



GARSTANG CHAMBER OF TRADE NEWSLETTER

July 2010

BRITAIN IN BLOOM

REGIONAL FINAL WEDNESDAY 13TH JULY
NATIONAL FINAL MONDAY 9TH AUGUST

A big Thank You to all the Volunteers who are working tirelessly once again to make our town a Champion. If you can spare an hour to help your commitment would be most appreciated. Wednesday evenings people are around the town generally tidying the pavements and flowerbeds. Please try to keep your business front clean and tidy and ensure litter is deposited sensibly.

Business Competition

Your displays look lovely and are a credit to your hard work. It really makes our town the colourful place where people love to come (and hopefully shop and spend money!) Businesses have now been judged and the results will be out soon. The Award ceremony will take place August 18th at The Royal Oak

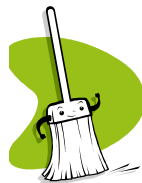


!Clean up Dates!

All Wednesdays & Special Clean Up's for the Regional and National Final's:

Tuesday 13th July, 7.00pm
Sunday 8th August, 4.00pm
at the Discovery Centre

Please come along and bring a brush, you will be very welcome!



August Meeting Monday 2nd August 2010

Chamber meetings are an opportunity to communicate with other business owners and discuss mutual interests. If there are any topics you would like to discuss or even get a speaker on please let us know, come along to a meeting!

MEETING DATES, First Monday of the Month
2nd August, 6th September & 4th October
7.30pm Royal Oak Hotel, Garstang

Please come along, you will be very welcome!

www.garstang.net

Preston FM in Garstang 23rd August - 4th September

Preston FM is a relatively new arts based voluntary radio station that broadcasts 80 hours per week to over 40,000 listeners providing a mixture of music and innovative, creative radio programmes mainly run by volunteers.

They are having a 12 week road show and asked Garstang if we would be interested in taking part! Being a fantastic opportunity for the town we agreed suggesting our 2 week period coincide with the Arts Festival.



They will be broadcasting from the old Tourist Information Centre from 23rd August to 4th September rent free (courtesy Wyre Borough and Garstang Town Councils) and will broadcast for over 80 hours to an audience of over 40,000 people around the Preston area, devoted to all things Garstang!

The cost is absolutely nothing! All they required was the room, so you can see why this is a fabulous opportunity to promote Garstang. It is a chance for our wonderful community groups and businesses to talk about themselves to a vast audience.

Preston FM will also be holding workshops, giving people of all ages the chance to learn about all aspects of broadcasting and also give them the chance to have a go live on air!



The idea originated from Jill's (from Iced) meeting with Best of Preston and with Lynn and Gordon Harter's involvement, help from the Town and Borough Council it will become reality!

Keep a watch out for more information that will be coming out over the next few weeks. For more information contact:

Jill Cross at Iced 01995 604901 jillxiced@yahoo.co.uk
Lynn Harter 01995 606404 lynn@lynnharter.co.uk

Please Turn Over



Quiz Night

Monday 19th July
8pm at Wyrebank Banqueting Suite
(opposite Th'own Tithebarn)

Fundraising for the Garstang
Victorian Festival
£4.00 per person including Hot Pot
Supper kindly donated by
Wyrebank Banqueting Suite!



Maximum 4 people per team, tickets on sale
NOW!!

Don't miss out get your tickets today from
Sharon or Bob from Garstang Cars
01995 607777

Top team wins £20.00 drinks voucher, Spectacular
Raffle Prizes! Come and Enjoy!

*Please support this event to help raise much
needed funds for the Festival and Christmas
Lights*

Are you looking to expand your business contacts? Have you heard about Wyred Up?

This is a quarterly event - an evening of networking
and business – run by Wyre Borough Council, with
the venue moving around the borough. The June
meeting was in Garstang, the next one is on
September 9th at the Nautical College in Fleetwood.

If you aren't Wyred Up and you don't go, you will
miss a great opportunity to talk to other local business
owners in an informal setting over a cup of tea,
followed by an hour of speakers these have included
Nick Kenyon from Dewlay, Blackpool & Fylde
College, NHS North Lancashire & Jobcentre Plus,
NPL Estates (who are developing the old Hillhouse
site), Nick Hyde, Business Editor of the Blackpool
Gazette, local councillors and even Ben Wallace!

And then you get to continue networking over a light /
buffet dinner.

To register your interest go to
www.wyredupforbusiness.co.uk - it might even give
you a chance to check out the opposition.

Garstang Show

There are just a few places left!

This popular annual event is to be held on
Saturday 7th August. Once again the Chamber
has a marquee where businesses can display
their goods and services to thousands of
people! Spaces are limited and going fast! As
usual bookings for the tent will be on a first
come first served basis.

If you wish to book a space please contact
either Damian Carr 01995 602148 or Jean
Matthew 01995 604453.

The cost of a site within the Chamber Tent is:

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| Space 10' x 10' | £50 |
| Electricity if required | £5 |
| Trestle Table hire if required | £5each |



Christmas Festival

Yes, we know its summer! But plans are underway for the
Christmas Lights and Victorian Festival. Important dates:

Switch on of lights:

Monday November 29th from 4.50 pm

Victorian Festival Nights:

Monday & Tuesday 13th & 14th December

The festival committee meets several times
throughout the year. There are some
activities where we would welcome help.
Collecting and co-ordinating donations
from businesses and help with bookings
and help on the evenings to mention but a
few.



is this something you or some one you know would like to
help with? Any help would be gratefully received! We are
an informal committee and it is a very rewarding activity.
You don't have to be in business either, half of our
committee take part purely because it is a fabulous
community event.

**Contact Damian 01995 602148, or Jill 01995 604901 if
you would like to help**

Next meeting is Wednesday, 29th September, 7.00pm
Royal Oak, Garstang. Please come along, you will be very
welcome!

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE ADDITIONAL ITEMS OR HAVE ANY ARTICLES THAT COULD
GO IN THE NEWS LETTER PLEASE LET US KNOW!**

CONTACT: secretary@garstang.net or phone Jean Matthew on 01995 604453