



12 St Marys Court
Eastrop
Basingstoke
Hampshire
RG21 4AT

22th Sept 2008

RE: Marcos Thames Valley Group Christmas Meal.

Dear Marcos enthusiast,

The Marcos Thames Valley Group are meeting for an evening meal on Saturday 13th December at The Old Bell in Grazeley, Berkshire to celebrate Christmas and welcome in the 50th Anniversary Year of Marcos.

Gary Harman who usually organises this event is having a well earned rest this year and I am organising it in his stead.

In keeping with previous years I would like to extend the invite to all Thames Valley Marcos enthusiasts, friends, and the wider Marcos community. However, there is a limit to the numbers so please book early to avoid disappointment... don't put this aside to deal with later, read the menu, grab a pen and follow the simple steps on the reservation form! If you can not find a cheque book, please contact me for alternative ways to pay - such as PayPal.

The Old Bell is a traditional country pub with a warm, friendly atmosphere and has a good selection of wines and real ales, the pub is easy to find off the M4 at Junction 11, Reading. I have reserved a separate section of the restaurant to make this a more intimate event and we are looking forward to a great evening.

If you are planning to stay over night in the area there are a number of local Hotels. I can not arrange hotel accommodation, this is the partygoers responsibility and must be booked directly with the hotel and I suggest that you confirm with me first that there is space at the meal before making any hotel booking. For information: The Premiere Travel Inn (budget) is within 50 yards of the Old Bell and other superior hotels are available within 2 miles at little extra cost - such as the Madjeski & Copthorne (please note that the Copthorne Health club is currently closed). The Madjeski Hotel are holding up to 12 rooms at a rate of £83 inc breakfast - you would need to quote promo code MAR131208. Please note if you are planning to arrive early to the area, Reading FC is playing at home which tends to cause heavy traffic at M4 Jn11, the kick-off is scheduled for 3pm and finish about 5pm.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me either by email: mbarr@nortel.com, or by telephone at 01256 417705 or 07710 876131.

All bookings should be received by 25th October but please do not delay, if you are planning to attend please let me know ASAP so I can add you to the growing list and confirm the restaurant.

I look forward to welcoming you this Christmas.

Kindest regards - Marcus Barr.

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MARCOS Thames Valley Group

Christmas Dinner

Saturday 13th December 2008

The Old Bell, Grazeley Green, Berkshire. RG7 1LS

£23.95 per person - 4 course menu

7pm for 7:30pm until 11pm.

Starter

Caramelised Onion Soup (V)

Topped with a cheese croute, served with rustic bread and butter

Crayfish Cocktail

Crayfish tails topped with a citrus & Chive yoghurt dressing, served with brown bread & butter

Smoked Duck Pate

Creamy smoked duck pate infused with Scottish raspberries, served with damson chutney, toast & butter.

Wild Mushroom Bruschetta (V)

Wild mushrooms sauteed in garlic butter on toasted pain de champagne with Parmesan style cheese & fresh basil.

Main Course

Hand Carved Lincolnshire Turkey & British Ham

Traditionally served with all the trimmings

Wild Pheasant

Two pheasant breasts with a berry & red wine sauce.

35 Day Matured British Sirloin Steak

With a pepper & Stilton sauce

Scottish Delice of Salmon

With a Champagne sauce and fresh herbs

Roasted Winter vegetable Tart Tatin (V)

With vegetarian gravy

All main courses are served with roast and mashed potatoes, honey roasted British parsnips & carrots and buttered British sprouts.

Dessert

Traditional Christmas Pudding

Served warm with brandy sauce

Belgian Chocolate Mousse

With biscotti biscuits and extra thick Channel Island cream, topped with raspberries

Eton Mess

Crushed meringue and strawberries with raspberry coulis, bound together with fresh yoghurt

Winter Fruit Crumble

Apple and winter berries topped with crumble, served warm with custard

Coffee and Mince Pie

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Thank you for choosing to join us for this celebration; to make your booking please follow these simple steps...

1. Complete this booking form, including dish choice and any special requirement.

2. Send payment. For this event we need a £5 per person deposit payable on booking. The balance of £18.95 per person must be received by 25th Nov. However, you can send full payment with this booking, the balance will be refunded if you cancel prior to 25th Nov 2008. (post dated cheques will be accepted for the balance with the date no later than 15th Nov 2008)

3. Send this form and payment to me at the address below:

Marcus Barr
12 St Marys Court, Eastrop. Basingstoke.
Hampshire. RG21 4AT

Bookings must be received before 25th Oct but there is a limit to the numbers so please respond early to avoid any disappointment, we need to confirm numbers to the Restaurant ASAP.

It is as easy as that... so dig out your glad rags and get in the Christmas mood!

If you have any questions, please contact me - Marcus Barr at 01256 417705 / 07710 876131 or mbarr@nortel.com

TVG Marcos Christmas meal

Please reserve places for me for this Christmas celebration

I enclose full payment of £23.95/person (deposit of £5/person + balance £18.95/person)

OR

I enclose a deposit of £5/person plus a post dated cheque for £18.95/person (dated no later than 15th November 2008).

please tick

Cheques should be made payable to "Marcus Barr"

Please tick boxes for required dishes

For Sirloin Steak indicate how you would like it cooked:

- WD = Well Done
- MW = Medium
- MR = Medium Rare
- R = Rare

	<i>Caramelised Onion Soup (V)</i>	<i>Crayfish Cocktail</i>	<i>Smoked Duck Pate</i>	<i>Wild Mushroom Bruschetta (V)</i>	<i>Lincolnshire Turkey & British Ham</i>	<i>Wild Pheasant</i>	<i>Sirloin Steak (indicate how cooked)</i>	<i>Scottish Delice or Salmon</i>	<i>Roasted Winter Vegetable Tart (V)</i>	<i>Belgian Christmas Pudding</i>	<i>Eton Mess</i>	<i>Winter Fruit Crumble</i>	Special Dietary requirements?
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NAME	STARTER	MAIN COURSE	DESERT	

Name: _____
 Address: _____

 Postcode: _____
 Telephone Number _____
 email address _____

The Old Bell, Grazeley Green, Berkshire. RG7 1LS

