



LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSSHEET AND DIARY. NOVEMBER 2023

News from October:

100 club £10. 11. Stow Tower £5. 65. Michelle Carby

LDG calendars and Christmas cards: These are available from your branch fund raising reps. Calendars are priced at £5.50 each and cards at £2 per pack of 5. Guild clothing also makes good presents, see Guild website (fundraising) for details.

Membership subs: You will soon receive an email from Membermojo, inviting you to renew your Guild subscription. A new payment option is available to use Stripe for processing your credit/debit card payment. **Guild 8 bell Striking competition:** Many congratulations to the Central branch whose two teams came first and second and had 2 teenagers in their bands. West Lindsey came in third. Thank you for the excellent hospitality at Billingborough and thank you to the Judges Lesley Boyle and Gareth Davies who congratulated all 6 teams on their participation.

Southern: A peal was rung at Silk Willoughby (7S) to mark the 50th anniversary of Sylvia Bird's 1st peal. 3 peals were rung at Sproxton - 2 were new methods and were named: Horbling Alliance and Morton Alliance. At Sempringham a peal of 3 TBMinor methods was rung and was a 1st of minor for Brian Plummer and 250th together for Jim Benner and Barry Jones. A QP was rung at Market Deeping for Lincolnshire Day and one of Grandsire Caters was rung at Grantham for the opening of the Beer Festival. A QP was rung at Folkingham for the forthcoming wedding of Hannah and Bob Mumby (Mark's son)

West Lindsey A peal of 7 Minor methods was rung at Upton and was a 1st minor and in more than one method for YR Suzanne Timms. Following regular plain minor methods practice, a QP in 6m was scored at Scotter. A QP was rung at Messingham (4m) for Lincolnshire Day. An extremely well attended practice was held at Bottesford where handbells were rung as well as tower bells. The cakes and scones were great. **Elloe Deaneries** The Elloe minimus ringers rang a new method at Welby and named it Colonel Rigall Treble Place Minimus – in memory of a man who always welcomed ringers to Welby. It was the 500th peal for the LDG for Tony Walker – many congratulations to him. Another new method was rung and named Frank Wyer Treble Place Minimus at Kirkby Underwood. A QP of Norwich S was rung at Quadring in memory of the innocent victims of the Israel/Hamas conflict.

Central: Lincolnshire Day was marked by a 540 of Lincolnshire Bob Doubles at Branston, a 66- PB Doubles at Potterhhanworth (longest length for Jane Kania) and CC at Nocton. A QP of 6 SS Major was rung at Sleaford. It was a 1st of spliced for Jo French and 1st of 6 spliced for Caitlin Meyer. A QP was rung at Potterhanworth to mark the 25th anniversary of Chris Woodcock's 1st handling lesson at Wragby. Well done to Jo Highfield who rang her 1st QP on a working bell – treble to PBD at Eagle.

Eastern Branch: The branch held a QP and opportunities month. A QP of Cambridge Major was rung at Sutterton which was a 1st of S. Major for more than 20 years for Ruth Smith and Robert Simpson. Congratulations to Kath Hooper on her 1st QP (treble to PBD) at Butterwick. Also at Butterwick a QP of PB Minor was a 1st away from observation bell for Robert Ingamells. A QP was rung at Freiston for the refurbishment of the church clock dial marking the Coronation of King Charles. Well done Philip Walters who scored his 1st QP – ringing the Tenor to mixed doubles at Sutterton. Also well done to Louise Bullen who rang her 1st QP – tenor to PBD at Old Bolingbroke. Great cross branch cooperation was shown in a QP of PB Caters at Ewerby. Attributed to both Eastern and Southern QP week/month It was a 1st on 10 bells for Central Branch members Tom White, Owen Peters and Steve Walker at a CB tower..

It was a busy month for the branch who also held their annual Race Night fund raiser. About 40 gamblers assembled at Alford Church Hall and had a very enjoyable evening with and excellent supper. More than £640 was raised for the Guild's BRF and TRF. A brilliant result.

Northern Branch: Ringers from across the Guild rang the bells at Barton St Mary's following the funeral of much loved member Joy Lord. Condolences are sent to Roger, Andrew and all their family.

Dates for your diary:

Nov	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
4	Eastern	Coningsby	6	Branch practice	10.00 - 1300
7	Midweek ringers	Eagle	6	Coffee 1000, ringing	1030 - 1200
11	Central	Sleaford	8	Branch practice	1430 - 1630
13	Ladies	Wragby	6	Novices and improvers	1330 - 1445
14	Elloe Deaneries	Gosberton	6	Branch practice	1900
18	West Lindsey	Epworth	8	Practice, tea and quiz	1500
21	Northern	St Mary's Barton	8	Focused 8 bell practice	1930
25/26	Central			QP weekend	
25	Southern	Greatford	6	Branch practice	1030 - 1200
28	Midweek ringers	Welbourn	8	Coffee from 10am, ringing	1030 - 1200

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