OCTOBER 2023 #7

A TASTE OF AUTUMN

Pheasant, venison, quail and partridge all make a return to our menu as Autumn begins and the nights draw in. A time for warming, comfort food with strong flavours and a rich country pub tradition.

"Venison Sausages", made in-house with venison supplied by local gamekeepers, are a first this year at the Berkeley Arms. Not a sausage fan? "Venison Wellington", served



with seasonal vegetables and a rich sauce has proved equally popular. Both are simply delicious!

Delicate, slightly more gamey and sweet in flavour compared to pheasant, partridge brings a less familiar game bird to the table. Our "Bacon Wrapped Partridge Crown" is definitely a dish to look out for and to look forward to.

Fans of pheasant though will love our latest dish, a wholesome and filling "Pheasant and Stilton Pie". Made in-house with game supplied by local keepers and Stilton cheese from the Colston Bassett Dairy - one of the last remaining hand-ladled Stiltons - it's rich, creamy and full of intense and lingering flavours.



VILLAGE CALENDAR

If you've captured an amazing image of somewhere in the parish of Wymondham and Edmondthorpe we'd like to hear from you. It could be a building, landscape, object or person. We're putting together a Village Calendar and we'd like your help in sourcing images for it. Take a look at our Facebook page to find out more or, if you're not familiar with social media, email your favourite image to info@berkeley-arms.co.uk Find out how you can buy a copy of the calendar in next months newsletter!



OLD TIME SAILORS

Saturday 7 October, 7pm The Berkeley Arms, Wymondham TICKETS : www.berkeley-arms.co.uk

BUY tickets NOW to avoid disappointment!

Buy Wymondham concession tickets at the pub for £16pp or general entry tickets online at £20pp.

ULTRAFAST FIBRE BROADBAND

After a door-to-door campaign undertaken by openreach earlier in the month, things are looking more positive for the villages efforts to get Ultrafast Full Fibre Broadband installed. If successful the village will benefit from connection speeds of up to 1Gbps.

openreach

Applying for a free UK Gigabit voucher from the government's Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme and contributing it towards the cost of Ultrafast Full Fibre broadband being extended to the village is the first step towards achieving this goal. It's easy to do, keep reading

48 %

Currently the village is almost half-way to achieving a 1Gbps broadband speed with 48 households and 4 businesses having indicated their support for the scheme.

Visit https://www.openreach.co.uk/connectmycommunity for full details and to request your voucher and contribute towards Ultrafast Full Fibre Broadband in the village.



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

This content has been provided by Terry Brown, Clerk to Wymondham and Edmondthorpe Parish Council, on behalf of the Council.

Parish Council News - October 2023

The Parish Council needs to hear your views on the following two proposals - and remember its your money they are spending!

Should we have village signs for both Wymondham and Edmondthorpe and if so, what features of the Parish would be best and where would the signs be best positioned?

Should we have a Christmas tree on the Village Green in Wymondham?



Does the idea have any relevance in our secular world?

Would it bring any extra Christmas cheer?

Bah humbug.....!!

As always W&E Parish Councillors would be delighted to hear your views on all matters at the next Parish Council meetings on ...

Monday 2nd October at Wymondham Village Hall

Monday 6th November at Edmondthorpe Social Club

Monday 4th December at Wymondham Village Hall

Terry Brown, Parish Clerk wepc.clerk@yahoo.co.uk 01476 516366



An elephant and a crocodile were swimming in the jungle when the elephant spots a turtle sunning itself on a rock. The elephant walks over to the turtle, picks him up in his trunk, and hurls him far into the jungle.

"What did you do that for?" asks the crocodile. The elephant answers, "That turtle was the one that bit me 50 years ago." The crococile is amazed and says, "And you remembered him after all these years? Boy you sure do have a good memory." "Yup," says the elephant. "Turtle recall."



CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH at the Berkeley Arms

STARTER

Lobster Bisque Local Bread and Butter

Fillet of Venison Teriyaki Roasted Fig, Horseradish Mousse

Chestnut and Date Wellington (V) Braised Leek, Lincolnshire Poacher

MAIN

Traditional Christmas Roasted Turkey

Locally Sourced Roasted Free-Range Bronze Turkey Breast, Pigs-in-Blankets, Goose Fat Roasted Potatoes, Parsnip, Sage and Onion Stuffing, Seasonal Vegetables, Homemade Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding, Cranberry Sauce

Roasted Dry Aged Rump Cap of Beef

Rump Cap of Beef, Pigs-in-Blankets, Goose Fat Roasted Potatoes, Parsnip, Seasonal Vegetables, Homemade Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding, Horseradish Sauce

Pan Fried Dover Sole Fillet with King Prawns Baby Potato, Roasted Cherry Tomatoes, Warm Tartar

> Stuffed Butternut Squash (V) Parmesan Potato, Vegetarian Jus.

> > PUDDING

Traditional Christmas Pudding Brandy Sauce

Salted Caramel and Chocolate Tart Ice Cream

Berkeley Arms Christmas Cheesecake Blackcurrant Sorbet

TO FINISH

Local Cheese Board, Mince Pies, Tea and Coffee

£95 per person. Children £45 per child

£10 deposit at the time of booking, balance payable the first week of December

Book online www.berkeley-arms.co.uk or call 01572 787287





BOOK REVIEW

Participants in "Books at The Berkeley" have kindly agreed to write a book review for The Berkeley Arms Newsletter each month. Please contact us if you could do the same.

That They May Face The Rising Sun

By John McGahern (Published 2002)

This novel is set in a close-knit rural community in County Leitrim, Ireland. Joe and Kate Ruttledge return from a life in London to live on a small farm by a lake to get away from the rat race. Their closest neighbours are the gentle and welcoming Jamesie and Mary.



The novel takes place over a year and is about the relationship and interactions between the main characters that include Bill Evans

who represents one of the many abused victims of Catholic rural Ireland, the Shah, a local businessman, John Quinn, a bullish and ignorance man, Jimmy Joe McKeirnan, the local IRA man, and Johnny.

Johnny, Jamesie's brother, has lived in England for many years and works at the Ford car plant in Dagenham. He returns every year without fail to visit his home and family. Then disaster strikes, he loses his job.

To some this may appear to be a boring book but it is far from boring. The writing is so skilful and the characters drawn so brilliantly. There is an abundance of gentle Irish humour and a lovely rhythm to the book. There is joy and beauty in this book.

John McGahern died in 2006. This is his last novel. He wrote a number of novels, short stories and non-fiction books. He is regarded as one of the finest and most important Irish writers.

DISCOVER THE LIVING IRONSTONE **Seasons Finale** Sunday 15 October



Loco's in steam and the final chance to see the exhibition commemorating the 50th anniversary of the closing of Rutland's last ironstone

COMMUNITY CONTACTS

Backgammon at The Berkeley

Every Wednesday, 7.30pm at The Berkeley Arms John Hamlen

Books at the Berkeley 1st Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm at The Berkeley Arms Lynne 07786 998962

Church Bell Ringing 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm at the church Martin Hansen 07540 850858 martinhansen1954@gmail.com

Coffee Morning Every Tuesday, 10am to 12noon in the Village Hall Jenny Weston 01572 787284

Edmondthorpe Social Club 01572 787636

Roots to Wings, Nursery, Pre-School, Out of School 01572 787334 www.roots-to-wings.co.uk

St Peters Church, Wymondham

Rev'd David Cowie revd.david.cowie@gmail.com 01572 789954 www.framlandparishes.org

Wymondham Allotments Association Christine Teasdale or the Parish Council

Wymondham Area Sports and Social Partnership Claire Bennett-Madge 07970181107 clairepittsy@hotmail.com

Wymondham and Edmondthorpe Parish Council Terry Brown, Parish Clerk wepc.clerk@yahoo.co.uk

Wymondham CofE Primary School 01572 787658 www.wymondhamprimary.org

Wymondham Players Jenny Weston 01572 787284

Wymondham Village Hall Jenny Weston 01572 787284

Wymondham Women's Institute

2nd Thursday of the month, 7.30pm at the Village Hall Marion Lewis 01572 787594



MOBILE POST VAN

The Post Office Mobile Van visits Wymondham, parking opposite 55 Main Street, on Monday 12.30 - 14.00 & Thursday 11.30 - 13.00.



It's in Market Overton, parking on Main Street, on Monday 15.00 - 16.00 & Friday 14:30 - 15.30.

WYMONDHAM W.I.

Wymondham Women's

Institute are on the look out for new members. The group meets on the 2nd Thursday of every month at 7.30pm, for 7.45pm, in the Village Hall.



Forthcoming activities and talks include...

12 October - "A Magical Evening" with John Parnell

9 November - "Talk from FrenchVines our Wine Shop" with Nathan Suppian

For further information please contact Marion Lewis on 01572 787594.

COFFEE MORNING

Every Tuesday morning, between 10am and 12noon, there is a Coffee Morning at the Village Hall. It's a fantastic opportunity to

meet, chat, catch up and meet new friends. There's always a warm welcome, whether you're new to the village or you've lived here all your life. See you there!



CHRISTMAS & the NEW YEAR

at the Berkeley Arms

Whether it's with family, friends or work colleagues the Berkeley Arms is the place to celebrate this Christmas and New Year.

Visit our website for full details, to view menus, check out prices and to make a booking www.berkeley-arms.co.uk or call us on 01572 787587



KIDS CORNER



LIVAGLE GRANMAAS

Can you solve this months brain teasers?*

ERBKYEEL RAMS	
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TS ETEPRS UCHCRH	
LIGVAEL LLHA	
REFCHN SNIVE	
LAMILAC ETH LACEM	
MIDNLIWL ATE MORO	
DOL YABERK QUETNIA	
TOROS OT SWIGN	
RIPYARM LOCHSO	

* fingers crossed they're correct this month!

MEET BERKELEY BADGER

We've hidden Berkeley Badger elsewhere in this months Newletter. Can you find him? Good luck!



ADVERTISING

We've received many requests from local businesses, wanting to support our efforts with this Newsletter, to advertise in it. Recognising that the Newsletter is more sustainable with advertising we have taken the decision to accept such requests on a first-come-first-served basis. We're keen that the amount of paid advertising is kept to a minimum though and reserve the right to refuse requests as is necessary to maintain an acceptable balance.

If you would like to place an advertisement in the Newsletter, please contact us via email at info@berkeley-arms.co.uk or by 'phone on 01572 787587

Rates for advertising are as follows ...

Size	Height x Width	1 Month	6 Months
Full Page	280mm x 195mm	£40	£200
1/2 Landscape	135mm x 195mm	£22	£110
1/2 Portrait	95mm x 280mm	£22	£110
1/3 Landscape	195mm x 90mm	£16	£80
1/4 Portrait	95mm x 135mm	£16	£80
1/4 Landscape	195mm x 70mm	£16	£80
1/6 Square	95mm x 95mm	£10	£50
1/8 Landscape	95mm x 60mm	£7.50	£37.50

RUTLAND QUIZ LEAGUE



The Rutland Quiz League kicked off for us at the start of September with an away match at "The Boat" in Melton Mowbray.

The 2023/24 season is our first in the League which operates across Rutland and the

surrounding area. Fourteen teams are competing this year with matches taking place every Tuesday evening. Each team competes against each of the other teams on a home and away basis.

Teams consist of up to 6 players but the pool of players a team can have has no limit. So, as long as they haven't competed for another team, someone could join us for just one match. It's all very flexible and not a huge commitment.

The Boat were the League Champions and Challenge Gup winners last year so we knew our first match was going to be a tough one made more difficult as we were only able to field 3 players! Needless to say we lost the match, losing 109 - 41.

Our second match, a home game, against the "The Stilton Cheese" at Somerby, ended in a similar fashion (we lost 77-30) despite fielding a full team of six.

September 26th came around all too quickly and our final match of the month at "The Wheatsheaf" in Langham. The first round started well with questions on British Prime

LEAGUE TABLE

\$	Team	\$ Points	¢
1	Boat Inn	6	
2	Exiles	6	
3	Whissendine Wanderers	4	
4	Stilton Cheesewrights	4	
5	Cheese Hounds	4	
5	Oakham RFC Nomads	4	
7	Catmose Owls	4	
8	Wheatsheaf Langham	2	
9	Black Bull	2	
10	Stilton Cheese	2	
11	Collyweston Wibbets	2	
12	Wheatsheaf Hunters	2	
13	Lord Nelson	0	
14	Berkeley Arms	0	

Ministers—could this be the start of a reverse in our fortunes? No chance! We performed slightly better, points-wise, than the previous week but losing 88 - 32.

Thank you to Andy, Christian, Geoff (or Jeff?!), Issac, Maddie, Mark, Sue and Will for taking part in our first three matches.

If you'd like to join us in our endeavours (it is good fun, honestly!) then call us on 01572 787587 or message us on social media. There is no commitment, pick the weeks you can take part, and ignore the rest!

LOCAL BUSINESS DIRECTORY

We're happy to list businesses based in Wymondham and Edmondthorpe that provide a service to those living in the villages and their surroundings. Please mention the Berkley Arms when calling any business from our list. If you would like your business included please don't hesitate to contact us.

AJ Computing for all your IT needs, repairs, upgrades 07900006729 www.aj-computing.co.uk

Ann Bladon, Piano Teacher LRAM qualified, DBS registered 07895 055751

Becky B & C Herbs and Spices www.beckybandc.co.uk

Ben Leaver Gardening HND (Hort) 07800 834636 www.forgetyounotgardens.co.uk

Frenchvines, French wines, champagne, artisan cheeses, charcuterie, bread and chutneys from across the UK 01572 787389 www.frenchvines.co.uk

Jane Knight Reflexologist 07976 458239 www.jkreflexologist.com

Move those Paws Dog walking and sitting 07841 681398 movethosepaws@mail.com

Old Bakery Antiques, Antiques shop 01572 787472 www.antiques-atlas.com/oldbakeryantiques

Rob Gosling, Handyman, garden clearance, laying wooden flooring, decorating, flat pack furniture assembly 07507 414150

Ruby Fragrances, Handmade, eco and sustainable candles 07908 061897 www.etsy.com/shop/rubyfragrances

Ruby Paws, Dog walking and pet sitting 07908 061897 ruby-paws@hotmail.com

T J Kennedy Garden & Landscape Design 07726 334501 www.tjkennedy.design

Viking Painting and Decorating 07775475470

Wymondham Art Gallery 01572 787863

Wymondham Chimney Sweep 07807 390348 www.wymondhamchimneysweep.co.uk

Wymondham Cleaning Company (Window Cleaning) 07491 576117

Wymondham Sparks, Firewood supplier 07453 370088 www.wymondhamsparks.co.uk

Wymondham Windmill

Family friendly tea rooms, boutique shops and windmill 01572 787304 www.wymondhamwindmill.co.uk

At the windmill you will find ...

Clothes in the Attic Pre-owned, stylish and unique fashion 01572 787856

Melinda Designs Fashion Accessories and Homewares 01572 787856 www.melindadesigns.co.uk

Rutland Willows, Hand-made willow sculptures 01572 720741

Windmill Tea Rooms, Vintage designed tearooms 01572 787304 www.wymondhamwindmill.co.uk

Windmill Wheels, Custom bike builds, fitting & servicing 01572 787720 www.windmillwheels.co.uk

Wood Boutique, Quality, handmade, bespoke furniture 01572 787337 www.thewoodboutique.com

ROADWORKS

ASHWELL - Traffic controls on Langham Road from Monday 16 to Wednesday 18 October.

B676 BUCKMINSTER ROAD to COSTON ROAD - Cycle Race on Sunday 1 October,

B676 BUCKMINSTER ROAD to COSTON ROAD - Traffic

Controls on Tuesday 3 October.

MARKET OVERTON - Roadworks on Teigh Road from Tuesday 10 to Friday 13 October. TEIGH - Main Street closed from Wednesday 4 to Friday 6 October.



Please mention that you saw them in the **"Berkeley Arms Newsletter"** when contacting a business, group or person you've seen mentioned here. It helps them and us!

BUS TIMES

R2 Rutland Flyer - Melton Mowbray to Oakham

The R2 Rutland Flyer passes through the village, Edmondthorpe and Teigh, on it's route between Melton and Oakham. The service is operated by Centrebus www.centrebus.info

Melton Mowbray to Oakham - Monday to Saturday ONLY

07:00	09:15	11:30	13:45		16:05	17:10	18:10
07:06	09:21	11:36	13:51		16:11	17:16	18:15
07:08	09:23	11:38	13:53		16:13	17:18	18:18
07:12	09:27	11:42	13:57		16:17	17:22	18:21
07:14	09:29	11:44	13:59		16:19	17:24	18:24
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... then Barrow, Cottesmore Sun Inn, Cottesmore Army Base, Greetham, Exton, Burley Green to ...

Oakham, adj Huntsmans Drive	08:00	14:44	16:10		
Oakham Bus Station (adjacent)	08:05 10:10 1	12:25 14:50	17:00	18:05	18:54

Oakham to Melton Mowbray - Monday to Saturday ONLY

Oakham, opp Huntsmans Drive				14:45	16:10		
Oakham Bus Station (adjacent)	08:10	10:20	12:35	14:50	16:15	17:10	18:10

... then Burley Green, Exton, Greetham, Cottesmore Army Base, Cottesmore Sun Inn, Barrow to ...

Market Overton, outside Black Bull	08:46	10:56	13:11	15:32	16:51	17:46	18:46
Teigh, adj The Green	08:48	10:58	13:13		16:53	17:48	18:48
Edmondthorpe, adj The Old Rectory	08:51	11:01	13:16		16:56	17:51	18:51
Wymondham, adj Sycamore Lane	08:54	11:04	13:19		16:59	17:54	18:54
Saxby Corner (outside)	08:57	11:07	13:22		17:02	17:57	18:57
Wyfordby Top (outside)	09:00	11:10	13:25		17:05	18:00	19:00
Melton Mowbray Windsor Street (Stand W3)	09:05	11:15	13:30		17:10	18:05	19:05

MARKET OVERTON COMMUNITY SHOP

the**market**store in Market Overton is a community run shop that offers a whole lot more than you'd expect of a village store. Staffed by volunteers it's well worth a look when you next need a 'quick shop' and more!

Fresh fruit and veg

Excellent wine selection

Cards and stationary

Sandwiches

- Fresh local breads
- Local meat products
- Local beers and ciders
- Fresh locally baked cakes · Dry cleaning
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Cards and stationary
- Artisan chocolates

The store is open ...Monday to Friday07.30 to 17.30Saturday08.00 to 13.00Sunday & Bank Holidays09.00 to 12noon

1A Main Street, Market Overton, LE15 9PL 01572 767948

- Takeaway hot drinks
- Lottery
- Frozen foods
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WYMONDHAM HERITAGE TRAIL



In 2015, the Wymondham & Edmondthorpe Civic Society created the Wymondham Heritage Trail leaflet which offered a guided walk around the village taking in it's historical sites.

Occasionally we'll reproduce excerpts from the leaflet, which is no longer in print.

THE (NEW) MANOR HOUSE

This building was erected by William Mann c.1835 on land owned by Lord Harborough, as a shrine to Stilton cheese. Nicholas Pevsner, however, in his Leicestershire guide, dates it about 1700. The design gives a birdcage effect, the arched



brickwork on the roof, disguising the chimneys, being the handle. It was apparently a copy of a similar one in Stillton, no longer there.

William Mann made a fortune from farmhouse Stilton cheeses. Along with the Day family, who possibly made Stilton cheese in the Old Manor House dairy opposite, he monopolised the Stilton trade from the village after Frances Pawlett, who did much to establish the reputation of Stilton



cheese, retired. John Morris made Stilton cheese in the dairy at this house, at the end of the 19th century. It is now owned by the Tollemache family, major landowners in the area (the Tollemache Arms is a pub in nearby Buckminster).

Racehorse Red Rum came here as a yearling in 1966 where he was sympathetically broken in and trained by Tim Molony, who ran his training stables from the Manor House. From his stable here Red Rum was sent out to 10 flat races before being sold on and leaving as a 3 year old in 1968. He went on to win the Grand National three times in 1973, 1974 and 1977.



We'd love to hear from you!

If you have ...

Something you'd like to publicise or share with others

Suggestions for items or articles you'd like to see in the Newsletter

A story you're like to tell or some news you'd like to share

Something you'd like to sell

... contact us via email, social media or 'phone using the information below.

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