



LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSSHEET AND DIARY. JANUARY 2025

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL

News from December:

100 club £10: 99. Pamela Sutherland £5: 72. Market Rasen Ringers

LDG calendars and Christmas cards: Thanks to all who have supported the Guild by buying or selling these. It is hoped that a report of money raised will be available in next month's newssheet.

125th anniversary firsts: 49 performances containing firsts were published on Bellboard during the month.

Southern: The branch was very sorry to announce the deaths of 2 longstanding members: Jim Haw and Pamela Pohling-Brown (who was formerly Editor of Campanophile.) Please see the branch website for funeral and ringing details. A peal was rung at Buckminster in memory of Jim Haw who was the last surviving member of the 1950s South Lincs band. For their final meeting of the year, members of the Branch visited West Deeping. A good crowd gathered and ringing ranged from Call changes to London Surprise. Three people interested in learning had the chance to 'have a go' for the first time. 17 members and friends then moved on to the Red Lion to enjoy a delicious 'pie and pint' lunch. Two new methods were rung and named at Sproxton – Terling Alliance in memory of James Towler and Septingentis Delight which was Jim Benner's 700th peal. A peal of 11 doubles methods was rung at Skillington and was a birthday compliment to Jo Pearson whose 1st peal of doubles this was. A QP of London rung at Horbling was a 1st in method for Brian Plummer. A long length peal 6000 CXXVTP Minimus at Kirkby Underwood was the longest TPM yet rung on Tower bells, for the Guild and longest length for Robert Simpson and Luke Tobin. Congratulations to Eve Farley on her 1st QP – treble to PBD at Silk Willoughby. A QP of PB Minimus at Welby was a 1st of minimus for David Braunton and Michael Coney. A 720 od Dixon's Bob Minor was rung at Market Deeping and was a 1st for all the band of this unusual method. Congratulations to Andrew Usborne on the birth of his 1st grandchild – George. A QP was rung at Boothby Pagnell to celebrate. A peal of Westborough TP Minimus was rung at Westbororough, it was the 1st peal in the method. West Lindsey: Congratulations to Lawrence Martin on his 1st QP on a working bell – treble to PB Doubles at

Gainsborough.

Elloe Branch: Two new methods were rung at Fulney: St Paul's TP Minimus and Candy Cne TP Minimus. Thorpe

Achurch TP Minimus was rung in a peal at that place. **Central Branch** A QP of PB Minor was rung at Thorpe and was a 1st of minor for Joanne Hightield on the treble. At Sleaford, YR Mia Bradford rang her 1st QP of Surprise major inside – excellent achievement. A QP of PB Doubles was rung at Wellingore in memory of John Randall, father of the TC David, who contributed hugely to the community. A peal of Cambridge Maximus was rung at the Cathedral and was Chris Turner's 1000th tower bell peal. Many congratulations to him on this amazing milestone.

Eastern Branch: A QP of PB Triples was rung at Swineshead in memory of Michael Reynolds. A peal of 7 S Minor was rung at Frampton in memory of former TC Ian Ansell. It was the 250th peal together for the Guild for Jim Benner and Barry Jones. Congratulations to Antony Wakefield who rang his 1st QP – treble to PB Doubles at Sutterton. The QP at Freiston was a 1st of multi method doubles for Christine Higginson.

Northern Branch A QP of PB Doubles was rung at Barton St Mary for the Civil Partnership of Julian Crabtree (who rang the 5th) and Gavin Chapman. Congratulations to them both. A QP of Little Bob Minor was rung at Marshchapel and was the 1st QP on the newly augmented bells and the 1st since 2007. A QP of Doubles (678 covering) included Ashford Little Bob and was 1st in method for the 4 inside ringers. It was a 20th birthday compliment to Kieran Green (rang 3rd)

University Society A QP of PB Minimus was rung on the society's handbells. It was a 1st in hand for Thomas Gaskins, 1st in hand as cond for Owen Peters. A new minimus method was rung and named Nigel Farage for Prime MinimusTP on his visit to Lincoln for Question Time.

Dates for your diary

Jan	Branch	Venue			Time
7	Midweek ringers	Eagle	6	Meet 10am for coffee. Ringing	1030 - 1200
11	Central	St Giles, Lincoln	8	Ringing followed by service Lunch + AGM	1100 – 1230 1330
13	Ladies	Wragby	6	Novice and improvers	1330 - 1445
18	West Lindsey	Stow Willingham + service Tea, AGM	8	Ringing	1500 1600 – 1645 1730
25	Northern	Waltham	6	Ringing Service followed by lunch AGM	10 – 1130 1130 1330
25	Southern	Grantham See website	12	Ringing Service, lunch + AGM	1000 - 1200
28	Midweek ringers	Welbourn	8	Meet 10am for coffee. ringing	1030 - 1200