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### Wildlife Notice Board

On Saturday 29 November 1997 winners from all the competitions organised by Wycombe Wildlife Group during 1997 were jointly awarded prizes at a grand ceremony held in the coffee bar of the Spring Gardens Arts Centre. Before an assembly of proud relatives and teachers winners of the "Wild Words" poetry competition were presented with their prizes by Olive Shepherd, one of the judges. Covering the wall behind them were their poems, which had been displayed for three weeks and which had been attracting a great deal of interest from other visitors to the Centre.

In the absence of Ray Fountain of Hall & Co., who had sponsored the Schools Wildlife Corner Competition, Fatima Patel of Wycombe Wildlife Group Project Team presented Holy Trinity C of E School, Marlow, with a border fork and spade, awarded for the best Established Wildlife Corner. The prize of rockery stones for the Best New Wildlife Corner had already been delivered direct to Great Kingshill School.

Maurice Young then gave the prize of a Nikon "Nuvis" mini-camera, donated by Keen's Photography, High Wycombe, to Barbara North, overall winner of the Wildlife Photography Competition. The runner up was Irenke York.

Winners in all the competitions also received signed certificates. The Group thanks all the judges and sponsors, and Charlie Dearden, Director of Spring Gardens Arts Centre for continued hospitality. Many thanks too to the Project Team for the hours of work they put in to organising and mounting this huge exhibition. Winning poems are printed on page 53.

Pat Morris

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**Founder Members of Project Team move on**

Wycombe Wildlife Group is a voluntary organization the **OBJECT** of which is to further the ecology and knowledge of the urban and fringe areas of High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire; to conserve, protect, restore and create wildlife habitats; to encourage colonization and survival of all plants and animal life in such areas and to promote the education of the public in matters pertaining to wildlife and its conservation.

- Within Wycombe District the Group aims to :
- ✦ Survey and map wildlife habitats.
  - ✦ Protect important wildlife sites.
  - ✦ Study wildlife sites and associated flora and fauna.
  - ✦ Manage wildlife sites and associated flora and fauna.
  - ✦ Stimulate public interest in wildlife & its conservation.
  - ✦ Encourage wildlife gardening.
  - ✦ Co-operate with other groups of similar aims.
  - ✦ Promote the objectives of the Group.
  - ✦ Encourage active participation in conservation of all persons and groups and provide appropriate training to that end.

(A detailed copy of the aims is available on request)

Wycombe Wildlife News is published 3 times a year to promote the Group's activities and inform members & public of its progress.

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 Pat Morris, and Maurice Young.

After working with our Group as volunteer Project Officers, Robin Harley and Kate Howard both obtained paid jobs last November, and moved to their new posts on 1st December 1997. For Robin this is as Countryside Warden for Christchurch Borough Council in Dorset. "Really, very like what I was doing with Wycombe Wildlife Group" he said. Kate is now Membership Development Officer at the Head Office of the Inland Waterways Association, based in Regent's Park, London.

Both of these are really excellent posts, and well deserved after all the hard work put in by these young graduates. It proved yet again how valuable the work experience provided by Wycombe Wildlife Group is to the unemployed in their search for jobs.

We thank Robin and Kate, founder members of the Project Team, for their loyalty and service, and wish them every success in the future. Fatima Patel and Jo Thorn are left to carry on Wycombe Wildlife Group's activities, and will be joined by new recruits.

Pat Morris

Not long after I heard Kate & Robin's good news I was shown an article in the Royal Mail staff magazine entitled "What helping others to develop can do for you" It was extolling the value of the Royal Mail Training Partnership which gives "priority to individual & team development". It sounds very much like what we do for our Project Team, although our system is less structured/formal. Using the latest management jargon of the article we provide "worktime learning" - practical instruction in the field, and "development dialogue" - one to one discussions with the team members over what training they feel they need. We have, indeed, found that helping Kate & Robin and their predecessors, Elaine, Andy, Jo and Matthew, to develop greatly benefited the Group - as well as allowing them to demonstrate their enthusiasm and abilities so helping them succeed in what is now one of the most competitive job markets.

Having read the article I felt that our training programme matched, if on a somewhat smaller scale, that of this national employer. Not that we should be complacent for I am sure we can do better and I shall copy the article to the committee for future discussions !

Maurice Young

**Death of Richard Halliday**

The Group was saddened to hear, last November, of the death of Richard Halliday at the early age of 40 years. Richard had been a founder member of the Group, joining when it formed in 1989, and was a staunch supporter of its activities, turning up at numerous work-parties, and giving the Group the benefit of his advice at planning meetings. As he was also a Landscape Officer for Wycombe District Council, he proved an invaluable link between the two organizations.

Pat Morris, Roger Wilding and Lorna Cassidy represented the Group at Richard's Memorial Service, held at the Union Baptist Church, Wycombe Marsh, on Sunday 16th. November 1997, and a wreath was sent to his funeral service at Culford, in Suffolk, two days earlier. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family and friends, He will be greatly missed.

Pat Morris

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## Wild Words Poetry Competition

Winning poems of the 1997 competition.

I really enjoyed reading all 24 entries which showed the poets had really looked at all the creatures around them, particularly butterflies, worms, ants and spiders. The winning poem used repetition well so that the reader shares in the poet's discoveries. The runners-up were very close to the winner.

*Olive Shepherd*

### Poets aged 7 years and under :



I moved a stone  
What did I see ?

I saw an ant looking at me.

I moved a stone  
What did I see ?

I saw a slug looking at me.

I moved a stone  
What did I see ?

I saw a frog looking at me.

I moved a stone  
What did I see ?

I saw someone looking at me.



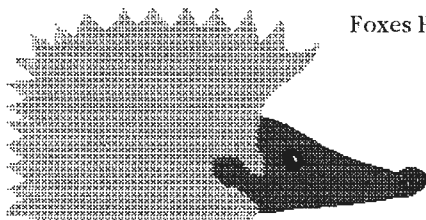
*Sophie Colbourne (Aged 7)*  
Little Marlow CofE First School

### Poets aged 8 - 11 years :

#### The Visitor

A hedgehog came calling one day  
Wandered up the path to say  
What fine food you have on display  
Could I help myself if I may,  
Stopped a while and told of tales  
Chasing slugs and snails  
Then he went away.

*Richard Turner (Aged 11)*  
Foxes Piece Middle School



### Poets aged 12 - 15 years :

It is a pity that no-one from the upper range of this group entered, though they would have found it difficult to compete with the ones that did send in their poems. It was hard to choose a winner from all those who wrote about their walks in the countryside and woods but Kathryn's poem took the reader straight into her garden and a sensitive use of words and form, though she sometimes had noise and silence at the same time and I do wonder if birds sing in the bath.

#### Natures Magic

Fresh smell of dew drops and mown grass  
Entering a damp, moist atmosphere.  
A still, silent garden.  
With the whistling of the wind.  
Cascading harmony of a green world.  
Creating magic.

Old beech singing out in the wind.  
Mixed up jungle trying to sprout.  
Sad tree, leaves hanging in sorrow.  
Drooping down to the ground.  
Ashamed to be seen.  
Cold stone figure, staring deeply into your eyes.

Blackbird calling out,  
In the light morning air.  
Starlings gracefully swooping.  
Birds singing in the bath.  
Sweet smell of roses and heather.  
Foxglove fighting its way to the top.

Carefully stepping over pebbles,  
Lily pads floating on the surface.  
Calm shimmering water in the sun.  
Clouds of foam forming.  
Splashing sound of flowing water.  
A water garden of opportunities.

*Kathryn Marriott (Aged 12)*  
Spinfield County Combined School.

I hope all those who entered will go on looking closely at the plants, insects and animals around them and write more poems.

*Olive Shepherd*



### Related Fungal Forays

In recent years the peak time for finding fungi seems to have been getting earlier in the year, late September perhaps being the best time. This September, however, was rather disappointing in some of the traditional good areas such as the New Forest but by the latter half of November, some woodland floors had produced some really good fungal displays. Some 50 Fly Agarics (*Amanita muscaria*) were counted one Sunday on Penn Common and walking the dog through Booker Common Woods I have never seen so many Clouded Agarics (*Lepista (Clitocybe) nebularis*) at one time.



Clouded  
Agaric  
Note  
decurrent  
gills

We benefited from this late "flowering" of the fungi on Saturday 15 November when a small group of members visited Ruislip Woods and Stanmore Common - one of the occasional visits to places of biological interest outside our own patch to look at the natural history of habitats which are scarce or even non-existent in Mymcombe District.

Ruislip Woods is a very large complex of woods owned by the London Borough of Hillingdon. The woods have been given SSSI status and have recently been designated as a National Nature Reserve. In the short time available to use, we were only able to walk through a small part of the woodland which seemed to be full of Butter Caps (*Collybia butyracea*), a fungus which has appeared in very large numbers in many places this November.



Butter Cap  
Gills not  
decurrent

After eating our packed lunch overlooking Ruislip Lido lake, we made our way to Stanmore Common, a SSSI which is owned by the London Borough of Harrow. We had a guided tour of the reserve and were shown some of the best places to look for fungi. The most interesting species found was the Common White Helvella (*Helvella crispa*).

Having recorded a total of 44 species of fungi during the day, I felt the day out was worthwhile. I personally intend to visit both sites again next year on

separate occasions to be able to spend much more time at each.

Roger Wilding

p.s. If this weather continues we might be fungus foraging in December this year.



Common  
Helvella



Creating

## WYCOMBE'S

WILDLIFE GARDENS



Each weekend throughout the year I have recorded the species in flower in my wildflower garden and thought readers might be interested to hear which species flowered for the longest period of time. My top ten plants for this year have been :

Red campion	<i>Silene dioica</i>
Yellow corydalis	<i>Pseudofumaria lutea</i>
Ox-eye daisy	<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>
White campion	<i>Silene latifolia</i>
Oxford ragwort	<i>Senecio squalidus</i>
Ivy-leaved toadflax	<i>Cymbalia muralis</i>
Red valerian	<i>Centranthus ruber</i>
Harebell	<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>
Feverfew	<i>Tanacetum parthenium</i>
Corn marigold	<i>Chrysanthemum segetum</i>



Yellow Corydalis  
(*Pseudofumaria lutea*)

I recorded some flowers on all of the above species for six months or more, and at the time of writing this article the two top species had been flowering for 34 weeks. In the case of the Red campion, Ox-eye daisy and Red valerian this long flowering period resulted from pruning the plants after flowering to produce further flowering stems. In the case of Feverfew and Corn marigold, a succession of new plants prolonged the flowering season but the Yellow Corydalis, Ivy-leaved toad-flax and Harebell just kept on flowering without any "gardening".

I would be interested to hear of other readers' experiences with their garden wildflowers

Roger Wilding

The above plants will give you a good show over a long period of time but a good wildlife garden should also have the following top ten "butterfly" plants, some recommended by Dr. Margaret Vickery, and the top ten "bird" plants suggested by David Glue.

### TOP "BUTTERFLY" PLANTS

Buddleia	<i>Buddleja davidii</i>
Knapweeds	<i>Centaurea scabiosa</i> & <i>C. nigra</i>
Red valerian	<i>Centranthus ruber</i>
Marjoram	<i>Origanum vulgare</i>
Ice plant (pale pink)	<i>Sedum sempervivum</i>
Michaelmas daisy	<i>Aster novi-belgii</i>
Aubrieta	<i>Aubrieta deltoidea</i>
Forget-me-not	<i>Myosotis sylvatica</i>
Sweet William	<i>Dianthus barbatus</i>
Hebes	<i>Hebe (Veronica) spp.</i>

### TOP "BIRD" PLANTS

Yew	<i>Taxus baccata</i>
Rowan	<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>
Elder	<i>Sambucus nigra</i>
Cotoneaster spp.	<i>C. bullatus</i> & <i>C. horizontalis</i>
Berberis spp.	<i>B. darwinii</i> & <i>B. thunbergii</i>
Ivy	<i>Hedera helix</i>
Pyraecantha	var. <i>Orange glow</i>
Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera henryii</i>
Flowering apple	<i>John Downie</i> & <i>Red Ensign</i>
Juniper	<i>Juniperus horizontalis</i>



## Maddenning Mammals

In October the Project Team and Pat Morris headed off to Amersham Field Centre for an informative day with Gillie Sargent from the Mammal Society, who was hopefully going to teach us all we needed to know about finding and identifying mammals.

Undaunted by the pouring rain our first task was to investigate mammal traps set out the night before. We soon learnt how important it was to mark where the traps had been placed - to save time aimlessly wandering looking for them! The mammals hadn't been so intrepid during the overnight rain and many of the traps were empty. Robin did discover a lively wood mouse which proved most entertaining.

After tea and home-made flapjack it was eyes to the front for a slide show. This was to help increase our knowledge of identifying mammals by sight, their tracks, burrows, nests and droppings. I myself didn't realize how much smaller a weasel is compared to a stoat.

I think everyone will agree that deer are by no means easy to identify. However, Gillie had a novel way of helping us get to the bottom of the problem - yes that is exactly what you use to distinguish between them - the rump of each species of deer has its own distinctive features.

Lunch break provided a chance to give our brains a rest before the dreaded test at the end.

Apart from live sightings of mammals, it was surprising how many techniques can be used to infer their presence, the examination of owl pellets being one, for as effective hunters of small mammals they collect and packet the evidence of what is around their area. Our next task, therefore, was the dissection of owl pellets under a microscope to unravel the mass of fur, small bones and skulls. This owl was not going hungry and had dined mainly on pygmy shrew and vole.

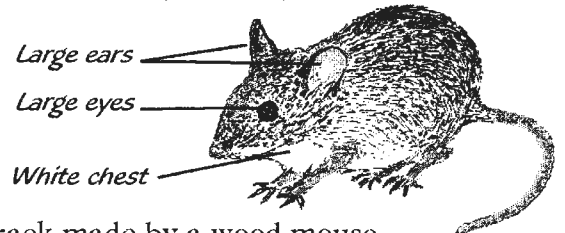
After a quick recap of the day's work, the test began. It was quite amazing how much we actually remembered. At the end of the day we all agreed we'd thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and come away knowing a little bit more about mammals.

Jo Thorn

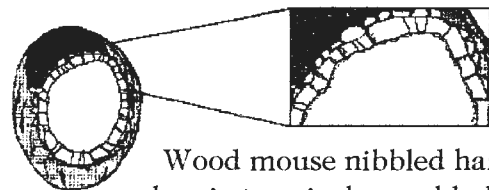
The commonest mammal to come into our houses in much of Wycombe is the wood mouse. If you use a trap, preferably one of the live traps you can distinguish the wood mouse from the house mouse by the following characters: The pelage (coat of a mammal) of the house mouse is grey / grey-brown above and darker below while the wood mouse is more of a sandy brown above with a pale, usually white, chest & underside. Young wood mice are slightly greyer. The wood mouse has large eyes, large, prominent ears & a long slender tail covered with fine hairs. The tail of the house mouse is scaly, with the scales arranged in "rings". Another "distinctive" character of the house mouse is its strong smell, so it is easily detected and not usually tolerated for long in houses.

Wood mice are mainly vegetarian eating berries, grain and nuts in the autumn and often store them. I was called out to investigate one such store in a garage which consisted of over 100 cob nuts. The source of the nuts was a tree in the garden next door. The teeth marks on some of the nuts told me it was wood mouse. House mice are omnivorous. Although only weighing in at about 20-30 grams wood mice will leave tracks in snow or on muddy soil. These show their toes clearly and the left and right sets of prints are separated, in some instances, by drag marks made by the tail.

### Wood mouse (*Apodemus sylvaticus*)



Track made by a wood mouse.



Wood mouse nibbled hazel nut showing typical round hole with teeth marks running at right angles across the nibbled surface.

Maurice Young



## Summary of Awards for 1997

### Wild Words - the WyWG Wildlife Poetry Competition

Judged by Olive Shepherd and Stella O'Shea.  
Prizes provided by WyWG from a donation by  
Lisa Morris of Windsor Information Centre

		Name	School
7 & unders	Winner	Sophie Colborne	Little Marlow CofE First
	Highly Commended	Natalie Ajanlekoko	Marsh First.
	Highly Commended	Rachael Buss	Little Marlow CofE First
8 - 11's	Winner	Richard Turner	Foxes Piece Middle
	Highly Commended	Rachel Morris	St. Paul's CofE Comb.
	Highly Commended	Joseph Rushworth	The Heights First
12 - 15's	Winner	Kathryn Marriott	Spinfield County Comb.
	Highly Commended	Helen Taylor	Spinfield County Comb.
	Highly Commended	Charlotte Wood	Foxes Piece Middle

### School Wildlife Corner Competition - the WyWG Competition for the management of school grounds for wildlife.

Judged by WyWG Project Team.  
Prizes provided by Ray Fountain of Hall & Co.,  
Building Materials Supplier, High Wycombe.

Best New Wildlife Corner Great Kingshill School  
Best Wildlife Corner Holy Trinity CofE School

### Wildlife Photography Competition - the new WyWG Competition for budding wildlife photographers

Judged by Maurice Young  
Prize for Overall winner presented by  
Keen's Photography, High Wycombe

Garden Wildlife & Overall Winner Barbara North  
Out of Town & Down on the Farm Irenke York

## Highlights of the 1997 Season

The butterfly season started well, with the first Peacock on the 2nd. March and butterflies everywhere by the 6th of the same month. However, the butterfly season was rather short. Orchids also appeared early with Early Purples and Green-vein orchids in flower by 12th April. October 19th was the warmest October day on record since records began in 1947. This was reflected in the late butterfly sightings (see back page). Green Hairstreak and Marbled Whites did well this year.

A superb autumn brought an abundance of sloes, beech mast and acorns. There was a good crop of wild plums in the hedgerows around Hazlemere and plenty of Rose hips and Hawthorn berries on this side of Wycombe but reported absent at Sands Bank. Holly berries everywhere so a good start to winter for the birds. Very few, so far, taking artificial food from my garden.

Pat



## Out & About

### Sands Bank - Sunday 21st September 1997

The walk around Sands Bank Local Nature Reserve was attended by four people. It was a gloriously warm day, and 50 species of plant were recorded, two beautiful specimens of one of them, the Chiltern Gentian, were spotted growing

in the Adams Park overflow car park! A female common blue butterfly and a large brown shield bug, possibly a Forest Bug, also provided interest. Thanks to Roger Wilding for leading this walk at very short notice, and inspiring such enthusiasm.

### King's Wood - Saturday 25th October 1997

Unbroken sunshine and autumn colours contributed to the success of the walk around King's Wood, lead by Ian Butterfield of Wycombe District Ranger Service. Instead of plants Ian focused on the history & management of this 400 year old wood, pointing out areas coppiced in past times, contrasting them with the tall oaks & beeches we think of as woodlands nowadays; he showed us the Chepping Wycombe ancient boundary bank, much of it consisting of hornbeam and attractive to the secretive hawfinch, he indicated pits from which clay for tiles and flints for building were extracted, and even demonstrated how the two-man saw worked in

planking pits, with the "under-dog" below, and the "top-dog" standing above. We also passed ponds where Ian regaled us with the stories of how Heartbreak Hill obtained its name and the strange events taking place at dead of night during Wycombe Wildlife Group's Wildlife Marathon!

Twenty adults and eight children attended this walk. Some found the going rather strenuous (the wood covers 186 acres) but all agreed it had been worthwhile. Congratulations to Ian for a fascinating and thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

### The Downley Mystery Tour - Saturday 22nd November 1997

Downley Common covers 55 acres and some of its features are typical of Chiltern woodlands, such as clay pits, tile kilns and beeches. Others, however, are more unusual, like the spinneys of oak or field maple, and one is almost unique: Downley Pond where the rare star fruit grows. Sadly this fickle plant was not on show last year, although the area had been purposely cleared, and the water had been invaded by sweet-grass.

The acid, unimproved grassland of Downley Common is also of great importance, with spreading patches of heather, and has been surveyed by our own John Grimes. Other habitats for wildlife include bramble and holly thickets, and patches of unmown grass where insects can nectar. But Downley is also a place for people, with a bridle-way for horse riding (very muddy when our tour took place!), cricket and football pitch, and even allotments. Children are not forgotten either; they have

low-growing oak trees to climb, a sledging slope and their own informal space for ball games.

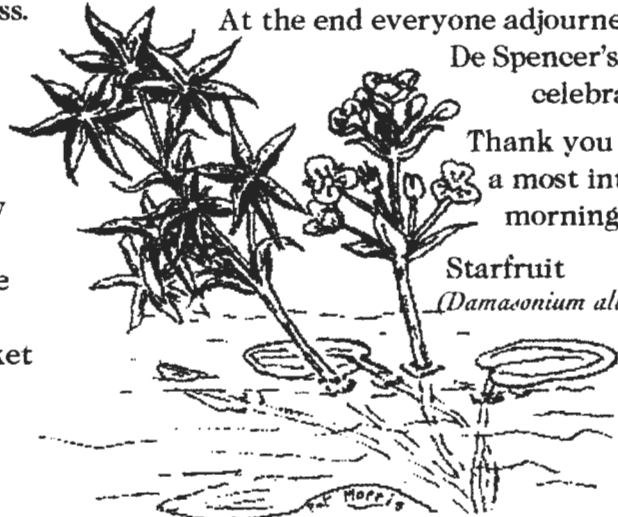
By some miracle, one of the four participants materialized out of the trees half way through the tour having walked all the way from Kingsmead to join in. "I don't know how she did it" commented leader John Willson, "We could have been anywhere".

At the end everyone adjourned to Le De Spencer's Arms to celebrate.

Thank you John for a most interesting morning.

Pat.

Starfruit  
(*Damaconium alisma*)







In September Wycombe Wildlife WATCH took part in another WATCH survey, this time to look at the health of street trees. Esso Treewatch is a national WATCH survey organized by the Wildlife Trusts (of which Wildlife WATCH is the junior branch). This was carried out near the Chair Museum, High Wycombe and all the trees investigated were found to be quite healthy. There was also time to make a few "dangly wotsits" from natural materials to be used for tree dressing.

In October we went on a Dormouse Dawdle at Holtspur Bank Local Nature Reserve. Maurice Young kindly led us round the site to help him check the dormouse boxes for occupants, although nobody was at home. Despite the rain

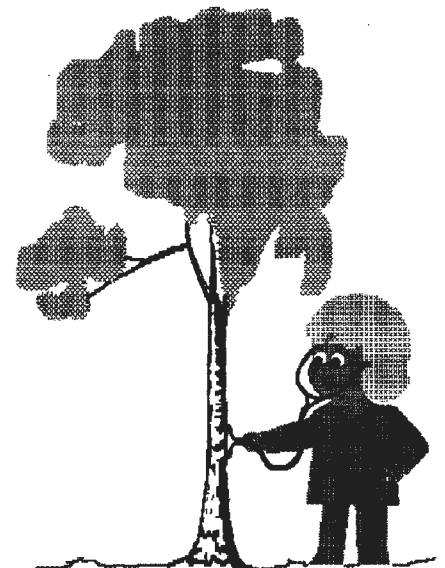


we also had a nut hunt looking for hazel nuts that had been nibbled.


In November we carried out conservation work in Gomm's Wood. The task was to clear a glade by cutting back some of the dogwood in order to expand the area for wildflowers. We also had a bonfire to burn all the scrub that had been cut and cook jacket potatoes, which were cooked to perfection, and were appreciated after all the hard work.

In December we had a chance to improve our winter tree identification followed by a paper chase on the Rye. We were also able to use last year's Christmas cards and ribbons to make this year's gifts. Everyone brought a plate of food and we had an excellent time.

Fatima Patel



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## Happy New Year

Make & keep a resolution to join  
(if you're not a member) and join in  
(if you are) our activities this year

### New Members

The names of new members will in future be published on a regular basis in the Newsletter.



to the following people, who have joined  
**Wycombe Urban Wildlife Group** since April 1997 :

- |                             |                        |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Mrs E. M. Szymrko           | Mr & Mrs P. N. Watkins |
| Mr & Mrs B Malliff & family |                        |

We look forward to seeing you at our forthcoming events, and thanks to all members for their support.

### Would you like to join us ?

If so complete this application (or a photocopy) and send to :  
**WyWG** Membership Secretary  
c/o, The Countryside Centre,  
(see front page for the address)

I / We wish to join **WyWG**

Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Address : \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Tel. no. \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed, (please circle)  
£5 (Individual/Family/School member)  
£2.50 (Student or Retired Person)



# WILDLIFE NOTICE BOARD



## Did You See ?



Early butterfly sightings - correction

1st. Holly blue - Chairborough NR (1/4/97)

### Last sightings - Insects

Common blue - Sands Bank (21/09/97)

Roesel's Bush Cricket - Gomm Valley NR  
(21/09/97)

Red admiral - Pat's garden (28/09/97)

Small white )

Large white ) - King's Wood (6/10/97)

Comma )

Small Copper )

Small tortoiseshell - Pedestal (26/10/97)

Gt. brown bush cricket (29/10/97)

2 Common Sympetrum - Mop End  
(10/11/97)

### Other species sightings

Red kites - John Lewis' H.W. (29/10/97)

Red kites - Bowerdean H. W. (7/12/97)

Chiltern gentian - Sands Bank (21/09/97)

Red fox - Chair Museum garden (29/09/97)

50-60 Fly agarics - Penn Wood (9/11/97)

Wood blewit - Hazlemere rec. (11/12/97)



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Car stickers - £1 (inc p & p)

T- shirts Cream or blue M/L/XL/XXL

£6.50 - less if you buy them at meetings

Sweatshirts - Navy with white logo S/L /XL

£16.50 (£15 at meetings)

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