



The Anglers Rest

Members' Newsletter

December 2014



A very Merry Christmas to all our Members!



Christmas Events!

The Christmas Menu is available until December 24th.

Thursday December 18th. 8.00pm: Vinyl night in the Rest Café. It's 'Cool Christmas' record night. Dig out your records or just come for the music and chat.

Friday December 19th. 12.00pm - 2.00pm: Gabby on the piano at lunchtime.

Friday December 19th. 5.00pm - 7.00pm: Children's Christmas Party with games and Santa.

Friday December 19th. 7.00pm: Our 'Christmas Starts Here' Disco

Saturday December 20th. 9.00am - 1.00pm: Christmas Farmers Market. Hot chestnuts, mulled wine and music from members of HVC Big Band. Anglers Rest car park.

Sunday December 21st. 8.00pm: Christmas Folk Singing in the Snug.

Monday December 22nd. 7.30pm: Gig in the Pub, organised by BCAC. The opportunity for young local musicians to perform in the pub.

Tuesday December 23rd. 8.00pm - 11.00pm: Traditional and local carols led by Joanna Mackay.

Wednesday December 24th. Christmas Eve: Food served at lunchtime plus a warm welcome in the evening after Christmas carols on The Green. Christmas songs led by the Bamford Village Singers with winter warmers of hot pork sandwiches, vegetarian chilli and mulled wine on the menu.

Thursday December 25th. Christmas Day: Open 12.00pm - 3.00pm. No food service.

Thursday December 26th. Boxing Day: Full food service from 12.00pm - 7.00pm

Sunday December 28th. 7.30pm - 10.00pm: Live music from Max Patrick.

Wednesday December 31st. New Year's Eve: New Year's Eve menu served 12.00pm - 7.00pm. reservations only. Fancy Dress Disco. Free admission.

Thursday January 1st. New Year's Day: Full food service 12.00pm - 7.00pm.

A message from the Editor

Although I am no longer a Director I do plan to continue to put together the monthly newsletter. It will now come out later each month rather than at the beginning. I therefore plan to add the events for the following month. As it is Christmas I have put December's events in this newsletter. You will have to keep an eye on the website and Facebook for any events in January! I will then add February's events into the next newsletter which will come out in late January.



Beaujolais Nouveau Night

The staff did a wonderful job of organising the Beaujolais Nouveau event. We were treated to a wonderful meal with a French theme and a glass of Beaujolais. All of this was served by our "French" waiting staff and accompanied by an accordion. I for one can't wait for next year!



Update from the Board



Anyone who didn't attend the AGM and who would like a copy of the AGM papers, please contact Pam Kenworthy on bcscompsec@gmail.com or paper copies are available from The Anglers Rest.

The Board is compiling an annual report that will include the information presented at the AGM in the Chair's report, the HR update from Sarah Bawden, a review of finances, including the overview provided by John Soady and a summary of the output from architecture student's work, together with other activities not covered in detail at the AGM.

There were a couple of resolutions at the AGM about audits that may benefit from additional explanation.

The BCS are required by the Co-operatives and Community Benefit Society Act (2014), which provides the legal framework for our organisation, to appoint auditors. The AGM can, provided that the organisation is below thresholds set out in the Act, elect to disapply the requirement for a full audit. In our case, the organisation is below the threshold so based on the resolution at the AGM, we will be asking our auditors to produce a chartered accountants report instead of undertaking a full audit. This is the same type of report that was presented to this year's AGM.

A car parking policy is being developed based on the discussion at the AGM, which the Board understood to be that staff of the Anglers Rest and neighbouring residents should park in the upper car park. Neighbouring residents would need to enter into a legal contract with the BCS that would include payment of a modest fee. Staff and neighbours with contracts would be given parking permits to display in their parked vehicles. All contracts would be for a 12-month period with renewal at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors of the BCS.

There also appeared to be agreement that the **lower car park** would be for the use of customers of the Anglers Rest and parents of Primary School children at school drop-off/pick-up times. There would be no fee for such short-term parking but there would be an understanding between the Primary School and the BCS for mutual assistance.

The possibility of allowing Dental Practice staff to park (for a fee) in the **upper car park** was also discussed but there seemed to consensus that there were insufficient spaces for this.

The membership of the new Board is listed elsewhere in the newsletter, with profiles of all the members included in the AGM papers. The Board members bring a wealth and breadth of experience complemented by the members who are part of the various sub-groups and supported with invaluable advice provided by the management team. There is however always room for improvement and the Board will be undertaking a skills audit in the New Year. One area where the Board has taken immediate action is finance. A finance sub-group has been established, chaired by Chris Williams, which includes Peter Mackey, a Chartered Accountant.

The timing of the newsletter will change slightly, coming out towards the end of the month rather than the beginning. This is to fit with a revised meeting schedule for the new Board. The marketing sub-group will be meeting in the first week of the month and the finance sub-group and full Board will be meeting in the second week of the month, with the newsletter coming out after the latter meetings. In this way we can more easily publicise our monthly events and, importantly, the finance report from the previous calendar month can be included, starting in January.

Directors (old and) News

Following the AGM we are sad to say “goodbye” to three of our Directors. Katie Irwin, Ben McIntyre and Dave Sheldon have all left the Board.



Katie

Katie has now left us in order to pursue her career. She has taken a position as a Horticultural Trainee at The Royal Horticultural Society Garden Harlow Carr. Katie has done an enormous amount for the BCS including starting up the newsletter, the Bamford news advert, plans for the outdoor seating area as well as lots of hands on gardening and advice. She was always the voice of reason and will be missed. We wish her all the best in her new job. Thanks Katie!



Ben

Ben left the board following the AGM in order to concentrate on his own business for a while! Ben has been an amazing member of the team. To list just some of his many skills: website; tills; media interviews; I.T./Wi-Fi; televisions for the world cup; estates; beer and not forgetting walls! There are far too many to list. I think we are all relieved that he will still be close at hand and I'm sure he won't get away with it just because he is no longer a Director. Thanks Ben!



Dave

As those of you who attended the AGM will be aware, Dave left the Board reluctantly following the withdrawal of support from the Chair. In his role as Finance Director, Dave put in many, many hours of work each week maintaining the accounts. He was responsible for our VAT returns and was more than prepared to take on the big utilities suppliers when they tried to overcharge us. He has undoubtedly saved the BCS a great deal of money in his time on the Board and I believe he will be missed in ways that we don't even know as yet. Thanks Dave!

We are delighted to welcome three new Directors. Pam Kenworthy, Mark Knight and Chris Williams have all joined the Board and I'm sure that their skills will prove invaluable in taking our venture forward into its second year. We are also pleased to welcome back Sally Soady and Rebecca McIntyre.



Pam



Mark



Chris

The Management Team



Amanda Taylor - General Manager



Malcolm France - Head Chef



Sarah France - Café and Post Office Supervisor

The Directors



Simon Hill - Chair



John Soady - Vice Chair



Pam Kenworthy - Company Secretary



Chris Williams - Finance Director



Sarah Bawden - Human Resources



Liz Marshall - Operations



Sally Soady - Community and Members Engagement



Mark Knight - Capital Developments



Rebecca McIntyre - Marketing

How can you contact us?

The staff will always know who to pass queries or suggestions on to. There is also a comments box on the counter in the café.

Many of the Directors are often found propping up the bar or eating in the pub.

We have a website: www.anglers.rest

You can email us: bamfordcs@gmail.com



Like us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/The.Anglers.Rest>

Please note that there are two facebook pages for the Anglers Rest. The official one that is managed by the Directors is "THE Anglers Rest Bamford". There is also a facebook forum "Anglers Rest Bamford" that the Bamford Community Society has no control over. It is owned and managed by someone else in the village.



Follow us on Twitter: @AnglersBamford

If you would like anything added to next month's newsletter please email Julia at: anglersnewsletter@gmail.com

Art in the Cafe

If you know a local artist or friend who would be interested in displaying their work at The Rest Café please contact Meem Bernau on 651677 or email: meemb@bernau.orangehome.co.uk