



LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSSHEET AND DIARY. OCTOBER 2022

News from late August and September:

HM Queen Elizabeth II: In the period between the sad announcement of her death on 8th Sept and her funeral on 19th 131 performances were recorded in Lincolnshire on Bellboard. Probably there were more to add to this total. Most of these performances were tolling and call changes but they also included 14 QPs and 5 peals. Well done to everyone. It was an honour to take part in this national show of sorrow and thanksgiving. No doubt many listeners were appreciative of the half muffled ringing.

Young Ringers' Autumn outing: An outing is being organised for Tuesday 25th October. Ringing will be followed by 10 pin bowling and tea at Grantham Bowl. A poster with further details will be circulated soon. We look forward to seeing lots of young ringers, so get in contact if there are problems with transport. We may be able to help. **Central Council meeting**: The CC AGM took place at Nottingham on Sept 3rd. As has been the case for a number of years now, few decisions are actually taken at the meeting, but rather the CC representatives are there to call the

years now, few decisions are actually taken at the meeting, but rather the CC representatives are there to call the executive to account. Are they doing a good job? The general feeling was yes they are, keep up the good work. One decision that was made is a change to the way the CC is funded. From next year all affiliated societies will pay 20p per member as their annual subscription. This is a much fairer system and was supported by all three of your reps. Do you want to be the next CC President? There will be a vacancy next year!

On the following day, at the Roadshow, there was an opportunity to ring on the brand new mobile ring of bells funded primarily by the CC but also by donations from guilds - the LDG gave a donation. Whilst some tweaking is still required, they should be a very useful recruiting tool.

Guild 6 bell striking competition: Congratulations go to the band from Bourne who won the Method ringing cup, with the Washingborough/Waddington band as runners up. In the plate competition for call changes held at Silk Willoughby, the winners were from Harlaxton/Barrowby, there were 3 young ringers in their band, so very well done to them. Stow were the runners up. Congratulations to these bands and to the other 4 bands for taking part. A disappointing number of bands but at least a start in the right direction following the pandemic. Thanks go to the organisers and refreshment providers.

100 club September £10. 52. Janice Atkinson £5. 16. Colin Disney

Alison is planning to do the October draw at the 8-bell competition, all being well. There is still time for people to join before then. (Contact details for the 100 Club are in the Guild Report and on the website.)

LDG calendars and Christmas cards: Yes, Christmas is coming! These will soon available from your branch fund raising reps

Southern: The half muffled peal of 4 plain minor methods at Silk Willoughby was a first peal for the treble ringer Steve Walker. Very well done to him. Two new methods were rung and named at Sproxton – Queen Elizabeth II Alliance Major and King Charles III Delight Major. The latter was 300th together for Jim Benner and Mike Maughan. Jarrow Alliance was rung to another peal. The peal of Gainsborough S was the 2000th tower bell peal as cond for Mike Maughan. An amazing record.

West Lindsey: Well done to Suzanne Timms on her 1st QP of treble bob at Messingham. Alyson Blanchard rang her 1st QP of Grandsire at Stow. The branch was sorry to hear of the passing of Caroline Ballard.. She was custodian of Brigg tower until a couple of years ago. Caroline and her husband Andrew left the area in June 2021 to move closer to family in Hertfordshire. A very large congregation met at Stow for the Service of Thanksgiving for Rev Canon Rhys Prosser prior to his ashes being interred at the Cathedral. Rhys was the WL Branch President and local ringer.

Elloe Branch: A QP of Grandsire Triples was rung at Long Sutton for Val Wild's birthday and a half muffled one was rung at Fulney for HM Queen Elizabeth..

Central Branch: A QP was rung at Nettleham in farewell to Rev Richard Crossland. A QP of Yorkshire Max was rung at the Cathedral for Evensong.

Eastern Branch: 17 members from Eastern, Central and Elloe branches staggered up the 'Stump' on 3rd September to ring a wide variety including ringing on all 10 bells, a first for many of those attending. Thanks to TC Greg Harrison and Deputy R M, Jo French for leading the ringing. All agreed it had been a most enjoyable morning.

Dates for your diary

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Oct	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
1	East	Addlethorpe	6	Branch practice	1400 - 1600
4	Central	Eagle	6	Coffee	10.00
				Ringing for all abilities	1030 - 1200
8	Guild	Washingborough	8	Striking comp	
10	Northern	Kirton in Lindsey	8	8 bell practice	w/c 10th
15	West Lindsey	Kirton in Lindsey	8	Branch support practice	1530 - 1730
22	Southern	Uffington	6	Branch practice	1400 - 1530
24	Northern	Barton	8	8 bell practice	w/c 24th
25	Guild	Young ringers' outing		Meet Welbourn	1200
				See poster for details	

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