

Sparrow Club 1855

Longbridge Deverill The Tenth Anniversary of the Longbridge Deverill Sparrow Club was celebrated Monday evening, the 3rd instant, at the George Inn. After partaking of an excellent supper provided by Mr Dufosee in his usual style, the Secretary, Mr Henry Smith, announced the number of birds killed and the prizes as follows:-

Mr John Randall, jun., 1,537 birds killed, £1 10 s.

Mr John Butcher, 956 birds killed, £1.

Mr Charles Maxfield, 605 birds killed, 10s.

The number killed this year shows a decrease on the numbers of the first two or three years of the club's existence, and the corn fields in autumn, and the thatched roofs in spring, show very plainly how scarce the sparrows are become. The evening was passed in a very pleasing manner.

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