



GOOD CHEERS ALL ROUND

7 May 2021

Hi Friend,

Another Epic week for this truly unique pub:

- R&A Good Cheer Award
- Personnel changes
- GR6 gaining great experience
- Stunning build progress

Read on for all the detail:

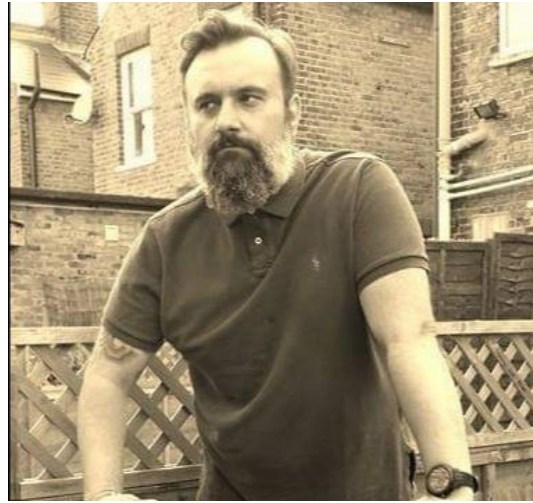
R&A GOOD CHEER AWARD



We are all delighted that The Swan has been chosen as overall winner of the Round & About Good Cheer Awards, celebrating heroes in the hospitality sector. The production editor of R&A, a free [magazine](#) distributed to homes across the Thames Valley, commented that many who nominated The Swan were warm in their praise and & that she is very much looking forward to coming to The Swan to present us with the trophy.

One nominator summed it up saying: “The Swan has redefined the term ‘community pub’. It is genuinely fully integrated into many aspects of local life”. We offer our sincere thanks to all who kindly voted for us.

HELLO/GOODBYE



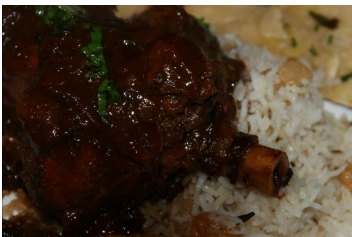
As we look forward to the arrival of our new General Manager, Micky Foden-Andrews, we say a fond farewell to Willie ('Wildcat') Morgan. Micky does not formally take up his appointment until later in May but will be around as he starts to get to know people as soon as possible. Meanwhile Wildcat is returning to his role at The Old Court in preparation for re-opening there on 17th May. Please give a big hello and welcome to Micky and an equally big thank you to Wildcat for all his help and support.

BAR MENU



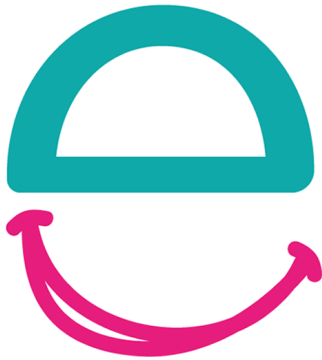
Our new May Bar Food Menu is now available. Luke and the team will be preparing meals to order in the food van located in The Courtyard. They have updated the menu based upon your feedback. Take a look [here](#) to see what is on offer. We hope you enjoy!

FRIDAY TAKEAWAY



The choice this week is Hyderabad Lamb Curry or Paneer & Chickpea Curry. Shoulder of lamb slowly cooked for 12 hours and in a rich tomato based Hyderabad curry sauce. Or the popular paneer, chickpea and spinach curry with tomatoes and spices. Served with saffron & raisin pilaf rice, dal makhana (black lentil curry) and garlic roti. Order [here](#) by noon on Wed for collection 6-7pm Fri 14 May.

EASY FUNDRAISING



Online shopping during lockdown has boomed and The Swan has benefitted as well. So far just over £1,200 has been raised by supporters using easyfundraising alongside their internet shopping. It really is free money and is very simple to set up. Please take a look [here](#) to see how, without costing you a penny, you can raise much needed funds for The Swan.

GR6 UPDATE



GR6 have been out and about enjoying the sunshine but trying to hide from the bitter winds! This included a walk to Eton to explore the area, check shop windows for possible starter jobs and sample a milkshake from Tudor's. On Wednesday they were at the Market Garden tending to produce which is coming along slowly with the cold spring. Another Epic Thursday saw GR6 take over the reins of The Swan again with lots of energy and enthusiasm.



Lots of happy customers came to sample the food on offer, including toasties from the Dreams on Toast team, and wood-fired Neapolitan-style pizzas crafted by the Pizzeria di Sophia team. Thanks to all who came down. The team had a great time serving and are really buoyed by the amazing feedback received. It is really great to hear about full bellies and satisfied customers. The experience GR6 are gaining as a group of young adults preparing to enter the world of work is truly invaluable. Thanks for your [support](#).

BUILDING UPDATE



There has been a definite 'Upstairs Downstairs' feel this week. The Warriors have been joined by Shane and Dale (previously of Coach House fame) who have been working to finish the roof where the kitchen extractor exits the building. They have also done a great job bricking-up the kitchen wall facing The Courtyard. Meanwhile the Weekday Warriors have been hard at work securing the beams to support the School Room floor and the kitchen ceiling.



The weather forecast is improving and the evenings are lighter for longer. All the more reasons to head to The Swan!

Warm regards,

The Friends of The Swan

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