

# Collectors Club

Spring 2006

Dear Collector,

At last spring is rapidly approaching and heralds the start of another busy year. We have of course, already been very busy designing and producing new designs all of which will soon be revealed. But first we must update you on our news and forthcoming events.



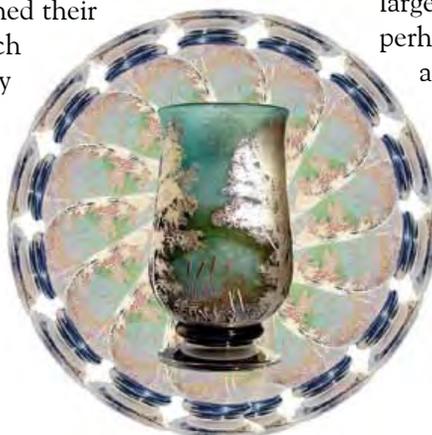
## OPEN DAY

### SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> JULY WESTON PARK

This year we have set the open day in July due to many requests from collectors' who have not been able to attend in September. We hope this date will offer more flexibility and traffic will not be so much of a problem on a Sunday. The day is complimentary, includes a DVD presentation in the auditorium, a delicious buffet lunch, unique 'one off' cameo and gréal 'trials' incorporating new designs, the opportunity to ask us all your questions and of course enjoy the stunning house and grounds of Weston Park Stately Home. **Please remember that spaces are limited and it is necessary to book your place. All collectors' are welcome to bring their partner. To book please call 01952 246381 or email [jonathan@jhstudioglass.com](mailto:jonathan@jhstudioglass.com) ASAP.** Further details will follow in the next newsletter.

## V&A MUSEUM COMMISSION

We are delighted to tell you of a wonderful project that we have been working on with the V&A. The museum opened their new shop on the 14 March and to celebrate this, they have chosen just eighteen artists from around the world to design a work of art in their specialist field, which will create the



V&A 'Cherry on the Cake' collection. The piece must be inspired by items held within the V&A collections. Jonathan (the only glass designer selected) studied landscape paintings by John Constable and created this stunning vase. We have had to keep this project 'under wraps' until now, but have now been given permission by the V&A to give only members' of our club the 'heads up' on this marvellous opportunity. Attached are the full details and if you want to order one of the vases please contact us ASAP as the edition is only 25 and several have already been reserved.

## WELCOME 'TOPIARY'

Continuing along the tree-scape theme we have designed this lovely pictorial new range for 2006. With multi surface complex techniques encompassing layers of enamel powders, a colourful myriad of chips, 24ct gold and silver leaf. We are absolutely delighted with the result and hope you are too! Just for our collectors', we have designed an exclusive limited edition perfume bottle and vase. Both the vase and perfume bottle are available in either pink or turquoise. To order please contact us.



## EDEN 'LAPIS' & 'QUARTZ'

Following the huge response to the 'Eden' collection that we launched last year, we have added two new delightful colours, Lapis Blue and Quartz White. Your catalogue inserts are attached.

## STUDIO DISCOUNTS

As you are aware each piece of JHSG is made entirely by hand and this does sometimes mean that pieces may turn out to be slightly larger or smaller than the required size, or perhaps extra amounts of gold or silver leaf were applied to the surface. We also have examples with additional millifleur and enamel powders that create slight shifts in colour, but each piece is still very beautiful, unique and a fine example of the design. As we now have a selection of these pieces, we thought that we should offer you the benefit of purchasing them.

The huge advantage is that we have devised a specific price list that applies only to these pieces and as you will see the savings are quite attractive. All of these items are **NOT** seconds neither do they have imperfections created by glassmaking faults. Their differences are simply described above and are due only to the surface decoration and the interesting thing is, is that whenever any of these pieces are put on the showroom shelf, they are always the first to sell! We can assure you that the quality is not compromised in any way and you will notice from the pricing structure (printed in blue on your price sheet) that the discounts average between 20-25% as opposed to your normal 10-15%. We are also happy to offer members' a further 5% off these prices! We hope you will take advantage of this new collectors' benefit.



**CAMEO & STUDIO TRIALS NOW AVAILABLE**

Enclosed are details of 'trials' currently available and also a selection of studio trials, which many of you often request. A few details are on the reverse of the sheets, but if you would like any further details please contact us. As you are aware they are all one of a kind so please call us ASAP if you are interested in any of them.

**JEWELLERY SUCCESS**

Thank you to all of you who have complimented us on the new dichroic jewellery. We were so pleased to hear that you were delighted with your purchases and even liked the pendants more than the photograph! We will always have a selection available and each one is individual.



**DIARY DATES**

- May 21<sup>st</sup> National Glass Collectors Fair, Motor Heritage Museum, Gaydon.
- May 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Shropshire Art Festival, Dudmaston Hall, Quatt, Nr Bridgnorth.

Featuring the best of Shropshire's art in all materials.

July 2<sup>nd</sup> Open day, Weston Park (booking is necessary)

August 25<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup> International Festival of Glass, Stourbridge

**EMAIL UPDATE**

We are concerned that some of your email addresses may not be up to date. As you are aware, from time to time we email you news articles, exhibition dates etc and we like to make sure that you are receiving this information if you have requested it. Therefore, if you have not heard from us recently, please send us a quick email confirming your address and we can update our files.

**NATIONAL GALLERY COMMISSIONS**

Just to let you know that we have once again been approached by the National Gallery to design and produce collections for them based on famous artists including Van Gogh and Renoir. These are in the very early stages of development and we can't say too much at the moment but we can guarantee that the projects are very exciting and the collections will be quite stunning. We will keep you informed.

**WESTON PARK GALLERY**

Just a quick update regarding our shop at Weston Park. You might like to keep an eye on our new online shop within eBay.

[www.wpg.me.uk](http://www.wpg.me.uk)

We stock a wide range of collectables including Charlotte de Vita teapots & cups & saucers, Bearington Bears, Willow Tree, our glassware etc., etc. Your 10% discount will be valid on all purchases. Please check for opening times etc.

Well I think I had better leave it there for now and let you digest the contents. Please contact us



for any help or information at any time and please do not delay in reserving your place for the 'Open day' if you would like to attend.

Happy collecting.

*Alisa & Jonathan.*

**PS.** I hope you have all coped with the wintry weather conditions we have been experiencing as well as Chelsea, who along with our three children had a marvellous time!!