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### **SPRING WAS SPRUNG IN GODALMING**

It may have been cold but that didn't dampen the spirit of visitors to Godalming Town Centre on Saturday, 2 April for the Spring Festival organised by Godalming Town Council. Festival goers were treated to a wide variety of crafts and gifts stalls displaying colourful wares as well as a range of street food vendors.

With stalls situated along the High Street, in Crown Court and Church Street, a great day was had by all.

Children were entertained by Molly Moo Cow who opened the festival with a lively set, followed by Godalming's own Rock Choir. Professor Joe Burns brought his unique brand of Punch & Judy to Crown Court much to the delight of the children (and adults) who watched his shows. One of the highlights of the day was the arrival of Circo Rum Ba Ba and the smallest hotel in the world! Circo Rum Ba Ba, whose visit to Godalming was supported by Waverley Borough Council, is a well-established, highly experienced women's circus theatre company with a diverse range of circus skills and disguise. Breath-taking performances by this talented and acrobatic troupe had the audience spellbound.

No spring festival would be complete without Morris dancing and Saturday saw a first for Godalming with four different Morris sides dancing in the town. The sound of bells and clogs added to the atmosphere as Fleur De Lys Morris Dancers were joined by the Mayflower Dancers from Ash Vale, The Pilgrims from Guildford and the Victor Morris Dancers from Portsmouth, organised by Jeni Goddard to give a special performance in memory of well-known local artist Stephen Goddard.

The Mayor of Godalming said it was "wonderful to see so many people in the town soaking up the atmosphere, enjoying the entertainment and sampling the food on offer."

The Spring Festival takes place annually on the first Saturday of April.

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