

GLENFIELD FOLK: ANNUAL REPORT 2017

We are glad to say that GLENFIELD FOLK still exists and trundles on its happy way, meeting in Glenfield Memorial Hall on Monday evenings, from Autumn to Spring. Like any other group, our numbers fluctuate occasionally but usually stay around 35, enabling us to cover most shapes of dance.

Our annual Skittles Supper in February was expertly organised by Andy and Gina Kirk, who were sincerely thanked for their efforts as they passed the skittle baton (or cheese?) on to Rosemary and Brian Jarvis.

We did attempt, tentatively, to revive our Garden Dance this year but the so-called Summer weather decided not to co-operate so we had to cancel. We did, however, enjoy a very jolly tea party instead.

As a result of last year's surprise presentation of an Active 4 Life award from Blaby LSA Sports, this November we were asked to provide a short display as part of the opening ceremony. Four couples from Glenfield obliged with a perfect Newcastle and we followed this with an audience-participation version of Haste to the Wedding (including local dignitaries!) which was enthusiastically received.

This year we are also pleased to congratulate one of our dancers, Kenneth Rackham, who was among those honoured to receive Maundy Money from the Queen.

In this year or 2017, we have tried to pay tribute to the legacy of Patrick Shuldham Shaw by including examples of his clever dances in our programmes.