

Branch Barbeque 2010, Rutland Water



Well fed, relaxed, and in good company

Over 50 of us came to Rutland Water on 11 August to enjoy the traditional Branch BBQ at Rutland Water. There was a bit of a stiff breeze – indeed the occasional hand holding the marquees down was useful - but the rain held off and it was (almost) warm enough. Brenda and Chalky White cooked up a storm of bangers, burgers, drumsticks and onions. The aroma was so tempting that, although the barbie should have started at 4.00pm, everyone made a rush as soon as they went on the barbie and we were all chomping away by 2.00pm! There was little left by the time our guests of

honour arrived an hour later!

Our guests of honour were of course Gordon & Jean Williams and family who were celebrating their Diamond Wedding! Fantastic! Everyone there had great pleasure in signing the Branch congratulations card. Gordon & Jean thank everyone who was involved in arranging the surprise for them. We would also like to thank everyone who contributed - Brenda and Chalky of course, Elizabeth Gibbons as organising supremo, and everyone who contributed buns, salads, trifles, and other desserts, etc and of course raffle prizes; the raffle raised £85. It was a good day all round!



Gordon and Jean cut their cake



Chalky resting (posing?) after his labours