

Junction One's Antler Supports Team NI at Delhi

Junction One luggage and travel accessories store Antler recently teamed up with the Northern Ireland Commonwealth Games Council and supplied the 80 strong Commonwealth Games team as well as support managers and coaches, with a range of suitcases for the Commonwealth Games held in Delhi, India during October. The Games were deemed a huge success for Team Northern Ireland with a medals haul of 10 including 3 gold, placing the team 13th on the overall medals table.

Pictured prior to their 'passage to India' are swimmer Conor Leaney and relay sprinter Jo Patterson with Antler store manager Susan Mairs (right).



Good Times Ahead For Local Villages

Changes are underway for our local villages, thanks to funding from

GROW SOUTH ANTRIM.

Under the Village Renewal theme of the Rural Development Programme support is available for Toome, Templepatrick, Parkgate and Crumlin.

Toome

Funding has been awarded for a Masterplan for Toome which, after consultation with the local community, will be completed by January 2011. It's anticipated that the village will apply for additional funding to implement aspects of the plan in Spring.

Templepatrick & Parkgate

Using GROW's funding, a Village Renewal Facilitator has been employed by the Council for up to two years. Briege Trainor will provide hands-on support to rural villages across South Antrim, including Parkgate and Templepatrick, and to help develop Village Plans for these areas. Further funding will be available from 2011 to implement aspects of these plans.

Crumlin

The Council's Masterplan for Crumlin is being implemented with funding of £230,000 from GROW. The Village Enhancement Scheme is being complemented by support from DRD Roads Service and Northern Ireland Electricity. The scheme will involve removing old overhead electricity cables and poles, installing new street paving and street furniture, such as bins and hanging baskets and undertaking a programme of tree planting. Traffic management improvements on Main Street are also planned.

The main contractor has recently been appointed and will commence works in January 2011.

* GROW South Antrim is the group appointed by Antrim, Newtownabbey and Carrick Councils to deliver the Rural Development Programme 2007-2013 which is part financed by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact the Village Renewal Facilitator, Briege Trainor on

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Your focus on your town
Streets Ahead

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Welcome to Streets Ahead, a magazine for businesses in Antrim, Crumlin, Randalstown, Toome, Templepatrick and Parkgate. The aim of this magazine is to help keep the local business community fully informed about initiatives and projects taking place in our towns and villages involving the Council and our partners.

CHRISTMAS WINDOW SPECTACULAR

It's the time of year again for shopkeepers in Antrim, Crumlin and Randalstown to put on their thinking caps and come up with some creative Christmas ideas.

Karen Brown, Development Manager (Regeneration and Enterprise) with Antrim Borough Council explains, "Following the growing success of the Christmas window display competition, Antrim Borough Council is bringing some festive spirit into Antrim Borough by encouraging shops and businesses to participate."

Karen continues, "It is a fantastic opportunity to let your imagination run wild. Tap into your creative side to showcase windows filled with winter wonderland ideas and festive good cheer. Entrants will be split into three classes and the official entry form will be sent out shortly".

Karen urges shopkeepers not to let this opportunity of making Antrim Borough an even brighter place this Christmas pass them by. "We are hoping for an even bigger response this year and encourage all businesses in the towns to take part."

So, let the tinsel and holly season inspire you into creating a visual masterpiece for one and all to enjoy!

For further details contact Karen Brown,
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Retailers get ready for the switch-on to Christmas

ANTRIM
Market Square
19 November
5.45 - 7.15pm

PARKGATE
10 December
7.00pm onwards

CRUMLIN
Crumlin Masonic Hall
4 December
4.00 - 6.00pm

TOOME
Toome House
25 November
7.00 - 10.00pm

TEMPLEPATRICK
Twelfth Milsetone
3 December
7.00pm onwards

RANDALSTOWN
Moore's Lane
26 November
6.00 - 9.30pm

Antrim Enterprise Agency – helping you to start your own business



The Go for It programme is designed to meet the needs of individuals looking to set up and run their own business but are just not sure how to go about it.

We at Antrim Enterprise Agency want to offer you the support you need, when you need it.

Eligibility Criteria

- Anyone within Antrim Borough looking to set up a full or part time business
- Must be over 16

What can the programme do for you?

- Help you generate or build on a business idea
- Offer tailored training in key start up areas
- Produce an action plan for the year ahead
- Offer specialised business clinics aimed at more specific businesses needs
- Outline sources of support available to you as you progress

Workshops

- **Market Planning:** This market planning workshop aims to explore the marketing process within the context of business growth.
- **Operations and Legal:** This workshop aims to explore some of the key legal requirements you need to start a business
- **Financial Planning:** This workshop explores the importance of researching all costs relevant to your business
- **Managing your Finances:** This workshop helps you to look at cashflow management, and the importance of keeping records
- **Business Planning:** This workshop outlines how to prepare a business plan highlighting the importance of a business plan

Next Step

Contact Antrim Enterprise Agency for upcoming courses
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Junction One Showcases at Magners Light - Fall for Fashion

Junction One showcased a range of outfits for both men and women at the opening night of this year's Magners Light Fall for Fashion. This is the second time Junction One has been involved and the marketing team believes the centre's presence at the hugely popular fashion event will attract additional shoppers to Junction One and Antrim and also help raise the profile of the centre's extensive offer for all ages.

The first show entitled 'Something Old, Something New' featured Junction One stores Next Clearance, Tom Tailor, Klass, Kurt Muller, Quiz, Staccato, Pavers, Mexx and Levis.



Junction One helps Randalstown Ladies Kick off New Hockey Season



Junction One's Ursula Shannon wishes the Randalstown teams the best of luck for the current 2010/2011 season. Junction One is set to back the top ranking ladies club once again and Ursula is pictured with Randalstown Club Captain Hannah Woods showing off the new Junction One banner which will be on display at the Antrim Forum during Randalstown home matches.



CASTLE MALL HAS AN ART ATTACK



Pictured at the final session were:

Castle Mall Centre Manager, Theresa Murray (back left) and artist Jolie Dennison (back right) with children from Rathenraw P.S. showing off their autumn landscapes.

Castle Mall ran its popular bi - annual schools art initiative, Art for Schools, 11-15 October and the theme for this session was autumn landscapes.

Schools attending were:

- Riverside
- Anahorish
- Creggan
- Loanends
- Mount St Michaels
- St Oliver Plunkett
- Randalstown
- Antrim
- Rathenraw



PROUD TO BE THE FIRST FAIRTRADE BOROUGH IN NORTHERN IRELAND

Antrim is the first Borough in Northern Ireland to be awarded Fairtrade status.

Mayor of Antrim, Councillor Pam Lewis comments, "Fairtrade Borough status is very special. It means that as a Borough, we have recognised the importance of Fairtrade and identified people who are committed to supporting and promoting it including traders, schools, churches, workplaces and the Council. I would congratulate everyone in the community who has had a part to play in working towards this achievement."



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