



OKTOBERFEST AND MUCH MORE

9 October 2020

Hi Friend,

The Swan appears on-line and on-air this week including:

- A return appearance on Radio Berkshire
- Oktoberfest
- Mini-Market

Read on for all the details.

BACK ON THE AIRWAVES



One year ago BBC Radio Berkshire did a live transmission from The Swan during which presenter Phil Kennedy was taught to pull a pint. One year on they are back - virtually! Covid restrictions mean that the programme will be hosted remotely with contributions from many members of the pub community. Tune in today between 4-5pm to hear what difference a year has made.

TUESDAY CRIBBAGE



Another great opportunity to join the cribbage crew. Regardless of ability, or previous experience, you are very welcome to join the players at The Swan on Tuesday from 7pm. Whether you want to learn a new skill or hone your expertise you are equally welcome.

WEDNESDAY BINGO



Wednesday sees the return of Bingo. This will be available in the pub and sees Richard Allen resuming his role as resident caller following an excellent guest appearance by Rachel Cross. A fun and friendly evening with more excitement than really should be allowed on a Wednesday evening!

Dabbers at the ready with eyes down at 8pm.

FRIDAY TAKEAWAY



Another delicious offering from our friends at Dublicious makes it a curry Friday on 16 October.

Karnatake Chicken Curry or Vegetable Curry. Free range chicken breast in fragrant coconut & tamarind curry sauce. Served with saffron pilau rice, lentil Dahl & garlic flat breads.

Orders need to be placed by midday on Wednesday for collection from The Swan 6-8pm on Friday.

OKTOBERFEST 16-18 OCTOBER



The Swan is in Festival mood so why not join us for Oktoberfest from Friday 16th to Sunday 18th October? Beer and Bratwurst, and more, will be added to the usual delights on offer. Our trusty BBQ chefs will be cooking on Saturday from 5-8pm and again 12-3 for brunch on Sunday.

Lederhosen are optional but dressing appropriately for the occasion (and the weather) is encouraged.

SUNDAY MINI-MARKET



Sunday 18th sees the welcome return of the very popular Mini-Market from 12-3. Seasonal produce from the Green Room School allotment will again be on offer as well as a welcome return of the Cheesemunger. Other stalls, and not forgetting the BBQ brunch, make it an event not to be missed.

GREEN ROOM SCHOOL



GR6 invited some well known members of The Swan community to the soft launch of their Epic Thursdays project. The culmination of weeks of preparation this saw the students take over the serving of coffees to customers in the pub.



There was also a veg stall from the students' Market Garden, a cake stand and Dreams on Toast, a toastie stand with a twist. Guests were also treated to a tour of the school's new facilities, and got to 'Jam' with Richard in the School House. Going forward, it's hoped Epic Thursdays will become a firm favourite for members of the community to socialise, relax and maybe even learn something new, as GR6 hope to run a variety of workshops and projects to compliment their amazing food and beverage offering.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR



A slightly quieter week in the pub saw volunteers finishing off some of the ongoing painting jobs. Two of our amazing Weekday Warriors were hard at it: Tony focussed on the front door, whilst Adrian finished the skirting board in the gents toilet!

Work continued behind the scenes with electrical and preparation for fire-boarding and plastering in Matt's Office. Materials also arrived to build the seats into the front bay windows and Sasha, our finance manager, got out the sewing machine to turn her hand to making cushions in exciting Swan colours.

Rob and Scott - our hero plumbers - commissioned the radiators in the Bar and School Room to provide heating just in time for autumn! As we moved fully inside the bar trade was building nicely. With the floor covering lifted, and a full offer of beers, wines and spirits, all the main elements were now complete.



An international flavour this week at The Swan. We offer a warm 'Willkommen' and hope to see you soon.

Warm regards,

The Friends of The Swan

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