

opportunity to point out that their data are still more than welcome! In the coming year I hope to put more time into producing reports, both for conservation bodies and individual vice-county recorders. I also hope to run features in the *Bulletin*, starting next issue, on individual

threatened species, using information on the database.

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## Website news

### BBS website haiku and limerick competition

Thank you all for your submissions to this competition. We had four haiku, 12 limericks (including a wonderful compound limerick with five verses from Chris Preston) and several 'miscellaneous' submissions that didn't quite fit either category. Although it was a hard choice, the judges (editor and manager of the website) were unanimous in selecting the following haiku

by Carol Jenner and limerick by Nick Hodgetts as the winners, with an 'honourable mention' to Mark Pool. Congratulations! You are now published poets.

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#### *In perpetuum*

Lost in endless bog,  
Yet not in isolation:  
*Sphagnum* embraces.

*Carol Jenner*

There was a young man from Siberia  
Who lapsed into manic hysteria  
When, just for a caper,  
He took pen and paper  
And tried to spell *Mielichhoferia*.

*Nick Hodgetts*

Bryological beginners  
Don't know *Entodon concinnus*;  
Those who *Seligeria* seek  
Suffer migraines for a week!

*Mark Pool*