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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY MAY 2024

**100 club** Val Fox £100, Helen Brotherton £50, Mary Brown £25, Brenda Donaldson £10, Michael Bentley £5

**Guild AGM** The changed itinerary for the day worked well with Cathedral ringing followed by a Service in the Ringers' Chapel, lunch then meeting. Over 50 people sat down for an excellent lunch prepared by the WL branch. The meeting, chaired by the Precentor, went smoothly. Changes to the striking competition rules and revised BRF rules were adopted. Best wishes were sent from the meeting to Robin and Delia Heppenstall on their Diamond wedding anniversary. The highlight of the meeting was the presentation of the first sets of the Guild minute books being presented to the Master by Les Townsend. These minutes had been missing for many years and were only just saved from a tip in Leicestershire by a fortuitous phone call from the offspring of Ray Smith, former Guild librarian who was tragically killed 50 years ago. Les was asked whether they might be of interest to the Guild! Philip Green has had the minutes carefully bound prior to them being placed in the library. Thanks to all the officers for their hard work prior to the AGM. A special cake to commemorate the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Guild, kindly made by Danny Hind of Kirton in Lindsey, was cut by the Master, Keith Butter. Commemorative mugs are now available priced £7.50.

**Ringing World** The issue of 26<sup>th</sup> April featured the Cathedral and Chapter House and the most part of the issue featured LDG issues. Many congratulations to Judith Rogers, Chris Sharp and Keith Butter for the excellent articles and to Mike Maughan and others for photographs to illustrate them.

### News from April:

**Southern Branch:** A peal of Sproxton at Sproxton was the 400<sup>th</sup> together for Tony Walker and Mike Maughan and sent best wishes for a speedy recovery to Sue Dawson, local correspondent and lay reader. Two new methods were rung and named at Sproxton – Haconby Alliance and Dunston Alliance, the latter celebrated the arrival of twin grandsons for Ian Robinson. A further peal at Sproxton of Yorkshire was a 1<sup>st</sup> on 8 bells for Robert Simpson. Well done to Kieran Boylan who rang his 1<sup>st</sup> QP inside – Grandsire Caters at Grantham.. A QP rung at Market Deeping celebrated the 65<sup>th</sup> birthday of David Atkinson and the 51<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary of Keith and Marilyn Brown and a further QP of Lessness at Mkt Deeping was to mark the start of the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of the LDG. It was 1<sup>st</sup> in method for Luke Tobin.

**West Lindsey Branch** Many congratulations go to Chris Turner on ringing his 1000<sup>th</sup> peal - Yorkshire Max at Grantham and joins a very elite group of LDG ringers who have reached this amazing milestone. He rang his 1001<sup>st</sup> peal the following day at Stow with ringers unable to be in the Grantham band but who ring regularly in his peals. Well done to Lawrence Martin on his 1<sup>st</sup> QP – the tenor at Gainsborough to PBT. The Epworth ringers dedicated their Easter ringing to the memory of Tom Bartle a former YR in the Ancholme group. The branch held a very successful Rabbits striking competition at Belton where 5 teams took part.

**Elloe Deaneries Branch:** New minimus methods continue to be rung and named by the Elloe minimus group – Fulney and Belvoir Castle at Fulney, which remembered the aid workers killed in Gaza and Robert's mum who died 18 years ago. Fulney Eclipse and Whitton were rung in memory of Bridget, Brian's mother. Quimby was named at Fulney and was a 1<sup>st</sup> of minimus for Sandra Smith. A peal at Kirkby Underwood was named Tony's birthday TP. .

**Central Branch:** 2 QPs of April Day Doubles were rung at Langton by Partney. It was a 1<sup>st</sup> in variation for David Bee and Tristan Shaw. It was a 750<sup>th</sup> QP for Robert Harvey. Tristan and Robert also rang their 1<sup>st</sup> QPs inside of Grandsire at Navenby. Very well done to Katie Swaby on her 1<sup>st</sup> QP at Ruskington, she rang the treble to PBD.

**Eastern Branch** Easter Day - in addition to the various service rings across the Eastern Branch, two 'mini-tours' were arranged. (Freiston, Kirton, Swineshead, Frampton) and (Spilsby, West Keal, Old Bolingbroke, Langton by Spilsby, Halton Hologate, Candlesby). The QP of Superlative at Kirton was the first ring following recent clapper refurbishment and was a 1<sup>st</sup> in method for Robert Simpson. A quarter peal of mixed doubles was rung at Halton Hologate on Easter Monday. The branch ringing meeting at Spilsby saw a record attendance of 35 ringers with a wide variety of abilities, enjoying the ringing as well as an excellent Ringers' Tea provided by the host tower.

**Northern Branch** The branch had a successful QP month: 3m minimus was scored a North Killingholme, 1<sup>st</sup> minimus for Kevin Dixon, Angela Newsom and Andrew Lord. Another 4m minimus was rung at Barnoldby le Beck, 1<sup>st</sup> as cond of minimus for Angela Newsom, 1<sup>st</sup> minimus for Kieran Green. A QP of PBM at Grimsby was a 1<sup>st</sup> of major for Kieran Green and Amy Dixon and was a "Not 40<sup>th</sup>" birthday compliment to Andrew Lord. There were 4 1<sup>st</sup> QPers: A QP of Doubles 3m/v with 768 covering was a 1<sup>st</sup> QP for Roy Lowe (6) and Jay Foley (8) it was an 18<sup>th</sup> birthday compliment to Jay. An all ladies QP was rung at Grimsby: PBD with 768 cover, 1<sup>st</sup> QP for Michelle Blunden (7) and Jess Wall (8) meanwhile the men rang a QP of 4m/v doubles at Immingham containing 1sts in methods for Vic Pope and Kevin Dixon

### Dates for your diary

May	Branch	Venue	bells	Info	Times
4	Eastern	Wigtoft	6	Branch meeting	1000 - 1200
5	Younging Ringers	West Deeping	6	YR practice + cake	1400 - 1600
6	West Lindsey	York area		Branch outing, Spurriergate	10 onwards
7	Midweek ringers	Eagle	6	Meet 1000 for coffee, ringing	1030 - 1200
11	Central	Bassingham	6	Rabbits striking comp	1400 - 1600
12	Guild			Bell Sunday	
25	Southern	Belton See website	5	125 celebration Belton BBQ (£10) + Beltone	1730 1830
28	Midweek ringers	Welbourn	8	Meet 10 for coffee ringing	1030 - 1200