



THE NORTHERN CONCORD

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“Le Big En Weekend 2017”

Ringwood Hall Hotel – Brimington – Chesterfield – Derbyshire – S43 1DQ

Programme Update

Thank you for supporting our “24th Le Big En Weekend” once more at the Ringwood Hall Hotel, we’re hoping to make this one the best yet and with your help we will. This update is just to prime you for what will be happening throughout the event...

Several of our Guests have decided to arrive on the Thursday night at Ringwood Hall to get themselves quietly settled in for the weekend if you would like to join them just drop me an email, you’re most welcome.



IMPORTANT: For those newcomers who are not aware of our very high standards and to avoid any embarrassment at the event, please be aware that any anti-social or lewd behaviour will not be tolerated.

Our important dress code is ‘no’ fetish clothing, micro mini’s, or anything else that might offend those of us of a very nervous disposition. Failure to comply will result in the person, or persons being asked to leave the hotel with no refund.

Thursday 2nd February 2017

For those lucky people that are able to arrive on Thursday afternoon to get themselves ready and prepared for the weekend your rooms will be available from around 3pm.

The evening meal will be a specially prepared carvery...

Coconut chilli & lime seafood salad

Sweet potato curry turnovers

Pork apple & sage pate served on crisp French toast with basil pesto

Parsnip & ginger soup

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Roast loin of pork sage & onion stuffing

Baked ham with mustard & honey glaze

Leg of lamb studded with garlic & rosemary

Butternut squash and summer vegetable pie

Mushroom stroganoff with rice

Panache of seasonal vegetables & roasted potatoes

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Fresh fruit Trifle

Chocolate sponge pudding with chocolate custard

Trio Mixed Berry gluten free

Cheese board with celery & grapes



...and while we enjoy our meal we have the wonderful guitar skills of James Oakton to entertain us.



Friday 3rd February 2017

- ✚ For those arriving Friday, rooms should be available from lunchtime onwards.
- ✚ If required Porters will help you with your luggage to your rooms.

Lunch Time (12.30pm – 2.30pm)

*Selection of open sandwiches with seeded & flavoured breads
Yorkshire ham & mustard, Mature cheddar & red onion,
Egg & cress, Chicken bacon & sweetcorn
Haslet horseradish, Coronation chicken
Tossed salad, Apple & cheddar coleslaw
Sweet & sour Beetroot salad, Selection of pickles*

Afternoon tea (3.00pm – 5.00pm)

Selection of sponge cakes, Angel cake, Coffee & walnut slice (gf) Iced Bakewell tart, Pistachio & cream layer cake, Herbal teas & freshly brewed coffee

- ✚ Please ensure you put your names on the Friday Night seating plan, you will also be given a menu from which to make your evening meal selection.
- ✚ “Pamper Yourself” - Hairdresser and beauty treatments available Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the hotel. Pre-book to ensure you get the times you want.

Treatments will be available from: Thursday 2-6pm
Friday 10-6pm
Saturday 10-6pm
Sunday 10-6pm



Hairdressers – Hair will need to be pre booked with Nicola on 01246 280077 or via email nwilliams@ringwoodhallhotel.com

Beauty Treatments by Ringwood Spa – Beauty treatments will need to be pre booked with Catherine or Charlotte on 01246 284750 or via email spa@ringwoodhallhotel.com.



- ✚ The evening meal will start in the bar at 7.00pm with a Bucks Fizz reception ready for seating at 7.30pm (check the seating plan).

Friday Night Dinner Menu (Served in the Ringwood Suite)

Wilted spinach goats cheese & apple tartlet Served warm with chive oil

or

*Baked garlic mushrooms & rosemary focaccia
Finished with fresh parsley & truffle dressing*

Smoked salmon soufflé

Buttered new potatoes

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Pan fried chicken supreme

Tomato smoked bacon & shallot sauce

or

Mediterranean vegetable risotto

Or

Roasted Mediterranean strudel with feta and olives

Raspberry ripple cheesecake

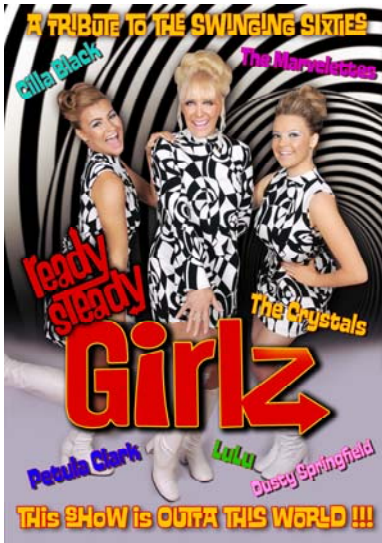
Raspberry coulis

or

Tart au Citron

Crème Chantilly

Friday Night Entertainment



Ready Steady Girlz:

You better get on the dance floor fast or there won't be any space left! Ready Steady Girlz will take you back to the sounds of the sixties with songs from The Ronettes, Dusty Springfield, Lulu, Cilla Black, The Chiffons, Sandie Shaw, Petula Clark, The Crystals and many other 60's Divas! Classic songs such as Sweet Talkin' Guy, Be My Baby, One Fine Day, Shout, I Only Want to Be With You are delivered with sheer finesse and soulful harmonies. Featuring the sensational vocals of Lorraine Crosby, her 2 backing vocalists & dancers plus live band! Get Ready, Get Steady to dance all night!

The DJ, "Big John", will be playing through until 12:30am to keep you dancing.

- ✚ The resident's bar will be available via the night porter. So you can while away the rest of the night in deep discussion.



Saturday 4th February 2017

- ✚ Full English breakfast will be served from 8.00am to 10.00am
- ✚ Complimentary tea and coffee stations will be available from 11am up to 5pm.
- ✚ Book your table for the evening event, a table layout plan will be situated in reception.
- ✚ Trader's stalls – so far we have... *(this is subject to alteration & availability)*

In the Portland Room	
Max Factor from Boots in Hull	Make-up
Glamour and Sparkle	Jewellery
Strides of Chesterfield	Friday - Exquisite ball gowns and party frocks
M&Co	High Street Fashion
	Lingerie
In the Stavley Room	
Trends Wigs from Sheffield	Wigs

No sooner have you completed your retail therapy and we are once more into lunch...

Saturday Lunch

✚ A really excellent hot & cold buffet lunch will be served between 12:00pm to 2pm

Pork escalope & herb crumb
Savoury meatballs oregano & chunky tomato
Smoked haddock mozzarella fishcakes (gf)
Beef ribs slow braised with brown ale & sweet shallots
Herb fried potatoes
Baked potatoes
Minted petit pois & baby carrots
Chorizo & roast pepper penne pasta
Scotch eggs & pickle
Cold meat platter, Selection of salads, Sauces & pickles
Selection of flavoured & seeded rolls
Baked pear & caramel cheesecake
Apple & blackberry pie & custard
Lemon & blackcurrant slice



The Distance:

Mat O'Neill and Sofiee Dian have a rare chemistry both on and off the stage and enough experience to win over their audience very quickly, adapting their style and set to suit the mood. Featuring classic songs in a laid back style, Mat and Sofiee will keep your toes tapping with music to brighten your day.

Playing throughout lunch (12:30pm – 2pm).



Time to be challenged by our indomitable quiz mistress...

The Concord Trivia Quiz of the Century 2017 will commence in the Coach House at 2.30pm



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So... at 2:30 in the Coachhouse...
Come on Down and Open the Quiz of the Century...
Test your TV(!) knowledge in our Terrific TV(!) Trivia Quiz
Teams from 1 to 100... Unbelievable bottle of wine prize...
So... don't be late... come along and join the fun... see you there
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Afternoon tea – in the Chatsworth & Markham Bar - Refreshments will be served 3pm – 5.00pm during the afternoon to stop you flagging and to keep you going through till the evening meal. - *Gluten free apricot macaroon slice, Caramel shortbread*

Chocolate brownies, Raspberry & coconut slice

✚ Our Gala Evening reception with Champagne and Canapés commences at 7pm ready for seating at 7.30pm Ringwood Suite

✚ Magic at your table with “A Touch of Magic” there to astound you 7.30pm – 9.30pm



Saturday Evening Dinner (pre selections & seating plan required by lunchtime)

Baked camembert

Raspberry & thyme marmalade & French bread

Or

Dovetail of seasonal melon & fruits ginger syrup

Mango sorbet with fresh passion fruit

Sirlain of beef entrecote

Dark peppercorn jus

Or

Pan fried duck breast

Smoked bacon, sweet & sour

Or

Mediterranean vegetable tart tartin

Limencello sponge pudding, Lemon butterscotch sauce

Or

Belgian chocolate cheesecake

Cheese & biscuits with celery & grapes

Tea/coffee and fudge

✚ 9.30pm to 10pm the usual formalities including the Mystery Speed Raffle Draw

✚ 10pm Cabaret – We have the excellent ‘Rang a’ Tang, for you to dance the night away.

Saturday Evening Entertainment



Rang a Tang:

With a top musical pedigree and their infamous monkeying around, Rang a Tang guarantee to get even the most reluctant revellers up on the dance floor shaking their tail feathers! Playing something for everyone, from top 60's sing-alongs to favourite party songs, this band are as much fun to watch as they are to listen to! With their inimitable funky salsa style they perform hits such as: I'm A Believer, I Love You Baby, Baby Come Back, Hot Hot Hot, Sex Bomb, Livin' La Vida Loca, Dancing In The Street, Brown Eyed Girl and many more! Their performance is always a thrill-a-minute rollercoaster ride which

leaves audiences screaming for more!

As well as soaring lead vocals, the band's instruments include: Trumpet, Trombone, Timbales, Keyboards, harmonica, drums, kazoo, accordion, guitar and oh yes, a tin whistle!



DJ Big John and the Tropicana disco will be keeping you dancing until 1am on Sunday morning.



Sunday 5th February 2017

- ✚ Full English breakfast served from 8.30am to 11.00am
- ✚ **Ringwood Hall Craft Fayre** for you to enjoy – approx 9.30am to 3.00pm.
- ✚ Complimentary tea and coffee stations will be available from 11am up to 5pm.
- ✚ **Sunday Lunch** – Served between 12.30pm & 1.30pm. A traditional carvery

Vegetable and barley soup

Poached pear prawn & stilton & walnut salad

Whole dressed salmon with tuna

Selection of course pates & terrines

From the carvery

Roast topside of beef and Yorkshire puddings

Turkey breast with sage and onion stuffing and pigs in blankets

Glazed gammon ham course grain and honey glaze

Stuffed tomatoes with lemon & basil risotto

Roasted potatoes - Mashed potatoes - Cauliflower cheese - Boiled swede - Braised cabbage

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Sherry trifle

Jam roly poly & vanilla custard

Peach mousse

Fresh fruit



Lunchtime Entertainment


Mark Briggs

Following taking first prize at the "Technics World Music Festival"; Mark began to work as a Concert Artist/Product Specialist; this led to him performing about 250 concerts a year and toured extensively in America, Japan, Germany, Sweden, Singapore etc.

It was in 2004, following Technics decision to cease production of their products he was approached by Yamaha to demonstrate their "Clavinova" range of electronic pianos.

In 2007 and 2008 Mark toured with the James Last Orchestra as part of his European and UK concert tour.



-  **Sunday afternoon tea**, to supplement any energy shortfalls will be served 3.00pm to 5pm - *Selection of simple sandwiches and cakes Scones with cream and jam*
-  Sunday afternoon – Relax, repair and regroup to get ready for the coming evenings entertainment!
-  The Sunday Dinner – Ringwood Suite will be looking to ensure your last evening meal is as special as the rest of your weekend 7.30pm in the bar for an 8.00pm sit down...



Sunday Dinner (pre selections & seating plan required by lunchtime)

Baked goats cheese crisp bacon salad With toasted ciabatta & balsamic reduction

Potted Thai crab & crayfish With lime, ginger & pickled vegetable salad

Seared Gressingham duck breast Port smoked bacon & honey butter glaze

Stuffed Pork tenderloin With black pudding roasted apple farce

Brandy cream sauce

French beans & bacon, Roasted zucchini & braised red cabbage

Wild mushroom & goats cheese wellington

Roast vegetable strudel with feta and olives

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Dark chocolate & whisky truffle tort

Bourbon biscuit base & whisky chocolate ganache

Mocha crème

Zesty Orange & basil crème brulee

Finished with Cointreau & shortbread fingers

Tea or coffee & petit fours



Our entertainment for Sunday night starts once more with James Oakton playing classical and easy listening guitar throughout the meal.



Lea Roberts: Lea is one of the few comedians who can work in any situation presented to him, from mainstream to alternative, young and old – Lea's traditional (yet modern!) 'Northern humour' appeals to a wide audience! He is a well-known face on the After



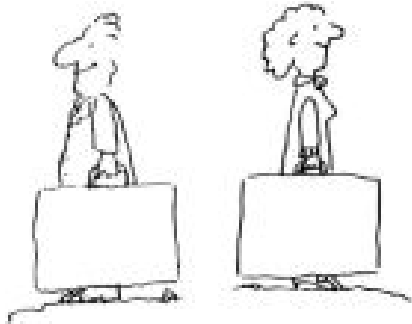
Dinner Circuit and comes from a Sporting background in professional Rugby League. Lea unanimously won the ITV Comedy Show 'Stand Up Britain' and was invited back to perform on ITV's big budget variety show 'That's Entertainment'. Lea is a genuinely friendly guy with a warm personality that has seen him likened to Peter Kay. A cheeky, clean comedian who never fails to deliver!



...and after several night caps,
it's off to bed with a smile...

Monday 6th February 2017

– enjoy a full English breakfast before wending your way back to what ever waits for you at home.



See you again in 2018?... or even at our September Summer Party in 2017?

This event was made possible by Northern Concord, if you are not a member please consider joining to ensure the organisation is able to continue arranging events such as this one. Thanks once again for your support and we hope to see you again soon.

Bye Bye



Something for you to look forward to...

Northern Concord Summer Event 2017

10th to the 13th September 2017 a mid week break from Sunday through to Wednesday morning at the Ringwood Hall Hotel. A very popular laid back type of event, but in saying that we have various activities to keep you interested including the "Gala Casino Evening in the Marquee", just take it easy and dip in and out as you prefer. For prices and details keep an eye on the Concord website at www.northernconcord.org.uk

The Ringwood Hall Hotel



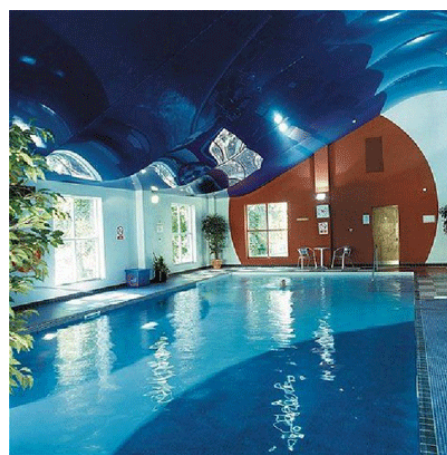
A beautiful Georgian listed Manor House close to the historic market town of Chesterfield, at the gateway to the Peak District National Park.

A popular base for visitors to The Peak District, Ringwood Hall Hotel is peacefully set in 29 acres of award winning grounds, and our 200 year old main house is sited well away from the main road behind a mature tree line. We can be easily found from junctions 29 & 30 of the M1, and provide complimentary parking for over 150 vehicles.

Bolsover Castle, Hardwick Hall and Chatsworth House are nearby, while The Heights of Abraham, Cresswell Craggs and many of the other varied attractions of the Peak District National Park are within easy travel. Sheffield is only ten miles away, and the Meadowhall Shopping Centre is just 15 minutes drive north on the M1.

We look forward to welcoming you to our beautiful Georgian grade 2 listed Manor House, please enjoy our grounds which won with a gold award the best hotel gardens category in the prestigious 2014 and 2015, East Midlands in Bloom competitions, and also won a Silver Gilt award in the 2010 competition.

Gymnasium & Swimming Facilities



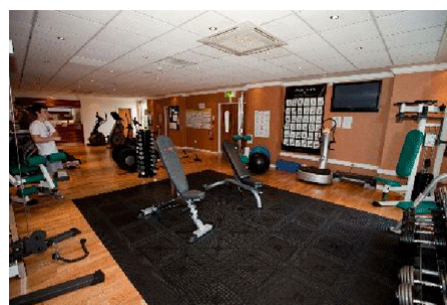
What about a little exercise?

We have exclusive use of the facilities during the following times:

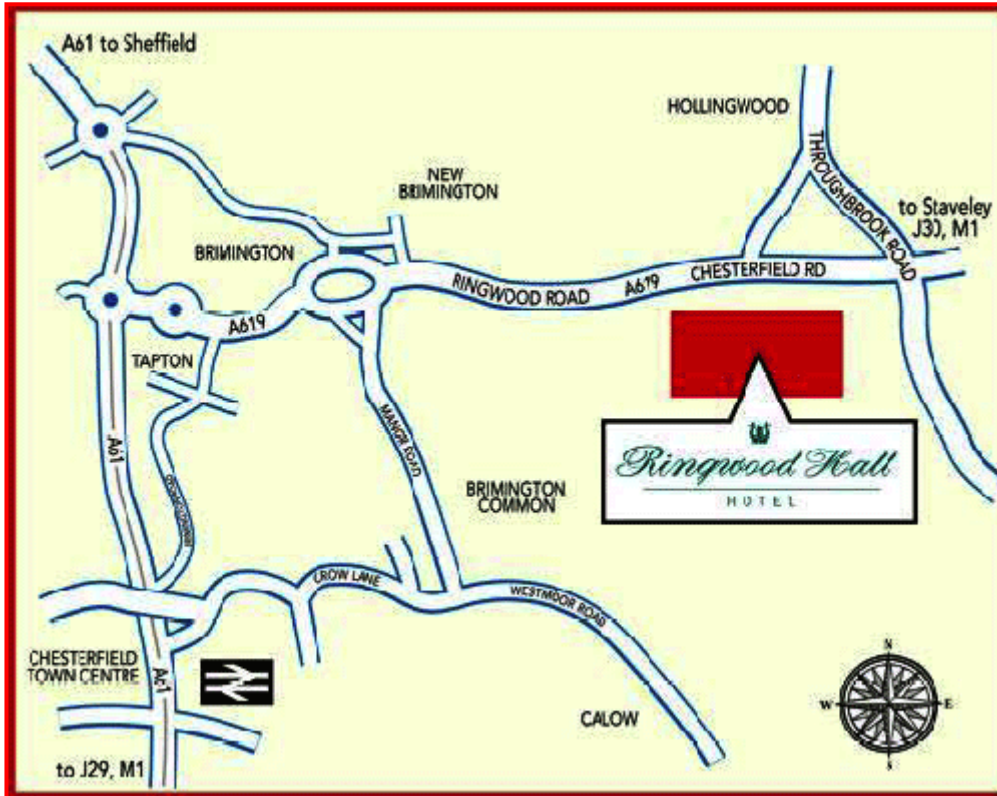
Friday 2pm to 5pm
Saturday 8am to 11am and 3pm to 5pm
Sunday 10am to 12.30pm

Gym members will be present at other times.

Changing Facilities: Just to be clear over changing arrangements: Gender women use the ladies changing room, everybody else uses the gentlemen's changing room or get ready in your bedroom and come down in your dressing gown.



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Brimington Chesterfield Derbyshire S43 1DQ
Tel: 01246 280077



Directions to Ringwood Hall Hotel

From M1 North (Junction 30): Follow signs for A619. Turn right onto A619 towards Staveley. Continue on this road, passing through Mastin Moor and Staveley. Continue on the A619, rising out of the valley Ringwood Hall is set back on the left hand side of this road.

From M1 South (Junction 29): Follow signs for A619. Travel along A617 until first roundabout; take third exit onto the A61. At the next roundabout (Tesco's) take the third exit signposted A619 Worksop. At the next roundabout (Sainsburys) take second exit, follow road uphill passing crematorium on right hand side. Bear left on the one way system, the hotel is situated on the right hand side as you descend down the hill.

From A61: Travelling out of Chesterfield town centre on the A61, join the A619 at the roundabout and continue on this road through Brimington, heading towards Staveley. We are a short distance down the road set back on the right.



The Northern Concord

It's over 30 years since our group first got together, when the cross dressing world was very different from today. We decided then not to be just another 'support' group as if we had some affliction, but to celebrate being a cross dresser and have fun. If you are currently not a member, or if you've let your membership lapse, please consider joining, it's just £20.00, but it would help ensure that we are still here to organise events such as this one in the coming years.