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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSSHEET AND DIARY. JUNE 2016

News from May: Guild wide:

Denis Frith: The guild is very sad to announce the death of Denis Frith, aged 86. He was Master of the LDG from 1987 – 1992. He held many other posts, including guild Hon Sec and was a great inspiration to many ringers. QPs in his memory have been rung at Lincoln St Botolph, Potterhanworth, Nocton, Ewerby, and peals at Blankney at Saltby. His funeral is 12noon 1st June, at Grantham Crematorium. St Wulframs Ringers will be holding a Memorial Ringing event in the ringing chamber at Grantham on Sat 11 June from 3.00pm to 5.00 pm. Ringing + reminiscing about Denis. For more information and to supply numbers contact the Tower Captain. dibraunton2@hotmail.co.uk **Guild Draw** made a fantastic profit of £639.30 for the Guild's training fund. Well done to everyone.

CC meeting Current members: Chris Sharp, Chris Turner and Philip Green attended the meeting in Portsmouth where the most important decision was to form a working party to look at CC organisation and make recommendations for modernisation. The Ringing World meeting was more optimistic this year, having made a small surplus due to increased donations.

100 club: 1st No 93 Stan Underwood £10.00 2nd No 56 Sylvia Taylor £5.00

The Sixbel simulator was assembled in the Cathedral for the Church Schools' Festival and used with a total of 270 children. They were all very enthusiastic and learnt remarkably quickly. 40 ringers and 3 non-ringers were involved over the 2 weeks – a brilliant effort.

News from the branches:

Central: Quite a few firsts were scored this month: Luke Boreham – 1st QP minor at Sleaford, Honorine Ball 1st QP inside at Heckington, George Ellison 1st minor at Nocton. Very well done to them all. Also congrats to Chris Woodcock on his 200th peal for the Guild. A peal at Blankney celebrated the appointment of Ven Christine Wilson as Dean of Lincoln Cathedral, and who will, hopefully, become next President of the Guild.

The congregation and ringers were evacuated from Lincoln Cathedral when the fire alarms went off. It transpired that incense had set off the smoke alarms in the shop. And the culprit – our very own webmaster and Cathedral Server, Jonathan Clark, had maybe been a little over-enthusiastic with his incense swinging!

Eastern: About 25 ringers took the rare opportunity to ring at Benington during the Branch practice. Benington has been awarded £1.8 million by HLF to restor and reopen the church as a community, events and heritage centre. The church keyholder said that hearing the bells being rung had made his Spring. Following tea and a Service, ringing continued at Freiston. Don't forget the branch BBQ on July 2nd. See below

Southern: A QP was rung at Stamford St Martin in thanksgiving for the life of local ringer Charles Lorena. Diane Faux was welcomed back to peal ringing at Sproxton. Congratulations to Emma Southerington and David Kemp on their 200th peals together, to Chris Sharp and Sue Faull on their 250th together, and to Mike Maughan and Andrew Davey on their 200th together. 3 new methods were rung to peals and named: Fluorine Alliance at Spalding, Marley Hill Alliance and Fulton Alliance Royal at Saltby.

Northern: All 10 bells at Grimsby were rung by local ringers for the 1st time for a long time and were recorded by Compass FM to mark celebrations of North Lincolnshire Day. The local ringers were delighted with the occasion and are grateful for the support they have received from other towers. Congratulations to James Hibbert on his 50th peal – Yorkshire royal at Boston. The Branch had a very successful outing to the Retford area. Nearly 30 ringers took part during the day, including ringers from other branches. Thanks to RM Andrew Lord for his organisation.

West Lindsey: A peal was rung at Epworth to mark the completion of the "Conserving and Sharing" and "bells and pipes" projects. It was also in thanksgiving for the life of Stephen Selby. It was a 1st on 8 bells for Simon Davies and David Cooper, and a 1st for 35 years for Ted Steele. The branch outing to the Eastern branch area was a great success, with a good mixture of bells and methods rung. Thanks to Alison Elwess for organising.

Dates for you diaries

July 23rd. Young ringers' summer festival. Please make sure young ringers are made aware. Highlights – ringing at the Cathedral and a meeting with Bishop Christopher. Followed by ringing at local towers, tea at Dunholme village hall and mini Olympics. Ringing, tea and Olympics will also be available for the young at heart and transport providers. Please join us!

June	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
4	Eastern	Willoughby	6	Striking comp	1800
7	Midweek Ringers	North Scarle	6	Selkirk Bob Minor	Coffee 1000 Ringing 1030 - 1200
8	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
10	Eastern	Kirton in Holland	8	Surprise Major	1930 - 2100
10	Southern			Quarter peal week	
11	Central	Great Hale	6	Practice	1800 - 1939
11		Grantham	12	Denis Frith memorial ringing	1500 - 1700
12	National			Ringing for the Queen	
15	South Lincs Weds Gp	Grantham	12	Cambridge, Bastow Little Bob	1430 - 1600
18	West Lindsey	Messingham	6	Striking comp	
21	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Cheltenham S. Major	1430 - 1600
25	8 Bell practice	Washingborough	8	8 bell meithods	1430 - 1600
25	Northern	Walesby	8	Ringing Half yearly meeting	1500
23	Southern	Sempringham	6	Ringing Bring + Share lunch	1100
July 2nd	Eastern Sec. 01754 874317	Ringing + BBQ £7 and £5 Jnrs		Ringing at Old Leake BBQ Sibsey Mill	1730 – 1845 1900