

THE TOLKIEN SOCIETY

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Dear Reader,

Welcome once again to another 'Mallorn'!

I hope you will find within the pages of this magazine something to your taste. I have tried to balance it, so that there is something for everyone, from discussions on the Sindarin Language to how to bake a Hobbit cake.

I would like to express my thanks to Lucy Matthews, and Anthony Watkins, for their sterling work in providing illustrations, and to Lester Simons, for typing the magazine; without them it would have been difficult to complete this magazine.

I must mention that I am desperately in need of articles for 'Mallorn' 12. I do not have enough to make a magazine. I am sure that there is enough talent within the Society to provide enough contributions for the magazine, without me having to go to outside publications and borrow articles. I also need art-work, (full-page), and artists willing to illustrate articles, also poems, quizzes, etc. I have had very little reaction to 'Mallorn 10', whether good or bad; my address is at the head of this editorial, and I am always willing to receive comment on the magazine. I will never know what you want unless you tell me.

Starting with this magazine, there is to be a new SHORT STORY COMPETITION. The Society will provide a free year's membership as a prize, and I will provide a hand-made piece of pottery. The rules are as follows :-

- 1) All stories must be original and not published elsewhere. They may not exceed 4 sides of single-space typed A4, with 1" margins all round.
- 2) The type of story submitted is left to the author, but it must not be too far removed from the type of work written by Professor Tolkien.
- 3) The Editor reserves the right to return entries unpublished, in which case copyright will remain with the author. Entries published in 'Mallorn' become the copyright of the Tolkien Society, with rights assigned to the individual authors. (See Copyright Notice on page 45).
- 4) The winner will be chosen by the Editor of 'Mallorn' and the Tolkien Society Committee.
- 5) The decision as to whether to publish the story, and the decision as to the winner, is the sole responsibility of the Editor of 'Mallorn' and the Tolkien Society Committee, and no correspondence can be entered into regarding such decisions.
- 6) The competition is open to all members of the Tolkien Society, and affiliated bodies, with the exception of the Tolkien Society Committee and the Editor of 'Mallorn'.
- 7) All stories submitted for this competition must be received by the Editor before the 31st December 1977.