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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. JUNE 2023

**The Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla** The following report was compiled from the information contained in the Ringing World Coronation Supplement – I am aware that further unpublished ringing has taken place so apologies to anyone inadvertently missed out. Many congratulations to everyone on a magnificent effort and in particular welcome to all the new ringers, (some are named, sorry to those whose names I don't know) and hope that you will have a great time as you continue your ringing journey. Many thanks to all their teachers.

**5 peals** were rung – At Silk Willoughby Mia Bradford (young ringer) rang her 1<sup>st</sup> peal – the treble to 7 minor methods. At Stow Chris Potts rang his 1<sup>st</sup> peal – Tenor to Grandsire Triples. Many congratulations to them, first of many we hope. The peal at Stow was a 1<sup>st</sup> in method for Alyson Blanchard, Graham Colborne circled the tower. A peal of Cambridge minor was rung at Market Deeping and one of 7 minor methods was rung at Potterhanworth. This latter one was also a wedding compliment to Tom Blyth and Tracey Hall and to welcome Keith Butter as new Guild RM. A coronation handbell peal was also rung for local ringing royalty Les Townsend's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday (see below)

**31 QPs** were rung in Lincolnshire. At Ewerby Tom White rang his 1<sup>st</sup> on 8 bells. At Grimsby the QP of St Simon's was a 1<sup>st</sup> for all the band. At Legbourne the QP of Doubles was also an 82<sup>nd</sup> birthday compliment to local ringer Keith Faulkner.

At Silk Willoughby Julie Coney rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QP – treble to PBD. At St Mary le Wigford a new method Opehlia was rung.

**3 1/8 peals** were recorded. John Underwood and Mick Stracey rang a 720 at Thorpe on the Hill which meant that they had both rung at the Coronation of QE2 and KC3

138 records of General Ringing appeared on Bell Board and the Coronation Supplement of the Ringing World.

**Northern** – at Grimsby/ Immingham returner Roy Lowe and new ringers Caroline Payne and Jansz Przenkzny joined in.

**Southern** – Thurlby had 3 new ringers, West Deeping had 7 new ringers and at Bourne Katie Bedford RftK. Over 30 ringers, including RftK recruits, took part in an organised tour of 20 towers on coronation day in the Grantham area.

**Eastern** – had 2 mini tours in the branch in which 24 ringers took part. At Alford there were 5 new ringers and 2 returners. At Boston they were delighted to find 18 local ringers able to climb the 200 steps and ring on 10 bells. It was the 1<sup>st</sup> ring on 10 bells for 6 ringers. At Butterwick Tom Freeston RftK as well as having rung at the coronation of QE2. At Swineshead the Harrison/Carr family became a 4 generation ringing family with 5 year old Phoebe taking part.

**West Lindsey** – new ringers Joe and Jim Sheard RftK at Gainsborough as did Andrea Featherstone at Haxey.

**Elloe** – Gedney had 2 new ringers and at Whaplode new ringer Cathy participated. At Spalding a group of 17 ringers took part and had a street party in the church afterwards.

**100 Club** £10: 7. Michelle Carby £5: 40. Willingham Tower

### Other News from the branches:

**Eastern:** Many ringers took part in ringing before and after the funeral of Jennifer Vear, longstanding member of the band and wife of TC, Edward. A QP on handbells was also rung for this sad occasion. Many condolences go to the family. Congrats to Josie Trewin and Chloe Powell on their 1<sup>st</sup> QPs – PBD at Coningsby (treble and tenor respectively)

**Elloe :** QPs of Pickwick and Cratchit TB minimus were rung at Fulney, the former being a 100<sup>th</sup> birthday compliment to Sonia Pacey, one time Quadring ringer.

**Southern:** A 'Lucky Dip' striking contest was held at W Deeping. Keith Butter, our new Guild Master was welcomed and judged. 5 teams took part, it was great to see nine RftK recruits participating alongside more experienced ringers.

Congratulations to winners: Eleanor, Kate, Nigel, Liz, Andy and Stewart. Thirteen new members were elected- RftK learners and one returning ringer. 2 new methods were rung to peals at Sproxton – Fellside Surprise and North Rauceby Delight. A QP at Sproxton was a welcome return to longer length ringing for Robin and Judith Rogers. Jane Robinson rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QP of TB by ringing the treble to Cambridge at Stamford Baron. Well done to Ian Dawson and Luke Tobin on their 1<sup>st</sup> QP of Stedman Caters at Ewerby. A peal was rung at Skillington in memory of Neville Sharpe on the eve of the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of his death.

**Central:** Many congratulations to Les Townsend on his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. In celebration, a peal of Townsend S. Major was rung at the Cathedral (new method) QPs were rung at Harmston, Navenby and Kirton and ringing took place at Coleby. An acrostic peal was rung at Hackthorn, spelling Scampton, to mark the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Dambuster's raid. A QP of Dambuster S. Minor was rung at Potterhanworth and a QP at St Mary le W.

**Northern** The Wombel had its first outing since Covid to Tealby for their Open Churches weekend. The church had chosen Bells as its theme and the church was decorated with many different types of bells. A steady stream of visitors had a go on the Wombel and the village school children also visited to have a go.

**West Lindsey:** Congrats to Maxine and Suzanne Timms on their 1<sup>st</sup> QP on 8 – PBT at Kirton in Lindsey.

Eastern	JUNE 3rd	Wrangle	6	General ringing Striking competition	1700 1830
Northern	4	Walesby, Ramblers' Service	8	Times tbc	
Midweek	6	Eagle	6	Coffee 10am Ringing	1030
Central	10	Leadenham	6	General practice	1930 - 2100
Ladies	12	Wragby	6	Novices and improvers	1330 - 1445
Elloe	14	Spalding	8	Branch practice	1900
West Lindsey	17	Scotter	6	Striking competition	1445
Northern	21	Louth	8	General ringing	1930
Southern	24	Billingborough	8	Young Ringers' Practice	1800
Midweek	27	Washingborough	8	Coffee 10am Ringing	1030- 1200

**Advance notice** We'll need lots of volunteers for ringing the Sixbel simulator at Heckington Show. July 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup>  
Please contact Gill Gladman if you are able to help. centralbranch.secretary@yahoo.com