

# Collectors Club

Dear Collectors

Welcome to spring 2013-well at least I hope it feels a little more like spring today than it



did when I began writing this newsletter, at which time it was still pouring with



rain and bitterly cold!! Like many of you, just a few weeks ago, we were hit by several centimetres of snow, but not to worry, the warmth continued to glow from our studio & the creative process continued to unfold!

With new projects on the horizon, new designs are forming on the blowing iron and our aspirations for 2013 are being rapidly unveiled. But first a couple of updates:



## Coasters – Amazing response!

Thank you to all of you who have ordered and expressed your delight on receipt of

our coasters. We hoped they would be well received but never expected the huge response that we have had. We will be adding some new designs to the collection over the next few weeks. Our offer of 6 assorted for £50.00 exc postage still applies for members.



## Asprey – Four Seasons

We were delighted to see that the 'Autumn' design was featured on the front cover of the March issue of 'Elle Decoration' and Asprey also selected the 'Winter' design for their 2012 Christmas card. We picked up the Daily Telegraph on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, and nearly spilt our coffee when we saw the Asprey advert featuring our 'summer' vase on the front page!





In addition to London, we are now also supplying a small number of each of the four season's vases to their stores in Tokyo, St.Moritz, Beverley Hills & New York. You can still view these delightful

vases on [Asprey.com](http://Asprey.com) silver & home/vases & bowls.

**Paperweight Article** A very in-depth and informative article has been written about us, which has been published in the Annual Bulletin of the Paperweight Collectors Association Inc 2013. A delightful, hard back publication for avid paperweight collectors. The book is a Limited Edition of 500 copies and our article was written by the extremely knowledgeable Derek Carter, who is the secretary, archivist & librarian for the Paperweight Collectors Circle. A keen collector himself of mainly Scottish & miniature weights,



Iridised Gräal

who also enjoys researching Old English paperweights. Unfortunately, it seems that most, if not all of the 500 copies have already sold out! However, with Derek's permission, we have published the article on our website for anyone wishing to read it.

### New Iridised Gräal & Intrinsic 'Sculptures'

One of our new 'experimental' ideas is to combine carving techniques with sculptural forms. The intention is to integrate the imagery with a free blown, hand sculpted shape, often creating a magnifying lens or window' with which to view sections of the image in more detail. These are the very first pieces, one of which features a new design 'Wild Allium,' so please let us have your feedback-positive or negative-happy or sad!!



'Crabs & Shellfish'

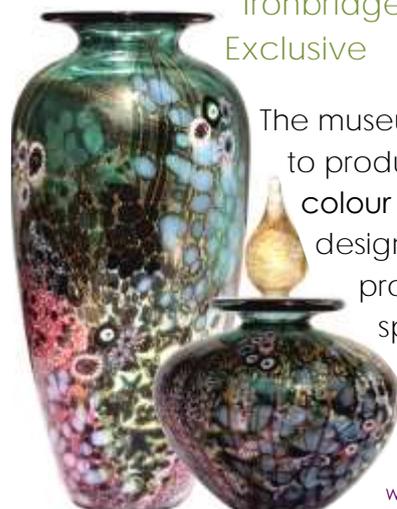
### 2013 More New Designs

At the beginning of this newsletter, I promised new designs and here are two more, 'Crabs & Shellfish' & 'Louisiana Iris.' We hope you like them!



'Wild Allium'

### Ironbridge Gorge Museum Exclusive



The museum have asked us to produce an exclusive colour in the 'Wilderness' design, which as you are probably aware is inspired by the beautiful Shropshire landscape that surrounds our

Wilderness 'Emerald'

studio. We have created this lovely 'Emerald' colour & the three pieces are available on the IGMT website/shop & our own Coalport studio shop.



Gräal Perfume Bottle Exclusive.

In addition to the above, they have also commissioned us to design a gräal perfume bottle for their 'museum collection' inspired by Coalport flowers; and we have selected the 'Spring Blossom' design on an opal white & aqua core with silver leaf. This piece can also

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Olive green  
Asprey Autumn  
Trial please call  
for availability.

selection of lovely pieces that may tempt you to add to your collection! If

you plan to drop in, please let us know so that we can notify the museum entrance staff. We hope you can make it. Light refreshments will be available.

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Do not forget to sign up to our e-newsletter online for mini updates, events, special offers, new designs etc. Please also ensure that we have your current email address.

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be seen on the museum website.

Turning up the Heat Collectors Event – Saturday 27 July 11am-4pm

This year we hope to have two of these fun, informal & informative events at our Coalport studio. Throughout the day we will endeavour to entertain & delight you with demonstrations covering many of our specialised techniques. You will also have the opportunity to 'blow a bubble' & one lucky collector will 'make their own paperweight.' In addition, the shop will be adorned with a



Attached is a small selection of unique pieces. If you are interested in any of these or would like any further details, please get in touch. 01952 246381 or email us.

*Alison & Jonathan.*