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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. DECEMBER 2013

News from late October November:

Guild news:

Peals were rung in thanksgiving for the lives of Ros Knight and Michael Whiting at Londonthorpe, Willingham, Sproxtton, Market Deeping and Elsham. Additionally quarters were rung at Messingham, Lincoln Cathedral and Gainsborough. Ros and Michael will be greatly missed.

Many QPs were rung around the Guild for Remembrance Sunday. A peal, several QPs and a few date touches were rung for the 300th anniversary of the death of Fabian Stedman.

100 club for November 1st No 62 Mary Rushmere £10.00 2nd No 54 Paul Andrews £5.00

News from around the branches

Southern Branch

Jim Benner has rung his 250th peal for the Guild. He and Robin Rogers rang their 100th peal together, it was a new method called Chatteris Delight and was rung in memory of Colin Johnson. Congrats to Ben Stokoe who has rung his first QP inside – Cambridge Minor. James Thorpe rang his first peal of London Surprise at Sproxtton.

Elloe Deaneries Branch

A very large congregation of family, friends & ringers joined together at Crowland Abbey to give thanks and celebrate the life of Ros Knight, Elloe Deaneries Branch Treasurer. A band of Crowland ringers rang half muffled bells before the service. Many friends stayed to ring on open bells after the service and joined Ros's relatives & friends later at the Crown Inn.

18 + ringers braved the cold to join in the annual Open Ringing event at Surfleet Church. Four of the branches were represented CC were rung on all 12 bells as well as Grandsire Doubles and Stedman Triples. Hot coffee & snacks in the nearby Fraiser Room warmed cold fingers and toes at staggered intervals. The hot meal, served by Annette and the team at St Laurence's, was enjoyed by over a dozen ringers who elected to stay and join the friends of Surfleet church. What an amazing feat it was by Annette and her team, who served in excess of 50 hot lunches from a new, extended kitchen, still under construction with cupboards, units and appliances still to be delivered and fitted.

West Lindsey Branch

A packed church at Messingham gave thanks for the life of Michael Whiting. Many ringers joined the ringing before and after the Service and 3 QPs have been rung since to ensure that all the local ringers, past and present were able to pay tribute to this popular ringer.

Branch members were sorry to announce the death, at age of 95 years, of Harold Morwood, a former Tower Captain of Kirton in Lindsey. His funeral was held at Scawby.

Eastern Branch

Ringers of Pudsey S. raised £11 for Children in Need at the branch Surprise Major practice. Congratulations to George Pickwell, aged 14, who has rung his first QP – the treble to Bob Doubles at Butterwick.

Diary for December

December	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
3	Midweek	Dunholme	6	Abertawe Bob	1400 – 1530
7	Eastern	Freiston	6	Ringing Carol Service Tea + meeting+ Ringing	1500 1700 1730
11	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
13	Eastern	Sutterton	8	Surprise major	1930 - 2100
14	Central	Ruskington	6	Ringing Carol Service Coffee and mincepies.	1430 1500
14	Northern	Walesby	8	Ringing Carols by Candlelight Service	1730 – 1900 1900
17	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Music Box Surprise	1430 - 1600
21	Surprise Major	Washingborough	8	Surprise Major	1030 - 1200
21	Southern	Bourne	6	General ringing	1600 - 1800
21	W Lindsey	Scotter	6	Ringing Carols by Candlelight Quiz and Supper	1530 1700 1830

The Church Schools' Festival takes place in the Cathedral every year in May/June. At this time of year the organisers will be asking the Church Schools to choose an activity at that event. If you have a local C of E school and are looking for new recruits, it would be a good idea to make contact with the Headteacher and ask them to try to book the Six bell simulator for their pupils.

Alan Black of Langtoft makes peal boards and has a supply of ash for stays. He has a web site – www.toweressentials.vpweb.co.uk where you can view the peal boards. He can be contacted on 07516 371992.

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