

Glaston Branch Secretary's Report

2011 has again been a busy year with an event arranged for each month.

We began the year at Wookey with the Quarterly meeting followed by the ever popular traditional Quiz. The usual groans and cheers were heard as the answers were revealed, thoroughly enjoyed by members and friends alike.

This year the Branch Striking Competition was held at Pylle with the results announced by the judges at the Spring Quarterly meeting which followed at East Pennard Church Room. The winners were Glastonbury A with Pylle in second place.

A cycle outing (with cars for the non-cyclists!) took place on a sunny day in June. The happy travellers visited six towers in the Taunton and Crewkerne branches, a great success.

Our July Quarterly meeting took the format of Away Ringing. The towers visited were at Martock, Ash and Long Sutton giving great variety and much pleasure to the many who attended. The sun shone at the evening barbecue, kindly hosted by Andrew Bond in his lovely garden, with the more adventurous taking a dip in his swimming pool.

Our Branch A.G.M. took place at Glastonbury St. John following a service and excellent tea. All the officers were re-elected for another year. This year Long Service certificates were presented to Leonard England 50 yrs., Sheila Jenkins 50 yrs., Beverley Perry 40 yrs., Bill Derrick 40 yrs. and Mervyn Buckley 40 yrs.

The eight bell practices held on Tower practice nights had worked well as had the training afternoons split into advanced six bell and more basic methods.

The Diary of Ringing has proved to be most useful for members both as a planner and reminder helping to keep up good attendance.

Once again a very successful and enjoyable year with thanks to everyone who has supported and arranged our various activities.

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