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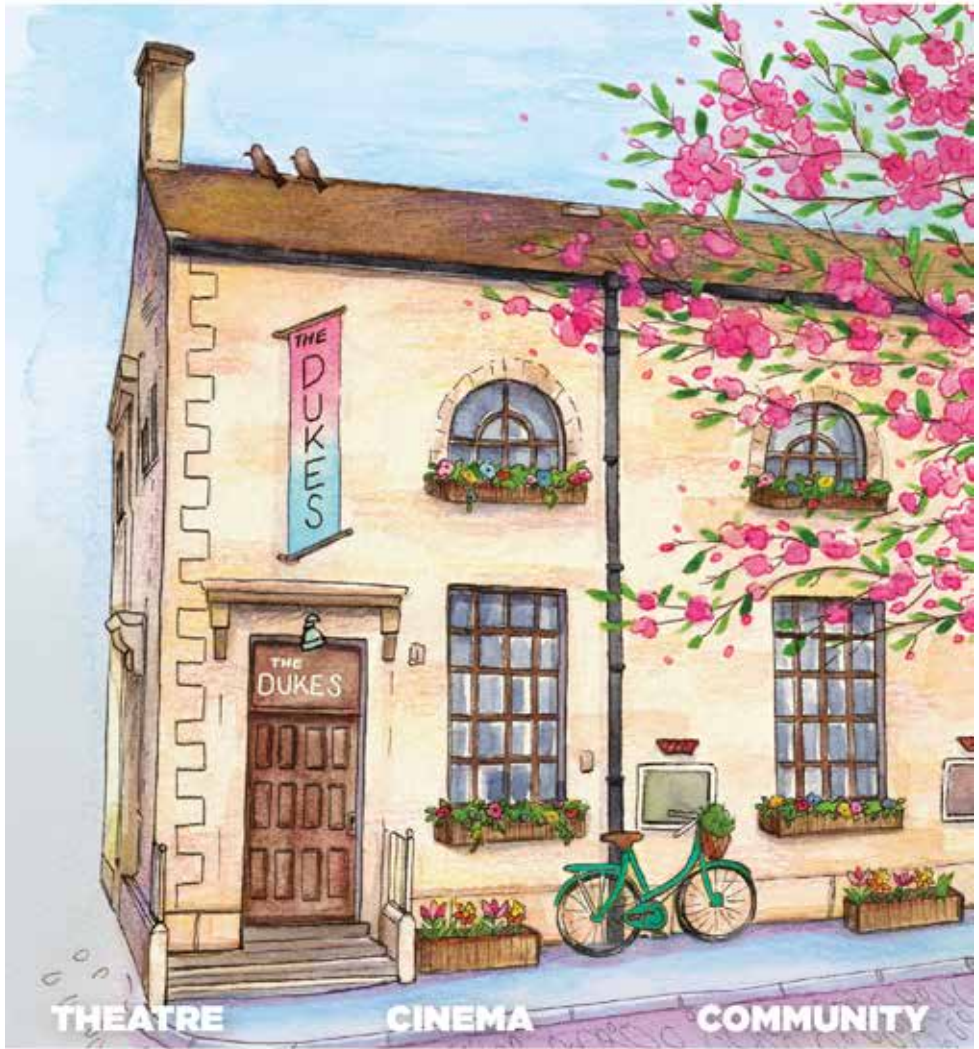
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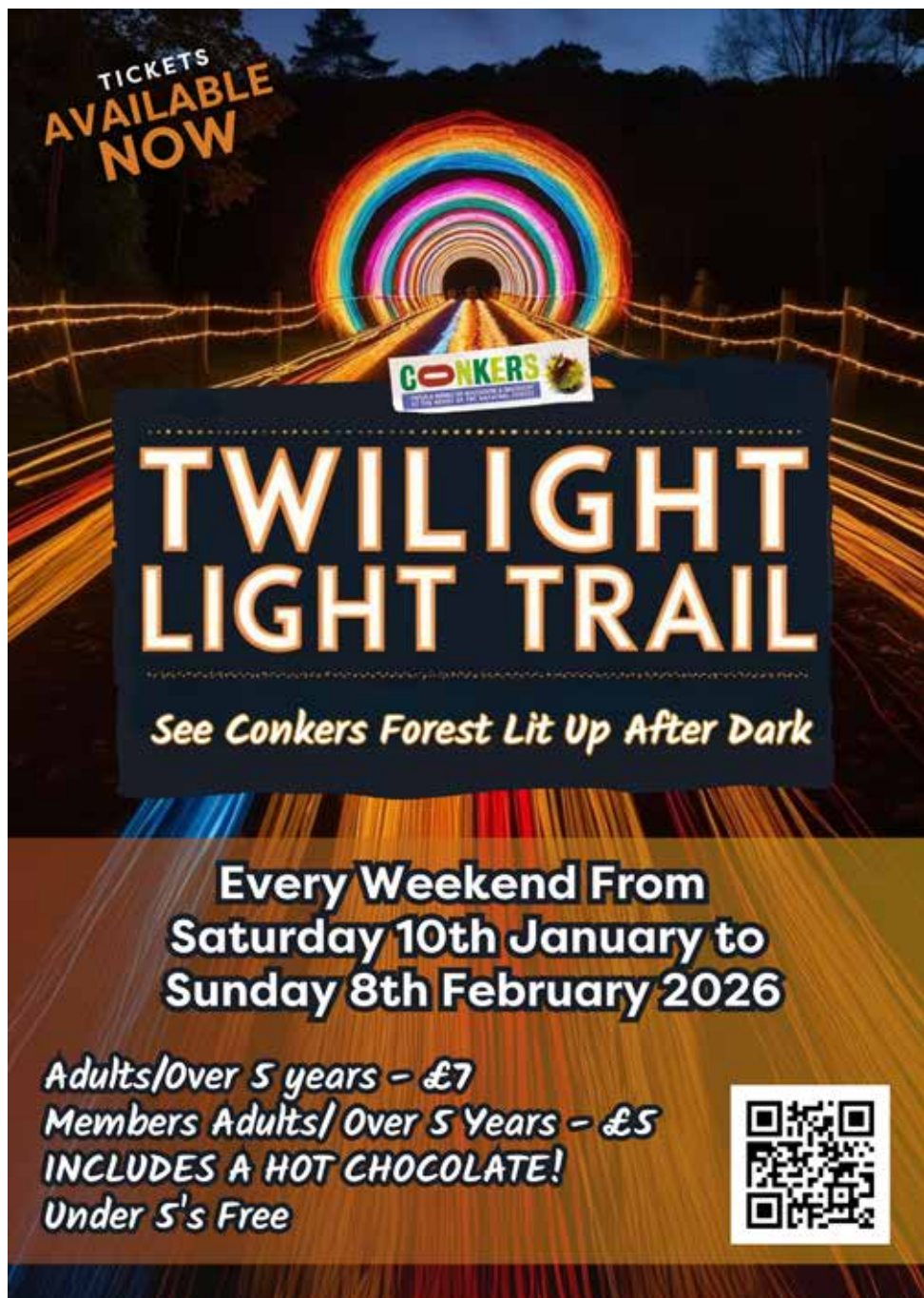
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What's more, Bisley is especially committed to encouraging new shooters, hosting dedicated Ladies Days and activities for young shots, ensuring the next generation has the chance to enjoy and excel in the sport.

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20 July 2025	Westpoint Conference Centre, Westpoint, Cystel St. Mary, EXETER, EX5 1DJ	1 February 2026	Westpoint Conference Centre, Westpoint, Cystel St. Mary, EXETER, EX5 1DJ
27 July 2025	Banqueting Suite, The Civic Centre, West Paddock, LEYLAND, Lancashire, PR25 1DH	1 March 2026	Lyndhurst Community Centre, Main Car Park, LYNDHURST, HANTS, SO43 7NY

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MGM Fairs - Organisers of Dolls House and Miniature Fairs

Back in the Autumn of 1998 Gail Tucker branched into fair organisation, as MGM Fairs, which she has been doing for the last 27 years.

Welcoming Dolls house makers, artisans and traders to the shows who sell their items to a keen customer base, Gail organises these shows all over the UK and they are a great day out for the family.

Within the last two years, MGM Fairs has been working in conjunction with its sister company trading as Miniature Fairs. Between them, they will have 20 fairs for 2026 that are located all over the country. You'll find more info on Miniature Fairs here: www.miniaturefairs.co.uk

Both businesses are run as specialist fairs offering hobbyist's opportunities to interact with craftsmen, artisans, clubs and like-minded people. Most of the items are in the scale of 1:12th, but they also cater to customers



who want 1:24th and 1:48th scale items. The shows offer the customers a chance to not only see and handle the items, but to check out the quality and price before they buy, plus giving them an opportunity to talk to other people in the hobby to exchange tips and ideas.

The last couple of MGM fairs will take place in 2025 are:

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For more information on 2026 events, see below.
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Garden in bloom: Centre at home of community

The multi-award-winning Oasis Community Centre and Gardens is a thriving community park and two-acre garden. With over 35 projects, groups and events for all ages and backgrounds, the site attracts over 30,000 visitors annually. Located in the Kilton housing estate in Worksop, North Nottinghamshire, the charity provides a safe place where people can come and find help, hope and healing.

The Worksop community has been planting spring bulbs on the Oasis Community Gardens site for 15 years, and every summer, the gardens take on a magic of their own.

The Oasis Gardens are open to everyone and are accessible to visitors in wheelchairs or with disabilities/special needs. Many of the volunteer gardeners have special needs and find the gardening therapeutic, helping some recover from previous traumatic life events.


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Around the rooms are descriptions in Wilderspin's own words – extracted from one of his teaching manuals which give a flavour of "what he was coming from", and a glimpse of his personality.

The school was constructed to Wilderspin's existing specifications – he regarded it as a Model School, where his ideas could be demonstrated and where teachers could be trained.

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We have also invited the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight, and are planning an historical re-enactment group, Morris dancing, bands, children's entertainment, and of course the annual Duck Race, with Mother Duck and her ducklings. See the attached video promoting a previous event, to get an idea of what it is all about – but remember there is always something new every year!



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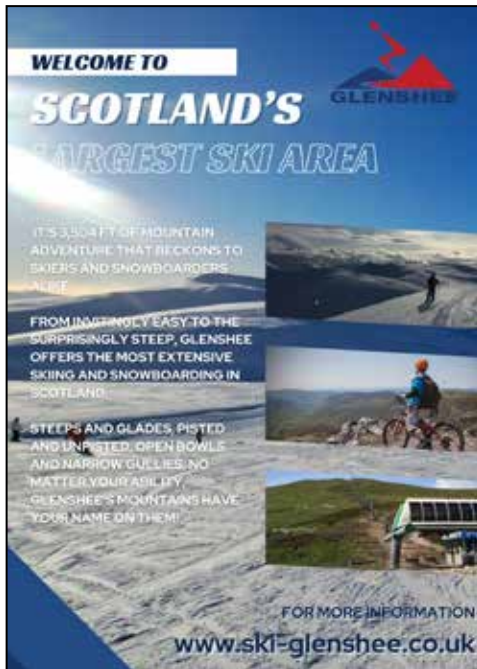
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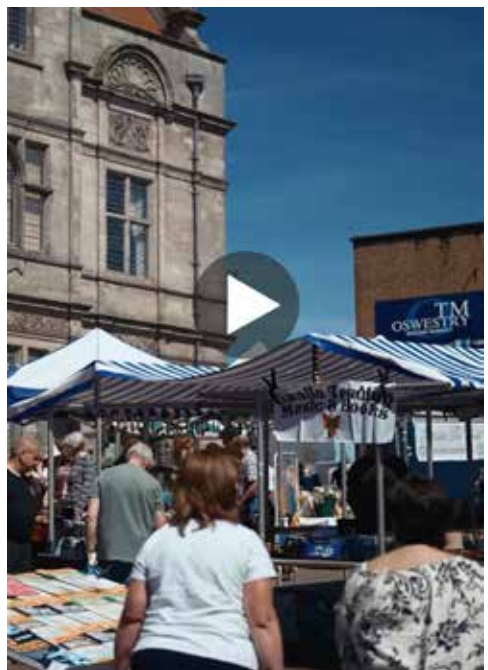


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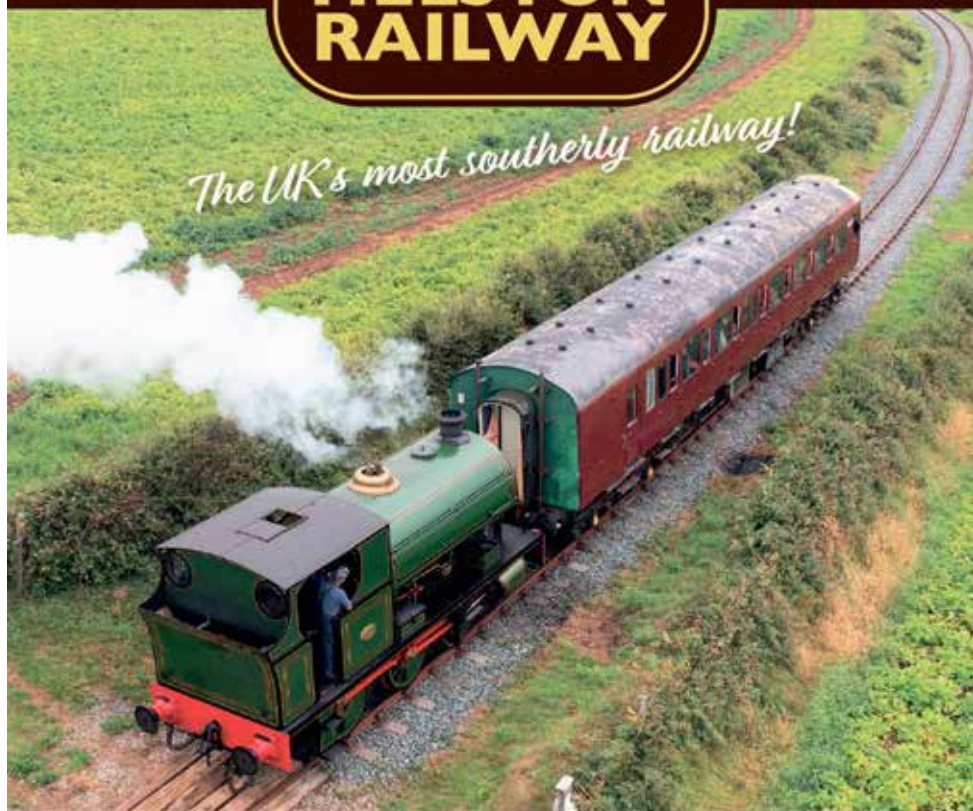
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We asked owner Maggie Hughes what guests can expect when they come to stay:

"The cottage provides a warm, home from home welcome for a group of four, plus two

children. We have two bedrooms on the ground floor, one double bedroom three steps up to this room and a twin-bedded room. Young children will love the Crog Loft/Crow's Nest, as my grandchildren called it! There are two Z-beds tucked away, suitable for children 5yrs and over. The family bathroom has an overhead shower, wash hand basin and toilet and the kitchen has all the mod cons, including a tumble dryer in the garage.

The cosy sitting room has a log burner for winter months, complete with TV, DVD player, radio/cv player and unlimited Wi-Fi throughout. All bedlinen and towels are provided for your stay and we welcome a maximum of two well-behaved dogs.

The large enclosed garden has a picnic table and BBQ and is perfect for a game



of rounders or football, or to admire the stunning Welsh scenery. There is plenty of off-road parking at the cottage too and all bookings are from Saturday-Saturday, with a £150 non-refundable deposit."

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A Hidden Gem in Somerset

In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award The Dairy at High House for its Commitment to Excellence.

Nestled in the peaceful village of Tintinhull, in the heart of Somerset, The Dairy at High House is a beautiful holiday cottage with a long history. The milking parlour and barns were built around 1750, with the wider farmhouse added in 1926, but when owners Lisa and Fred arrived in 2015 they wanted to recapture the essence of the barn as it once was.

Today the Dairy at High House is a



warm and comforting country cottage designed for relaxation. Its three double bedrooms come with either an en-suite or adjacent bathroom and its well-equipped kitchen and south-facing living area open out to the cottage's gorgeous exterior,

where there's plenty of space to feed the chickens or to simply sit back and enjoy the stunning rural setting.

Easy to find, the cottage's location in Tintinhull places it en route to Devon and Cornwall. The village boasts its own National Trust property as well as a thriving local cafe and a superb restaurant nearby, making it the perfect base to find peace and tranquility, or set off for further adventures in the South-West.

We asked Lisa how it felt to win the award,

The Dairy at High House

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South-facing living and dining area, with French doors to outside seating areas; kitchen and downstairs WC. Ample parking and own area of garden.

About the area...



Tintinhull is a popular and attractive ham stone Somerset village with the benefit of its own National Trust property as well as several others within a few miles. The Village Hall Café, Tintinhull Social Club and The Hub 303 are within walking distance.

Easy to find, Tintinhull is just off the A303, the route to Devon and Cornwall. Guests often come for family events such as weddings and Christmas, or just because it's a pretty and friendly village in the heart of the West Country, just a short distance from some of Dorset and Somerset's pretty market towns.

Further afield lie the attractions of Bath and Bristol, mysterious Stonehenge, the West Somerset Steam Railway and coastline to the north and south. The area also benefits from good train and coach links to London.

The owners, who arrived in 2015, were keen to recapture the essence of the barn it once was and set about revealing ham stone pillars and old eim beams that lay beneath the late 20th century modernity, at the same time adding windows and doors and a few 21st century comforts. A hint of rural lifestyle lingers; sheep still graze the field and hens enjoy the freedom of the garden. At dawn the cockerel might be just too far away to wake you.

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Limitless Campers, based in Driffield, East Yorkshire, specialises in creating custom campervan conversions designed to cater to individuals with or without mobility/other challenges.

With over 25 years of experience in customising vehicles for people with unique mobility needs, they focus on providing accessibility, comfort, and independence through their bespoke campervans. Their services allow individuals with disabilities to experience the freedom of travel, whether it's for a weekend getaway or a longer adventure.

The company is committed to creating a personalised experience for each customer, ensuring their campervan is fully accessible and suited to their needs. This focus on custom design makes Limitless Campers particularly valuable for people who may struggle to find standard vehicles that accommodate their mobility challenges.

Limitless Campers offer part or full van conversions for new or used vehicles tailored to individuals' unique style and budget. These campervans can be tailored with various features, including interior layouts for a vibrant workspace, a cosy second home or for an innovative project that incorporates technological options turning your dreams into reality.

Choose from a range of alternative fixtures that enable you to get the most out of your vanlife:

Roofing

Limitless Campers offers the option of fitting a pop-top roof or providing a Tentbox, depending on your preferences and budget. Pop-top roofs provide additional headroom and sleeping space, whereas, a tentbox is a more affordable option



that offers extra sleeping space and can be stored when not in use.

Cooking

Limitless Campers offers a variety of cooking solutions including options such as gas hobs, diesel hobs, cookers, and microwaves, all of which can be seamlessly built into the van's layout for day trips or extended periods off-grid. Additionally, they provide the Tentbox Kitchenbox, a portable gas cooking solution that is not integrated into the van, offering flexibility for outdoor cooking.

Accessibility

Through its sister company Driffield Mobility, Limitless Campers can make adaptations to include the

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In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award PJ Lane Limited for its Commitment to Excellence.



PJ Lane specialise in horsebox, motorhome, caravan and van vehicle repairs and renovations. Based in Gloucestershire, the company has developed a reputation as a comprehensive vehicle repair firm that always puts customer satisfaction first.

Established in 1985, this independent business has been celebrated for its professional expertise and attention to detail. Today it operates two large, adjoining, workshop facilities, with two additional commercial spray booths, enabling it to work on a wide size and variety of vehicles from across the country.

PJ Lane's expert leisure vehicle services covers a vast array of offerings. From external damage to interior refurbishment, habitation checks and damp testing, the company is equipped to handle any project and can source replacement parts for almost all caravans, motor homes and horseboxes.

The company's large spray booths are a unique feature of PJ Lane. They combine cutting-edge technology with exceptional build quality to deliver incredible results, and the company's state-of-the-art colour identification and colour mixing system also means PJ Lane doesn't compromise on the quality or finish.



PJ Lane's horsebox repairs and refurbishment are particularly outstanding. The company's expert team is on hand to carry out a variety of repairs including replacing doors, fixing/fitting ramps

and repairing damage from major accidents, or smaller mishaps, ensuring horseboxes get back on the road with minimal downtime.

Additionally, PJ Lane offers a range of solar panels for caravans, motorhomes, and van conversions. Its panels allow caravan and motorhome leisure batteries to be constantly recharged when not on an electric hookup, and the company's fully trained technicians carry out installation and setup in their workshop, ensuring safe charging of both the leisure battery and vehicle battery.

With customer service at its core, the company can deal with insurance companies directly and organise vehicle recovery and storage whilst

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Providing The Highest Quality, Most Sustainable Selection of Fresh Fish & Shellfish Since 1946

In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award the Pengellys Fish Mongers for its Commitment to Excellence.

In the bustling fishing port of Looe, where the tide dictates the rhythm of life, a name that epitomises fresh seafood and enduring quality is Pengellys Fishmongers — a business with deep local roots and a story that resonates with anyone who

loves Cornish fish and shellfish.

Many may remember Nippers Shellfish, the online and retail fish merchant that captured the imagination of seafood lovers with its “Catch of the Day” boxes and commitment to sustainability. Originally started by first-generation seafood merchant Sam Chapman in 2018, Nippers quickly became known for bringing the freshest day-caught fish

right from Looe’s small day boats to homes and kitchens across the UK, whilst championing traceability and quality straight from the quay.

Over time the business grew beyond its shellfish beginnings to include an extensive range of fish — from lemon sole and pollock to monkfish and hake — as well as crab, lobster, scallops and speciality seafood boxes available online with next-day delivery.

In 2022, Sam and his team seized a wonderful opportunity: to take over one of Cornwall’s most beloved and longstanding fishmongers, Pengelly’s — a name with more than half a century of history serving locals and top restaurants with the finest day-boat catches from Looe. Today Nippers’ legacy lives on under the Pengellys Fishmongers banner, blending tradition with Sam’s fresh-thinking approach to seafood retail and online delivery.

Nippers Shellfish, now trading as Pengellys Fishmongers, offers a wide range of fresh, high-quality seafood sourced mainly from Cornwall’s inshore day-boat fleet. Their products include seasonal fresh fish, shellfish such as crab, lobster, mussels and prawns, as well as prepared items like fish pie mixes, stocks and smoked fish. Customers can order online for convenient next-day home delivery, making it easy to enjoy restaurant-quality seafood at home. Alongside retail sales, Pengellys also supplies wholesale and trade customers, continuing a long tradition of serving both local communities and professional kitchens with exceptional Cornish seafood.

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Gastronomic Excellence in the Heart of Yorkshire

In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award the Maybe Later Restaurant for its Commitment to Excellence.



Maybe Later is a small independent restaurant, run by owners Lorenzo and Jane in the centre of Wetherby's charming shambles street.

Offering a monthly changing menu, Maybe Later draws its gastronomic inspiration from a variety of cultures and cuisines across the globe, making the very best of seasonal, local produce. Alongside its menu, Maybe Later also boasts a lovely selection of wines carefully chosen to pair perfectly with the international culinary experience.



We asked Jane to walk us through the restaurant's creative process when combining different cuisine inspirations,

"We use high street suppliers to promote seasonal changes, and support other local businesses in the town. It makes us so happy when we hear the butcher is getting requests for certain cuts of meat we serve, or watching people visit the cheesemonger to recreate our cheeseboard at home. We are so lucky to have everything we need on our doorstep."

Unique among the restaurant trade, Maybe

Later offers two completely contrasting experiences whether you come for lunch or dinner. At lunch the restaurant takes on a fresh and light atmosphere while, in the evening, Maybe Later has a dark and cosy ambience, allowing guests to sit back and relax with its great wine selection.

With a plethora of incredible reviews, including being recommended by popular review site Restaurant Guru, 2026 is set to be an exciting year for Maybe Later. The restaurant launched its first tasting menu in January, where diners can enjoy a set selection of dishes crafted to offer a taste of

Maybe Later's unique offering for only £35 per person.

We asked Jane how it felt to win the award, "It's an honour to be selected for the award. It makes all our hard work worthwhile, to be appreciated and recognised."

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The World's Best Knife Sharpener

In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award The Knife Sharpener Guy for its Commitment to Excellence.

The Knife Sharpener Guy was founded by Steph Hrycak 18 years ago after decades of experience as a butcher. The company was born from firm belief that there was a genuine need for an easy to use, high-quality method of sharpening blunt knives. Today, its products sell worldwide and the company has developed a reputation for high quality and customer satisfaction.

The company's AnySharp knife sharpener

is a truly remarkable product. The unique, patented design uses tungsten carbide technology to extend the life of almost any knife. From inexpensive paring knives, to premium chef's knives, and even serrated blades, the AnySharp works on any tool with a cutting edge.

Available in three models, the sharpeners also have the added benefit of a suction base, which means that it can fix down to worktops and won't move during use. This makes The Knife Sharpener Guy's products extremely easy and safe to use, even in professional kitchens where it

also conforms to food and hygiene safety standards.

The Knife Sharpener Guy's unique edge comes from the premium it places on customer satisfaction. The company was founded on the ethos that customers'



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needs are of the utmost importance. Its entire team is committed to meeting those needs and, as a result,

This dedication to customer satisfaction has paid off. The Knife Sharpener Guy attends over 50 shows yearly across the UK, America and Europe, and this innovative sharpener has won several awards, including RHS bronze awards and Gold Shooting Equipment awards.

Looking forward, The Knife Sharpener Guy has even more improvements to the AnySharp planned. 2026 will see the launch of its latest product which will feature a 30% larger suction cup complete with a removable metal filings tray for easier emptying and even more stability.

The Knife Sharpener Guy can save customers the cost of an expensive set of chef's knives by providing a simple, safe but brilliantly effective tool to increase the longevity of their knives. By committing to customer satisfaction, The Knife Sharpener Guy is proving it truly provides the world's best knife sharpener.

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Authentic Natural Welsh Honey

In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award Mêl Llyn for its Commitment to Excellence.

Mêl Llyn is a family-run business producing single-origin, raw Welsh honey from its own 200 beehives, as well as handmade beeswax candles, wax melts, and beekeeping equipment.

Based on the Llyn Peninsula in North Wales, Mêl Llyn began as a hobby when co-directors Julie and Robert Davies, started beekeeping in 2016. The pair's passion for Welsh nature, sustainable living, and sharing the unique flavours of the local landscape, inspired them to turn that hobby into a business.

As well as products made directly from the couple's beehives, Mêl Llyn's range also includes award-worthy honey fudge and unique encaustic artwork crafted from coloured beeswax. In addition, the company provides bee removal services to public bodies across North Wales and is exploring offering beekeeping courses for the local community.

Mêl Llyn's commitment to quality and authenticity is central to the brand. Its honey is truly single-origin, minimally processed and the company is actively seeking more land with heather to expand production and achieve Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) status for its Welsh Heather Honey by next autumn.

Its beeswax candles and melts are made from 100% beeswax, hand-poured in small batches using carefully selected premium essential oils and paraben and phylate free fragrances. The company also boasts bilingual Welsh-English branding, sustainable packaging

and innovative collaborations with local mead brewers and other artisans.

We asked Julie what it meant to win the award,

"We're absolutely thrilled and honoured. As a small, family-run business, this recognition means a great deal. It's a testament to our dedication to quality, sustainability

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Sheffield's Natural Spirits

In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award Hawkins Distillery for its Commitment to Excellence.

Hawkins Distillery was born of founder Bryn Hawkins' passion for creating handcrafted drinks. After trying his hand at beer and cider brewing, Bryn began to experiment with spirits, and the business took off. Calling it "a hobby that's gone horribly right", Bryn moved the distillery to a Grade 2 listed building in historic Sheffield and now it serves customers across the UK.

Primarily currently focussed on gin and vodkas, Hawkins Distillery prides itself on making excellent spirits made solely with real ingredients. Free from any flavourings or chemicals, Bryn's explained the distillery's use natural ingredients is all to do with taste and quality,

"It's a more challenging way of doing it, but I just prefer the way it tastes. I prefer the longevity of the aftertaste. You can tell something's been made naturally because you can taste the essence of the product long after you have drunk it."

This focus on using the freshest, natural ingredients has yielded some interesting results for the distillery. Its chuckleberry vodka is one of the only full-strength versions on the market and its best-selling rhubarb and rosemary gin is made using Yorkshire rhubarb; creating a fresh, aromatic style.

With the exception of its

special carbon polished vodka, Hawkins Distillery also adds botanicals to everything it makes. Hand selected by its head distiller, these ingredients are then dried, frozen and prepared in house to ensure peak condition.

Hawkins Distillery' dedication to making something different is a breath of fresh air in the busy drinks and hospitality sector. Its

commitment to only using real, natural ingredients delivers a product that is new, exciting and truly unique.

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The advertisement features a dark background with several bottles of spirits. In the center, a bottle of Bryn's Gin is prominent. Above the bottles is the Hawkins Distillery logo, which consists of a stylized eagle with spread wings, with 'EST: 2019' on either side and 'HAWKINS DISTILLERY' below. The text 'PREMIUM VODKA & GIN HANDCRAFTED IN SHEFFIELD' is written in large, white, bold letters across the middle of the image. Below this, in smaller white text, it says 'Since 2019, each bottle has been distilled, blended and bottled by us—with no shortcuts.' At the bottom, it says 'Shop now at hawkinsdistillery.co.uk'.



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Based in Kimberly, Nottingham, No.18 Coffee also has another store in Calverton, Nottingham that underwent a complete refurbishment only a few weeks ago. Both stores have been richly supported by locals over the past few years, which has contributed to the brands huge success.

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For the Summer, The Pantry Deli and Tea Room has released a Summer Salad Special menu that includes Caprese, Stilton, Pear & Walnut, Sweet Potato, Feta & Beetroot, Chicken & Bacon Ceasar, and Greek salad. What's more, if your grabbing food for on the go, this Summer there is an extra tasty 30% OFF all takeaway salads!

The Pantry Deli and Tea Room has also recently expanded its space to make your visits even more enjoyable. By popular demand, the space has been reconfigured by removing the centre island display and adding more seating downstairs, alongside the two tables already there. Plus the gorgeous upstairs tea lounge still offers seating for 20, and with this heatwave, make use of the fact that both floors are now fully air-conditioned for ultimate comfort!

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Building Better Working Dogs

In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award Midnight Sheepdogs for its Commitment to Excellence.

"I'm delighted and extremely grateful to have been chosen for this award, it's really allowed my small business to stand out and be seen," stated Paige, business founder.

Based in Kings Langley, Hertfordshire, Midnight Sheepdogs is a specialist sheepdog training business with deep roots in the agricultural world. Paige has dedicated her life to farming, running her own flock of sheep and herd of cattle alongside her training work. Her experience across a range of farms has given her a unique insight into the daily demands of livestock management, and it is this hands-on knowledge that inspired her journey into sheepdog training.

Today, Midnight Sheepdogs has successfully trained numerous dogs, many of which have gone on to become invaluable assets to farmers and smallholders as part-trained or fully trained working dogs. We asked Paige what sets Midnight Sheepdogs apart from others in the industry:

"I've been in the position myself where I've got lots of work but not had that dog by my side. I've really felt the struggle of working stock without



a trustworthy and reliable dog. Therefore I'm passionate to help people that want to learn not only how the dogs work but also the best ways to handle them in every situation.

Although I was brought up on the family farm, we didn't have any sheep and we also didn't have working collies. Therefore, it's something that

with a lot of passion and dedication, I've gone off and learnt through watching other talented people on Patreon such as Emma Gray. It makes a shepherdess's day to day life run so smoothly, and I honestly couldn't do what I do without my dogs."

Paige's passion and enthusiasm is something to be admired, and it has been her resilient mindset that has helped her overcome her fair share of challenges. In closing, Paige explained her motivation and reasons to do what she does.

"Mentality plays a huge part in being successful.



I could turn up to any job and they could ask me to do absolutely anything and I know that me and my dogs could go out there and do it. I think as handlers we need to focus on the small wins like your dog working with you and proving that all the foundation training is coming together. Without these small wins we wouldn't end up with the big ones.

I'd say the most rewarding part is receiving updates from customers and clients that have either bought dogs for me or those that have had lessons from me. That's what strives me to keep going and keep producing these fantastic dogs."

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Countryside has been in the industry for over 40 years, and prides itself on its humble, family-run ethos created by husband-and-wife Colin and Janet Bridge. Their high level of knowledge in this sector means they're not strangers to these types of products, as Colin actually started the company based off his own stock of guns. With



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High Quality Livestock Care in Scotland

In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award Red Rock Flock for its Commitment to Excellence.

Red Rock Flock is a flock of pedigree sheep and livestock care service run by Maddie Cairnie providing access to high quality livestock care and guidance to smallholders who don't have a background in agriculture across North East Scotland.

Red Rock Flock is unique in that it is a twofold company. One half is Maddie's flock of native and rare breed sheep which include Pedigree Shetlands and North Ronaldsays. This flock of heritage sheep are predominantly for fibre and raw fleece, and for Maddie's own hand spun yarn.



The other half of the business is livestock care and contract work. This service is for anyone with livestock who needs support. From clients with two or three pets, to bigger holdings with hundreds of animals, Maddie offers foot bathing and trimming, dagging/crutching and, in the summer, hand shearing.

Additionally, Maddie can provide mineral drenches and round robin vaccines for those who don't have the numbers to justify buying their own, as well as helping create care plans with clients to then take to their vets. The business also covers all common smallholding animals such as goats, pigs, alpacas, horses and donkeys.

For Maddie a key part of the businesses' success is her background and her focus on education,

"I learnt via apprenticeships and my own flock, and I find this gives a lot of clients reassurance that they too can learn. Especially if they are new to livestock. It also gives people access to the products that they may have avoided due to cost or numbers, whereas they pay for what is used with me."

We asked Maddie how it felt to win the award,

"I feel very overwhelmed. This has been a huge passion project for me and never really thought it would become anything

more than local help but month by month I build more relationships outside my local area with some wonderful people I would never have met if it wasn't for Red Rock Flock."

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The company manufactures and supplies feed for pheasant, partridge and duck, as well as plain and medicated grouse grit. It creates everything in-house and sources a large proportion of ingredients from its own farms or from local producers. This practice not only reduces carbon footprint but ensures Spratt's signature high quality.

Its range of game feeds are designed to achieve the best growth and reproductive performance for game birds using a range of highly digestible raw materials, including fish meal and oils. Its high specification feeds are formulated to provide a balanced supply of protein and energy, as well as all the essential minerals, vitamins and trace elements.

Spratt's dedication to customer service is unrivalled. The company maintains five bag lorries with forklifts to unload produce for customers in Scotland and Northern England, and Spratt's commitment to the customer is essential according to Sales Manager, Louise Fotheringham,

"We like to go the extra mile for our customers and support their operations. The forklifts are a huge benefit. It means we can supply repeat customers more easily and really make sure we are doing the best we can for them."

Ever-looking to enhance its product offering, Spratt's has recently been trialing a new diet with the support of a current customer. Developed by a specialist avian nutritionist, this new feed is designed to support partridges in flight on long drives at high altitudes.

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The Dog Training With Heart



In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award Jim Eames Dog Training for its Commitment to Excellence.

Jim Eames Dog Training is a personalised dog training service designed to help dogs and their owners build a strong bond. With years of experience and a focus on positive reinforcement, Jim assists with obedience training, behavior modification and other specialised skills.

Jim has been training his own dogs for decades but while organising a show 7 years ago, he approached a local academy to see if they would do a display. Impressed by their focus on positive reinforcement, Jim signed up for the next instructor's course. Now Jim Eames Dog training is celebrated for its holistic approach to training including canine first aid, understanding canine body language, canine reactivity and canine nutrition.

Jim teaches all breeds and all ages. All dogs and owners are asked to undergo an initial foundation course so that they all understand Jim's methods. Once they have completed this short course, clients are welcome to join a small class of up to 6 dogs to progress further with obedience and specific working dog activities. Jim also offers special Spaniel and retriever classes, to hone the unique aspects of these breeds.

For Jim, canine training is a highly personal experience both for dogs and their owners,

"I think it is important that dogs and their owners get to meet me and see the facilities before they sign up for any training. This



way they can make sure it's what they are happy and comfortable with. There is no pressure as I always tell them to go home and discuss it with their family first, and only then, if they are happy I am the right person for the job, to come back to me with a positive response."

Jim's commitment to the wellbeing of the dogs he works with sets his training apart. After many years of taking in rescues, as well as training some of the most challenging breeds, Jim has developed an affinity with our canine companions. By placing patience and understanding at the centre of his programmes, Jim ensures both dog and owner can enjoy many years of joy and companionship together.

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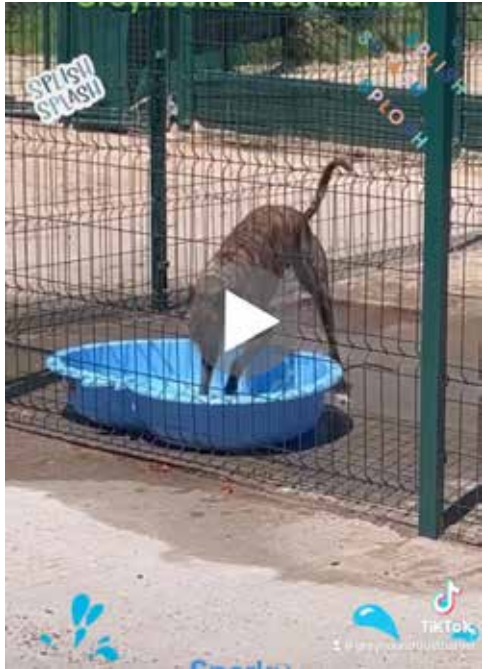
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In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award Out Of The Ordinary for its Commitment to Excellence.

Out Of The Ordinary is a shop with a difference. Originally opened in 2017 by Jane Ord in Skipton, North Yorkshire, the shop was born from a desire to provide an outlet for crafters who sold their items at craft fairs once a month. With opening the shop, Jane created a place for these makers to showcase their bespoke, handmade products, 7 days a week.

Today Out Of The Ordinary is owned by Nicola, a former part-time member of the shop's team who bought the store in 2021 and relocated to Skipton's prominent Swadford High Street. Since then the business has gone from strength to strength, increasing its online presence and working with over 50 crafters, supporting their artisanal crafts.

The shop stocks a huge variety of different items. From sculpture to jewelry, Out Of The Ordinary's selection is made even more special by the unique nature of its suppliers. Nicola told us how she decides which artisans' work to feature in the shop,



"We try not to duplicate what another crafter is selling, so that everyone has a chance to sell in the shop. A lot of the products have the 'wow' factor and by that I mean me saying "Wow! Has someone made that?!" People are so talented and sometimes don't believe in themselves or what they make, but I do and selling their items makes me smile knowing I'm helping them to grow their own little business."

This dedication to showcasing the best handcrafted pieces is paying off for Out Of The Ordinary, winning it the Best Craft & Gift Shop in 2024 at the English Independent Retail Awards, and receiving



a special recognition award from the Skipton Business Awards.

"We just want to keep growing and get Out Of The Ordinary to as many people as we can." Nicola told us. "As we showcase the best of our talented artisans' bespoke, handmade crafts and bring them to the forefront of the high street. Simply put, everything is a unique piece, one of a kind and Out of the Ordinary!"

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Bringing History Home

In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award MJMilitaria for its Commitment to Excellence.

MJMilitaria is dedicated to providing rare and hard to find militaria from across history. Established over 15 years ago, MJMilitaria reputation for supplying high quality deactivated weapons and military gear to collectors is second to

none and the company prides itself on its vast selection and its deep knowledge of these fascinating, historical items.

The company's huge variety of weapons and gear span multiple historical periods. From the rifles and pistols of the Allied and Axis powers of World War Two, to antique flintlock firearms from the 1800s. As well as these stunning pieces,

MJMilitaria is able to provide modern deactivated weapons. Ensuring there's something for every collector.

As a dedicated militaria retailer, MJMilitaria also provides a wide choice of helmets, headwear, holsters and other related accessories. Particularly impressive is the company's collection of inert ordnance and deactivated and antique firearms. This wide-array of related militaria has been painstakingly curated and the company's stock goes far beyond what's typically available online to UK collectors.

MJMilitaria's plethora of merchandise comes from across the globe, sourcing its collection from the UK, EU and beyond. The company's internal team is committed to ensuring that its customers receive the very best and their keen eye for detail means that MJMilitaria's products are not only historically accurate, but in great condition.

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Hawkhurst's Specialist Craft Shop

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It has an extensive range of craft supplies in-store, as well as everything you need for knitting projects, wool crafts and embroidery; making it a one-stop-shop for all your fabric craft supplies.

The Craft Centre also offers a haberdashery including buttons, ribbons, zips, thread, and other materials for alterations and dressmaking. There's also a seamstress on hand for making new covers, alterations as well as a professional darning service, alongside its craft and haberdashery offerings.

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Recently, the family-run business held a special late opening event in November, complete with mulled wine, mince pies and sweets for kids. It was a huge success and was marked as the perfect festive experience from all who attended.

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Nathan O'Brien Photography is a photography service based in the East Midlands. After studying photography at university and deciding he wanted to broaden his horizons further, he began shooting weddings in 2019. Nathan's passion for photography stems from his desire to help people, capturing them in their happiest moments.

As a documentary photographer, Nathan likes to capture moments as they happen, with very few mock ups and minimal direction. For Nathan, the best shots come naturally and he is dedicated to capturing all the laughs, smiles and energy of weddings full of family and friends. By not using filters, Nathan preserves the personality of his clients; producing clean, bright photos of the big day.

Nathan offers four wedding package templates, which can be adapted for any couple's nuptials. Steering clear of a traditionally, 'bronze to gold' tiered system, Nathan's wedding packages work

for any size wedding. From large, all-day events to small registry offices.

A personable and unobtrusive photographer, Nathan likes to set couples minds at ease. Weddings can be stressful affairs, so Nathan acts as the calm in the storm. Interfering as little as possible; but also giving the happy couple plenty of time to enjoy their day. He told us,

"I just want people to go into their wedding with trust in me to capture it the way it happens and the way they want it to be. I want every wedding I attend to be the best day for the couple, my job is to help that happen and capture all the laughter, tears and fun along the way!"

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In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award For the Love of Earth for its Commitment to Excellence.

For the Love of Earth is dedicated to protecting the natural world through eco-friendly, natural cosmetic products. Established after founders Karen and Tony Simpson embarked on a life-changing trip to Borneo, the couple created a unique line of skincare products to raise money for Borneo Orangutan Survival UK (BOS-UK) and make natural skincare available for everyone.



the award she told us, "Winning the award was completely out of the blue! For you to have looked at our company and decided that we deserved this award was overwhelming, and made me so proud. First I squealed, then I had a few tears!"

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The company's range of lotions, creams and body butters are specially formulated to be 100% natural, palm oil free, cruelty free, plastic free and vegan friendly. Its cosmetics are all original recipes and hand-made in Newark, Nottinghamshire. Karen told us the development of the company's workshop was a game-changer,

"We were making products in our kitchen using domestic kitchen appliances. Our food often tasted of soap! We have now moved into a 1000sq foot workshop which is enabling us to supply more shops, improve the quality of our products by having space for specialist equipment and keep more of each product in stock."

For the Love of Earth's products are crafted to nurture the skin but they also contribute to safeguarding the planet. The company has been in partnership with the BOS-UK since 2021 and has raised over £2000 for the charity, provided a nebuliser for orangutans with breathing problems and helped plant trees for these magnificent animals.

When we asked Karen how it felt to win

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Driffield Mobility provides a wide range of solutions, from wheelchair-accessible vehicles (WAVs) to manual and electric wheelchairs, mobility scooters, and living aids. They specialise in customising vehicles with adaptations such as hand controls, hoists, and advanced systems like the fly-by-wire Space Drive, which allows those with limited mobility to drive using various inputs, including a joystick.

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Rich Willis emphasised the company's commitment to providing quality services and products that meet individual needs stating, "We believe maintaining independence is essential." The company's genuine care and desire to help their clients have led to life-changing results for many.

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Nurturing Caring, Confident and Curious Children

In this issue of Community Update, we are pleased to award Little Barn Owls for its Commitment to Excellence.

Little Barn Owls was founded in 2010 by Hayley Peacock, whose vision was to redefine early years education through creativity, emotional intelligence and a deep connection to nature. Her pioneering approach, inspired by the Reggio Emilia philosophy, continues to guide the group's practice and values today.

Based in West Sussex, with five nurseries located across the county, including its newest nursery in Midhurst – in which they are currently enrolling children in, each nursery shares the same ethos and pedagogical framework while embracing



the individuality of its local community and environment.

Little Barn Owls excels in delivering exceptional

early years education and care for children aged three months to five years; combining nurturing relationships with creative, nature-based learning. It is dedicated to developing emotional intelligence, curiosity and confidence in little learners, through child-led exploration and reflective teaching practice.

Little Barn Owls follows an enquiry-based learning approach inspired by the Infant-Toddler Centres and Preschools of the Municipality of Reggio Emilia in Italy. This unique approach to early learning rests on the premise that education is a right of all children.

At the heart of the approach is the powerful image of the child. Its educators do not see children as empty vessels that require filling with facts. Rather they see children as full of potential, competent and capable of building their own theories and testing them out to build knowledge for themselves.

The same level of methodological care is also extended to Little Barn Owls educators. Its Playbooks Training System provides embedded, in-house professional development—ensuring educators grow without leaving their classrooms. This leads to consistency, confidence, and exceptional quality of care.

We asked Kristie Dodd, Admissions and Recruitment Manager, how it felt to win the award,



"It's an incredible honour that recognises the dedication and passion of our entire team. Every educator, mentor, and leader plays a vital role in creating exceptional experiences for children. This award is a celebration of their hard work, creativity, and unwavering commitment to excellence."

Little Barn Owls offers a unique blend of outstanding education, highly trained staff and beautiful environments designed to inspire creativity and connection. Its Reggio Emilia philosophy, forest and farm school ethos and atelier-inspired spaces, set a new benchmark for excellence in early years education.

Little Barn Owls is not just a group of nurseries—it's a community of educators and families united by a shared belief in the power of early learning.

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In 2024, Alan expanded his entrepreneurial ventures by founding Just The Jobb. This new enterprise focuses on offering a select range of aerosol-packed products tailored for industries similar to those served by Clearwinner Innovation Ltd.

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