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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. MAY 2013

News from late March and April: Guild wide

AGM All officers of the Guild were re-elected. Chris Turner and Chris Sharp were elected Central Council Reps to replace Sue Faull and Judith Rogers, who were thanked, and given a gift, for their time representing the Guild. Roy Norman was also thanked for his efforts as coordinator of the Fund raising committee. Mick Stracey was elected Honorary life Member of the Guild for his contributions to the Guild and Central Branch. A rule change to make future rule changes easier to administer was passed. The Master, Alan Payne updated the members on the working of the Guild review groups. The Dean was thanked for Presiding at the Communion Service and for chairing the meeting. Ringing took place at Stow, Saxilby and the Cathedral. Lovely cakes were provided at Saxilby where the Guild Raffle was drawn.

100 club: 1st Viv Simpson £100, 2nd Martin Bull £50, 3rd Barbara Webster £25, 4th Sue Waterfall £10, 5th Sylvia Taylor £5

Guild Draw 1st F Boulton, Hagworthingham £150, 2nd Joanne Bale. Epworth £75, 3rd Derek Bunting, Brigg £50

News from the branches:

Eastern: Up to 20 ringers attended the Eastern Branch practice where there was ringing for all standards. The former branch President Tom Freeston was awarded his Service to the Community Award by Boston Borough Council in a grand ceremony. Tom gave a gracious speech recalling how he became a ringer and thanking those who have supported him through 60 plus years of ringing. A QP was rung to mark the day.

Central Branch: Congratulations to Amanda Crombie, TC of Waddington, and husband Matthew, on the birth of their son Freddie. A number of QPs were rung to celebrate this happy event. The bi centenary of the first peal at Nettleham was celebrated with another peal and a fund/awareness raising event in the church. Activities included the Mason's mini ring, a camera fitted in the bell chamber to relay down into the church, an exhibition and refreshments. Two new recruits were signed up and over £300 raised. A fruitful and successful conducting course was held. Much practice of calling CCs, bob doubles and minor was given. A QP of Grantham S was rung at Potterhanworth on the day of Margaret Thatcher's funeral. They have also rung the 200th QP on the bells since augmentation.

Northern Branch 60 changes of George S Minor was conducted by George Thompson on St George's day at Barton.

West Lindsey Branch Congrats to Jenny Kirkby on her first QP treble bob hunting. Ellie and Malcolm Sargeant rang their first QPs of Major. Richard Hall's 70th birthday was marked with a QP, he is stepping down as TC after many years. The April meeting was a Treasure Hunt around Messingham, faith tea followed by ringing. A really enjoyable afternoon.

Southern Branch Many congrats to Emma Southerington who completed the London marathon and raised £3,300 towards clapper work to Market Deeping bells. The open ringing at Grantham was a great success, people coming from all over the country to try out the new 12. What were a very fine 10 are now a very fine 12. The first peal on the 12 was rung a week later and was Alistair Cherry's first as cond on 12. A QP was rung on the front 5 for Margaret Thatcher's funeral. Congrats to Jean Key on her first QP of surprise, also to Roger Stokoe who has now rung QPs of TB on 6 and 8 bells. Well done to Helena Thorpe who has rung her first QP on 8.

May	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
4	Eastern	Kirton Swineshead	8 8	Service and tea at Swineshead	1500 1830
6	West Lindsey	Outing to Melton Mowbray area			
7	midweek	Dunholme	6	St Clements	1400 - 1530
8	midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
10	Eastern	Sutterton	8	Surprise Major	1930 - 2100
11	Elloe	Bicker	8	Ringing followed by refreshments	1400 - 1600
11	Central	Timberland Martin	6 6	Ringing, picnic tea Striking competition	1500 - 1600 1700
15	South Lincs gp	Sproxton Branston	8 6	Pudsye S, College Bob Trips Ipswich S. Hereward	1100 - 1200 1430 - 1600
18	West Lindsey	Springthorpe Upton	4 6	Tea at Fox and Hounds Willingham	1600 - 1700 1900 - 2100
18	Northern	Walesby	8	Open Churches	1600
18	Southern	Silk Willoughby	6	Ringing followed by Service Meeting and tea Striking comp	1600 1700 1800
21	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Caythorpe S.	1430 - 1600
25	Surprise major	Washingborough	8	Surprise major	1030 - 1200
25	Northern	Outing - Elloe Deaneries			
26	Northern	Walesby	8	Rambler's Trinity Service	1400
27	Central	Branston	6	Rabbits Striking comp +design a Christmas card	1500

Church Schools' festival - Sixbel simulator in the Cathedral May 21, 22, 23, June 4,5,6,11,12. Volunteers to help out at this annual event would be gratefully received.