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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. MAY 2014

### News from late March and April: Guild wide

**AGM** For the first time, a Roll of Honour has been established for members who have given long service to ringing. The first people to receive this honour were Hilday Culley, Frank Kennington and Harry Minns of the Northern Branch and John Nicholson and Rhys Prosser of West Lindsey Branch. Many congratulations to them.

All officers were re-elected except Chris Sharp has replaced Jim Benner as Peal Sec, and Robin Heppenstall has replace Dot Mason as BRF Administrator. Jim and Dot were thanked for their hard work.

4 composite resolutions were discussed, amended and agreed upon, as were a number of rule changes which have removed inconsistencies and have reflected the composite resolutions. Further details of these will appear on the Guild web site in due course. This marathon meeting ended after 1.30. Many thanks to the Dean and the Master on steering the meeting calmly.

**100 club: March** 1st No 76 Martin Ball £10.00 2nd No 24 Anita Blundell £5.00

**April** 1st No 47 Sue Faulf £100.00 2nd No 16 John Bundy £50.00 3rd No 1 Mary Brown £25.00 4th No 7 Mary Whiting £10.00 5th No 108 Philip Wild £5.00

**Guild Draw** : 1<sup>st</sup> C Bennett, Fishtoft £150, 2<sup>nd</sup> S Slater, Spalding £75, 3<sup>rd</sup> Joy Lord S. Ferriby, £50 Thanks for all who supported the raffle by buying or selling or coordinating. It looks as though over £500 will have been raised for the BRF.

### News from the branches:

**Eastern:** Congratulations to Phil Ford for his 1<sup>st</sup> QP – treble to Gradsire Doubles, and to Joe Waters for his first QP of major. Also congrats to Coningsby ringers Matthew Cohu for his first QP and to Bob Hardwick on his first away from cover. QPs were rung at Fistoft and Butterwick to celebrate Tom Palmer’s 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**Central Branch:** The branch was very sorry to announce the death of Martin Pearson. The funeral will be held at St Giles, Lincoln on 6<sup>th</sup> May at 11am. QPs have been rung in his memory at Branston campanile and Blankney,

Well done to Robert Harvey on his 1<sup>st</sup> QP on 8 away from cover. A QP was rung to celebrate Maureen Pike’s 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. QPs were also rung on Lincoln High St towers for the victory parade of Jade Etherington, paralympian, the Good Friday Walk of Witness and for RAF parades.

**Northern Branch** Well done to Andy Bennett for his 1<sup>st</sup> QP of major on handbells.

**West Lindsey Branch** Great progress was made by a number of ringers at the branch handbell workshops. Congratulations to Robin and Delia Heppenstall on their Golden Wedding Anniversary, a handbell peal celebrates the event.

**Southern Branch** A peal of Bristol Royal was rung for the first time for the Guild on handbells. It was a 1<sup>st</sup> of Bristol Royal in hand for Chris Sharp. Chris has now rung his 400<sup>th</sup> peal on handbells. A new method was named (Market Deeping Alliance) at a peal in Heydour. Ben Ricketts has rung his first peal of London Major and completes the Standard 8. This was also the occasion of Jim Benner’s 350<sup>th</sup>. The peal at Market Deeping was for the patronal festival (1300<sup>th</sup> anniv of St Guthlac) and was a 1<sup>st</sup> of Lincolnshire for Janice Atkinson. Congratulations to Bob Willas for his 1<sup>st</sup> QP of Minor, it was also the 1<sup>st</sup> QP inside of PBM for Helena Thorpe.

**Elloe** John Bennet writes: Following the April 15 practice at Gedney we had a little celebration to honour the memory of Miss Charlotte Emma Banks whose name appears on a peal board in the tower. This peal was 5040 Grandsire Doubles rung on March 31,1913, Miss Banks being described as the "first lady to ring a peal for the Lincoln Guild" As well as her bellringing she was: President of the Gedney W. I. ( 26 years), Sunday School Superintendent ( 40 years), and champion wine maker. As long as that peal board exists, now 101 years old, you and your times, Miss Banks, will not be entirely forgotten.

| May | Branch          | Venue                         |   | Special method  | Time         |
|-----|-----------------|-------------------------------|---|---|--------------|
| 3   | Eastern         | Gunby                         | 5 | Ringing   | 1500         |
|     |                 | Burgh le Marsh                | 8 | Service + Tea+meeting<br>Ringing                      | 1630<br>1840 |
| 5   | West Lindsey    | Outing Wakefield area         |   |   |              |
| 6   | Midweek         | Dunholme                      | 6 | Heatherslad Bob                                       | 1400 - 1530  |
| 9   | Eastern         | Sutterton                     | 8 | Surprise major  | 1930 - 2100  |
| 10  | Central         | Wellingore                    | 6 | Striking comp   | 1700         |
| 10  | Northern        | Walesby                       | 8 | Quarter peal  |              |
| 14  | Midweek         | Wragby                        | 6 | Learners  | 1030 - 1200  |
| 17  | Southern        | Witham on the Hill            | 6 | Striking comp   | 1000 - 1200  |
| 17  | Elloe           | Bicker                        | 8 | Open Tower<br>Soup + cakes (booking essential)        | 1000 - 1200  |
| 20  | Midweek         | Washingborough                | 8 | Countesthorpe S<br>8 <sup>th</sup> place Lincolnshire | 1430 - 1600  |
| 21  | S Lincs Weds gp | Weldon                        | 8 | Pudsey, Stedman                                       | 1100 – 1230  |
|     |                 | Bulwick                       | 6 | Hull, Original  | 1430 - 1600  |
| 24  | Surprise major  | Washingborough                | 8 | Surprise Major  | 1030 - 1200  |
| 26  | Central         | Thorpe on the Hill            | 6 | Rabbits competition                                   | 1500         |
| 26  | Northern        | Malton, Norton, Beverley area |   | Branch Outing   |              |
| 31  | Wets Lindsey    | Tower Open Day                |   |   |              |

**Church Schools’ festival – Sixbel simulator in the Cathedral May 20, 21, 22, June 3,4,5, 10,11, Volunteers to help out at this annual event would be gratefully received.**