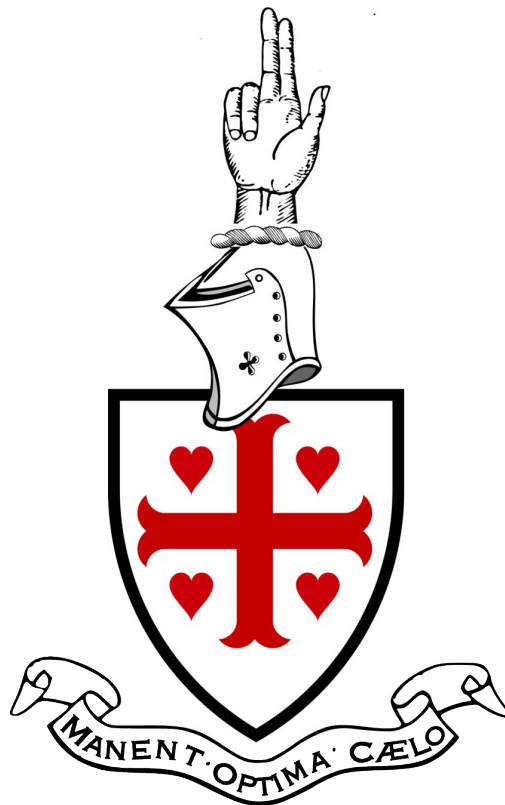




The Machen

Charity Ball

May 30th - 31st, 2015



Lilleshall Hall, Newport, Shropshire.

Saturday 30th May

Join us for a relaxed start to the day, or explore the nearby countryside. The nearby Lillishall Hall golf

course is a 5898 yard course and is characterised by its

tight fairways cutting through mature trees and the small, fast, undulating and tricky greens. For anyone expressing an early interest, you can try your skill at archery, or enjoy a leisurely game of croquet. Alternatively, the historic town of Shrewsbury is a pleasant and interesting place to visit.



The main evening will start early with drinks before we sit down to dinner, and the usual after-dinner festivities.

For guests wishing to stay overnight, the venue can provide accommodation at £85 for a double room. Alternatively, there is a nearby Premier Inn where rooms may be obtained at a lower price if booked early enough.

Sunday 31st May

For anyone staying until the Sunday, there will be a lunchtime walk (weather permitting) from the grounds of Lilleshall, past the historic ruins of the old abbey, and on to a nearby public house for lunch, before heading off home.



— Menu —

Artisan Bread Rolls with English Butter

Goats Cheese & Basil Mousse

*Breast of Chicken with a filling of
Wild Mushroom & Leek Duxelle*

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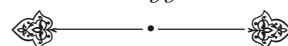
Roasted Vegetable Filo Tartlet

and

A Selection of Seasonal Vegetables

Tarte au Citron

Fair-Trade Coffee & mints



*Phil and his Lady Kam
cordially invite you to attend
The Annual Machen Charity Ball,
at Lilleshall Hall on Saturday 30th May.*

Where we will be proud to present the irrepresable,
the fabulous, one and only

The Numbers Racket

a jive and swing band playing good-time music from the 40's onwards.

Guaranteed to get you out of your seat and strutting your stuff, the band plays a unique blend of originals and covers to put a smile on the face of the audience. Inspired by the likes of Louis Jordan, Duke Ellington, Louis Prima and Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, The Numbers Racket Swing Band have been playing across the UK for over eight years. They have played at the famous 100 Club in London, Cardiff Coal Exchange, Café Jazz Cardiff, and at Brecon Jazz Festival, Birmingham International Jazz Festival, Hep Cats Holiday 2010 and Pontypool Jazz Festival 2010 at which they were the headline act and festival closers. Fans will also be able to see them at the Llandeilo Jazz Festival in July 2015.

Singer, Elaina Hoss has now been with the band since 2011, and has been wowing audiences with her powerful vocals, sharing the spotlight with original frontman Big Mo. Dominic Norcross (saxophone) was described by Mick Taylor (Rolling Stones) as "one of the best blues and rock n roll sax players in Europe", and has played with and been on tour with greats from the jazz world from Digby Fairweather, Tommy Smith, James Morrison & Bobby Shew among others. Jason Osborne (trumpet) and Dominic have toured Europe as "The West Coast Horns", sharing stages with and supporting the following artists: Mick Taylor, BB King, Pink, Puddle of Mudd, Bo Diddley, The Blues Brothers Band (with Steve Cropper etc), Joe Cocker, Pee Wee Ellis (ex James Brown band), Ray Gelato, Taj Mahal, Leo Sayer, Snowy White and more. Johnny Davies (guitar), Stan Scrivener (Upright Double Bass) and Nino Consolo (drums and percussion) complete this first-class lineup.

Tickets are £39.50 per person. Accommodation extra.
We guarantee that this will be a very special evening!

This Year's Charities.

Looking towards the future: Helping now when it matters most.

A review of global causes of death has found that Alzheimer's disease and other dementias were the third leading cause of death in the UK last year. While coronary heart disease was the leading cause of death in both 1990 and 2013, the number of deaths per year fell by 45%. Meanwhile the number of deaths from stroke, the second leading cause of death in both years, also decreased by 25%. In contrast, the research showed 49,349 people died as a result of Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia last year, compared to 32,429 people in 1990 — an increase of 52%.

Alzheimer's
Research UK
Defeating Dementia

Alzheimer's Research UK is the UK's leading dementia research charity. Since 1992, they have spent over £58M on 542 research projects. There are currently 127 ongoing research projects, requiring investment of nearly £23.7M. Last year, this helped to support 107 published academic research papers.

The Prince's Trust aims to work with young people from four priority target groups. These are the long-term unemployed, people who have been in trouble with the law, people who are in difficulty at school, and people who have been in care. Youth unemployment costs the UK economy £10 million a day in lost productivity, while youth crime costs £1 billion every year. Many of the young people they help are in or leaving care, facing issues such as homelessness or mental health problems, or have been in trouble with the law. The Prince's Trust helps to develop key skills, confidence and motivation, enabling young people to move into work, education or training. This supports and encourages young people to take responsibility for themselves — helping them build the life they choose rather than the one they've ended up with.



Prince's Trust

Alzheimer's Society is a membership organisation, which works to improve the quality of life of people affected by dementia in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Every year Alzheimer's Society helps over 86,000 people with dementia, their families and carers.

In 2015 there will be 850,000 people with dementia in the UK, with numbers set to rise to 1 million by 2025. The Society's fight for a better world for people with all types of dementia takes a wide range of forms. Through a network of local services, they touch the lives of over 30,000 people every week, providing practical services and support for people with dementia and their carers.

Alzheimer's Society has a new five year strategy called Delivering on Dementia. It has been based on what people affected by dementia have told us they want to see in their lives. In developing our strategy, we listened to a range of people - professionals carers, volunteers, staff and others; as well as drawing on our own knowledge and research.

- Demonstrate the way in dementia care and support.
- Be the foremost point of contact for anyone dealing with dementia.
- Lead partnerships and investments in research to improve care, advance prevention and move closer to a cure.
- Campaign for people affected by dementia to be able to live the lives they want.

Whether you are a fan of Terry Pratchett, or have recently watched the powerful and compelling film 'Still Alice', you will be aware of the difficulties faced by people suffering from dementia, and those who help to care for them.

"It occurred to me that at one point it was like I had two diseases - one was Alzheimer's, and the other was knowing I had Alzheimer's."

About the Venue.

Lilleshall Hall is a large former country house and estate in the fields of Lilleshall, in the parish of Sheriffhales, county of Shropshire, England. Before 1066, Lilleshall was among twelve prebendal estates held by the collegiate church of St. Alkmund, Shrewsbury. In about 1145, the dean of St. Alkmund's conveyed the manor, with royal consent, to the Arrouaisian canons, an Augustinian foundation, from Dorchester (Oxon.) for a new abbey, which they established at Lilleshall by 1148. The core of the Lilleshall estate amounts to 30,000 acres (120 km²).

After the Dissolution of the Monasteries in 1539, the estate was granted to James Leveson, a Wolverhampton wool merchant — and eventually passed to George Granville Leveson-Gower, the 2nd Duke of Sutherland. It was in the 1820s that his wife, the Duchess Harriet, who had an appreciation of architecture and landscape gardening, instructed the architect Sir Jeffry Wyattville and local builders to commence work on the present Hall. It was constructed beyond the eastern end of the original estate in the Tudor gothick style, completed in 1829, and used as a Hunting Lodge and family retreat. The Duchess made detailed notes of all the houses and gardens she visited and introduced many features into the family's houses and estates. The approach to the Estate from the main Wolverhampton to Chester Road is through the "Golden Gates", which are exact replicas of those adorning Buckingham Palace. The 70 foot (21 m) high Obelisk, visible from Chapters Restaurant and standing on Lilleshall Hill, was designed by G.E. Hamilton, and built in 1833 in memory of the 1st Duke of Sutherland. The gardens include many bridges, the original canal, an Ornamental garden, a Grecian Temple, ponds and the Apple Walk (about half its original pergola length). It is one of the largest and most imposing 19th-century houses in the county, and its grounds include an Italianate terrace west and south of the house and an orangery projecting west at the north end of the terrace.

Lilleshall Hall and the 50 acres of gardens were sold in 1917 to Sir John Lee who in turn sold the Hall and the remaining acreage in 1927 to Mr Herbert Ford. Mr Ford was a local man and shrewd businessman who acquired his wealth from the industry of the Ironbridge Gorge and, no doubt, from a wealthy wife who was a member of the Perrins family, of Lea and Perrins Worcestershire Sauce Fame.

The Hall was scheduled in 1984 as a Grade II* listed building. If you are navigating using a SatNav, please use the postcode: TF10 9LQ

Booking Form

Please send _____ Machen Charity Ball tickets at £39.50 each.
To:

NAME: _____ .

ADDRESS: _____ .

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EMAIL: _____ .

TEL: _____ .

Please indicate any SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS.

ACCOMMODATION

Double Room at Lilleshall Hall..... £85

Single Room at Lilleshall Hall..... £60

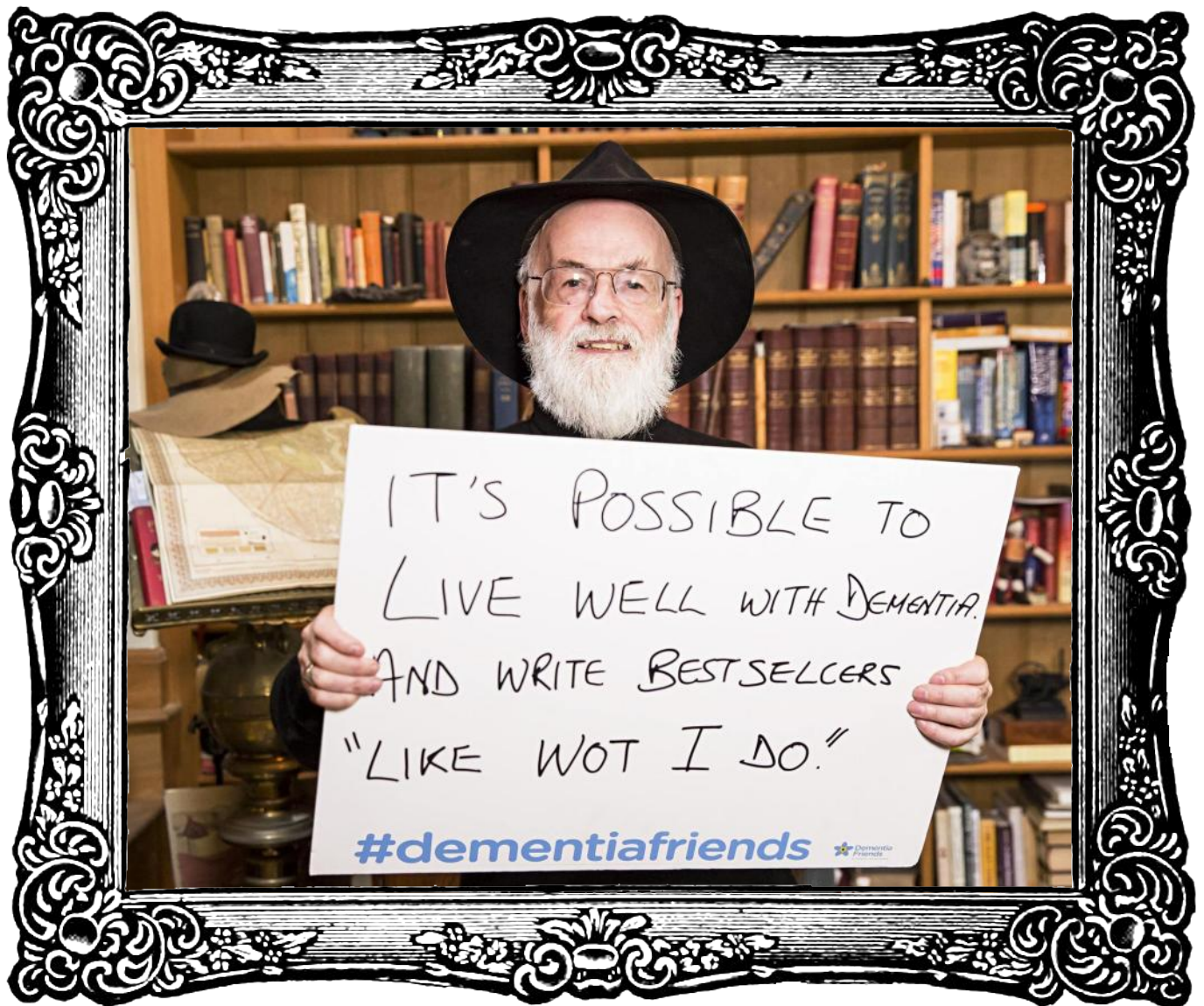
Rooms MUST be paid for in advance. Price includes Breakfast.

Please send completed forms,
together with a cheque payable to “Manx.Biz Ltd” to:

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Further information can be requested by emailing: Phil@Manx.Biz,
or by telephoning 01782 478349 or 07973 733 569.



"I once absent-mindedly ordered Three Mile Island dressing in a restaurant and, with great presence of mind, they brought Thousand Island Dressing and a bottle of chili sauce"

Sir Terry Pratchett OBE
28 April 1948 – 12 March 2015