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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWS SHEET AND DIARY. FEBRUARY 2022

### News from January:

**100 club** £10. 11. Stow Tower £5. 6. Stephen Clarke

**Safeguarding** - the draft policy can be found on the Guild website. Please read this important document and submit any comments to Helen or Chris asap.

**LDG calendars and Christmas cards:** Thanks to all who have supported the Guild by buying or selling these. Profits of around £400 will be going to the BRF.

**Southern Branch:** Archie Randall Williams has been making great progress – he rang his 1<sup>st</sup> QP inside – PB Minor at Market Deeping, has repeated it several times since and has rung his 1<sup>st</sup> of Treble Bob too. 4 peals were rung at Sproxton, 3 being new methods – Bywell Alliance, Wylam Alliance and Winlaton Mill Alliance. The latter welcomed Isobel Park, a 1<sup>st</sup> grandchild for Ian Robinson who rang the 3<sup>rd</sup>.

There were 41 attendees via Zoom for the branch AGM. The meeting was opened with prayers and a blessing from the Rev'd Carolyn Bailey. There were no changes of officers and 1 returning member was welcomed. There were positive reactions to Membermojo with the majority of those who have 'logged on' finding the system easy to use. It was agreed that it had been a difficult year due to Covid restrictions however, the branch has seen several successful peal and QP attempts, both in the tower and in ringing room. Moving forward for this year, a program of events has been suggested with plans in place to encourage a return to ringing and also a recruitment drive to encourage new ringers.

**West Lindsey Branch:** Congratulations to Cindy Potts who rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QP – treble to PB Doubles at Stow and to Chris Potts for his 1<sup>st</sup> QP away from Tenor. At the Zoom AGM all officers were thanked for their hard work and re-elected for another year. Concern was expressed about the imposition of charges by many banks which will mean that the branch funds will suffer a considerable hit. If anyone discovers any banks taking on new (free) society accounts, please share this information. 7 new members were elected – well done to Winterton with 6 of the new members.

**Elloe Deaneries Branch:** On New Year's Eve a QP of 5 Doubles methods was rung at Fulney with the hope for better times. A QP of Kent and Oxford was rung at Gedney to congratulate John Bennett, TC here and ringer of the 3<sup>rd</sup> on his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. The band wished him many more happy years of ringing and writing.

**Central Branch:** A QP of Lincolnshire was rung at Welbourn prior to the funeral of Fran Brealey. She and her husband were responsible for the bells being transferred and hung at Welbourn after the tower collapsed at Hagworthingham. She was a longstanding Church Warden and supporter of ringers. Congratulations to Jane McKee who rang her first QP of Cambridge Major at Sleaford. This was her first ever touch of S Major on tower bells – she has rung quite a few QPs over the last few years on RR. A QP of Grandsire Triples was rung at Lincoln St Giles in memory of Sue Harrison, longstanding PCC member. At the AGM Keith Butter was elected President and Heather Shaw came on to the committee. Otherwise officers remained the same.

**Eastern Branch:** Branch and Guild members were very saddened to hear of the death of Ian Ansell, TC to the Kirton group of churches. The Butterwick practice was dedicated to his memory “we all thank him for his efforts and patience to improve our ringing as individuals and the Kirton and Butterwick group as a whole.” A QP of Yorkshire Major was rung at Sutterton in affectionate memory of Ian by a band of longstanding friends.

**Northern Branch:** The AGM was held in Legbourne and on Zoom in the afternoon with a morning ringing session at Grimsby Minster. Amy Dixon was welcomed as the new branch president and Kevin Dixon has taken over the role of treasurer. All other posts remain with the same, with the addition of 2 new members joining the Committee, Angela Newson and Alex Sutcliffe. The branch welcomed 6 new members to the guild. Congratulations to Katherine Jennings on her 50<sup>th</sup> QP and to Toby Hibbert for his 150<sup>th</sup> QP. These two, also rang their 1<sup>st</sup> QP of Cambridge in hand along with James Hibbert.

**Ringing Room:** There has been a small revival of RR this month which allowed Jane McKee to ring her 1<sup>st</sup> QP of Pudsey with the help of Jim Benner, Barry Jones and their good friend Wheatley.

### Dates for your diary

5	Elloe Deaneries	Via Zoom		Branch AGM	1800
5	Eastern	Via Zoom		Branch AGM	1030
12	Central	Wragby	6	Branch practice tbc	1430 - 1600
14	Ladies	Wragby	6	Novices and improvers	1330 - 1445
16	Northern	Market Rasen	8	Branch Practice	1930 - 2100

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