Great Milton (8)
Saturday 22nd March	Branch Practice 16.00 – 17.30	Chinnor (6)
Saturday 17 th May	ODG AGM – hosted by South Oxon Branch	Warborough. More details will follow

100 Club Winners

The winners of the February draw are :

1st Prize No 39 Anita Clayton, Thame

2nd Prize No 14 Chris Ward, Benson

News from the AGM

The AGM was held at Benson on Saturday 22nd February and was attended by 28 people. There are a few changes to report!

Two long-standing Branch Officers retired at the meeting. Thanks were expressed to John Tchighianoff for his 20 years' plus service as Chairman, and to Kay Bartholomew for her work as Treasurer (10 years in the current stint, plus a previous spell of 5 or 6 years as combined Secretary/Treasurer). Andrew Davis was elected Chairman, and Cathy Hughes-D'Aeth Treasurer. Kay did not manage to escape entirely – she has agreed to serve for 1 year as Vice-Chairman. Japh Slaney agreed to take on the role of Deputy Ringing Master. Thank you all for volunteering.

Special thanks were extended to Benji for his efforts in updating the website, and to the Branch Reps for their very clear and detailed report.

Branch funds are in a healthy state, and it was agreed to send £150 to the OD Bell Fund, in addition to over £100 collected at the AGM service.

It was agreed that the December Branch Practice would take place on 29th November, and that the timing of summer practices would change to coincide with winter practices. Summer practices will take place between 4.00–5.30 pm (rather than 7.00-8.30 pm, as in previous years). The next Branch Officers' meeting will be held immediately after the Branch Practice on Saturday 27th September, noting that it clashes with the Michaelmas course that day.

ODG News - Katie Lane reported that she has agreed to remain as Guild Master for one more year. The Guild are still looking for a new Odd Bob editor, Librarian and General Secretary. Katie would be delighted to hear from you if you are interested in taking up one of these roles.

News on the CCCBR website.....



Ring Out in Celebration – VE Day 6.30pm – 8th May 2025

On the 8th May 1945 bells rang out across Britain as the nation took to the streets in celebration of Victory in Europe Day. Eighty years later we celebrate this momentous occasion by inviting you to recreate that moment at 6:30pm local time and pay tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice so that we might live in a free world.

Upload your VE Day ringing to: <https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/event.php?id=19733>

For further information about the VE Day 80 Celebrations please visit: www.VEday80.org.uk

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