

# LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSSHEET AND DIARY. MARCH 2014

### News from late January and February:

100 club: 1st No. 17 Barbara Rand £10.00 2nd No 55 Heather Blacklock £5.00. News from around the branches:

Elloe Deaneries: On November 1<sup>st</sup> 1925 an historic event took place at Crowland Abbey. The sound of the bells became the first ever Church bells to be transmitted over the airwaves. In celebration of that first transmission Katherine Godfrey of the BBC arrived at Crowland Abbey to speak to current ringers and record the sound of the bells. See Guild website. Learners Ringing Event. More than 18 ringers & friends met together at "Sheddy's" in Spalding to enjoy a fish & chip supper. Food and service were excellent as usual! Ringing followed at Spalding, with more ringers joining the event. 6 learner adults and 3 junior members were supported by adult ringers of varying skills. Ringing was led by Paul Doades who organised ringers with a variety of fun tasks to improve bell control and striking. "Daniels Dilemma" presented a challenge to all! It was great to hear a rendition of "Twinkle, twinkle little star" at the end rung on 6 bells! Many thanks to Sue, Paul & the team of Spalding ringers for their hospitality. It was a really enjoyable evening. Looking forward to the next one!

## Southern :

Congrats to Bob Panes who has rung his first QP – he covered to PBD at Irnham. Well done to Elaine Wilkinson and Nick Elks who rang their most methods (8 surprise) to a peal at Deeping St Nicholas. The branch meeting at Corby Glen was well attended and the new six were put to good use to a variety of methods, including Norwich and London. Tea, coffee and homemade cakes went down well with those waiting to ring and a large number finished the evening in the Fighting Cocks in the Market Place at Corby Glen.

### Northern:

Congrats to David Sewell on his 1<sup>st</sup> QP – covering to doubles at Barrow.

### **Central:**

The branch were sorry to announce the death of John Carr, who had been an auditor of the Guild's BRF for the past 5 years. His funeral was held at Nettleham and a QP was rung in his memory at Eagle.

The branch had an enjoyable practice at Rauceby and Fulbeck and Gill Gladman agreed to take over the branch newsletter. Well done to Mike Lawton and Heather Blacklock on their first QPs of London Minor, Mike also rang his most SS major methods (4) to a QP. Well done James Northway who rang his first QP on an inside bell. 2 QPs were rung to celebrate Fiona Dawson's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. Ruth Curtis has rung a staggering 4000 peals and Paul Curtis 3,500. Many congratulations to them. West Lindsev:

The branch held a very successful training workshop at Epworth. It was an intro to ringing on 8 bells – striking CC well, starting plain hunt leading up to PB Triples. Rounds, CC and lapping on handbells also practised keeping good rhythm. Advance dates for your diary:

West Lindsey Open Towers Day Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May, for branch funds

Church School's Festival - Sixbel simulator in the Cathedral May 20, 21, 22 June 3,4,5,10,11. Volunteers needed.

March	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
1	Eastern	Boston Stump	10	Practice	1000 - 1200
4	Midweek	Dunholme	6	Cumberland Bob	1400 - 1530
8	Central	Wragby	6	Practice	1430 - 1600
8	Elloe	Gosberton Quadring Fish and chips	6 6	To book F+C contact Barbara 01775 820631 secretary@edb.ldgcb.org.uk	1430 - 1545 1600 - 1715
12	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
14	Eastern	Sutterton	8	Surprise Major	1930 - 2100
15	West Lindsey	Brigg	6	Practice	1500 - 1700
18	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Woodstock 8 <sup>th</sup> place Yorkshire	1430 - 1600
19	South Lincs Weds group	Pinchbeck	8	Lincolnshire S. Oxford Bob Triples	1430 - 1600
22	Surprise Major	Washingborough	8	Surprise Major	1030 - 1200
22	Northern	Waltham	6	Practice	1500 - 1630
22	Southern	Long Benington	6	Practice	1900 - 2100
20	West Lindsey	Messingham	6	Conducting workshop	1500 - 1700

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The newssheet is now 4 years old. The compiler, Sue Faull, would be happy to receive feedback and news items from around the Guild. Please remember to print this out for your tower, so that ringers without e mail can be kept up to date.