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Aldeburgh invites you to its 'CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS'



The popular seaside town of Aldeburgh will be buzzing on Saturday 2 December when the Jubilee Hall throws open its doors to Christmas shoppers who will browse a range of gifts from local traders, enjoy the school choir and visit Santa.

Mulled wine, mince pies and children's refreshments will be available throughout the event which opens at 11am and closes at 4pm.

The town trail can be completed by children, with a prize for every correct entry, and there will be demonstrations and attractions along the High Street throughout the day. A small funfair will be set up near Moot Hall. The grand finale will be the switching on of the lights at 4pm.

Sally Odgen is chair of Aldeburgh Business Association. She said: "The event last year was a great success, so much so that we have decided to start earlier in the day. Santa will be on his sleigh with sacks of presents for the children and there will be the opportunity to chat with friends over a mince pie.

"To keep up to date with news about the event take a look at the Aldeburgh Christmas Lights Facebook page and share it with our friends and family!"

Most of the stalls for the event have been booked but there are a few remaining, local businesses that want to take part with a stall or in-shop demonstration can still contact Sally at: sal.ogden@btinternet.com. A percentage of profits from the event will be donated to East Anglian Air Ambulance.

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"TERRIFIC ORIGINALITY"

Libby Purvis (Suffolk Magazine)

Little Nell Trent lives with her devoted grandfather in his London shop, a magical place filled from wall to wall with dust-laden treasures. He keeps his nocturnal gambling secret but becomes deeply in debt to the villainous loan-shark Quilp. When grandfather gambles away what little money he has, The Old Curiosity Shop is seized by Quilp as payment and he and Nell are forced to flee London. On the run and with Quilp on their trail, the pair fall in with a succession of colourful characters, some friendly, some ominous.

The novel was a sensation when it was serialized in 1840-41. The excitement at the release of the last installment has been compared to the publishing of the last Harry Potter novel, Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows. It was so popular in New York that readers stormed the wharf when the ship bearing the final arrived in 1841.

In The Old Curiosity Shop Dickens gave to the world some of his most enduring fictional characters, such as the almost demonic Daniel Quilp, the rakish but kind-hearted Dick Swiveller and "The Marchioness".

After their acclaimed touring productions of The Unhappy Medium and The Bantam of the Opera in 2016, CGTC return to Aldeburgh with their riotous, theatrically inventive adaptation of Dickens' masterpiece. The cast includes actors Julian Harries, Joe Leat and Eloise Kay and, playing the original folk music by Pat Whymark, actor-musicians Ivan Wilkinson and Tristan Teller (whose violin skills were seen and heard by millions when he gave a riotous solo performance for the grande finale of Strictly Come Dancing's 2013 Christmas Special.

Tickets: £10/£7 (Under 21s) from 07807 341364



Last Saturday the Aldeburgh Jubilee Hall partnered up with The Britten Pears Foundation for this years Big Draw event. The Big Draw is an arts education charity, founded in 2000 that promotes visual literacy and the universal language of drawing as a tool for learning, expression and invention. It has now become the worlds largest celebration of drawing and takes part throughout October each year.

This year we opened our doors to two different events:

The Red House, home of The Britten Pears Foundation hosted a group of adult drawers, who were guided through different drawing techniques by artist Ruth Wharrier. With the Red House as its subject, they focused on objects ranging from the buildings and interiors to the flora and fauna in the gardens. This was a chance to get to know parts of The Red House in more detail and with such abundant surroundings, there was no shortage of subject.

The Jubilee Hall focused on the family event. This was a chance for families to take part and drop in throughout the day to pick up some art materials and have a go at drawing. The loose theme of the day was 'taking your line for a walk'. We hoped this would encourage people to put a pen/crayon/pencil to paper without fear and see

Draw



what happens. We saw a number of families throughout the day of many different ages, drawing together, drawing around each other, discussing ideas and having fun. This being the main focus of the event!

There was a chance at the end of the day for adults and children to view each others work at either location. We hope to display some of the works created that day at The Red House before Christmas so please do contact them for more information. We also hope to run a similar event next year so please check our websites for more information closer to the time. We hope to see you there!

www.aldeburghjubileehall.co.uk
www.brittenpears.org



HAVE YOUR SAY ON CAR PARKING IN SUFFOLK COASTAL

Suffolk Coastal District Council is undertaking a consultation in relation to the implementation of Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) in April 2019.

CPE provides an opportunity for Local Parking Plans to be produced defining off-street and on-street parking control policies. The aim of this consultation is to gain an understanding of local issues and possible solutions to feed into the Local Parking Plans so changes can be implemented in April 2018 before a freeze is imposed in readiness for CPE.

Aldeburgh Town Council and Parish Councils have already reported their initial ideas:

ALDEBURGH

Implement Pay and Display tariffs at Slaughden Quay/Sea Wall/Slaughden Road (land ownership needs to be clarified as unclear if highway or council land).

DISTRICT-WIDE

Special Filming Permit Agreement – to give permission to park production vehicles in car parks to enable Suffolk to be used for more filming.

Discontinue Resident Off-Street Season Ticket discounts - currently a discretionary 50% reduction can be applied for in seven named car parks in Aldeburgh, Felixstowe and Woodbridge. This was introduced historically where a resident lives at an eligible address that has no off-street parking and charges were first introduced in a nearby car park.

Confirmation is now being sought that these ideas are still relevant and asking the public to put forward views on current problems and possible solutions for all areas in Suffolk Coastal.

We are particularly interested in hearing views on the following:

- How car parking can better support the economy of town centres and businesses
- How car parking can better support tourism
- How CPE can address other local parking issues and where there are particular problems related to poor parking

To have your say, please email: carparking2017@eastssuffolk.gov.uk or in writing to:

Car Parking Consultation
 c/o Operational Partnerships,
 Suffolk Coastal District Council, East Suffolk House,
 Station Road, Melton Suffolk IP12 1RT

If you would like to have a discussion about what we can and can't do under CPE then please call Kerry Blair on 01502 523007.