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Christmas Tree Festival

Our annual Christmas Tree Festival has gone from strength to strength over the last few years and can provide valuable exposure for your company, group, school or business. Last year there were nearly 500 visitors in the first hour of viewing.

Trees are sponsored and decorated by you, enabling you to share your group's news, provide valuable advertising and Christmas Wishes to those who attend the festival. It is a beautiful and colourful opportunity to demonstrate your group's involvement with the community whilst supporting our work with all ages (toddlers to silver surfers). Various events and a concert will be organised during the festival and if your group would like to participate in any of the activities, please tick the box on the attached form to reserve a place.

The tree supplied, decorated and donated by your group will be available for viewing in St John's Church from 23rd November until 8th December. As last year, there will be a silent auction during the festival. Members of the public will be invited to place their bids. Trees will be available to the winning bidders on 9th December. A certificate will be presented to the winners of the best dressed tree in two categories – youth group and adult group.

The Grand Opening will be on Saturday 23rd November to coincide with the Hythe Mistletoe Fayre. There will be a FREE concert by Hythe Ukulele Group in the church that evening to mark the opening of the Festival, and a further FREE concert by Four Seasons on 7th December, as we come to the end of the festival. On each occasion refreshments will be available of mulled wine, soup, coffee and mince pies. All are welcome to attend these events.



We sincerely hope you will continue to support us as we do feel that the festival is a real way of bringing the community of Hythe and the Waterside together.

Please fill in the slip below and return to St. John's Hall or email me as soon as possible.

Christine Richards

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Name of Group …… wishes to take part in the Christmas Tree Festival.

Contact Name……Tel. No……

We will deliver the tree to St John's Church decorated …… Yes / No

We would like to decorate the tree in the church …… Yes / No

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- *The event will take place 23rd November until 8th December*
- *The participant/group /business to provide a decorated tree between 2' and 6'*
- *Decorated in a theme of your own choice*
- *It would be appreciated if you could provide lights on the tree as these add to the general ambiance*
- *A card (A5 size) can be placed alongside your tree giving details of your groups' activities or involvement with the local community.*
- *The church will be open on Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd November from 1.00 pm to 8.00 pm in order for people to decorate trees in church if they wish.*
- *A certificate will be presented for the best tree in two categories – Youth Group (under16) and Adult.*
- *Trees will remain in church until after the Christingle Service on the 8th December and can either be collected by the successful bidder or delivered (at a cost of £5) on Monday 9th December.*
- *There will be no charge for viewing the trees although there will be a box for donations.*
- *All money raised will be split between Hythe 2000 and St John's Church to support their projects.*
- *The GRAND OPENING will be on Saturday, 23rdNovember to coincide with the Mistletoe Fair in Hythe. This will take place in St John's Church at 7.00 pm when Brian Dash will officially declare the Festival open. Immediately following the Grand Opening there will be a FREE concert given by the Hythe Ukulele Group.*

  On 7th December at 7.00 pm there will be another FREE concert this time given by Four Seasons, a local singing group.

  At each concert refreshments will be available of mulled wine, coffee, soup and mince pies. ***All are welcome to attend these events.***