

CILT's North West Awards Dinner, 5th June 2009

The Chartered Institute of Logistics & Transport (UK) traditionally holds a national awards dinner in London every autumn. This year, for the first time, it was decided to supplement that with a regional event in the North West of England. There were 6 awards and about 200 people attended the event at Cranage Hall Hotel in Cheshire. A group of 10 members of Women in Logistics UK, male and female, made up our table. We didn't know each other at the start, but by the end we were all friends!!



Women in Logistics UK – our table

Top left – Lesli Speers & Dawn Fisher

Above – Marie Boyer, Sarah Booth & Michael Kitching

Left – Andrea Kelleher, David Lightwood & Peter Hindley



Women in Logistics UK sponsored the Lifetime Achievement Award. The worthy winner was KEN SWALLOW FCILT. In the 1960s he was one of the first trainees of the Municipal Transport Management Training Scheme and went on to have an illustrious career in passenger transport, ultimately becoming Director General of Merseyside Passenger Transport Executive 1986-1989. After early retirement, Ken was the Northern Regional Officer of CILT 1991 - 2001. Ken is both a Justice of the Peace and a School Governor. His other interests include music (he's an excellent organist) and genealogy.

The keynote speaker was BEVERLEY BELL FCILT. Beverley made reference to Women in Logistics UK in her speech and raised our profile with her positive comments, both specifically (she said how much she had enjoyed speaking at our inaugural event at Pearson Education) and in general (she spoke encouragingly about the increasing numbers of women working in the sector).

