

The History of the Clifton Handbell Ringers (Short Version)

The Clifton Handbell Ringers, Clifton, near Brighouse, Yorkshire, England

The original Clifton Handbell Ringers were formed around 1880. The team disbanded in 1915 and the bells were put into storage at a local mill.

The present Clifton Handbell ringers were re-established in 1975. Shortly after which a junior team was formed. This junior team is still in existence but is now called the Clifton Village Handbell Ringers. They have been successful at a number of music festivals in the North of England and they entertain a wide variety of audiences as well as ringing at Christmas raising money for charity.

In March 2001 the set of bells dating from 1908 were partly replaced with the delivery of 100 new handbells

The team of eight ringers play off a square table using the traditional Yorkshire 'off-the-table' style of ringing.



Current Team



Original Team in 1908