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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. OCTOBER 2016

News from late August and September:

100 club August: 1st no. 84 Coningsby Tower £10, 2nd no. 108 Phil Wild £5
September: 1st no. 25 Fiona Dawson £10, 2nd no. 96 Joan Wild £5

Guild 6 bell striking competition: The John Freeman Cup competition was held at Moulton and judged by Tom Ridgman of the Ely DA. 6 teams took part: congratulations to Kirton in Holland on winning, with Messingham/Scotter and the Lincoln Cathedral bands as joint runners up. The Ted Colley Plate competition was held at Whaplode and was judged by Philip Bailey, also from Ely DA. Only 3 teams took part, with Ingoldmells being judged winner, with Grantham/Barrowby as runners up. An excellent tea was provided at Whaplode, thanks to all.

LDG calendars and Christmas cards: Calendars are priced at £5 each and cards at £2 per pack, now available.

Northern. St Mary's Barton opened the tower to visitors as part of the Challenge500 Heritage Open Days. Over 25 visitors watched demonstrations of ringing and were able to see the bells ringing on the television which is connected to CCTV amongst the bells. A fair number of these visitors also had a go at trying to ring the backstroke. All in all a successful way of introducing ringing to the public and hopefully will lead to some new recruits.

Southern: Branch members were very sorry to learn of the death of Graham Benn, a local Bourne ringer. QPs were rung at Bourne, Morton, Irnham and North Rauceby in memory of this dedicated and local ringer. Congratulations to Stephanie Henshaw on her 1st QP on 8 bells – rung at Market Deeping. A QP was rung at Boothby Pagnall as a 60th birthday compliment to local TC Andrew Osborne. The Sept. meeting was well-attended and held at West Deeping. A new learner from All Saints, Stamford was welcomed to the meeting, where the ringing included new opportunities for several members. The 2017 DRAFT programme is now available for comment on the Branch web site.

West Lindsey: A successful branch practice held jointly with Doncaster District visited Barnby Dun and Thorne. The lovely bells were put to good use and refreshments enjoyed between towers. Thanks go to the cake and sandwich makers. The pub meal following the ringing was also enjoyed by a large group of WL ringers before they made their way back to Lincolnshire.

Central Branch: A QP of Yorkshire Maximus was rung at the Cathedral in honour of the graduation of Michael Lawton from Lincoln Uni. It was his first QP of Max, which he also conducted. Well done to Michael. A QP was also rung at Branston to congratulate Mike. A QP was rung at Nocton in memory of Melvyn Risdale, husband of local ringer Janet. Sincere condolences go to Janet. A QP at Heckington was most methods (4 doubles) as conductor for Greg Harrison, and on the treble to Genie Lowe. Well done to them both. Also well done to Claire Howard who has conducted her first QP of Minor, to Bill Booty and Ed White on their first QPs on 10 bells, Ed also conducted the QP.

Eastern Branch: Congratulations to branch members on their double win at the Guild 6 bell striking competition. The branch had an enjoyable practise at Raithby and Old Bolingbroke. A service, followed by tea was held at Old Bolingbroke and a three legged cat called Treble Bob was encountered at the tea venue, The Black Horse.

Elloe Deaneries: Thanks to all branch members who provided hospitality at the Guild six bell striking competitions.

Dates for your diary **1st October Lincolnshire Day**

October	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
1	Guild	Ingoldmells	8	Guild 8 bell striking comp	1700
4	Midweek	Thorpe on the Hill	6	Double Court Bob Minor	1400 - 1530
8	Central	Dunston	6	Branch practise	1500 - 1600
		Nocton	6		1630 - 1800
8	Eastern	Coach Outing		Huddersfield	
8	Southern	Boothby Pagnell	5	Ringing Curry and Quiz night	1700 - 1745 1745 onwards
9	Eastern	Quarter peal week			
12	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
14	Eastern	Sutterton	8	Surprise Major	1930 - 2100
15	West Lindsey	Scunthorpe 20 - 21 centre	8	Branch practise	1400 - 1600
18	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Bristol	1430 - 1600
22	Saturday 8s	Washingborough	8	8 bell methods	1030 - 1200
26	South Lincs Wednesday group	Harringworth	6	Beverley S, Canterbury Pleasure	1430 - 1600
29	Southern	Edenham		"learning Stedman"	
29	Eastern	Alford		Race Night, Guild BRF	1900

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