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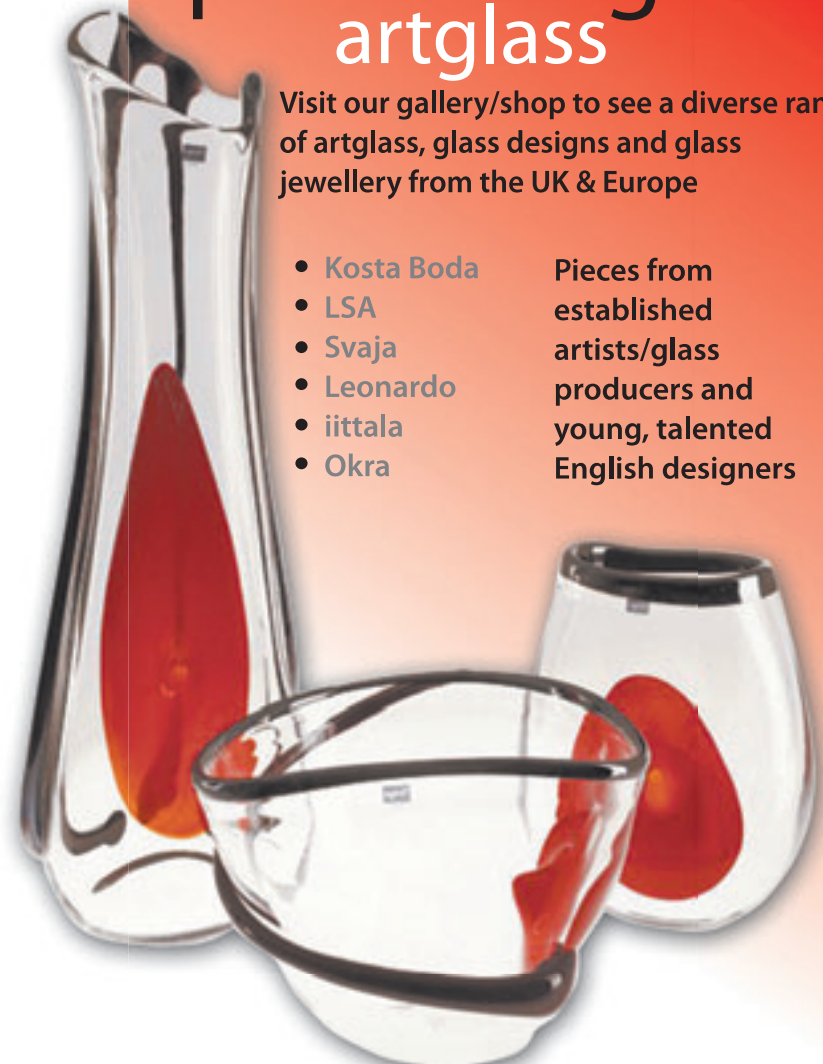
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THE build up to Christmas in Knutsford begins in earnest when the lights go on in the town centre on Wednesday, November 29. This is an enjoyable evening for everyone with community carol singing, music from the Mereside Brass Band and carols sung by pupils from Bexton Primary School. The switch-on ceremony in Canute Square will be performed by Knutsford Town Mayor Clr Tony Ranfield and Macclesfield Borough Mayor Clr Jim Crockatt at 7.30pm, with entertainment from 7pm.

Master of ceremonies Ric Dallimore will ensure everyone has a great time and that the proceedings go ahead without a hitch. During the evening, the 20ft high Christmas tree and 20 smaller trees will be lit giving Knutsford a warm, festive glow. The winner of Knutsford's best-dressed business window will be announced. Look out for members of the Knutsford Guardian's promotion team who will be mingling among the crowd, handing out chocolates, balloons and other company merchandise. The following Sunday,

December 3, there will be an outdoor Tree of Light and crib ceremony outside Booths supermarket at 4.30pm. Once the seasonal festivities are over, you might want to enjoy the traditional family pantomime Snow White which is being staged by Knutsford Little Theatre. You can catch the show between January 18 to 20 and 25 to 27 at 7.30pm and on January 20, 21, 27 and 28 at 2.30pm. A little further afield, Silk Brass, Macclesfield's very own brass band will wish people a Merry Christmas with its annual Christmas concert at St Michael and All Angels Church, Market Place, Macclesfield on Friday, December 15 at 7.30pm. Traditional festive music including carols will be on the programme.

### Order now for Christmas!

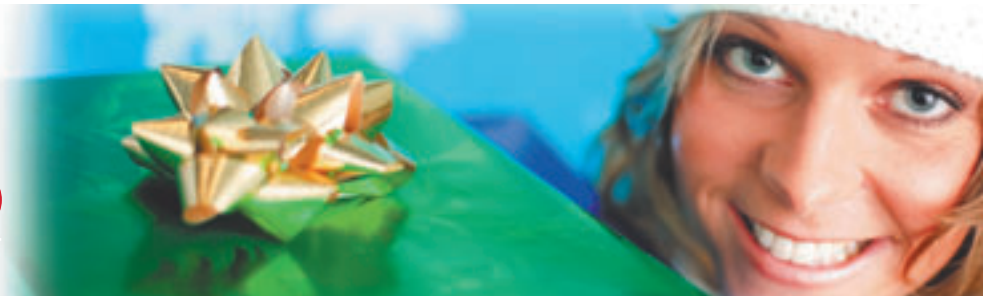


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**K**NUTSFORD will be awash with festive spirit this season as the community gears up for Santa's arrival.

And during this hectic holiday, it's good to know that mid Cheshire has everything you need to make Christmas extra special for all the family.

Residents enjoy the benefits of having a variety of retailers, restaurants and service providers. From convenience stores to florists; dry cleaners to chemists; restaurants to hairdressers and lots more besides, this part of Cheshire is blessed with a variety of retail outlets that cater for everyone. Choosing the right Christmas presents for your loved ones should be a gift.

Still, you may want to spend a bit of time planning your big shopping expedition by narrowing it down a little and here we provide a quick guide to the sort of things you can pick up for him, her and the children.

For her, items that will either make her feel a million dollars or give the impression that you've thought carefully about her desires are top of the list.

Things that say 'get back in the kitchen' are definitely out. Clothes are great, as long as you've done your homework on colours and size.

Taking the trouble to choose items that blend with an existing wardrobe or accessories will reap rewards.

You'll score extra points for phrases such as: "I thought it would go with your..." as you present your gift, but those Brownie points can just as easily be lost if her reply is: "Mmmmm...is the receipt in the bag still?"

Chocolate won't go down well if she's on the verge of starting a diet but they'll be okay if she's confident enough to indulge without piling on the pounds. As far as blokes are concerned, socks and underwear are not the no-no they once were, but go for something luxurious or something cheeky to show that a bit of thought has gone into it.

There are plenty of boys' toys to choose from, too, so don't be afraid of going all out to take grown up lads back to their youth with something that will provide them with hours of fun.

As long as you make sure they help load the dishwasher or clear the table before putting the batteries in!

For the children, dressing up as a superhero is always fun, but don't underestimate the pleasure they'll have in finding you've gone for something a little more grown-up than they might expect.



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The Blue Planet Live!, the innovative concert based on the multi-award winning BBC series, is coming to the Manchester Evening News Arena on December 28, 2006, for an exclusive spectacular show! And, today, readers have the chance of winning a family ticket in this easy to enter competition.

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This is the first BBC natural history series that has been transformed into a live event... bringing together the magic of the underwater world with the atmospheric music of a world-class composer.

With different emotional moments to appeal to a broad family audience, The Blue Planet Live! is this year's Christmas treat!

Tickets: £26.50 (£19.50 concessions) plus booking fee. Call: 0871 230 2610 (24 hours) / Piccadilly Box Office 0161 832 1111

#### HOW TO WIN!

Simply call our competition hotline on 0901 151 0221 and leave your answer to the question below, along with your details when prompted. Or you can text your answer too! Start the message by entering in the keyword CHCOMP18, leave a space and then key in your answer and your name and address and send it to 88010.

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