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Chamber News

September 2011

Message from our President – Mark Wallington

The Chamber is looking at ways of creating a job forum for school leavers. I use the word "forum" at this stage because we are trying to determine how The Chamber can help create a place where jobs can be advertised.

Jobs advertised - well that is the most basic part of what we need to do to try and create a culture within Tetbury businesses to look at providing jobs in our community. We would like to see businesses using The Chamber's access to resources that can help them create new worthwhile jobs in our community.

We are being encouraged to be part of the big society by our political leaders. Life for many has changed dramatically; many now are choosing to go into the job market rather than university. As businesses we need to be looking at the way we can offer employment and training to them. The alternative to not having good employment prospects in the town and surrounding areas would seem to me to be the potential for a lot of disaffected youth causing problems.

To kick off this process we have set up a Twitter site - see the Chamber twitter feed for details (tetburyjobs) I am co ordinating this and can be reached by email on m@8bg.co.uk - for the less technically savvy you can also call me on 01666 505070. Jobs can be posted on the site and its hoped we will get a following of keen potential employees. We will also be following this initiative up over the following months with information and meetings to make sure we can equip those businesses who wish to be part of Tetbury Jobs with as much information and handy advice as possible.

This needs to be a movement that is driven by a certain amount of enthusiasm - please any ideas or comments email Mark at m@8bg.co.uk.

Mark Wallington
President
Tetbury Chamber of Commerce and Industry
(Eight Bells Gallery, Church Street, Tetbury)

Well done to John Newman at Jesse Smith Butchers for being nominated Tetbury's Unsung Hero this month for all his hard work helping to raise valuable funds for charity - his "Big Pan" as well as filling our tummies with tasty yummy burgers and sausages donates the profits to local needy organisations and charities. He gets to enjoy a meal prepared for him and his guest at The Priory Inn sometime soon - wonder if he will choose sausage and mash??

Profile on Latest Chamber Member – The Art Gallery

The Art Gallery Tetbury - opened its doors in December 2010 and has since featured the work of some of the Country's most talented Contemporary Artists. The Gallery comprises the ground and lower ground floors of the beautiful Spencer House on Long Street and is currently exhibiting the work of Maurice Cockrill RA - the Keeper of the Royal Academy of Arts.

Owner Aileen Mitchell opened the gallery as the High Street Showcase of her Online company ArtGallery.co.uk and is delighted to have made her home and business in Tetbury. Aileen and the team invite you to call into the Gallery any time - they'd loved to meet you.

Proposed Changes to Car parking charges – There is to be a meeting at Town Council offices 6.30pm on 8th September at which this and other Highways Matters will be discussed before being put forward to the CDC – Members of Public are invited to attend and put their point forward

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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Forthcoming Events

Networking Evening 14th September

To be held at The Ormonds in Long Street starting 6.30pm with guest speaker Peter Sylvester from The Referral Institute together with a Chamber Member presentation followed by a networking session – all welcome. More information from Peter Hodgson our Chairman on 01666 503686.

Tetbury Food and Drink Festival 21st – 25th September

The Tetbury Taters competition raising funds for the Friends of Tetbury Hospital will be judged at The Priory Inn (01666 502251) as part of their Oktoberfest on the Saturday 24th afternoon. A new cookery book by local author Margo Smith entitled "Food Family and Far Away Places" is being launched Saturday 24th with wines chosen and presented by Jackie Barr of Oxford Wines at The Close Hotel in Long Street Tetbury (01666 502272); Co Owner of The Pink Cab - Tina Stevenson is offering you the opportunity to taste some fabulous vegetarian food when she rolls up her sleeves and works alongside Chef Piotr at Café 53 "for one night only on the Thursday 22nd".

Everything kicks off with a gathering of the Gloucestershire Old Spot Sausage Appreciation Society Dinner also at The Close Hotel on the Wednesday 21st September, before finishing in Grand style with a Farmers Style Market complete with cookery demonstrations and tastings in and around the Market Hall on the Sunday 25th – lots going on and lots to see and partake of.

Check out the web site for latest information and to see how and where to book tickets to the events of your choice: www.tetburyfooddrinkfestival.com

THE FRIENDS OF TETBURY HOSPITAL TRUST

Invite you to an evening with

HUGH PYM

Chief Economics Correspondent of the BBC

At Sir William Romney's School

Lowfield Road, Tetbury, GL8 8AE

SATURDAY OCTOBER 1ST 2011 - 7.30 FOR 8.00PM

Tickets £10 per head to include a glass of wine.

Available from: - Tetbury and District Hospital Telephone 01666 502336

Tetbury Music Festival 6th – 9th October 2011

Returns to Tetbury and our beautiful Church of St Marys for the ninth and possibly the best series of concerts yet. From Paul Lewis playing Schubert; Steven Isserlis and Denis Varjon playing Liszt and Faure; the Elias String Quartet present Haydn, Janacek and Beethoven; Arcangelo with Jonathan Cohen (keyboard and director) bring us Bach; and we finish on the Sunday with The Sixteen directed by Harry Christophers singing sublime Victoria - the Church will resound to beautiful music for four magical days.

Some tickets still available through Tetbury Tourist Information Centre in Church Street: 01666 503552.

Available any day now – The 2011/12 Tetbury Guide

Copies will be available throughout the Town and our Tourist Information Centre in Church Street – with the front cover created by renowned local photographer Henry Arden, featuring individuals 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.

Date of the Next Chamber Meeting Wednesday 13th October 2011

The next Tetbury Chamber Committee Meeting takes place on Wednesday 13th October - 6 for a 6.30pm start in the rear Lounge of The Snooty Fox Hotel, Market Place, Tetbury (01666 502436).