



LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD MARKS 125th ANNIVERSARY OF FIRST GUILD PEAL

The LDGCB formed on 29th April 1899 at a meeting in the Chapter House of Lincoln Cathedral under the driving force of Henry Law James, celebrates its 125th anniversary year this year

The first peal for the Guild was rung at Heckington on 2nd November 1899 - Sir Arthur Heywood's composition of Plain Bob Major – conducted by Henry Law James.

HECKINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE BRANCH.)
On Thursday, November 2, 1899, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.
Tenor 19½ cwt.

ROBERT P. NASH Treble.	FREDERICK WARRINGTON 5.
JOHN H. CLARK 2.	JOHN T. HOLMES 6.
THOMAS B. WOODS 3.	WILLIAM DICKINSON 7.
EDWARD HOULDEN 4.	REV. H. LAW JAMES .. Tenor

Composed by SIR ARTHUR P. HEYWOOD, Bart., and
Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

This is the first peal by the Diocesan Guild; the first peal of Major on the bells and the first peal of Major by all except the conductor.

11468 peals later and 125 years to the day later we arrived at St Giles Lincoln for a peal attempt. Why St Giles?

Heckington are now unringable - so the hunt was on for a ring of bells where peal ringing went on in 1899. The first approach was to St Giles – which was granted. St Giles Lincoln was built in the 1930's and the bells and the church organ were transferred from St Peters at Arches (18cwt complete 1728 Rudhall ring) – which was demolished to accommodate the expanding city centre. The new church was part of the newly built St Giles housing estate - which sadly now is one of Lincoln's most deprived areas

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Lincoln, Lincolnshire

St Giles

Saturday, 2 November 2024 in 3h 8 (18-0-2 in E)

5024 Plain Bob Major

Composed by Sir Arthur Heywood

- 1 Judith M Rogers**
- 2 Sylvia M Bird**
- 3 Christopher P Turner (C)**
- 4 Alan D H Bird**
- 5 James E Benner**
- 6 Keith C Butter**
- 7 Graham J N Colborne**
- 8 P Barry Jones**

200th peal together 1 and 8

Keith Butter