

Lincoln Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers Northern Branch

Newsletter – January 2011

Welcome to the January edition of the Northern Branch newsletter. The deadline for the next newsletter is March 16th so if you do anything between now and then and want it reported, please let Joy or Lorraine know. Also please let us know of anything being planned for next April, May, June and July.

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CHRISTMAS SOCIAL Middle Rasen (6)

3-4 pm ringing, 4-4:30 pm Carol Service
And then fun and games at the church hall
Please bring some food for the faith supper and your own drinks
A raffle will be held for the
Branch bell repair fund

All welcome (including non-ringing friends and family)...all will enjoy!

Sadly due to all that thick white stuff causing mayhem the Candlelit Carol Service at Walesby had to be cancelled this year. However, many of you have been able to keep the bells ringing during this tough weather so well done to all of you, from the RM.

NORTHERN BRANCH AGM

Tealby (6)

2-3:30 pm ringing (up the tower and on handbells in the church)
3:45 pm service - 4:15-4:45 pm Tea in Hall - 5 pm business meeting.
Names for tea by Wednesday 19th January by phone to Joy Lord.
(Tel 01652 635337)

***Please note new venue**

There is a car park at the Hall and at the Church. Toilets available in the Hall (not far from Church)

CLAXBY RINGERS RING THE NEW YEAR IN ON THEIR NEWLY REFURBISHED BELLS



Barton Christmas Festival Peal



The Peal Ringers from left to right: Linda Howden, Richard Hopper, Joan Barton, Roger Lord, George Thompson, Andy Bennett, Geoff Bryant & Andrew Lord (C)

On Sat. 27th November a Peal was rung at St. Mary's for the Barton Christmas Festival celebrations. According to records, this is the first time that an entirely local Sunday service band of ringers has rung a peal at St. Mary's since the bells were augmented from four to eight bells in 1946; a considerable achievement which we are all very proud of. The ringers, starting with the lightest bell, were: 1 Geoff Bryant, 2 George Thompson (age 13) his first Peal on eight bells, 3 Joan Barton, 4 Linda Howden her first Peal on Tower Bells, 5 Richard Hopper, 6 Roger Lord, 7 Andy Bennett and 8 Andrew Lord. Andrew made an excellent job of conducting the Peal. A lot of people have commented how nice the bells sounded and to mark this achievement we are hoping to have a "Peal Board" erected in the ringing chamber.

Roger Lord

Memorial to Ted and Nan Colley

Ted and Nan Colley have left a legacy of ringers that they have taught in our Branch and across the country. However it would be nice for there to be a lasting memorial for them from the Northern Branch, After consulting John and Stephen (their sons) the committee are recommending that the best memorial that the branch could give would be to purchase a peal board with gold leaf writing for Caistor church for the peal that was rung after their memorial service. If any members would like to place a donation towards this, we will be holding a collection at the AGM.

Northern Branch Programme 2011

Date	Location	Event
Sat 8 th Jan	Middle Rasen Christmas Social tbc	Ringling 3-4, Carol service 4-4:30, Faith Supper, Quiz / Games
Sat 22 nd Jan	Tealby (6) Please note new venue	Branch AGM Ringling 2-3:30pm 3:45 - 4:15 service, tea 5pm business meeting.
Sat 19 th March	Claxby (5)	3:00 - 4:00pm branch practice (faith supper)
Sat 2 nd April	Barton upon Humber	Treasure Hunt Quiz, Refreshments Ringling
Sat 30 th April	Lincoln afternoon Towers -	Guild AGM
Sat 14 th May	Walesby (8)	4pm open churches
Sun 19 th May	Walesby (8)	2pm ringling for the ramblers Trinity Sunday service.
Fri 24 th June	Tealby (6)	6:00 - 9:00 pm branch striking competition
Sat 2 nd July	Great Carlton (5)	From 3:00pm ringling and $\frac{1}{2}$ year meeting
Sat 30 th July	Huddersfield Tour	
Sun 21 st Aug	Lincoln Cathedral (12)	meet at 2:15pm , ringling to Evensong
Saturday 10 th Sept	West Lindsey (6)	Guild 6 Bell Striking Competition
Saturday 24 th September	Barton Upon Humber (8)	3pm - 4:30pm ringling.
Sat 8 th Oct.	Market Rasen (8)	Guild 8-bell Striking Competition 5pm - 7pm ringling, tea and results
Sat 10 th Dec	Walesby (8)	6:00pm candlelit carol service at 7:30pm

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Sat 7 th Jan		Christmas Social
Sat 28 th Jan	Caistor?	Branch AGM Ringling 2-3:30pm 3:45 - 4:15 service, tea 5pm business meeting.
Saturday 24 th March		3:00 - 4:00pm branch practice

1 st Wed of month	Ladies Practice	1.30 – 3.00pm. Contact Dorothy Robinson 01673 843400 for details of locations
2 nd Wed of Month	Simulator Practice at Wragby	10.30am – 12.00pm. Contact Jim Sutherland 01673 858492
Last Fri of Month	Simulator Practice at Louth	10.30am – 12.00pm by arrangement only contract Mick Day 01507 603998