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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. MARCH 2023

News from February:

100 club January £10: 38. Robin Rogers £5: 101. Bob Hancock
 February £10: 10. Delia Heppenstall £5: 100 Dot Mason

Young Ringers: a very successful outing was held in the Newark area. 13 young ringers thoroughly enjoyed the excellent bells at Coddington (6), Hawton (10) and Balderton (8). They all rang very well. Thanks go to all the adult transport providers. See Guild website for article.

Guild Officers: New officers needed in April 2023 are Guild Master, Guild Secretary, membership secretary, fund raising coordinator, report secretary, BRF Administrator and BRF Trustee. More information about these posts can be obtained from Chris Turner or other members of the Guild committee. Interested? Or know of someone who might be interested, please come forward, **your guild needs you!**

Guild 10 bell practice: 23 ringers attended the recent practice at the Cathedral. Standard 9 and 10 bell methods were rung including a course of London Royal. Next practice April 1st at Hawton (tbc)

Southern Branch: Many congratulations go to young ringer Archie Randall Williams who rang his first peal at Market Deeping – the treble to Yorkshire Major. He must have enjoyed it, as he rang a QP the following day and another since. He has also rung his 1st QP of Cambridge Minor on an inside bell. Two new methods were rung at Sproxton – Devil's Water Alliance and High Level Delight. The latter was rung in memory of Robert B Smith. A half muffled QP of Turranurra S. was rung at Billingborough to mark the anniversary of the invasion of Ukraine, remembering those who have lost their lives. A fully muffled QP of Cambridge Major was rung at Grantham for the same anniversary.

West Lindsey Branch: Well done to Alyson Blanchard who rang her 1st peal of minor on an inside bell (3m) at Upton. Congratulations to Simon Mennie who rang his 1st QP at Messingham – the tenor to PBD. The branch meeting at Winterton was very well attended and members were grateful for the warmth of the church and of the welcome. 2 new members were elected.

Elloe Deaneries Branch: The branch AGM, held at Long Sutton, was well attended and it was very gratifying to see quite a number of new faces - 8 new members were elected. Branch officers were re-elected with Paul Doades agreeing to become the branch Treasurer. A lovely tea was provided and the new kitchen facilities in the church were admired. A QP of Grandsire Triples was rung at Surfleet and was a 1st in method for Brian Plummer. 2 unusual minimus methods were rung to QPs at Fulney – Swirling Vortex of Doom and Briefcase and Mobile Phone TB. Not surprisingly they were a 1st in method for all the band. The former was Robert Simpson's 1st QP for 19 years.

Central Branch: A fully muffled QP was rung at Branston on the anniversary of a peal of Minor marking the death of King George VI and the accession of Queen Elizabeth II. Half muffled ringing took place at Branston for the funeral of Gerald Speed (91yrs) a former ringer at Branston where he rang 5 of his 6 peals. A QP of PB Minor was rung at Ruskington in thanksgiving for the life of Janet Locke, a former ringer at the church. A QP of Turramurra S was rung at Sleaford for Evensong and then for a peal at Sproxton. Tolling and general "Orthodox" style ringing took place at St Benedicts and St Mary le Wigford Lincoln as a vigil was held at the waterfront to mark the anniversary of the invasion of Ukraine. A QP was rung at Bardney by present and past officers of the Branch to mark the retirement of the tower captain Christine Jackson - from the branch committee after 28 years service.

Eastern Branch: The branch AGM, held at Ingoldmells, was preceded by very enjoyable ringing, a Service and lunch. The officers were re-elected en bloc other than Jo French becoming branch RM and Caitlin Meyer swapping with her to become Deputy. The recent ART training course had been a great success. Special ringing for a Service at Ingoldmells marked the 70th anniversary of the North Sea flooding 31/01/1953. 18 people from the Parish of Ingoldmells perished in the flood.

Northern Branch: A QP of PB Doubles was rung at Grimsby to celebrate the birth of Alfred, son of local ringer Michelle. It was 1st inside for Sarah Newson and 1st in method for Kieran Green.

Dates for your diary

March	Branch	Venue	bells	Info	Times
4	Eastern	Butterwick	6	Branch practice	1400 - 1600
11	Central	Lincoln St Giles	8	Branch practice	1430 - 1600
18	Northern	Grasby	6	St Simons, St Clements	1430 - 1600
18	West Lindsey	Kirton Lindsey	8	Branch practice	1500 - 1700
24	Northern	Caistor	8	Little and Plain Bob	1930 - 2100
25	Southern	Corby Glen	6	Practice + pub lunch	1030 - 1200

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