



IN COD WE TRUST



The Grimsby Town Supporters Trust Newsletter
Issue 4 **December 2005**

KEEP THE MARINERS AFLOAT CAMPAIGN UPDATE

At the time of going to press (mid-November), the Trust's Keep the Mariners Afloat campaign total currently stands at just under **£17,000**. For those who like to know exactly where the money is coming from, the breakdown is as follows:

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| <i>Donations</i> | 2047.79 |
| <i>Life Memberships</i> | 5008.00 |
| <i>One-year Memberships</i> | 2376.00 |
| <i>Membership Renewals</i> | 1134.75 |
| <i>Merchandise</i> | 540.04 |
| <i>Events</i> | 2021.29 |
| <i>Collections</i> | 2161.99 |
| <i>Sponsor A Sod</i> | 1600.00 |

Almost half the money raised since the last newsletter has come from the Sponsor A Sod campaign, which you can read more about on page four. In addition, the Trust's stall at the Pride in the Park Day at People's Park in August raised over £450. We will be looking to repeat this success again next year at both this and similar events. The Trust now owns **18,500 shares** in GTFC (16,600 purchased since the start of the KTMA campaign) and has 353 members, 60 of whom are life members. The first half of 2006 will be crucial for the Trust, with around 78% of our one-year memberships up for renewal during this period. As the months after Christmas can sometimes be difficult financially, we will be encouraging existing members due for renewal to take out standing order memberships instead of paying annually by cash/cheque/paypal. This has advantages for both you and the Trust:

It costs you less - £12 per year instead of £15.

You can choose to pay by instalments – either quarterly or monthly.

There will be no more renewal forms to fill in. Your membership will be automatically renewed provided your standing order payments have not lapsed.

Not having to send out renewal letters cuts down on the Trust's administration costs.

If all our existing members were to renew their memberships in the first six months of 2006, the Trust would be able to purchase at least another **2300 shares**. If that sounds good to you, then please remember to fill in those renewal/standing order forms when they drop through your letterbox next year.

EDITORIAL

Welcome to the fourth issue of In Cod We Trust, which will hopefully bring those of you without access to the Internet/local media up to date with what has been going on at the Trust since the last newsletter.

Whilst it would have been nice if the fairytale had come true and we'd beaten Newcastle, gone on to play at Old Trafford and Stamford Bridge and wiped out the tax debt, sadly the Mariners are now out of all three cups and the big money-spinning games are history for the time being. This means that whilst the financial situation at the Club is now slightly more rosy, the need to raise money for the Keep the Mariners Afloat campaign is still as great as ever. So we trust you'll forgive us if the majority of the articles in this issue are asking you to part with your hard-earned cash in one way or another, although we'd like to think you'll find that in each case there's something in it for you too!

We are planning to hold the next Trust AGM early next year, so if you have the time to spare and are interested in getting involved at Board level, please contact us at either of the addresses on page four and we'll give you more information and send you the necessary forms.

In closing, may we thank you for your continued support and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Editorial Team

TELLING TALES FOR THE TRUST



"Tales From The Park" is a unique and very funny record of the highly colourful recent history of Grimsby Town Football Club featuring the magnificent artwork of local artist, Mariners fan and Trust member Jim Connor.

Retailing at only £9.95 (plus £1 postage and packing to UK destinations), this hugely entertaining book is the perfect Christmas gift for Grimsby Town fans of all ages. Over 72 A4 pages, it features not only the complete collection of the "Tales From The Park" cartoon strips that have appeared in the Mariner Matchday Magazine over the last five years, but also many examples of the superb artwork that Jim has contributed to the Sing When We're Fishing fanzine since 1989. GTST would like to thank Jim for very generously donating all profits from sales of this publication to the Grimsby Town Supporters Trust and its Keep the Mariners Afloat campaign fund.

To order your copy of "Tales from the Park", simply complete the form enclosed with this newsletter and return it to us with your payment. Alternatively you can order it from the Trust's online shop at www.gtst.net/shop.

Please note that if you wish to order from outside the UK, postage charges per copy are as follows:

Europe = £3.00, Zone 1 Countries = £4.00, Zone 2 Countries = £5.00

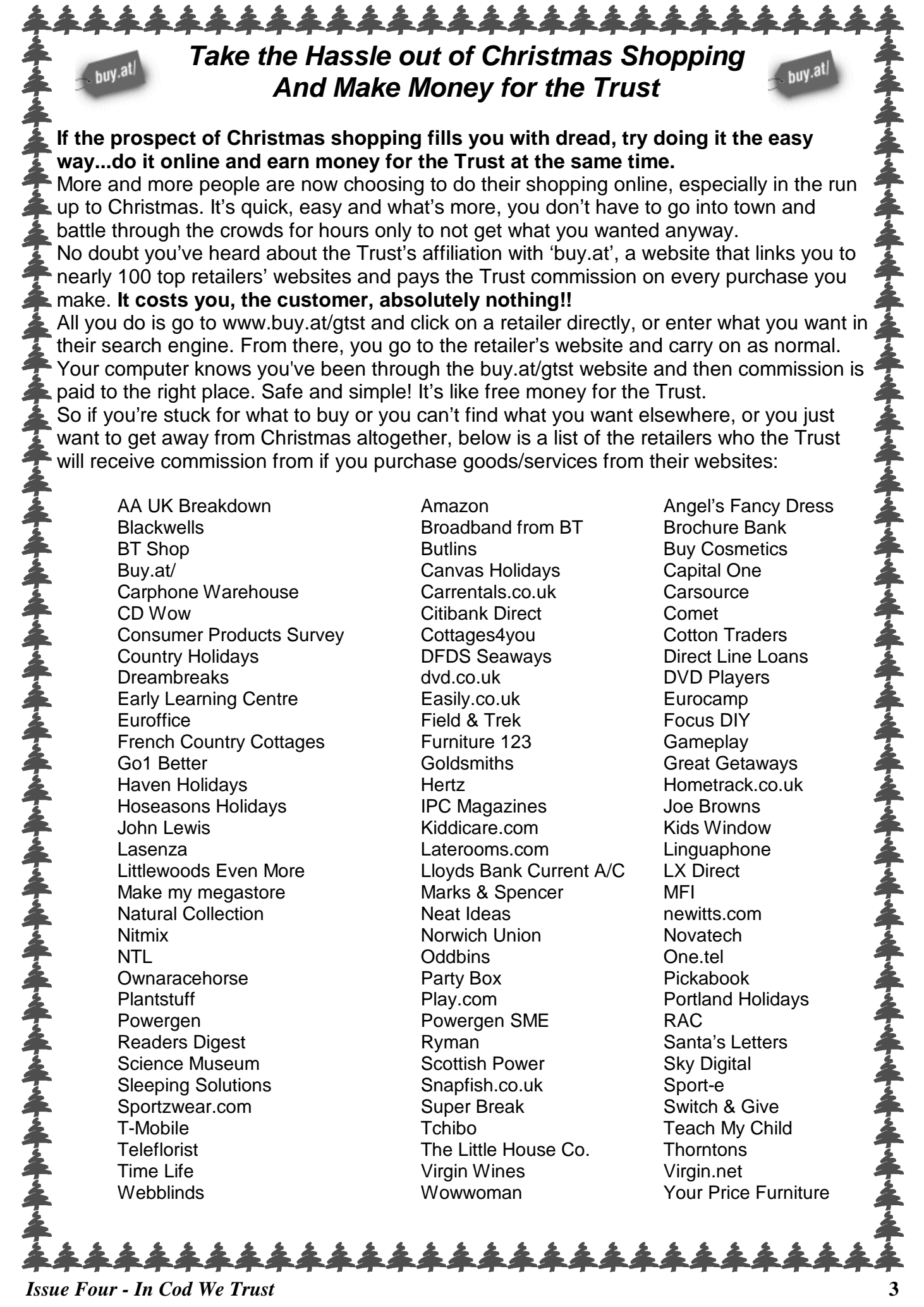
This issue of In Cod We Trust has been kindly sponsored by:

Youngs Insurance Brokers

A local business for local people

Call us for a no-obligation quotation on 01472 358174

Motor, Home, Travel and Commercial



buy.at/

Take the Hassle out of Christmas Shopping And Make Money for the Trust

buy.at/

If the prospect of Christmas shopping fills you with dread, try doing it the easy way...do it online and earn money for the Trust at the same time.

More and more people are now choosing to do their shopping online, especially in the run up to Christmas. It's quick, easy and what's more, you don't have to go into town and battle through the crowds for hours only to not get what you wanted anyway.

No doubt you've heard about the Trust's affiliation with 'buy.at', a website that links you to nearly 100 top retailers' websites and pays the Trust commission on every purchase you make. **It costs you, the customer, absolutely nothing!!**

All you do is go to www.buy.at/gtst and click on a retailer directly, or enter what you want in their search engine. From there, you go to the retailer's website and carry on as normal. Your computer knows you've been through the buy.at/gtst website and then commission is paid to the right place. Safe and simple! It's like free money for the Trust.

So if you're stuck for what to buy or you can't find what you want elsewhere, or you just want to get away from Christmas altogether, below is a list of the retailers who the Trust will receive commission from if you purchase goods/services from their websites:

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| AA UK Breakdown | Amazon | Angel's Fancy Dress |
| Blackwells | Broadband from BT | Brochure Bank |
| BT Shop | Butlins | Buy Cosmetics |
| Buy.at/ | Canvas Holidays | Capital One |
| Carphone Warehouse | Carrentals.co.uk | Carsource |
| CD Wow | Citibank Direct | Comet |
| Consumer Products Survey | Cottages4you | Cotton Traders |
| Country Holidays | DFDS Seaways | Direct Line Loans |
| Dreambreaks | dvd.co.uk | DVD Players |
| Early Learning Centre | Easily.co.uk | Eurocamp |
| Eurooffice | Field & Trek | Focus DIY |
| French Country Cottages | Furniture 123 | Gameplay |
| Go1 Better | Goldsmiths | Great Getaways |
| Haven Holidays | Hertz | Hometrack.co.uk |
| Hoseasons Holidays | IPC Magazines | Joe Browns |
| John Lewis | Kiddicare.com | Kids Window |
| Lasenza | Laterooms.com | Linguaphone |
| Littlewoods Even More | Lloyds Bank Current A/C | LX Direct |
| Make my megastore | Marks & Spencer | MFI |
| Natural Collection | Neat Ideas | newitts.com |
| Nitmix | Norwich Union | Novatech |
| NTL | Oddbins | One.tel |
| Ownaracehorse | Party Box | Pickabook |
| Plantstuff | Play.com | Portland Holidays |
| Powergen | Powergen SME | RAC |
| Readers Digest | Ryman | Santa's Letters |
| Science Museum | Scottish Power | Sky Digital |
| Sleeping Solutions | Snapfish.co.uk | Sport-e |
| Sportswear.com | Super Break | Switch & Give |
| T-Mobile | Tchibo | Teach My Child |
| Teleflorist | The Little House Co. | Thorntons |
| Time Life | Virgin Wines | Virgin.net |
| Webblinds | Wowwoman | Your Price Furniture |

