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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. JANUARY 2016

**Happy New Year to you all.**

**News from December:**

**100 club:** 1st No 9 Caitlin Meyer £10.00      2nd No 109 Trevor Hardcastle £5.00

**Central :** The Branch are very sorry to announce the death of John R Ketteringham, MBE, peacefully at home on Christmas Eve, aged 86. John was an Honorary Life Member of the Guild, and author of Lincolnshire Bells and Bellfounders. Watch the Guild website for funeral arrangements. QPs have been rung at North Scarle, Elsham, Newton, Stainby and Caythorpe and peals at Stow, Dunston, Blankney and Market Deeping in his memory. Sincere condolences to Joan and family.

A QP of Stedman Cinques for the installation of the Bishop of Grantham, Right Rev. Nicholas Chamberlain, was a 1<sup>st</sup> for Michael Lawton, and 1<sup>st</sup> as cond on 12 for Jeremy Wheeldon. 12 QPs were rung at St Mary le Wigford during the Lincoln Christmas Market.

**Elloe :** The funeral of stalwart member of the branch, Ted Brown was held just prior to Christmas and QPs in fond memory were rung at Stoke Rochford, Gedney and Fleet. He will be much missed by branch members.

A very unusual QP was rung at Surfleet – simultaneous Cambridge Minor – different callings were used for the front and back six. The QP appeared on Bellboard’s “Featured Performance”

**West Lindsey:** Congratulations to Melissa Lannigan who rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QP on 8 bells and followed it up 2 weeks later with her first peal – treble to Grandsire Triples at Stow. A QP was rung at Messingham consisting of branch members who had all celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> birthdays during 2015.

**Northern:** There was a good turnout of ringers at Walesby for the annual Carols by Candlelight Service. Despite terrible weather making the path up and down very muddy and slippery, the service was as popular as ever and the ringers did a good job on these tricky bells. Congratulations to Barry Peachey on his 1000<sup>th</sup> peal, rung at Barrow on Humber.

**Eastern:** Following ringing at Swineshead, the vicar’s key wouldn’t let them into the church so the Carol Service was held in the warmth of Swinfields, which was also the tea venue. The bells were put to good use again after tea, At Alford, a QP was lost 30 changes from the end when a rope broke – ringing was to celebrate the life of Madeline Hornby. A QP at Butterwick celebrated 70 years since John Collett first handled a bell at Burford. It also marked the arrival of his great granddaughter. The bells of Boston Stump could be heard on Radio Lincolnshire on the Christmas morning Carol Service.

**Southern:** A peal was rung at Skillington in memory of the men of Skillington who gave their lives in WW! Especially remembering Pte A Sharpe, grandfather of TC Neville Sharpe. Congratulations go to Adam Musptatt on his 1<sup>st</sup> QP – treble to PBMinor at Market Deeping. Well done to Mike Maughan and his band on ringing another new method – Tyseley Alliance major at Spalding. A QP was rung at Greatford to celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday of George Aylett.

| January | Branch          | Venue          |    | Special method                               | Time                         |
|---------|-----------------|----------------|----|--|------------------------------|
| 5       | Midweek         | Dunholme       | 6  |  | 1400 - 1530                  |
| 9       | Central         | Sleaford       | 8  | Ringing Service<br>Tea + AGM                 | 1500<br>1630<br>1700         |
| 13      | Midweek         | Wragby         | 6  | Learners                                     | 1030 - 1200                  |
| 15      | West Lindsey    | Epworth        | 8  | Ringing Service<br>Tea + AGM + ringing       | 1500<br>1615<br>Until 2030   |
| 19      | Midweek         | Washingborough | 8  |  | 1430 - 1600                  |
| 20      | S Lincs Weds gp | Maxey          | 6  | Westminster S. Grandsire<br>Minor            | 1430 - 1600                  |
| 23      | 8 bell method   | Washingborough | 8  | 8 bell methods                               | 1030 - 1200                  |
| 23      | Northern        | Caistor        | 8  | Ringing Service<br>Tea + meeting             | 1400<br>1545                 |
| 23      | Southern        | Grantham       | 12 | Ringing Service<br>Tea + meeting<br>Ringling | 1530<br>1630<br>1700<br>1900 |
| 30      | Eastern         | Horncastle     | 6  | Ringing Service<br>Lunch + AGM<br>Ringling   | 1100<br>1230<br>1400         |

**Alan Black of Langtoft** makes peal boards and has a supply of ash for stays. He has a web site – [www.toweressentials.vpweb.co.uk](http://www.toweressentials.vpweb.co.uk) where you can view the peal boards. He can be contacted on 07516 371992.

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