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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. DECEMBER 2018

Best wishes to you all for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Enjoy your festive ringing.

News from November: Guild news:

Ringing Remembers:

What an amazing day that was, with a huge amount of activity around the Guild. Chris Turner (Master) writes "I am aware of 74 recruits during the year (new + returnees) of which 53 are still ringing and so probably rang on 11/11/18. I still have more to come, however, from N and E branches, so this 53 should rise. Please ask ALL towers to log their 11/11/18 ringing on Bellboard. We can then get an accurate picture of how much ringing took place on that day. So far, I think 68 LDG towers have recorded their ringing on BB, but I know this is far from a complete picture." Very well done to all the people involved in recruiting and training and a warm welcome to all the new recruits earning their RR badges.

Peals were rung for the Armistice 100 at Mkt Rasen, Mkt Deeping, Potterhanworth, Dunston, Branston and Metheringham. At least 26 QPs were rung from all corners of the Guild, space doesn't allow them to be listed here.

It is now 4 years since **Michael Freeman** died, he was brother of John Freeman and both were ringers at Lincoln Cathedral. Micheal started his ministry as curate at Messingham, before moving on to Gainsborough, Goxhill and Bottesford. A plaque to his memory has been erected at St Mary's Warwick where Michael was both Team Vicar and bell ringer.

The Trustees to the BRF, after looking at the state of finances, have increased the level of grant that may be awarded to qualifying work to 20%, effective from 17/11/18

Does your Church or Community have a tune ringing handbell team? There will be a gathering of handbell teams at Scotter Village Hall on Saturday 5th October 2019. There will be massed ringing of 2 or 3 designated tunes and the opportunity for individual teams to perform their own pieces of music. This is a HRGB event but ALL teams in Lincolnshire are warmly invited to come along. For further information contact Barbara on 07944 191089 or email treasurer@ldgcb.org.uk.

100 club £10 Jenny Kirkby, £5 Jo French

News from around the branches

Southern Branch At the meeting at Bourne, 6 new Guild members were elected, of whom 3 were RR recruits. A new band has been taught by David Braunton at Belton (Grantham) for RR, very well done to them. One new method was rung and named at Sproxton: X ray Alliance. A QP was rung at Folkingham in memory of Alan Morris, former TC, on the day of his memorial Service, a QP was also rung at Quadring in his memory. Congratulations to Will Carter on his 1st QP : the 3rd to PBD at Harlaxton.

West Lindsey Branch A QP was rung at Messingham to celebrate Jenny Kirkby's 70th birthday. Another was rung there for the baptism of Benjamin Magadza, grandchild for Ian and Joy, it was Tracey Black's 50th QP.

Central Branch The peal rung at Scothern was in memory of Pte Fred Bell, local ringer, who was injured hours before the Armistice and tragically died 4 days later. Alan Bird and Greg Harrison have rung 100 QPs this year. QPs for All Saints Day were rung at Nettleham, Branston and Nocton.

Following the success of the RR taster days Colin, Claire and Sandra have been very busy teaching the recruits. 9 of the recruits rang for 11/11 Thorpe/Eagle/Swinderby and North Scarle and 4 more rang at Nettleham. Ringing

Northern Branch Grimsby Minster had 5 Ringing Remembers recruits ringing with them on 11/11. This included half muffled service ringing in the morning. A quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles(with 3 behind) was rung in the evening with 3 'firsts'. 1st as a cond for Amy Dixon. 1st inside for Richard Haywood and 1st on the treble for Ashley Reeson. The bells also rang out for the Christmas light switch on in Grimsby Town Centre.

Eastern Branch The Sixbel simulator was taken to Boston Stump. 7 regular helpers and about 4 occasional helpers gave roughly 250 children and about 100 adults a taste of bellringing. Altogether the footfall counter at the stump registered 27000 people The simulator was rung for the 12 30 ringing on 11/11 and also a 100 of Grandsire Doubles was rung. The simulator created great interest from many people and it is hoped to have it back again once the tower restoration work is finished.

The newly taught ringers at Old Bolinbroke can now ring unaided and are ringing for Sunday Services as well as Weds practices. They are immensely grateful to the Coningsby and Tattershall ringers for teaching and bell maintenance. Congrats to James Barker on his 1st QP of Major at Burgh le Marsh.

Diary for December

December	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
1	Central +	Wragby	6	Handling, Rounds + call changes	1400 - 1600
1	Eastern	Burgh le Marsh	8	Ringing Service + tea and more ringing	1500 - 1630 1630 - 1715
4	Midweek	North Scarle	6	Surfleet	1030 - 1200
8	Central	Harmston	8	Ringing Carol Service	1430
8	Northern	Walesby	8	Ringing Carols by Candlelight	1730 - 1900 1900
10	Ladies	Middle Rasen	6	Novices + improvers	1330 - 1445
11	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Spliced surprise	1030 - 1200
12	Improvers	Wragby	6	Beginners + improvers	1030 - 1200
15	Central +	Wragby	6	Handling, Rounds + call changes	1400 - 1600
15	W. Lindsey	Haxey	6	Ringing Service	1500 1645
19	Eastern	Burgh le marsh	8	8 bell practice	1930 - 2100
22	8 bell	Washingborough	8	8 bell methods	1030 - 1200