

FOUR STARS!



New web site launched

When you're next on-line have a look at our web site - www.dukeofcumberland.co.uk. It's been completely redesigned and carries a lot more information than the previous one. The screen above is the home page and there are now sections on drink, food, accommodation, events, garden, off-site bars and customer comments, as well as

maps, contact details and a download area from where you can receive newsletters and other material. Items will be updated as necessary such as information on forthcoming events, menus, etc. There's also a useful links page to sites with related news and information including band news, tourist board booking system, ghosts stories, and more.

We're so proud to be able to write that The Duke of Cumberland is now officially a four star inn. We recently received notification of the rating following a mystery inspection by a tourist board representative. We were assessed on five criteria; bedrooms, bathrooms, cleanliness, food and hospitality. Four stars was the maximum we could have received and so we are over the moon about it. All the hard work has paid off!

Anyone for boules?

There is now a boule pitch in the beer garden for the French game of Petanque. If you've got a set of boules get yourself down here for a game with friends. If you don't have a set we can lend you one but they're quite easy to come by. Nauticalia in Canterbury, for example, do a set a for about £10, though I've seen other sets around even cheaper. If you don't know how to play we have a set of rules available too; a complete set and an easy-to-follow 'quick start' set. It's a simple game, not too dissimilar from our native game of bowls.

The Duke of Cumberland, Barham, will be hosting a real ale festival spread over three days; 1st, 2nd & 3rd August 2008. There will be a wide selection of real ales from across the country as well as barbecues, hog roasts and live music including blues, jazz and pop from a variety of local bands and performers. More details are to follow so please check the web site or await the next newsletter.



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We're now open for food on Sunday evening with a reduced menu. Becky's in charge that evening so we're calling it Becky's Kitchen. We've decided however to stop the senior citizen's lunches on Thursdays due to a very limited response.

Make a note in your diary of the following dates:

- 24th June:** The Duke's Quiz Night
- 11th July:** One Year On Party with 'The Fling'
- 18th July:** 'Blues Abuse' - T.B.C.
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd August:** Barham Beerfest

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