

What's On In and Around Honiton December 2011



Saturday 26th November - 23rd December

- **Thelma Hulbert Gallery presents "Present Makers 2011"**. Annual festive opportunity to view, and purchase as gifts, work by selected top draw designers/makers from the South West. Includes jewellery, ceramics, print, textiles, woodwork, a popular selection of Tate Art books and games, and contemporary greetings cards. Free admission. Open Tuesday - Saturday 10.00am - 5.00pm. Situated in Dowell St, Honiton. For more info, tel: 01404 45006 or email: info@thelmahulbert.com.

Thursday 1st December

- **Dunkeswell Garden Society AGM and Christmas Party**, 2.30pm. Tel: 01404 891820.

Friday 2nd December

- **Coffee Morning** at Hill House, Combe Raleigh, 10am - 11.30am. Stalls, books & puzzles, home baking, Christmas gifts, raffle. Admission 50p to include coffee/biscuits. Please support Friends of Abbeyfield.
- **Honiton Christmas Tree Lighting** outside St Paul's Church with carol singing, 5.30pm. Plus visit the Mackarness Hall for free mince pies, meet Father Christmas and buy Christmas gifts from the stalls.
- **Honiton Country Market** every Friday, 9.30am - 11.30am in the Mackarness Hall.

Friday 2nd & Saturday 3rd December

- **Honiton Community College - Shakespeare Productions** present Antony & Cleopatra in the College Hall, 7pm. Tickets available at College Reception, £6.50. Licensed bar, light refreshments.

Saturday 3rd December

- **Honiton Christmas Carnival** procession starts at the west end of the High Street at 5.30pm.
- **Bingo** for Honiton Hospital League of Friends at the Mackarness Hall. Doors open 7pm for 8pm.
- **Awliscombe Christmas Market** 10am - 12.30pm in the Village Hall. Cakes, gifts, toys, preserves, Christmas goodies and lots more. Come and have mulled wine and a mince pie with us. Free parking, free admission, surprises for all the family.

Monday 5th December

- **RBL Women's Section Branch meeting** at the Methodist Church Hall, Chapel St, 2pm.
- **Honiton Folk Dance Club** all welcome, tel: 46451

Wednesday 7th December

- **Honiton, Ottery & District National Trust Christmas Meeting & Talk** "The Inland Waterways of England &

Wales" by Bernard Hughes OBE, 2.30pm at the Mackarness Hall. Tel: Dave Chivers 43971.

- **Senior Council for Honiton Pre-Christmas Open Meeting/Coffee Morning** with mince pies/raffle at Honiton Methodist Church, Chapel St, 10.30am. "Update on NHS & Social Care Bill" and "A Christmas Story". Tel: 01404 548228
- **East Devon U3A meeting** at the Turks Head Lodge, 2.15pm. "Something Festive?" Visitors welcome £2. Further details 01404 823160.

Thursday 8th December

- **Honiton & District Flower Club** meeting at Offwell Village Hall, 2.15pm. "Christmas Time" with Julie O'Sullivan.

Friday 9th December

- **Bounce & Rhyme** at Honiton Library, 11 - 11.30am.

Saturday 10th December

- **Hospiscare Christmas Market** at the Mackarness Hall, 9am - 2pm. Refreshments from 9am. Light lunches 11.30am - 1.30pm.
- **Dunkeswell Farmer's Market** at Throgmorton Hall, 10am - midday.
- **Christmas Tree Festival** on Saturday and Sunday, 11am - 5pm at St Nicholas Church, Dunkeswell. Concert at 7.30pm.
- **Honiton Band & Friends present "The Spirit of Christmas"** 7.30pm at St Paul's Church. An evening of festive cheer for all the family, with music, carol singing, readings, poems. Tickets: £5 from New Street Vets, Town Council Office, TIC, band members or £6 on the door (children under 16 free) to include mince pies, mulled wine or juice and a draw. Tel: 01404 44763 or email secretary@honitonband.co.uk

Sunday 11th December

- **Christian Aid Big Sing** at the Methodist Church, Chapel St, Honiton, 6.00pm. Come and join in a celebration of Christmas by singing your favourite carols and songs! Light refreshments to follow. Enquiries: Erica 01404 831164.
- **Forest Garden Project** at The Old Pavilion, Cuckoo Down Lane, Honiton, EX14 9TT. 10am - 4pm. For all you experienced and would-be forest gardeners, join like-minded people for a bit of fresh air, exercise and learning. More info: 01404 45699.



January 2012

Monday 12th December

- **Honiton Afternoon WI** meeting at the Methodist Schoolroom, Chapel St, 2pm. Mrs Briony Tew - Christmas Decorations.
- **Honiton Folk Dance Club** all welcome, tel: 46451

Tuesday 13th December

- **Honiton Decorative & Fine Arts Society** meeting at Turks Head Lodge. "Trompe L'oeil - The Art of Illusion". Tel: 01404 45360.
- **Honiton Womens Institute** Members Evening and Christmas Party at the Methodist Church, Chapel Street, 7pm - 9.30pm. Food to share.

Wednesday 14th December

- **Breathe Easy Group Blackdown Hills** Christmas Party at Dunkeswell Village Hall, 2pm - 4pm. Carols around the piano, games, mince pies and gifts.
- **Hospiscare Christmas Supper Evening** at the Mackarness Hall, 7pm. Tickets from Mary 01404 43196.
- **Honiton Craft Club** at the Methodist Church, Chapel St, 11am - 1pm. Quizzes, workshop and lunch.

Friday 16th December

- **Honiton Community Cinema** "A Christmas Tale/Un conte de Noel - screening at the Mackarness Hall, 7 for 7.30pm. Tickets: £5 at the screening or from Honiton Toy Shop or the Tourist Information Centre. www.honitoncommunitycinema.co.uk
- **Awliscombe Garden Club** Christmas Decorations from fir cones - workshop led by Sally Lawrence.

Saturday 17th December

- **Sheldon Singers Concert** at St Paul's Church, 7.30pm.

Monday 19th December

- **RBL Women's Section Bingo** at the Mackarness Hall, 2.30pm.
- **Honiton Folk Dance Club** all welcome, tel: 01404 46451.

Tuesday 20th December

- **Sound Out Honiton**, social group for hearing impaired adults, 10am - 12noon at Honiton Methodist Church, Chapel St. Contact: Helen Stoneman 07956686360 phone or text, or email soundouthoniton@gmail.com.

Saturday 24th December

- **Christmas Eve Market** grab that last minute gift from our market stalls. Open 'til late along with our shops.

Monday 9th January

- **Honiton Afternoon WI** meeting at the Methodist Church, 2pm. Speaker: Mr T Coleman "The Orkney Isles". Visitors welcome £2 each.
- **Fit for Life** exercise classes held on Mondays, starting today in the Baptist Church Hall, 10.30 - 11.30am. Tone, stretch and mobilize, class suitable for all ages and abilities. Contact: Marjorie 01404 831737.

Friday 13th January

- **Awliscombe Garden Club** AGM and Social.

21st January - 3rd March

- **Thelma Hulbert Gallery** are joining forces with the Animated Exeter Festival for their popular annual foray into the world of animation, exploring how people with disability express themselves through the medium of animation. See entry on 26th Nov for opening hours and contact details.

Tuesday 31st January

- **Exeter Postcard Society** meeting at the Church Rooms, School Lane, Countess Wear, Exeter, 7pm. Tel: Peter Baker on 01404 812589.

HONITON TOWN COUNCIL

Meetings held at the Town Council Offices, New Street (tel: 01404 42957) 7.00pm start.

December • TOWN COUNCIL - 12th
• PLANNING - 13th

January • TOWN COUNCIL - 9th
• PLANNING - 17th

Walk This Way

- **7th December**: Mutters Moor (Peak Hill Car Park)
- **14th December**: Core Copse (park on bridleway in front of gate to woods)
- **21st December**: Seaton (park on seafront at left end facing sea)
- **11th January**: White Cross (park at car park near Crossroads) Christmas lunch at Hare & Hounds.
- **18th January**: Honiton (park at Dowell St long stay car park)
- **25th January**: Escot (park at public car park)

Tel: 01404 814317 or visit www.ledleisure.co.uk/walkthisway for more info.

Honiton Community College Community Photography Competition

"Honiton & District - Celebrating its people,
locations and community"

Closing date: 5th January 2012

www.honitoncollege.devon.sch.uk



**Please telephone or email through your
events for the February edition by**

17th January

Tel: 01404 42818 or

email: frances.lemmer@devon.gov.uk