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Wildlife Calendar

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Message from **Robert Shields**,
Longcliffe Group Chairman.

One would be hard-pushed to find areas with a greater abundance of wildlife than those found around Longcliffe. From Peregrine Falcons to Painted Lady Butterflies, Swallows to Silver Y Moths, it is clear that quarrying sites, both active and restored, can provide wonderful ecological environments to create hugely diverse

habitats. In a world where wildlife is under increasing threat from human encroachment, these artificially created landscapes - a legacy of our quarrying activity - are something that we at Longcliffe should feel rightly proud of.

I am particularly pleased that many of the photographs have been generated in-house, and this wonderful Calendar properly reflects the concerns which all at Longcliffe have for the environment.

May we take this opportunity of wishing all our customers near and far a very happy Christmas and prosperous 2021.

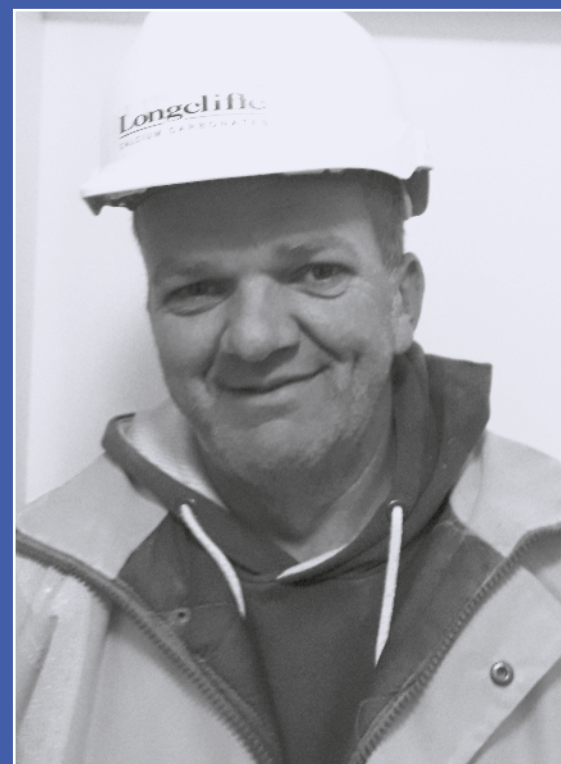
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Ashley Hodgkinson is the Processing Plant Bagging Supervisor and has worked for the company for over 12 years.

He is a keen bird watcher and has taken pictures both within the operational sites and across the wider countryside for many years.

Ash says that some of the photographs have taken many hours of patiently waiting for the right moment to take the perfect picture.



Jeff Tor is the Quarry Manager at Longcliffe Ryder Point Quarry and has just started his 34th year in the industry. In that time he has mainly been within the UK, but has also worked in the Middle East and Africa.

A keen rugby player in his younger days he still continues to enjoy the sport from the side lines.

Many thanks to the following contributing photographers:

Max and Christine Maughan

Ken Orpe

Dave Gilbert

Ian and Janet Ashwell

Nikki Mahadevan

Tony North

Helene Laanest

Derek Brownlee

Alex Hyde

Steve Plant

Rod Dunn

Fungus Hoe Grange KenOrpe.



Peregrine Falcon,
Ashley Hodgkinson.



Our Peregrine Falcons
hatched a further two
chicks off this year in one
of our active Longcliffe
quarries.

Buzzard,
Ashley Hodgkinson.



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Dreaming of summer - Hoe Grange, Rod Dunn.

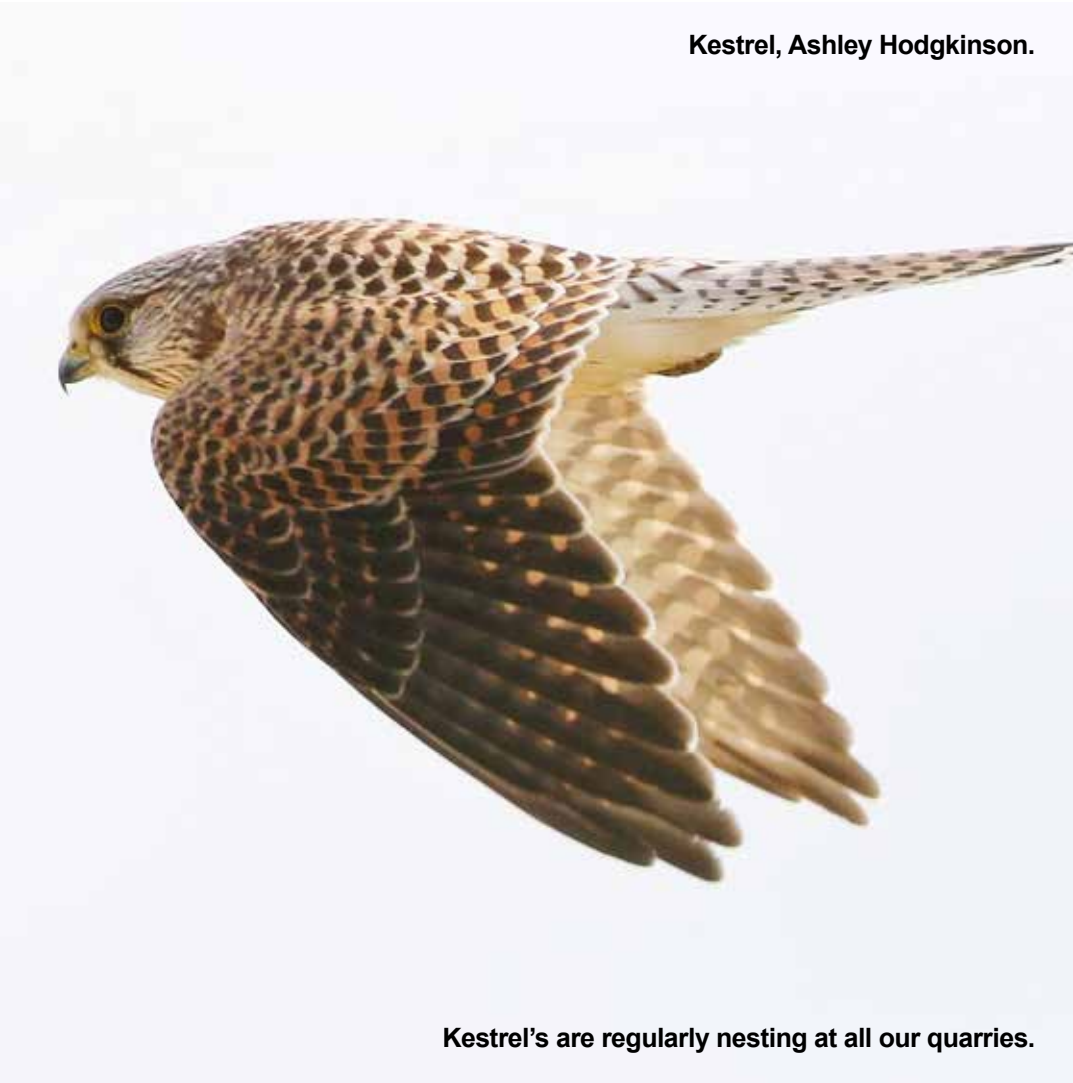


Owl - Hoe Grange, Christine Maughan.



Owls regularly nest at all of our active and restored quarries.

Kestrel, Ashley Hodgkinson.



Kestrel's are regularly nesting at all our quarries.

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Red Start - Hoe Grange, Ashley Hodgkinson.

Rare early visitor.



Red Start - Hoe Grange,
Ashley Hodgkinson.



Wheatear - Hoe Grange,
Ashley Hodgkinson.

Beautiful visitor to Hoe Grange.

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Emperor Dragonfly - Hoe Grange,
Nikki Mahadevan.



Common Blue on April Mint -
Hoe Grange, Tony North.

As the days warm the butterflies
return to Hoe Grange.



Ryder Point Nature Reserve, Ken Orpe.

Nature reserve watched over by our
Longcliffe wind turbines. The company
has a target of zero carbon by 2027.

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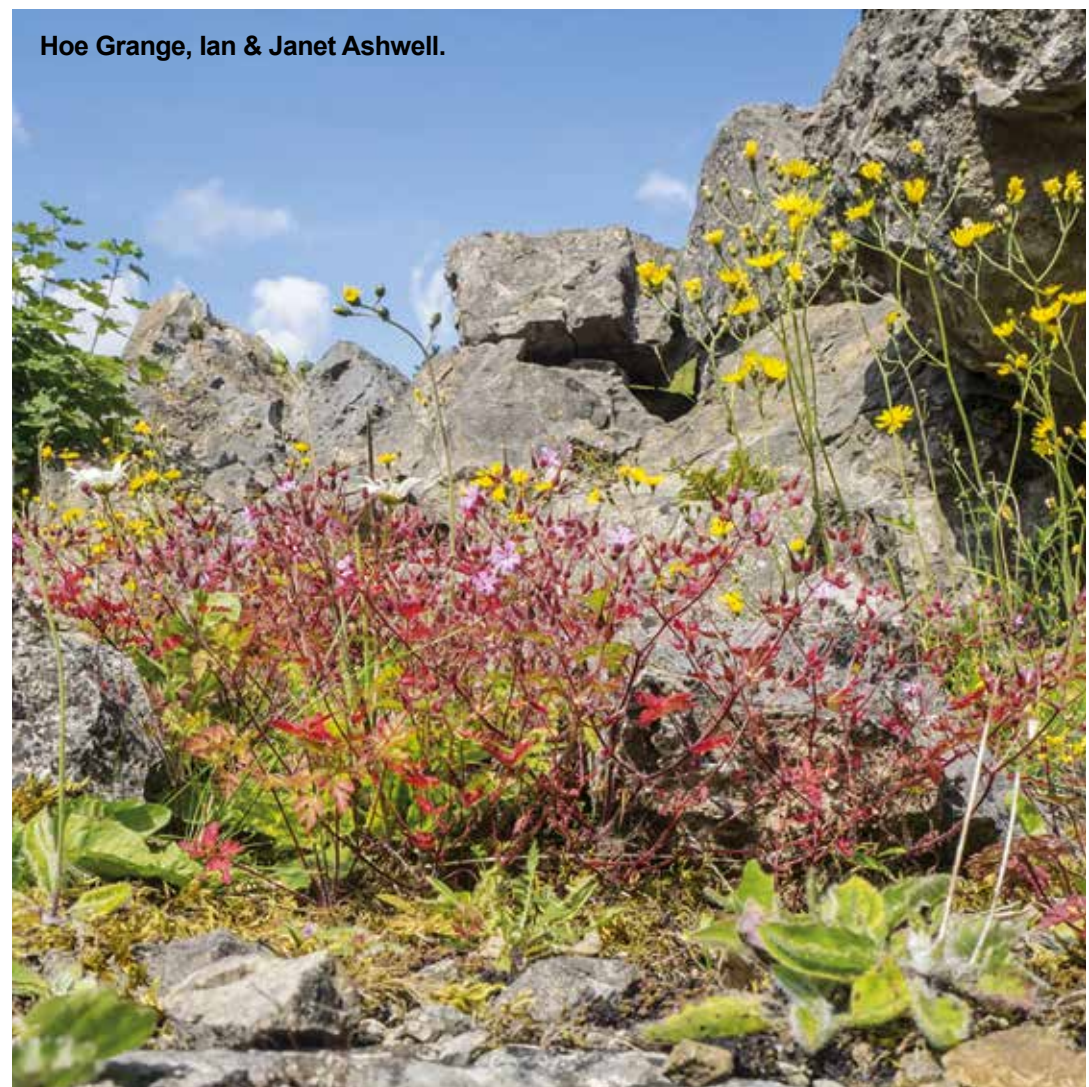


Orange Tip - Hoe Grange, David Gilbert.



Peacock Butterflies - Hoe Grange, Helene Laanest.

Welcome visitor and popular sight at our annual Hoe Grange Open Day.



Hoe Grange, Ian & Janet Ashwell.

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Wheatear and Meadow pipit - Hoe Grange, Ashley Hodgkinson.

Two rare visitors.



Bee Orchid - Hoe Grange, Derek Brownlee.

Beeorchids even flourish outside our Head Office.



Comma Butterfly - Hoe Grange, Dave Gilbert.

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Small Skipper- Hoe Grange, Alex Hyde.

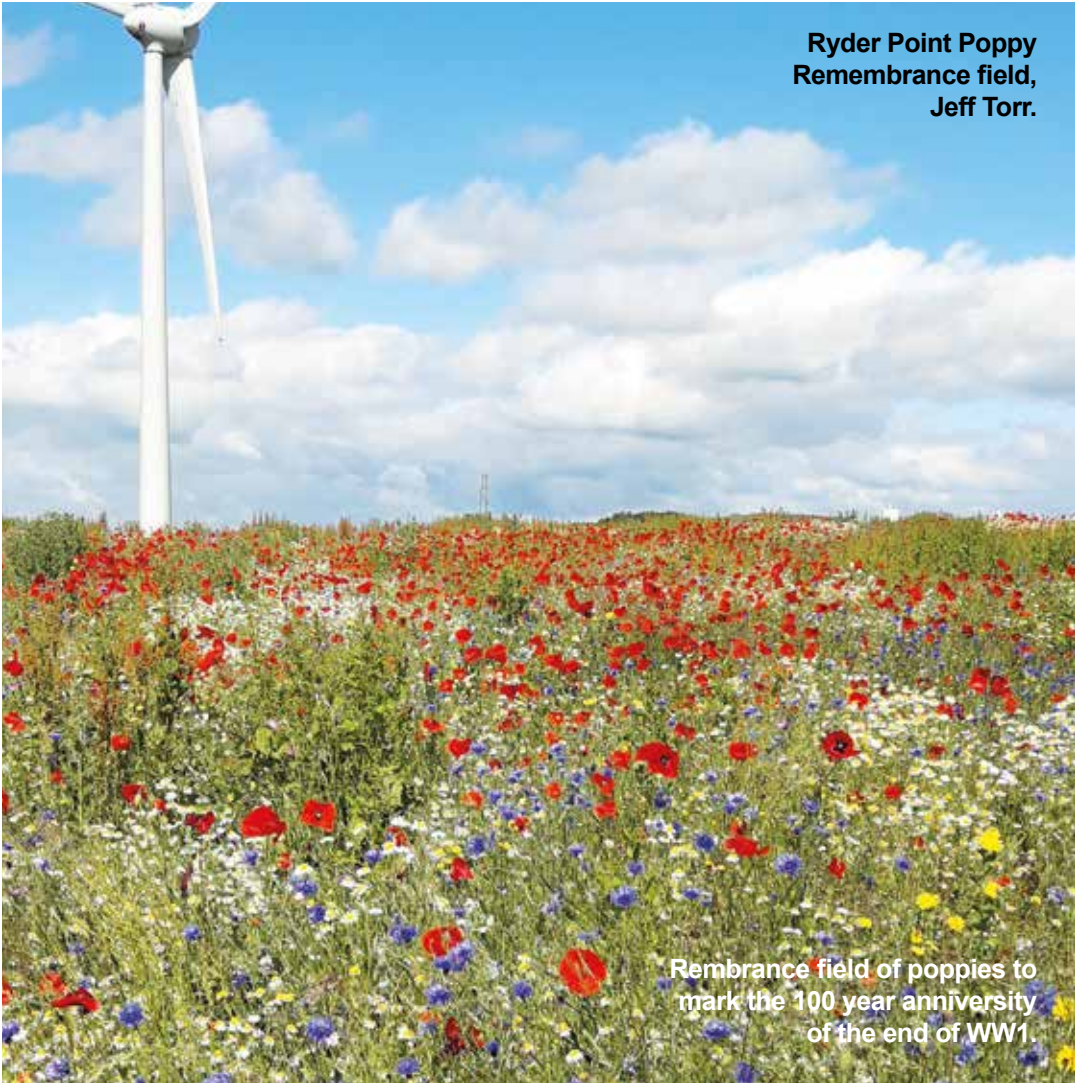


Ryder Point Poppies/Carsington Water, Jeff Torr.



The beautiful Carsington Water in the distance.

Ryder Point Poppy Remembrance field, Jeff Torr.



Rembrance field of poppies to mark the 100 year anniversary of the end of WW1.

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Just waiting for their long migration to the Sahara.



Peacock Butterfly - Hoe Grange, Helene Laanest.



Hoe Grange Summer flowers, Dave Gilbert.

Blue Harebells and yellow Hawkweeds light up Hoe Grange.

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Male Common Darter Dragonfly - Hoe Grange, Steve Plant.

Common visitor to Hoe Grange ponds.



Wallbrown female and male-Hoe Grange, Mark Searle.

Late summer love for these Wallbrowns.



Spinned Mason Bee - Hoe Grange, Max & Christine Maughan.

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Silk retraction - Hoe Grange, Alex Hyde.

Beautiful world of the spiders at Hoe Grange, Alex Hyde.



Crab Spider - Hoe Grange, Alex Hyde.

Home sweety home for this Crab spider.



Globular Springtail spider - Hoe Grange, Alex Hyde.

Something for the month of Halloween.

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Ryder Point - Remembrance Poppies, Jeff Torr.



Symbol of hope in remembrance.

Entrance Road - Hoe Grange, Derek Whiteley.



Welcome to autumn at Hoe Grange.

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Autum Sunrise - Hoe Grange, Derek Whiteley.

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Robin, Ashley Hodgkinson. Wishing everybody a safe, happy , and prosperous Christmas and 2021.

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