

Master of Ceremonies  
*David Bleby, Chair of The Adelaide Bellringers*

Grace  
*Fr Anthoni Adimai*

Shared Entrée  
*Antipasti-style platters, hot and cold items, including charcuterie & cheese,  
breads, olives, pickles homemade dips, grilled pita bread*

Handbells

Main Course - Alternate Drop  
*250g Sirloin, sweet potato puree, broccolini, red wine jus  
Chicken breast, potato gratin, broccolini, romesco, caramelised balsamic  
Seasonal vegetables*

Salad

Speeches

*The Rt Rev'd Chris McLeod, who will also acknowledge Country  
Councillor Franz Knoll*

Dessert

*Sticky date pudding with Chantilly cream*

Drinks

*Hahn Premium Light  
Hahn SuperDry  
James Squire Apple Cider  
James Squire 150 Lashes Pale Ale  
Dunes & Greene Chardonnay Pinot Noir  
Watervale Vickery Riesling  
Yalumba Y Series Shiraz  
Soft drink and juice  
Tea/coffee is available on request*

*Drinks are included in your dinner ticket  
(either soft drinks and coffee/tea; or soft drinks, coffee/tea plus beer, wine and cider).  
The dinner ticket drinks will conclude at 10pm. Drinks may then be purchased at the bar.  
Closing time is 11pm.*

*If your ticket is for Soft Drinks only and you would like a glass of wine or beer,  
these may be purchased until 10pm for \$5 each (up to a maximum of \$20).  
Please pay Kevin Stracey or Phil Goodyer (not the hotel or bar staff) for single glasses of wine or beer.*

# ANNIVERSARY DINNER

## Sunday 3 July 2022

The Adelaide Bellringers are celebrating  
10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - Adelaide Ringing Centre  
25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - St Francis Xavier Cathedral bells  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - St Cuthbert's Prospect bells  
75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - St Peter's Cathedral bells  
150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - The Australian Overland Telegraph Line  
175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - St Andrew's Walkerville foundation stone laying

We welcome our Guests and Visitors including  
Fr Anthoni Adimai SdM Administrator, St Francis Xavier Cathedral  
The Rt Rev'd Chris McLeod Dean of St Peter's Cathedral  
Councillor Franz Knoll Adelaide City Council Area Councillor  
Thomas Perrins President of The Australian & New Zealand Association of Bellringers

7pm for 8pm

Sunday 3 July 2022

The Heritage Room, The Cathedral Hotel  
King William Road, North Adelaide



## ADELAIDE ANNIVERSARIES

29 June 2022 marks the 75th Anniversary of the opening of the bells at St Peter's Cathedral Adelaide. And by a happy coincidence there were also anniversaries at all the Adelaide towers to celebrate, some delayed a year by Covid. Adelaide ringers, interstate visitors and guests are celebrating the anniversaries with ringing, and a dinner at The Cathedral Hotel.

### 175th Anniversary - St Andrew's Walkerville



In 1847, just 10 years after the first European settlement of South Australia, meetings were held at the Sussex Hotel, Walkerville Terrace to plan the building of a church. 2022 marks the 175th anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone of that church. The first building (12m x 8m) of limestone with brick corners and a squat tower was dedicated by Bishop Short on 23 August 1848.

The nave is the oldest section of the Church and is divided into five bays by buttressed external walling and semi-circular arched panels to the interior. The chancel and transepts, built in 1857, are of limestone rubble and the transepts are lit by tripartite windows. It was proposed in 1877 to enlarge the nave and erect a new bell tower. The tower was completed in 1886 and is constructed of squared, random-coursed quartzitic sandstone.

The peal of 6 bell, Mears & Stainbank, Whitechapel, London, (Tenor 12-1-6) was cast in 1886. A peal of 7 Surprise Minor methods was rung at St Andrew's on 1 July to celebrate the anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone.

2022 also marks the 70th anniversary of the first peal on the bells and the first tower bell peal in South Australia. Hervey Bagot and Catherine Lamphee rang in that peal.



### 150th Anniversary - Overland Telegraph Line

On 22 August 1872 the construction of the Overland Telegraph line between Adelaide and Darwin was completed. It has been described as 'the greatest engineering feat carried out in nineteenth century Australia'. Within months it was linked to the Java-to-Darwin submarine telegraph cable, and Australia's communication time with Europe was reduced from months

to minutes. Further information can be found at <https://www.nma.gov.au/defining-moments/resources/overland-telegraph>. The photograph (R) shows Bob Carew on one of the telegraph poles near Port Augusta.



The Adelaide end of the Line terminated at the GPO, across King William Street from Adelaide Town Hall.

The Town Hall tower foundation stone was laid in 1864 and in 1865 a peal of 8 bells cast by John Warner (Tenor 13-2-13) was installed in the tower. These are the oldest change ringing bells in South Australia, and we can fairly confidently speculate that 7 years later when the Overland Telegraph Line was completed they were rung to celebrate that event.

The bells fell into disuse in the early 20th Century, and effort was made to get them ringing again in the mid 1960s and in 1981 they were rehung by Hervey Bagot. The bells are unique and a real challenge to ring; in need of some serious investment to keep them ringing in the future.

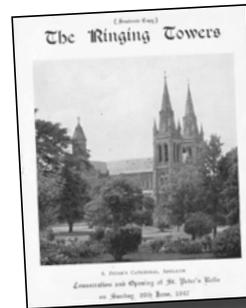
The current Tower Captain is Andrew Hopton. He and former Mistress of the Albert Society, and now Andrew's wife, Diana Bleby, will be present at the dinner.

A peal of Adelaide Surprise Major for the 150th anniversary of the Overland Telegraph Line is arranged for Monday 4 July 2022.



### 75th Anniversary - St Peter's Cathedral Bells

First rung in 1947, the bells at St Peter's Cathedral are the second heaviest peal of 8 bells in the world (after Sherborne Abbey in Dorset UK). Arguably they are the best heavy eight change ringing bells. They were cast by John Taylor of Loughborough UK in 1946 (Tenor 41-1-0). The bells were opened by a visiting band of ringers from Sydney whose flight from Sydney took 20 hours and involved 4 re-fueling/maintenance stops. The Cathedral featured on the cover of a special edition of *The Ringing Towers* in August 1947 (the first photograph in the magazine's history) which detailed the 16 days of ringing and celebrations for the opening of the bells.



In a fitting tribute to those 1947 visitors 11 interstate ringers will fly to Adelaide for the Anniversary Dinner, with 7 of them (plus current Captain, Matthew Ball) ringing in the peal at St Peter's to mark the 75th Anniversary. The dinner at the Cathedral Hotel on 3 July will be attended by past Captains Hervey Bagot, David Bleby, Douglas Bell, Philip Goodyer, Ian Harris and Graham Rich together with current Captain, Matthew Ball. Two

past Captains, Philip Bedford and Matthew Sorell, cannot attend the dinner as they are overseas.



In addition to the peal attempt on the 41cwt bells on 3 July, two quarter peals will be rung at the Adelaide Ringing Centre in the other cathedral tower celebrating the anniversaries.

### 50th Anniversary - St Cuthbert's Prospect Bells

The bells for St Cuthbert's Prospect (Tenor 11-1-2) were cast in 1971 by John Taylor & Co with the first quarter peal being rung 50 years' ago in 1972. Philippa Lamphee and David Bleby rang in that quarter. In 1994 a record length of Spliced Surprise was rung here including Ian Harris, Matthew Ball, Bill Perrins and Philip Goodyer in the band - all of whom are attending the dinner on 3 July. The campanile was completed in its current form in 2004. An Anniversary peal of Plain Bob Major was rung on 1 July 2022.



### 25th Anniversary - St Francis Xavier Cathedral Bells



First rung at St Francis Xavier in 1996, the bells were cast by the famous Whitechapel Bellfoundry in London. They date from 1881 (seven bells purchased from St Mary's Basilica, Sydney in 1985), 1992 (the 28-2-1 tenor in D flat) and 1995 (the light bells completing this ring of twelve). In 1992 Miss Lena Lewis donated the cost of returning the bells, casting a tenor and providing a frame for 13 bells and fittings.

Her estate later funded the casting of the trebles. Past Captains Philip Goodyer, Peter Harrison and Michelle Harrison and Vice Captain Vin Piscino are attending the 3 July dinner. An Anniversary peal of Stedman Cinques was rung on 2 July 2022.

### 10th Anniversary - Adelaide Ringing Centre

Dedicated on 4 Nov 2012, Adelaide Ringing Centre is a world leading ringing training centre, housed in the righthand tower of St Peter's Cathedral, with a 'ring' of 8 dumb-bells connected to computer simulators to allow training in groups of 1, 2, 4 or 8 individuals. The dumb-bells have the "go" of a 4cwt bell and can be rung together in everything from rounds to spliced major.



The Adelaide Ringing Centre is used to train ringers for all of Adelaide's bell towers and also houses the George Pipe Library.