Institution of Agricultural Engineers

Branch Meritorious Award 2013

JOHN GOUGH

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John studied Agricultural Engineering at Rycotewood College and joined the IAgrE in 1973.

He has worked in the Shropshire area for many years, at one time based at Market Drayton where he worked for an importer of farm machinery, such as Zweegers Drum Mowers and the ubiquitous 'Haybob' and spent many hours travelling up and down motorways delivering parts to customers and dealers in Scotland. Later, taking on a territory manager role for Scotland.

His career then took a slightly different direction where he put his real life work experiences into training the next generation of engineers. John was initially based at Rodbaston College, now part of South Staffordshire College and latterly at Walford and North Shropshire College.

During his time in education, John was (and still is) actively involved with ALAM, representing ALAM members on the National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) development committee.

It was then that John became an active member of the Wrekin Branch, at the same time promoted the IAgrE to his students and colleagues.

He has been an active member of the Wrekin branch committee and his efforts, enthusiasm and common sense approach have been appreciated by the committee and is fully deserving of this Meritorious Award.

John actually 'retired' from education quite recently – although he is still serving on the branch committee!