

**Handbell Ringers of Great Britain  
South West Region**

**Regional Rally**  
**Saturday 18th May 2019**



**Stalbridge Village Hall**

The hall car park is  
approached from  
Lower Street.

The theme for  
this year's  
Regional Rally  
is  
'Flowers'

**Stalbridge Hall**  
**Lower Road, Stalbridge,**  
**Sturminster Newton**  
**Dorset DT10 2NF**

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# Regional Rally 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019

The rally will be held at Stalbridge Village Hall. Stalbridge is a small town in North Dorset, situated in the Blackmore Vale area near the border with Somerset. The nearest towns are Sturminster Newton, 4 miles (6.4 km) south east, Sherborne, 6 miles (9.7 km) west, and Shaftesbury, 7 miles (11 km) north east. Stalbridge is situated on the A357.

## Your Music

Teams are challenged to pick solo music to play which fits in with the theme of **Flowers** - could be blooms or rivers! We'll even accommodate a misspelling (flours) and accept something to do with windmills or baking!

## Massed Ringing Music

The massed ringing music will be sent out well in advance to enable those who wish to do so to mark it up. The pieces chosen are:

- Flowers in May - David Barker
- Bluebells of Scotland - William Gordon
- Yellow Rose of Texas - John Mitchell

## Programme

**Sou'westers only** - table set up 10.30, ring-through 11.15 - 12.00pm

**Doors not open for teams** to set up until 12.00pm (*bring a packed lunch if you wish*)

*12.00 - 12.45 Jenny Elmes will be leading a group to ring the **church bells** at the nearby St Mary's Church (6 bells 17cwt tenor). Anyone interested in joining the group - to ring or watch - please email her at [elmesjenny@hotmail.com](mailto:elmesjenny@hotmail.com)*

**Ringing starts** 1.00pm - 2.45pm

Tea and biscuits, draw 2.45pm - 3.30pm

**Ringing** 3.30pm - 5.00pm

*(All timings approximate)*

## Best Dressed Table

With a theme of flowers we thought that we should encourage teams to 'dress' their tables accordingly so there will be a prize for the best floral decorated table which will be judged during the tea interval.

## Regional Bells

For those unable to attend with their teams, the Region's bells will be available for the massed ringing. **If you are going to mark the music in advance, please tell us which bells you want in good time.** The bells will also be used by the Sou'westers to ring their solo pieces, so some re-arrangement of bells may be necessary during the day.

## Directions

From the A303 follow the A357 south through Templecombe to Stalbridge. Pass straight through the village and look for a small triangular green (known as The Ring) with a telephone box on the right - bear left here into Lower Road, the entrance to the Village Hall is a short way ahead on the left (*see front of invitation*) Satnav users: DT10 2NF

## Draw

The draw will be in aid of the Region's young ringer fund which helps young South West ringers to attend a National handbell event. **Donation of a draw prize from each team would be most welcome.** We will also be doing a Membership Card Draw for a cash prize so don't forget to bring your 2019 HRGB Membership Card.

## Photographs

Please note that photographs of this event may be published in the Regional Newsletter, the Society journal **Reverberations**, HRGB websites and other media publications as appropriate

## Safeguarding

We are now instructed to make a record of the names of those attending our events. Please include the names of your team who are likely to come on the reverse of the booking form; anyone not attending can be deleted on the day and any additional names added. The list will be destroyed after the event.

## Booking

Please return the booking form with a **cheque made payable to HRGB SW** (not normally banked until after the event), or make any enquiries to:

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