

FALMOUTH WEEK ANNOUNCES A REDUCTION OF EVENING ENTERTAINMENT NIGHTS, WHILST MAINTAINING THE FINALE WEEKEND OF PERFORMANCES

The organisers of Falmouth Week have announced several changes to the evening entertainment schedule, and a new open-air stage set, to allow a series of the highly popular evening events to go ahead in the upcoming summer celebration.

All daytime activities, including the Red Arrows breath-taking appearance, will all still be going ahead as part of Falmouth Week from 6th and 15th August. However, organisers have taken the necessary decision to cancel the first weekend of evening entertainment, and the mid-week night-time performances, and have confirmed a range of options, including refunds for those who have already purchased tickets for these events.

The second weekend of evening concerts – namely 80s vs 90s night on Friday 13th August, The Bohemians vs Fleetwood Bac on Saturday 14th and Russell Howard on Sunday 15th August – are all still going ahead with the new open-air stage setting designed to maximise personal safety and reassurance for everyone attending.

Unfortunately, the following events are being cancelled - The Wurzels, Reef, Craig Charles Funk and Soul Show and the Ska Night with Bad Manners.

Ticket holders for these cancelled events can either:

- Gain a refund by contacting: seetickets.com/customerservice
- Swap their tickets for one of the remaining shows via <u>seetickets.com/</u> customerservice*
- Keep their tickets and reuse them for one of the shows in Falmouth Week 2022**

Further details on the processes for each of the options above will be released on the Falmouth Week website falmouthweek.co.uk and on the Falmouth Week social media platforms at falmouthweek.co.uk and twitter.com/FalmouthWeek as soon as possible.

Tim Vigus of South West Bars and Events who operates the evening entertainment for Falmouth Week says, "We are all gutted to have to make these evening event cancellations, however, working in collaboration with Cornwall Council, Public Health and the Falmouth Town Team, weather permitting, we are delighted to have maintained the finale weekend of events. We are all working extremely hard against the ongoing challenges of the pandemic including the track and trace self-isolation rules and the current shortage of staff. Instead of canceling the entire schedule, we are grateful to be able to run our cut down version, with our new open-air stage on the 13th, 14th and 15th of August at The Waterfront, Church Street Car Park."

Tim continues, "We are very quickly clarifying the details for ticket refunds, switches or for those wishing to hold onto their tickets and reuse them for next year's events and we very much appreciate everyone's patience whilst we get these details agreed with the ticket

handling companies See Tickets and Russell Howard. Again, we are sorry to have to make these schedule cuts, but at the moment, these are the only options available to us and we are so looking forward to seeing everyone down at The Waterfront for a fantastic finale weekend!"

Falmouth Week's packed daytime schedule is unaffected with fleet racing for yachts and dayboats complemented by a jam-packed schedule of daytime shoreside entertainment. Continuing activities include the Falmouth Week Carnival, a large 40-foot Victorian carousel on The Moor, Cornwall Film Festivals Movie in the Park, the Action Sports Tour stunt bike display team on Church Street Car Park, an RNLI Fun Day at Custom House Quay, and Dragon Boat racing.

Taking place on Wednesday the 11th August 2021 at 6.15pm, the Red Arrows are returning after a three year absence to delight spectators with their world-class display over Falmouth Bay.

The Red Arrows are viewed as the world's finest aerobatic display team. Falmouth Bay creates the perfect backdrop for their show and there are several vantage points to view the performance, including Pendennis Point, Cliff Road, Castle, Gyllyngvase and Swanpool Beaches. Organisers are asking people to utilise the multiple vantage points to ensure more effective crowd control and spacing.

Richard Gates, Falmouth Town Manager and Falmouth Week Shoreside Chairman said: "Our Falmouth Week safety plans are progressing in the lead up to the event this year and we are all working extremely hard to support Tim Vigus and his team to ensure that part of the evening entertainment programme can still happen. Falmouth Week is one of the few major events still occurring this summer and we are all working closely with Public Health and Cornwall Council teams, to provide reassurance and support to the public, our sponsors and our suppliers to ensure a fun and entertaining week in every possible way."

For tickets and further information on shoreside events and sailing activities, please visit falmouthweek.co.uk or falmouth.co.uk

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Notes to Editors

About Falmouth Week:

Taking place from $6^{th} - 15^{th}$ August 2021, Falmouth Week has grown into one of the largest sailing regattas in the South West, with seven days of exhilarating racing complemented by a fantastic programme of shoreside events.

^{*}Tickets can be swapped to 80s vs 90s of Queen by The Bohemians vs Fleetwood Bac and the deadline to swap tickets is the 31st July.

^{**}If you wish to keep your ticket for 2022 events, then you do not need to take any further action, your ticket will be rolled over automatically unless otherwise requested.

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