



Roxwell Chequers Community Benefit Society Newsletter

August 2025

A superb opening weekend followed by the quiz and karaoke in July!



On the 28th June 2025, The Chequers Inn **finally re-opened under the management of Sam and David**. What a spectacle it was – an extravaganza no less! The pub was heaving and there was so much on over the entire weekend - a barbeque, live music, an Elton John Tribute act and a bouncy castle to name a few showstoppers. This was followed up with events over the month with the pub quiz, karaoke, more live music and a visit from the Morris Men. The pub welcomed regular customers alongside new, all ages young and old and was, by all accounts, a runaway success.

What a brilliant start to the new chapter at The Chequers. Well done to all who helped run this – and to those that attended to make it a fab first month!

A word from Sam and David about their first 6 weeks:

“What an incredible journey it’s been already!

David and I feel like we’ve been part of the Chequers for years.

From the moment those doors opened, the energy in this pub, the atmosphere, the laughter, and the genuine sense of welcome, has grown into something truly special. And that’s thanks to you.

Our regulars, who now feel like friends, have helped turn this space into so much more than just a pub.

It’s become a home away from home, a place where everyone belongs.

And the best part? This is only the beginning. It’s been an absolute joy so far, and we’re so excited to continue this journey with all of you.

Thank you, from the bottom of our hearts, for every bit of your support.

You are the reason we love what we do.”

– Sam and David



Food, glorious food!

August has seen a new string to The Chequers “bow” with a “soft launch” of the regular food offering. Food serving times are:

- Sunday 12-5pm – Sunday Lunch
- Tues-Thurs 12-4pm - Lunch Menu
- Friday/Saturday 12-6pm – Main Menu

Full menu listings are available [here](#) on the Roxwell Village website.

The soft launch will run for this month with further updates via social media (see next section) and the chalkboards outside. So far, I’ve heard only great reports on the experience, and I (Emma S) enjoyed a fabulous Sunday lunch there the other weekend – so if you haven’t sought them out for a bite to eat – do pop in.

Bookings are recommended to avoid disappointment and to do so – just call David and Sam direct on 01245 959800.



Looking Ahead – What's On!

The best way to find out what is going on at the pub is to – of course – pop in! Failing that, the chalkboards are updated monthly, and we will do our best to give a schedule of the special events in store. Each month has seen regular events such as quizzes, karaoke and live music. So come on down and enjoy the fun!



We recognise all our customers aren't necessarily in the village so we have a **new Instagram page** and a **new FB business page** which we would encourage you to follow:



Instagram ([@thechequersinnroxwell](https://www.instagram.com/thechequersinnroxwell))



Facebook Business Page ([The Chequers, Roxwell; Proud to be a Community Pub](https://www.facebook.com/TheChequersRoxwell))

You can also tag either of these accounts in your pictures and posts about the pub on social media and we heartily encourage you to do so.

Why are we creating new social media accounts? Simply the old Facebook group and associated social media were designed to spark interest and support in the 2 years+ campaign to save our dear pub – not as accounts for trading with (which are slightly different in terms of features supplied). Emma Swift has been working with David and Sam to set up the new accounts for the business.

Also, thanks to all who have alerted us to various external online listings (maps, directories and so on) that may still be incorrect in terms of contact details or listing the pub as still closed. We are requesting updates, and this takes a bit of time to come through. Patience is definitely required!

IMPORTANT NOTE: Those seeking to contact the pub:

- Primary contact method is to phone [01245 959800](tel:01245959800)
- or alternatively, via email on dschequersinn@gmail.com
- or you can even use Instagram / Facebook Messenger to chat to us and one of us will pick this up

The physical mail address is (and remains) The Chequers Inn, The Street, Roxwell, CM1 4PD

Note that the old contactus@savethechequersroxwell.co.uk should NOT be used for pub business (e.g. regarding table bookings, hiring requests or so on) and please use the details above instead.

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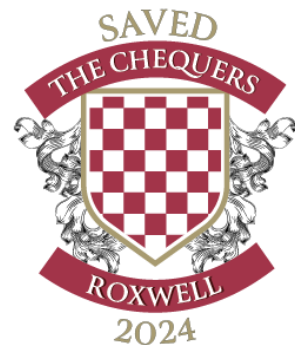


The Management Committee is, believe it or not, still fairly busy! Primarily, we are committed to helping Sam and David settle into life running the pub in Roxwell. Aside from this *very important* task, we've wrapped up the final admin tasks for the 2023 Community Ownership Fund—another milestone ticked off. Ongoing compliance with our model rules under the Community Benefit Society framework continues, alongside steady progress on the final little tasks of our refurbishment (nearly there!). Membership admin remains active, with updates prompted by house moves, marriages, and sadly, bereavements. UK

Shareholder certificates are 95% complete with only overseas and company memberships to do, plus the odd reprint due to corrections in names. Get in touch if you are concerned.

Of course, the ongoing effort is so worthwhile - we have been overjoyed to see so many people old and new enjoying the pub being open, the food and the excellent events within.

You may be asking what happens to the Saved The Chequers (Roxwell) FB group page and website? During this changeover period, existing social media platforms will continue to promote some pub activities, but we expect a gradual shift to the dedicated social media channels mentioned previously. Plans are underway for a **new website** featuring your favourite pub—menus, services, and more—alongside the Save The Chequers story and society details. The **Saved The Chequers (Roxwell) Facebook group** will remain accessible for now, though it may be archived in future to preserve our campaign memories.



What's happening to this newsletter? At the moment, this newsletter is published by the RCCBS so we intend to keep issuing updates until the end of the year – but this may change shape as time goes on. We are allowing this to evolve as needs dictate - which brings me directly onto:

Roxwell Village website Do remember that all pub events (and more) are on the brilliant Roxwell Village website – so that's something to bookmark to keep up to date with all the village goings-on now and going forward. It's a treasure of a website to find out more about our lovely village and on I personally, really rate and recommend it.

Founders Board Finally, when we started this venture to re-open the pub, you may remember that the Founders Board was a visible centrepiece and testament to ensuring the journey of saving the pub was recorded and as a thanks to all those who became shareholders. *That work is taking shape now – so watch this space!*

Best wishes,

Emma Swift (Membership and Communications Secretary)

On behalf of the **Roxwell Chequers Community Benefit Society Management Committee**



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