



LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSSHEET AND DIARY. FEBRUARY 2013

News from late December and January:

100 club for January: 1st Barry Jones No 97 £10 2nd Barbara Webster No 87 £5.00

Guild wide news:

Guild Review: Members attending their AGMs will have heard further details about the Guild review. All members are urged to have their say in how the Guild may look in the future. Questionnaire can be found on the Guild website. Even if you only wish to respond to a couple of questions your contribution will be useful.

Amendment No 2 to Lincolnshire Bells and Bellfounders (second edition) If you would like details of the above please email john.ketteringhzam@virginmedia.com

Sadly, well known and much respected ringer, **Roger Bailey**, has died. He was taught to ring at Holbeach, rang his early peals in Lincolnshire and retained his love of Lincolnshire as his 'home' county throughout his life. He was one of several 1,000 pealers to have attended Spalding Grammar School. He worked for many years at Imperial Institute, University of London.

News from around the Branches:

Northern

The ringing, Service, tea and branch AGM were held at St James Grimsby. Andrew Lord was elected their new Ringing Master. He thanked branch members for their support and thanked Matt Jeffery, the outgoing RM, for his work. Otherwise officers remain unchanged.

Congrats to Alex Hibbert who has rung his first QP of surprise minor inside.

West Lindsey

The young ringers enjoyed a day out, ringing at Winterton followed by picnic lunch, football in the Humber Park and then ice skating in Hull. A pub meal rounded off a great day.

The branch AGM was very well attended despite the snowy conditions. All officers remained unchanged apart from Patience Thody, who was thanked for her efforts with the branch website. It was agreed to stop the website as the Guild site was so comprehensive. Ellie Sargeant was elected Junior rep, replacing Phil Scarf.

A QP of Stedman Cinques was rung at the Cathedral to mark the 50th anniversary of Delia Heppenstall's first peal of Stedman Cinques, rung on the same bell.

Southern

Congrats to Barry Jones on his first handbell peal and to Roger Stokoe on his first QP of Treble Bob. This QP was also a farewell to Ellie Fiddy who is going on gap year travels. An 80th birthday compliment handbell peal was rung for Rev Brian Harris. It was the 200th peal together for Chris Sharp and Sue Faull. A new method: Pointon Fen Delight was rung to a peal at Edenham.

At their well attended AGM, Alistair Cherry was thanked for his work as joint deputy RM. Otherwise officers remain the same.

Eastern

The Eastern branch held their AGM at Sibsey. The day included an excellent lunch put together by Derek Smith and the church community. 28 members attended and the day was marked by the retirement of Tom Freeston, branch president for the last 6 years. Tom was thanked for his excellent leadership and support over that period. Edward Vear has been elected as the new President and the branch wish him well for the future. All other posts remained the same as 2012.

The branch is sad to report that Paul Bennett, a Coningsby ringer, passed away on Friday 25th January.

The Evans family rang a QP at Harrington for New Year.

Central

At their AGM at Heckington, Margaret Parker was elected branch president to replace Sylvia Taylor, who was thanked for all her work. Heather Blacklock was elected rep onto the Guild committee. The meeting was well attended and all members enjoyed a great tea. Several QPs were rung to mark Ron Applewhite's 93rd birthday.

Elloe

A small group of 8 ringers met at St. Margaret's Church, Quadring on New Year's day to ring the 6 bells. This was to celebrate the completion of roofing repairs after lead theft, which had resulted in no ringing for some time. Peter Wakefield, Paul Hardingham, Lester White, Janet Young, Michael Strutt Nicola Hards, Dave & Barbara Webster rang rounds and CC, plain hunt and Bob Doubles.

February	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
2	Elloe	Crowland Abbey	6	Ringing	1530
				Service	1630
				Tea and AGM	1715
5	Midweek	Dunholme	6	Stepney Bob	1400 - 1530
8	Eastern	Sutterton	8	Surprise Major	1930 - 2100
9	Central	Bardney	6	Practice	
13	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
18	West Lindsey	Scotter	6	Listening workshop	1430
		Messingham	6	Rabbits striking comp	1830
19	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Washingborough Surprise	1430 - 1600
20	S Lincs Weds	Greetham	6	Durham Surprise	1430 - 1600
	Gp			College Bob	
23	Southern	Harlaxton	6	Practice	1900 - 2100
23	Surprise Major	Washingborough	8	Surprise major	1030 - 1200

The newssheet compiler, Sue Faull, would be happy to receive feedback and news items from around the Guild.