

# Snap happy year for photographers



CORLEY and Fillongley Photography Club is celebrating its first anniversary after members enjoyed a rewarding year.

More than 30 photographers of all abilities have joined the club over the past 12 months and have taken part in workshops, group shoots and competitions.

Chairman Richard Hammersley said: "The club is going from strength to strength as we approach our first AGM this month; I find it hard to believe we have come so far so quickly."

"We have won a lottery grant and are members of the MCPF (Midland Counties Photographic Federation)."

"We have had an incredible year with a total of 34 registered members who have continued to gel and are now going out in groups whenever they can."

"We have a varied range of expertise from pure novice to competent photographers and kit to suit from point and shoot to high end DSLR."

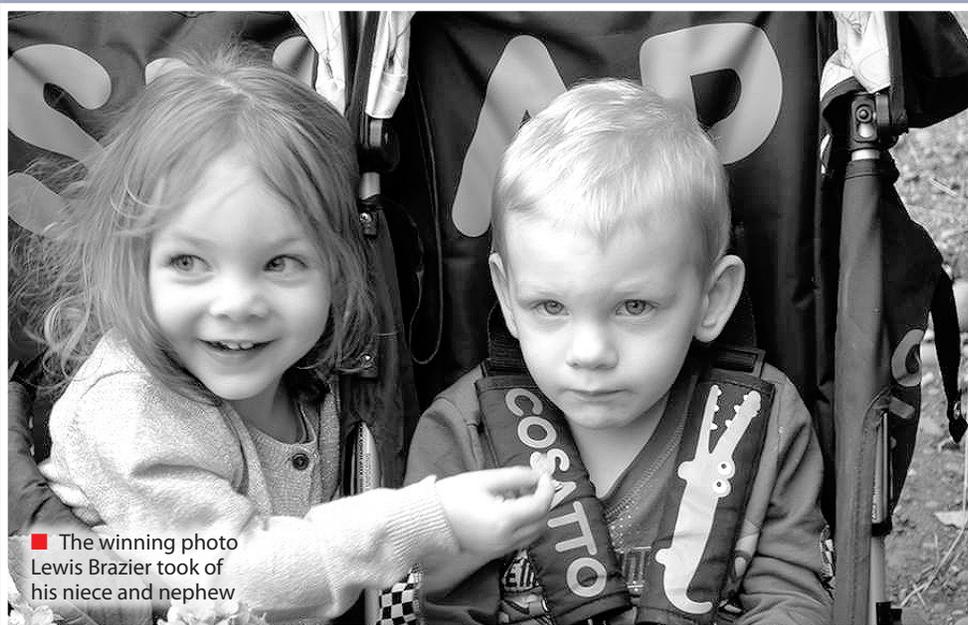
We are having great success with our practical evenings and have run a varied programme to keep everyone's interest."

The club has proved a hit with members. Janet Cheary said: "This is a great club, whatever level of photography you are at, or aim to achieve; it's welcoming, informative and inspirational. Who would believe it is only 12 months old."

Carol Davey said: "The practical sessions have been invaluable as previously I never took my camera off the automatic button. Slowly I am becoming more proficient and confident. The competition nights are non-threatening and you feel you learn from the feedback given."

Debby Lapworth said: "I joined the club in January and can honestly say I have enjoyed every meeting. The people are so very friendly and whether you have a state-of-the-art camera or just a little 'point and shoot' you will fit into the group and feel at ease."

The club holds 18 meetings a year at Corley Village Hall. They are on the first Monday of every month, plus the third Monday, April to September, from 7-9pm. For more details visit <http://www.corleyandfillongleyphotographicclub.co.uk/> or email [rh50@talktalk.net](mailto:rh50@talktalk.net)



■ The winning photo Lewis Brazier took of his niece and nephew

## Lewis has No Limits with winning photo

A WARWICKSHIRE teenager was one of the winners in a photography competition to show how disabled people can achieve their goals.

Lewis Brazier, from Bubbenhall, entered the No Limits photography competition developed by law firm Irwin Mitchell and charity Meningitis Now.

The 17-year-old was the joint winner of the 'Peo-

ple' category after he entered a picture he took of his niece and nephew.

The picture, titled 'Twins', really made the judging panel smile and they felt it summed up the relationships between people.

Lewis, who has Aspergers Syndrome and won an iPad for his prize, said: "The image was a split second shot as I was out on a walk with my sister and

her two-year-old twins. They have shown an extremely close relationship with each other since they were born and their expression towards each other in the image is like on a daily basis."

The competition asked for images showing the achievements of disabled people in three categories - ambition, independence and people.