



CECIL ROBINSON'S BOUNTY.

Peter Webster, 14 Jan 1989.

When Cecil Robinson died in November 1986 he left £10 each to seven people, his friends to have a celebration. They were the Rector, Eric Barltrop, Roy Blake, Peter Boulton, John and Pam Dawkins and Peter Webster. They met in the Greyhound and decided to use the money to present a jar of honey to each old person each year in memory of Cecil and his interest in beekeeping.

Each year they have had a meal and presented jars of honey, last year 40 pots, each with one of the above cards. If there was a shortage they each chip in.

Roy Blake said later that it was John Dawkins' idea and they didn't have a meal last year. Maurice Hatcher was not one of the seven although he was left some money.

Cecil Robinson was a retired schoolmaster from Bristol, a member of the local Robinson family who inherited Cordelia Robinson's house which he called Owl Cottage. A keen beekeeper he walked up the street tolling a handbell which he explained was the custom when following a swarm. He was Parish Clerk for many years.