

September 2024

Our meeting on Monday 2nd marked the start of our second year at The Robin Hood, and the change of venue seems to have worked out well.



Although September has only just begun, we have booked our Christmas Dinner for Monday 2nd December. This will replace the normal club meeting. Everyone enjoyed last year's meal and I had already been asked if we were going to repeat it this year. If we wish to eat in the Maid Marian room, the maximum that can be accommodated is eighteen but, if we should have more, we will be able to use the conservatory. I will need to have everyone's menu choices and £10 per head deposit by our meeting on November 4th. (See menu at end of this newsletter).



The last few events of the season have been very successful. On August 11th four of our cars were at Hatfield House, alongside about thirty other cars. The event is to raise the awareness of the Whitewebbs Museum of Transport. This year the very modern fountain was working and we were all given complimentary entry tickets to the House.



The Tewin show never fails to be enjoyable, with three hundred or so cars of all shapes, sizes and ages. We were sited very near the band, which could have been unfortunate, however they were very good, and it was very entertaining watching three or four year olds dancing. Of course Tewin means cakes and, as usual, there were plenty of tempting offerings. The weather was perfect on the day, so what more can you ask.



Unfortunately Area 33 Day at Hyde Hall took place on the same day as the Capel Manor show, but I understand that it was a very good day, with plenty of cars and the RHS gardens to walk round.



The Capel Manor show attracted the usual large number of cars. I'm sure any make you could think of was represented. One of the oldest was Keith O's Model A Ford, which was in place just outside the house. Although Doug and I were parked with a line of other Jaguars, we had not met any of them before. Next to us was an E-type, very much like a Lightweight which was a bit different. His very wide tyres must cost quite a bit. Again we were very lucky with the weather, which always makes such a difference.



Weather permitting a couple of us will be at Buntingford on Saturday 7th and, looking further ahead, we have agreed that, like last year, we will not hold a club meeting in January.



Festive Menu

STARTERS

Roast parsnip, rosemary & truffle soup, sourdough toast, truffle oil **Vea, Nga**

Severn & Wye smoked salmon, lilliput capers, red onion, chives, lemon, malted bloomer bread, butter **Nga**

Brie & cranberry tart, watercress, olive oil, cranberry sauce **V**

Duck, green peppercorn & orange terrine, orange & cranberry compote, baby gherkins, sourdough toast **Nga, ‡**

MAINS

All served with tenderstem broccoli, Brussel sprouts, roasted carrots & parsnips

Roast turkey, sage, onion & cranberry stuffing, Old Spot sausage wrapped in smoked bacon, roast potatoes, red wine gravy **Nga, ‡**

Slow cooked beef, baby onions, rich red wine jus, buttered mash **Nga, ‡**

Pan roasted chicken supreme, leek & mushroom cream sauce, truffle oil, buttered mash **Nga, ‡**

Pan seared seabass fillet, lemon & herb crumb, crispy new potatoes, parsley cream sauce, caramelised lemon **Nga, ‡**

Mushroom bourguignon pie, buttered mash, red wine gravy **Vea, Nga, ‡**

PUDDINGS

Mac's Stronghart Christmas pudding, brandy sauce, strawberry **V, ‡**

Trillionaire tart, chocolate pastry with caramel & chocolate ganache, chocolate sauce, vegan vanilla ice cream **Vea, Nga**

Mascarpone tart, cranberry & orange compote, clotted cream ice cream, freeze-dried raspberries **V, ‡**

Toffee & honeycomb cheesecake, toffee sauce, honeycomb ice cream **V, Nga**

Mini mince pies, coffees and festive cocktails available

Add a cheese board & Thomas Fudge's crackers £9.45 V, Nga
Vintage Barber Cheddar, Goat's Cheese, Yorkshire Blue, quince jelly,
Thomas Fudge's crackers, salted butter

3 COURSES - £36.50 | 2 COURSES - £32.50 | BOXING DAY 3 COURSES - £42

A discretionary service charge of 10% will be added to your bill for parties of 8 or more.
£10 deposit per person | Children 12 and under dine half price.

V Suitable for vegetarians. **Vea** Vegan option available. **Nga** Non-gluten option available. **‡** Contains alcohol.