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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. JULY 2016

### News from June: Guild wide:

Good luck to the teams of young ringers (Lincolnshire Poachers and The Gamekeepers) going to London on 2nd July to take part in the National Youth Striking Competition.

**Ridgman Trophy** congratulations to the LDG band who came a close 4<sup>th</sup> at Daventry, a very creditable performance.

**Denis Frith RIP** The well attended funeral was followed 10 days later by commemorative ringing at St Wulframs. During the ringing Brian Buttery gave an amusing and interesting eulogy (see web site) and a glass of wine was raised in his memory. In addition to those listed last month, a peal was rung in his memory at East Retford, and QPs at Barrowby, where Denis conducted a record doubles peal (177m) in 1977, at Skillington where he conducted his first peal and at Silk Willoughby, where he learnt to ring.

**Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.** A peal was rung at Gainsborough and QPs at Caistor, Elsham, Harrington, Lincoln St Mary, Welbourn and Potterhanworth.

**Prince Philip's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday.** QPs were rung at Caistor, Lincoln St Mary, Welbourn and North Rauceby

**RIP Jo Cox MP** QPs were rung at Edenham, Potterhanworth, Caistor and Lincoln St Botolph.

### News from the branches:

**Eastern:** The branch striking competition was at Willoughby where 5 towers and 2 scratch teams took part. Judge, Tom Blyth, placed Kirton as winners with Ingoldmells in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. The teams included a youth scratch team. Congratulations to Clare Barker on her 1<sup>st</sup> QP inside, it was to celebrate the Silver Wedding Anniversary of parents Isabel and Tony.

**Southern** Congratulations to Chris Sharp on his 1000<sup>th</sup> peal, London Major rung at Heydour. Chris rang 500 peals on both handbells and on tower bells, which is a very unusual achievement.

Jesmond Alliance Major was rung for the first time by Mike Maughan's band at Sproxton

**Elloe** A peal was rung at Bicker to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Rifleman Richard Bloodworth Machin, aged 18, a ringer from Bicker. His name appears in the Ringers' Roll of Honour. The Parish Council place a wreath on the steps of the belfry. A branch outing to Newton in the Isle and Tydd St Giles was much enjoyed, as was the visit to the Crown and Mitre, despite the rain giving the ringers a soaking as they dashed in.

**Central:** Congratulations to Val and David Fox on their Golden Wedding Anniversary, a QP was rung at Alford to mark the occasion. A QP was rung at Wragby to commemorate the sinking of the Queen Mary in the Battle of Jutland. Claire Howard and Colin Ward were remembering relatives lost in this battle. A QP was rung at Metheringham in memory of Pioneer William Pearson Green, a ringer at Metheringham, who was killed in 1916, aged 25. His name appears on the treble bell which the local ringers paid for in 1912 when three new trebles were added. A candle was lit and an account of William was read out. A bell shaped wreath was laid in his memory at the War Memorial in the Church. Congrats to Sister Maureen Pike and Bob Hardwick, whose 1<sup>st</sup> QP on 8 bells this was.

**Northern.** Congratulations to Toby Hibbert on his 1<sup>st</sup> QP inside, and to Margaret Roach on her 50<sup>th</sup> QP – PBD at Caistor. Ringers from Market and Middle Rasen, Tealby and Claxby rang Queens for 15 minutes at each of their churches in celebration of the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. A peal was rung at Elsham in memory of David Bains, a former tower captain at this church.

**West Lindsey** The branch striking competition was held at Messingham and this year 7 teams competed. The ringing was good across all the teams, with Messingham coming first, narrowly beating Scotter. Quite a few ringers took part in their first striking competitions.

### Dates for your diary

July	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
2	Eastern	Old Leake Sibsey Trader Mill	6	Ringing BBQ	1730 – 1845 1900
4	Northern	Grasby	6	Branch striking competition	1845
5	Midweek	Thorpe on the Hill	6	Wenlock bob Minor Coffee Ringing	1000 1030 - 1200
8	Eastern	Kirton in Holland	8	Surprise Major	1930 - 2100
9	Central	North Scarle	6	Ringing Service, picnic, meeting, striking comp, more ringing	1500
13	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
16	West Lindsey	Walk and ring		Boothby Graffoe Wellingore Navenby Eat at Bracebridge Heath	1500 1630 1745 1930
19	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Double Norwich	1430 - 1600
23	<b>Young Ringers Festival</b> See Guild website for more details	Meet in Cathedral cloisters		Picnic +Ringing, Tea Dunholme Village Hall Mini Olympics	1230 1645 1745
23	8 bell method	Washingborough	8	8 bell methods	1030 - 1200
23	Southern	Heydour	8	CANCELLED	

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