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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. JULY 2023

**100 Club** £10 104. Pam Cook £5: 96. Alfie Hynes It's still not too late to renew for the coming year and there are also a few numbers spare if anyone would like to join.

**Ridgman Trophy:** Congratulations to the band who represented LDG at Towcester. They came 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 7 teams ringing a touch of Plain and Little Bob Royal. Well done to Chris Turner who conducted and organised the practices.

**RWNYC** Good luck to all the young ringers travelling to York to take part in the national youth striking competition. They will also get the opportunity to ring at the Minster.

### News from the branches

**Eastern:** Branch members were very sad to report that Tom Freeston, former tower captain of Boston and Eastern branch president, passed away on Tuesday 5th June 2023. Tom had been TC at Boston Stump for 41 years, before standing down at the end of 2012. He was a stalwart of the Eastern Branch, supporting ringing all over the East of Lincolnshire. He will be greatly missed and our condolences go to his family at this time. His funeral will be held at the Stump on Mon 10<sup>th</sup> July at 11.45. Half muffled general ringing has taken place at Boston, Butterwick and Sutterton. A QP was rung at Wigtoft and at Sempringham. A peal was rung at Sproxton (see below)

**West Lindsey:** Congratulations to the Messingham band who won the branch striking competition held at Scotter. The Scotter team came 2<sup>nd</sup>. The competition was judged by Anita Blundell.

**Elloe:** A QP was rung at Gosberton in memory of Richard Taylor a much-respected villager. His family went along to listen. A QP was rung at Lutton, Lutton Treble Place minimus it was a 1<sup>st</sup> as cond for Brian Plummer.

**Southern:** A QP of Glasgow was rung at Sleaford. It was a 1<sup>st</sup> in this tricky method for Jo French, Caitlin Meyer and Sylvia Bird. Lots of babies have been born into ringing families in the branch – A QP was rung at Mkt Deeping to congratulate Jonathan and Jan Clegg on the birth of grand daughter Felicity. A peal of Deeping St James Alliance (new method) was rung at Sproxton to celebrate the birth of Olivia, 1<sup>st</sup> great grandchild for Sylvia and Alan Bird, for Emily, new grandchild for Martin and Jenny Mitchell and for Bear, new grandson for Chris and Maria Sharp. Best wishes to them all. Two more new methods were rung and named at Sproxton: Boston Stump Alliance – in memory of Tom Freeston of Boston (see above.) and Nocton Alliance, which was Barry Jones' 600<sup>th</sup> peal. Very well done to him. A QP was rung at Kirkby Underwood in memory of Frank Wyer, former TC at this church who died in April aged 92. A QP was rung at Folkingham, it was a 1<sup>st</sup> in method – Caithness for Ian Dawson and Luke Tobin and was remembering those lost in the Titan submersible. Congratulations to Caroline Mould on her 1<sup>st</sup> QP of minor – inside to PB at Stamford Baron The Guild Young Ringers joined our branch meeting at Billingham to prepare for the national competition at York on 8th July, and was attended by 30 ringers in all, ringing up to Stedman Triples and Bristol S Major

**Central:** A QP was rung at Nettleham to welcome their new interim Priest in Charge – Rev Michelle Webb.

Congratulations to Aeldun Bagshaw on his 1<sup>st</sup> QP on 8 – Grandsire Triples at St Giles. 2 QPs were rung at St Mary le Wigford to congratulate Chris Woodcock on becoming churchwarden at that church.

**Northern:** An 8 bell practice was held at Louth which, thanks to Grimsby Minster ringers for turning out en masse, enabled a good practice, and gave some members a chance to ring the challenging tenor at Louth. The new learners from Grimsby had a successful ring the first time on these bells and did very very well.

### Dates for your diaries

1st	Eastern	Friskney	6	Ringling BBQ	1500 1700
3rd	Northern	Immingham	6	Striking competition	
3rd	Midweek	Eagle	6	Coffee Ringing	1000 1030
8th	Central	Nocton: Metheringham	6 8	Tea and cake followed by ringing	1900 – 1940 2015 - 2100
10th	Ladies	Wragby	6	Novices and improvers	1330 - 1445
15th	West Lindsey	Broughton	6	Branch practice	1500 - 1700
19th	Elloe	Long Sutton	8	Branch practice	1900 - 2100
19th	Northern	Grimsby	10	Focused 8 bell practice PBT, PBM, GT	1930 - 2100
22nd	Southern	Mini tour Deeping St James, Mkt Deeping, Langtoft, Baston & Thurlby,.		Refreshments available Thurlby from 1630	1300 - 1800
24th	Midweek	Welbourn	8	Coffee 10am Ringing	1030 - 1200
29/30th	Guild 6 bell Simulator	Heckington Showground	6	Saturday Sunday	0900 – 1800 0900 - 1700

**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](mailto:centralbranch.secretary@yahoo.com)**

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