



# Go Lincolnshire!

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. DECEMBER 2024

### News from November:

**100 club** £10: 100. Beverley Elsdon £5: 107 Jenny Kirkby (on a lucky streak!)

**LDG's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.** This continues to encourage people to ring new things. The Guild has seen lots of new methods rung and named (see below) and individual bands having a go at a lot of different methods to increase their repertoire. Grimsby Minster ringers are a great example of this. 81 performances were recorded on Bellboard of various 1sts this month.

**Remembrance Sunday** QPs were rung at Nocton, Blankney, Fulney, Gedney Hill, Kirton in Lindsey, Market Deeping, Potterhanworth and Lincoln St Mary le Wigford (2)

**Peal at Hawton, Notts** Yorkshire Royal was rung with members of 5 of the 6 branches of the Guild. It was a 1<sup>st</sup> on 10 for Owen Peters, 1<sup>st</sup> Royal for Caitlin Meyer, 450<sup>th</sup> peal together Alan and Sylvia Bird.

**Southern** Congratulations to Howard Pell on his 1<sup>st</sup> peal – treble to PBM and Cambridge at Sempringham, rung by candlelight. 2 new Delight methods were rung and named at Sproxton – Long Benninton and Horbling. The latter was 100<sup>th</sup> peal together for Alan Bird and Barry Jones. Another peal at Sproxton was a 250<sup>th</sup> together for Sylvia Bird and Tony Walker. A peal of Lessness at Heydour was a 1<sup>st</sup> in method for Ian Till and as conductor for Barry Jones. The 1<sup>st</sup> QP on the bells since 2019 was rung at Stamford All Saints. A QP of St Cecilia Bob Triples was rung and named at Billingborough. Well done to Michael Coney who rang his 1<sup>st</sup> QP of TB – treble to Cambridge at Grantham. The branch held a joint practice with Central at Sleaford, with good attendance from both branches, new friendships and some 125<sup>th</sup> firsts. This was followed by a get-together at the Wetherspoons round the corner from the church.

**West Lindsey:** Congratulations to Claire Elderkin on her 1<sup>st</sup> QP – she rang the treble to PBD at Belton and was a belated 50<sup>th</sup> birthday compliment to her. Well done to Carol Parker who rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QP Minor at Messingham. A very well attended practice was held at Epworth.

**Elloe Branch:** Many new Treble Place Minimus methods were rung at Fulney – Pumpkin, Riddle of the Sands, Tinwall, Red Watch, Moulton Yardley, Snowstorm, Mountjac, Oxfordy Kent. In the latter Robert Simpson rang his 100<sup>th</sup> QP for the Guild this year. Additionally Wilsford TPM was rung at Wilsford for the centenary of the casting of these bells. A QP was rung at Gedney which was the first since the bells were refurbished by Taylors. (See photo on the Guild website.) A new method St Dunstan Bob Triples was rung and named in a QP at Long Sutton.

**Central Branch** 10 prospective and current teachers from seven towers in the LDGCB attended a day Module 1 ART “Basic handling for learners”. course at Ruskington . Typical response: “Really worthwhile day! Looking forward to helping new ringers”. A peal of PBMajor was rung at St Giles, Lincoln by present and past officers of the Guild for the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1<sup>st</sup> peal rung for the Guild (which was rung at Heckington but these bells are currently unringable.) The same composition was used. It was the 200<sup>th</sup> peal together for Judith Rogers and Barry Jones. A peal of Carlton le Moorland TP Minimus was rung at that tower and was the 1<sup>st</sup> peal on the bells. A QP was rung at Branston to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Chris Woodcock's 1<sup>st</sup> QP .

**Northern** A peal of Lincolnshire was rung at Market Rasen for the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the restoration of the bells and was the first of surprise on them. For Peter Abbott it was his 100<sup>th</sup> peal for the Guild but 1<sup>st</sup> for 31 years. It was also Jo Pearson's 50<sup>th</sup> peal. A QP was rung at Kirton in Lindsey in remembrance of Frank Lord and was a 1<sup>st</sup> of Major for Alex Addy. A QP at Laceby of 4 minimus plus cover was 1<sup>st</sup> inside for Kevin Dixon, 1<sup>st</sup> minimus as Cond for Amy Dixon and 1<sup>st</sup> away from cover for Victor Pope. It was on the 8<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the last QP on the bells.

**Eastern** The Branch held an enjoyable afternoon practice at Croft with refreshments, thanks to the locals.

Dec	Branch	Venue		Special method/ info	Time
1	Young ringers	Silk Willoughby	6		1400 - 1600
3	Midweek ringers	Eagle	6	Coffee 1000, ringing	1030 - 1200
7	Guild	Boston	10	10 bell methods	1000 - 1215
7	Eastern	Old Bolingbroke	6	Ringling Carol Service	1500 – 1700 1700
9	Ladies	Wragby	6	Novices + Improvers	1330 - 1445
14	Central	Wragby	6	Ringling Service  + refreshments	1400 – 1500 1500
14	Northern	Walesby	8	Ringling Carols by Candlelight Service	1730 1900S
21	West Lindsey	Scotter	6	Ringling +Carol service	1500

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