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FRIENDS of WARMINSTER MALTINGS

NEW LOOK TOUR PARTY

The omnipresent “elf‘n’ safety” (as Terry Wogan used to refer to them) have, inevitably, at last caught up with our Tour Parties, insisting on a list of protocols that must be strictly adhered to. What stands out is that no-one can now carry a phone or camera, and everyone has to adhere to the ‘new’ dress code.



The first party to comply was The Deverills and Horningsham Churches, the first of our annual charity events created from an Auction of Promises we supported, and held last Autumn. The Auction was held by the parishioners to raise money for the maintenance of the churches, an ongoing challenge many of us will be very familiar with. 24 guests attended a morning tour of the maltings on the 21st April, followed by a buffet lunch, washed down by our regular tippie of ‘Maltings Gold’ ABV4.5%, brewed, appropriately in this instance, in Longbridge Deverill.

On behalf of the party, Guy Ratcliffe, thanked Warminster Maltings staff for a “simply splendid visit” the stand-out feature of which was a tour lasting all of 2½ hours. We do not often achieve that!

SUMMER PARTY INVITATION

We have now got into the annual habit of pitching an old fashioned marquee on our lawn for one week in the summer, and combining corporate and social events spread over 3-4 days. This year we have decided to hold a party to which we can invite you, our ever-growing list of Friends.

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**THE DIRECTORS OF WARMINSTER MALTINGS LTD
HAVE PLEASURE IN INVITING YOU TO A**

Reception at
THE MALTINGS

Wednesday, 28th June 2017 at 6.30pm

39 POUND STREET . WARMINSTER . BA12 8NN

DRINKS AND CANAPÉS

RSVP

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PLEASE BRING THIS CARD WITH YOU.

So we extend this invitation to **All Our Friends** to attend this Summer Drinks Party at the Maltings, and do hope as many as possible will be able to come along. The marquee will be decorated with flowers and a display of museum items, and Fiona Dodds-Noble from Tisbury will be serving delicious canapés, washed down with wines (if you prefer), soft drinks or up to 7 different Craft Ales direct from the cask.

If you would like to come, please be sure to 'RSVP', when we will post you the formal invitation card, which, for security reasons (you will understand), you must present on arrival.

RSVP by June 15th

FESTIVAL CHAMPIONS

The biggest Beer Festival in the south-west has been held every year for the last 25 years at Tuckers Maltings in Newton Abbott, Devon. Organised by the south-western branch of SIBA (Society of Independent Brewers) and held in the last week of April, it attracts close to 300 beers, which are judged on the morning of the opening day of the festival.

I do not always go, but this year I felt I could not miss this milestone event, joining the vast array of judges to pronounce on (in my case) just 3 of the numerous classes – ‘Special Bitters’, ‘Premium Bitters’ and ‘Speciality Ales’, around a dozen beers to each class which it is imperative you savour properly! The final outcome was very satisfying for Warminster Maltings, whose customers picked up more than just a smattering of trophies, with one of them, Dawkins Ales from Timsbury, near Bath, collecting the most, and taking the overall championship.

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Photographed above, Pete Howson (*left*) and Glen Dawkins (*right*) celebrate their trawl of trophies – 3 Golds and 1 Silver, and the Overall Championship Trophy. At this particular event, this is a clear indication of the talent of these highly skilled brewers, but also, we like to think, some indication of the special quality of our wonderful ‘floor made’ malt. So a great outcome for us both!

TEAS IN THE GARDEN 2017



Finally a 'Reminder' that we will again be hosting 'Teas in the Garden' every second Wednesday afternoon in the months of June, July, August and September, from 2.00 – 4.00pm. We will advertise this, as usual, in The Warminster Journal, ahead of each event. Our long range weather forecast for June and July bodes well for us, and, by the way, for these events, the new dress code (referred to in the first item) does NOT apply!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robin Appel". The signature is stylized with a large initial 'R' and a long, sweeping underline.

Robin Appel