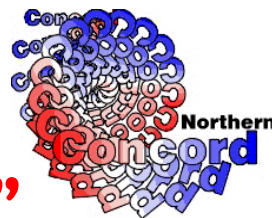




# THE NORTHERN CONCORD

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## “Le Big En Weekend 2016”

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

### Programme Update

Thank you for supporting our “23<sup>rd</sup> 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 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 4<sup>th</sup> February 2016

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...

*Selection of Hors d’oeuvres , with continental meats , seafood platter , pate, tomato and mozzarella , and seasonal salads, homemade soup of the day .*

*Traditionally carved roast pork joints with crackling,  
apple sauce, sage and onion stuffing*

*Beef Bourgignon with red wine and shallots*

*Steak and Kidney Pie with a crisp pastry top.*

*Roasted Potatoes*

*Creamed Potatoes with cheddar*

*Selection of Seasonal Vegetables*

*Braised Savoy cabbage*

*Savoury pancakes filled with strips of vegetables bound in a rich tomato sauce topped with mozzarella cheese sauce*

*Beetroot & butternut cup cake pie*

*A Selection of Assorted Desserts, Fresh Fruit Bowl*

*Cheeseboard with chutney*



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



## Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2016

- ✚ For those arriving Friday, rooms should be available from lunchtime onwards.
- ✚ Lunch Time (12.30pm – 2.30pm) - *Homemade Soup, Assorted baguettes, Colelaw Salad Chips and Potato Wedges*
- ✚ Afternoon tea (3.00pm – 5.00pm) - *Hot crumpets & toasted teacakes, plus Victoria sponge on arrival (gluten free crumpets available) Selection of teas & coffee*
- ✚ If required Porters will help you with your luggage to your rooms.
- ✚ Put your names on the Friday Night seating plan, you will be given a menu from which to make your evening meal selection.
- ✚ “**Pamper Yourself**” - Hairdresser and beauty treatments available Friday and Saturday at the hotel. Pre-book to ensure you get the times you want.
- ✚ **Hairdressers** – telephone Amanda on 07533 809666 or email [xpressionshairandbeauty@gmail.com](mailto:xpressionshairandbeauty@gmail.com)
- ✚ **Beauty Treatments by Zest** – Telephone 01246 860767 or see the full list of available treatments by viewing their website at [www.salonzest.co.uk](http://www.salonzest.co.uk)



### Beauty Treatment Example Price List:

Back Massage & Manicure	£32.00	Shape & Polish fingers + Pedicure	£25.00
45 minute Zest Facial	£25.00	False Eyelashes applied	£10.00

- ✚ 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)

*Roast tomato & garlic soup served with herb bread roll and butter*

*Hog roast pork apple & sage pate with brambly apple chutney*

*Pan fried chicken wrapped in smoked bacon Herb crumb & chasseur sauce*

*Cod steak Florentine With wilted spinach & butter sauce*

*Williams's pear cheesecake with mature gruyere & beetroot jam*

*Wild mushroom and leek tart with a rocket and parmesan salad*

*Lyonnaise potatoes - Vichy carrots, creamed root vegetables, Roasted red onion*

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*Dark chocolate & orange roulard*

*Mocha crème*

*Or*

*Rhubarb & raspberry frangipane*

*Crème anglaise*

*Tea or coffee & fudge*



## Friday Night Entertainment



### Peter Gill's Rock n Roll All Stars

**The Rock N Roll All Stars** are your essential Rock 'n' Roll band! This exhilarating band recreate the wonderful sounds of the 1950's, they perform everyone's favourite songs made famous by iconic performers such as Elvis, Jerry Lee Lewis, Buddy Holly, Chuck Berry, Little Richard, Fats Domino, Ritchie Valens, The Everly Brothers, Eddie Cochran, Gene Vincent, Bill Haley and many more. Lead Vocalist Peter Gill also performs

as a Jerry Lee Lewis Tribute; with his live band he has performed at every major theatre throughout the UK.

If you get the urge to change into something in line with the music after your meal you are most welcome

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 6th February 2016

- ✚ 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 this year we have... *(subject to alteration & availability)*

In the Portland Room	
Max Factor from Boots in Hull	Make-up
Richard Dent Opticians	Spectacles – bring you prescription
Glamour and Sparkle	Jewellery
Strides of Chesterfield	Friday - Exquisite ball gowns and party frocks
Katie Long Shoes from Solihull	Shoes
Beaumont Society	Magazines and Memberships
M&Co	High Street Fashion
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

*Chargrilled lemon pepper chicken*

*Tomato and fresh basil fusilli pasta*

*Pork schnitzel*

*Cream parsley butter*

*Wild mushroom risotto*

*Braised cabbage, Garden Peas, Parmentier potatoes*

*With sliced mushrooms & rosemary*

*Selection of hand raised pies*

*Pork, sage & apple, Chicken & ham, Harvester pie*

*Selection of salads*

*ooOoOoo*

*Gateaux selection to include*

*Tiramisu, Toffee crunch pie, Carrot cake, Lemon tart*

*Fresh fruit basket*

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Lunchtime entertainment by popular request is provided by “**The Distance**” who sing everything from Jazz, Swing and big ballads and guaranteed to please.

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



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

## The Concord Trivia Quiz of the Century 2016 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. - **Homemade fruit scones with Jam & fresh cream tea & coffee**

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- ✚ **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**
- ✚ **9.30pm to 10pm the usual formalities including the Mystery Speed Raffle Draw**
- ✚ **10pm Cabaret – We have the excellent ‘Northern Xposure’ for you to dance the night away.**



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

*Sweet potato leek & pancetta soup (Adapted for vegetarians)*

*Smoked fish platter Grawlax with smoked mackerel & halibut*

*Roast cannon of lamb rolled with a mustard & herb crumb plus rosemary gravy*

*Braised dourbe of beef in white peppercorn cream mustard sauce*

*Served with Potato rosti, roasted panache of vegetables*

*Brie and caramelised red onion tart with tomato & herb sauce*

*Plum tomato and basil puff tart with a tomato chutney basil pesto and black pepper*

*ooOoOoo*

*Warm apple & blueberry pie with Clotted cream*

*Or*

*Lemon meringue pie with whipped cream*

*Cheese course*

*Selection of English and European cheese*

*Chutney, celery, grapes and grapes*

*Tea or coffee & fudge*

## Saturday Evening Entertainment

Northern  
**Xposure**



Northern Xposure play close to 200 shows a year. They are an entertaining band that expresses feeling and soul! Their aim is to ensure you have a great time! With their extensive repertoire of songs Northern Xposure can switch and change their set list to suit. Whether you need more rock and less soul or a sprinkle of 70's magic in there, they can do it! From Aretha Franklin to The Kings of Leon, each song is played respectfully but with a dash of the N X interpretation!

The band play guaranteed floor fillers to keep everyone on their feet from the first song to the conclusion of the evening. They pride themselves in making sure they give 100% at every performance. A four piece male band playing songs from the Motown & Disco eras right through to present day!



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



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### Sunday 7th February 2016

- ✚ 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*

*oooOooo*

*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*

*ooOoOoo*

*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.



The gem of our weekend show, the one and only....

## **JOHNNIE CASSON**

If you're down in the mouth for any reason, this is the ideal tonic. From your first encounter with **JOHNNIE CASSON** you soon realise he not only tells funny stories, based on his situations in life, he is a genuinely funny man. Johnnie takes on the trials and tribulations of everyday life with inimitable Yorkshire style and humour. Nothing is sacred but this is subtle humour, and Johnnie's feigned innocence and naivety make it all the more funny! Sit back and enjoy... but have the oxygen tank on hand just in case!

Peter Kay calls Johnnie 'his idol'; Des O'Connor calls him the funniest comedian ever to appear on his show; The Stage newspaper writes that Johnnie Casson "...quickly reduced an early evening audience to a creased up, moist-eyed bunch of laughter-stricken victims and soon everyone in the room was vibrating with unrestrained and uncontrollable mirth.... Casson has to be one of the funniest men this country has ever produced!"



Johnnie Casson hails from Halifax, West Yorkshire, now living in Brighouse for tax reasons, as he will tell you. He commenced his showbiz career as drummer with "The Cresters", one of the country's favourite comedy show groups. As well as touring with The Beatles, the band topped the bill in the then thriving cabaret clubs and found success on many television shows such as "Cliff Richard & Friends".

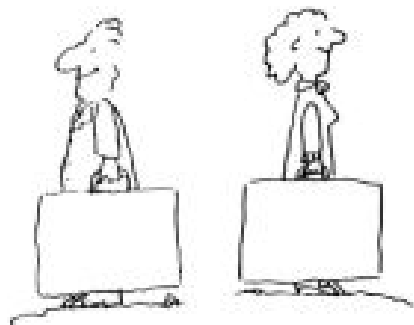


...and after several night caps, it's off to bed with a smile...





Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2016



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



***See you again in 2017?... or even at  
our September Summer Party in 2016***

*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 2016

11<sup>th</sup> to the 14th September 2016 a mid week break from Sunday through to Wednesday morning at the Ringwood Hall Hotel. A laid back type of event, but in saying that we have the “Ladies Ascot Night”, “Hat Parade”, outdoor garden games (weather permitting), “Craft Fayre” and to top it off a “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](http://www.northernconcord.org.uk)

## The Ringwood Hall Hotel



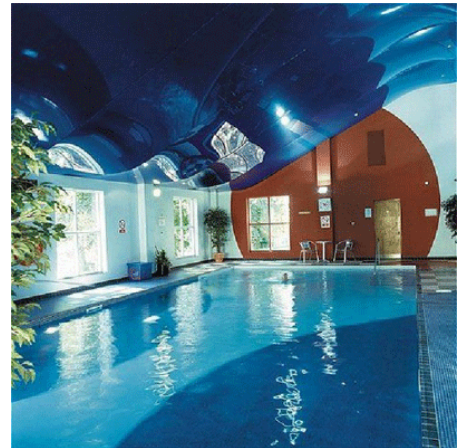
A beautiful Georgian listed Manor House close to the historic market town of Chesterfield, at the gateway to the Peak District National Park.

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 2008 and 2009 East Midlands in Bloom competitions, and also won a Silver Gilt award in the 2010 competition.

### Gymnasium & Swimming Facilities



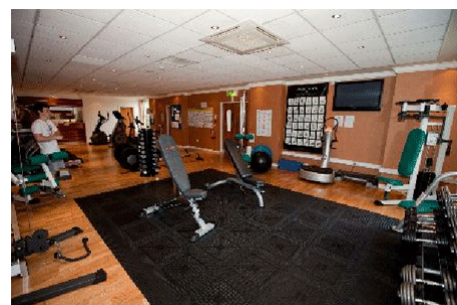
### What about a little exercise?

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

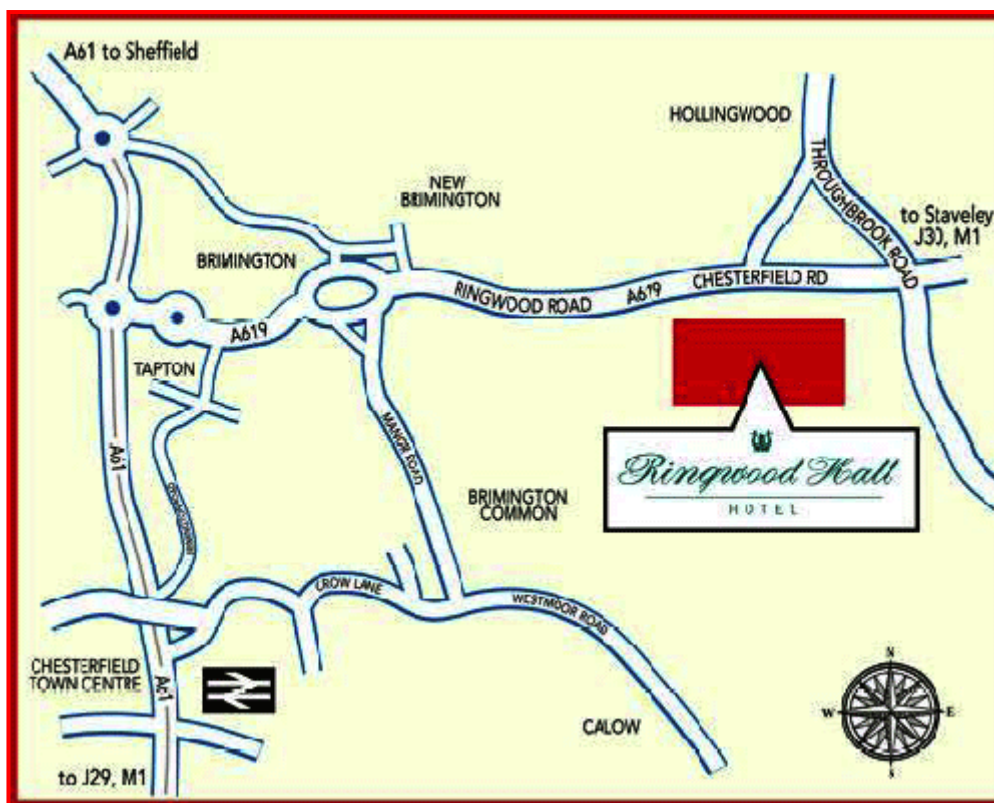
- Friday 2pm to 5pm
- Saturday 8am to 11am and 3pm to 5pm
- Sunday 10am to 12.30pm

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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**Ringwood Hall Hotel**  
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 28 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.