

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS
COLCHESTER ZOO
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COLCHESTER ZOO 60TH ANNIVERSARY POEM
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Colourful Giraffes, what a splendid celebration that I enjoyed way back in 2013!
Over the years many memories have been created here.
Letting the young and old unite in the love of the natural world.
Choo choo, let's jump aboard the train and see the Lemurs in the walk-in habitat!
Helping wild conservation, to save many beautiful species.
Every time you visit there is always something new to get a buzz out of!
Spending quality and priceless time with friends and family, such a pleasure to be at the Zoo!
The Zoo has grown with me. Sometimes we act as one.
Even the minibeasts have made a rather deep impression on me, what fascinating animals they are.
Rainy days, sunny days and everything in between Colchester Zoo stood through it all.

Zooming Lorikeets landing on your heads, such a peculiar feeling!
Omicron, Delta, Alpha the zoo has survived through all of the crazy COVID times!
Oh my goodness how strange it was that there were no visitors to interact with the animals!

Caring Zoo Keepers keeping everyone safe and happy.
Everyone is welcome here to come and respect nature!
Learn loads of facts about animals and our world.
Experience days have given us insights to the keeper's world and allows us to get closer to our favourite animals.
Brilliant memories of picnics, play areas and Penguins!
Rajang the Orangutan loved everybody who was unique, even licking people through the glass!
Around the clock, keepers strive to create brilliant living facilities for the animals.
Testing times - Colchester zoo has continued to work around them.
Exceptional entertainment to watch the Meerkats playing!
Sensational talks to educate all.

6 White Rhino calves became 7 recently with Astrid's little baby.
0 is the number of days I have spent at the Zoo feeling blue.

Young animals playing in the fresh, green grass is a favourite sight of mine.
Every living thing can get a kind, safe and loving home here.
Aardvarks have always been special to me partly because they are so cute and inquisitive.
Roaring and ready, the time is here.
So let's all get together and enjoy this momentous event of 60 years of the zoo!

