

# TETBURY Chambers of Commerce & Industry

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## Mission Statement

The Tetbury Chamber of Commerce

## Chamber News

## December 2010

Welcome to the December edition of the Tetbury Chamber News.....



### Brainteaser

Our thanks to [Kay Adkins](#) for the Festive Brainteaser picture - can you guess where she found the Snowman? See the bottom of the Newsletter for the answer.

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### Chamber Chatter

#### Vote For BT Infinity Broadband for Tetbury

Apologies if you are already aware of this, but just in case, over the next 5 years, BT are rolling out superfast fibre optic Broadband across the UK. This is the opportunity to fast track Tetbury to get BT Infinity. If Tetbury is one of the 5 areas with the largest percentage of votes by December 31st 2010, this will mean we win the chance to get the superfast Broadband to Tetbury. BT will also donate £5k of computer equipment to a local community project. Vote at the website to help make this a reality : [www.racetoinfinity.bt.com](http://www.racetoinfinity.bt.com).

#### Happy 5th Birthday Hortensia



Hortensia opened its doors on December 12th 5 years ago with Hortense and Gerald Oates bringing to Tetbury an extensive range of fine handmade chocolates, which subsequently expanded over the next couple of years to include an extensive range of Mövenpick ice cream within a coffee bar, and an abundance of choice in greetings cards. Now established as Tetbury's leader as

purveyors of fine chocolates, loose and boxed, which can be ribboned beautifully for special occasions, the range includes the famous Charbonnel et Walker truffles and chocolates. Hortensia has a warm and friendly welcome for all looking to meet up for 'those sweet moments'. So whether customers are after handmade truffles or delicious fairtrade coffees made with freshly ground beans, complemented by a homemade bake or freshly made sandwich, there's an abundance of choice.

2010 has seen a couple of phrases of change to the coffee shop with a substantial refurbishment in October opening up the premises into a more integrated shop - huge thanks must go to Matt Stevens and Chris Elliott at MS Building & Renovation Ltd, Tetbury for their patience and excellent work. Last but not least, Christmas is fast approaching and our customers will once again find an extensive choice of treats and gifts, including a new range of jams and chutneys handmade in the Cotswolds, together with a large selection of Christmas cards both individual and boxed.

#### Great Press for The Old Surgery & Tetbury Town

In case Red Magazine is not on your 'must read' list, do buy a copy as Saska Graville, who is the Deputy Editor came down and stayed for a weekend at Chamber Members Nigel and Maria Stengard-Green's The Old Surgery in Silver Street (new website : [www.luxurycotswoldrentals.com](http://www.luxurycotswoldrentals.com)) and she has written a wonderful review of not just The Old Surgery, but Tetbury in the round. Also, The Guardian came down and stayed there and wrote well about Tetbury recently in the Saturday Travel Section last month - great news for our Town and our Members.



#### Kay Adkins Photographic Artist : Christmas Cards & 2011 Calendar

Kay Adkins is delighted to announce her new range of Christmas Cards ready to greet the festive season. As one customer commented, they show your clients that they are special enough to receive one of Kay's cards. A selection of the cards can be found on Kay's website : <http://kayadkins.longfurlong.co.uk>. The cards can be printed with your own personal message and company logo for the reasonable price of £1.40 per large card and £1.00 per small card, with a minimum print run of 30 cards.

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

**Interested in Joining the Chamber? Then please get in touch with a member of the Committee above.**

#### **Forthcoming Chamber Meeting...**

(January 2011) To Be Advised

The Ormond Tetbury

**Visit the Chamber Website at**  
[www.tetburychamber.org.uk](http://www.tetburychamber.org.uk)

Newsletter compiled and edited by [Alex Trapnell](#).

If you prefer to buy individual cards, they are available to buy from various outlets in Tetbury such as TIC, Yellow Lighted Bookshop and Town and Country or, apply to me directly.

Large cards retail at £1.95 and small at £0.95 - packs are also available. Following on from the success of the 2010 Tetbury Calendar, Kay has a new one ready for 2011. Kay is delighted to be working with husband Paul and together they have also caught some of the successes of Tetbury in Bloom - available in the Town shops as above at £7.99, or call Kay directly on **01666 390395 / 0797 1688302**.

#### **Warning : Parcel Delivery Scam**

We have been asked to circulate the following round, especially as Christmas is fast approaching (it has been confirmed by Royal Mail). The Trading Standards Office are making people aware of a scam where a card is posted through your door from a company called PDS (Parcel Delivery Service) suggesting that they were unable to deliver a parcel and that you need to contact them on '0906 661191' (a Premium rate number). Do not call this number as this is a mail scam originating from Belize. If you do call the number, you will start to hear a recorded message and you will already have been billed £315 for the call. If you do receive such a card with these details, please contact Royal Mail Fraud on **020 7239 6655**.

In relation to the above and various other telephone scams or 'phone competitions' that often involve you calling an 09 number, thus incurring large bills, we have been reminded by Tetbury Old Books that it is possible to apply to BT to ensure that such outgoing calls cannot be made and therefore protect the bill payer from a nasty shock, so our grateful thanks to Phillip for this.

#### **Free Festive Car Parking in Tetbury**

Thanks to the generosity of the Feoffees in association with CDC, Car Parking in The Chipping Car Park will be free between the hours of 12 noon until 6pm on the following dates: Friday 10th & Saturday 11th December and Friday 17th & Saturday 18th December 2010, as well as Christmas Eve. We are publicising this as much as we can, but please do pass this information on to your customers and encourage them to come shopping in Tetbury.

#### **Jesse Smiths Butchers : Through to Regional Finals**

A big congratulations to John Newman and his colleagues at Jesse Smiths Butchers who are through to the Regional Finals of the 2010 Countryside Alliance Awards in the Butcher Award Category. Regional judging takes place from now right through to January with the winners being announced towards the end of January. The Regional winners then go through to the British Final, to be held at The House of Lords in March 2011. Fingers and toes and everything else crossed - they certainly deserve every success. [www.jessesmithbutchers.co.uk/t\\_shop.htm](http://www.jessesmithbutchers.co.uk/t_shop.htm)



#### **Forthcoming Events**

##### **Christmas 2010 in Tetbury**

Don't forget all the festive fun to be had in Tetbury over the Christmas period:-

Late Night Friday Shopping/Goodwill Evenings - 3rd, 10th and 17th December.

Christmas Concert - Saturday 4th December, St Mary's Church.

Shop Window Competition Judging - Friday 10th December, results Friday 17th December.

For further details, please either contact Sue Hirst at [slee@tecre.net](mailto:slee@tecre.net)/01666 504213 or Kathryn Limoi on 07885 106717/[kathryn.limoi@btinternet.com](mailto:kathryn.limoi@btinternet.com).

#### **Brainteaser Answer**

This month's photograph was taken of the seat by the ford at Cutwell. Well done if you guessed correctly.

#### **Date of The Next Chamber Meeting**

**13<sup>th</sup> January 2010**

Come along to the next Tetbury Chamber Committee Meeting and become involved - 6 for a 6.30pm start at [The Ormond](#).