

SPRING 2023

Winters Barns

LET'S CATCH UP!

Hello and welcome to the second edition of our Winters Barns seasonal newsletter!

We are hoping to use this as a space to keep you all up to date with what is happening here at the barns; if you haven't realised already, we never sit still! But that is not all, we want to let you get to know our team better! We are the group of friendly faces that will be around not only throughout the wedding planning process, but also on your big day itself.

Anyway, that's the introduction over, now grab a cuppa and enjoy the second edition of the new infamous Winters Barns Newsletter!



Katie and Michael— Alex Tenters

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

Can you believe we are over half way through 2023 already!

We have certainly had a strong start to this year with the change of the clocks late March welcoming our outside ceremonies for the year. Although the weather wasn't consistent to start the spring season, we have been enjoying the early summer heatwave and the garden is in full bloom!

Early March we had our first ever Suppliers Showcase! We welcomed a large variety of our recommended suppliers to the barns to showcase to you their work! This day was a hit.

We have also received some VERY exciting news that team Winters is expanding. Read on within to find out more!

SUPPLIERS SHOWCASE- 12TH March 2023

Early March we had our first ever Supplier Showcase here at the barns. This was an exclusive event for our booked couples. We hosted over 20 of our recommended suppliers who all showcased the amazing work they do in the industry. From florists, to photographers, to ice-cream bikes, we had it all!

It was a huge success with 150 couples booking in to come visit!

This day has really been a year highlight for the team so far. So much so, we have set a date for next year's event so keep your eyes peeled!



A NEW ARRIVAL!



There has been a buzz in the air the last couple of months as the news is out that our lovely Lizzie is expecting end of August!

We are so excited to welcome a new mini member to the Winters Barns team! Lizzie is continuing to coordinate weddings until mid July then will be off to enjoy some deserved family time.

I am sure you will all join us in congratulating her on this amazing news!

WEDDING SPOTLIGHT– KATIE AND MICHAEL 08/04/2023

Photography by Alex Tenters

We asked them a few questions about them and their big day...

How did you meet?

In Beluga Bar in Maidstone (classy!) Michael made the first move, suggesting that we create some funky handshake haha!

Tell us about the engagement

Michael proposed at sunset in a secluded spot in Cornwall. It was perfect!

Did you have a wedding theme?

Rustic Vibes. Our stationery, florist, cake, and of course, Winters Barns all helped bring our vision to life perfectly.



Was there an extra special moment that happened on your day?

Probably our ceremony– everyone said it was the funniest ceremony they have ever witnessed. But it was just so 'us'!

What would be your top tip to other couples planning a wedding?

When you say 'couples' we all know you mean 'brides'. It will be the most incredible day of your lives, whatever happens! Don't sweat the small stuff and enjoy every single minute of the planning process/wedding day because it will all be over before you know it!

Wedding Coordinator Comment– Lizzie

Where to begin with these two!!

Lets start with the décor! Katie & Michael chose beautiful pampas grass with gorgeous blush pink roses for their bouquets, table centre pieces and ceremony décor. They chose the perfect florist to do this, which is one of our recommended suppliers,

Floral Explosion.

The Ceremony was emotional, with even Michael tearing up as he watched his beautiful wife to be walk down the aisle. How could he not!.... Look how gorgeous Katie is and look at that dress!!

The dancefloor was full all night by one of our favourite bands, GrooveZoo. Katie even took the mic at one point and took centre stage for a song or 2!



THE SUPPLIER STAGE



Hi I'm Steve, my photography is widely recognised for its style and quality. I'm super proud to have won multiple awards for my work.

I'm easy going and good fun to work with, I want you to feel like you have one of your mates there but one that takes awesome photos!

I can't think of anything worse than posing every shot we take, instead I will give you subtle guidance along with my own shooting techniques to create REAL moments. There's no awkward posing here!

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Steve has regularly shot weddings here at Winters over the past few years, yet still never fails to surprise us with his galleries! Steve's use of light always makes an epic evening shot. Have a look below of some of our favourite shots from Kate and Luke's wedding which Steve recently shot at Winters Barns.

A Comment from Steve

"I LOVE working at Winters Barns! The team here are exceptional, the food rocks and the photo opportunities are endless. In my opinion Winters Barns is one of the best wedding venues in Kent and a great choice for anyone looking for the perfect place to say I do."



THE SUPPLIER STAGE



At All You Need Wedding Styling, we are passionate about helping our customers create their dream wedding. We love to work closely with our couples to get a real feel for their day and to help them add some extra special touches. Our team will take all of the work and worry out of transforming your wedding venue into a beautiful setting that truly embraces your wedding theme.

All you need never fail to elevate the barns with their floristry and styling skills. From arches to balloon canopies, they do it all!

A Comment from the All You Need team

"If you are looking for your stylist/florist and think we could be the perfect match please do get in contact. We have so many ideas of how to dress the already stunning barn for each part of your day. We specialise in fresh floristry and silk flowers and we really are a one stop show we do EVERYTHING! - We look forward to hearing from you."

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From an era when the ice cream tricycle was once commonplace on our streets, the nostalgia and romance are ignited and once forgotten memories are rekindled with the presence of the ice cream tricycle. And of course, you will have the opportunity to have some truly unique and memorable photographs taken to cherish for years to come.

All of our ice cream products and the vegan ice creams along with our sorbets are made on the dairy farm.

A Comment from Cliff and Rebecca

"Working with Winters Barn is always a privilege; and is an absolute pleasure to provide our services at a venue which has been loved by so many, for so many years. The impeccable lawn and overall presentation of the venue is to a standard which surpasses all expectations, and we know that each and every time we attend to provide our services, The Events Team are always professional, punctual and thrive to ensure that each wedding is as special as it can possibly be. This is a venue we truly love, and truly love working with. "

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The perfect addition to any wedding day, providing an extra sweet treat for your guests is always going to be a hit!
We can confirm the ice cream has also passed the staff's taste test with flying colours!

WINTERS BARNES TEAM

MEET YOUR WEDDING COORDINATORS...

Its cocktails season! There are lighter evenings, the weather is warming and your coordinators are enjoying a cocktail come evenings! Only out of work hours of course!

Our bar run by Scott Anderson offers a wide variety of delicious cocktails for you to choose from on your special days. These are just our favourites!

LIZZIE



PINK LEMONADE MOCKTAIL

It's a mocktail for Lizzie this year with baby on the way! She chose the delicious pink lemonade, sweet and refreshing!

WHAT YOU NEED TO MAKE AT HOME:

Cranberry Juice, Lemon Juice, Sugar Syrup, Lemonade

PORNSTAR MARTINI

Sally went for a classic Pornstar Martini, a guest favourite! Fruity and delicious, with a side of prosecco, how can you go wrong?

WHAT YOU NEED TO MAKE AT HOME:

Passoa, Vodka, Pineapple juice, lemon juice, Vanilla syrup, passionfruit syrup, prosecco and half a passionfruit to serve.

SALLY



SOPHIE



ESPRESSO MARTINI

Who doesn't love an Espresso Martini? Sophie certainly does. The perfect choice if you are wanting something rich and luxurious.

WHAT YOU NEED TO MAKE IT AT HOME:

Espresso, vodka, Tia Maria, coffee beans