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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. JULY 2012

### News from late May and June: Guild wide:

**Jubilee Picnic** The poor weather meant that the picnic was held indoors at Wragby Town Hall where Alistair's mobile ring was much enjoyed along with handbells and plenty of chat. A Guild photo was taken for posterity. As Elloe Sec, Barbara, said "Dave and I really enjoyed the Guild Jubilee event. Good to go to a Guild event, ringing at "new" towers for us and meeting ringers from other branches."

**Jubilee ringing.** Many quarters were rung all around the Guild. At least 6 peals were rung, Cathedral, Branston, Silk Willoughby, Bourne, Scunthorpe and Sproxton. There were so many entries in Campanophile and Bellboard, my apologies if I've missed anybody.

**Central Council:** Unfortunately this clashed with Jubilee celebrations so CC reps had to dash around the country. Robin and Philip were in Chester on Sunday when a successful RF meeting was held, and Judith and Sue for the formal meeting on Monday

**The RW National Youth Competition:** The Lincolnshire Poachers team acquitted themselves really well, being given a Grade B and coming joint 3<sup>rd</sup> in the CC competition, joint 5<sup>th</sup> overall. 15 teams took part. It was an excellent day in Birmingham, where the young ringers were able to ring on the 16 bells at St Martins, as well as the 12 at St Philips and the 8 at St Chads. The Charnborough mini ring was also put to good use. Well done to them all and thanks to the Guild and branches for their support, and various adults for transport.

The **Sixbel simulator** was put to very good use in the Cathedral for the Church Schools' Festival. 37 volunteers helped out at some point during the 3 week festival, of whom 9 were newcomers to the event. As usual there was very enthusiastic feedback from the young people and their teachers, including a newsletter article from one Lincoln Primary School. (see website)

### News from the branches:

**Eastern:** A Jubilee QP was rung at Candlesby- the first since the new floor was installed. Ringing took place for the Olympic torch relay at Addlethorpe, Ingoldmells, Mabelthorpe and the Stump. We are eagerly awaiting details of Tom Evans Olympic torch bearing experience. His torch will be on show at the BBQ at Sibsey.

**Southern:** Alistair Cherry has had a busy month (since finishing exams!) He has conducted his 1<sup>st</sup> QP of minor in hand, his first QP of Doubles and rang peals of Superlative and Rutland for the 1<sup>st</sup> time. The Jubilee QP at Irnham was the first by an all local band. A new method, Solstice Alliance Major, was rung at Spalding on June 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Elloe** Wave down the Welland. - The cascade of sound was a spectacular achievement. In all 47 churches took part. Five from Elloe Deaneries Branch were involved. Crowland tower rang then enjoyed "Picnic in the Park", Deeping St. Nicholas ringers went on to the final ringing at Surfleet, Spalding tower concluded their ringing with a community BBQ, finishing with fireworks on top of the church tower, Pinchbeck concluded ringing with "firing" the bells 12 times and finally Surfleet ringers and company enjoyed a celebratory supper after ringing Tittums and Queens on all 12 bells.

**Central:** Jubilee and Olympic torch relay meant a lot of bells were heard in the branch. Many QPs and performances marked the Jubilee. Diamond Bob Triples was rung to a QP at St Giles. Angela Holt and Wendy Jeans rang their first QPs on 8 bells, Ron Everett rang his 1<sup>st</sup> QP of Minor. Ian Hasman rang his most methods (13) to a peal. The bells all along the High St greeted the torch relay, as did the Cathedral bells (which were very audible on Look North)

**Northern.** Barton ringers enjoyed an outing to the awe inspiring Liverpool Cathedral ring of bells. Daniel even had a go at ringing the 84cwt Tenor. Barton TC, Andy Bennett was interviewed and the bells recorded for a radio piece on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Geoff Bryant recalled that his first ever peal was a fully muffled one following the death of King George VI. Few people today have rung fully muffled peals. Branch ringers enjoyed ringing at Caistor, Barton, Tealby and Market Rasen before meeting for the Guild picnic at Wragby. Carolyn Hibbert rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QPs of minor and triples. Bish Ward rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QP of Minor. Alice McNeill rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QP inside.

**West Lindsey:** The Jubilee peal at Scunthorpe was by a branch band. Ellie Sargeant conducted her 1<sup>st</sup> QP on the eve of her 13<sup>th</sup> birthday. Meanwhile her Gran, Kathy, rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QP away from cover. Jenny Kirkby rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QP on 8 bells away from cover. QPs were rung at Scunthorpe and Saxilby as the torch relay passed by. Messingham were once again winners of the branch striking comp.

July	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
3	Midweek	Dunholme	6	PB, London, Norwich, Ipswich	1400 - 1530
3	Southern	Stamford		Olympic torch ringing	
4	Southern	Mkt Deeping to Bourne		Olympic torch ringing	
7	Eastern	Old Leake	6	Ringing BBQ Sibsey Mill	1730 - 1845 1900
11	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
13	Eastern	Sutterton	8	S major	1930 - 2100
14	Central	Norton Disney	6	Ringing, meeting BBQ	
17	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Grandsire, Rutland and London spliced	1430 - 1600
18	S Lincs Weds gp	Greatford	6	Bourne S, Double Oxford	1430 - 1600
21	W Lindsey	Walk and ring			
27	Guild			"All the Bells" Olympic games opening	0812 - 0815 Whenever possible
28	S. Major	Washingborough	8	Surprise major	1030 - 1200
31	Midweek	Away day			