

Ware  
Poets



The Competition Secretary 21 Trinity Road, Ware SG12 7DB

Open<sup>2013</sup>  
Poetry  
Competition

27 May 2013

Winners of the Ware Poets 2013 Open Poetry Competition

First Prize Skin *Helen Johnson*  
Second Prize After the flood at the care home *Fran McMahon*  
Third Prize Something About Holes *Gareth Alun Roberts*

Fourth Prize estates like this *Mike Alderson*

Redwing Sonnet Prize Joint Winners  
Spring Clean *Stephen Devereux*  
Emergency Birth *Mel Pryor*

Highly Commended  
Mrs Darwin Goes to Church *Sharon Flynn*  
Dear Mother, this is snow *Dorothy Baird*  
After the Business of Oversleeping, I Apologise *Mel Pryor*  
First Love *Pamela Johnson*  
Eulogy for a Walker *Ken Sullivan*

Commended  
The Parrot Which Spoke Only Greek *Al McClimens*  
Saturday *Amina Alyal*  
The Story *Adrian Buckner*  
We Live Here *Gabriella Jóźwiak*  
Encompassing *Anna-May Laughler*  
Dementia *Fran McMahon*  
Robin *Barbara Cumbers*  
Surfeits of love: the silences *Roger Elkin*  
Ash *Ross Cogan*  
Sunday School *Pat Borthwick*  
*from A Lancashire Girlhood Ann Darbyshire*

Many thanks to all who entered the competition. Our judge had to read some 900 poems! We look forward to reading your poems next year.

If you would like a copy of the anthology please send a cheque for £3.50 (payable to Ware Poets Competition) to the address above.

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