

TETBURY

Chambers of Commerce & Industry

Together we can make a difference for Tetbury Businesses



Chamber Membership Subscriptions Due

A polite reminder to you all that Chamber Membership Subs are now overdue and whilst still standing at £40 for the year (kept as such since 2006 and not increased in 2010 due to current economic climate), we feel that this is still very competitive for the area, bearing in mind we understand Malmesbury's fee to be £60.

Customer Car Parking Conundrum



Tetbury Businesses have suffered as a result of the recent upheaval of road works and pedestrianisation and the subsequent effect on parking. In our meetings with Highways and Tetbury Council we are exploring all possibilities for creating more space, but one surefire way that traders can help is to ensure that they don't take up valuable car parking spaces in the Town centre just because they can't be bothered to walk a couple of extra minutes each day. There is a FREE all day car park down by the Goods Shed and whilst we fully appreciate that some may have mobility problems that require them to get as close as possible to their place of work, we have witnessed many able bodied people arriving in the morning, parking up in the centre of Town and leaving their vehicles there all day. It certainly doesn't take rocket science to work out that such thoughtlessness is likely to have a detrimental effect on trading and impact all concerned. Please, just take a moment to appreciate how you might feel if your Business was to lose custom because your clients couldn't park nearby, due to Town centre parking spaces being taken up by those traders who could walk a couple more minutes each day, but who chose not to.

Anna Lizzio appears in April's Vogue Magazine...

...in the 'Britain's Best Boutiques 2010' pg 151. Labels include: Odd Molly, Nauja Lauf, American Vintage, Michael Stars, Stitch's Jeans, Elizabeth Lau, Ally Capellino along with Anna Lizzio's own.

Best Buy : Environmentlaly friendly Plasticana wellies. Dream Ticket : One of the luxury scarves by Danish brand Erfurt.

Anna Lizzio undergoes overhaul twice a year.10 Market Place, Tetbury, **01666 502297** : www.annalizzio.co.uk



A Welcome to Shoppers Can Work Wonders

One of our Chamber Members welcomed two American ladies into their shop one afternoon this month to be told (much to the Member's surprise), that she was only the second retailer to have acknowledged their presence that day. This lack of simple courtesy doesn't exactly enhance the image of Tetbury as the shopping Town of choice within the area, especially with trade already being quiet at the moment. A simple 'Hello' or 'Good Morning/Good Afternoon' makes all the difference and we agree, may encourage visitors to your premises to part with some much appreciated funds.

Tetbury Christmas 2010 Festivities – It is never too early to start

A meeting will be taking place on Thursday 27th May 2010 from 6pm at [The Close Hotel](#), Long Street, for all those who are interested in coming along to discuss plans for this year's Town festive event/s. Representatives from the Tetbury Chamber, Town Council, Tetbury in Bloom and The Lions will be in attendance. If you have ideas that you would like to put forward or would like to be involved, you are more than welcome to come along and take part in the discussions and help to form the plans for this year.

Kay Adkins : Greetings Cards Now Available: Kay Adkins, Photographic Artist is proud to present her new range of Greetings Cards, available on her website at www.kayadkins.co.uk. The minimum order is 6 cards, which come gift wrapped and they can also be posted as a gift to someone special or as a thank you gift perhaps. Kay says "...this is a unique opportunity to view some different aspects of my photography. (Larger versions available as canvasses or prints.)



Member Spotlight

Founded over 25 years ago by owners Charles and Gina Blomefield, Direct Import specializes in imported, hand-painted Italian ceramics and retail these at Charity Fairs up and down the Country. Since then, they have expanded their interests to hand-painted ceramics from Portugal, the Philippines and Thailand, as well as buying other hand-crafted products from Turkey, India and Ghana. The first Direct Import shop was opened in Chipping Camden some 14 years ago, followed soon after by a shop in Burford and finally the shop in Tetbury in September 2009. The aim has always been to provide a colourful and unusual mix of presents at very reasonable prices, suitable for a wide age group and Direct Import are particularly renowned for their amusing greetings cards. The shop in Tetbury is managed by Peta Brooksbank with her team of Susie Brassey and Maureen Sunley and together they provide a happy, relaxed environment within which to find a range of presents including ceramics, rugs, pouffes, cushions, jackets, nightwear, children's clothes, toy and a huge range of general gifts. The Direct Import team look forward to giving you a warm welcome when you next visit them at 25 Church Street. Tel **01666 500008** www.directimport.co.uk/.

Events in May



Sir William Romneys School Tour : 19th May 2010

[Sir William Romneys School](http://www.sirwilliamromneyschool.co.uk) invite local Businesses to come along to the school on the evening of Wednesday 19th May 2010 from 6.30pm, when you'll have the chance to see how the school works in this high tech world, how different SWR is from other schools and how the school relates to and works alongside the Business Community. You'll also be able to gain an idea of what goes on in the Music and Arts Facilities and see how the school is preparing our potential employees of the future. For further details about the event, or to attend, please contact Mark Wallington at Eight Bells Gallery on 01666 505070 or email him at m@8bg.co.uk.

Woolsack Charity Auction: The Woolsack Charity auction takes place at the [Snooty Fox](http://www.snootyfox.co.uk) on Sunday May 30th 2010, starting at 2pm. Prior to this the Snooty Fox is putting on a two course Carvery lunch and glass of wine for just £13.75. Tickets will be on sale from week ending Friday 14th May 2010 from the Snooty Fox Reception. The Woolsack Committee extends heartfelt thanks to all the Business outlets in Tetbury who have supported the auction and raffle.

Woolsack Race Day : 31st May 2010: The much loved and hugely supported Woolsack races take place this coming Bank Holiday Monday 31st May 2010 - a day to be enjoyed by all the family, friends and relatives with heaps of entertainment on tap and money being raised for charity.

Coming Soon...

Tetbury Business Ladies: The next Tetbury Business Ladies Lunch will take place at the Snooty Fox on Tuesday 8th June 2010 from 12.45pm. If you run a Business in or around the Tetbury area or indeed are employed by a Business locally, we'd love to see you. Membership isn't required, all you pay for is your lunch, which is usually around the £10 mark, with drinks being extra. Bring your Business Cards and Brochures along with you to hand out and come and enjoy a relaxed networking lunch and a chat with likeminded local Business women.

Tetbury Open Gardens : 27th June 2010: Tetbury holds it's Open Gardens event on Sunday 27th June 2010 from 1pm to 4pm. Tickets are available from any participating garden at a cost of £3.00, which covers admission to all involved gardens. Refreshments will be available as you amble and admire the hard work and creativity. Should you be interested in having your garden included as an attraction during the event, please contact a Member of the Chamber in the first instance.

Further Details to Follow On.....

- A Networking event to be hosted by Ouvry Creed.
- An event to be hosted by Tetbury Osteopath's.
- Our annual Highgrove Garden Tours, which are open to all Chamber Members.

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