

Xmas Menu

Booking forms can be downloaded and once completed can be handed in to the bar. Bookings are being taken for the 1st - the 22nd December.

The Old Gits

Final shout to get your self booked on the "Old Gits Xmas Party" this event is open to all, just put your name down, deposit and pre-order and you're away! Great time to make new friends (you may even be able to remember them the next day!).



The Events . . .

1st - 22nd Dec Xmas Lunch & Dinner bookings are being taken
Sun, 21st Dec 'Old Gits' Christmas Lunch

"Hey, and let's be careful out there!"



On a more sombre note, drinking and driving is a fools game, the police as always will be on high alert over the festive season. If you find yourself in a situation where you've had a few beers and you need to get home, ask the bar to book you a taxi; we can always get you home eventually. Even better book one before you leave home for that added bit of security.



. . . and have a Good One!

All that remains to be said is have a fantastic Christmas and a very Merry New Year, from myself, Belinda and the team.

Cheers!

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Welcome to our Christmas Newsletter

Hello again and welcome to our Christmas edition of the newsletter. October was our month for television . . . Jack making his appearance with Aldo Zilli hunting truffles on the "One Show", our beloved Ric Sainty with a busty young brunette on "Soccer A.M." - check it out on i-player. Then there was the Neil Morrisey series and I was filmed sampling his home brew (and it was really nice so stop asking!).

Uley Brewery Trip

Well another Uley Brewery trip went down a treat and once again without incident, big thanks to Stu the Brew for the grand tour, Chas for his wonderful hospitality, Mary and Ben for the great welcome at the Crown, excellent ales and the buffet was awesome, thanks again. Together we raised £100 for "Riding for the Disabled".



The Ric Fest

Apologies for cancelling "Ric Fest" but it is believed that putting it on around his birthday next year would be more appropriate, so watch this space.

Christmas Opening Hours

Its goes without saying that Christmas is going to be busy again. Both Belinda and myself hope that the evening meals don't cause too much of a disturbance. Please pay special attention to our opening hours through Christmas as listed below. There will be no entry after 11pm - no exceptions.

Xmas Eve (Wed)	12-3	6-close (see overleaf)
Christmas Day (Thur)	12-2	
Boxing Day (Fri)	12-11	
Sat 27th - Tue 30th Jan	12-11	
New Years Eve (Wed)	12-3	6-close (see overleaf)
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Xmas Eve

This is quite possibly the 'worst' night of the year! It is so busy, we close the doors at 9pm sometimes earlier if things are getting too busy. There is usually a queue to get in the pub, there is then a further 10 minute wait (minimum) to be served, little to no chance of finding:

- Friends
- Somewhere to sit
- The loos
- Your sanity
- Personal space



Please bear all this in mind and if I still haven't driven you away you will find me on the door looking for Christmas loving.

New Year's Eve

New Years Eve is a lot more relaxed we still have a no entry policy from 9pm onwards. This I'm afraid applies to everyone - if you offer to be my best mate forever, I still cannot let you in. (stipulations set down in my licence). We lay on a free supper around 11-12, if you are coming and you have any dietary requirements let me know before hand and I will do what I can.



*Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And never brought to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And days of auld lang syne?*



*For auld lang syne, my dear,
For auld lang syne
We'll tak' a cup o' kindness yet
For auld lang syne.*



New Year's Day

This year we are going to celebrate the new year on New Year's Day, its hopefully going to be a lot more relaxed. It's not strictly invitation, but I will be handing them out over the next couple of weeks. If you don't get one, please just ask. I will do my best not to forget anybody. It is R.S.V.P. as this will allow us to lay on enough complimentary food and beer for you all. We will be hosting a open mic night at the same time, so bring yer guitars, tambourines and other instruments you feel comfortable holding.



OLD SPOT XMAS MENU 2008

Lunch & evening bookings taken for the 1st to 21st December
- £22.50 per person

Starters

BLUE SWIMMING CRAB AND AVOCADO SALAD
Served on a bed of mixed leaves

AUBERGINE, BEEF TOMATO, BLACK PUDDING & MELTING MOZZARELLA TOWER
Served on a apple salad

CREAMY GARLIC MUSHROOMS
Pan-fried with garlic herbs and cream

LEEK AND POTATO SOUP

Five Acres Pigeon and Bacon Salad
With redcurrant and balsamic dressing

Main Courses

ROAST GLOUCESTERSHIRE TURKEY
Served with all the trimmings

DOUBLE ROASTED OLD SPOT BELLY PORK
Served on bed of champ with a piquant plum sauce

CASHEW NUT AND VEGETABLE ROAST
Served with a tomato and sweet pepper puree

FILLET OF SALMON
With a minted broad bean risotto and a green peppercorn cream sauce

CORN FED CHICKEN BREAST
Served on sautéed green cabbage, chorizo sausage & baby potatoes with a touch of cream fresh herbs and white wine

Desserts

APPLE AND BLACKBERRY CRUMBLE
Served with double cream custard

HOMEMADE CHOCOLATE BROWNIES
With real Devonshire ice-cream

CHEESE AND BISCUITS

WHITE CHOCOLATE CHEESECAKE
Served with caramel and dark chocolate sauces

CHRISTMAS PUDDING
Traditionally served with brandy sauce

FILTER COFFEE AND MINCE PIES

