ICKLETON LION NEWS

DECEMBER 2024

Merry Christmas

At the end of a roller coaster year - we want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and say a huge THANK YOU for your incredible support, words of encouragement, energy and enthusiasm for this project - not to mention your generous financial contributions, which have enabled us to (almost) realise our dream of bringing the Ickleton Lion into community ownership. We hope to have more news soon so keep an eye out for emails!

ICKLETON LION MERCHANDISE!

Perfect Christmas and birthday gifts - grab yours before they're gone!

We are delighted to announce that **Limited Edition Ickleton Lion Merchandise** is now available to pre-order!

Our recipe book 'Let the Lion Roar! Feasts & Fun' features a selection of recipes from our fundraising events this year, plus facinating stories and memories of our pub.

AND YES - the incredible Lamb Bhuna recipe from our curry night is in there - along with lots of other delicious treats!

You can also raise a glass to the Lion this Christmas with our limited-edition pint glass, which comes in a beautiful gift bag along with two Ickleton Lion beer mats!

Pre-orders will be taken via **this google form** until 10th December. Orders will not be confirmed until payment has been received. While stocks last, the merchandise will also be on sale at our Christmas celebration on 22nd December ...more details below!

Every order takes us one step closer to re-opening!

A CHRISTMAS CRACKER!

We hope you will be able to join us from 4pm on Sunday 22nd December for fun, laughter, and fantastic community spirit, not to mention...

Mulled Wine & Mince Pies
Hot Chocolate
A Visit from Father Christmas
Sing along with Carols and Christmas tunes

The perfect start to Christmas!

FUTURE EVENTS

Beat the January Blues by enjoying the warmth and spirit of our Burns Night!

Join us from 7pm on Friday 24th January as we honour Scotland's beloved bard, Robert Burns, with an evening of fine food , traditional Scottish music, lively ceilidh dancing, and recitations of Burns' poetry.

Tickets are priced at £20 are available from Ickleton Costcutter, or you can buy them online via the events page on our website.

We also have a 'Lover's Quiz planned for Valentine's day - tickets on sale soon!

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

All members should have received an email from us on Friday 22nd November, which gave details of the following adminstrative matters:

- Notice of a General Members' Meeting
- Nomination of shares on death
- Share certificates

Please make sure we have your responses **no later than 12th December**. If you don't think you received the email and forms, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can resend. Thank you

BRINGING THE LION BACK TO LIFE

Huge thanks to everyone who has already been in touch to offer help to get the pub ready for re-opening. We are already making great progress behind the scenes so that we can bring the Lion back to its former glory.

If you haven't yet signed up - it's not too late!
Whether you can offer a specific skill, or just a few hours here and there to help with cleaning, painting or gardening - it will all make a difference and hopefully be lots of fun too. Whatever help you can provide will be very much appreciated.

You can tell us how you can help by completing this **short google form**, or by emailing us at ickletonlionhearted@gmail.com

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We are now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 8,000 retailers will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. **Sign up here!**

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