

EDITORIAL

The last newsletter just preceded the Meet and "Red Spider" experience which was our major event of the year, so there is much to catch-up on. This extravaganza of Baring-Gould activity was extremely well organised by Roger and Sybil who had clearly undertaken a tremendous amount of work researching and organising a full and very interesting programme - Well done!

There are two impressions of the weekend, one by Becky Smith and another by yours truly. Twenty two people attended including President Merriol and all our officials, who later attended the AGM chaired by Roger in Bratton Clovelly Hall - minutes reproduced in this issue.

Thanks to Becky and Martin for their substantial contributions to this newsletter and also to Hazel Harvey who I hope will not be offended by her article being carried over to June. Thanks also to many others who have supplied tasty snippets of information to fill those awkward little spaces. Please keep them coming.

Talking about snippets of information you will recall in the last issue there was a Page of Confessions (page 6) where Sabine identified his favourite holiday resort as Quercy. Well, while touring the back lanes of Devon last summer, Sylvia and I accidentally stumbled across the hamlet of Quercy close to Lew Trenchard. I thought it odd that Sabine should name it as his favourite holiday resort but thought no more of it until recently, when old friends who spend much time in France, spoke of the historic district of Quercy (Land of Oaks) which they happen to know fairly well! Having reached for copies of Deserts of Southern France and Cliff Castles and Cave Dwellings, I suddenly realised that Sabine's favourite resort was Quercy in France and not his native Devon! Has anyone any knowledge\tales of either Quercy?

Keith.