



Rebuilding your handbell team

Ideas for recruitment and marketing

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Attracting new members to join a handbell group is the theme for this online webinar

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From finding the words to say, identifying the unique selling point of your group when there may be so many choices of music-making options open to people in your community, to looking at the places and different ways to share your message.

Hear what others have done, and be part of the conversation too, to help get more folk enjoying making music with handbells!

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There's no one single way which will always work in recruiting new members

Do what you can manage and make the most of your best asset – your own group members

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What's your message?

Answer these for your group

What would you say was the unique selling point of your group when there may be so many choices of music-making options open to people in your community?

What do your ringers think makes your group welcoming?

What makes handbells worth sharing about?

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Who can be part of your group?

Decide what these mean for your group

Do you welcome all ages?
Children and adults?

Do you teach music-reading skills or require would-be members of your group to have these skills?

Do you have a teaching group as well as a performing group?

Do you audition or accept all right away?

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HRGB Survey about Recruitment

A survey was carried out in February 2023 (sent to HRGB members, as well as shared on HRGB social media) in advance of this webinar presentation, asking about recruitment to a handbell group

Many thanks to all who responded – the following slides give a flavour of responses to the question “What attracted you to being part of a handbell group?”



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What attracted you to being part of a handbell group?

Press article

Love of music

Making music with other people

The sound of handbells! I attended a concert & just loved the whole concept, which was entirely new to me

I love the sound of handbells. Definitely being part of a team, not a soloist, making music together

We had an old set of handbells in our church & we decided it would be good to restore them to play music

I attended a concert by the local team and loved the sound. I already played orchestral instruments and was keen to try playing handbells after hearing the concert

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What attracted you to being part of a handbell group?

I was recruited because I could read music

It was an instrument I hadn't tried, and I found it really fun. Being part of a team feels great, when it all comes together and beautiful music happens, it's wonderful knowing that we all pulled together to do it

I was not a sports person, we had no band in school and I was excited to make music with others. I loved the sound that handbells make

I like the idea of going out to different venues to play for people

I wanted a new hobby when retired and in a new area. I saw an advert in a local free paper where new handbell ringers were being recruited

I first saw handbells at a workshop at a folk festival many years ago. When I retired that was the first activity for which I looked

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What attracted you to being part of a handbell group?

An activity to do as a family

Playing music with others

Something I've always wanted to have a go at

Meeting new people, enjoying the sound of handbells, and learning something new

I heard a young handbell team at a local concert and was delighted by the sound

The local handbell team was a friendly and supportive group of people and made it fun

The novelty was appealing. I can read music, have no problem with sight reading, so just needed to learn how to ring

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What attracted you to being part of a handbell group?

Ringling handbells looked fun to do

The challenge of wanting to learn what all the music symbols meant, and the joy of music making as a team

I just love the sound of handbells, the simplicity of just having to manage a few bells, and to be able to make music with other people

Music is central to my life; I enjoy being part of a team and consider it essential to keep 'old music crafts' alive and in the public domain

A musical activity which doesn't require a high level of solo instrument competence

I had always fancied having a go & then heard a piece on local radio asking for new members

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What attracted you to being part of a handbell group?

It can be a bit of a mental workout

I just love the sound of handbells and wanted to make music and enjoy making music with other people without pressure

There are no superstars in handbells! It is the great equaliser: each person with their own handbell part working together towards a unified goal of playing a particular piece of music

Seeing and hearing music take shape in a team, playing as one, was a great experience

I watched a local handbell group practising. It looked challenging so I decided to take it up

I had never learnt to play an instrument, but had seen the enjoyment my children got from playing in orchestras, so handbells gave me the chance to play music as part of a group

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What attracted you to being part of a handbell group?

Took part in a handbell demonstration at an event

I enjoy being part of a team, while developing my musical knowledge and skill

Just retired and wanted something to stop my brain going into "slow" mode! And enjoying making music with others, and making new friends

Meeting new people and learning a new skill

It is a joyful thing to do, bringing people together, and together we support and help each other in making music

Hearing about a group which met during the day and actively participated in making music rather than just appreciation

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What attracted you to being part of a handbell group?

Seeing a handbell group concert and thinking...wow!

Its fun! It's music making for non-musicians - you don't have to be 'musical' to take part. You can enjoy making music even if you can't read music - you'll learn along the way

The social element - it's fun and challenging. A good workout for the brain

Being part of a group, and working together in this way seems to promote friendliness, and when it all comes together well it's very satisfying

I heard a handbell team playing at a concert and fell in love with the sound

For the first time, being able to play music - without any prior musical knowledge/training

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Where can you share your message?



Word of mouth



Print media & Radio



Social media



Websites



Pop-up banners/posters

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Sharing your message



Word of Mouth

Getting new members is something which is really helped by each ringer in your group being encouraged to take opportunities when presented when chatting to friends, and it seems there may be a spark of an interest in finding out about taking part in making music with your group, to share about why they enjoy taking part and encourage their friend to get in touch or come along to a rehearsal

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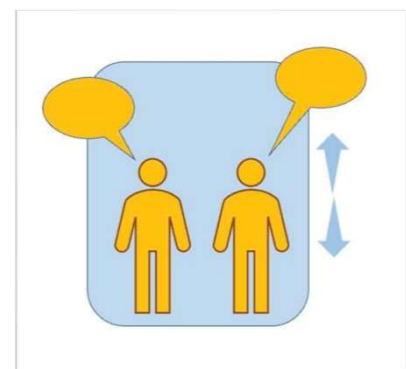
Ask your ringers...

these prompts might generate publicity quotes

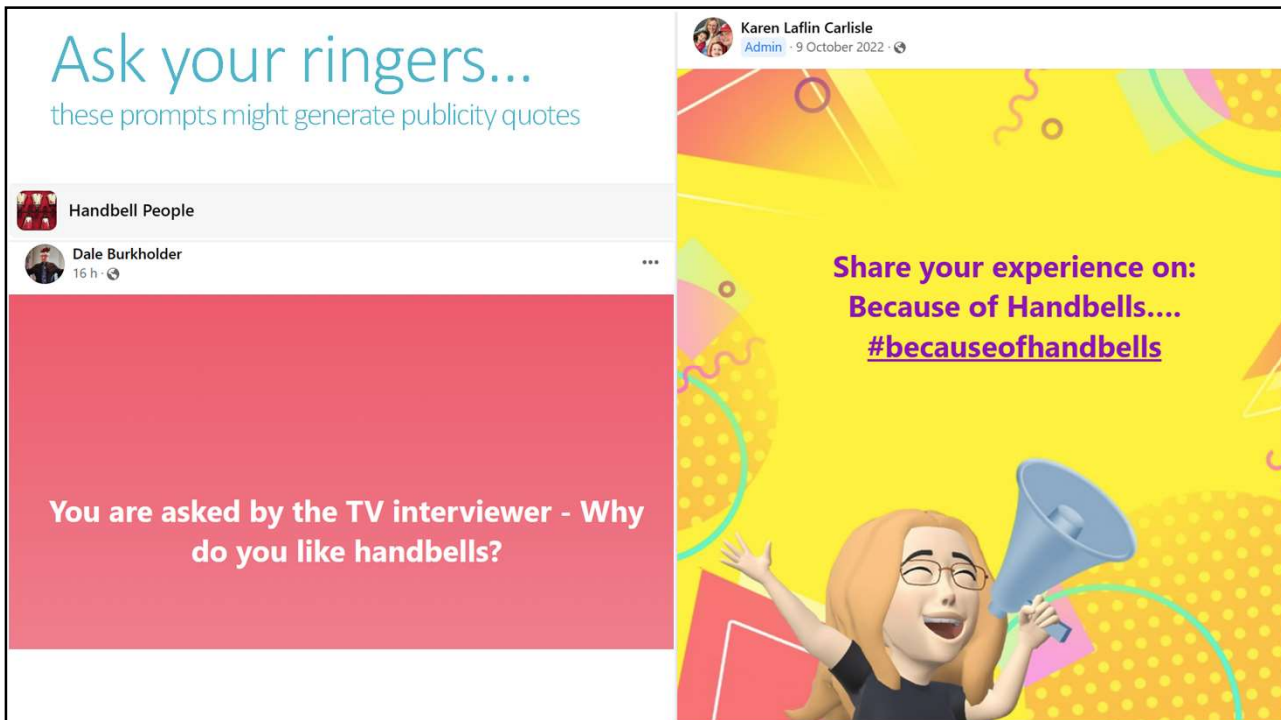
   29 July is #NationalTalkInAnElevatorDay today!

If you only had 30 seconds in a lift or elevator with someone who'd never experienced making music with handbells, what would you say about being in a handbell group?

#ElevatorPitch #TalkInAnElevatorDay



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HRGB Survey about Recruitment

The following slides give a flavour of responses, in the HRGB survey carried out in February 2023 about recruitment, to the question ***"If you're talking to someone you know about being part of a handbell group, what do you say to them if you're trying to encourage them to take part too?"***



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What do you say to someone you know if you're trying to encourage them to take part in a handbell group?

You don't need to read music - someone will ring alongside you so no need to worry about making mistakes - enjoyment is a priority

Come along and have a go. It is fun!

I very much enjoy being part of a handbell group - come and hear us play, you'll be pleasantly surprised. Then have a go, no pressure!

It's open to anyone – you just need a sense of rhythm, and you don't need previous experience

It's not as difficult as it looks

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What do you say to someone you know if you're trying to encourage them to take part in a handbell group?

Being able to read music is an absolute must in our group. Come along to a practice or two and see what we do, and have a try

Come and have a go. We will help you. You will enjoy it

Have a try - some musical knowledge is of assistance but not vital in our group - we are very friendly

It's very enjoyable to be part of a friendly team and you'd initially be given a part with less to do

It is a sociable activity as well as a challenge

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What do you say to someone you know if you're trying to encourage them to take part in a handbell group?

It's not difficult. Our group plays from letter notation so no need to read music. We've a good atmosphere in the group

Give it a try, there's no obligation to stay

Q. Like to try something new? Q. Do you read music? If not you can learn in the group!

In our group you don't need previous experience or to be able to read music initially. Musical notation can be presented in a user-friendly way

It's fun being part of a supportive handbell team

You don't have to be able to read music, but a sense of rhythm is useful

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What do you say to someone you know if you're trying to encourage them to take part in a handbell group?

I promise to help show you how to ring, where to find your notes and to answer your questions—even the same one over and over!

If you don't read music, it's a great way to learn. If you do read music, they you can hit the ground running!

We're relaxed and we have fun with it

I offer a private lesson on handbells so you know what you are getting into. Then if joining our group I ask for a short term commitment, say Sept to Dec or Jan to May

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What do you say to someone you know if you're trying to encourage them to take part in a handbell group?

It is great fun to be part of a group that demands little in terms of musical skill (compared to a string quartet!) and is so rewarding when it comes to a group effort

It is a joyful thing to do. It is a gentle way to learn the disciplines of music

It's something anyone can do as long as you can tell red from blue, or right from left, and can count!

It can be a new hobby, there's no need to be particularly musical (we can teach that), and it's a very enjoyable social thing to do, with teamwork involved

It's good for the brain, keeping it active, and the sounds seem to have a beneficial effect on the psyche

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What do you say to someone you know if you're trying to encourage them to take part in a handbell group?

It's fun! It's music making for non-musicians - you don't have to be 'musical' to take part. You can enjoy making music even if you can't read music - although you'll learn along the way

Ringling handbells enables you to be part of a musical ensemble without having to learn an individual instrument. The fun begins as soon as you start!

You do not have to know how to read music before having a go. Handbells make a beautiful sound. You can play all sorts of music. It's fun!

It's exciting to learn a new skill, and be part of a friendly team

It's great fun!

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Sharing your message



Print Media & Radio

Share with local newspapers & radio stations when looking for new members

Include information about your group, including history, notable performances, style of music being performed, contact details

Include a quote from one or two of your ringers about why they enjoy being part of your group, and describe what it's like to be making music in a handbell group

Attach one or two photographs

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16 21.08.2019 Handbell ensemble holds free taster session Whatever level of music reading skills you have Dunblane Cathedral Handbell Ensembles will welcome you to a free taster session on Sunday, August 25. The session, open to anyone, is at Dunblane Cathedral Hall from 5.30pm-6.30pm for ages 8-16; and 6.30pm-7.30pm for adults.	Spokesperson Malcolm Wilson said: "It's a great group instrument to learn to read music, and if you're already a fluent music reader then you'll be able to enjoy more challenging parts, and develop a range of techniques "It's often asked how long it takes to learn to play handbells - and the truth is it just takes a few minutes to learn how to make a sound, there's no complicated fingering to learn, no scales to tackle, and no worries about trying to tune up before playing each time." For further information email: handbells@dunblanecathedral.org.uk	
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Salem Handbell Ensemble, Salem Covenant in New Brighton MN

Have you always dreamed of joining a choir but you've been told you can't carry a tune in a bucket? Have you missed lifting things at the gym? Do you miss getting to see pretty metal things sparkle in shop windows? Have we got a solution for you! The Salem Handbell Ensemble, will be resuming on Wednesday, September 15th from 7:00-8:30 we have a need for more ringers as well as a place for everyone! So come join in an activity that is physical, musical, communal, and requires no breathing!*

Being able to read music is helpful but not required to help us make beautiful music, our director's day job is teaching that sort of stuff to children (and he's pretty good at it too, or so he's been told)!

If you're interested or would like to know more, please contact Darin Riedel. Walk-ins are also welcome.

*beyond the basic requirements for living

Ring with the Decibells

Are you searching for a group where you matter, where your absence is deeply felt, where members rely on you even as they lift you up? Do you also like shiny things? Then the handbell ministry may be the right place for you. FCC's handbell choir, Decibells, is accepting new ringers. If you've been told you can't carry a tune in a bucket, you're in luck: they take all the wrong notes off the table before the song even starts. It's easier if you can read music, but even if you can't, there's a spot for you to make beautiful music with Decibells. Come join us in the Meeting House on **Wednesday, September 1, at 7:30 pm** for a Handbell Petting Zoo where you get to pick up and play with all the different things that go "ding."

Decibells meet in the Meeting House on Wednesdays, from 7:30-8:30 pm.

Contact Stevie Berryman for more information

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STIRLING Observer EST. 1836

Ring in the new year with handbell taster

This weekend in Dunblane there is a chance to learn one of the world's oldest musical instruments!

Dunblane Cathedral Handbell Ringers is holding a free taster session on Sunday, January 13 from 5.30-6.30pm for children from anywhere in the Stirling area aged eight-12 who would like to make music using handbells.

Teenagers who would like to join the existing group - whether they already read music or not - are also welcome; making music with handbells can count towards Duke of Edinburgh Award or badges in uniformed youth organisations.

Adults who would like to give it a go can come along from 6.30-7.30pm; handbell ringing group can contribute to your mental health and well-being and provides upper-body cardiovascular exercise.

Handbells are one of the world's oldest instruments yet the handbells used today are sophisticated precision instruments.

"They are fun to play and the instruments are provided for you so there's nothing you need to bring with you.

Handbell ringer Malcolm Wilson said: "We're often asked how long it takes to learn to play handbells - and the truth is it just takes a few minutes to learn how to make a sound, there's no complicated fingering to learn, no scales to tackle, and no worries about trying to tune up before playing each time!

"This makes it a great way to learn to read music - which you do alongside others in the group.

He added: "Of course as you progress, or if you already read music, then the choice of music you play, the techniques you learn and the fun you have all increase."

Interested parties can just turn up on Sunday, January 13 to Dunblane Cathedral Halls or if you have any questions just send an e-mail to handbells@dunblanecathedral.org.uk or contact the handbell ringers on Instagram, Twitter, YouTube or Facebook.

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"Choir can be scary - 'Good Grief, I can barely tune the radio.'

Church orchestra? I never even completed 5th grade band. Substitute organist? I can't make all my feet and all my hands do different stuff at the same time. Bells? Hmm. Looks complicated.

Great news, friend. It is and it isn't. If you like music and would like a challenge, bells can give you that. If you love music, already have all the challenges you can handle, and just want a fun outlet - bells can give you that too.

* Need a little fellowship? Check

* Need some brain stimulus? Check

* Need a little exercise that isn't a Zoomba class or yoga? Check and Check.

Whatever you have to offer, whatever your skill level - or lack thereof - Handbells can help!

Come join is for a fun night of ringing and reading, learning and listening, meeting and greeting - and see what the handbell ministry is all about here at your church. Because around here, every ringer counts

Neesa Hart

Danny Barry of St Olaf Handbells

"I really love ringing because, as a percussionist, it really fit into a lot of skills I already had but also requires a lot of micromanaging and *it created the tightest knit ensemble community that I've ever been a part of.*"



Gnosall Handbell Ringers

16 April 2019 · 🌐

The Gnosall Handbell Ringers are having a rest at the moment from their practice sessions. If you have an interest in joining our band, please message us. Details are on our Facebook page. We are always looking for recruits. Some of our members had never had any experience of performing music before joining but we take a lot of time passing the knowledge of this wonderful skill to people who want to learn. WE WILL TEACH YOU.

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Overheard from Ringers

"I love the camaraderie of playing in a bell choir... working hard together to produce music at a level I didn't think possible. David is a great director who knows how to tweak a piece to make it even better." —Lorene xxxxx

"The choir has an atmosphere of teamwork and joy in creating beautiful music. David is a knowledgeable musician, trained percussionist and brings a wealth of experience directing Bells for over 19 years. His music selections and rehearsals are well-planned." —Sally xxxxx

"In worship, our ringers make it look easy. What you don't see from our preparation is the attention to detail and our desire to offer our best for worship. You also don't see the blunders and fun we have during rehearsals!

And beyond making music, we have a deep commitment to each other.

If this sounds like something you'd enjoy being a part of, we invite you to join us.

But I don't have a musical bone in my body. Don't worry! I'll have you ringing in no time. I've taught dozens of people at all age levels, who had no musical experience whatsoever, how to read and play music. If you have the willingness and desire to learn, you can do it, too.

Once you're in the choir, you'll be paired with – and shepherded by – an experienced ringer who's made the same mistakes you'll make. In fact, you'll get encouragement and support from the entire choir.

Interested? Let's talk.

Catch me after church, or text/call me: xxx-xxx-xxxx.

David Boardman
Handbell Director

So You Want To Ring Handbells? First Baptist Church Regina's JuBELLation Ringers- 5 octave Schulmerich handbell group- looking to recruit 4 interested music reading adults. A rich music legacy of 32+ years, involving numerous youth & adults over this time period. A refreshing, challenging, and fun musical activity. For more information contact John Nelson



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"Greetings, campers: *Looking for two ringers to fill out our fantastic looking, multi-talented, pizza loving, Wesley Ringers Handbell Choir* out of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Rochester, Michigan - northern suburb of Detroit. (Can you tell we have fun? LOL) We rehearse Thursday nights, 7:30 - 8:45 and perform in church on the third Sunday of the month. I'll throw in...err...free puppies...music lessons...and...cookies! Yeah, cookies."

Al Fisk



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Sharing your
message



Social Media

Consider having a Facebook page (which is public and accessible to view without your audience needing a Facebook account); Twitter, Instagram and a YouTube channel - all free

Share about your upcoming performances and opportunities for joining your group

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 /dunblanecathedralhandbellringers

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Follow Dunblane Cathedral Handbell Ensembles on social media, browse for ideas for your online presence, perhaps share #OnThisDay handbell posts on the social media channels for handbell performances from groups worldwide related to special days or anniversaries of composers

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Websites

A visually engaging website for your group just needs to have information about your group, photographs and a means to make contact

Having simple graphic speech bubbles with quotes about your group from others, as well as quotes from your ringers, can catch the viewer's attention

Share information about your group (including links to your website and social media) on websites for your local area, as well as national websites about music groups, voluntary groups or "what's on" sites

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Sharing your message



Pop-up Banners & Posters

Invest in pop-up banners which are visually attractive with information about your group (keep it to a key simple message), photographs and a means to make contact

As well as having these on display at your own events, look for opportunities to mount a display at locations such as your local library or community centre, or at community events

Have printed posters displayed in community centres, local shops

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What have others done?

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The following slides give a flavour of responses, in the HRGB survey carried out in February 2023 about recruitment, to the question
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When playing to other groups, offer an opportunity for audience to have a go

Local newspaper

Busking out on the street for charity, gets the team seen and may lead to new members

Group ringing in local town and offering 'have a go' sessions

Open rehearsal or bring a friend

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Describe any promotion of handbell ringing, which you've seen, which may have led to new ringers

Sharing on Facebook has brought our team new members, as has word of mouth

Make contact with Youth clubs, Brownies, Guides, Scouts, Wis, Residential Care Homes

Heritage weekend events, giving out business cards, website and social media, banner on hall railings. We also give people a "have a go" session after our performances

Be seen playing indoors and outdoors to create interest in our unique form of music making

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Describe any promotion of handbell ringing, which you've seen, which may have led to new ringers

Asking a potential new member to shadow another ringer using duplicate bells is perhaps less overwhelming for someone new

Keep a note of anyone who has said they are interested BUT can not join now because of their commitments, then when they cease these invite them to join in

It is important to remember what it is like for someone coming into a group who may not know anyone else, or know anything about handbell ringing; giving guidance through the music, encouragement and reassurance is essential for helping to create the right atmosphere in making people feel welcome and valued

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Describe any promotion of handbell ringing, which you've seen, which may have led to new ringers

"Burghill & Tillington went and played outside in their village, walking from one end to the other, and got a few people that way who hadn't even known that the team existed. Brilliant idea!

Jason and Kris who run our group regularly do beginners workshops for beginners and returners. They are brilliant and bring new people in. We provide cake, coffee and tea – just bring your own lunch - the atmosphere is just lovely

Our group was always multigenerational. Parts were rotated so that people learned new skills and did not always have the same stand partners

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We ran a Ring from Scratch session in two groups - one for beginners and one for more experienced. This resulted in people who were not sure about handbells becoming enthused

We have a large banner which we put on our church railings whenever we feel we need new recruits. It is not out permanently as it would lose impact

We have business cards with our contact details on, which all the team carry and can give to people when chatting about our group

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Describe any promotion of handbell ringing, which you've seen, which may have led to new ringers

Godalming Town Council arrange a week's Staycation in August each year when local clubs, associations, sports or other type of organisations can promote their activities

We regularly hold interactive workshops in libraries

I talked to a team who ran a series of meetings - using The Handbell Handbook - to introduce a group of non music-readers to both musical notation and handbells

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Bournemouth Youth Handbell Team

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Calling all keen Musicians of Secondary School age ...

If you'd like to develop your musicianship, sight reading & performance skills to a high level in a unique, challenging and enjoyable way, then this is definitely for you!

Please see our website for details & confirm your place:

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See you there! 🎵

***You have been invited
to take part in...***

An Open Workshop

with the

Bournemouth Youth Handbell Team



**Tuesday 28th February
from 6.30 – 8.30 pm**

www.byht-handbells.co.uk

St Luke's Church, Winton, Bournemouth. BH3 7LR

***Come and meet the Team...
and be part of an
amazing musical experience !***

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Beverley Town Handbell Ringers

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What's your plans for the weekend 🤔. **Beverley Town Handbell Ringers** start the weekend by having a full rehearsal tonight (Friday 17) and finishing the weekend off with a full rehearsal on Sunday 19. We are looking for new members so why not pop along and meet the ringers. Everyone is welcome.

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Tryouts for Potential Members
Thursday, September 10, 2015 at 5:00 pm

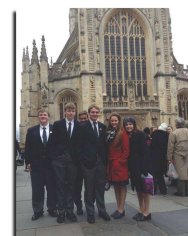
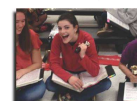
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THE DOROTHY SHAW BELL CHOIR is the internationally acclaimed community handbell choir from Fort Worth, Texas. Founded in 1964 to be part of the annual Christmas playpageant *The Littlest Wiseman*, the choir has evolved into a world-renowned musical organization.



THE DOROTHY SHAW BELL CHOIR strives to teach and develop in its members self-discipline, self-motivation, consistency of accomplishment, etiquette, and other positive qualities through the art of music and related fields. The essential qualities instilled in our members empower them to be remarkable ambassadors of our city, state, and country throughout the world, demonstrating not only their unique talent but also excellence in decorum and appearance, as a legacy to F. Howard and Mary D. Walsh.



Requirements:

- Enrollment in public/charter, private or home school
- Attendance at all rehearsals and performances
- Be mannerly in appearance, actions and general decorum
- Obey all rules and regulations as stated in our Member's Handbook

Visit www.dorothyshawbellchoir.org or call 817-924-3640 for more information!

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Looking for a fun group music-making activity for your 8-12 year old? Or for 13+

Then look no further

MAKE MUSIC with HANDBELLS!

Learn to read music & develop performance skills in an award-winning group, which has made many TV appearances, inspiring hundreds of children to make music with handbells over past 40+ years!

TASTER FIRST SESSION
Sunday 15 January
FREE!
Then just £40 total for January to June

Handbells make a great group instrument to learn to read music. It just takes a few minutes to learn how to make a sound.

- There's no complicated fingering to learn.
- No scales to tackle.
- And no worries about trying to tune up before playing each time.
- No music-reading experience necessary - you'll learn everything here.
- You'll learn with others in a group, and everything is provided for you - just come & have fun!

As you become a fluent music reader you'll be able to enjoy more challenging parts, and develop a range of handbell instrument techniques. And all of the music reading and performance skills you learn will also set you up for playing other musical instruments.

Any questions? Get in touch
handbells@dunblanecathedral.org.uk

Children aged 8-12 5.30pm-6pm
13+ 6.30pm-7.15pm
Dunblane Cathedral Halls

Sign-up quickly:
tinyurl.com/HandbellsJan23
First-come, first served

Dunblane Cathedral Handbell Ringers
23 December 2022

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS HANDBELL SEASON

Choir Building Starter Pack

WHAT DO YOU NEED?

Two Handbells
Two natural note handbells per person are all you need for a Great Christmas Ring.

Handbell (or Music) Friends
Bring a friend OR Make a friend.
The Great Christmas Ring is for choirs OR individual ringers

Christmas Spirit
Plenty of Christmas Spirit! A Great Christmas ring is a fun mass ringing event to bring bells to the people!

A Great Venue
A Great Christmas Ring is performed in unusual places where bells cannot usually go. Portable. Playable. Performable.

Dunblane Cathedral Handbell Ringers
9 Aug 2018

Interested in making music and 13-16? Maybe working towards DofE Award, or badges in Scouts/Guides/BB/GB? Come have a go at learning handbells at a free taster session on Sunday 2 September in Dunblane Cathedral Hall 5.30pm-6.30pm. We'd love to see you then. We play music in a variety of styles from film and TV, pop, classics and traditional - and music specially composed for the instrument.

Handbells are sophisticated precision instruments - one of the world's oldest musical instruments. They are fun to play and the instruments are provided for you so there's nothing you need to bring with you. You quickly learn both how to read music and to learn the playing techniques in a team so you're having fun learning together with others.

Our ensembles have an international reputation and have been broadcast on television on many occasions. Find us on YouTube, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



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We would love to get some new ringers to join our team. Would all my firends on facebook (local to North Staffs) please share this on your page

The Inn Ringers are looking to recruit new members for their team. You don't have to be able read music - The Inn Ringers have their own type of music - a notation which can be picked up easily in minutes!

All you need to become a member of our team is: -

- ☐ a sense of rhythm
- ☐ commitment
- ☐ a sense of humour
- ☐ enthusiasm

Practice nights are fun, there are social activities, events to attend with other handbell ringers and performing in public.

We practice every Monday night at St Luke's Church Hall in Tittensor - you are more than welcome to come a long to have a look at what we do and maybe have a go at ringing handbells.

Handbell Choir Recruitment

The United Baptist Handbell Choir is seeking to recruit new members to share the joy of ringing handbells, and making beautiful music with us.

A series of short handbell music workshops would be held to give interested persons the opportunity to experience the musical excitement that is handbell ringing.

If you, our any one you know are interested in learning to play the handbells, visit this link <http://goo.gl/forms/hjFQQAiGm4> and take this short survey that would assist us in planning these training events.

You Tube For a look at what a handbell choir is or how handbells sounds visit:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uSPdCkBJR4>

For further information e-mail us @ ubcthandbells@gmail.com or give us a call at 620-2217 or 347-5424.

We look forward to hearing from you!!!!



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🎵🔔 Would you like to have a go at playing handbells? Well, you have opportunity to try making music with handbells, if you'd like, at COFFEE & CATCH-UPS (Morning Coffee • Snack Lunch • Afternoon Tea) on Saturday 3 September 10am-4pm in the Victoria Hall, Dunblane

📅☕👤 You'll be supporting Dunblane Cathedral Handbell Ensembles while enjoying refreshments and a chance to chat to friends or family - so come along, either on your own or with friends & family

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work in
progress!



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