



A BITTERSWEET WEEK AT THE SWAN

23rd February 2024

Hi Friend,

This week we celebrate the nomination of our community pub for a prestigious award, whilst also saying a sad and fond farewell to one of our best known regulars and greatest supporters.

BILL SINCLAIR



This week we lost a true friend of The Swan community. Bill had been battling cancer for the last 7 months and he lost the fight on 22nd Feb. He was the only member of the community to rack up more than 100 loyalty cards (112 to be precise!). We will miss him propping up the bar every evening, sharing stories of his past and love for the Green Room School. He was everyone's friend and a one-of-a-kind gentle giant; thank you Bill, rest in peace.

CAMRA PUB OF THE YEAR



We are delighted and proud to be among seven local pubs shortlisted by the Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead CAMRA Branch for their Pub of the Year 2024. CAMRA Members only are eligible to vote between now and 10th March and we are keeping everything crossed for a successful outcome!

A WEEKEND OF RUGBY



This weekend sees three key matches in the ongoing tournament with all four home nations playing on Saturday 24th. Come and enjoy the excitement in the bosom of the community:

- Ireland v Wales at 14.15hrs Saturday
- Scotland vs England 16.45hrs Saturday
- France vs Italy 15.00hrs Sunday.

THE SWAN QUIZ



Quiz Lord Martin is not available next week so Micky will be stepping into the Quizmaster's chair on Weds 28th. Expect even more groans than usual! Tables of up to six can compete for the £25 bar tab prize, entry is £2 per person which includes your raffle ticket for the cash jackpot prize, currently standing at £20. Quiz aims to start promptly at 7.45pm with our popular Light Bites menu available from 6.30pm and entry sales from 7.30pm. Book your table now!

FOOD THIS WEEK AT THE SWAN

SUNDAY LUNCH	
<i>by Louise</i>	
MENU	
STARTERS	
Homemade leek & Broccoli Soup v.vg	£6.00
Salt & Pepper Squid	£6.00
MAINS	
Roast Pork	£18.00
Roast Chicken	£16.00
Stuffed Roasted Aubergine v.vg	£16.00
all above served with roast potato and a selection of seasonal veg	
Calves Liver, Bacon, Mash and Onion Gravy	£18.00
DESSERTS	
Crumble Rhubarb/Apple v served with custard or cream	£6.00
Fruit Tart served with Cornish ice-cream	£6.00
Our desserts are homemade	

Sunday 25th February
Available from
12noon until 6pm



Sunday 25th: Louise is in the kitchen again this week for her acclaimed **Sunday Roast**, serving from 12noon to 6pm.

Tuesday 27th: The Green Canteen is back! Delicious, freshly-cooked meals prepared by Green Room College students gaining a genuine, real-world learning experience in hospitality & catering. Serving 5 – 8.30pm



Thursday 29th: Green Room students once again present their **EPIC Thursday** brunch menu from 11am – 2pm, whilst from 5.30 – 9pm Angkana takeover the kitchen for our fabulous **Thai Thursdays**.

Full menus for all our food offerings can be found on our website [here](#). Booking strongly advised for all, via the bar or by e-mail.

FRIDAY FEAST TAKEAWAY

The Friday Takeaway from our friends at Dublicious on Friday 1st March is the popular Smokehouse Bun Night! With pulled pork or chicken, mixed seafood or halloumi options there's something for everyone! Order [here](#) by 5pm Wednesday 28th Feb, for pick up from The Swan on Friday 1st March between 6 - 6.30pm.

OUR REGULAR CLUBS AND EVENTS

Our other regular community clubs and events continue this week:



- **Sat 24th: Windsor Cycle Hub** this week's guided ride is a Level 4 Adventurer, over a longer ride for more experienced riders which means an earlier start 11am prompt - please arrive 10.50am latest. The Bike Kitchen team will be onsite as usual. Book either or both [here](#).

- **Tues 27th:** Our **Cribbage Club** will be playing from 7.30pm in the bar and welcome new players, beginners or experienced. **Windsor Ukulele Group** (7pm School House) and the **Warhammer Club** (7.30pm Coach House) also have their regular Tuesday meets. Pre-book for the latter at gamemastersofwindsor@gmail.com
- **Weds 28th:** there's still a few places on the new **Art Course** with **Local Creatives** – enquire and book at lcreativesuk@outlook.com



- **Fri 1st:** **Chatter and Natter Table**, drop-in anytime for a coffee with our growing group of regular chatters, between 12noon – 1.30pm in the bar

All our community clubs and events are inclusive and open to everyone – see more details on our website [here](#) or ask at the bar.

COMING SOON - MINI MARKETS!



As the winter turns to spring our thoughts turn to a Swan favourite – our Sunday Mini Markets! This year we are planning less regular, but bigger and better markets in April, August and December. If you, or anyone you know, would like to book a stall at these popular events please let us know now, as spaces will fill up quick! For more information, please e-mail anne.tebbatt@theswanwindsor.co.uk

GRC UPDATE

GRC students held their first Epic Thursday of the new half term yesterday and it was great to see so many customers enjoying the atmosphere in the pub. The supported work experience our young learners are gaining each week really stands them in great stead as they make their first steps into the world of employment and young adulthood. We love seeing them engage with The Swan community and they love it too, so please think about coming down!

HISTORY SNIPPET

This week's little slice of Swan history is about proposed changes in 1934 by the then owners, Courage. Head to our fascinating [Facebook](#) page to find out more and join the conversation.

It may still feel like winter but spring is springing in our hearts down at your favourite community pub - do come and join us this week!

Warm regards,

The Friends of The Swan



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