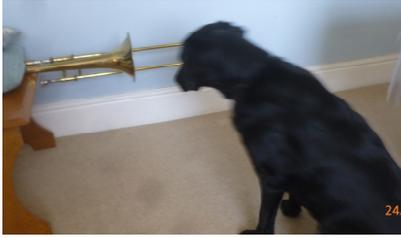




Message from Guild Master, Chris Turner His Master's Voice no 15.



Hello everyone,

Have you started real ringing yet? Many of us have now rung our tower bells for the first time in months and what a lovely feeling it has been. Also great to meet fellow ringers in the flesh rather than via Zoom! Lets hope ringing opens out further during June.

I know young ringers from around Grantham have been ringing as a group for some weeks now and are progressing well, which is good news. The Guild is hoping to enter a team in the National Young Ringers Contest at Worcester

Worcester on Sept 11th. If any young ringer wants to participate in this please contact me, Sue Faull or your branch secretary.

Following the tacit approval of the membership at the AGM, the guild committee meeting in May agreed to proceed with the online membership database.

Keep safe, Chris.

100 Club £10: 6 Stephen Clarke £5: 70 Andrew Lord

Young Ringers: Although this is not a branch or guild organised activity, we are excited to report that following the latest guidance from CCCBR Bell ringing recovery group, a group of young ringers under the age of 18 from the Grantham area have started back to tower bell ringing. The adult supervised youth led practices are helping young ringers regain and build on their confidence in preparation for returning to ringing at their own towers. There is strict adherence to the national guidelines and additional measures have been put in place as a result of local risk assessments. The group is open to all under 18 Lincolnshire ringers who can ring independently in rounds and are within approx 15 miles of Grantham. We think they have all been invited, but if anyone's been missed and is interested, please make our Branch Secretary aware and she will pass on details. Numbers of young people, and adults attending are restricted at the moment, but as restrictions relax, the group is hoping to expand the age range of young ringers involved and to invite additional appropriate adults to support potential new members to integrate into the practice.

Ringling Room:

A QP of Burslem Delight Minor was rung, a 1st in method for Sylvia Taylor, Jane McKee and Jo French.

A handbell QP of Norwich was a 1st of surprise for Katherine Jennings and in hand for Toby Hibbert.

A QP of Lessness was a 1st in m for Jane McKee, Alyson Blanchard and Jo French,

News from the branches:

Eastern A QP was rung at Leverton in memory of local resident Jane Moore.

West Lindsey: A handbell peal of 7 minor methods was rung at Keeper's Cottage, Lea which has proved to be an excellent venue during the pandemic.

Elloe A QP of Cambridge Minor was rung at Fulney and was a 30th birthday compliment to Luke Tobin.

Southern: A QP of Cambridge Minor was rung at Sproxtton.

Central: 2 QPs were rung at Potterhanworth, one of which was in memory of Rt Rev Bob Hardy, 70th Bishop of Lincoln and past Patron of the LDG. He passed away on 9th April.. 2 QPs were also rung at St Mary le Wigford, one was following the local elections to welcome new councillors. A QP was rung at Nocton in memory of Heather Fry, wife of local ringer John. Heather learnt to ring in Norfolk. A further QP was rung at St Mary le W with best wishes to Chris Woodcock following surgery.

Northern A QP was rung at Elsham wishing Heather Peachey a speedy recovery.

Dates for your diaries

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| 12 | Central Branch | Virtual or Norton Disney | (6) | Zoom 1939 – 2100 or Ringing 1830 - 2000 | Practice |
| 26 | Central Branch | Potterhanworth | (6) | 1000 - 1200 | Training |
| Oct 2 | Guild Festival | Willingham area | | | |

Ringling for the first time for a while? Don't forget to check the bells over before you start. If you need any help with this you could contact **TLB Services:** For bespoke joinery, church bell work and timber work, call Tom Blyth on 07914522446 for free site visit and quote. T.l.bservices@outlook.com See Tom's advert in our Annual Report

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