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Chamber of Commerce & Industry

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Chamber News

January 2012

Happy New Year to one and all and in the words of the song "lets hope it's a good one"

Don't you think Tetbury looked particularly good this Christmas? The group set up especially to organise the festive lights and trees really did us proud this year and are continuing through various fund raising efforts to build the decorations year on year. This year we added lights to some lampposts which looked extremely effective and are hoping to add more of the same to extra lampposts in December 2012 as well as more lights in the major trees around town.

We are grateful to the support and funding provided by several organisations in Tetbury including The Chamber, The Council, Tetbury in Bloom, The Lions and The Feoffees

To the organisers and fund raisers who give up so much of their time A Big Thank You must go to: Sue, Kathryn, Stephen, Mel, Ian, Liz, Kevin, Jean, Tina and Carl and all the others who came along on the switch on night to lend support.

To get involved and lend a hand next year please contact either Sue on 01666 504213 or Kathryn on 07885 106717.

Message from Long Street Surgery

A big thank you to everyone who donated prizes and to all of you who bought tickets. By the time the draw took place on 21st December a staggering £1,325.00 had been raised in aid of Hope for Tomorrow and Tetbury in Need. Well done everyone.

Gloucestershire Broadband Upgrade

Gloucestershire is one of four pilots granted £14.5m in Government funding to invest in faster broadband for rural communities. This includes us!

The aim of the project is to provide 100%, consistent, coverage at 2Mb/s by end 2015 and 30Mb/s by end 2018

However, in order to prove that there is real demand from those of us living, working and studying in Gloucestershire, we are being asked to complete a survey.

For households this can be found at www.gfirst.co.uk/broadband. For businesses <http://bit.ly/betterbroadband>. Alternatively there are hardcopies which can be obtained by calling 01452 528491 or it should be available through the library. So we are asking everyone, please to:

Spare 5 minutes to complete the survey by **mid-January**

And to pass this message on and encourage neighbours and colleagues to complete the survey for the benefit of everyone.

Remember this Newsletter is produced by Tetbury Chamber for Chamber Members and is distributed widely through the Town and also by email. If you have a special occasion, sale, promotion or other related happening you want to get to a wider audience then please contact Kathryn preferably by email at Kathryn.limoi@btinternet.com or phone 07885 106717.

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 ...

2012

Jan - Thursday 12th
Feb - Wednesday 1st
March - Thursday 1st
April-AGM Wednesday 18th
May - Thursday 10th
June - Wednesday 6th
July - Thursday 5th
Aug - Wednesday 1st
Sept - Thursday 6th
Oct - Wednesday 3rd
Nov- Thursday 1st
Dec - Wednesday 5th

To be held in:

The Rear Lounge of

The Snooty Fox Hotel
Market Place
Tetbury

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Forthcoming Events

Spring Term Lecture at Westonbirt School Friday 27th January 2012 Life on a TV Rostrum - By Celebrity Antique Auctioneer James Braxton

James has appeared on numerous television antique shows including Flog It, Bargain Hunt, Put Your Money where your mouth is and Celebrity Antiques Road Trip.

His Lecture promises to be a compelling eye opener into both the world of antiques and television.

Admission is free and no advance booking necessary
Friday 27th January at 7.30pm at Westonbirt School

Optional Post Lecture Supper is just £15 a head and needs to be booked in advance no later than Friday 20th January by telephoning 01666 880333.

Celebrate wooden wonders at Westonbirt Arboretum Half term activities, 14 - 16 February 2012

This February half term at Westonbirt, The National Arboretum, children can celebrate one of the most remarkable materials on the planet - wood!

Join the Forestry Commission's learning team for Wooden Wonders between 14 - 16 February to find out how wood grows and discover the surprising ways we use it.

There will be a special trail to find secret skeletons, meet a tree or two and see how many wooden wonders there are to spot along the way. At the education centre, children can have a go at a range of wood inspired arts and crafts activities, including making models with sawdust, creating a wood block print design, building a mini hurdle and drawing with charcoal.

Wooden Wonders take place between 10.30am - 3pm on 14 - 16 February. Activities are suitable for children aged four years and upwards.

Admission to Westonbirt Arboretum in February is £5 for adults, £4 concessions and £2 children. Friends of Westonbirt Arboretum members and accompanying children under 19 years old visit free.

Visit www.forestry.gov.uk/westonbirt for detailed news, events and activity information.

News from The Close Hotel

Burns Night – Wednesday 25th January 2012

The Close Hotel invites you to join them for a special Burns Night on Wednesday 25th January to enjoy a special themed menu in celebration of this famous Scottish Poet. For more information and to book your place please telephone 01666 502272

Stickkey Bass Jazz Trio Saturday 11th February

Advance notification that this ever popular group featuring the wonderful vocalist Jeanne Marlow will be appearing at The Close on Saturday 11th February – why not come along and enjoy a bite to eat and be entertained with some fabulous music and singing at the same time. For more information and to make a reservation please telephone 01666 502272

Thinking about Valentines Day – then there are a number of special offers available – take a look at their web site www.theclose-hotel.com or telephone 01666 502272

Date of the Next Chamber Meeting Wednesday 1st February 2012

The next Tetbury Chamber Committee Meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 1st February 2012 - 6 for a 6.30pm start in the rear Lounge of The Snooty Fox Hotel, Market Place, Tetbury (01666 502436).