

## **GO LINCOLN STATES** LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSSHEET AND DIARY. FEBRUARY 2016

## News from January:

**100 club for January** 1st No 39 Richard Hall £10,00 2nd No 72 Dorothy Robinson £5.00 News from around the Branches:

**Northern** The branch AGM was held at Tealby this year. Unfortunately Branch RM, Andrew Lord was unable to be present due to work commitments, but Jenny and Andy Bennett kindly looked after the ringing. The Service was conducted by ringer Rev Geoffrey Spencer and was followed by an excellent tea in the village hall. All officers were re-elected and plans for extending QP opportunities for branch members were approved.

**West Lindsey** A very well attended AGM was held at Epworth and 14 new members were elected. Melvyn Rose was thanked for his time as branch President, Ian Till was elected to this office. Other officers are unchanged. 12 Young Farmers were welcomed to Stow church and given a tour of the bells, roof space, tried lapping on handbells and then had a bell handling lesson. They were very enthusiastic and proved to be quick learners. Thanks to all the branch members who came along to help out at the event. Branch members rang a QP of 8 spliced S Major at Stow, most advanced QP for a while. **Southern** The branch AGM was held at Grantham this year. The Deputy RM and Safeguarding officers did not want reelection and nobody came forward to fill their places. All other officers were re-elected. A new method was rung and named at Edenham – Eastrington Alliance Major. A QP was rung at Folkingham to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> birthday of Ian Ansell of Kirton in Holland. Another QP was rung to remember those who had died in the Charlie Hebdo attacks, a year on. Congratulations to Vince Stocking on his 1<sup>st</sup> QP – treble to 2 Doubles methods at Silk Willoughby.

**Eastern** Over 50 people were at the EB AGM at Horncastle, ringing was followed by a service from the Guild green book, with branch member Louis Watson playing the organ. A delicious lunch at The Bull was eaten before going upstairs to one of their function rooms for the AGM. Seven new members were elected, and the programme for the year discussed. Simon Pearson stood down as secretary and Helen Brotherton was elected to replace him. John Collett stood down as vice president following a move back to Oxfordshire, and it was decided not to replace him. Alan Payne gave us an update on Guild matters, and the raffle raised £60 for the BRF. More ringing at Horncastle rounded off the afternoon.

**Central** The Branch AGM was held at Sleaford where Fish and chips from the local chippy were much enjoyed. The same officers were re-elected. The Branston Woodside campanile (aka the pots) was busy over the New Year. A QP of Grandsire Triples was rung on New year's Day in memory of John Ketteringham, and the 100<sup>th</sup> QP on the pots was rung the following day. QPs in memory of John Ketteringham were rung at Lincoln Cathedral, Potterhanworth and a peal of Lincolnshire was rung at St Giles, the tower where JRK rang his 1000<sup>th</sup> peal in 1986. His funeral was well attended by many ringers and other friends. A peal of Ketteringham Delight was also rung at Washingborough by members of the College Youths. A 1296 was rung at Branston for Ron Applewhite's 96<sup>th</sup> birthday. Ron still rings at Branston and he rang his 1<sup>st</sup> and last

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**Elloe**. Teas For the AGM need to be booked by ringing on 01775 820631 or email Barbara Webster. Learners & supporting trainers most welcome at the Learners practice on Wednesday February 17th at Spalding. Fish & Chip tea at Sheddy's meeting at 6.0pm.

February	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
2	Midweek	Dunholme	6	Single Court Bob Minor	1400 - 1530
6	Elloe	Surfleet	12	Ringing Service, tea, AGM, further ringing	1530 1630 1715
10	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
13	Central	Martin	6	Practice	1430 - 1600
16	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Woodstock Major	1430 - 1600
17	S. Lincs group	Brooke	6	Netherseal, Kent and Oxford	1430 - 1600
17	Elloe	Spalding	8	Learners Evening Fish + chips at Sheddy's Ringing	1800 Until 2100
20	West Lindsey	Saxilby	6	Practice	1500 - 1700
27	8 bell method	Washingborough	8		1030 - 1200
27	Southern	Corby Glen	6	Ringing Pub lunch	morning

The newssheet compiler, Sue Faull, would be happy to receive feedback and news items from around the Guild.

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

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