

## **GO LINCOLN Shife!** LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSSHEET AND DIARY. JUNE 2012

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

**100 club:** 1st No 95 Richard Short £10.00 2nd No 109 Trevor Hardcastle £5.00

**ITTS:** this was run at Wragby for the third time. Trainee teachers and their mentors worked hard and had an enjoyable and useful day.

**The Sixbel simulator** has been assembled in the Cathedral and used with its first 6 groups of children. All the children have been very enthusiastic and engaged. It remains in the Cathedral for the next few weeks where it is being used for the Church Schools' Festival. More volunteers are urgently needed for 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> June. Please contact Sue

## News from the branches:

**Elloe Deaneries :** A good time was had by all who visited the Bicker Open Tower ringing event on Saturday May 12th. Ringing included Rounds & CC, Plain Hunt, Cambridge Minor and Stedman Doubles. Delicious cakes, hot drinks & lots of chat rounded off the afternoon. Monies raised were shared between St. Swithun's Church and Elloe Deaneries BRF. Bicker Tower will be open for ringing from 11.30am to 12.30pm on Tuesday June 5th as part of the Guild's Diamond Jubilee Celebration ending at Wragby.

**Eastern:** During May, John Collett celebrated his 80th birthday, and the branch would like to send their best wishes to him. At John's birthday party, he even managed to raise £175 as a contribution for the new bell ropes at Butterwick! Please be aware the Eastern Branch 6 bell striking competition, initially scheduled on 2nd June, will now be moved to September. For anyone trying to find the Eastern Branch website this has now moved to a new URL <u>http://easternbranch.josephbarker.co.uk/</u>. Tickets at £7 for adults and £3 for juniors for the summer BBQ at Sibsey Trader Mill, 7<sup>th</sup> July, are now available from Simon Pearson, the EB Secretary. The evening will start with open ringing at Old Leake from 5.30 to 6.45pm followed by the BBQ at 7pm, all are welcome.

Southern: Ian Dawson has now circled Irnham tower to peals.

**Central:** A QP was rung for the dedication of two peals boards and the refurbishment of Dunholme ringing chamber. A QP was rung at Metheringham to mark the centenary of their augmentation and rehanging and one was rung at Nocton to mark the restoration of the church roof and chancel. A number of QPs were rung to mark Jim Sutherland's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. Best wishes go to Jim. Chris Woodcock has rung his 1000<sup>th</sup> QP. Ron Everett rang his first QP on an inside bell. A number of QPs were rung in memory of Phil Pitchford.

**Northern:** A QP of Kennington doubles was rung at Grimsby to mark the retirement of Frank Kennington as TC of Grimsby after 57 years.

West Lindsey: The branch had a very good outing to Nottingham where bells and trams were much enjoyed,

A QP was rung in thanksgiving for the life of Ron Bowness, former TC of Brigg. Chris Turner rang his 400<sup>th</sup> peal for the Guild and Sam Wilkins rang his first QP, the treble at Upton. A QP was rung at Scotter to mark the centenary of the Wildlife Trust, rung by employees and members. Epworth now has its full faculty for the major improvements to church and ringing chamber.

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June	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
2	Southern	Skillington, Stoke Rochford,	6	Open Towers am	9.30, 1030, 1130
		Colsterworth Sempringham		Picnic at Sempringham	1300
4	Elloe	Crowland	6	Ringing down the Welland	1930
		Deeping St Nich	6	Valley	1940
		Spalding	8		2000
		Pinchbeck	8		2020
		Surfleet	12		2040
5	Northern	Barton, Caistor, Tealby, Market	8,8,6,8		12 1245, 1315 -
		Rasen			1400, 1430 – 1515,
					1530 - 1615
5	Eastern	Croft, Burgh le Marsh	6, 8		1130 - 1230, 1230
		Gunby			-1330, 1345-1445
5	Guild	Wragby	6	Ringing	1630
	Jubilee			Photo	1730
	Celebration			Picnic & activities	
8	Eastern	Sutterton	8	Surprise Major	1930 - 2100
9	Central	Lincoln Cathedral	12	Branch prac	
10	WL	Belton	6	Striking comp	
13	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
19	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Stedman, London	1430 - 1600
20	Southern	Sutterton	8	Rutland, Single Court Triples	1430 - 1600
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22	Northern	Waltham	6	Striking comp	1800
23	Joint	Washingborough	8	Surprise Major	1030 - 1200
26, 27, 28		Many towers around the county		Olympic torch relay in county	
30	Northern	Outing to Grantham area			
30		Birmingham		National Youth Striking	
		-		competition	

Church Schools' festival – Sixbel simulator in the Cathedral. June 12, 13, 14, 19, 20. Offers of help will be gratefully received.