

News flash

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ROBINSON CRUSOE **Hilliers Grand Bauble Hunt** **or Telling a story through Trees!**

The Mayflower Theatre has announced a joint initiative with Sir Harold Hillier Gardens this Christmas and you can be part of it too. Get involved for some swash buckling fun when we join forces to promote the Mayflower's pantomime Robinson Crusoe through the *Sir Harold Hillier Gardens Christmas Trail - the Grand Bauble Hunt*.

Eastleigh Borough and Romsey MENCAP are looking for local people with learning disabilities to work with Mayflower staff and a public artist to create tree dressings telling the story of the pantomime through the trail. There will also be the opportunity to visit the gardens at a reduced rate to see the whole trail.

Our Group will have a drama workshop to explore the story of the pantomime, followed by two half day visits from a professional artist to create the tree dressings. The artist will take away our design ideas to create tree dressings for the Robinson Crusoe story trail.

Dates: Friday November 15, 22 and 29. 12.00 to 3.30pm.

Bring your lunch, eat together and meet everyone on the project.

Price: £15 to join the project.

Call Michelle if you want to be part of this – limited spaces, so hurry!
023 8048 3471 or email: ebr.mencap@ntlworld.com

CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARD FAYRE **THE DOVETAIL CENTRE IN CHANDLERS FORD**

Saturday morning - November 9, 2013

Cards and gifts to purchase, good refreshments and a raffle!

Come along and support us

AGM & Annual Social Night

Come and join us for an evening of entertainment and fun at our Annual Party
Saturday 23 November 2013

from 7.00pm to 10.00pm

Cranbury Community Centre

Cranbury Road, Eastleigh SO50 5HT

Music, dancing, Exhibition of Flagship Art work, free buffet, soft drinks for sale, Picture Quiz and Raffle.

Tickets: £7 per adult, £4 per child or Family Ticket (2 adults and 2 children) £20, Support workers £7.

Please pay on the night but send your numbers in by email or call and leave a voice mail by 18 Nov to ensure we cater for you and your friends.

LIMELIGHT LOCAL

Our young peoples' group, The DREAMERS, are working hard on their new production which will be performed in schools and colleges in November and December. The young people have been meeting regularly at The Berry Theatre. They play games and do creative activities as well as talking about issues which are important to them. The performance has been created by the young people from their discussions.

If you are a young person and this project interests you, why not sign up for the January 2014 course. We are recruiting right now!

We are very proud to be recipients of a grant from the Big Lottery to support this particular Theatre in Education project. The group are achieving great things for themselves and are keen to give their message to other young people in our community.



HEALTH WALKS

EBR Mencap Society's Walking Group is open to anyone who enjoys walking. Meet at 11.00am for a walk of approximately two miles.

November 2 – Hamble to coincide with the Hamble Fayre

November 16 – Hillhead walk along the sea front.

Nov 30 – Netley – meet at the Railway station

Dec 14 – Manor Farm Country Park. Meet at QE2 Activity Centre

Call Helga Baker on 01489 784633 or Kath Rau 023 8026 5426 if the weather is poor, to find out if the walk has been cancelled. Cancellations are rare and regretted.

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