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WHITE HOT

news from WHCmog

There will be a programme of events at *WHCmog* and our neighbours Red House Glass Cone across the road in run-up to Christmas. Watch this space, and also our Crystal Calendar, where you will also find details of what's going on elsewhere around $Glassville^{@GF}$

GIFTS AND DONATIONS

to BGF funds, for which we thank you

Our sincere appreciation to David Owen confirming that the Owen Family Trust will be giving a donation of £2,500 per annum for the next 2 years, further reviewable. Much obliged, Sir.

In addition to cash donations (see below as to how you can do this), readers are reminded of the opportunity to secure a lasting *memento* in the new museum by way of purchasing one of Allister Malcolm's engraved glass plaques. Details via the usual BGF address.

BGF routinely reviews its donation procedures. Enhancements are announced as and when but in the meantime we continue to accept donations direct by cash, cheque and BACS. For donations by BACS our bank details are:

HSBC Bank Branch Identifier Code: MIDLGB2108U Sort code: 40-38-07 Account number: 72076780

BGF recognizes those who wish to donate via Virgin Money Giving. Go via the Virgin Money Giving QR code listed below or click here: http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/finalCharityHomepage.action?charityId=1005650 Potential donors are advised that contributions via VMG may invoke commission fees that are beyond the control of BGF.

Donations made by a UK taxpayer can attract Gift Aid, which is a great supplement to our funds and costs the donor nothing. All we need to claim this is your Gift Aid declaration; contact us for details if you have not already supplied us with relevant particulars.

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All donations are greatly appreciated. BGF is entirely philanthropic and its Trustees are unremunerated. BGF policy is that all monies received go directly to the cause. Donations can be as one-off contributions or standing order.

RICH MIXTURE

news from elsewhere

Christmas sales opportunity

I had the very great pleasure of addressing a Breakfast Club meeting at Hagley Hall recently, organised by local law firm Talbots, where I met Belinda Hill. Away from the legal-eagle stuff Belinda also organises a Christmas event at the Hall that, although essentially a networking event attracting 100 - 150 local business people, is an opportunity for local producers to display, sell or take orders for locally-made products.

This time around it's being held 4:30 - 7:00pm on Wednesday 6th December and Belinda would like to extend the invitation to accommodate two or three arts and crafts, which of course includes glass. Setup would be from midday and Hagley Hall will be providing a 6ft x 2ft table per stall.

Contact Belinda Hill direct via BelindaHill@talbotslaw.co.uk or on 01384 445979.

CRYSTAL CALENDAR

What's going on and where. Tell us yours

White House Cone museum of glass

Watch this space and check on website.

Red House Glass Cone

Various dates July to December 2017

Juniors at Museums

A wide range of activities for adults and kids alike, including a new additional venue at Dudley Archives & Local History Centre. Details at <u>www.dudley.gov.uk/see-and-do/museums</u> and via Twitter and Facebook feeds. For large print leaflet ring 01384 815571.

Ruskin Glass Centre See http://ruskinglasscentre.co.uk/events/

Elsewhere around Glassville^{©GF}

12th November 2017 *The National Glass Fair* 10:30am - 4:00pm National Motorcycle Museum B92 0EJ <u>http://specialistglassfairs.com/</u>

PARISH NOTICES

thank you for contacting us

Half Life: Elliot Walker. 9th November (includes private evening viewing) – 16th December 2017). Vessel Gallery, London. <u>info@vesselgallery.com</u>

More soon. In the meantime, Keep it Glass.

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The White House Survey

The success of this project depends greatly on public support. BGF is very grateful for yours. Please spare a few moments to visit <u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/whcoffsite</u> and complete the survey form. It will take very little of your time but will be of immense value to us. Thank you.



These are the QR codes for the British Glass Foundation (left) and Virgin Money Giving (right).

Scan to browse the work of the BGF or to make a donation. If you are donating by *VMG* then please note that *VMG's* own commission fees, over which BGF has no control, may apply.



Promotional opportunities

Black Country Radio (BCR) is the area's premier local radio station operating on 102.5FM. If you are organising a local event that is philanthropic, non-profit (it doesn't matter if there is an admission fee) and community orientated then it can be promoted free of charge via BCR. Visit www.blackcountryradio.co.uk, and click on *Events*.





Disclaimer

The news that I was colour blind came completely out of the purple. Gosh, would I ever enjoy that wonderful green sunset again and my foaming pint of pink ale? It runs in the family and I remember when my grand-dad lost his tongue in a factory accident. But he didn't talk about it. My other grand-dad still goes out with his mates and they take it in turns to drive to the pub. His turn is between the 6th and 8th. I'll tell you about all my other grand-dads one day. Anyway, time to dedicate a *Disclaimer* to what my GP calls the PBL of life, or pure bad luck and misfortune.

GlassCuts is the black cat of the British Glass Foundation. It is crafted lovingly under a ladder by a group of thirteen of us here in the shimmering opulence that is *GlassCuts Towers* and has no other function than to celebrate the chromosomes of abnormality, rejoice in crossing fingers when the lottery is announced and perhaps even say a bit about glass

Whilst every effart is made to ensure ackeracy, no responsibility etc etc ... (usual new hats apply).

This email is sent to you solely on the basis that you don't believe our correspondence will cause the roof to cave in but if you do not wish to receive further *GlassCuts* then either explain why if a 100 metres runner is killed on the starting line it's considered race-related, or send an email marked: *My knowledge of Greek mythology has always been my Achilles elbow'* to <u>bgf@britishglassfoundation.org.uk</u> A brief indication as to why we are no longer your favourite bad omens would be appreciated.

BGF welcomes onward transmission to anyone who believes in the power of 666. Similarly if you have anything you consider may be worth our colleagues rolling out the dice for out there in the *Wonderful World of Putting New Shoes on a table*^{©GF} then send it to BGF at the usual address.

And finally, I recall asking my careers advisor how to join the submarines. 'Overseas?' He asked. 'No' I replied 'That would bean airplane'. Idiot. I'm so fortunate that I took no notice and ended up where I am today. Wherever that is. Must dash; I've been diagnosed with a battery addiction and it's time to go to my AA meeting.

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