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**YOU ARE INVITED TO A GRAND AUCTION
IN AID OF BULGARIAN PARTNERS TRUST
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**WITH BBC WEST PRESENTER
AND HOST AUCTIONEER FOR THE EVENING
DAVE HARVEY**

AND DANCE PERFORMANCE FROM SHAMEENA

There will also be a talk about the Trust's work, Bulgarian wine and snacks and a live Bulgarian musical performance

There will be a wonderful selection of goods, services and experiences to bid for, with guide prices ranging from as little as £3.00

On: Thursday 1st October 2009

At: The Clifton Club, 22 The Mall, Clifton, Bristol BS8 4DR

Evening starts at 7.00 pm with wine, canapés and viewing of auction items

Introduction by Didi Openov, Pastor of Sofia Baptist Church at 8.00 pm

Bulgarian musical performance at 8.15 pm

Bidding commences at 8.30 pm

Evening ends with a dance performance at around 9.30 pm

Ticket price: £10 for single tickets, £15 for two, including complementary glass of Bulgarian wine and canapés. There is no charge to those who have donated items for the auction but please let us know anyway if you would like to come. A cash bar will also be available on the evening.

I would like to reserve place (s) at total cost of £ I enclose a cheque for £..... made payable to The Bulgarian Partners Trust

Name Contact details*

Mobile or phone number

*Please provide e-mail address or telephone number so that we can confirm your booking and receipt of payment. No tickets will be issued. Places are limited so please book early.

Listed below are the items that Dave Harvey will be auctioning on the evening (there will also be items on display, not listed here, which you will be able to place a silent bid for. Please come early in the evening to view these and place your bids.)

If you have any comments or queries about the items for auction, or to request a full brochure of all items, or if you would like to send an advance bid for any item, then please don't hesitate to contact Geoff on 07739522075 . Please return booking slips to Geoff at 14 Broncksea Road, Filton, Bristol BS7 0SE

Gourmet evening meal for four cooked as the guests of two expert chefs in their lovely home in Henbury. Our hosts have even kindly offered to agree the menu with you in advance. Weekdays or weekends by prior arrangement. Guide price £100

2 Hours of Decluttering Work offered by a Bristol-based professional in this unique service. Decluttering is working out what you love, use, and/or need in your home and getting rid of everything else. Within 10 miles of Bristol. www.endtoclutter.co.uk Guide price £40

2 Hours Studio Time at Crown Lane Studios, London, where Geraldine Latty www.geraldinelatty.com recorded her CD. A great opportunity for beginners or experts to record their performances professionally. Reserve £70

House cleaning & vacuuming 3 hours of expert hard work by a meticulous male working at your command. It is rumoured that Richard has bought a new vacuum cleaner specially. Within 10 miles of Bristol. Guide price £40

Computer diagnostics and troubleshooting an experienced practitioner will check, update or spring-clean your PC or laptop, and cure problems you didn't know you had. Within 10 miles of Bristol. Reserve £50

3 Harp Lessons You can even borrow the small harp and practice at home. Within 20 miles of Bristol. Guide price £70

5 hours of Classical Piano Lessons by a qualified teacher (A.R.C.M.) at their house in Bishopston. Guide price £100

Gardening Service a whole day (7 hours) of weeding, mowing, pruning, digging etc, from an experienced and capable young gardener. Within 25 miles of Bristol. Guide price £75



Use of Rowan Cottage near Totnes in Devon, for one week. A stone cottage in the hamlet of Aish set in an area of outstanding natural beauty about 4 miles from the shopping delights of Totnes and from the beaches of Paignton. Stoke Gabriel on the river Dart is about a 20 minute walk and has several good pubs and small shops.

The cottage sleeps 5 (1 double, 1 twin, 1 single) and has a sitting room with wood-burning stove, dining room and recently extended kitchen, with French doors onto a patio, overlooking the Dart estuary. There is off street parking for one car. Available in Spring 2010, excluding Easter. Guide price £150



Use of Rose Villa Bungalow in Kidwelly, South Wales for one week. A fully modernized, recently decorated, traditional Welsh cottage 7 miles south of Carmarthen. With lovely views over the Gwendraeth Valley. Sleeps 4 in double and twin beds plus an extra sofa-bed in the living room. Shops within 2 miles. An excellent base for exploring Carmarthenshire, The Gower Peninsular and Pembrokeshire.

The garden is a bit steep and unruly, with landscaping work in progress, and a fast road nearby, so not suitable for young children. Available Spring 2010. Guide price £200



Conducted tour of Upton House, near Tetbury, A unique opportunity to visit Prince Charles and Princess Anne's neighbour, arranged specially for this Auction. The House is **not** open to the public.

Upton House is a magnificent, fully restored, 20 room grand country mansion dating from 1752, furnished sumptuously with exquisite paintings and sculpture, set in 1000 acres of beautiful countryside between Highgrove House and Gatcombe Park.

The House is a private residence but the owner, Mr. Roger Seelig has very kindly offered to entertain up to four people with a glass of wine (Bulgarian of course!), canapés and a conducted tour of his Grade 2* historic House and newly constructed Grand Saloon and East Wing.

You will be amazed and inspired by the neo-classical design and tasteful opulence.
1st or 15th November 2009, or by special arrangement with Mr. Seelig. Guide price £60



Conducted tour of Chavenage House, near Tetbury, by owners Caroline or David Lowsley-Williams. A wonderful Elizabethan House furnished in Cromwellian style.

The House's great hall, amazing tapestried rooms, (one complete with ghost-story) private chapel and historic grounds are steeped in history, and have been the location for many TV productions including Agatha Christie's *Hercule Poirot*, *Casualty*, *House of Elliott*, *Berkeley Square*, *Cider with Rosie*, *Tess of the D'Urbervilles*, *Larkrise to Candleford*, and the BBC's *Curious House Guest*.

Better still; the House is still lived in by the family that has owned it for four centuries. Owner David Lowsley-Williams and his daughter Caroline offer you a warm welcome, a glass of Bulgarian wine, and personal conducted tour of their historic home. You will be enthralled by Caroline's witty and entertaining account of her family history and perspective on the future.

EITHER: For 15 - 30 adults by mutual arrangement on any day of the week excluding Saturday between October 09 and May 2010. Additionally, your whole group can pre-book an excellent meal at modest price if you wish. The menu is available from Geoff Wallis on request. Guide price £50 excluding food.

OR: For 4 adults on Thursday or Sunday afternoons 2 pm to 5 pm between the beginning of May and the end of September 2010. Guide price £15

Conducted tour of the vast chambers inside the Clifton Suspension Bridge Leigh Woods Abutment. For 3 people only.

You will see remarkable 'straw' stalactites; 6mm diameter up to 5 meters long, in large numbers, formed by water dripping for 150 years and look down into another mysterious 10 meter deep chamber through a hole in the floor. These chambers, part of the original Bridge designed by Isambard Brunel, were only discovered a few years ago by accident. A totally unique opportunity by very special arrangement with the Bridge Master as these Vaults are NOT open to the public. Guide price £150



Quarry Blasting. Did you know there is a quarry 3/4 mile long and 120m deep just outside Chipping Sodbury?

Have you ever witnessed thousands of tonnes of rock being blasted out in one giant explosion?

Have you ever seen a machine that instantly smashes up 1/2 cubic meter rocks?

Have you stood next to a giant dumper-truck with tyres as tall as you?

The Area Operations Manager of Hanson's Ridge Quarry in Gloucestershire has kindly offered to admit four people on blasting-day followed by a tour of the 500

acre Quarry which produces about a million tonnes of crushed stone a year. You will see the working levels, a road tunnel cut through rock, the crushing plant, three giant dumpers and you might glimpse the Quarry's resident pair of Peregrine Falcons. And you'll see the blasting!

You will then be able to follow up with a **meal at the Buthay Inn** in Wickwar with a £50 voucher also kindly donated by Hansons! Guide price £75



Balloon Flight with tuition, on flying the balloon, as if you were a trainee pilot! Ascents are normally from Victoria Park, Bath, usually starting at 6.30 in the morning or evening and last about one hour. Imagine yourself hanging noiselessly 1000 feet up in the air looking down on the magnificent sites of Georgian Bath!

Of particular interest if you have ever wanted to FLY a balloon, rather than just be a passenger, or are considering becoming a balloon pilot. Would also make a great gift. Guide price £100



Conducted tour of the Clifton Rocks Railway. The tunnel of this mysterious, underground inclined railway still exists near the Clifton Suspension Bridge in Bristol. You will be able to walk the full length of the tunnel, view a display about the railway when in use, and see the remains of the studios set up by the BBC during the Second World War. The Railway is not open to the public but we have arranged a special access for up to 10 people, (no children under 14). Your group can arrange to visit any evening (except Tuesdays and Thursdays) or at weekend by agreement. Guide price £30



An opportunity to stoke the boiler and help start the World's oldest working steam engine still on its original site, a giant 'beam' pumping engine built in 1812 on the Kennet and Avon Canal at Crofton near Marlborough, Wiltshire.

A tour and history of this fascinating Grade 1 listed historic site is included. Guide price £150

Arabic Dance Group to perform for ½ hour at your party! *Shameena* is an experienced group of amateur dancers who have performed at the Bristol Bike Festival, at the Ashton Court Festival several times and at St Mary Redcliffe Church Fete for the last five years. (Available weekends only, within 10 miles of Bristol) *Shameena* will be appearing at the Auction. www.shameena.t83.net Guide price £50



A bottle of **Vida Nova Tinto 2004 red wine from Sir Cliff Richard's winery** in Guia Algarve, Portugal. Vida Nova means 'New Life'. The 2004 vintage was so successful that it sold out within 2 years and is no longer available. The vintage won the Bronze Medal at the Winemakers International Wine Challenge Festival. The cork has been signed by Sir Cliff. Whether you are a fan of Cliff Richard's music or not, you will certainly enjoy this unique and very rare (14%) award-winning red wine with food. This wine has been donated especially for this Auction. We are not allowed to sell it on the internet, although Cliff Richard fans would pay in excess of £500 for it!



We look forward to welcoming you on the night and look forward to your support at what promises to be a most memorable evening

