



FESTIVE CHEER AND GREAT BEER

21st July 2023

Hi Friend,

As schools break up and we head into the height of the summer we all start to look for fun things to do to keep the kids entertained and the grown ups sane! Well, look no further than your favourite Community Pub!

IT'S CHRISTMAS....IN JULY?!



At last, Santa's long-awaited holiday has arrived, and our bonkers festive weekend at The Swan starts tomorrow! Christmas dinner wraps will be on the BBQ from 12-8pm, the Grinch is set to make his appearance at 12.30pm and Jess Foden, with support band MOJO, will be knocking out the tunes from 2pm.

On Sun, Santa will arrive at 12.30pm to the delight of kids (and big kids!) whilst house duo Mark and Sherridan provide the live music from 2pm and there'll be plenty more Christmas dinner wraps serving from 12 - 8pm and the bar is open until 10pm! So dig out the hats and tinsel and come celebrate Christmas in July – you know you want to!

SUMMER OPENING HOURS

Starting next Wednesday, 26th July, the bar will open from 12 noon during the week to make the most of the summer afternoons! Mon 24th and Tues 25th opening remains 3pm but thereafter our hours over the summer will be:

Monday - Friday: 12 noon - 11pm

Saturday: 11am - 11pm

Sunday: 12 noon - 8pm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US!



Thanks to everyone who came along yesterday to raise a glass on our 4th Birthday! And to Louise and Ian for the fabulous cake, cut by Rene and enjoyed by all! Read the story in our Events Diary [here](#) and see lots more pics here!

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Windsor Cycle Hub



This week's guided ride is a Level 4 Adventurer, testing experienced riders' pace and endurance. We set off a little earlier at **11.00am** but as usual please arrive 15mins early for bike checks etc. The Bike Kitchen will also be here for help maintaining your bike. Booking for both is essential, which you can do [here](#).

Try something new Tuesday!



Our two regular Tuesday clubs are back this week. If your inner George Formby is screaming to get out, the Windsor Ukelele Band welcomes new members of any ability from 7pm in the School Room – just turn up and introduce yourself! Or if Warhammer is more your style, our adults group meets at 7.30pm in the Coach House – booking for this is essential via gamemastersofwindsor@gmail.com

Chat 'n Quiz!



Our regular Chatty Table is starting to prove popular – why not pop your head in between 1 - 3pm on Wednesday for a coffee and a giggle or two as we talk about whatever takes our fancy that day! More details [here](#) - come join us!



Did you know Quiz Lord Martin's quiz is unique to The Swan – you won't find it anywhere else in town – and he's back at 7.30 for 7.45pm this Weds with another 6 rounds on: Geographic Trivia; Rules, Laws, and Principles; Dash and dot; Film; Inventor or two; True or False. A maximum of 6 per team please, £2 per person. There's a £25 bar tab for the winning team and the raffle jackpot now stands at £70 cash! Book to avoid disappointment, at the bar or via pub.manager@swanwindsor.co.uk.

Friday Coffee Morning



On Friday we are pleased to be hosting another Coffee Morning in aid of our 2023 Community Charity, Swan Support. Come down and chat to their fantastic volunteers about their summer on the river helping the Swan Uppers while enjoying a delicious coffee & cake. We have seating in the bar and also plenty outside in The Courtyard. And if you can, please consider donating a cake too so we can raise as much as possible.

COMING SOON....

Dublicious Delivers

Next Friday's takeaway from Dublicious is the popular 'Taste of Japan', including Chicken or Tofu Katsu Curry, Short Rib Beef Curry or Seared Tuna with Miso. Order [here](#) by 12noon on Thurs 27th for pick up at The Swan between 6-6.30pm on Friday 28th.

SWANFEST IS COMING!!



Our fabulous summer Swan Fest is just two weeks away! Held over three days from Fri 11th to Sun 13th August, our headline summer event combines a beer festival for adults with fun for all the family and live music each day! Full details of the line up and festival beers will be revealed over the coming days, so keep your eyes on our social media and next week's e-mail, but get those dates pencilled in now as you won't want to miss it!

SWAN HISTORY SNIPPET 2 - WHO OWNED THE SWAN?

From records, the Baron of Clewer Manor owned it from at least 1711 until 1826; firstly Baron George Granville and then the Vansittarts. During that time, it was effectively 'leased out' by a process called Copyhold to others who usually had their own landlord. In 1826, the Freehold was bought thus ending the ownership by the Manor.

During that period, a number of well-known, local businessmen appear on the 'deeds' (e.g. the Isherwoods and John Ramsbottom), all associated with The Windsor Brewery (under various names and ownerships) in Thames Street. The association continued until 1930 when Courage bought the brewery and associated pubs including The Swan. The Brewery was closed and demolished (replaced by the King George V memorial) with The Swan now receiving its beer from Alton.



Demolition of The Windsor Brewery, circa 1933; © RWWS

In 1972, Courage was bought by Imperial Tobacco and from then it gets a wee bit grey. We know that in the early '90s that Intreprenuer Estates owned it, and

eventually Wellington Pub Co from whom the CIC bought the pub in 2019. There were several other owners too which we understand but are trying to verify.

Now it is owned by the Swan Clewer Community Interest Company, a collaboration between Windsor & Eton Brewery, The Green Room School, and the local community. Our fourth birthday was yesterday (20th July).

Another Swan History Snippet next week.

Whatever takes your fancy there's something for all at The Swan this week – visit the Future Events page on our website [here](#) for details of everything coming up and keep a lookout for up-to-date info on our social media during the week. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Warm regards,

The Friends of The Swan



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