

Village Business Unique Catering Ltd

Local couple, Michelle Wathes and Philip Kent, have just taken the step they have been dreaming of and launched their new outside catering service company.

If you have dined at the Shaven Crown in the last three years you will already be familiar with Phil's excellent menus, although he assures me that Michelle is a much better cook!

Phil trained at the Oxford College for Further Education and has been working at the Shaven Crown for the last three years. Michelle did her training in Birmingham and was working at Hamiltons in Stow, until it closed in November.

We Have a Dream

They had been thinking about starting their own business and this seemed the right time to get underway. Phil has already had experience with outside catering, having worked for several companies, including Touch of Taste who cater for Richard Branson's events. Michelle's talents will be put to good use as an event organiser as well as chef. Phil and Michelle will be able to cater for any size event, from small dinner parties in your own home, to summer barbecues or weddings and dinner dances for up to 200 people. They have already assembled an impressive selection of menus to cover every type of



Philip and Michelle

event but are very willing to discuss their clients' personal choices to fit the occasion. Sourcing food locally will be most important to them; they want to work together with local suppliers to provide the very best food and wines.

Catering All Kinds of Events

As they start out they will be hiring the necessary tablewear, crockery and cutlery but are already building up their own stocks. Through their many contacts they will be able to arrange the hire of marquees etc. They even have a colleague who can arrange the flowers! Although they have only recently launched their company they are already booked for several events, including a 40th wedding anniversary dinner, a summer wedding and an informal barbecue and buffet.

Tim Lyon has also engaged them to cook for the Breakfast Club which is held at the Swan in Ascott.

With their youth, energy and enthusiasm to provide that little bit extra, Michelle and Phil deserve to succeed. We wish them all the best.

For more information see their advertisement on page 6 or contact Philip and Michelle on:

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