

**LACR: Liverpool Branch and LUSCR  
Joint Summer Tour 2026**



*Newport Cathedral*

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August

**FULL ITINERARY**

## Introduction

This year's summer tour takes us to South Wales, an area with many fine rings of bells in addition to beautiful scenery. We will be ringing at 14 towers across the weekend including two rings of twelve, the magnificent ten at Abergavenny, a variety of eights including the superb bells at Ebbw Vale, three rings of six and, as a bit of a novelty, a ring of five at Llanwern. Suggestions for funky doubles methods are encouraged! If you're viewing this document electronically, each place name is linked to the relevant Dove entry, and clicking on the ear symbol will take you to a recording of the bells. A map of all the towers (Google Maps format) is available [here](#).

Those planning on attending are asked to let us know using [this Google Form](#) no later than Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July.

The tour has been arranged by Alex Fishburn, Ringing Master for the Liverpool Branch and LUSCR member. If you need to contact anyone about the tour, please get in touch with Alex or Lillian:

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## Travel arrangements

There is no organised travel for the weekend, however many of the usual Summer Tour attendees travel by car, and are often able to offer lifts between towers. In order to help facilitate this, we have set up a page on [this carpooling site](#), which we have successfully used in the past. Please could drivers use the "notes" field to indicate where they will be starting from and returning to on each day (i.e. hotel details) to help facilitate this. We take no responsibility for organising carpooling and kindly ask that drivers ensure they have made all necessary pickup/drop-off arrangements with their passengers.

## Hotel suggestions

Some hotels in the area include:

Holiday Express Newport by IHG

The Waterloo Hotel & Bistro, Newport

Hotel 247 the Old Victoria Hotel

Mercure Newport

Travelodge Newport Central

Belvilla Newport City Centre Hotel

Ibis budget Newport

Premier Inn Newport

Premier Inn Pontypool

*NB: These are not personal recommendations and based on online research only.*

## Tower Donations

In an effort to streamline the process of dealing with tower donations, we'd like to ask that everyone brings £2 per tower (£6 for Friday, £16 for Saturday, £6 for Sunday) **in cash**, to be given to Lillian on arrival. We will then distribute this between the towers.

# ITINERARY

## Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August

16:00 to 16:40

**Caerphilly:** St Martin

CF83 1EJ

8 bells, tenor 13cwt in F

See note below re parking



17:10 to 17:50

**Bassaleg:** St Basil

NP10 8LD

8 bells, tenor 14cwt in F

Park on Caerphilly Rd  
alongside the stone wall.



17:50 to 19:30

Time to eat and check-in  
to hotels. Own  
arrangements for food.

19:30 to 21:00

**St Mellons:** St Mellon

CF3 5UP

6 bells, tenor 10cwt in G

Park on Church Lane



*Parking at Caerphilly - parking at the church is available, however a choir rehearsal will be taking place at the same time as our visit. Because of this, parking is likely to be very limited. We advise that you arrive early and, if there is no parking available at the church, park at the station car park.*

## Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August

09:30 to 10:15

**Ebbw Vale**: Christ Church

NP23 6PN

8 bells, tenor 25cwt in D

Parking available on hill opposite the church.



10:45 to 11:20

**Blaenavon**: St Peter

NP4 9AS

8 bells, 9cwt in Ab

Parking alongside the church and also on Park Street opposite the church cemetery.



11:50 to 12:40

**Abergavenny**: St Mary

NP7 5NE

10 bells, tenor 25cwt in D

Nearest parking is the bus station carpark or Brewery Yard carpark.



12:40 to 14:20

**Lunch** at Portico Lounge, Abergavenny, NP7 5AE

[Menu here](#). £5 deposit required to secure the booking, contact Alex to pay.

Pre-order required via [this Google Form](#). N.B. you will not be added to the list until your deposit has been received. The deadline for this is Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July.

There is no carpark at the pub but it is only a 5 minute walk from the tower.

14:40 to 15:25

[Usk](#): St Mary

NPI5 IBX

8 bells, tenor 14cwt in F#

Park on Priory St at the end of the churchyard.



15:40 to 16:20

[Llangybi](#): St Cybi

NPI5 INP

8 bells, tenor 12cwt in F#

Park on the grassy area further down the hill from the church.



16:35 to 17:10

[Tredunnoch](#): St Andrew

NPI5 ILZ

6 bells, tenor 9cwt in A

Park on St Andrew's Walk – please park considerately.



17:35 to 18:00

[Llanwern](#): St Mary

NPI8 2DN

5 bells, tenor 7cwt in A

Small parking area available beside the church.



18:25 to 19:00

[Nash](#): St Mary

NPI8 2DD

6 bells, tenor 8cwt in Bb

Limited parking available outside the church.



19:30

**Curry** at Hatti, Newport, NP20 1EH

[Menu here](#). £5 deposit required to secure the booking, contact Alex to pay. N.B. you will not be added to the list until your deposit has been received. The deadline for this is Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July.

Kingsway carpark (NP20 1EX) is located a 5 minute walk away.

## Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August

09:45 to 10:30

**Newport:** Cathedral

NP20 4ED

12 bells, tenor 22cwt in D

Nearest carpark is Stow Hill  
Pay + Display.



10:30 to 12:30

**Brunch**

Own arrangements, however we recommend the Church Inn in Mynyddislwyn. There may be an opportunity for some handbell ringing.

13:00 to 14:00

**Mynyddislwyn:** St Tudor

NP12 2BG

8 bells, tenor 12cwt in F#

Parking available outside  
the church.



15:00 to 15:55

**Llandaff:** Cathedral

CF5 2LA

12 bells, 24cwt in Eb

Parking spaces available  
on The Cathedral Green.



16:00

**Drinks** in Llandaff