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The summer is in full swing and it feels so much better than all the rain!

The Village Fete is just around the corner in July, gardens and the allotments are in bloom and longer days definitely help make the most of the lovely weather!

We have the fabulous winning photos from the Photography Competition held at the start of the year, along with the Parish Council's AGM and information on options for solar panels and storage batteries. Are they right for you? We also have a guest article by Leisure Hire Marquees.

Enjoy the sun everyone!

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Bergholt Youth Group Needs Your Help!

Fifteen years ago, West Bergholt had only limited opportunities for the young people of the village. After consultations with some of the older secondary school pupils, BYG was established and a team of committed parents formed a management group. The aim was to provide a supervised meeting place with opportunities to take part in leisure activities, both indoors and out, and to socialise with friends. The Parish Council provided the venue at the Orpen Hall and financial assistance to get started.

BYG has grown to provide social activities for around a hundred 10 to 13 year olds on a fortnightly basis. This requires considerable organisation and they now need more volunteers to keep running. Two of the original members, Jamie Bowden and Matt Stark, have been club leaders and together with a dedicated committee and team of volunteer parents, have seen the club grow and prosper.

However, the club has been a victim of its own success and for BYG to continue, more volunteers are now required, including people prepared to be a part of the organising committee. So, do you have the enthusiasm and practical ideas on the way forward to ensure BYG can survive?

The current success of BYG is in no small part due to the dedicated team who have overseen its management for the last seven years. The outstanding contributions of Jamie and Matt have been supported by a committed chairman, secretary and treasurer. As a result the finances are sound and others in the team oversee safeguarding issues, the co-ordination of volunteers and membership.

Of late there has been no shortage of volunteers, but as with any such organisation such commitment has a limited life span and planning succession is a big challenge. This time has now arrived for BYG and it is time for a new team to come forward. The foundation from which to start is strong and will be underwritten by the support of the Parish Council, which will continue to provide advice, and access to its facilities as needed.

BYG has become an integral part of this village for our young people and we cannot let it fold. If you are willing to help preserve the good that has been achieved please contact Jamie Bowden 07581 202960 or the P C through the Parish Clerk, clerk@westbergholt-pc.gov.uk

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West Bergholt's Annual Parish Meeting

A short article on the meeting on 24th April for those that were unable to attend. To those that did, again many thanks. There were very few spare seats!

Displays around the Hall by Friends of Hillhouse Wood, WB Gardeners' Association, Vocal Zones Choir, Church Youth Group, West Bergholt 1st Scouts, and a flower display by the Colne Valley Flower Club were all well received. These were added to by displays by the PC on its achievements over the last year, and the accounts of its five Charitable Trusts.

There is not enough space here to list what the PC has achieved over the last year, but I can tell you its ambitions for the next twelve months:

- An after-school Drop-in Cafe on Wednesday's in term time;
- The transfer to us of the 3-acre William Sims Sports Field;
- The construction of the WB Community Hub to the JL Hall;
- The building of a servery and accessible WC on the Poors Land;
- An increase in use of the MUGA and increased hours of availability;
- A new online booking system for the MUGA/tennis courts;
- A refreshed Bulletin;
- An update of the Neighbourhood Plan;
- A successful Local Council Award Scheme gold application;
- The setting up of 'Cycling West Bergholt' Working Party
- A Rural Community Award for village hall of the year;
- 600m squared of wildflowers, the Bee Squared project, in our front gardens;
- ECC to agree to a zebra crossing on Colchester Road!

The first speaker was Mrs Pam Donnelly, CEO of Colchester City Council, on the trials, tribulations and pleasures of running the City Council.

This was followed by the presentation of

the PC's 2023-24 Grant Certificates to the Friends of St Mary's Old Church and BYG. The sensory dark den, used exclusively by Bluebells bought by in part from funds from the Village Charity Quiz, was also there for all to see.

The second speaker was Lieutenant Colonel Ed Rankin, Colchester Garrison Commander, on the trials, tribulations and pleasures of running the Garrison!

The nominated Volunteer of the Year was Philip McNeill, who has been a stalwart of West Bergholt Scouts for over 25 years. Philip was presented with a framed bespoke certificate by the Garrison Commander.

Questions from the floor and a plea for help running BYG rounded off a very successful evening.

Brian Butcher
Chair West Bergholt Parish Council



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West Bergholt Allotments

With a spell of warm weather after the wet and miserable winter, some of us were tempted to put in our early potatoes. Unfortunately they had just sprouted through the soil when the weather turned colder again and they got frost damaged! No doubt they'll recover in time but it just shows you need to keep an eye on things growing and cover them if necessary.

The allotments are looking good (with a very few exceptions) and at present the site is still full. However, if you want to go on the waiting list, just email your name, address and phone number to westbergholtallotments@gmail.com.

After the inspections, a few plots become available, so it is worth registering your interest in a plot. If you are giving up a plot, please make sure you take away anything you have brought on site so the area is left clear for the next person to take on.

The Charity stall is now up and running again.

Donations of gardening related items are very welcome (but no electricals please). The money raised by the stall has helped sponsor the winter-themed photography competition held for the first time this year for under 12 and under 18's. We have also donated funds to the Bee Squared project to purchase seeds for distribution through the school and the church. The idea is that you sow a packet of the provided wildflower seed in your garden (or in pots if you have no spare space) to help pollinators flourish. As numbers of insects and bees particularly are going down, anything we can do to help them is worthwhile.

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Why is it important and what are the options? The impact on your own health and that of your neighbours such as respiratory problems, asthma, COPD or long COVID has to be a primary concern. A better option is using the services of CCC to dispose of your waste. There are also many locally

based waste disposal firms for confidential waste disposal, etc.

Did you also know that burning anything other than dry garden refuse, having a fire on damp windless days, in the evening or at sunset, and one that results in smoke blowing over neighbours properties can result in action by CCC.

So, in anticipation, thank you for seeking to ensure West Bergholt is bonfire free zone!

Brian Butcher
Chair West Bergholt Parish Council

Tom Bowdidge Foundation

How can it be six months into the year? I hope that as you read this the weather has settled down and the sun is shining.

It has been a very chilly Spring, and I am amazed how many of you set off to find those naughty bunnies who hid themselves around the village. Congratulations go to Lorelai Graham, whose map was pulled out in the prize draw. A huge thank you to everyone who took part, hid the bunnies and sold maps for the Foundation.

Over the coming months, we have several events you might enjoy. If you are looking for a muddy challenge, then why not join our Wild Forest Warrior 5K? The event is for adults and children 13+ but we are also running the Junior Challenge which is for children 6+. It takes place on Saturday 6 July from 1pm in Brentwood.

We will also have a stall at the Village Fayre that day for those wanting a quieter afternoon. Please do come along and see us. There is bound to be a tombola!!

The Tandem Skydive at Beccles Airfield is

back for 2024 on September 21st. This is always a huge hit, and we are taking names now for anyone that is interested.

The West Bergholt Scarecrow Trail is taking place from the 14th of October. You may want to start thinking about what you could create over the summer holidays, so you are ready to go. We shall be announcing the theme soon so watch this space.

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COME TO A CEILIDH! St Mary's invites you to join us for a Ceilidh on Saturday 13 July @ 7 - 10pm with live music from the Caledonian Reelers. Tickets are £15 (£7.50 for children under 12) which includes a ploughman's supper and soft drinks. For tickets or more information, please contact the parish office on 6parishescolchester@gmail.com, 01206 243683 or Rev Heather Wilcox: RevHWilcox@outlook.com

AFTERNOON TEA IN THE RECTORY GARDEN – Saturday 20 July. If you prefer something a little more sedate, do join us for afternoon tea at the West Bergholt Rectory, Church

Close. Times to be confirmed but put the date in your diary!

FiSH - Don't forget our Food in School Holidays Club providing a hot meal for families alongside lots of fun craft activities and games. The sessions are free, and open to all families, but for catering purposes it is helpful if you book with the parish office (01206 243683 or 6parishescolchester@gmail.com). Children must be accompanied by an adult please. Dates for the summer holidays are Monday 29th July, 5th, 12th & 19th August, and Thursday 29th August.

All this is alongside our regular worship in Church, every Sunday at 9.30am (except on a 5th Sunday when we visit one of our sister parishes for a joint service).

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The Friends Support Group have arranged a series of events this year. These events help to support the ongoing costs of maintenance and upkeep of the historic building.

- On **Sunday 9th June** there is a talk by Adam Wightman of the Colchester Archaeological Trust on the church.
- On **Sunday 23rd June**, a Songs of Praise service will take place.
- **Sunday 14th July** sees the return of the Resonate Choir for a concert in the church.
- On **Sunday 24th November** there will be the annual mince pies and mulled wine event.
- On **Saturday 7th December** there will be a dance to live music at the Orpen Hall.
- **Sunday 15th December** is the village Annual Carol Service.

Further details of all these events will be available soon.

The Friends group is open to all who love the church and support the endeavours of the group to see it used and become a focal point in the community. We hope to make the building the jewel in the crown of our wonderful village. A modest membership fee of £5 is charged which does not bring any benefits other than the knowledge that you are helping to keep the old place alive for generations to come.

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West Bergholt Concert & Training Band

The band's first concert of the year was a resounding success, with a large & interactive audience raising the roof of Clacton's West Cliff Theatre with their full voiced singing of the Last Night Of The Proms finale, encouraged superbly by the wonderful singing of Sarah White. After the concert, the band were delighted to donate the concert proceeds, an impressive £1,200, to Parkinson's UK, taking the band's charity donations to over £46k in recent years.

Our summer rehearsals are now well underway, and we're looking forward to our busiest summer ever with three different concerts. Those concerts start on **June 9th at 3pm** on the Castle Park Bandstand (fingers crossed for nice weather), followed by the West Bergholt Fete on **July 6th** (fingers still crossed), and culminating in a concert at St Peter ad Vincula in Coggeshall on **Saturday 15th July at 7.30pm**, titled "Around The World in 80 Minutes". As part of celebrating our conductor's 30 years at the helm, we'll be playing some of the band's favourite pieces, including music from Abba, Pirates of the

Caribbean, Les Miserables, Holst's 2nd Suite, and more.

As always, the band remains open to Brass & Woodwind musicians of all ages and abilities, and is a fun & friendly way to make music and improve your playing. Anyone can come and try Training Band (Grades 1-4), Concert Band (Grade 4+) or both, and we can even send you links to practice copies of the music.

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On July 17th, we are having an outing to visit Helen Hillier at her Nursery. We are hiring a coach for this visit and this will be an all day outing. Details have already been sent out to members but if you need any further information, contacts are at the bottom of this notice.

The club does not meet in August.

We meet in the Orpen Hall, West Bergholt on the third Wednesday of the month (Not August or December).

For any further information please contact Daphne on 07712 654616 or Alison on 07792 387360

1st West Bergholt Guides

Our Guides had another varied spring term, a good mix of badgework and experiences. Once again, we enjoyed supporting the Orpen Player's fun and entertaining village pantomime.

Our favourite Thursday evening has been our celebration of International Women's Day in March. We invited inspirational women from our village or connected to our village to talk to the Guides about themselves, who they were, what they did and how they became the wonderful women they are today.

We enjoyed the company of Chloe, a veterinary nurse; Dr Whitlow, a GP; Julie, a groom with Team GB para-Olympian equestrian dressage team; June, a lawyer; Kelly's from Kelly's HIIT, a fitness coach; Pringle, a circus school teacher and festival performer; Sara Naylor, a local councillor; and Vicky, a local business owner from

Scissorhands.

The Guides and adults all thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and all learnt something new. It was a very special evening seeing so many women willing to give up their time to inspire this generation of young women.

We may well repeat the evening next year so if you think you might do something or be someone that could inspire our young guides, let me know you'd like to take part.

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Solar Panels & Storage Batteries - Are they right for me?

Following West Bergholt Parish Council declaring a 'Climate Emergency', a Working Party was established to identify activities that could be undertaken. In its bid to engage with the local community, the Working Party investigated what schemes were being undertaken locally and nationally.

One such scheme provides the opportunity for residents to obtain Solar Panels and Storage Batteries without any upfront costs. Whilst neither the Working Party nor West Bergholt Parish Council recommend any scheme, website or business, they try to provide sources for anyone interested to take a look at and make up their own minds.

This scheme is provided by Essex Community Energy (ECE) which was set up by the social enterprise Power Circle Projects Ltd with support from Essex County Council. It will provide a pay-as-you-go option where the hardware remains in the ownership of ECE, but with the household purchasing solar

energy at an affordable rate while buying their remaining energy requirement from a retail supplier as normal. As an alternative, there will also be a customer-funded option.

As there will be very many questions (such as 'what happens if I want to move home?' and 'how much will it actually cost me each month?'), the Climate Emergency Working Party is enabling Power Circle Projects Ltd to hold a public event in the Orpen Memorial Hall in the next couple of months.

Please keep an eye open for further details.

Andrew Savage
Chair
Climate Emergency
Working Party



The Friends of Hillhouse Wood

Upgrade of our displays

The Spring Flowers Walk event saw the unveiling of the upgraded display that includes interactive boards within our gazebo.

These boards cover both the birds of Hillhouse Wood and the flowers. They allow both children and adults the opportunity of showing off their knowledge of these subjects.

They were particularly successful in competitions between young siblings!

We will again be at the Village Fete, on the 6th July, when you can visit us in our

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Whilst the weather this year has not been conducive to pleasant gardening, we've enjoyed a season of interesting speaker evenings. Particularly popular was a visit from Hannah Powell, a member of the family who began and continues to run Perrywood Nurseries. Her grandparents began the nursery in the 1950s and her parents developed it further. Now it is in the safe hands of Hannah, her two brothers and a large team.

We like to spread our support locally and in April made a club visit to Oliver's Nursery near Coggeshall. We were treated to a behind the scenes tour of the propagation greenhouses and the kitchen garden where they are growing products to sell and use in their busy café, where we all enjoyed a good lunch. Many of us had not been Oliver's before, but it is a great venue when looking for plants, and several of us came away with lighter wallets but fuller car boots!

Sadly, the decision was taken to cancel

the village Open Gardens event this year because of low numbers of gardens but we hope to come back refreshed in 2025. Whilst it is nice to revisit gardens that have participated previously, discovering new gardens adds an interesting dimension to the day; please remember that your garden will not be too small to be of interest, and it certainly doesn't need to be perfect! Please think about contacting us to include yours next year and help support two local charities: The Tom Bowdidge Foundation and Essex & Herts Air Ambulance.



Our first meeting next season is Monday 16th September. The speaker will be Alison Findlay (RHS Advisor) on the Colchester Hospital Gardening Project and the wellbeing benefits of gardening.

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West Bergholt Women's Institute

At our February open meeting, Julia welcomed 10 visitors. This invitation was extended to March.

One of our members, Barbara Buckley, was featured in Essex WI News as she won £100 in the Federation Flutter.



Speaker Tony Harris returned with his portrayal of Winston Churchill.

He revealed that Churchill had ginger hair but as all photos were in black and white and he wore a hat, the public were unaware of this. He was the only minister to win the Nobel Prize for Literature. To enhance his meagre salary, wherever he was posted he sent back dispatches for the newspapers. Churchill changed from Liberal to Conservative and served Epping for over 40 years. A very enlightening talk.

On our behalf, Julia congratulated Alison Bradshaw's son, Tom, who has been elected President of the National Farmers Union.

Speaker Amanda Southerland returned with her talk 'Trends Through the Decades'. She showed us original clothes from various

eras and also informed her audience on the undergarments worn by ladies in the past.

Mini Easter Eggs were enjoyed whilst puzzling out the competition matching members "youthful photos" to their names.

In April, David Leech from Crusaders was welcomed with his talk and demonstration on First Aid. He also brought along defibrillators which he opened so the audience could hear exactly how they worked with comprehensive instructions.

On a lighter note, the taster evening which followed was a great success, with everyone enjoying the cakes and desserts made by members. The recipes, together with other contributions, will be made into a booklet for purchase to aid our WI funds.



Various future activities have been arranged, including outings, lunches and demonstrations for which members can sign up.

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1st West Bergholt Scout Group

We run sections at the Scout Hut: a Beaver Colony (for 6 to 8 years old), two Cub Packs (for 8 to 10½ years old) and a Scout Troop (for 10½ to 14½ years old). We have just over 80 boys and girls in the sections, meeting most weeks during term-time. We are fully behind The Scout Association's drive to prepare young people with skills for life but with a bias towards "outdoors" and "adventure": in the last two years, we have hiked, camped, tried kayaking, sailing, scuba diving, archery, rifle shooting and more. But we also attend St George's Day and Remembrance Sunday events. Not surprisingly, Scouting is very popular and we are having to run a waiting list for Beavers.

Our young people have worked hard to achieve the highest awards in each of the age groups, the Chief Scout Awards, and we have awarded 8 Bronze Awards (for Beavers) and 4 Silver Awards (for Cubs). The Gold Award (for Scouts) has been earned

by Eve Carey, Luke Hersey and Charlie Leek and all three are now helping as Young Leaders.

It was really pleasing that Philip McNeill, our treasurer for 27 years (but also our skills instructor and "maintenance man"), was recognised for his service to the group by being named as West Bergholt's Volunteer of the Year.

Our activities can only take place through volunteers supporting our group, either as uniform leaders or as trustees and we really need more adults to come forward. If anybody thinks they could make a difference to the lives of our young people by volunteering with us, please get in touch with me at kevinsturdy@aol.com.

Kevin Sturdy
Group Scout Leader



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Vice Chair:	Harry Stone			
RFO:	Andrew Savage			
Councillors:	Manya Barrow	Paul Chamberlain	Sara Cullis	John Gili-Ross
	James Owers	Katie Pulford	David Short	Bob Tyrrell

Parish Council meetings are held at the Orpen Hall Complex every fourth Wednesday of each month except August and December, at 7.30pm unless otherwise advised (see notice boards). During the meeting the public are invited to raise any issue for consideration by the Parish Council during the "Questions from registered electors" item.

For general enquiries, email the Parish Council using clerk@westbergholt-pc.gov.uk or telephone the Clerk on 07726 424419. Contact made in this way will be dealt with by the Clerk or forwarded to relevant Parish Councillors. For specific enquiries about matters dealt with committees, email the contacts provided below, although please also copy to the Clerk.

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Other Useful Contacts:

Clerk to the Parish Council:	Laura Walkingshaw	07726 424419	clerk@westbergholt-pc.gov.uk
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A daily diary of village events can be found on the home page of our village web site at <http://www.westbergholt-pc.gov.uk>

Weekly What's On

Sunday

Service of Worship, St Mary's Church

Bowls Club, 7.30pm Orpen Hall.

Contact John Rookard, 01206 626045

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Monday

Bluebells Preschool, 9am - 3pm, Orpen Hall.

Contact Jackie Leach 07969 510 120

Baby & Toddler Group, 9.15-11.15am.

Term time only. St Mary's Church Hall.

Kelly's HIIT, 9.30am, Scout Hut.

Contact Kelly 07453 859583

Dance4health, 11.30am, Scout Hut.

WB Cubs, 6.30pm-8pm Scout Hut.

Contact Kevin Sturdy 01206 240549

Gardeners Association, 7.30pm 3rd Monday.

Contact wbgardeners@gmail.com

Orpen Players, 8pm Orpen Hall.

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Tuesday

Bluebells Preschool, 8.30am - 3.15pm, Orpen Hall.

Contact Jackie Leach 07969 510 120

Pilates, 6pm, Orpen Hall.

Contact fleur.parkspilates@gmail.com

Kelly's HIIT, 6.30pm & 7.30pm, Scout Hut.

Contact Kelly 07453 859583

Vocal Zones Choir, 7pm, St Mary's Church Hall.

Contact Ann 07596 071636 or Julia 07775896494

Badminton Club, 8pm-10pm Orpen Hall.

Contact Ian Hersey 01206 243378/07754140707

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Wednesday

Bluebells Preschool, 9am - 3pm, Orpen Hall.

Contact Jackie Leach 07969 510 120

Kelly's HIIT, 9.30am, Scout Hut.

Contact Kelly 07453 859583

Ladies Afternoon Badminton, 2.15pm - 3.45pm

Orpen Hall. Contact Kathy Bamforth at

kathy.bamforth@gmail.com

WB Beavers, 5pm - 6.15pm, Scout Hut.

Contact Kevin Sturdy 01206 240549

Women's Institute, 1st Wednesday, 7.15pm, Orpen Hall.

Contact Jacqui Hunns 01206 240712

WB Scouts, 7.30pm - 9.30pm, Scout Hut.

Contact Kevin Sturdy 01206 240549

Colne Valley Flower Club, 3rd Wednesday, 7.30pm, Orpen Hall. Contact 01206 241155

Parish Council Meeting, 4th Wednesday, 7.30pm, John Lampon Hall

Pilates, 7 - 8pm, John Lampon Hall.

Contact fleur.parkspilates@gmail.com

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Thursday

Open House, 9.00 -11.00am (in term time), St Mary's Church Hall

Bluebells Preschool, 8.30am - 3pm, Orpen Hall.

Contact Jackie Leach 07969 510 120

5T's, 2.30pm-4pm Weekly, St Mary's Church Hall.

Kelly's HIIT, 6.30pm, Heathlands School.

Contact Kelly 07453 859583

WB Guides, 7 - 9pm, Scout Hut.

Bowls Club, 7.30pm Orpen Hall.

Contact John Rookard 01206 626045

Colchester & District Model Railway Club, 8pm, Armoury Farm.

Contact www.colchestermrc.org

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Friday

Bluebells Preschool, 9am - 3pm, Orpen Hall.

Contact Jackie Leach 07969 510 120

Kelly's HIIT, 9.30am, Scout Hut.

Contact Kelly 07453 859583

WB Concert Band, 6pm-7pm (Training) 7pm-9pm (Band), Heathlands School.

Contact Karen Wilson 01206 824157

WB Cubs, 6.30pm-8.00pm, Scout Hut.

Contact Kevin Sturdy 01206 240549

Bergholt Youth Group (BYG), Alternate Friday, 6.30pm-8pm, John Lampon Hall.

Jamie Bowden 07581 202960

Wired, 1st Friday, 7pm-9pm, St. Mary's Church Hall.

Contact parish administrator 01206 243683

Orpen Players, 8pm Orpen Hall.

Debbie Hornigold 01206 242111

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Saturday

NEEGOG Model Railway Club, 2nd Saturday, 2pm, St Mary's Church Hall.

Contact Martin Long 01206 240443

Kelly's HIIT, 9am, Daniel Lorkin Field.

Contact Kelly 07453 859583

Youth Winter 2024 Photography Competition

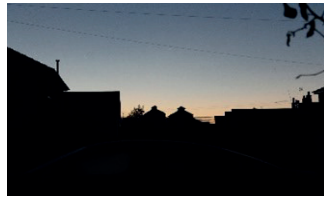
In our last edition of the Bulletin, we announced the winner of the Winter Themed Photography Competition. Here, we are delighted to include the winning photos.

U12 Landscape Category

First Place
Sam Ross
Age 7



Second Place
Rowan Oakes
Age 10



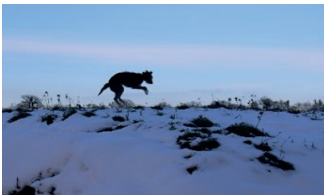
U12 Made/Grown Category

First Place
Harriet Ross
Age 10

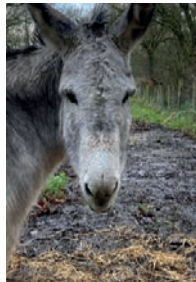


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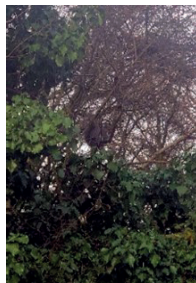
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Isabella Jack
Age 17



Second Place
Amelia Beckwith-Cole
Age 12

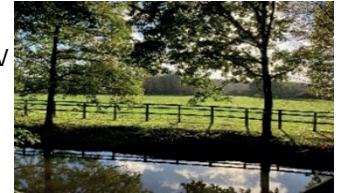


Third Place
Alicia Waine
Age 13

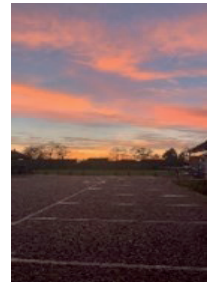


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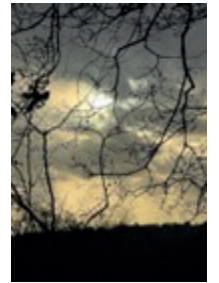
First Place
Rachel Walkingshaw
Age 17



Second Place
Joe Birchall
Age 12



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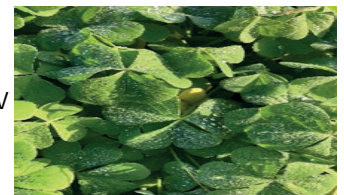


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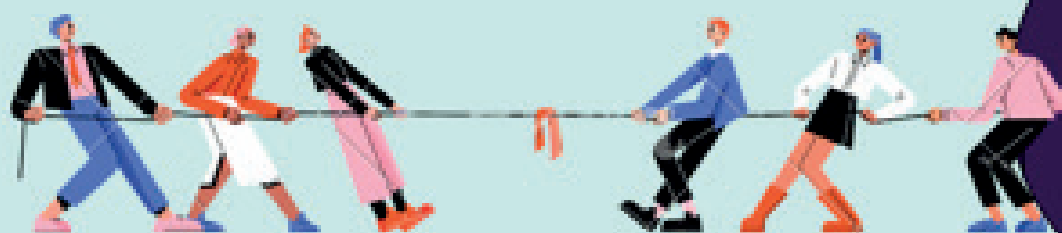


Second Place
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