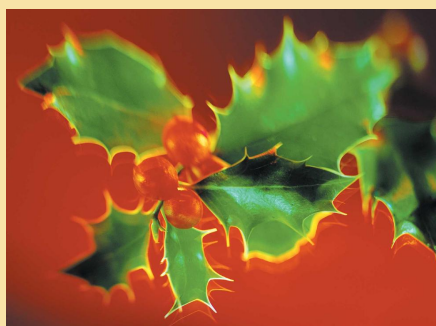


A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS FROM ALL OF US IN THE BRECKS!



The Brecks Tourism Partnership wishes all of its members a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful and successful New Year.

MEMBERS' NEWS

The Third "Tourism in Norfolk Awards" hosted by BBC Look East presenter, Carol Bunndock, were held on 22nd November 2007.

The Brecks Tourism Partnership were nominated finalists in the Most Valued Industry Supplier award. Sadly, we didn't win the category but it's the taking part that counts!

Our congratulations go to the following winners::

Sustainable Tourism Award
Strattons Hotel, Swaffham

Best Visitor Information Centre Award
Kings Lynn Tourist information Centre

Most Valued Industry Supplier Award
Leisure Target Tourism Services Ltd.

DAD'S ARMY

Tourism in Thetford is set for a boost with the opening of a permanent tribute to its strong links with Dad's Army.

A museum featuring second world war items, military paraphernalia, photos and displays of the ever-popular comedy series, which was filmed in and around the town, will open its doors to the public on **December 7th 2007.**

The new display area at the former garage

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DESTINATION BRECKS

ACCESS FOR ALL IN THE BRECKS



'Access for All' trails enable everyone to discover the distinctive landscape, history and wildlife of the Brecks.

This leaflet presents a variety of outdoor routes and information on places to visit and their facilities for those with restricted mobility.

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NEW BRECKS "Access for All" LEAFLET

A new leaflet has been produced which presents a variety of outdoor routes and information places to visit and their facilities for those with restricted mobility. The leaflet also has a selection of trails to enable everyone to discover the distinctive landscape, history and wildlife of The Brecks. For a copy of the leaflet please contact Brecks Tourism.

GO GREEN FOR PROFIT

The Brecks Tourism Partnership had an exhibition stand at the Go Green Day at Gressenhall Museum on 30th September. The event promoted sustainability across Norfolk. Our thanks to Jenny Lock at Greenbanks Hotel for her lovely "green" sponge cake which was a huge hit and to Strattons Hotel for their support.



A wintery scene at West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village.

and fire station at the Guildhall complex off Cage Lane, will now become a pivotal part of the town's popular Dad's Army tours, which will feature a replica of Capt Mainwaring's office.

Stuart Wright, town councillor and chairman of the Thetford Society, who has run 30 tours this year said the museum aimed to "complement, not compete" with the Dad's Army displays at Bressingham Steam Museum, near Diss.



Oxborough Hall in the snow.

PR

The Brecks featured on BBC's Countryfile programme in the autumn. The cycling route Biking and Brewing in The Brecks also featured in the first edition of a new magazine which accompanied the series.

For a copy of the route contact Brecks Tourism

WEBSITE

The Brecks website www.brecks.org has been refreshed and now contains a new Member's Page. When was the last time that you looked at "your" website?

EAST OF ENGLAND TOURISM VISIT THE BRECKS

The Brecks hosted a visit by staff members of the newly relaunched East of England Tourism in October. Visits were made to High Lodge, Grimes Graves and Ecotech. A delicious local produce lunch was provided by Vanessa and Les Scott - our grateful thanks to all involved in helping us to promote The Brecks through our regional partner.

LOCAL PRODUCE - FARMERS' MARKETS

Support your local producers and visit one of the fantastic Farmers' Markets in The Brecks.

Newmarket Market Square - 5th December

Thetford Market Place 7th December 2007 with special rare and traditional breeds of cattle, pigs and poultry on show.

Mildenhall Market Place - 13th February 2008

TRAINING:

Brecks Awareness Day 2nd October 2007

Members of the Brecks Tourism Partnership met at the Old Red Lion Hostel, Bailey Street, Castle Acre a former pub which is situated within the outer bailey of a Norman castle. Delegates made a visit to Narborough Trout Farm and then went on to look at vernacular buildings around the Castle Acre area.

Brecks Awareness Day 7th November 2007

Delegates of the Brecks Tourism Partnership visited RSPB Lakenheath Fen. Information officer Kirsty Nutt led a guided tour of the reserve, after a local produce lunch members made a visit to Mads Cross Nature Reserve in Lakenheath village, then on to Longwood Organic Food Shop at Tuddenham St Mary. A good day was rounded off with a nice cup of tea at Tuddenham Mill.

SIGN UP for the last Brecks Awareness day which is to be held on 5th March 2008 at The British Trust for Ornithology, The Nunnery, Thetford. Places still available - first come first served!

TOP EVENTS

2008 Forestry Commission Concerts announced

Status Quo Rocking all over the woods! High Lodge Thetford Forest Park Saturday 7th June 2008. Tickets are 30 (subject to booking fee) Telephone booking line 01842 814 612 or book online with the Forestry Commission.

Katherine Jenkins, Opera Diva, will perform with The National Symphony Orchestra conducted by Anthony Inglis at High Lodge Thetford Forest Park Saturday 12th July 2008. Tickets are 28.50 (subject to booking fee) and go on general sale from 9.00am on Friday 23rd November. Ticket hotline: 01842 814 612 or book online with the Forestry Commission.

Look out for more concert confirmations on: www.forestry.gov.uk/music

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