Lincoln Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers Northern Branch



Newsletter – September 2008

Welcome to the September edition of the Northern Branch newsletter. The deadline for the next newsletter is 10th December so if you do anything between now and then and want it reported, please let Joy or Lorraine know. Also please let us know of anything being planned for next January, February, or March.

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NEXT BRANCH PRACTICE Louth, (8) Tuesday 16th September 7:00-9.00 pm

Louth will welcome us at 7 pm with a drink and cake at the back of church before we venture up the steps to the ringing chamber at 7.30 pm. There will be a special method: **Gainsborough Little Bob Major** (x18x18x16-12). Please have a look at the method, those who wish to ring it, although copies will be available on the day.

Please bring some money as we will have a raffle at 50p per ticket for the Branch BRF

QUIZ NIGHT Grasby Saturday 25th October

Ringing at Grasby 6-7 pm

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Quiz in Grasby Village hall to start at 7:30 pm.

The charge per team will be £10 (for up to 4 members) This Charge will include food. Everybody is invited to bring their own drinks (including wine / things with alcoholic content!).
As we will be catering we will need you to book your teams in by Saturday 18th October and purchase your tickets. To do this please email: <u>secretary@nb.ldgcb.org.uk</u> or phone Lorraine and Matt on 01472 690460 (If you get the answer phone, leave your name, number and details of your team and we'll get back to you).

All proceeds from this event will go to the Northern Branch Bell repair fund.

WALESBY (Old Church) Candlelight Carol Service – Saturday 13th December Ringing 6 pm-7:30 pm

Northern Branch Striking Competition

On the lovely June evening of Monday 9th, Seven teams ventured to Goxhill to take part in the Northern Branch Striking Competition. The teams received a warm welcome from the tower with spread of food and hot drinks. Due to there being so many teams entering the competition, in order to finish the evening on time all teams rang 120, rather than 240. Here are the judge's comments:

Firstly well done to the 42 ringers who had taken part. Even though there will be winners and losers, everyone is ahead of all the towers that didn't enter. It was also commented that teams did not make full use of their practice time.

Team 1

Could have practiced for 30 seconds longer. This team got better as they went on, if the competition had had been for 240 they would have settled down nicely. The small bells tended to clip the big bells. The peal speed for this band would have been. 2 hrs 55. They scored 44.

Team 2

Had a confident practice and they only used half the practice time. This team got better, the second half been better than the first. The penultimate 10 changes where good. The faults were mainly the smaller bells clipping the bigger ones. The peal speed was 2hrs 50 mintues. They scored 32.

Team 3

Seemed to be nervous in the practice piece. In places the test piece had a slow steady rhythm, there were several slow back stroke leads. They scored 40.

Team 4

This team made good use of their practice time (only 18 seconds to spare). This team rang call changes. The call changes got better towards the end and the best ringing was after the 120. Quite a lot of clipping throughout the piece. They scored 50.

Team 5

This threw the judge as they had a shaky practice, which was spot on 3 minutes. When they began to ring the test piece, they sounded like a different band. They had a disaster in the last lead which gave them a lot of faults. They scored 52.

Team 6

This team was the slowest of the evening, this made it difficult for the ringers to find a constant rhythm. The tenor needed to push in hard at back stroke. The faults where spread throughout. The Peal speed was 3 hrs 7. They scored 58.

Team 7

This team's practice was under 2 minutes. The test piece was call changes which improved as it went on. The same mistakes were repeated, so it would have been better to move the changes on where this was happening. This was a steady piece which a peal speed of 2hrs 50 minutes. They scored 38.

So the results were as follows:

- 1st Barrow
- 2nd Barton B
- 3rd Grimsby
- 4th Caistor/Grasby
- 5th Market Rasen
- 6th Barton A
- 7th Middle Rasen

During the evening Dorothy worked hard to sell raffle tickets for the BRF and we raised £44. Thank you to our judge Sue Faull.

Branch Practice at Stallingborough

Fortunately, there was just enough of us to ring the four bells of Stallingborough. Although not a lot could be done, thanks to those who did turn up and enjoyed the refreshments.

Lincoln Cathedral – Sunday 17th August

It was that time of year again when the Company of Cathedral Ringers invite us to ring for Evensong at the Cathedral. This was, once again, a very good turn out and ringers of all abilities, some of whom had never before rung on more than eight, were keen to get involved. Ringing ranged from call changes to an attempt of Cambridge Royal, and the raffle, won by Roger Lord, raised £14 for the branch BRF. This was a good day out enjoyed by all. Thanks very much to Les Townsend and all at the Cathedral, and we look forward to our invitation next year!

LDG Peals and Quarter Peals (July and August)

Two peals and seven quarter peals were rung by Northern Branch members for the guild in this period. They are:-

PEALS

Lea, Lincs. 10 Willingham Road Tuesday, 1 July in 2h10 5088 Oxford Treble Bob Major Composed by I. R. Fielding

1-2 A. Robin Heppenstall<u>3-4 Andrew M. Lord</u>5-6 Christopher J. Sharp7-8 Emma J. Southerington (C)

First in method: 3-4

Gamston, Notts. St. Peter Thursday, 7 August in 2h37 5040 7-Mixed Minor (Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clements, Oxford TB, Norwich S, Bourne S, Cambridge S) 1 Ruth Curtis 2 A. Debbie Scarf 3 Paul F. Curtis 4 John F. Underwood 5 Matthew B. Jeffery 6 Christopher P. Turner (C) **QUARTER PEALS:-**

Caistor, Lincs. Ss. Peter & Paul Thursday, 3 July in 46 mins 1274 Plain Bob Triples <u>1 Edward W. Colley</u> <u>2 Nancie E. Colley</u> <u>3 Sue Scotter</u> <u>4 James E. Hibbert</u> <u>5 Richard Till</u> <u>6 David E. Hibbert</u> <u>7 Rodney H. French (C)</u> <u>8 Harry Minns</u>

Rung immediately after the Communion service for the licensing of Rev. Canon Judy McMann to the Caistor Group

Barton-on-Humber, North Lincs. 8 Queen Street Sunday, 13 July 1260 Plain Bob Royal 1-2 John Bryant 3-4 Anne Parkin <u>5-6 Geoff Bryant</u> 7-8 Neville Parkin (C) 9-10 Andrew Lord

Brigg, Lincs.
St. John the Evangelist Thursday, 24 July
1260 Plain Bob Minor

Derek Bunting
Patricia A. Donnelly
Jennifer A. Murch
Andrew Groves
Heather L. E. Peachey
Rt. Revd. Barry F. Peachey (C)

First of Minor: 1,4. 50th quarter this year: 3. Rung as a birthday compliment to Andrew Groves, and a 4th Wedding Anniversary compliment to Tracy and Steve, daughter and son-inlaw of Derek Bunting Kirton-in-Lindsey, North Lincs. St. Andrew Sunday, 6 July **1260 Grandsire Triples** 1 Melvyn Rose 2 John Underwood 3 Bryan Kitson 4 Richard Hall 5 David Whetton <u>6 Roger Lord</u> 7 Ian Till (C) 8 Fred Bartle

Specially arranged as a 90th birthday compliment to Harold Judd of Hibaldstow, a well known ringer in the area for many years

Kirton-in-Lindsey, North Lincs. St. Andrew Thursday, 17 July in 46 mins 1260 Plain Bob Triples <u>1 Jenny Bennett</u> <u>2 Andrew C. Bennett</u> <u>3 James E. Hibbert</u> 4 Joanna Hoare 5 Patrick Horton 6 Rodney H. French (C) <u>7 David E. Hibbert</u> 8 Michael F. Hoare

Caistor, Lincs. Ss. Peter & Paul Sunday, 27 July **1260 Grandsire Doubles** <u>1 Patricia A. Donnelly</u> <u>2 Edward W. Colley</u> <u>3 Sue Scotter (C)</u> <u>4 Nancie E. Colley</u> <u>5 David E. Hibbert</u> <u>6 Harry Minns</u>

First as conductor. For evensong Claxby, Lincs. St. Mary Sunday, 24 August in 38 mins **1260 Grandsire Doubles** <u>1 Lorraine J. Bateman</u> <u>2 Simon J. Cole</u> <u>3 John Cade</u> <u>4 John M. Goodchild</u> <u>5 Matthew B. Jeffery</u> (C) Rung to mark the retirement of John Cade, and the birth of John Goodchild's granddaughter, Har-

Please ensure that any peals or quarters you may ring a r e o n <u>www.campanophile.com</u>, otherwise they may not be accounted for. If this cannot be done, please inform the Ringing Master who will sort it out.

May Guild Committee meeting report

Lincoln Guild Clothing

You may have seen a few branch members wearing their Lincoln Guild Bellringers tops. You too can have one of your own. The range includes Polo shirts £15, Sweat shirts £16, Rugby shirts £22.50 and Hooded tops in various colours and sizes. And a small donations goes to the Guild Bell repair fund. If you are interest in finding out more/ placing an order, please contact Sue Faull master@ldgcb.org.uk

Date I	Location	Event
Sat 5 th /Sun 6 th	Stonely	Ringing World Road Show
Sept		
Sat 13 th Sept	Guild Striking Competit	tionPM Welton & Dunholme
Tues 16 th Sept I	Louth (8)	7:00 – 9:00pm branch practice
Oct 25th	Grasby (6)	6-7 pm Ringing followed by Quiz and sup-
Sat 13 th Dec	Walesby (8)	6:00 pm candelight carol service at 7:30pm
Sat 24th Jan	Barton (8)	AGM pm and Evening
Tues 10 th Mar	Laceby (5)	7:00 – 8:30pm branch practice
1 st Wed of month	Ladies Practice	Sat 24 th Jan
2 nd Wed of Month	Simulator Practice at	10.30am – 12.00pm. Contact Jim Sutherland
	Wragby	01673 858492
Last Fri of Month	Simulator Practice at	10.30am – 12.00pm by arrangement only con-
	Louth	tract Mick Day 01507 603998

Northern Branch Programme 2008

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Barn Dance

Bell Repair Fundraising Team

Dancing to the Riverhead Ranters



Saturday 18th October

From 19.30 to 23.00 pm

At UPTON cum KEXBY Village Hall

Tickets £7.50 From Branch Fundraising Team Member

Buffet Supper included Bring your own Drink

Tea & Coffee Available



Raffle in aid of Bell Repair Fund