

News from **West Winds Yorkshire Tearooms**  
in Buckden at the heart of the Yorkshire Dales  
*Saturday 6 September 2014*

## Venison and Old Peculier pies back on the menu...



We've been making pies again and this time it's **venison and Theakston's Old Peculier** with the venison coming from Round Green Farm near Barnsley and the beer from Masham. The heady animal-and-ale combination is additionally flavoured with rosemary from our garden and blackberry and liquorice jelly made at Elvington near York.

You can enjoy a standard or three-quarter size pie, served with a crisp salad of apple, celery, nuts, grapes, carrot and red cabbage.

On the other hand, if you'd like something a little less full-on, we also have cheese and cashew nut pies and mixed bean pies for you to try. And if all that doesn't leave you too pie-eyed, how about ordering home-grown rhubarb pie for dessert?

Naturally, if pies are not your thing, we have many of our old favourites on the menu too... Yorkshire grilled gammon with all the trimmings, Yorkshire puddings with sausages (meaty or spicy lentil), home-made Swiss chard quiche, salads and sandwiches. And Lynn is turning out some rather nice chocolate cake at the moment...

## Take a Winter Break at West Winds...



The schools have gone back and we've already done an audit of our wood shed, which can only mean one thing... winter is here again! But that's not to say your visits to Buckden are now numbered because this year we are offering bed and breakfast throughout the cooler months, so you can come to stay during November, December, January or February.

That's not all... Once the tearooms close for the season on Sunday 2 November, we'll be turning the space into a homely sitting room and breakfast room for guests. And if you opt for one of our **Winter Breaks**, we'll provide you with an evening meal that you can enjoy in front of the log fire.

A Winter Break is available for two people for at least two nights in either a double room or two single rooms and includes tea and cake on arrival, two-course evening meal with soft drinks and tea or

coffee, plus a wide choice of cooked and continental breakfasts. You are welcome to bring your own wine – we can supply a cork screw and glasses and even finish off your bottle for you afterwards!

A two-night stay for two people, including dinner, bed and breakfast, costs £170 (£42.50 per person per night). You can stay an extra night for just £29 more. That's three nights with dinner, bed and breakfast for a total of just £199 (just over £33 per person per night). This offer is available from Monday 3 November 2014 until Sunday 1 March 2015.

And there are some up-coming events that might tempt you to come to stay even more. How about tying in a visit with one of the following happenings?

- Wednesday 5 November: Buckden Bonfire Night sets the sky alight
- Saturday 29 November, Saturday 6 December and Saturday 13 December: Grassington goes Dickensian for its Christmas market
- Friday 12 and Saturday 13 December: Buckden Singers perform their Christmas concert in Buckden Village Hall

For more details about Winter Breaks at West Winds, visit our website at [www.westwindsinyorkshire.co.uk/specialoffers.asp](http://www.westwindsinyorkshire.co.uk/specialoffers.asp) or call us on 01756 760883.

## Buckden mint sauce now available...



If, like us, you prefer to enjoy your Dales lamb to full effect, then a jar of West Winds **mint sauce** is a necessity. It's authentic, coarse-cut and made only with garden mint from our kitchen garden, cider vinegar and sugar.

There aren't too many jars available at the moment (beautifully modelled left by one of our senior waitresses, Stephanie), so come to secure your jar soon.

## New garden birds take to the air...



It's been a productive year for all the **birds** we share our garden with. Some late-nesting swallows raised a family of four from the pre-made swallows' nest in the wood shed (well, we are a guesthouse, after all), while the ivy in the tea-garden has appeared at times to contain more house sparrows than ivy. There have also been baby robins, blackbirds and thrushes hopping about the place, much to the interest of our cats Sebastian and Toffee. Happily they

seem to prefer mice at the moment – one day they ate five between them.

Word of our bird-friendly garden has got around and the local sparrow hawk has been a couple of times for his tea but, as they say, that's nature...

### Limited edition Christmas cakes coming soon...



All this talk of Winter Breaks and roast dinners points to a chilling fact... Christmas is just round the corner! After strong demand last year, Lynn's Teatime Cakes will again be baking **Christmas cakes** to order.

They'll be more details in the next newsletter. In the meantime, if you're having people to stay or even throwing a party, remember we can help with the catering.

Available at reasonable prices in smart white boxes are Carrot and Walnut Gateau, Coffee and Walnut Gateau, Chocolate Gateau, Yorkshire Curd Tart, Pecan Pie, Lemon Tart, Treacle Tart, Victoria Sponge, Coffee and Walnut Cake, Chocolate Cake, Lemon Cake, Orange Cake, Brandy Fruitcake, Yorkshire Parkin, Fat Rascals, Lavender Shortbread Biscuits, Lemon Drizzle Cake, Luxury Rocky Road, Coffee Cupcakes, Chocolate Cupcakes, Vanilla Cupcakes, Bakewell Slice, Caramel Slice, Almond Slice, Fruit Scones and Cheese Scones. That should be enough to add several inches to any waistline...

To see what we can do for you, visit [www.teatimecakes.net](http://www.teatimecakes.net) To place an order, call 01756 760883 or e-mail [lynn@teatimecakes.net](mailto:lynn@teatimecakes.net) Please order at least 48 hours in advance.

### Don't mention the Tour de F word...



That's right, we might go all funny and start throwing pies around. We actually had quite a quiet weekend during the **Tour de France**, partly because all the road closures meant no-one could get here, other than, err, by bike. Eateries in Upper Wharfedale were all raised to fever-pitch through hype from councils and tourist agencies, only to be left counting their fingers rather than their takings. Catering friends of ours ordered enough bottled water to fill a small swimming pool, only to be left drowning in the stuff. Pop-up campsites and car parks went pop, farmers everywhere were disappointed their walls weren't knocked over as predicted – there wasn't even much litter to pick up afterwards...

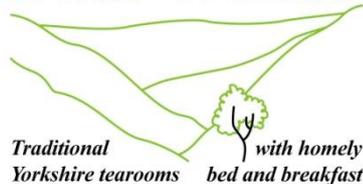
We're left wondering what it was all about, so please don't mention the Tour de F word...

## Latest opening news...



Please note the tearooms will be **closed** from Monday 15 to Tuesday 23 September 2014 inclusive. Other than that, we are generally open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday until Sunday 2 November 2014, which will be the last day of the season.

## West Winds



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***Behind the Buck Inn...***

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