

Guests Comments – May 2011

Following the Bistro Experience, the guests are asked to leave comments to help us improve future evenings.

“The starter was lovely...fish main was really tasty and tender. Simple vegetables – such as cabbage stack could have been served instead maybe? Pudding – Excellent”.

“Fabulous evening. Flavour and taste –first class. Very enjoyable”.

“Decoration – fab/lovely/amazing/wonderful”

“Dessert – Baked Alaska – Amazing”

“Flowers – excellent, also glasses and tableware”

“Dimmed lights – good”

“Candles – beautiful”

“Trio of desserts – excellent presentation – all delightful”

“Fish very tender – would have preferred more parmesan on flesh as skin not eaten by many. The rolls were delicious, served warm. The students were friendly and polite – well done all”

“That was a lovely evening. Will never understand how you manage to do all that for £12.50. Really imaginative dishes too”.

Hi Sally, I would like to make the following comments re the bistro evening: Imaginative, well presented, courses well timed, fish could have been hotter, a good bistro experience. Put us down for the next one.

“We really enjoyed the AMVC Bistro Experience on Wednesday. We very much appreciated all of the effort and hard work put in by everyone”.

From: The Bell ringers' table

"We felt the menu was varied and interesting - certainly extending the students' familiarity with differing products. The sea bass represented quite a challenge; the promise of "retro puddings" provided much amusement!

From the start the evening augured well; a smiling welcome, lovely room layout and beautifully laid tables with fresh flowers and interesting condiments. Deciding how to tackle some of the courses with the cutlery provided was quite interesting - ingenuity won the day!

Building an "instant team" to cook for 50 guests is a huge challenge, particularly when some courses are time dependant. We do recognise this difficulty, but unfortunately the potato gnocchi did suffer by being rather scorched and the fish was a little dry, however honour was saved by the super trio of puddings - they were fun as well as being very tasty.

The students were hugely personable, interested and interesting, as well as being knowledgeable about the food. The chef himself seemed enervated by the experience.

Overall it was a truly delightful experience - a "Bistro" in the village on a weekly basis would be excellent!"

Our thanks and congratulations to all concerned.

"Please pass on our thanks to the students for all the hard work that they put into the Bistro evening. Great tasting food well presented."

"Thank you so much for a truly memorable evening, enjoyed it immensely".

Hi Sally

Just a quick note to say thanks and well done for last night. I can see that it takes a lot of organising and without someone like you to drive it forward, it wouldn't happen. A great experience for the students, something that they will always remember and can write about on their CV.

Food was interesting, good presentation and nice atmosphere. The flowers and candles are a good idea, front of house staff were perfect and so was the little chat with the cooks. Terrific job, all of you and thanks for letting me be part of it".

"Thank you for a lovely evening, myself and my mum enjoyed the evening very much and thank you for catering for my mothers needs. I thought this was a great experience for the students, the food was outstanding. Give them all a pat on the back.

Thank you again Teresa Baxter and Mrs Maisie Baker"