



## Great Photographic Competition-Get Snapping

There are few picture postcards of Charnwood Forest. We are holding a photographic competition to try to fill this gap.

Cash prizes of £100, £50 and £25 for members photographs (others can submit photographs by joining)

Submit two photographs (taken in 2002) in colour or black and white on any subject depicting Charnwood Forest.

Photos 7"x5" mounted on A4 card. Subject written or typed beneath photo and name, address and phone number on the back.

Entries with A4 SAE to Clifford Jones, Hobby Hall Farm, Copt Oak Road, Markfield, LE67 9PJ by 9th November.

Judging at the Members Dinner on

27th November.

We reserve rights to retain photographs and copyright for postcard use. Others will be returned.



## New Treasurer for FOCF

After several years splendid service, our Treasurer, Mrs Barbara Bassett has decided to retire. We all thank her very much indeed for her years of managing our finances and are pleased that she will remain a member of our committee. Barbara was a founder member of the society and has been a tower of strength.

The new Treasurer is Miss Kim Turner who lives in the Forest at Ulverscroft.

Her address for subscriptions is:

Poultney Farm,

Priory Lane,

Ulverscroft, Markfield

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### Coming Events

- Thornton Reservoir -19th August @ 6.30 pm
- Whittle Hill Farm Buildings -October
- County Geologist-Bradgate-14th September
- Meet the Members Dinner-Louis Scotts-
- Newtown Linford-27th November
- L&R Wildlife Trust
- Cropston Visitor Centre- 14th July 11.00 am



## Reverend Kenneth Wayne-Pub Signs and so much more

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A really lively talk after the AGM saw Kenneth Wayne giving us the true story of the Bull's Head, the Red Lion and many more inns with pithy anecdotes and witty asides to a near record audience.

Full of information and with a real enthusiast to impart it we thoroughly enjoyed a splendid evening.

As usual, a glass or two and some nibbles gave us all a chance to ask questions and have some informal chit-chat.

On Monday evening, 19th August there will be a guided walk at Thornton Reservoir, conducted by the Ranger, Ian Thistlethwaite. Meet in the Fishing Lodge Car Park at 6.0 for 6.30 and wear strong shoes and bring a coat (it can be chilly)

On Saturday 14th September, the County Geologist, John Martin, will lead a geological walk in Bradgate Park. This is not a Friends of Charnwood Forest event and numbers are limited. There will be a charge of £2 payable on the day.

You will be notified of all events separately with a reply slip to confirm your interest. It is most helpful to receive these as it enables us to provide the right facilities according to the numbers

## Willesley Wood Extension Appeal

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Willesley Wood needs £30,000. The Woodland Trust, with which we have worked for years, is seeking to secure land recently subject to a planning application for opencast mining.

They are aiming to restore an old green lane and link two islands of 200 year old woodland containing wood anemones and bluebells.

Willesley Wood contains the largest group in Leicestershire of the nationally rare black poplar. It has masses of stunning orchids where, only ten years ago all, was oil-seed rape. The Great Crested Grebe is just one of over 90 species recorded here.

The Friends of Charnwood Forest support this appeal and have given £250 as a proof of our sincerity. Willesley Wood is situated south west of Ashby and is well worth a visit.

*Black Poplar, Orchids, Great  
Crested Grebe and much,  
much more!*

## Meet the Members— Our annual dinner

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Last year we had a very convivial evening for all members at the Manor House, Donington-le Heath, which was a great success.

Informality, with good food and plenty of wine, gave members new and old a chance to meet the committee and discuss the aims and successes of the society.

This year we hope even more members will come to Louis Scott's Restaurant at Newtown Linford on Wednesday 27th November. We shall have an exhibition of photographs and the competition judging and a good dinner.

Cost £15 and the wine will be free!

Reminders will be sent out in the Autumn but please put the date in your diary now.



**Eat, drink and be  
merry!**