



LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSSHEET AND DIARY. MARCH 2016

News from February:

100 club : 1st No 24 Anita Blundell £10.00 2nd No 99 Jim Sutherland £5.00

Guild Annual Draw: Raffle tickets are now out within branches. Please try to sell as many as you can, profits will be

going to the Guild Training Fund this year. To be drawn at the Guild AGM in April.

News from around the branches:

Elloe Deaneries

The branch welcomed 2 new junior members Reece & Alistair, both of Deeping St Nicholas at their AGM. Over 40 guild/branch members enjoyed a superb tea [organised by Annette's "A" team]following ringing on Surfleet's 12 bells. Thanks were given to Philip Green who stepped down as RM, John Bennett was elected as the new branch RM. Other officers were re-elected. 13 branch members & family enjoyed the annual fish & chip tea at Sheddy's in Spalding prior to the Learners evening. 2 new members were elected, Odile from Holbeach & Deborah from Crowland. Paul organised some fun activities as well as methods in a full tower of 18 ringers & 1 visitor.

Southern: the branch were very sorry to report the death of Marianne Atkinson who had been a dedicated Sunday Service ringer at Edenham for more than 60 years. Her funeral was well attended by ringers, with ringing before and for two minutes after the service as the congregation moved to the churchyard for the committal.

The morning branch practice at Corby Glen was a great success with a variety of methods rungs and 23 enjoyed a pub lunch afterwards. The experimental change of time of day seemed popular and something to be repeated. The 1st peal of Moreorlessness S Major on handbells was rung by a LDG band conducted by Emma Southerington. A QP was rung at Stamford, All Saints following the Dedication Service for the tower steps, after their repair. It was an 80th birthday compliment to Norman Norris and was his first quarter for 19 years. It was jointly conducted by 3 ringers and was on the middle, minor 5 after the tenor clapper broke off during Sunday morning service ringing! Congrats to the energetic band who rang 4 QPs in a day and to the band that rang a QP at West Deeping to mark the journey of the Flying Scotsman from Kings Cross to York after 10 years of restoration. A QP at Potterhanworth was also rung for the same occasion.

Central: Belated congratulations to Sister Maureen Pike on her 1st peal, rung on Christmas Eve at Potterhanworth. A QP of Stedman Cinques was rung at the Cathedral to wish a happy retirement to Very Rev Philip Buckler, Dean of Lincoln and President of the Guild. A QP at Heckington was dedicated to the "unknown" donor and family on the anniversary of precious life being given to Greg Harrison, conductor of the QP. It was the featured performance on Bellboard and received many "likes" on Facebook. The QP at Nocton marked the 200th anniversary of the death of Lord Hobart who lived at Nocton Hall and after whom Hobart, Tasmania, was named.

Northern: Congrats to Heather and Barry Peachey who rang their 400th peals together at Elsham.

Eastern: Penny and Roger Fountain held a coffee morning at their home in Sutterton on Feb 20th, in aid of the bells, which need some work doing on the frame and raised over £450.

March	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
1	Midweek ringing	Dunholme	6	Quarr Bob Minor	1400 - 1530
5	Eastern	Boston	10	Branch practice	1400 - 1600
9	Midweek ringing	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
11	Eastern	Kirton in Holland	8	Surprise Major	1930 - 2100
12	Central	Leadenham	6	Practice	1430 - 1600
15	Midweek ringing	Washingborough	8	Countesthorpe S.	1430 - 1600
16	South Lincs Weds gp	Kirton in Holland	8	Ruthland and Erin	1430 - 1600
19	8 bell method	Washingborough	8	8 bell methods	1030 - 1200
19	Southern	Greatford	6	Striking workshop	1600 - 1730
19	West Lindsey	Bottesford	6	Ringing	1500 – 1630
				Bowling	1700 - 1800
26	Northern	Carlton	5	Practice	1500 - 1630
30	Elloe	Holbeach	8	5 th Weds general ringing	1900 - 2100

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The newssheet is now 6 years old. The compiler, Sue Faull, would be happy to receive feedback and news items from around the Guild. Please remember to print this out for your tower, so that ringers without e mail can be kept up to date.