

## Newsletter no.16

December 2005

### Christmas Social

Don't miss our next social on **Thursday 15th December, 5.30pm – 8.00pm at The Rainbow, High St., Lewes.**

There'll be tapas/canapes laid on and tables/space reserved for us, so we hope as many Artisans as possible can make it. As well as some tasty nosh there'll be the chance to win some sought-after and fought-over Lewes Artisans merchandise. New members are especially welcome - please come along and meet your fellow Artisans.

*To help us with numbers for the catering, please let either Simon, John (numbers above) or Robin (470010) know if you're planning to come – thanks.*

### New Members

We're very pleased to welcome our newest Artisans:  
**Sarah Burges**, Ceramic Restorer

**Saira Foden**, Bespoke Wedding Stationer

**Mary Gribbin**, Floral Designer

**Richard & Alison Hawley**, *Intrepid Theatre*, Theatre Company

**David Stanbridge**, *Sussex Bedrooms*, Fitted Bedroom Furniture

**Nina Terrywood**, *The Laurels*, Creative Sewing Courses

### John's back ... and thank you to Phil

John is now back from Canada and will be 'taking back' the job of dealing with membership renewals. If you've received a reminder lately and haven't got round to replying, it would REALLY help us if you would do so. Even if you're not sure whether you will be renewing or not, please let us know. We now have 115 members and the sheer time and energy it takes to chase people up is very draining! Meanwhile, a huge thankyou to Phil Duncan for helping out over the summer and doing a fine job.

### The Big Ad

Thank you to everyone who took part in the November 4th 'Big Ad' in the Sussex Express. There will be another opportunity to take part in the Big Ad in the Spring, which is also when our brand new directory comes out (read on for more!)

### Directory

The start of 2006 will see not one but TWO updated directories.

First of all there will be a version going out in January as an insert in a new publication, AllServices4U, which is the brainchild of Lewes resident Mark Sykes. AllServices4U ([www.allservices4u.co.uk](http://www.allservices4u.co.uk)) is an annual directory of local services which will be distributed free to all households and businesses in the Lewes area.

We will then be producing a new and improved Spring edition which will include all paid-up members at the time of going to press (around the beginning of February). So if you are due for renewal before make sure you get your subs off to us before the deadline! This will be distributed as an insert to the Lewes News in March, to co-incide with our next 'Big Ad'.

### Mugs

Our 5th birthday commemorative mugs are proving popular with beverage drinkers everywhere. Still available from Simon, just £3 each – fantastic Christmas presents! Alternatively, there's a mug on its way to the Artisan who comes up with the wittiest captions to this celebrity snapshot.

### SEASONS GREETINGS TO ALL

**Robin, John & Simon**

