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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. NOVEMBER 2025

Sylvia Bird has now rung her 1000th peal for the Guild and becomes the first woman to reach this incredible milestone. This took place at Stow, Yorkshire Major. Many congratulations to her on this wonderful achievement. It was also 500th together for Sylvia and husband, Alan.

8 bell striking competition Many congratulations to the West Lindsey band who won this year's competition. Eastern branch came in a close second. 5 teams took part, ringing St Simpon's Triples on the back 8 of Grimsby Minster bells, ringing St Simon's Triples.. David Phillipson, former ringer at the Cathedral and St Giles was the judge for the comp. Loads of food was enjoyed during the event, thanks go to the locals for that. For full write up see the Guild website.

100 club £10: 42. Michael Stracey £5: 78. Thurlby Tower

LDG calendars and Christmas cards: These are available from your branch fund raising reps. Calendars are priced at £5.50 each and cards at £2 per pack of 5. Guild clothing also makes good presents, see Guild website (fundraising) for details.

Southern: The peal of 21m Doubles at Helpringham was the interesting total of 5678th peal for Paul Curtis and 100th peal of Doubles for Peter Ellis. At Sproxtton new method Bywell Delight was rung as was a peal of Benwell in celebration of Alan Ainsworth's 90th birthday and another of Windy Gyle was rung half muffled following the funeral of Sue Dawson, former TC. A peal of Jeremy Wheely loves TPM was rung and named at Kirkby Underwood. A QP of new method Guernsey TP Minimus was rung at Swinstead. The branch outing to 4 towers around Peterborough had a disappointing attendance but was enjoyed by those there. The last tower, Market Deeping had to be cancelled because there were not enough to ring.

West Lindsey Chris Turner organised a trip to Ypres for Stow ringers and friends. They had an amazing trip enhanced by Alan Regin joining them who in an expert on all things WW1. They rang a QP of Grandsire Triples and a peal of Lincolnshire as well as holding general ringing while there. The branch enjoyed a mini outing in the Central branch, lovely bells were followed by a meal together.

Elloe Deaneries A large number of new TP Singles were rung: at Fulney, Stephenson's Rocket, Flying Scotsman, Mallard ad Deltic were rung to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the modern railway. Catshill Bromsgrove was also rung at Fulney and Donington TP Minimus was rung at Donington. A QP of PB Minor was rung at Moulton and was a 1st as cond of Minor for Luke Tobin. Luke also conducted his 1st QP of surprise in a QP of Cambridge at Whaplode.. A peal of 4 SS Major was rung at Spalding and was most spliced surprise for Owen Peters.

Eastern Branch: A QP of Grandsire Doubles was rung at Coningsby to celebrate the life of former tower ringer, Graham Ridgway. It was a 1st QP for Neil Stone on the Tenor. Congratulations to him. A QP of PB Caters was rung at the Stump for the college graduation ceremony. It was a 1st on 10 for Young Ringers Mia Bradford (student at the college) and Tom White. Very well done to them. The hugely popular Race Night was held again at Alford preceded by a QP at the church.

Northern General ringing was organised at Ludborough for their Harvest Festival and was the the 1st time they bells had been rung for Service since their clappers had been refurbished. A peal of Cambridge Major was rung at Louth as a tribute to the life and work of Mick Day, TC there for many years. The branch had a successful outing - some really good ringing, from called changes to plain courses of Cambridge surprise minor. Thanks to Alex Sutcliffe for organising the day.

Central A QP of Little Bob Major at Washingborough was a 1st in method for Tristan Shaw. Tristan and Matthew Burton rang their 1st QPs of PB Major at St Giles, Lincoln. A peal of PB Minor was rung at Middle Rasen for the 60th anniversary of the 1st peal of Peter Abbott. It was a 300th together for Sylvia Bird and Tony Walker. A QP of PBD was rung at Nettleham, it was a 1st QP for another young ringer, Seth Borrill, aged 12. First of many we hope. A QP of PB Doubles was rung at Metheringham during the annual village fayre and feast which is held on the church's Patronal Festival. A QP of Cambridge was rung at Eagle and was a 1st of surprise for Joanne Highfield who also rang her 1st QP of Major

Dates for your diary:

Nov	Branch	Venue			Time
1	Eastern	Halton Holegate	6	Branch practice	1400 - 1600
4	Midweek ringers	Eagle	6	Coffee 1000, ringing	1030 - 1200
8	Central	St Giles, Lincoln	8	Branch practice	1400 - 1600
10	Ladies	Wragby	6	Novices and improvers	1330 - 1445
15	West Lindsey	Stow	8	Branch practice	1500 - 1700
22	Southern	Stoke Rochford Colsterworth	5 6	Followed by lunch at White Lion Colsterworth 1pm.	1000-1100 1130 - 1230
25	Midweek ringers	Welbourn	8	Coffee 1000 ringing	1030 - 1200

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