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# NEWS

A ROUND-UP OF EVENTS &  
HAPPENINGS AT  
HATFIELD LODGE APRIL 1981

## GOOD TIMES FOR EVERYONE

*'I am writing on behalf of our committee to thank you for another successful dinner and dance and to book for next year's event' – Cuffley Cricket Club*

*'May I take this opportunity to reiterate the complimentary remarks made to me by several guests about the excellent meal, which we enjoyed. The evening was a great success' – The Catenian Association*

Yes . . . everyone seems to have a good time at Hatfield Lodge. The atmosphere is right, the food and service are first class and the moderate charges ensure you get excellent value for money.

Barclays Bank, the Rotary Club of Hatfield, BP Oil, the BBC Brookman's Park Club, Borg-Warner Ltd., Rank Xerox, Prudential Insurance and the St Albans Operatic Society are just a few of the 200 organisations, companies and groups and clubs to hold successful functions at Hatfield Lodge in the past six months.

There was free champagne for Margaret Moran and Trevor Titchmarsh when they arrived together for a special New Year's Eve dinner dance. For Margaret was the lucky 12,000th guest at Hatfield Lodge since the new banqueting suite opened in September.



# BANQUETING BOOM IN HERTFORDSHIRE

Hertfordshire is building a reputation for banqueting since a new £500,000 luxury banqueting and conference centre opened at Hatfield Lodge on the main A1.

The new Buckland Suite can cater for up to 350 at a reception and 250 for dinner or luncheon and can be quickly divided into smaller rooms, each with its own sound-proofing and air-conditioning system.

Said manager Andrew Price. 'Our present business is over twice that of last year. The figures show that despite the difficult times, people want the best when arranging a dinner dance, conference or wedding!'

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Those holding functions at Hatfield Lodge have come mainly from Hertfordshire and North London, though Mr Price said he had welcomed parties from as far away as Norfolk, Bedfordshire and even Wales and Yorkshire.

'Our new Buckland Suite is doing a lot to help put Hatfield on the map for banqueting and conferences,' he said.

## AT YOUR SERVICE



## 'Compliments to the Chef...'

*It's a phrase not uncommon at Hatfield Lodge, for head chef Vincenzo Volpe has specialised in banqueting and has gained a well-earned reputation among guests for his traditional fare and excellent cuisine.*

*Vincenzo left his native Italy for England in 1959 and after gaining experience in the catering business, joined the fashionable La Reserve restaurant in London, which was well-known for its show-biz clientele and visits by Royalty. He worked for a time under Louis Viot, now head chef at the Savoy Grill.*

*Married to an English girl in 1961, Vincenzo has three children.*

WHY FOOD IS SPECIAL AT HATFIELD LODGE ➔

## ...AND HERE'S THE GOOD NEWS FROM TV GIRL JAN \*



Who better to convey the good news than glamorous BBC TV newsreader Jan Leeming. She was Guest of Honour at the banqueting suite in September and read a specially-prepared 'spoof' news bulletin to declare the new centre officially open.

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# THERE IS NO SHORT CUT TO GOOD FOOD

## It's Ideal for Conferences & Exhibitions

As a luxury conference centre Hatfield Lodge is in a class of its own. The Buckland Suite can seat up to 300 persons (theatre style) for a business conference or demonstration in superb surroundings. For smaller groups the main suite can be divided into separate rooms by means of smoothly gliding wall sections, each room comprehensively sound-proofed and air-conditioned and with its own private bar.

The dramatic Hexagon Room is an alternative major meeting room with its own bar and garden, and there are smaller well appointed rooms for important meetings and syndicates.

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Hatfield Lodge is also purpose-built for exhibitions and displays. There is 2,500 square feet of display area, all on the specially reinforced ground floor, and there are special high-wide access doors to the Buckland Suite allowing for the display of cars, machinery, business equipment, etc.

Luncheon, in a private room with private bar and including service charge and VAT, is from £4.40 per person; dinner from £4.65 per person.

A special leaflet is available giving full details.

\* Detailed menus and table plans for banqueting and conferences are on individual leaflets available on request from Hatfield Lodge.

\* Hatfield Lodge is ideal for club functions, dinner dances, wedding receptions, special celebrations, business conferences, seminars, displays and exhibitions. It is ideally situated on the main A1 at Hatfield and has ample car parking space.



## Good Marriages Begin Here

Book Hatfield Lodge for your wedding reception and you can count on carefully prepared and appetising food, staff who are friendly and well trained, and beautifully appointed rooms which make a splendid setting for your great day.

The all-inclusive price for a wedding luncheon or buffet, including sherry on arrival, wine with the meal, and sparkling wine for the toast, is only £7.50 per person . . . and that includes the hire of the room. You will also find experienced management present to see that everything runs smoothly.

Above: a happy day in the Buckland Suite for newly-weds Gill and Robert Stewart.

*'Why don't YOU enjoy the Hatfield Lodge experience. Come and have a look round and see for yourself how attractive, comfortable and luxurious it is. Telephone Hatfield 72661 for an appointment. Senior Assistant Manager is David Thomas, Junior Assistant Manager is David Lenz. We look forward to seeing you.'*

Andrew Price, Manager

Beale's Limited, who own Hatfield Lodge, have built up their reputation in the banqueting business on good value to the customer, both in food and service. Even in 1981, the cost of a three course lunch, with coffee, is available from as little as £4.40 (including VAT).

In matters of cuisine the chef at Hatfield Lodge is a traditionalist and believes there is no short cut to good food. For example, he makes his own stocks as a foundation for his sauces. Unusual in an Italian chef, he has a flair for sweets and his profiteroles are feather-light.

What surprises the first-time visitor to Hatfield Lodge is that such luxurious banqueting facilities are available in Hatfield. They are quite up to West End standards and the Buckland Suite is impressively large, as well as being supremely comfortable.

Add the personal service for which Beale's Limited has always been known, and you have all the essential ingredients for a perfect occasion.

## Welcome!

