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The Newsletter of the Langdale Owners' Club

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Hello Owners

Its Views o'clock again! Is it just me or do these come round quicker each year. Maybe I'm just getting old, I said maybe!

WOW, what a summer we have had this year. It's hard to try and sum it up in words. The Jubilee, the Wimbledon final, the Olympics and then the Paralympics and just when you think it can't get any better; we have a British winner in the US open, well done Mr Murray. I remember back in 1992 the Queen coined the phrase "Annus Horribilis". Well I think in the Queen's Speech this year it will be more like "Annus Mirabilis". It truly has been a great year to be British. We are a proud nation, watched on by the world with envy. When history looks back on these events it will be known as "The Great Year of 2012". I feel I should have a Union Flag flying behind me while I say this with maybe a Battle of Britain fly by and "Jerusalem" playing loud. Well done Britain, give yourself a pat on the back. There was one small down side to it all however. While we were all indoors watching these amazing events on the Tele we missed summer, or did I just blink. Still, it was worth it.

So, lots happening at Langdale over the summer, main thing being the ongoing development of Brimstone. But I also have other things to report on. Firstly, I am very happy to say that Red Squirrels are back at Langdale. We are having more and more sightings of them both on site and just off. This is brilliant news. Secondly there are some new trips that we have organised for your enjoyment, one heading over to the Peter Hall and Son workshop, where you get the chance to watch some real craftsman using traditional skills to create wonderful

pieces of furniture, ornaments and other works of art. Another one, which proved very popular with owners, was the Autumn Walk with John White. This took you into Martindale and the grazing grounds of the Red Deer; a fabulous spectacle especially during the rutting season. Owners that went on the walk saw over 200 deer!



Red Deer Stag


We also had the arrival to Langdale of the Twizys! Langdale's very own electric cars. This is a new and exciting way to go around the Lakes we all love so much, but in a totally new way. Owners have been hiring the Twizy out for just £9 per hour and always come back with big smiles on their faces. When you sit in a Twizy you can't but smile. If you haven't already been out in one then I strongly recommend you do so next time you are here. But don't forget your driving licence.

Without sounding like a broken record can I please urge you all again, those who can, to regularly visit the Owners Website

- www.langdaleownersclub.org.uk. You will find out so much more about what is happening on and around the Estate. Also, if you supplied us with an email address for your ownership records, you will already be receiving the pre-arrival email that we send out a week or so before your week at Langdale giving you a heads up on what is happening during your week. If you haven't supplied your e-mail address, please do so via owners@langdale.co.uk along with your name and property details.

Well that's pretty much all from me this time. Thanks to you all for another great year at Langdale and if I don't see you beforehand have a great Christmas, early I know, and all the best for 2013.

See you soon
Adam
Owner Relations Manager

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Red Squirrel

Electric Cars



Renault Twizy Electric Car

An electrifying drive in the beautiful Lake District is now available at Langdale in one of two Renault Twizy electric cars. The two-seater Twizy is partly open to the elements and because there is no engine noise it is a great way to experience the sights and sounds of the Lakeland countryside.

With a range of up to 65 miles and charging stations available at Glenridding, Dalegarth, Grasmere and Bowness-on-Windermere there are plenty of routes that can be planned which can take in all the best roads and scenery in the area.

The cars are based at and administered by Langdale as part of the Go Lakes Travel project in conjunction with Common Wheels, which has been established to encourage sustainable travel and transport around the Lake District; electric cars are hoped to replace some journeys otherwise made in vehicles with greater carbon emissions as well as being great fun. The cars can be hired out from reception seven days a week following completion of a form and DVLA check, please note the DVLA check has to be done Monday to Friday.



www.co-wheels.org.uk

www.golakestravel.co.uk

Committee & Board Workshops

Throughout the year 13 interested parties have attended the Langdale Owners PLC and/or the Langdale Owners Club Committee meetings in an effort to get to know how each organisation works, and giving each person a chance to decide whether they would be interested in joining the Board and/or Committee. Both LOP and LOC have enjoyed the experience and have appreciated the feedback which has generally been very positive.

LOC Committee continues to look at succession planning, and, among other things, has been impressed at the number and experience of Owners who have attended the meetings.

The Committee believes that there may be advantage to the Owners' Club in introducing a limit to the term

of office of Committee members so that a wider range of Owners can serve, thus bringing new skills and experience to bear on the affairs of the Club. There could also be advantage in a steady increase in the number of Owners who have had the experience of serving on the Committee. Currently members are elected for 3-year terms and may stand for re-election without limit. Views on the possibility of a limit of, say, 6 years continuous service are invited, as are views on the option of an extended continuous term of 9 years for a person who is elected Chairman. Views may be sent to owners@langdale.co.uk, or to Anne Durnall, The Langdale Estate, Great Langdale, Ambleside Cumbria LA22 9JD. Any changes would require an amendment to the Constitution.

The Spa

Fitness fell walking has been added to the exercise class timetable and is proving very popular as participants get to see some of our stunning Lake District scenery whilst getting fit covering a variety of terrains and gradients.

Also on the exercise class timetable and following the popularity of Zumba, is Aqua Zumba. The water based version is popular and offers a great combination of swimming and regular Zumba.

Elemis Christmas gift sets are available to purchase including the Elemis Supreme Glow which includes:

- Rehydrating Rosepetal Cleanser 200ml
- Soothing Apricot Toner 200ml
- Maximum Moisture Day Cream 50ml
- Tranquil Touch Indulgent Bath Elixir 100ml

All for just £46 saving £34 on the regular price



Elemis Gift Sets

Familiar Faces at Langdale

Deepak Yadav left us this year and we wish him all the best in his new role at the Radisson Edwardian in Manchester. He is succeeded by his Assistant, the very popular Sarah Strachan. Sarah has been a breath of fresh air and we hope that she relishes her role as Purdey's Restaurant Manager and that she will continue to bring new and exciting ideas to the department.

Helen Westmoreland Nicholson decided to resign from her post as Spa Manager at Langdale in order to spend more time at home with her family and run the family farm. We will continue to see Helen at Langdale as we have agreed that she will carry on running her popular and successful classes and will be available to support us on a consultancy basis. The company have very much valued the contribution which Helen has made to the whole customer experience on the Estate. She is ably succeeded by her Assistant, Richard Bell, who has already made a positive impression as he takes over the role, looking after both club and health and beauty responsibilities.

Joanna Carp and Dawid Drellok were married in Poland on 8th September in a ceremony attended by twelve staff from Langdale.



Joanna & Dawid Drellok

Man at the Top and Weir

Through their generosity and commitment to preserving the Lakeland landscape, Langdale owners have raised a staggering total of £186,459 since the inception of the Man at the Top scheme which funds footpath repair in the Langdale Valley.



Footpath Repair

Owners have also donated £28,338 towards the reconstruction of the Weir, which is greatly appreciated. Very soon we hope to pass the half-way mark towards the total cost of £69,897. The new weir and related works on the waterways have led to a transformation of the Langdale site for the benefit of owners.

Business Update

Purdey's

The new menu introduced in August is proving very popular. A wider choice of dishes than ever before is now on offer and includes twice-baked cheese soufflé, English garden pea risotto, lobster burger, braised pork belly and the ever popular beef wellington; the puddings include some traditional favourites like strawberry arctic roll and custard slice.

View the menu at langdale.co.uk

Wainwrights' Inn

Despite poor summer weather Wainwrights continues to be busy with locals, tourists, owners and campers, who are more reluctant than ever to leave the warmth and comfort to return to their tents at Baysbrown. On the menu, some traditional favourites such as Hot Dogs (with a Cumbrian twist) and Fish Finger Sandwiches are proving very popular.

View the menu at langdale.co.uk

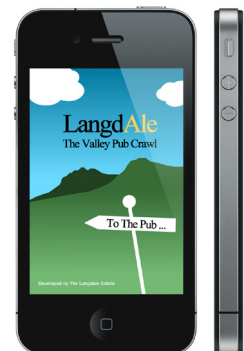
You can follow Ben and the team at Wainwrights' by becoming a friend of the pub on Facebook.



LangdAle - The Mobile App

For those of you that like to use your smart phones for more than just making calls, the Marketing team at Langdale have developed an app for Apple and Android devices which provides information and

offers for the pubs in the Langdale Valley and directions for a "Pub Crawl" around the Valley. Just search Langdale in the app store or scan below.





South Elevation

brimstone

at Langdale

The exciting new hotel development is progressing apace. The thrilling new hotel rooms are due to open to the general public in Spring 2013. At the time of writing the crane is lifting the ceilings for the first floor into place.

You can follow the progress of the development on the owners' website and get more details of this refreshingly original hotel project at www.brimstonehotel.co.uk where we expect the first bedroom images to be available in early 2013. Prices will be based from the top rooms currently at Langdale and keep an eye out for an owners' exclusive pre-opening offer for Brimstone which will be available towards the end of 2012.

Refurbishment

With another timeshare maintenance period rapidly approaching, material quantities and specifications are being finalised ready for the team to get to work on this years refurbishment programme, which can be viewed on the owners' website.

This year we will complete the refurbishment of a further 17 kitchen and living rooms, lay 800m² of carpet and hang 1500m² of wall paper. We will also install over 400m of LED strip lighting, and complete the installation

AGM

This year's Annual General Meeting for Langdale Owners Plc and Langdale Owners Club take place on Sunday 18th November, once again at Langdale and there will be a full weekend of events and activities for those attending.

Owners can enjoy a Digital Photography Walk, Cooking Demonstration, Strictly Come and Have a Go at Dancing, Wine Tasting, Beer Tasting and much more.

There are still rooms available in the hotel so if you are attending why not make a weekend of it or come and join the fun. Call Jackie Lancaster on 015394 38066 or email jackie.lancaster@langdale.co.uk for more details.

of 25 electronic door locks.

The bathroom refurbishment programme is ongoing and this year we will complete the refurbishment of 15 bathrooms taking delivery of 6 pallets of tiles for these installations.

We will complete the fire alarm system upgrade and carry on with the boiler replacement programme.

Langdale Timeshare Swaps

If you are unable to use your week this year and would like to swap it for another week at Langdale, please visit the owners website to see the up-to-date list of weeks available or contact Sheila Crouch - Fred.Crouch@btinternet.com - Tel/ Fax 01661-823-548

langdaleownersclub.org.uk



Privilege Card

Don't forget your Privilege Card each time you visit Langdale for exclusive discounts in Purdey's, The Terrace, Hobson's, Wainwrights' Inn and The Spa.

Also, remember you can SAVE 10% off the best available rate in the Langdale Hotel.

