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Dear Old Williamsonsians and friends,

The 119th Old Williamsonian Club Annual Dinner

It gives me the greatest pleasure to inform you that it looks as though we are going to be able to go ahead and hold our Annual Dinner in 2021.

It is not clear that this event will be even better supported than usual as it is the first OW event for a very long time or whether people will stay away for fear of Covid; obviously, I hope it is the former. The Ballroom at the St. George Hotel can cater for 300, so I do not think room is going to be an issue.

The Date

6:45 for 7:30 on Saturday 23rd October 2021.

Please note start time and that free champagne (well, it's prosecco really!) will be available from that time.

The Venue

The Ballroom at the St. George Hotel, Chatham (full address shown later in this notice). Dress code is formal, with black tie preferred for the gentlemen and posh frocks for the ladies.

The Format

As usual, formalities will be kept to an absolute minimum thus maximising the time for conversing with old friends as well as making new friends.

The Cost

Your Committee have decided to keep the cost to £30 per person for the ninth successive year.

The Menu

We have chosen a menu which, apart from the main course, is suitable for all. Obviously, we will make appropriate arrangements for coeliacs or diabetics although you will need to indicate this requirement on your booking form as well as indicating if you require the vegetarian/vegan main course option.

Turmeric roasted cauliflower soup

Slow braised beef in Kentish ale
Sautéed new potatoes
Carrots
Peas
Broccoli

or

Chargrilled butternut squash & aubergine stacks
Roasted pepper
Black bean salsa

Fresh fruit cocktail with Mediterranean lemon sorbet

Cheese & biscuits

Coffee & mints

It was great in 2019 to see so many new faces, especially as a lot of them were from the new generation of Old Williamsonians. Let us hope that in 2021 there are even more young people there, as well as the stalwarts.

Other Details

- ☐ If you wish to attend, please complete the form below and send it to me as soon as possible. Payment is required with booking. **If you wish, and this is much easier for me, you may pay for tickets by electronic transfer in to Club's account for which the sort code is 40 36 35 and the account number 01144715. If you choose this method, please let me know.**
- ☐ If you are unable/do not wish to attend, please let me know and I will bother you no more.
- ☐ If you wish to arrange overnight accommodation please contact the hotel direct; contact details are at the end of this notice.

Final word

This is the only event in the whole calendar which is truly open to every Old Williamsonian (and their guests, of course) and having had bags of notice, I hope you will do your utmost to support the Annual Dinner in 2021

Yours sincerely

Ian McLeod
Chairman/Event Impresario, Old Williamsonian Club

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7-8 New Road Avenue
Chatham
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Booking form

Please reserve me _____ seats for the 2021 Dinner for the guests listed below. I enclose my cheque in the sum of £_____ made payable to the Old Williamsonian Club. I have transferred the sum of £_____ to the OW account. (Delete as appropriate).

My name _____ **My email address** _____

Names of attendees

Please indicate on this booking form if any of your party wishes to have the vegetarian/vegan main course or if they have any other special dietary requirements.