



TIME TO SLAY THE DRAGON

23 April 2021

Hi Friend,

As the sun continues to shine there is lots on offer:

- Celebrate St George's Day
- A quiz with real prizes
- Cycle hub bike rides

And a welcome to our new General Manager

A WEEK IS A LONG TIME IN THE COURTYARD



A sincere thank you to all who have supported The Swan in our first week back. The weather has been kind (if also a bit chilly) and we have been delighted to see so many people enjoying the space available in The Courtyard. We are also very grateful to all who have understood and willingly accepted the Covid measures to ensure that staff and customers remain safe. Until such time as the Government eases these restrictions they will remain in force at The Swan. We have a limited number of tables available for booking (walk-in is

therefore still possible). These are under the covering in The Courtyard and will have heaters. Bookings can be requested by emailing your details to the [Pub Manager](#).

NEWS FROM THE SWAN



As part of the commemorations for HRH The Prince Phillip, a TV news crew appeared at The Swan and caught both staff and customers paying their respects.

ST GEORGE'S WEEKEND



To celebrate St George' Day we have managed to secure two firkins of special 'George New English Ale' from The Brewery. This is a fresh modern take on English bitter. It's easy-drinking and light bronze in colour with a dry thirst-quenching finish and will be available from today for as long as it lasts over the weekend.



Based on advice received unfortunately the live music events scheduled for Sat & Sun have been cancelled. The children's Craft activity 4-5pm on Sun will still go ahead. There is also a themed quiz running all weekend with the chance to win fabulous prizes. Based on feedback received, and in keeping with the theme of the weekend, the [menu](#) has also been updated and now includes such delights as Dragon Fries and Junior Dragon Slayer meals. Why not join us and celebrate England's Patron Saint?

GENERAL MANAGER APPOINTMENT



We are very pleased to announce that, after a thorough recruitment process, a new General Manager has been appointed. Michael (Micky) Foden-Andrews will be joining the team at The Swan in the very near future. Micky has extensive experience in the hospitality industry and is very keen to be involved in such an exciting adventure.

FRIDAY TAKEAWAY



Order by noon on Wed for collection 6-7pm Fri 30th at The Swan. Choose either Chunky Chilli Beef or 7 Bean Chilli.

Chunks of free range beef cooked for 12 hours until melt in the mouth with onions, tomatoes herbs, kidney beans and spices. Served with wild rice, tomato salsa, chipotle sour cream, black bean & corn salad, green leaves & cheddar cheese. See [here](#) for details.

WINDSOR CYCLE HUB



Following the model set up in Maidenhead a Windsor Cycle Hub, based initially at The Swan, is being established. It will be a separate charity aimed at helping more people to 'get on their bike'. Plans include cycle maintenance, restoring old bikes and events. The start will see weekend midday meets for casual rides from The Swan open to all. Every Saturday and Sunday from 12-1 pm the Hub will be in The Courtyard, with tools and practical help, prior to an organised ride, for those interested, at 1pm. A small start but hoping to gradually build an active cycling community from The Swan. More details available [here](#).

DR BIKE AT THE SWAN



Thursday saw another Dr Bike session in The Courtyard offering free safety checks and basic bike maintenance. The event was fully subscribed and coincided with GR6 Epic Thursday ensuring a lively and vibrant time in a very sunny Courtyard. For details of future Dr Bike events please follow this [link](#).

GR6 UPDATE



GR6 started their Summer Term looking forward to spending more time outside and have launched their Offsite Challenges each Tuesday. This started with a walk along the Thames Path from The Swan to the ancient St Mary Magdalene's Church in Boveney. The current building dates from the 12th century, although there has been a church on the site since before the Normans arrived! The walk was a great success, and included clearing a discarded bike from the river!



On Thursday, the Epicness returned as the pub opened at 11am to serve Epic coffees and cakes as well as Dreams on Toast and fresh salad leaves harvested from the Market Garden. Follow the GR6 [Instagram](#) account to find out what they have in store for next week! They have big plans!

BUILDING UPDATE



The warmer weather hasn't reduced the work effort of the Weekday Warriors nor has it reduced their ability to put the boot in when needed! Encouraged by Tony's boot Ian is inspecting closely the extractor fan which rises from the kitchen through the School House.

Keep safe, enjoy the sunshine and we hope to see you soon.

Warm regards,

The Friends of The Swan

For and on behalf of the The Friends of The Swan



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