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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSSHEET AND DIARY. MAY 2017

News from April: Guild wide

AGM The new Dean of Lincoln Cathedral, Very Rev. Christine Wilson, presided at Holy Communion and then was welcomed as the Guild's President at the AGM where she took the Chair. Alan Payne was thanked for his 7 years as Guild Master and was given a present as a small token of the members' gratitude for all his hard work, particularly over the last year where we have been without a Secretary. Chris Turner was elected the new Guild Master and said that he would endeavour to support the branches in any way that he could, as the strength of ringing in the future lies very much with the tower members and branches. Helen Brotherton was elected as the new Guild Secretary. Colin Applewhite and John Foreman of Burton on Stather, Richard Hall of Scotter, Tom Freeston from Boston, Done Hare of Horncastle and Richard Willoughby of Alford were all entered into the Roll of Honour for their long service to towers and branches. Sue Faull from Willingham was elected Hon. Life Member for her services to the Guild. All were presented with certificates by the Dean. Following a swift meeting and bring and share lunch, ringing took place at St Giles and the Cathedral. A handbell workshop was also put on for new, returning and more advanced ringers. Thanks go to all who made the arrangements and to Bailgate Methodist Church for the comfortable accommodation.

100 club: **April** 1st Paul Andrews £100 2nd Goff Bryant £50, 3rd Harold Gibson £25, 4th Barbara Webster £10, 5th Chris Jackson £5 **Guild Draw** 1st £150 Chris Sharp, 2nd £75 Angela Newson, 3rd £50 Cora Townson Many thanks to all who supported the Draw and to the Branch Fund raising reps. Amount of money raised will be announced in next month's newssheet.

ART Module 2 Anyone interested in attending a M2 course should contact Sandra Underwood, as it is hoped to hold one at Wragby in the late summer.

Jim Sutherland has been remembered across the globe. A QP was rung in his memory at Geelong, Australia. Emily Nation (Barry Jones' daughter) was in the band, and had visited Jim fairly recently on her trip to UK.

News from the branches:

Central: Well done to Yvonne Woodcock on her 1000th QP, which coincidentally was her 250th at Potterhanworth. Anne Hardwick rang her 1st QP inside at Potterhanworth and another QP was rung there to mark the centenary of the death of Sgt Frederick Woodcock, a distant relative of Chris and Yvonne. A half muffled QP was rung at North Rauceby to mark the 75th anniversary of the death of 2 pilots (one Canadian, one Australian) when their Wellington Bomber plane came down nearby. Congratulations to Gerry and Kate Trusscott on their 60th wedding anniversary, a 960 was rung to mark the occasion by the Nettleham ringers. Gerry has recently retired from ringing. A peal was rung at the Cathedral for the College Youths, by a mainly LDG band as a compliment to Lincolnshire lad Robert Lee becoming Master of the College Youths. It was a 1st of S. Maximus as conductor for Chris Woodcock.

Eastern: Well done to Jo French who rang her first QP of surprise inside at Butterwick. The Coningsby ringers and friends rang a QP at Langton to celebrate the 85th birthday of Coningsby ringer, Joan Simpson. Many happy returns to Joan. The Learners practice at Wainfleet was successful; the Learners were eager to ring (aided by the use of a football rattle to call ringers to ring.) A good number of experienced ringers meant that good progress could be made. A QP was rung at Friskney in memory of Valerie and John Pickering, parents, inlaws and grandparents of the Barker family who all took part in the QP.

West Lindsey : Congratulations to Janet and Stephen Clarke on their Ruby Wedding anniversary. A peal was rung at Gunby to mark the occasion. A QP was rung at Messingham to celebrate the marriage of ex local band member, Ruth Whetton (daughter of David) to Richard Reid. A QP of Julie Mc D New Bob Triples was rung at Stow as part of the Cathedrals, Abbeys and Minsters challenge.

Southern Branch: Congratulations to Tom Thorpe, aged 13 on his 1^{st} QP – treble to PBM at Stamford Baron. Three new methods were rung at Sproxton – Beamish Alliance, Tanfield Alliance and Hartlepool Alliance. Well done Alison Stokoe on her first QP of Surprise at Market Deeping.

Elloe: The Stedman practice at Spalding attracted about 20 ringers. Doubles and Triples were rung, plain courses and touches, so that all learners came away feeling more confident in ringing this important method. Excellent refreshments aided brain power.

Northern: Grimsby Minster team plus ringers from neighbouring towers enjoyed a tour of 4 churches: Middle Rasen, Kirton in Lindsey, Burton upon Stather and Bottesford. A good time was had by all. Finishing the day with a quiz and tea at Kirmington

May	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
1	West Lindsey	Outing to Southwell area			
2	Midweek ringing	Eagle	6	Sleaford S Minor	1030 - 1200
6	Handling practice	Wragby	6	For ringers learning bell handling and ringing Rounds and Call changes	1400 - 1600
6	Eastern	Sibsey	8	Meeting + general ringing	1830 - 2030
8	Ladies	Middle Rasen	6	E mail sue faull to check practice	1330 - 1445
10	Midweek ringing	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
13	Central	Nocton	6	Practice	1800 - 2000
13	Southern	Colsterworth	6	Striking competition	1800 start
16	Midweek ringing	Washingborough	8	St Giles S Major	1430 - 1600
17	South Lincs Weds gp	Harmston	8	Rutland, double Norwich	1100 - 1230
		Bassingham	6	Bassingham Alliance, Original	1430 - 1600
20	Handling practice	Wragby	6	For ringers learning bell handling and ringing Rounds and call changes	1400 - 1600
23	Midweek ringing	Welbourn	8		1030 - 1200
27	8 bell method practice	Washingborough	8		1030 - 1200
29	Northern	Branch outing		Mablethorpe area	

Advance dates for diary. Church Schools' festival – Sixbel simulator in the Cathedral. May 16, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26 Volunteers needed. Offers of help would be gratefully received by Sue Faull

July 15th-Young Ringers (plus young at heart) Summer Festival. Please book the date now, further information to come soon.