

West Lindsey Branch Barn Dance



A number of people were heard complaining about aching limbs and not enough sleep when climbing the stairs to the ringing chamber on Sunday 18th October, following an energetic and most enjoyable evening of barn dancing at Upton cum Kexby Village Hall.



The Riverhead Ranters were excellent and the Caller superb. They were much appreciated by the 85 enthusiastic people who filled the hall (so not quite as squashed as last year!) The band said that they liked playing for us as no one needed to be cajoled into dancing, in fact most people danced for most of the time. These skilled musicians, who are based in Louth, come highly recommended.

We had a superb supper after an hour's dancing to work up an appetite. Quiches, meats and salads were followed by a large choice of puddings and cheese. Many thanks to all those who had provided food, but particular thanks go to Brenda Coley, who had masterminded the whole event, and to her sister, Hilary, who came to help. Both remained amazingly calm in the days running up to the event, despite having baked 10 quiches and cooked large joints. Their attention to detail ensured that the Hall looked really attractive too. Thanks also to Stewart Sleight who, as ever, was a jolly MC for the evening.

We also had a large raffle with numerous prizes donated by local businesses as well as generous individuals. £136 was raised by the raffle which goes to the Guild's Bell Repair Fund. A further £158 went to the Branch BRF from ticket sales. Altogether a very successful evening and a great Ringers' get together without a bell in sight.

