



Tower History

St Saviour, Arklow



St Saviour's Church was built in 1899 by the Earl of Carysfort as a gift to the people of Arklow. As the inscriptions show, this gift included the bells.

As there was nobody in the area who knew how to ring the bells the Earl brought over Mr J W Washbrook to teach the local band. The peal boards in the tower indicate that this was a very successful venture - this band rang their first peal on 2nd August 1901.

Mr Washbrook was an accomplished peal ringer in his own right - on 19th September 1901 he rang the 3 and 4 bells for a Peal of Grandsire Triples. However, many people (including Lindoff, Baker and Townley) did not believe that this could be done. So, to prove the point on the 19th October 1901 he did it again!

Link to tower on web site

<https://bellringingireland.org/tower/arklow-st-saviour/>

Bell Weights & Inscriptions

<https://dove.ccbbr.org.uk/detail.php?tower=13336>