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Happy New Year and February 9th a MUST!

2006 is off to a cracking start, with The Prestoungrange Gothenburg winning the top UK Award from CAMRA & English [yes, 'English'] Heritage on January 12th for the **Best 2005 Pub Restoration in the UK.**

ENGLISH HERITAGE



February 9th has been declared CELEBRATION DAY and from 6 pm that evening a very great deal indeed will be happening at The Goth, including Nailing The Plaque. A Hero's Welcome for George Kenderdine our local Marathon Man, the launch of the Prestonpans Half Marathon for June 3rd 2006, the Installation of the first Fowler's Companion Brewer Hugh Reid, a 1745 Battle Campaign rally and more more more! Be absolutely sure not to miss it. And if you log onto the website at <http://www.prestoungrange.org/gothenburg/html/future.html> and scroll to the foot of that screen there is a Special Offer to be downloaded for a choice of bar snack, a soft drink or your first half pint of Craig Allan's Celebration Brew for the night.

This Special Offer at our website, which is acknowledged as one of the best in Scotland, reflects an increasing emphasis on using the internet for keeping GothPoints Members informed at all time. Please get the habit. There will always, yes always, be a Special Offer there for downloading as you make



CAMPAIGN FOR REAL ALE



Craig Allan, Prestonpans Ales Micro-Brewer and Andrew Davidson, English Heritage.

your visit. Your familiar Brushstrokes, our informative newsletter has morphed itself into various formats over the last four years and been distributed far and wide throughout East Lothian. For 2006 it will once again be published quarterly at the website and available as a print out from The Goth itself. Except for special events when who knows what we might be able to offer!

To be absolutely sure of being kept informed of all forthcoming events bookmark the above web address as a 'favourite' and log on as often as can, but just as importantly, be sure to join the 400+ Members already using our GothPoint Membership Loyalty Card Scheme. Details are at the Goth of course but also can be downloaded at <http://www.prestoungrange.org/gothenburg/html/bonus.html>

P.S. The Prestoungrange Gothenburg will be CLOSED on Monday 30 January as staff are being treated to a very well-deserved day out. Late last year The Prestoungrange Gothenburg won the county award **Best New Business in East Lothian**. It came with a cheque of £500 which the directors' have doubled to £1000 to make sure it's a pretty magnificent celebration!

You are cordially invited to *CELEBRATION DAY*, Thursday 9th February from 6-9pm to congratulate the team for winning the *CAMRA English Heritage Award for Best Pub Design in the UK*. Come along and enjoy our Prestonpans Ales including our special Celebration Ale, yarn with Head Brewer Craig Allan, and meet the first Fowlers' Companion, Hugh Reid – the BrewSets under his belt brings this accolade.

Goth News

Burns' Week @ the Goth

Happy Birthday to you Rabbie Burns! This week we celebrate the life of Scotland's immortal bard in the traditional way as well as adding our own twist to Burns celebrations.

Wednesday 25th January, sees our Haggis Supper on the menu with Burns' songs and poetry performed and read around the fire in the bar. If you know yourself to be Burns enthusiast, just stand up in the bar, quote a stanza [or two] of his and earn a free wee dram of the amber liquid from us [non-taxable benefit-in-kind its called!] Wear your tartan if you wish all from 7.30 pm.

Friday, 27th January we add a fun contemporary twist to Burns with our Party Night. The Wild Cigarillos, Scottish Folk Band provided the entertainment from 7:30pm.



Haggis, Neeps and Tatties will be the main dish of the evening with other Scottish dishes to tantalise your taste buds. Tickets are available for £19.95pp – phone 01875 819922 early to avoid disappointment.

Finally, holding to the oldest of traditions our Traditional Burns Supper is taking place on **Saturday 28th January**. The Prestonpans and District Pipes and Drums which we sponsor from the Art Festival, begins at 7 pm piping guests to the Thomas Nelson Suite for 7:30pm. John Lindsay, the Prestoungrange Gothenburg's Poet Laureate takes the Chair for this Supper with the exceptional Alex Hodgson providing the entertainment of a variety of Burns songs and poetry. Tickets to this event cost £24.95pp – phone 01875 819922.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 25 JANUARY

Tartan Night : 7:30pm. A night of Burns poetry and song in the James Fewell Bar.

FRIDAY 27 JANUARY

Burns' Party Night : 7:30pm. Tickets cost £19.95pp.

Al Hughes : 9-11pm. Live music in the James Fewell Bar.

SATURDAY 28 JANUARY

Traditional Burns Supper : 7:30pm. Tickets cost £24.95pp.

Flint : 9-11pm. Live music in the James Fewell Bar.

SATURDAY 4 FEBRUARY

Mike Whellans : 9-11pm. Live music in the James Fewell Bar.

Smokin' Steak Night : 7:30pm. Theme Night.

FRIDAY 10 FEBRUARY

Stuart Wilson : 9-11pm. Live music in the James Fewell Bar.

SATURDAY 11 FEBRUARY

North Sea Gas : 9-11pm. Live music in the James Fewell Bar.

TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

St. Valentines Day : 6-9pm. Special 'Romantic' Menu, musak and ambience in the James Park Bistro - the only occasion giving triple Goth Points for Goth Members. Book your 'discrete' table very early indeed!

SATURDAY 18 FEBRUARY

Tapas Night : 7:30pm. Theme Night. Tickets £12.95pp.

SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY

Yard of Ale : 7:30pm. Live music in the James Fewell Bar.

TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY

Pancake Day – A Race Up The High Street and a Kiss for the Winner! Delicious pancakes with various fillings available all day!

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