



# Arrow Bank

Country Holiday Park

*Good Luck, Good Health, Good Cheer*

*& A Happy New Year 2018*

## Hurrah the first signs of Spring are here!

The snowdrops have arrived to lift our spirits and get us all looking forward to the coming season.

As ever there are lots of local events this year, starting on Saturday 3rd March with the Lucton Food Festival. We have added a brief "What's On" to cover some early events in March. Following on from the success of last year's events there will be more to come, watch this space... The next newsletter, due before the beginning of the season, will have an 'Events Diary' for the year.

The team have been busy with the winter job list, continually improving both the appearance and visitor experience at Arrow Bank.

### Reconnections:

Remember Easter is early this year, falling on the last weekend in March, so don't be disappointed and remember to book your reconnection date. Please give us a minimum of 5 days notice (ideally as much notice as possible). Please arrive for your first stay in 2018 well within office hours, this will enable us to assist should there be any hiccups.

It's the final countdown, just 4 weeks to go! Where does the time go?



### A Very Big THANK YOU...

for all the Christmas cards, gifts, wine and best wishes. We are always grateful and humbled at such kind gestures and we have enjoyed every biscuit and chocolate with fond thoughts of you all!



### Some sad news...

Paul will be leaving us in the New Year :(

Paul has been an absolute stalwart of the Arrow Bank transformation. Arrow Bank would not be the park it is today without the hard work, in fair days and foul, from Paul and his team. Always ready to get his hands dirty, always a smile on his face and a bit of banter, always considering what is best for the park.

It has been a pleasure and an inspiration to work alongside Paul, our loss is definitely someone else's gain. He will be sadly missed, and we all wish him the very best of luck for the future.



14-18 NOW is presenting the iconic poppy sculpture 'Wave and Weeping Window' by artist Paul Cummins and designer Tom Piper, at Hereford Cathedral from 14th March to 29th April 2018. It has already been seen by 3.5 million people in 13 locations nationwide. Weeping Window is a cascade comprising several thousand handmade ceramic poppies seen pouring from a high window to the ground below; Wave is a sweeping arch of bright red poppy heads suspended on towering stalks. First World War memorials in the cathedral include a plaque commemorating men of all ranks of the Herefordshire Regiment who died on campaigns in Egypt, Gallipoli, Palestine and France. A powerful and moving spectacle to witness.

### Lakeside Bar & Bistro

Okay, so the eagle eyed amongst you will have noticed a new name has been sneaked in to the title of this one. Lakeside Bar & Bistro will be open for business on 1st March, you lucky people!

With memories, and tall stories, of New Year's Eve still fresh Craig and Vikki want to thank everyone who attended and made it such a night to remember. A great night was had by all.

There have been more upgrades to the bar and restaurant areas as well as a refurbishment of the WC's.

There is a brand new menu that will be refreshed regularly throughout the season and Craig and Vikki are really excited to welcome everyone back to kick the season off in style.

If you're down early season pop in, have a look, and give it a try. If not, then put Friday 23rd March in your diary for Bubbly and Canapes served from 6pm.

And if you want to make a fine impression at home, don't forget to **BOOK NOW** for Mothering Sunday Lunch, It's on March 11th! **Special Free Pudding offer (just for mums!)**

**New for 2018** - The Lakeside Party Night Package! Use the Marquee@Lakeside for your party night and dance the night away. Ask at Lakeside or office for details.

## March

- Fri 23-Feb Borderlines Film Festival (23/02 - 11/03)
- Sat 03-Mar Lucton Food Festival - Lucton School
- Fri 09-Mar Bingo @Lakeside
- Sun 11-Mar Mothering Sunday -Free Pudding offer @Lakeside
- Wed 14-Mar Poppies 'Weeping Window' at Hereford Cathedral (14/03 to 29/04)
- Sat 17-Mar St Patrick's Day - Guinness Promotion @Lakeside
- Sun 18-Mar Great British Dog Walk, Eastnor Castle
- Fri 23-Mar Bubbly and Canapes from 6pm @Lakeside
- 23-Mar Bingo @Lakeside
- Sun 25-Mar Spring Foraging Course, Weir Garden
- Fri 30-Mar Bingo @Lakeside
- Sat 31-Mar Discover Parks Open Weekend
- 31 Mar Easter Saturday Live Entertainment @Lakeside

## April

- Sun 01-Apr Discover Parks Open Weekend
- 01-Apr Easter - Children's Easter Fun @Pearl Lake
- 01-Apr Easter - Curry and a Beer 6pm £6.95 @Lakeside
- 01-Apr Easter- Family Quiz from 7-30pm @Lakeside
- 01-Apr Book for Easter Sunday lunch now @Lakeside
- Mon 02-Apr Discover Parks Open Weekend

## "Stories from the Hop Yards"

Herefordshire Life Through a Lens "Stories from the Hop Yards" brims with archive photos, film, and newly-recorded interviews. Inspired by the rediscovered Derek Evans photographic collection.

A requisite of British beer, with their evocative aroma, hops have been an integral part of county life for centuries. Listen to stories of days past and present from pickers, farmers, traders and brewers. Families would arrive for a working holiday by train, cattle lorry or charabanc. Dinners were cooked over open fires and children picked hops into an old umbrella while their mothers worked at the cribs. Showing as part of the Borderlines Film Festival

## Borderlines Film Festival (23 Feb - 11 Mar)

...are delighted to bring another programme chock full of previews, UK premieres and special strands celebrating Ingmar Bergman, new cinema from Africa, Tales from the Silk Road and reflections of May '68 together with the best of world and independent cinema to audiences in Herefordshire, Shropshire, Malvern and the borders. Borderlines is built on partnerships with our venues; The Courtyard Hereford, Flicks in the Sticks, Malvern Theatres, Ludlow Assembly Rooms and independent market town and village venues. None of it would be possible without the support of venue staff, volunteers and our funders, the BFI awarding funds from the National Lottery, The Elmley Foundation and Hereford City Council. We thank our sponsors and ask you to support them where you can. Don't miss our Opening Gala and Outdoor Screenings at the Left Bank too!

Naomi Vera-Sanso (Festival Director)  
www.borderlinesfilmfestival.co.uk/venues



## Play time

Fun for all the family! A 'Rounders' game set and badminton racquets/shuttlecocks will be available on deposit from reception. A badminton net will be erected in the recreation field - happy days!

## Fishing

2018 will see us working along the banks of the river. Sensitively clearing and tidying to enable easier access to the river as well as including better areas for fishermen. A glorious afternoon fishing might just get even better. For newcomers to park, newcomers to fishing, or even for those who have just forgotten to pack their fishing tackle, we would like to offer some fishing kit for hire. This will be available in reception.

Would you like a fly spray treatment for your holiday home? Please book in reception: £25.00

## Is that Rob?

Rob is back at Arrow Bank. Rob has an office upstairs and can be seen regularly in reception looking for tea and biscuits. Please do not feed him, he has work to do ;)



## Go on, take a good look, you know you want to!

Stunning ABI Westwood For Sale at Arrow Bank.

A special opportunity to purchase this 44' x 13' luxury 2 bedroom holiday home on Meadow View.

A spacious living area with dining for 4, a fully equipped kitchen and a stylish lounge is fairly standard these days, but it is the style and panache with which the Westwood impresses most. The finishing details, the storage options, the breakfast bar, the lighting, the fabrics, they all have quality and style about them that makes this holiday home stand out from the crowd. Be warned, if you have a look you might not want to give the keys back!

