Biographical Record

Jean Agnes DARMON nee Southerst (1925 - 2008)

Represented the Southwell Diocesan Guild on the Central Council from 1949 - 1950 and attended 1 meeting

She was born on May 19th 1925 in Finchley, London.

She learned to ring in Oxford in 1944, being taught by John Spice.

She was subsequently a member of the following towers: Oxford (various) 1944-1946, Newark (St Mary) 1946-1948 (also rang at Lincoln Cathedral), Leeds (St Michael, Headingley) 1948-1949, Claines (Worcester) 1949-1951, Dublin (various) 1951-1956, Bushey (St James) 1956-1962, Amersham (St Mary) 1964-1989.

She returned to tower bell ringing, after a gap of 18 years, with a peal at West Wycombe on October 22nd 1975.

She took part in a handbell peal of Stedman Cinques, rung by three married couples, on August 10th 1980 at Amersham.

She rang in the first peal of Surprise Sixteen in one method only at Holyport on March 18th 1981.

She rang in the first peal of Bristol Surprise Fourteen on handbells at Maidenhead on July 14th 1982.

She rang in the first peal of Spliced Surprise Maximus on handbells which included changes of method at the half-lead at Langley on April 20th 1983.

She taught French at Worcester Girls' Grammar School.

She died on 22nd August 2008.



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