



Hello everyone,

Christmas is almost here once again, and The Debenham Project's various clubs are trying to make this month's occasions festive and just that little bit more special with Christmas lunches and teas, crackers and chocolates. This is one of the times when we look forward to the arrival of our very own "Christmas Music Man" at the Carers Club on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Those of you who are participants in the project will recognize Stephen McKie from his other performances including the garden party in July, and know what a treat we are in for. What you may not know is that he juggles his career as a brilliant professional singer/songwriter with providing care and support, with all that entails, for his mum and dad. He generously volunteers talents for which we are so grateful.

However, before Christmas comes Advent. Many of you will remember last year's display of "Charitrees" in the church during December celebrating various local groups and charities. This time the theme will be "Debenham Stars" and will run from the 11<sup>th</sup>. Sue Holifield and her family and friends created a wonderful new way of showing what the project means to those who we are trying to help. Please come and see what they come up with this year – I know it will be equally special.

Thinking about Christmas, if the weather is fine you might like to take a walk in the countryside, or you may be going away for a day or so, and you need the use of a wheelchair. We have one for loan. Just let me know.

Finally, don't forget our memory boxes – if you can help with small items that bring back memories from the 1940's, 50's, or 60's eg kitchen equipment, old buttons, accessories, newspaper articles, household items, or small tools, which you would be willing to donate or lend to us we would be most grateful. Items can be left with Mary Morley at The Oaks, 46 Gracechurch Street. Tel: 860365

Best wishes,

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