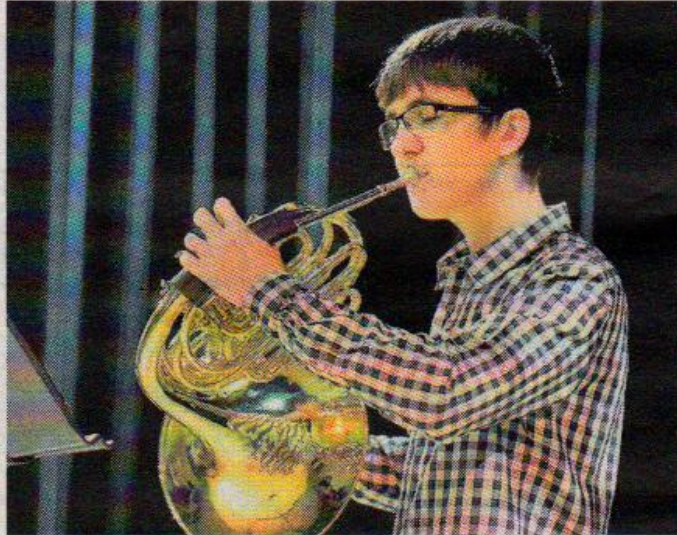


Young musicians wow judges during Rotary competition



Benedict Roose gave a performance on the French horn.

TALENTED youngsters showcased their skills at the Fleet Rotary Young Musician Competition on Saturday.

Ten musicians and vocalists aged 14 to 16 from Fleet's Calthorpe Park and Court Moor schools, St Nicholas' in Church Crookham and Salesian College in Farnborough took part in the contest.

Calthorpe Park pupil Sophie Dean won the solo instrumentalist category with three piano pieces composed by Bach, Beethoven and Chopin, while Jennifer Lawrence from St Nicholas School won the solo vocalist

award with songs by Purcell, Munroe and Willson.

The competition was held at St Nicholas' School in Redfields Lane and the adjudicators were Toby Coles, Beryl Holmes and Steve Petch, who judged contestants on factors including melodic accuracy, tone, tempo and character.

The event was presented by Wendy Brett, assistant director of the North East Hampshire Area Schools' Bands, a project that is also supported by Fleet Rotary.

Club president Brian Dyer said: "In line with objectives set at the beginning of our



Cellist Rebecca Thorne.

ALISTAIR WILSON
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Rotary year, we are delighted with the standard of responses to this new venture.

"Rotary offers seven young people's competitions and our Young Chef, Youth Speaks, Young Writer and

Young Leaders programmes are well established, as is the next event in the calendar, Young Photographer, for which entries should be submitted to participating schools by February 16."