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*It's that time of year when Dorchester
lights up with festive cheer.*

Christmas in Dorchester starts when the lights are switched on at St Peter's Church at 6:30pm so please join us for this year's Dorchester Christmas Cracker. Once again, we will have the Christmas Market in South Street, put together in partnership with the Anonymous Travelling Market. The Craft Fair will once again be in the Corn Exchange from 4pm giving everyone a chance to find those unusual Christmas gifts and support local businesses. We are very grateful to our main sponsor, Kingston Maurward.

So please make your way into town and enjoy all Dorchester has to offer. A huge thank you to St Peter's and Holy Trinity Churches for opening their doors. The shops will stay open later for Christmas shopping and shop staff are encouraged to enter the Christmas spirit by donning fancy dress. The order of the evening will be fun, fun, fun.

When times are not as easy as they might be, we all need something to lift

our spirits. The lights will be shining above the streets, Christmas music will fill the air and laughter, the best medicine of all, will be in plentiful supply. It just remains for me to wish you, your families and your friends, a very happy, warm and safe Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Steve Bulley

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Susie Hosford

Mayor of Dorchester

The Dorchester Christmas Cracker Night marks the start of the Town's Christmas Festivities and we all look forward to it every year. We have a wonderful variety of shops and businesses in our Town and many of your favourites will have stayed open to welcome you tonight.

Whatever your plans for Christmas this year, please try to support our local businesses by 'Buying Local' as much as you can – there's a fantastic range of goods on offer throughout our Town, so please shop here first!

Have a wonderful Cracker Night (Whatever the weather!) And all good wishes for a very happy Christmas!



Christmas Commercial Window Display Competition

In the busy Christmas period, there is nothing more important than the Christmas shop or business window to attract customers through the door, increase footfall and encourage spend. The Dorset Echo, Dorchester Chamber for Business, Dorchester BID, Weymouth and Portland Chamber of Commerce and Weymouth Bid have teamed up to award prizes to the best dressed commercial Christmas windows.

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Best Dressed Commercial Christmas Window in Weymouth

Best Dressed Commercial Christmas Window in Portland

How to enter:

Simply upload the photo of your window for judging at dorsetecho.co.uk/christmaswindow ensuring that you select the correct town for your entry before the closing date for entry Friday, 15th December. A panel of judges specific to each town's entries will judge each category independently to determine the winners. Winners will be announced in the Dorset Echo and online at dorsetecho.co.uk.

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What a year it's been for the world. Sometimes I feel we are quite insulated from the worst of it here in Dorchester but the fact is that as businesses, we all suffer from any uncertainty in the markets and so trading has been a challenge at times.

With the fantastic support from the local community and visitors from afar, Dorchester has managed to keep shining, and remain a great destination for locals and visitors alike. With the re-development of the Shire Hall opening early next year, the arrival of Dippy the Dinosaur and an exciting expansion of the County Museum to follow there are even more reasons to come to Dorchester!



Phil Gordon
DBID Project Director

The DBID is funded by the businesses in town to run projects nearly all geared to support businesses and make a visit to Dorchester as enjoyable and worthwhile as possible. Other DBID initiatives are helping to keep the town vibrant whatever the economic climate. We are delighted to welcome so many new shops and businesses to town again this year, many of which are independents, keeping our tradition alive of offering shoppers the antidote to the 'clone town high street' so often found elsewhere in the UK.

On behalf of all the shops and other businesses in town, we would like to thank you very much for choosing Dorchester when you visit and shop – We know you always have a choice and really appreciate it when you choose your County Town.



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better! If this is you, (and it sort of sums up my life), try and bring some balance into your lives. Maybe a visit to a church is for you, (often when there is not a service planned!) and sit quietly with your bags of shopping or your cares and thoughts, and have a little 'me time'. Afterwards connect with the wider community, and try and bring some of that peace and quiet into other people's lives. I do hope that something of the magic of this season stays with you and your loved ones this Christmas.

Fr Barry Hallett

Chair of Churches Together in Dorchester

DATE	CHURCH	EVENT	TIME
Sunday 3rd	St Peter's Church	Darkness to Light	6:00pm
	United Church	Taizé Service	6:30pm
Friday 15th	United Church	"Quiet Christmas"	2:00pm
Saturday 16th	Community Church	Carols outside new building in Poundbury	5:00pm
Sunday 17th	Community Church	Kids Christmas Play	5:00pm
	Holy Trinity RC	Readings and Carols	6:00pm
	Baptist Church	Carols by Candlelight	6:30pm
	United Church	Carols by Candlelight	6:30pm
Thursday 21st	St Peter's Church	None lessons and Carols by Candlelight	6:00pm
Saturday 23rd	St Peter's Church	Christingle Service	11:00am
Sunday 24th	United Church	Christingle Service	4:30pm
	Community Church	Carols by Candlelight	5:00pm
	Holy Trinity RC	Carols followed by Midnight Mass	11:30pm
	St Peter's Church	Midnight Mass	11:30pm
Monday 25th	Holy Trinity RC	Mass of Christmas	8:30am
	St Peter's Church	Christmas sung Eucharist	10:00am
	Baptist Church	Christmas Celebration	10:30am
	Holy Trinity RC	Mass of Christmas	10:30am
	United Church	Christmas Celebration	10:30am
Tuesday 26th	Holy Trinity RC	St Stephens Day Mass	10:00am



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Fun starts from 5:00pm

This year's Cracker Night promises to be bigger than ever, with a greater number of retailers staying open and more market stalls extending into High West Street.

We have 2 very special guests turning the lights on at 6:30pm outside St Peter's Church. TV's popular Fire and Police pups will take to the stage to press the magic button to illuminate Dorchester and will be available for photographs afterwards.

Santa will be in his Grotto at Dorset County Museum, which will be open from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. Entry to the museum will be free and everyone is welcome. Mulled wine and mince pies will be available in the Victorian Hall and the tea room will be open as well.

Sci-Fi characters will add an exciting dynamic to the festive atmosphere.

The churches in High West Street will open their doors from 5pm with a carol service in St Peter's and the Rock Choir in Holy Trinity. Both churches will be serving mulled wine and mince pies.

There will be a lantern parade from 6:00pm from Top o' Town Roundabout organised by Dorset Arts with children carrying lanterns made in the "Create a Christmas Lantern workshop on 3rd December. Lots of other entertainment throughout the evening to celebrate the official start of Christmas in Dorchester.



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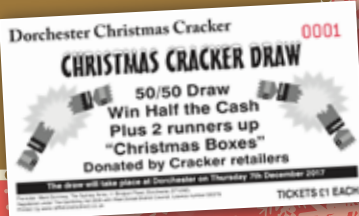
Don't forget to get your tickets for the Cracker Christmas Draw. The proceeds will contribute towards next year's Xmas Cracker with donations to local organisations and charities.

Tickets are available from many outlets in Dorchester including The Old Ship Inn, Jordans Jewellery, The Horse with the Red Umbrella and The Sydney Arms. Tickets are £1 each with 50/50 Cash prize to winning ticket holder. Also 2 consolation Christmas

box prizes donated by Dorchester retailers.

Tickets will also be available on the night outside The Old Ship Inn until the light switch on at 6:30pm. The draw will be made, and winners announced during the evening.

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DORCHESTER CHRISTMAS CRACKER 2017

Programme of Events

- 16:00 – 20:00 Christmas Craft Fayre (in Corn Exchange)
- 17:00 South Street Christmas Market
- 17:00 Carols and Mince Pies in St Peter's and Holy Trinity Churches
- 17:15 Rock Choir Concert, Holy Trinity Church (1st Performance)
- 18:00 Dorchester Performing Arts/ Lantern Parade
- 18:30 Lights on at St Peter's Church Stage Entertainment afterwards
- 18:45 Rock Choir Concert, Holy Trinity Church (2nd Performance)

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ROAD CLOSED from 15:30

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE



Craft Fair

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- The investment strategy was changed from a capital growth to a sustainable, capital preservation, income producing strategy, hence the capital value remained at more stable levels, to produce predictable levels of income.
- We eliminated the client's higher rate tax position and corresponding self-assessment duties, and accountancy fees by utilising simple, tax efficient strategies.

The nature of our work means that many of our clients are elderly, therefore we hold the Specialist advice paper on providing Long Term Care Advice, and the Firm is a recognised 'Dementia Friend'.

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- The new structure was transparent, with regular benchmarked performance figures provided.
- The Attorney could demonstrate they had sought suitable advice.

If you find yourself being asked to act as a Deputy. Attorney, or Trustee for a friend or relative do bear in mind that you are taking on a legal responsibility which includes demonstrating that you are properly managing the finances this duty can be delegated to a Professional.

A Little About Us

Blue Fox Wealth was established by Stephanie Bebbington-Dyke who is a Chartered Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Securities and Investments (CISI).

Within the first year of trading the Firm had taken on over 200 clients seeking a fresh, independent approach to advising on and managing investments. Despite being a successful Firm, we also have a strong ethical ethos and have contributed and supported various Charities over the year.

As well as managing the Firm, Stephanie also supports her colleagues in the world of financial services by sitting on various exam panels with the CISI, and most recently acted as Senior Reviewer for the CISI's Pension Administration Handbook.

Why Choose Us?

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Create A Reading Nook

What better way to explore any books Father Xmas may have left under the tree than to throw together your own, cosy reading nook? Assemble the sheets and blankets, arrange the cushions and disappear into the world of fact and fiction with this fun, low effort, wind-down activity.

Go For A 'Noticing' Walk

Get the hat, scarves and gloves on and burn off some of that energy with a mindful walk. How many things can you spot that you've never noticed before? Why not spend one minute being quiet, listening to any sounds and noticing all the earthy smells as you go along.

Lavender Play dough Recipe

2 cups plain of flour
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Make Time to Enjoy

Now is the perfect time to soak up the Christmas atmosphere all around you. With so much planning & shopping to do this time of year, remembering to enjoy what's going on is important. Take a moment to sit quietly in candle light, with the Christmas tree lights on and think about what makes Christmas special to you. What do you most look forward to at this time of year?

Notice the Seasonal Aromas

Nothing brings you back into the present moment quite like the wonderfully festive seasonal spices! It's a great time of year to practice mindfulness by bringing awareness to the vibrant mixture of fragrances around you, whether you're in the kitchen, or enjoying a warm glass of mulled wine or a minced pie. Take time to appreciate the splendid blend of smells and tastes this time of year has to offer.

Practise Gratitude

Christmas is a great time to enjoy your home, feel cosy and warm, reconnect with loved ones and savour the beautiful food and surroundings. There's a lot to be thankful for! Bring a little Christmas cheer to others by sharing what you're grateful for. Many people also enjoy keeping a 'gratitude journal'. It's a gentle way to remind yourself of all the positive things that are in your life, and the many things you have to look forward to.



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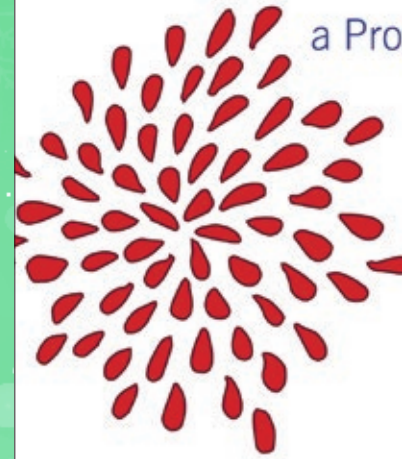
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