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## **July 2018**

### AGM and National Rally was held on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 Hosted by South West Region Leigh Park Country House Hotel & Vineyard. Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire.



**The Annual General Meeting** commenced at 10-30am. The National President Cliff Brown FIConstM Welcomed everyone and thanked them for their support, then he asked Mike Bishop FIConstM. Governor to open the meeting,

**Mike** welcomed everyone to the 43<sup>rd</sup> AGM. in the lovely Grade 11 listed building. He said over the years the AGM have been held in some excellent locations. He thanked

Dianna Charlton Honorary Member of the Institute for her work as General Secretary. He thanked Cliff Brown FIConstM. National President who completes his two years in office and hands over to Mark Rea FIConstM. Today. Thanks to John Sinfield FIConstM. For his work as Director of Finance. To Ian Trickey. FIConstM. Who handed his role as Director of Membership in January to Roy Blamey. MIConstM. Mike wished everyone a good meeting.

**Cliff Brown** said the new web site was looking very good and that a lot of work had gone into it, the web site is our main way to attract new members. He asked members to send in articles that can go in the View Point magazine. With the training set up on the web site by David Jones members can increase their knowledge, he thanked Dianna Charlton, John Sinfield, Roy Blamey and the committee for their support. Handing over to Mark Rea today and hoped the Institute would go into the future and grow.

**Dianna Charlton** said the web meeting with Nathan Simpson showed how professional it was looking, we need members to send in articles for View Point, thanked the committee for their support.

John Sinfield outlined the need to chase up the members who owe their fees, and to link the Health and safety with David Jones which will bring in income. He said it was a need to set up an action committee to take the Institute into the next decade. Roy Blamey had sent invitations to 500 companies who have hits on our web site. He is also chasing those that owe their fees. It was not a pleasant job to have to expel members who have failed to pay their fees on time. Which would mean they would not be able to use our letters after their name, it would be an offence under the rules.

Cliff thanked everyone and said he had some good news



Cliff said he was pleased to present a fellowship award to someone who has been a great help to the Institute and is a deserving member to Roy Blamey.

**Mark Rea** presented with his National President chain of office. >







Mark Rea FIConstM. Presenting Cliff Brown, FIConstM. With his Medal of service. As Past President

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**Mark** said he was pleased to take the role as National President for the second time, and he presented Roy Blamey with His chain of office as Vice President.



David Jones. MIConstM. Was Voted Director on Education.

**Mark** said he hoped the website would increase membership, also looking carefully to see how the finance would be working by the September meeting of the executive committee, he thanked those at the meeting and wished everyone a good afternoon, sightseeing or just relax around the hotel and its lovely grounds, he said he hoped the evening Dinner and Dance would be enjoyed by all.

**Michael Wilkinson**. FIConstM. Governor closed the meeting. Saying he thought the reports from the Directors were encouraging, but a need to obtain overdue fees. A lot of work went into the website. He hoped View Point would soon be sorted. Thanked the executive.

The Dinner and Dance room was decorated with Balloons on all tables.

The room looked out across the lawn and to the hill 10 miles away.



An enjoyable meal and very good evening enjoyed by all.

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