

Sherborne Chamber of Trade and Commerce August 2009 Newsletter

Summer Barbeque - Thursday 13th August, 7.30 at The Eastbury Hotel, Sherborne

This is your last chance to join us on Thursday evening at the Eastbury Hotel. If you are planning to come, please let me know today, or Monday at the latest for catering.

The weather outlook is reasonable, and if there is rain, we shall go ahead with the event indoors!

Who can resist this menu?

Spiced Lamb Koftas, Minted Yoghurt Dressing

Minute Steaks

Local Pork Sausages

Marinated Chilli Chicken & Red Pepper Kebabs

Seared Marinated Salmon Fillets

Sticky Ribs

Hand Made Burgers

Cherry Tomato & Button Mushroom Skewers

Mini Jacket Potatoes with Rock Salt & Rapeseed Oil

Leafy Salad, House Dressing

A Selection of Breads, Chutneys and Relishes

Julie Dunn, jazz musician and vocalist is our entertainment for the evening. Julie is a talented singer and has a good local following.

Tickets are on sale until Monday afternoon from The Three Wishes, Sherborne Tourist Information Centre and the Toy Box, priced at a very reasonable £15. The ticket price includes a drink on arrival. Salads and vegetarian option will be available.

Please contact Pavla or Cordelia on 07594 805013 or cordelia@sherbornechamber.org.uk by Monday afternoon.

September Working Group Meeting – Monday 14th September, 6pm at The Eastbury Hotel, Sherborne.

Do come along and see what we are up to. We have Christmas event planning on the agenda. Please let Cordelia know if you are planning to come.

October Working Group Meeting - Monday October 5th, 6pm at Castle Gardens, in the Walled Garden Restaurant. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided. Please let Cordelia know if you are planning to come.

July Working Group Meeting – Monday 13th July, 6pm at The Eastbury Hotel, Sherborne.

At this meeting, in addition to usual business, we discussed car parking in the town, Christmas plans, and the barbeque amongst other things. Minutes will be distributed to members.

Polish your Windows

'Escape to the Countryside' are hoping to film a generic-street-scene in Sherborne on Tuesday 11th August Tuesday.

For details contact Cameron Marett, Communications Team - West Dorset District Council 01305 252344 c.marett@westdorset-dc.gov.uk

Business Link is Coming to Town

Business Link is the government funded free advice service for businesses, offering support and help for your business to achieve its goals. In the current economic climate Business Link is offering a free health check for all businesses, which will cover the essentials of finance, strategy, marketing and people. This will help businesses stay lean but fit for business.

The Business Link Advisor Team in Dorset can visit you in your business for a free review or alternatively you could attend one of their new business clinics in Sherborne. To book a place call 0845 6009966.

Welcome to New Member – Southern First Aid Training

Southern First Aid Training Ltd is a Health & Safety Executive (HSE) approved provider of first aid training courses for businesses, schools and sports clubs. The company has been operating throughout Dorset for many years and offers a choice of courses to a broad range of clients.

Dates and times of courses can be flexible and organised around business requirements. They can also organise training for individuals from companies who do not have sufficient numbers to run their own courses in house.

For more information please contact Philip & Sara Hall on 01935 389868 or visit their website at www.southernfirstaidtraining.co.uk

We were delighted to meet Sara Hall at our July meeting.

Toy Barn News

The inter-school design competition final was held last month at the Gryphon school. Four judges from the world of advertising, marketing and journalism were present. There were seven teams and of those, a team from the Gryphon and one from Preston split the judges. In the end the Gryphon team won. Congratulations to them for a fantastic, well-organised and well-pitched presentation. Peter Hunt will be in school with them later in the year to develop their ideas into an advertising campaign.

Free Classified Advertisements

Our website now has a free classifieds section. Do take a look. It could prove very useful.

www.sherbornetown.com

The Old Barn Framing Gallery

You may have missed their super sale last weekend, but they have a number of display items that may be of interest to members - 5 tall glass cabinets with shelves 16" (420) wide, 14" (360) and 64" (1630) high priced at £15 each. They also have 2 revolving floor standing racks that would hold cards etc.

Contact Gail ON 01935 813774 for details.

St Margaret's Somerset Hospice

Andrea Ledger, the Community Fundraiser for St.Margaret's Somerset Hospice has contacted us.

If you are interested in visiting the hospice or meeting Andrea to discuss ways your business might be able to support please telephone 01935 709480 or visit

www.somerset-hospice.org.uk

Western Gazette Chamber Page

This month we shall showcase The Toybox. Next month we shall showcase Margaret Balfour, who will be celebrating 30 years in business.

Dorset Business

Sherborne Chamber is affiliated to Dorset Business. Please look at www.sherbornetown.com chamber advice page for a link to their website, detailing the member-to-member discount scheme and forthcoming events

Next Newsletter

The next newsletter is due to go out during the second week in September, all contributions to me please by 4th September latest.

You are welcome to use the newsletter to tell fellow members and others who receive the newsletter about any offers or promotions you are running, achievements of your business or bring items of interest to the attention of others. You are also welcome to add interested parties to our distribution list.

If you are one of our new members, please send me some information about your business so that we can introduce you to our members via the newsletter.

If you read this and are not a member, please give me a call to discuss how the Chamber might be able to add benefit to your business.

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I am usually available for Chamber business Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am - 1pm.