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Christmas is just around the corner and we are getting inspired!

Hexham Community Centre are arranging a Festive Window Trail around Hexham in December and we are taking part. We will be decking out the Tans window to celebrate Christmas, community and, most importantly, all of you!



We have sent you a star with this edition for you to decorate as you wish. You can use paint, glitter, whatever you like—the more creative the better. When you've finished please post it back to us or drop it through the office letterbox and they will be added to the starry winter scene in the Tans window ready for the festive season. We can't wait to see what each of you come up with. You are welcome to put your name on your design but no problem if you'd rather keep it anonymous.

Please get your designs back to us by Friday 27th November. For the postal address, see the bottom of this page.

It's great that we've been asked to take part in this and I'm really looking forward to seeing all your designs. Be as imaginative and creative as you can! You'll be able to see the stars yourselves when we've put them up in the Tans—and we might give you a sneak preview in a future edition of Hextol happenings. Bruce



Parkin Recipe:

200g butter, plus extra for greasing

1 large egg

4 tbsp milk

200g golden syrup

85g treacle

85g light soft brown sugar

100g medium oatmeal

250g self-raising flour

1. Preheat the oven to 160°C and butter and line a deep 22cm square tin
2. Add the egg and milk to a bowl and beat lightly with a fork
3. In a large saucepan, melt the golden syrup, treacle, butter and brown sugar gently until the sugar has dissolved
4. Next add the oatmeal, flour and ground ginger and stir
5. Finally, add the egg and milk mix and stir until all combined
6. Pour the batter into the prepared tin and bake in the oven for around 50 minutes until the cake is firm to the touch, crusty on the top and a skewer comes out clean.



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Simon Fraser Photography

Simon Fraser is a long standing customer of Hextol and currently Greenbox are busy packing thousands of his cards ready for Christmas!

Simon is a local photographer whose portfolio literally spans the globe! He has travelled and worked in some of the most remote and beautiful places including the Antarctic and the Himalaya, and has over 30 years' experience creating breath-taking images. Why not check out his website to see his work!



Some of his most popular cards showcase the best of our local area including sites like Hexham Abbey, Hadrian's Wall, the North Tyne Valley and the iconic red squirrel!



We are always thrilled to work with Simon- it's a job Greenbox volunteers look forward to every year. We hope to continue our collaboration long into the future!

• SIMON FRASER
• PHOTOGRAPHY •



Funder Focus:



The Edward Gostling Foundation

At the start of lockdown we applied to the Edward Gostling Foundation to help us with our running costs while we had to temporarily close our businesses. They responded within 5 days and actually gave us twice the amount we asked for! We are so grateful to this and all of our funders so we can continue to do what we do best, even during hard times.

The Edward Gostling Foundation has a really interesting backstory. After World War Two, the airports around London were expanding. An organisation called the British Airways Housing Society, or BASH for short, was set up to build affordable homes for people who worked for British Airways. Then, in the 1990s, the UK was in a recession and many people in the airline industry fell on hard times and lost their jobs. By this time, Edward 'Ted' Gostling was in charge of BASH and he was becoming very concerned about the financial struggles faced by people who used to work in the airline industry. BASH became the Airways Charitable Trust and helped people in need across the whole aviation industry. After a few years, the name changed to the ACT Foundation in recognition of the fact that Ted and his team now helped people from all walks of life, and not just the aviation industry. Over £40 million has been donated to worthy causes to help tens of thousands of people. Ted was awarded the CBE for his service to the voluntary sector in the New Year Honours List in 2011. Sadly, Ted passed away in October 2018 so In February 2019 there was another name change: the ACT Foundation became The Edward Gostling Foundation as Trustees felt this would be a fitting way to honour the wonderful, charitable person that Ted was and to keep him 'involved' as he always was and always will be!

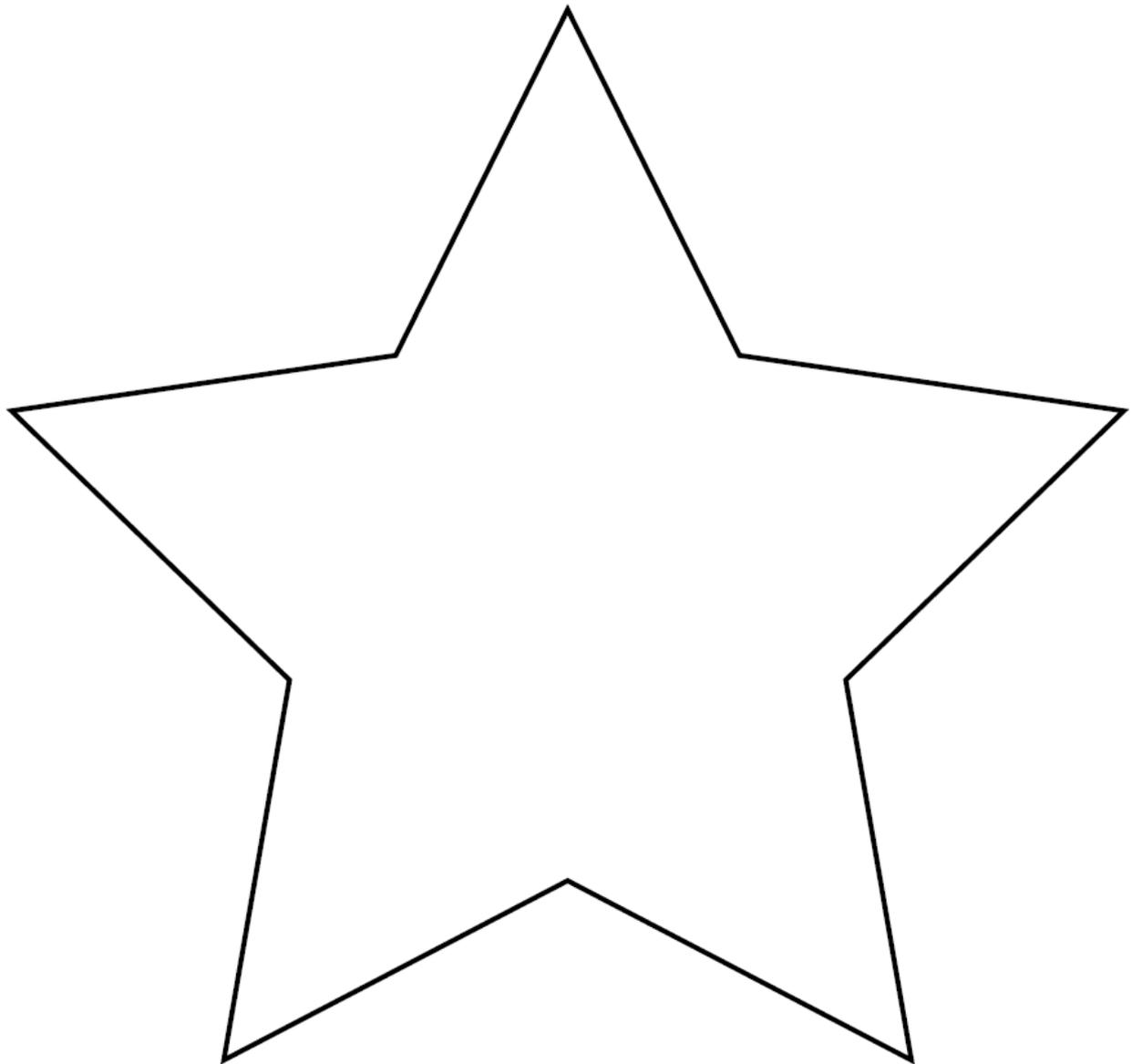


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