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# WHITE HOT

news from WHCmog

## **Meeting of minds**

Take a look at the list of our supports, below, and you will notice the name of Enovert. Now refer back to the Landscaping update on the leading page of *GC142* and you will see why we are delighted to welcome Enovert aboard. Thus it was a real pleasure to play host to their AGM recently and we thank them for extending us the courtesy of holding it at WHC*mog*.

BGF Secretary Lynn tells GlassCuts: 'It was very successful and everyone who attended was very impressed and very much looking forward to seeing the museum open next summer. Amongst the attendees - estimated at more than 50 - were ClIr David Stanley (current Mayor of Dudley); ClIr Anne Millward (current Mayor's Consort); ClIr Hilary Bills (current Deputy Mayor) plus other Councillors including ClIr Ian Kettle; ClIr Gaye Partridge. I think I also spotted former MP Lynda Waltho talking to Allister Malcolm. They all heard from me about the plans and July (hopefully!) 2020 opening and I thanked Enovert and Dudley Council for their support. Allister also thanked the Enovert Trustees for their patience and support due to the delays with the landscaping, which they funded. ClIr David Stanley expressed his offer of assistance.

Many thanks to everyone who helped make it such a success, including Allister who set up the room, helped with car parking and did a wonderful glass blowing demo and the two volunteers Eileen Sanders and Janet Britton who looked after everyone serving the tea and coffee.

It was cream teas and cakes after the AGM plus strawberries and cream. The Enovert Trustees said it was the best cream tea they have ever had and were most appreciative that we invited them to hold their AGM there in such a magnificent building. Successful event!'



### IFoG and WHCmog – further update

Herewith the latest list of proposed events at White House Cone from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August, courtesy of Allister Malcolm ...

#### On the ground floor

The British Glass Foundation has received numerous donations, which have been generously donated with the permission to sell in order to raise vital funds. These items of Glass and Specialist Books will be on display and available to purchase. Meanwhile the BGF volunteers will be providing refreshments on a daily basis.

#### Exhibition: 'We Made It (at the WHC)'

Artists based here at the White House Cone Museum of Glass teamed up to put on a display of their latest creations. This includes the following artists ...

Darren Weed - of DWGlass shows his latest graal pieces with intricate illustrations encapsulated within the glass. Darren has now developed a beautiful range of unique pieces with a strong aesthetic running throughout his collection.



Madeleine Hughes - a recent graduate from the University of Wolverhampton who joined the hot glass studio almost a year ago. Her skills have been progressing at quite a pace and her latest pieces really show off her talent.



Terri Malcolm - produces all of her pieces using reclaimed and recycled material. All the glass elements have been very cleverly recycled from offcuts in the glass studio and these are then combined with mixed media. Each piece is a true one off as a result.

Allister Malcolm - the resident glass artist here at WHC showcases some of his latest sculptural oneoffs.



### Demonstrations

The hot glass studio will be open and demonstrations will take place from 10:30am - 5:30pm. 23rd – 26th August.

Walk

Graham Fisher will be giving a guided canal walk on the Friday 23 August that will conclude at WHC.

At the end of each day a BGF update on the museum's development will take place in the studio at 6 p.m. with an opportunity for Q&As.

#### In the Open Studio

Simon Bruntnell has curated *Legacies* a small exhibition (reported in previous *GC*) that will be predominantly in his studio space along the canal side. The exhibition will have a small display within the downstairs gallery of the WHC as an introductory preview to what is actually on show in Simon's studio. It will be open daily from 10:30am - 4:00pm.

The museum main doors will be open 10:00am - 6:00pm and the Hot Glass studio will open its back doors at 9:00am daily for those who would appreciate the opportunity to preview items coming out of the lehr whilst they are still warm.





Keith Cummings Jonathan Harris Heike Brachlow Elliot Walker Vanessa Cutler James Devereux Georgia Redpath Karlin Rushbrooke Simon Eccles Max Stewart Caroline Madden Sara Squire

Bruntnell Astley presents an exhibition curated by Keith Cummings.Participants include those who have both been taught or worked alongside Keith since 1967 as he developed the glass department at Stourbridge college or since then when the course moved to the University of Wolverhampton in 1989.

August 23rd until 26th 10:30 - 4pm August 27th until 8th Sep 12noon - 4pm

Location: (at Whitehouse Cone) Bruntnell Astley Gallery Suite 4 The Newhouse Old Stuarts Works High St, Wordley DY8 4FB www.bruntnellastley.com blog for updates

# **GIFTS AND DONATIONS**

to BGF funds, for which we thank you

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

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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

#### Into the future

Sandra Snaddon, Fellow of the Guild of Glass Engravers, *informs us that* The Guild of Glass Engravers Exhibition 21<sup>st</sup> Century Engraved Glass will be held 24<sup>th</sup> August - 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at Holy Trinity Church, Amblecote, Stourbridge DY8 4DL. <u>https://www.gge.org.uk</u>

#### No, me neither

If, like me, you have ever remotely tried with no success to comprehend just how a glassmaker actually does it, then look no further than this link kindly provided by Allister Malcom. Settle back with a cup of something for just 3m 23s and watch in awe as Allister makes it look about as easy as shelling peas. <u>https://youtu.be/KxhzvgvvsZg</u>

#### **Glass fair news**

Christina Glover of Specialist Glass fairs (<u>www.cambridgeglassfair.com</u> and <u>Specialist Glass Fairs</u> <u>Ltd</u>) has brought another of her events to our attention. Here it is in her own words ...

Small but perfectly formed, Ickworth Decorative Glass Fair showcases some great collectable, contemporary and antique glass. Brought to you by the organisers of the Knebworth and National Glass Fairs, this event is must whether you are seeking to add to your collection or just love beautiful things. Entry to the house, gardens and fair is free for National Trust members or admission is £9 to the gardens, which gives free entry to the fair.

The date for your diary is Sunday, 15th September, 2019. Ickworth House is in Ickworth Park, Horringer on the A143, nr. Bury St. Edmunds Suffolk, IP29 5SA.

## Museums for the big boys and girls

As mentioned in GC145, it's not just the kids who can have fun at museums and the latest list of attractions for adults, *Let's Do This*, is also now available. Activities are based principally Red House Glass Cone and 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 leaflets ring 01384 815571.

## CRYSTAL CALENDAR

what's going on and where. Tell us yours

White House Cone museum of glass

As above and on website

### **Red House Glass Cone**

Various dates July to December 2019 JAM (Juniors at Museum) and Let's Do This (adults programme) A wide range of activities for kids and adults based principally at Red House Glass Cone and 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 leaflets ring 01384 815571.

### **Ruskin Glass Centre**

See http://ruskinglasscentre.co.uk/events/

The British Glass Biennale opens 23<sup>rd</sup> August and closes 28<sup>th</sup> September 2019 Submit applications via: <u>https://biennale.submittable.com/submit</u> More information at: <u>http://www.biennale.org.uk</u>

#### Elsewhere around Glassville<sup>©GF</sup>

15<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 *Ickworth Decorative Glass Fair* Ickworth House, Ickworth Park, Suffolk, IP29 5SA. <u>www.cambridgeglassfair.com</u> and <u>Specialist Glass Fairs Ltd</u>

# PARISH NOTICES

thank you for contacting us

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More soon. In the meantime, Keep it Glass.

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#### **Getting involved**

Would you like to be part of a vibrant and enthusiastic group of volunteers dedicated to supporting the British Glass Foundation and its work at White House Cone museum of glass?

Specialist skills or knowledge are welcome but not essential. We are committed to equal opportunities and full training will be given where necessary. To find out more, contact us via the usual address and we will be delighted to do the rest.

#### **Promotional opportunities**

Black Country Radio broadcasts throughout the Black Country on 102.5 FM and also via DAB and on-line around the world. If your event satisfies the criteria of not-for-profit, charitable or philanthropic and is community orientated there is no charge.

Go to <u>www.blackcountryradio.co.uk</u> hover over 'Live' and submit the form you'll find under *Events*. Your announcement will then appear on the *Events Guide*. Allow sufficient notice and the event may be 'voiced' and broadcast live on air during daytime broadcasting. Depending on the number of events, yours might be broadcast several times; there's no guarantee but it should appear at least once. Meanwhile it stays on the *Events Guide* listings on the world-wide web until the day itself.



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

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#### Disclaimer

Wow, this hot weather; do you remember those more innocent days when all you needed for total protection was a tin of Nivea cream? And completing a scorching Wimbledon for another year reminds me of when my mate was accidentally killed by a tennis ball. At least he had a lovely service. Which did in turn cause me to think it was high time we dedicated a *Disclaimer* to the subject of sport and exercise. You know the sort of thing, like convincing yourself that obesity runs in the family until you realise that nobody has ever run in your family. Anyway ...

*GlassCuts* is the muscle-bound bulletin of the British Body Mass Index Foundation (*I'm well below 30 so there, how about you? - Ed*). It is bench-pressed together and held in place with non-steroids supplements by a team with torn muscles and stress fractures here in the shimmering but sweaty opulence that is *GlassCuts Gym* and has no other function than to win medals, set new records and perhaps even say a bit about glass.

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

This email is sent to you solely on the basis that you are a super-svelte gym-bunny with rippling biceps developed by years of lifting and putting down email bulletins like this but if you do not wish to receive further *GlassCuts* then send an email marked: 'I'm so idle I didn't know the missus had left me until I ran out of clean cups' to <u>bgf@britishglassfoundation.org.uk</u>

BGF welcomes onward transmission to anyone you feel may appreciate our quest for physical perfection in an imperfect world. Similarly if you have anything you consider may be worthy of our colleagues out there in the *Wonderful World of Dumbells*<sup>®GF</sup> then send it to BGF at the usual address.

Must dash; I have to console my best mate who was so disappointed with Wolverhampton Wanderers' performance last year that he nailed his season ticket to his gate and somebody pinched the nail. But finally, a warning to the person who stole my glasses. I will find you. I have contacts. Oh dear.

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