



Generating Steam

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Welcome to the December issue of the ebulletin.

In this issue we report back on the Social Enterprise event held at the Scottish Parliament and update you on another exhibition we are taking part in.

Christmas is now well and truly coming to The Engine Shed, with the excitement building up day by day. This year our annual Christmas outing for our trainees is a visit to the Lyceum to see Peter Pan.

Best wishes to you all for Christmas and the New Year!

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SSEC – GARDEN LOBBY EVENT

Engine Staff once again participated in this 'not to missed' annual get together of social enterprises. We had a stall displaying a wide range of our publicity leaflets as well as a selection of our tasty savoury and sweet bakery products for guests to sample.

This is the 3rd year of this event held at Scottish Parliament on 17th November. It provides a wonderful opportunity to network with each other and to catch up with people you haven't seen for a while. Obviously part of the aim of the event is to raise awareness among politicians about the vast range of entrepreneurial activity happening in Scotland and it was good to see some MSP's doing the rounds.

This occasion was the venue for the First Annual Scottish Social Enterprise Awards ceremony and congratulations to the organisations that achieved an award.

THE BIG MEET – Hampden Park. Glasgow

The Big Meet event will take place on Tuesday 1st December in Glasgow and is aimed at Big Lottery grant holders. The focus is on sharing good practice and celebrating achievement.

This event is packed full of workshops and the day will provide everyone with an opportunity to network and purchase goods from social enterprises. The Engine Shed is one of many social enterprises exhibiting on the day.

FARMERS MARKET –

The Engine Shed will be at Castle Terrace farmers market on 5th December. Popular products including oatcakes, houmous, gypsy creams, cookies, cakes & tofu will all be on sale.

CAFÉ NEWS -

This year, spurred on by the kind donation of a real Christmas tree from Sarah Boyack MSP, we have decided to make a special effort to give the cafe a Christmassy feel. Normally our decoration is understated. We hang paintings of candles painted by staff illustrating 'the light shining in the darkness' – so understated that in past years customers have queried why we haven't put up Christmas decorations!

So do come in and judge our efforts this year. We don't provide a full Christmas menu, rather we will have a choice of seasonal dishes on the menu, with the menu changing on a daily basis.

If you would like an alternative Christmas lunch experience why not reserve a table in our café and enjoy a healthy whole food lunch. Mincemeat pies and Christmas cake to end the meal or just on it's own with a cup of coffee!

Bookings up to 10 people.

Last Chance to Order!!



XMAS CAKES & MINCEMEAT PIES NOW!

8" Christmas cake £9.95 (un-iced) or £16.50 (iced)

Mincemeat pies 45p each or 4 for £1.70

To order either of these products please email the Catering Manager Dereick Rushton dereick@theengineshed.org or ring 01316620040.

Great gifts, hamper treats or treats for all the family!

STAFF & TRAINEE XMAS SHOW

Having set the most important date in the calendar this year, staff & trainees are looking forward to the Lyceums adaptation of Peter Pan.

It is a great night out for everyone, particularly the trainees who enjoy getting glammed up and socialising with friends.

Feedback Jan 2010!