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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD NEWSHEET AND DIARY. NOVEMBER 2012

### News from late September and October:

**Guild news: 100 club for October:** 1<sup>st</sup> 100 Dot Mason £10      2<sup>nd</sup> 38 Robin Rogers £5

**Guild Striking competition** Congratulations to the Central Branch on winning the 8 bell striking competition held at Surfleet. The test piece of Oxford TB was rung on the back 8 and was judged by Bob Smith and Pat Halls. Runners-up were the Southern Branch, followed by West Lindsey then Eastern. Well done to all taking part, and thanks to Elloe ringers for an excellent tea and refreshments.

**Lincolnshire Day** on 1<sup>st</sup> October was marked by QPs being rung at Bardney, Harmston, Messingham, Thorpe, Lincoln St Mary, Lincoln St Peter, Welbourn and Wragby. A 300 rung at Butterwick was also in celebration of the Ryder Cup win.

### News from around the branches

#### Central Branch

Many congratulations to members and ex members of the Cathedral Companie of Ringers on their 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary. This was marked by a QP of Grandsire Cinques and a social event at the Cathedral Centre, where the Dean toasted the Companie, the oldest ringing company in the world. Past and present members thoroughly enjoyed the reunion.

2 QPs were rung at Potterhanworth to mark the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Ron Applewhite learning to ring. The method; Potterhanworth Bob Minor, was quarter pealed for the first time. Congrats to Ron.

#### Elloe Deaneries Branch

The annual "3 Churches Ringing" event at Sutton St. James proved to be a very pleasant occasion. A superb tea, with scrumptious trifle, was served by the ladies of Sutton St. James. With enough ringers staying to ring in the evening, time was spent in Sutton St. James tower before moving onto Tydd St Mary. What an unusual entry to a bell tower, and what great sounding bells! Orders for a hot lunch are NOW being taken for the now, annual "Surfleet Open Ringing & Lunch" on Saturday November 17th, Choice of steak pie, chips & peas or sausages, chips & peas, followed with a sweet and hot drink, all for £7

#### Southern Branch

A peal rung at Deeping St Nicholas celebrated 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the conductor, Jim Benner's, first peal. Rev Janet Donaldson has rung her first QP on her own Parish's bells. It was a 1<sup>st</sup> of Grandsire Doubles for James Thorpe and Emily Morgan. Janet also rang her 1<sup>st</sup> QP of treble bob hunting which was also a first of Cambridge for Hilary Gentle. A QP of BRM Alliance (a new method) was rung at Bourne on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Graham Hill winning the F1 Championship in a BRM built in Bourne. Many cars from the 1962 era drove through Bourne to commemorate the occasion.

#### West Lindsey Branch

Tracey Black and Ellie Sargeant have rung their most methods (3) to a QP. Ringers had a trip over the branch border to Dunholme for their October meeting due to the afternoon striking competition. Ringing was followed by a large pub lunch..

#### Northern Branch

Congrats to Alex Hibbert on his first QP of Grandsire Triples.

#### Eastern Branch

Congrats to Tess Rowland who rang her first QP at Coningsby for their annual Civic Service. It's lovely to see Val Wild back to QP ringing following her surgery.

31 Eastern Branch members and guests enjoyed a coach outing. The day began at Hemingford Abbots, then moved onto the 6 bell tower at Houghton, where the Branch Secretary was left off the bus. It is not clear whether this was an unfortunate oversight or because he missed the final catch of the rope when ringing down at Houghton. Lunch was taken at St Ives, followed by ringing at the towns 8 bell tower and then onto Hemingford Grey. The day ended at Bluntisham, the famous tower which provided the inspiration for Dorothy Sayers' bell ringing murder mystery story the "Nine Taylors". We are pleased to report that no such incident occurred on this outing. In fact Bluntisham provided arguably the best ringing of the day with a well struck touch of Grandsire Triples. Thanks go to Ian Ansell for organising such a well received day.

The branch held a Betty Collett Cup Meeting – a race night in aid of the Guild's BRF. It was a very enjoyable evening with supper.

### Diary for November

November	Branch	Venue		Special method	Time
3	Eastern	Coningsby	6	Practice	1400 - 1600
6	Midweek	Dunholme	6	London New Bob Warkwith S	1400 - 1530
9	Eastern	Sutterton	8	Surprise Major	1930 - 2100
10	Central	Hackthorn	6	Ringing Quiz night	1900 1930
14	Midweek	Wragby	6	Learners	1030 - 1200
17	West Lindsey	Scunthorpe	8	Practice	1400
17	Elloe Deaneries	Surfleet	12	Ringing Lunch Book on 01775 680235	1030 - 1200 1200 - 1330
20	Midweek	Washingborough	8	Stedman Triples Bristol S	1430 - 1600
21	S Lincs Weds gp	Spaldinag	8	London S St Clements Bob Triples	1430 - 1600
24	S Major	Washingborough	8	Surprise Major	1030 - 1200
24	Southern	Billingsborough	8	Service Meeting Ringing	1630 1700 1800 - 2000