

## AHS London Lecture Thursday 20 March 2014 Keith Scobie-Youngs

### ‘The Turret Clocks of Salisbury, Wells and Rye’

Over the years much has been written about the three turret clocks of Salisbury, Wells and Rye, and in recent years there has been much debate about which period they were manufactured.

Between 2007 and 2012 Keith has undertaken major conservation works to all three which has enabled him to have a unique insight into the design, manufacture and development of these important horological objects.

The talk will give detailed information about the manufacturing techniques used in their production, the elements of design which appear to link the three clocks, and how the design developed from clock to clock.



Keith Scobie-Youngs FBHI ACR established the Cumbria Clock Company in 1990 specialising in all aspects of tower and turret clock conservation and restoration. Clients have included Historical Royal Palaces, National Trust, Palace of Westminster and many cathedrals and churches throughout the UK.



The Salisbury clock (seen here as exhibited in the cathedral) is generally considered to date from c. 1386.

The clock from Wells cathedral, which was moved to the Science Museum, London, in the nineteenth century, is held to date from c. 1392.

The clock in the parish church of St Mary's in Rye, East Sussex, is held to date from c. 1561, but some believe it came from another church/abbey and should be regarded as coming from the same period as those of Wells and Salisbury.

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