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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. OCTOBER 2015

News from late August and September:

Guild Striking competition:

5 teams took part in each of the Cup and Plate competitions at Middle Rasen and Tealby respectively. The Cup was won by St Botolph's Lincoln, with the Cathedral runners up. The Plate was won by Stowingham (Stow/Willingham group) followed by Gainsborough. Congratulations to all who took part. A lovely tea was provided at Middle Rasen where the judges, Clive and Valerie Allen, Paul Mason and Dan Meyer, were thanked for their time and expertise.

LDG calendars and Christmas cards: coming soon!

The Queen becoming longest reigning monarch was celebrated by a peal at Potterhanworth, QPs at St Mary le W, Greatford, Sempringham, Harrington, Spilsby and Gainsborough and special ringing at Branston, Nocton and Fishtoft.

News from around the branches

Northern. A QP was rung to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the completion of the Louth St James spire. It is the highest medieval parish church spire in England. Open ringing was enjoyed as part of the "Inspire" festival which was held over a weekend and ended with a spectacular firework display. The firework technicians were exhausted after their many trips up and down the tower to place the fireworks.

Southern: Congratulations go to Greg Harrison on his first QP of Triples as conductor, to Charlotte Beaver on her 1st QP of Treble Bob. Belated Golden Wedding congratulations go to Lois and Cyril Webb, a QP was rung at Greatford to mark this event and was also a congrats to Alexander Guest on his A' level results. Best wishes on his move to Warwick Uni. A new method was rung and named at Edenham – High Spen Alliance. A joint meeting with Elloe was held at Horbling and Quadring - which unfortunately did not attract any Elloe members, but was nevertheless well attended. Tea and homemade cakes were served at Horbling. A quarter was rung at Edenham in memory of Private Fred Smith who died at the Battle of Loos on 26.9.1915, aged 21. He was born and lived at Edenham and is commemorated with others on a plaque in the belfry. It was a 1st QP for Denis Murray

West Lindsey The ringers of Haxey had a very busy month. To commemorate 500 years of 3 of their bells they assembled the Guild's Sixbel simulator in the church and invited the children from the 2 local Primary Schools, the Cubs, Scouts, Brownies and Guides to come along to try bell ringing related activities. In addition they had an open afternoon for other members of the public which was followed by a Service, tea and further branch ringing. Many members of the branch helped out at these events and very favourable feedback was received from the schools.

Central Branch: Congrats go to Jean Key on her 1st QP of Cambridge major, to Keith Gladman on his 1st QP of Grandsire Triples, to Phil Hill on his 1st QP on 8 bells. Ringing demonstrations were given and a QP rung at Auburn – former St Peter's church, now the Community Heritage Room. A QP was rung at Branston in memory of 4 residents killed in action on the same day – 26th Sept 1915. Michael Lawton has rung his 1st QP of Cambridge Royal.

Eastern Branch: A successful Branch meeting was held at the unusual church of Langton by Partney. This was followed by a Service, excellent tea and further ringing at Spilsby. Ringing also took place for the Heritage weekend at Benington.

Elloe Deaneries A QP was rung at Gosberton in memory of Ron Noon. Congrats to Keith Brown on his 700th peal which was also James Thorpe's 1st peal for the Ancient Society of College Youths.

October	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
3	Eastern	Norfolk		Coach Outing	0800 depart
3	Central	Caythorpe	8	Practice	1700 - 2000
6	Midweek	Dunholme	6	College Bob Minor	1400 - 1530
8	Eastern	Kirton in Holland	8	Surprise major practice	1930 - 2100
10	Guild	Stamford All Saints	8	8 bell Striking competition	
10	Elloe	Lutton	6	Ringing	1330
		Tydd St Mary	6	Ringing	1500
				Service + tea	1630
		Sutton St James	6	Ringing	follows
11	Eastern	Quarter peal week			
14	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
17	West Lindsey	Winterton	6	Practice	1900 - 2100
20	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Single Oxford Bob Triples	1430 - 1600
21	S. Lincs Weds gp	Swineshead	8	Double Norwich, Stedman	1100 - 1230
		Bicker	8	Camb/Yorks/Lincs Erin	1430 - 1600
24	8 bell method prac	Washingborough	8	8 bell methods	1030 - 1200
24	Eastern	Surfleet	12	Ringing	1800
				Guild BRF, Race night	1930
24	Southern	Barrowby	6	Practice	1900 - 2100

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