# og'sLIFE



Your Community Freehouse News - Oct 2018

Welcome to the 11th edition of the Dog's Life. In this issue we celebrate the successful launch of the restaurant, and highlight events coming up in the next few months, as well as looking back at past activities.



## THE RESTAURANT

The restaurant has been open now for over 3 months, and is proving very popular. Chef Darren and his team have produced a great menu, which has something for everyone on it, as well as regularly changing specials. Here is what some of the recent customers have had to say about it:

"Group of 8 golfers from Bolton called in on spec early evening on the way back from a comp at Burnley GC. Great welcome and service from the young waitresses which was backed up by the excellent food. Fantastic value for money offered by the mid-week specials menu. Sat outside in the sun with a pint afterwards taking in the spectacular views." (Andy L)

"Visited the Dog Inn, Belthorn for the first time today. We were both delighted with our meal. We both had broccoli and cheese soup and full beef roast dinner. It was delicious and well presented. We were impressed with the ambience of the restaurant and view of the countryside (even though it was raining!!!), bar and staff.

There was a group setting up as we were leaving. Apparently every second Sunday they are there. It's easy to find and well worth a visit. It is reasonably priced and all food is freshly cooked when ordered. We will be back for more. Just sorry we didn't visit sooner. Great job by all the locals who formed a cooperative to save this beautiful pub." (Derrick and Bernie)

"Had lunch here today with friends who were visiting! Food was fantastic and the views from the back were stunning as always! Will definitely be back!" Sarah K E

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### **OPENING HOURS**

**PUB** 

MON: 2-7pm TUES - SUN: 12-11pm

#### **RESTAURANT**

MON: Closed

TUES-THUR: 12-2pm, 5-9pm FRI-SAT: 12pm-9pm

SUN: 12-8pm

#### **COFFEE SHOP**

MON - FRI: 2-5pm

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"First time at the Dog Inn and it certainly won't be the last. Warm and friendly atmosphere. Excellent food at reasonable prices. Can't wait to go again. 5 stars for sure!" Joanne M

"We visited this lovely pub and restaurant on Fri 7th Sept for the first time for a meal after our son's wedding. We liked it that much we went again this Sunday for our tea and we were made to feel really welcome. 5 star service for our food we couldn't recommend any higher. We shall be coming to the Dog Inn more often." (Keith W)

"I thought that the pub was really good and it's got a nice community feel to it and the decor in the pub is really good. I think it's situated in a great place and the staff are really friendly there so all in all I would recommend you go and visit." (Amber O)

# BBC Radio Lancashire Community Project of the Year:



Following our nomination for the BBC Radio Lancashire Community Project of the Year, we managed to reach the final four, and on Sunday 16th September, Yvonne & Roger Brown attended the awards ceremony at the Preston Guild Hall on behalf of the Dog Inn.

Unfortunately we didn't win, but were awarded with a "Highly Commended"

plaque which will be displayed with pride in the pub: there were thousands of nominations, so to get to the last 4 was a great achievement.

Check out some of our other reviews on the Dog Inn Facebook page and also on www.tripadvisor.com.

### **Remembering Russ**

On Saturday 1st September, Mark Griffiths played in the Dog Inn, in memory of Russ Walkden, who recently passed away.

The pub was packed, as usual when Mark plays, and an amazing total of over £400 was raised through a combination of a raffle, an auction and donations, which will be donated to the East Lancashire Hospice in memory of Russ. Many thanks to Mark for performing, and to all those who supported this hugely worthwhile cause.

## Calling local businesses

We are always looking for local businesses and producers who might like to supply products to the coffee shop - please contact us if you are interested.



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# BACK IN TIME

On 6th and 7th September, the History Society held a heritage weekend featuring a display of old photographs and artefacts in the Community Room.

Many people came to look at the display, which featured old photographs of the village, and the surrounding area, as well as photographs and historical documents from the school (and the previous schools in the village).

Among the artefacts were some extracts from the log book of "Oswaldtwistle Belthorn and Daisy Green C of E School" dating from between 1st July 1863 and 19th August 1879. These extracts showed that when children didn't complete their home lessons they were "Punished accordingly"!

On the Friday evening, as part of the Heritage Weekend, there was a talk by Gayle Knight, on "Two Local Women and their Role in the Suffragette movement".

This was attended by well over 20 people, who all had an enjoyable evening. Gayle plans

to do more history talks in the future, in conjunction with the History Society. And don't forget, the History Society meets on the third Tuesday of every month, 7.30pm in the Community Room upstairs at the Dog Inn. Dog

## **Celebrating the Harvest**

On Sunday 16th September, the annual Harvest Church Service was held in the Community Room upstairs at the Dog Inn.

Attended by around 20 people, the service was an opportunity to be thankful for the food that we have, and donations of food were brought in to be given to

the Food Bank in order to help support those who need extra help in our community.

The monthly church service is held on the 3rd Sunday in every month, 2.30pm in the Community Room upstairs, and all are welcome to attend.

### **Coffee Morning**

On Saturday 29th September, we held a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support, which raised nearly £80.

Many thanks to all the volunteers and to everyone who supported this event.



# Dates at The Dog

#### **WEEKLY EVENTS:**

Mondays: 4-5pm: Drama group for year 5 children upwards (Term Time only)

Tuesdays, 2-4pm: Craft & Chat - Coffee Shop

Wednesdays, 8pm: Bridge Night

Thursdays, 8pm: Quiz Night

Sat 6th October, 8pm: Circled in the Radio Times by John Osborne.

Brought to you from the "Inn Crowd", this is a story-telling show, which is funny, interesting and about something very easy to relate to: television. This show is about the role TV plays in our lives. Tickets: £8 adults, £6 children. Suitable for ages 10 upwards.

*Tues 9th October, 7 - 7.30pm:* Member's Surgery. A chance to meet Board members with your suggestions & comments.

Sun 14th October, 2 - 6pm: Open Mic: All welcome.

Sun 21st October, 2.30pm: Informal Church Service In the Community Room: all welcome.

**Sat 27th October: The Monkeymen** Live music from a local band. Free, all welcome

Sun 28th Oct, 3 - 5pm: Room on the Broom - Hallowe'en Party & Storytime. In conjunction with the Civic Arts Centre and Theatre. Meet all the characters, play party games, dance, and watch the story performed. Tickets £3 from The Dog Inn.

Sun 11th November, 2 - 6pm: Open Mic: All welcome.

Tues 13th November, 7 - 7.30pm: Member's Surgery. A chance to meet Board members with your suggestions & comments.

Sun 18th November, 2.30pm: Informal Church Service In the Community Room: all welcome.

Sat 1st December, 9pm: Live music with Nat Griffiths.
Acoustic hits of Britpop, Mod & much more! Free admission, all welcome

Sat 8th December, 2 - 4pm: Children's Christmas Party Tickets £5 from the Dog Inn

Sun 9th December, 2 - 6pm: Open Mic: All welcome.

Tues 11th December, 7 - 7.30pm: Member's Surgery. A chance to meet Board members with your suggestions & comments.

Sat 15th December, 2 - 6pm: Over 60's Christmas Party.

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Fri 21st December, 6pm: Belthorn Youth Drama presents 'Santa's Sleeping. A play written by and for the group, which promises to be

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Sat 22nd December, 6pm: Belthorn Youth Drama presents 'Santa's Sleeping. A play written by and for the group, which promises to be the usual fun mix of drama, song & dance. Tickets £2.50 (adults); £1.50 (concessions).

New Year's Eve, 9pm: Live music with Mark Griffiths. A fantastic way to see the new year, Mark's influences are; The Beatles, The Jam, Stone Roses, Oasis & more. Free admission, everyone welcome.

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