

# Happy Birthday Deeping St Nicholas

## 100 years old, 23rd December 2008

**If you were to phone a bell foundry today and give them an order for a brand new ring of five bells (for a tower that had previously had only one bell) and stipulated they must be installed in five weeks could you imagine the response?**

Well, the church wardens at Deeping St Nicholas did just that on the 16th November 1908. Taylors job sheet shows this was when the order was placed with the stipulation *'This frame must be completed and fixed by 23rd December 1908'*. And it was!

Five bells were installed in a new two-tier frame, the lower 'H' frame contained bells 2 to 5 with the treble hung in the top tier. Taylors job sheet also states that the front 4 bells were fitted with *'Wrot iron headstocks'*. A new treble was ordered on the 1st May 1909 to augment the bells to a ring of six, this bell being hung later that year. The result was an exceptional 6cwt Taylor six.



Rev'd Peter Garland with members of the PCC cutting the cake.

Katie Watts of 'Couture Cakes' ([www.couture-cakes.co.uk](http://www.couture-cakes.co.uk)) made a wonderful celebration cake to mark the occasion along with miniature bell cakes for the ringers. Before the service a quarter peal was rung by the Sunday Service band.

### 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

1. Barbara Webster (1st quarter)
2. Gill Hardy
3. Marilyn Brown
4. Rosalind A Knight
5. Philip N Green (c)
6. David Richardson

100 years to the day, Tuesday 23rd December an excellent peal of doubles was rung on the back five on to mark the bells birthday.

### Lincoln Diocesan Guild

**Deeping St Nicholas**, Lincolnshire  
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Tuesday, 23 December 2008 in 2h28 (6)

### 5040 Doubles (11m)

(11m: (1-4) Plain B (5-8) St Simon (9-12) St Martin (13-16)  
St Osmund (17-20) Eynesbury (21-24)  
Reverse Canterbury (25-28) St Nicholas (29-32)  
Winchendon Place (33-36) St Remigius (37-40) Huntley  
(41-42) Grandsire)

**1 Emma J Southerington (C)**

**2 Rosalind A Knight**

**3 Michael J Pollard**

**4 Philip N Green**

**5 Andrew J Davey**

On the 100th anniversary of the bells first rung in this church.  
Most methods: 3



The peal band with their celebration cakes

Philip N Green