The Treacle Rag

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The lively voice of Treacle Market

December 2019

We hope you enjoy the Festive issue of this little paper & find out a bit more about what's going on at this seasonal Treacle Market. It won't take long to read, so please pass it on to someone when you've finished.



This month make sure you:

- Take a breather: with a cheeky half from the Confessional Bar by the Town Hall or mulled wine and a Brownie from Louise Brown on the stall opposite.
- Take little ones for a spin on the old fairground ride in the churchyard.
- Warm up with a plate of Korean street food from LOVE KIMCHI on Castle St by the bread stall.
- Say 'I love you' this Christmas with hand tied flower bunches from new florist Poppy Wren at the end of Chestergate.
- Meet Mable and Matilda the sweetest Shetland ponies- in the Churchyard.
- Welcome back, Bob Jewellery- stylish distinctive and rather special. Chestergate
- Find new trader Uberpet with fine raw dog food
 Mill St.
- Buy a bunch of mistletoe to guarantee a Christmas peck.

Churchyard

At Christmas more than ever we remember to be generous with those less fortunate than ourselves.-please visit the Churchyard to support fundraising cakesales and charity bricabrac stalls- from Guides, Cheshire Streetwise, Raleigh International, and stylish Vintage wear from The Big Dripp and more. Visit the Christie stall and pay for a brass tune request!



Look out for



Our VG sign - to signify delicious Vegan food-to eat on the street or take home and save for Christmas day.

Adlington Morris
dancers - we love to
see this spirited English
Folk tradition on Macc's
cobbles at Christmas.

Give a book this Christmas

Find special books, local history, classics and a dash of favourite old ladybirds from Hameston Books in Marketplace Then wander in the Butter Market to meet Cheshire author Frank Melling with his latest book 'A Sixpence in the Settee'. He'll sign a copy of one of his books and you'll have an interesting conversation along the way. The longstanding ECH Book stall on Chestergate will be with us for the very last time this month. So please show your support, buy a book and thank them for their outstanding fundraising on this stall for many years.

A seasonal visit from Belsnickel



We are delighted to be welcoming a most interesting fellow to Treacle - Santa Claus' crotchety old cousin Belsnickel from Germany will be wandering round bellowing 'Impish or admirable?' to children he meets. If you answer 'A good child all year Belsnickel' hold

your hands out for sweeties. Admit to 'naughty acts' and dodge his twitching sticks.... you have a couple of days to redeem yourself before Father Christmas descends the chimney on the 25th!

Don't Panic

From Classic car to Macclesfield Silk, trug of Treacle food to handcrafted fountain pen it's impossible not to find the perfect gift at Treacle. And if you are really struggling, talk to out lovely traders who will help you find something just right!

Ben the Blacksmith

Den Cooper on Marketplace near Pizza Express will be hand beating and forging this Sunday with his mobile forge alongside his handsome wagon.

ind beautiful handcrafted small items such as bottle openers, hooks, pokers and personalised gifts. Made with love, skill and a fair bit of muscle by Ben himself. Outside Pizza Express.

Join the conversation!

Have a chat with Barnaby Festival Volunteers, see what's being planned for the June 2020 Festival and how you can get involved!



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- Use a clean ceramic cup from the Mug library outside Massey jewellers.
- Buy organic cotton tshirts from Inland sea near Flour Water Salt.
- Buy waste free eco wares from Kindly Does it infront
- Give new life to Vintage treasure from stalls around

Explore in Macc today:

Independent cafes, shops, pubs, galleries, High Street staples, Grosvenor Shopping Centre and:

- Macc Indoor Market is open today for books, bags, wool, crafts, pet shop, French food, vegetables and more. Go and see what you can find? Access via Grosvenor Shopping Centre.
- Peep inside Macclesfield's beautiful Georgian time capsule, Christ Church. Open 11-4 Bridge St SK11 6EG
- King Edward St Chapel, a uniquely lovely tiny early Chapel hidden down a snicket in the middle of Macc open till 2.30 as a little café serving Treacle Tart, quiche & more.
- Access the town's indoor market via The Grosvenor Shopping Centre for meats, cheeses, pies, veg, fabulous French takeaway food & more.

Next Treacle Market

26 January 2020

For 2020 dates www.treaclemarket.co.uk

St Michael & All Angel's Church Market Place

Today the Church will be open for a Nativity Service at 10.30 am - everyone welcome, followed by refreshments from 12.00 noon until 1.45 pm. The Church will then be closed for Choir rehearsal in the afternoon for the "Carols by Candlelight" Service at 6.30 pm in the evening.

Everyone is welcome to join that Service.

A splendid Christmas table

This is the time to indulge friends and family around your Christmas table, so source delicious eats from Treacle. Enjoy!

- A 3 or 5 bird roast with side helping of wild boar sausages- Gourmet Meat, Exchange St.
- Sprouts on the stem from Mr Jones on Mill St
- Hand made chocolates for after dinner from Henshaws House of Chocolate-Chestergate
- Ring the changes with Lancashire Haggis (yes really) for Hogmanay from Bury Black Puddings on Mill St.
- And Scottish tablet & northern treats from Flourish Pantry, Exchange St.

Car of the month



An historic and beautiful Wolseley 10 from 1947 and one of Cheshire's first police cars, was used by the Force in the town until 1955. Make someone very happy with this

under the tree on Wednesday. By the Butter Market at the side of the Town Hall.

Treacle tunes

We aim to get your toes tapping & little ones dancing outside the Town Hall with the help of the brilliant buskers who play & sing at Treacle. Please show these talented singers & musicians your appreciation..... there will be a busking hat.

11.30-12.30 Annie's Saints & Sinners 12.30 -1.30 Moss Rose Band

1.30-2.30 Iona

2-30-3.00 The Caravanettes