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17th September 1974

Mr. J. Morel,
Secretary to Deddington Society,
Deddington

Dear Sir,

I must protest most strongly at the rudeness of two of your members both over the 'phone and in the tower last night, over the matter of bellringing.

I think you should know that ringing practise has taken place on Monday nights in Deddington for over 45 years, and this is publicised in all ringing journals, year books, diaries, etc. and for us to cancel a practise would necessitate giving notice in the weekly Ringing World at least three weeks in advance. Deddington tower is very well known all over the country and ringers travel from as far as Stow on the Wold, Chipping Norton, Hook Norton, Banbury, Great Tew, Steeple Aston, etc., as well as locally from Bodicote and Adderbury, to practise at Deddington, and for them to travel here to be told there is no practise is just not possible.

Deddington Ringers have given full co-operation to your Society over the past two years, and when you wanted a Quarter Peal rung on Sunday last, and the Tower opened next Saturday, you did not fail to ask at least two months in advance. To expect a practise to be cancelled at one hour's notice is just not realistic.

I should be glad if you would place these facts before your Society members so that the true position is known.

Yours faithfully,

W. Long

P.S. You may like to know that the Quarter Peal of 1260 changes of Plain Bob Doubles was achieved last Sunday morning.