The owners and staff would like to welcome you to The Wainwright in Keswick. After a long and bumpy ride we opened in May and have just completed our first Summer.

Those of you who remember the old Four in Hand in its final days may appreciate the size of the task we faced in refurbishing the place, but we got there, thanks to the tireless efforts of Steve Morrison, Dad of manageress Sinead and our builder, his team, and all the painters, electricians, tilers, plumbers and others who contributed. We would like to take the opportunity to thank them all.



Some other bits of news from our first four months;

We are Proud to Sponsor Keswick Rugby Club



The Wainwright has agreed a three year sponsorship deal with Keswick /rugby club. The eagle-eyed may spot our head chef Aaron Thompson in this photograph of the first XV, who have made an excellent start to their seasons with a cup and league double over Carlisle.

All Things Cumbrian

The Wainwright is family owned, by cousins Brian and John and their wives Janet and Kate. We are a free house which gives us autonomy in were we source our food and drink.

We took the decision early on to concentrate on bringing the best of Cumbria to our customers wherever we can. To that end we have six real ale lines and all of these were stocked with Cumbrian ales, with the exception, by public demand, of Thwaites Wainwright. This was brewed in Alfred Wainwright's home town of Blackburn, however, with the purchase of the brand by Marston's, this great real ale is now brewed in Cockermouth and we can proudly state that all our ales are Cumbrian. We have featured some great ales in our first season, from the larger breweries, like Jennings, to literally one man shows, like Tim Chadwick's Kendal operation. Tim supplied us with Kapellan, a 'citrusy' blonde ale named after the animal sanctuary purchased through donations from AW which we offered with a donation to the charity for each pint sold.



Film-maker Terry Abraham tries the first pint pulled at the pub

Likewise, our food is inspired by the home cooked food and tastes of Cumbria. We use fresh, locally sourced produce and prepare and cook all our dishes in house whenever possible.

Finally, we wanted to bring the Lakeland feel into the place and have managed to work with some great talents to display their work on the walls of the pub. We also feature some great videos of exploration and enjoyment of the Lakes, by human (and dog @glocky9 and Alfred!).

It's an exciting time for us and we'd like to thank you for visiting, from all of us at The Wainwright.





