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Chamber News

October 2011

Welcome to the October 2011 edition of our Chamber Newsletter – we have exciting news this month with the announcement that the BBC TV programme Autumnwatch is being presented from Westonbirt. And whatever you do don't miss out on the festive advertising package offered by the Christmas in Tetbury Team. See below for full details.

BBC Autumnwatch Live makes Westonbirt its October home

Westonbirt, The National Arboretum, which is managed by the Forestry Commission, will host *BBC Two's Autumnwatch Live* and *Autumnwatch Unsprung* for four weeks of this year's series.

From the launch programme on Friday 7 October to the Cotswolds episode on 28 October, Autumnwatch Live will broadcast live from the arboretum's Great Oak Hall. This year Michaela Strachan will join Chris Packham and Martin Hughes-Games to present the shows. The three will also be joined by a host of roving reporters from around the country.

From exploring autumn colour to taking a closer look at traditional woodland coppicing and the work of The National Arboretum's tree team, Autumnwatch will delve into one of the country's most famous autumn locations.

Simon Toomer, Arboretum Director commented: "Having the chance to host Autumnwatch Live in October is a fantastic opportunity for Westonbirt Arboretum. We will be able to share the excitement of autumn at the arboretum with many new people. "Our team have been busy working with the producers to help take a closer look at how we manage the tree collection and explore the array of wildlife, trees and grassland we have here."

From their Westonbirt base, the Autumnwatch team of presenters will feature wildlife from across the UK and will also catch up with some of the stories featured on Springwatch.

Autumnwatch Unsprung will also be broadcast from Westonbirt. Chris, Michaela, Martin and special guests will discuss the big events and talking points of the week, as well as tackling viewer questions and solving wildlife mysteries. The series will then move on to its next Gloucestershire location, WWT Slimbridge, from 4 November.

More information on autumn at Westonbirt can be found at www.forestry.gov.uk/westonbirt-autumn and more details on this year's BBC Autumnwatch Live can be found at www.bbc.co.uk/autumnwatch.

Decision by CDC over changes to Car Parking Charges

Cllr David Fowles, Cabinet Member for Environment and Parking said "In listening and responding to the people of the Cotswolds, we've decided that now is not the right time to extend or increase parking charges in all of our car parks. The only exception will be at the Brewery Car Park in the middle of Cirencester, where we will introduce flat rates of £1.50 for both evening parking and all day on Sundays. At the same time we propose to make it easier for people to pay by installing new payment machines in this car park that accept credit and debit cards. Charges in all other CDC car parks will remain the same as they are today." Cllr Fowles added: "Now is the time to support our local economy by using our excellent local shops and facilities in our first-class market towns."

Mission Statement

The Tetbury Chamber of Commerce supports the Business Community by promoting a positive and progressive environment within Tetbury, to create an exceptional place to do Business.

Forthcoming Chamber Meetings ...

13th October 2011
9th November 2011
7th December 2011

To be held in:

The Rear Lounge of

The Snooty Fox Hotel
Market Place
Tetbury

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A Christmas in Tetbury advertising Package

This is a fantastic offer, that as well as raising much needed funds for the Christmas Lights in Tetbury, offers local businesses a really cost effective festive advertising package for just £100.

The front cover of The Tetbury Advertiser in December will become an Advent Calendar and you can choose a window with a corresponding advert on the inside front cover. Additionally you will be listed as a sponsor in the following publications:

- The Christmas in Tetbury website and The Chamber of Commerce website – with links to your website.
- In the local Wilts and Glos Standard "Christmas in Tetbury" article.
- In editorial appearing in The Tetbury Advertiser
- as well as the Musical Miscellany Christmas Concert programme.

All this for just £100 – you won't get a better deal than this.

To book your space please contact Sue Hirst on 01666 504213 or email her: slee@tecrec.net. We need portrait layout artwork in jpeg or pdf format, but if you need assistance, we are happy to help, just let Sue know as soon as possible.

Now Available throughout Tetbury – The 2011/12 TETBURY GUIDE

Copies are now available throughout the Town and from our Tourist Information Office in Church Street – with the front cover created by renowned local photographer Henry Arden and featuring individuals from our town many will recognise. This Guide is designed for visitors and locals alike and is distributed far and wide in order to publicise and promote all our amazing area has to offer.

To obtain a supply for your business please contact Kathryn on 07885 106717 or David on 07747012256 or email kathryn.limoi@btinternet.com.

Forthcoming Events

Friday 14th October, 7:30pm – Music at Westonbirt Concert

Somerset based Paradis Piano Trio present 'Daughters of the Muse', a programme of music by female composers. Featuring well known works such as the *Clara Schumann Piano Trio* and lesser-known gems such as *Amy Beach's Romance for Violin and Piano*, this concert guarantees to convince the listener that female composers' music deserves much wider recognition. Admission: £10 (children under 16 free).

Saturday 15th October, 9:30am – 12:30pm – Westonbirt Schools' Open Morning

Pupils and staff at Rose Hill Westonbirt, our co-educational preparatory school and Westonbirt School, our day and boarding senior school for girls look forward to welcoming you to Westonbirt. Westonbirt Schools offer an excellent academic and all-round education in a beautiful setting in the heart of the Cotswolds. Please join the pupils and staff for a friendly and informal tour of the schools and grounds. Westonbirt School Headmistress, Mary Henderson, will be speaking at 10:45am and 11:30am. If you wish to view both schools, please arrive before 10am.

Friday 11th November, 7:30pm (followed by optional supper) – Westonbirt Lecture

Got a parking ticket and want to get out of it? Then you need to come along to the next Westonbirt Lecture by Chief Parking Adjudicator for England and Wales (and former Westonbirt pupil) Caroline Sheppard! Caroline has developed a new law of parking and speaks with gusto and humour about how to avoid parking tickets as well as how to appeal against them. She has appeared in many media articles and features and has been interviewed twice on the Today programme – much to John Humphries' amusement! So, if you want to outwit those parking claspers and attendants this is an evening not to be missed! Admission: free (please contact Reception to book post-lecture supper at £15 per head).

Date of the Next Chamber Meeting

Wednesday 9th November 2011

The next Tetbury Chamber Committee Meeting takes place on Wednesday 9th November - 6 for a 6.30pm start in the rear Lounge of The Snooty Fox Hotel, Market Place, Tetbury (01666 502436).