

Merlins Restaurant

7 Bolton Road

Silsden

Telephone: (01535) 655995.

Merlins is situated just across the memorial gardens from the church. For the past six years it has been run by Chris, Cynthia, and Howard Sykes who have earned a growing reputation for their imaginative menu and wine list.

The restaurant is OPEN:-

Evenings

Monday to Saturday from 7.00pm

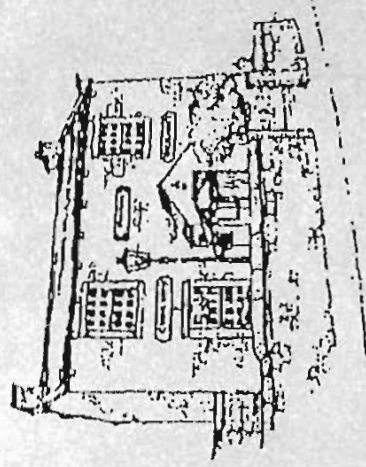
Lunchtimes

Thursday, Friday & Saturday
from 12.00 noon.

It is advisable to reserve a table for an evening meal. The table is then yours for the evening.

Functions

We will open to suit you for any function we can cater for.



A la Carte Menu

Basically European style, changed seasonally and supported by "Specials" which include exotic fish when available.

Tapas & Lunch menus

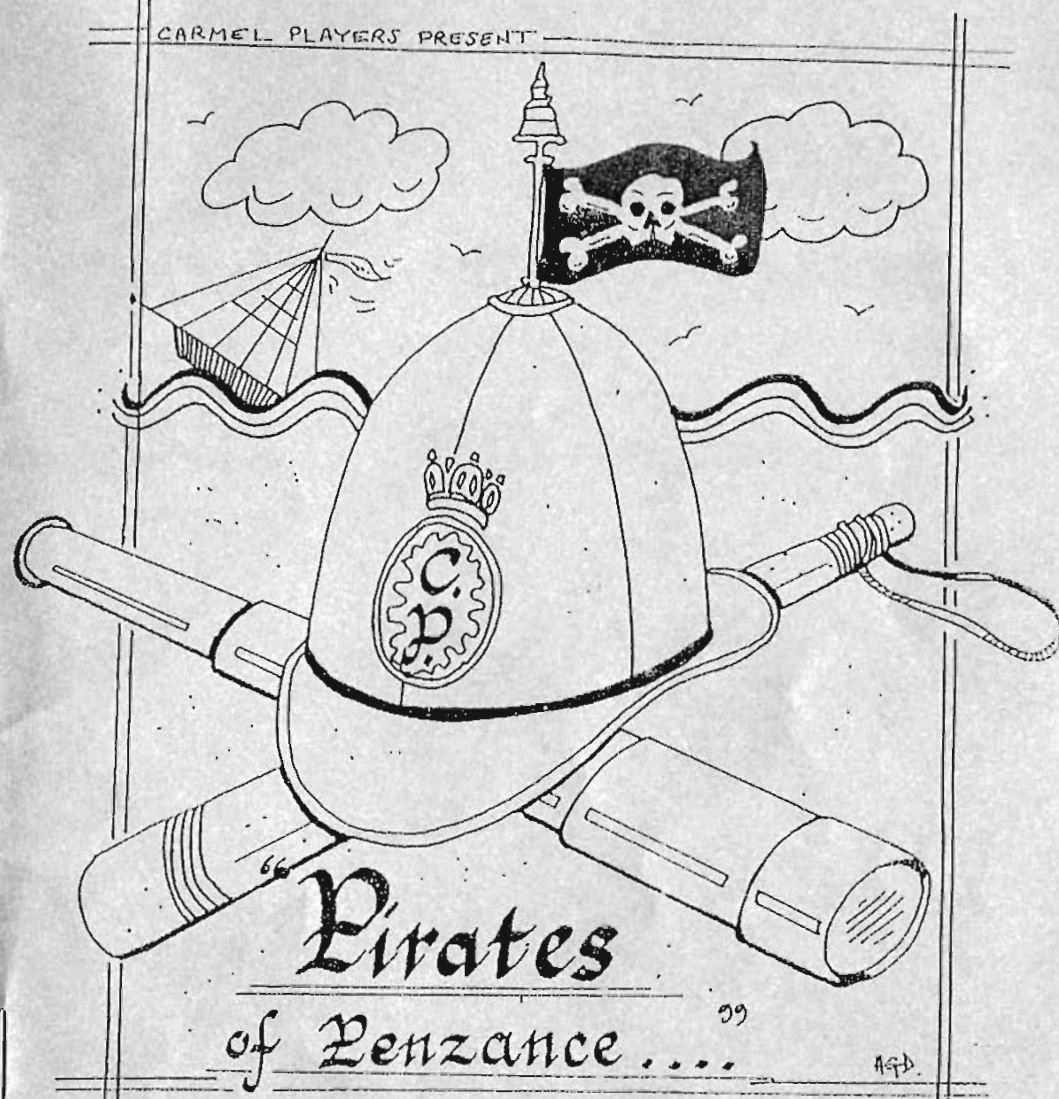
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This unlikely combination of Gilbert, the writer of the witty librettos, and Sullivan the accomplished would-be serious musician, produced a series of operettas which not only acclaimed at the time but have retained their popularity for over a century.

Gilbert was the master of inventive and witty verse on satirical targets which range from the peerage and Aesthetic movement to women's rights and the Victorian cult of japonaiserie. Sullivan was well able to match this brilliance with a flow of melody which, when appropriate, caught the patter rhythms of the words and sometimes, showing an acute sense of parody, poked fun at established operatic convention.

Sullivan had already begun to establish himself as a composer before he worked with Gilbert and had several orchestral, choral and operatic pieces to his name. Their first collaborative venture, *Thespis*, in 1871 ran only for a month in London. Four years later their skit on the legal system *Trial by Jury*, earned them the success that was to continue through to the production of *The Grand Duke* in 1896. In 1877 Richard D'Oyly Carte formed a company for the express purpose of presenting operettes by Gilbert and Sullivan. *The Pirates of Penzance* was first performed in 1880.

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Sergeant of Police.....Kris Hopkins
Major-General Stanley.....John Peet
Mabel.....Marti Clement
Edith.....Manda Clement
Kate.....Caroline Goss
Isabel.....Gillian Troth

Chorus of pirates

David Wortley, David Whitwell, Jack Barrit
John Lubonski, Ian Atherton, George Healey
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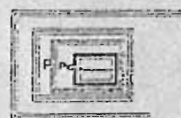
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