



Photography Competition 2022

Following on from the success of a photograph competition held by the local charity, The Greenwich Society in 2021, it has been decided that the Westcombe Woodlands is going to organise a similar competition for people who come along to the Woodlands' volunteer mornings and open day events for both members and non-members. The main rule is that all photos should be taken inside or of the woodlands.

There will be six categories, depending on age and subject, with the winning photographs being not only displayed on the Westcombe Woodlands' website, but also for inclusion in our anticipated calendar for 2023.

Entries are to be submitted by October and for there to be a prize winning event to take place soon after the early Autumn Open Day event, to allow for the potential production and sale of calendars at the November and December volunteer mornings.

The Chairman of Westcombe Woodlands, Tim Barnes, will be contributing £600.00 from the Peter Harris Trust to fund the prizes. Each winner of the 6 categories below will receive £100.00. All entries will be judged by a panel of judges whose details will be announced at a later date and the judges will select 6 winners which, in their opinion, best capture The Westcombe Woodlands character in the months that this competition is running.

The categories are for children up to the age of 15 and for those ages 16 and over. These will be sub-divided as below:

- 1 Age 16 and over with a main subject of any flora or fauna**
- 2 Age 15 and under with a main subject of any flora or fauna**
- 3 Age 16 and over depicting people in the woodlands**
- 4 Age 15 and under depicting people in the woodlands**
- 5 Any age and any subject but using non-specialist or low budget equipment including the use of mobile telephones**
- 6 Any age and subject but using professional equipment**

No "enhancements" other than minor increases in light and dust spot removal. The aim of the competition is to keep photographs relevant and relatable to the viewers. Items that judges will be considering include, but are not limited to composition, interesting subject matter, timing, ethical approach (such as not disturbing the subject or surroundings unduly) and other skills as much as high image quality.

While we want to keep the competition as fun and as relaxed as possible, we will need to have some rules so that no one can say "unfair" or "I wasn't aware of that". We hope the following will not be too onerous.

The main purpose of the competition is for people to submit their photos to the Westcombe Woodlands for potential inclusion in our proposed 2023 calendar. All photos submitted will be deemed to have any copyright surrendered in the Westcombe Woodlands favour with the ultimate aim being that peoples' skills can be enjoyed by all. In addition we would like to display the winners and other photos we feel best reflect the character and nature of The Woodland on our website www.westcombewoodlands.uk, our Facebook page, our Twitter page @WestcombeWood, our YouTube channel and any subsequent email communications.

Nominated entries and winners' names will be acknowledged. Photos must be emailed to westcombewoodlands@hotmail.co.uk and we ask for entries to have the name of person who took the photograph, the category in which the photo is to be considered and the date it was taken. The date will allow for photos to reflect the month of the calendar.

Terms, Conditions & Prizes

- All persons entering the competition shall be deemed to have accepted the rules.
- The Westcombe Woodlands reserves the right in its absolute discretion to exclude any entry from the competition if at any time it has reason to believe that the entrant has breached any of these rules.
- The competition will open on Tuesday 1st February 2022 at 00:01 and will end on Sunday 9th October 2022 at 23:00.
- All entrants must provide their age on the date the photo was taken so that the photo can be selected for the correct category and all photos must be emailed to westcombewoodlands@hotmail.co.uk and should have a name of the person, the category in which the photo is to be considered and a few words describing the photo. The subject of the email should be Photography Competition. Only one photo per email is to be submitted and people may submit only 1 entry per month.
- Entries must be taken in Westcombe Woodlands or be recognisable as constituting part of The Woodland if not taken inside The Woodland.
- Images may be digitally enhanced to remove spots or scratches or brighten etc but cannot manipulate the content of the image. The judges reserve the right to exclude any image they believe may have been excessively treated so as to alter its authenticity. All entries must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe the rights of any other party. The entrants must be the sole owner of copyright in all photographs entered.
- The entrant must obtain permission from relevant parents or guardians of people under the age of 18 should they wish to be included in the competition. It will be assumed that such permission has been granted on any photograph submitted. Where photos have people forming the main feature of the photograph, it will be assumed that the person submitting the photo has obtained the permission of people present for inclusion into the competition.
- By entering the competition all entrants grant to Westcombe Woodlands the right to reproduce the images for the below purposes, regardless of whether their photograph is selected as the winner of the competition. No fees will be payable for any of the below uses.
- Entrants agree that any photograph submitted may be used on any promotional activity related to The Woodland for marketing purposes such as inclusion on The Woodland's website and general marketing literature with no requirement from The Woodland to be made about such publicity. Entrants whose photographs are one of the finalists may also be asked to take part in post-competition publicity.
- The winners will be contacted on the email address provided at the point of entry and winning entries may be displayed on the website of the Westcombe Woodlands and any other social media. If the winner of a category doesn't claim any prize after reasonable attempts have been made, the Westcombe Woodlands reserves the right to either offer the prize to a runner up or to re-offer the prize in any future competition.
- The promoter of this competition is Westcombe Woodlands, a registered charity (Charity No. 1161352). Our registered address is The Old Bakehouse, 11 Blackheath Village, London SE3 9LA.

