

What's On in Warwick at a Glance

A long-term calendar of events for residents and visitors compiled by 'Unlocking Warwick'
November 2018 onwards (updated monthly)



www.unlockingwarwick.org

2018

Warwick Market is every Saturday from 9am. Farmers' Markets are on the 2nd & 5th Saturdays of the month.
Craft Market on 1st Saturday of each month.

November

- 1st** Court House, Jury Street. **In the Ballroom – Warwick Poppies at St. Mary's Church.** 2pm - 4.30pm. This month's welcoming social gathering organised by Unlocking Warwick for the Town Council will hear about the creation of the fabulous display of hand-made poppies marking the end of WWI, with tea, coffee, cake, a quiz and time to chat. £2. For further details: 01926 411694.
- 1st** Market Hall Museum. **Victorian Halloween.** 10am – 3pm. How did the Victorians celebrate Halloween? Solve the riddles and make a turnip treat box to take home. £2.50 per child. No need to book. 01926 412500
Victorian Halloween – Relaxed Opening. 4pm – 6pm. Look around the museum while it is closed to the public. Suitable for families who would benefit from a quieter museum experience. £2.50 per child, limited spaces, booking required at warwickshire.gov.uk/heritageboxoffice.
- 1st** Friends Meeting House. **Warwick Natural History Society – The Otmoor Reserve.** Barry Oxley will give an illustrated talk about the RSPB reserve near Bicester. 7.30pm. Non-members welcome. www.wnhs.info
- 2nd** St. Mary's Church. **Lunchtime Recital: Carleton Etherington** (Organist from Tewkesbury Abbey). 1.15pm - 2pm. Free to attend. Retiring collection www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 3rd** Market Hall Museum. **A Musical Make and Create.** 10am – 12noon. Make your own instrument. £1 donaton. No need to book.
County Guitars group. 12.30pm – 1pm. The Warwickshire County Guitars Group made up of guitar students aged 13 to 21, will be playing Baroque and classical pieces. Free, no need to book; donations welcome. 01926 412500
- 3rd** The Racecourse. **Warwick Bonfire and Fireworks Evening.** Gates open 5.15pm. Display at 6.30pm. Hot food and free parking. Tickets from the racecourse, local shops and online. Advance tickets adults £6 children £1; on the gate adults £7 children £2.
www.warwicktownbonfire.org.uk Email: tickets@warwicktownbonfire.org.uk
- 3rd** St. Mary's Church. **'Memoria Aeterna': Collegium Warwick with Strings and Organ.** Featuring works by McDowall, Faure, Monteverdi, Warlock and Brahms. 7.30pm. Tickets £13 (under-16s free) from the church gift shop. 01926 400771.

- 4th Lord Leycester Hospital Great Hall. **Lost Composers of the Great War** with Leamington Chamber Orchestra. An afternoon of words and music including works by Denis Browne, F.S. Kelly, Cecil Coles and George Butterworth. 3pm. Tickets £15 available only in advance from Warwick Books or email lcleaseamington@gmail.com or denehouse@btconnect.com or call 01789 841903 Proceeds to the Lord Leycester and the LCO.
- 4th **The Haunted Warwick Castle.** Witches, ghost stories and spooky surprises. All day until 9pm. www.warwick-castle.com/explore/halloween-haunted-castle.aspx 0871 265 2000
- 7th Market Hall Museum. **Knit and Natter.** 1.30pm – 3.30pm. Have a go at knitting or crochet to make items for a local charity. Free; no need to book. 10% off in the cafe. 01926 412500
- 8th County Record Office. **Show and Tell: The Armistice in Warwickshire.** 1pm – 1.30pm. Learn how Warwickshire reacted to the news of the WWI Armistice in 11th November 1918 through original records. Free. No need to book. Donations welcome. 01926 738959
- 9th **Warwick Races.** Sporting Icon Raceday. Network with local businesses featuring a talk by a sporting icon. Details: www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 9th Lord Leycester Hospital. **Henry VIII and the Men Who Made Him** with author Tracy Borman. An extra Warwick Words event. 4.30pm. Tickets £15 including a glass of wine. Box office: 01926 334418
- 9th Warwick Hall, Myton Road. **Music and Readings from The Great War.** An evening of words and music commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Armistice. Free to attend. 01926 776438 www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk
- 9th **Warwick Ghost Walk.** Starting at 7pm at the Turpin statue in the Market Place. £8 www.midlandsdiscoverytours.co.uk/ghost-walks/warwick-ghost-walk/ 07957 422568
- 9th Lord Leycester Hospital. **Henry VIII and the Men Who Made Him.** A Warwick Words History Festival Extra Event. 4.30pm. Tracy Borman offers a new perspective on the much-married king. Tickets £15.00 including a glass of wine from the box office: 01926 334418. www.warwickwords.co.uk
- 10th Chase Meadow Community Centre. **SCBU Curry and Quiz Night.** Raising money for the Warwick Special Care Baby Unit. 6.30pm – 10pm. Tickets £15. nicola.scott2@innogy.com www.tickettailor.com/events/raisingmoneyforscbuswanward/187309
- 10th County Record Office. **Art from the Castle.** 2pm – 4pm. The Friends of the Warwickshire CRO welcome visitors for a talk by Adam Busiakiewicz, an art historian using the archive for his research into the art collection at the Castle. £5. Light refreshments. 01926 738959
- 10th St. Nicholas Church. **Love Handmade Fair.** Original crafts and artwork from local designers. 10am – 4pm. Free to attend. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk 07793 160950
- 10th **Medieval Banquet at Warwick Castle** with live entertainment and music. 7.30pm. £49. www.warwick-castle.com/events/dinners-and-banquets.aspx 01926 406660
- 10th Lord Leycester Hospital. **Spitfires and Sweethearts** – an evening of 1940s entertainment and dancing. 7.30pm. Supper, quiz and prize for the best 40s outfit. Tickets £15. Phone: 07758 034919 www.lordleycester.com/events.html
- 11th **Armistice Centenary Remembrance Sunday** with events marking the 100th anniversary of the moment the fighting stopped at the end of the First World War. The ceasefire was timed for 11am on Nov 11th 1918 but the Armistice was signed earlier that morning and most of the fighting stopped then.

6am. To commemorate this, pipers will play the tune "When Battles O'er" at 6am at war memorials up and down the country. In Warwick, Andy Walker will be **the dawn piper** at the Warwick War Memorial in Church Street, and will then play further pieces in St. Mary's Church in front of the poppy display.

6.30am. In Alderson House, High Street, there will be a **Breakfast** organised by Warwick Poppies and the Royal British Legion. Tickets £10 from the Visitor Information Centre, St. Mary's Gift Shop, Tony Glover (RBL) 07709 806325 and Warwick Poppies 07889 420993, or email contact@warwickpoppies.org.uk

10am **Services of Remembrance** will be held at churches around Warwick, with the main service at St. Mary's, home of the Royal Warwickshire Regimental Chapel.

10.50am a short **service at the War Memorial** with wreath-laying.

11am the **Two-Minutes' Silence**. After the remembrance service there will be a **March Past** with civic dignitaries, local military units, veterans, scouts, guides, and other organisations.

12.30pm – 2pm. The **Bells** of St. Mary's will ring out as they did 100 years ago, along with most of the churches in the rest of the country.

6.30pm. An Armistice Concert in St. Mary's. **We Will Remember – Duruflé Requiem**. Readings of World War One poetry will be interleaved with the music to explore themes of prayer, anguish and salvation that permeate the Requiem. Members of the Da Capo Chamber Choir, the Gentlemen of St. Mary's Choir, The Foundation Chamber Choir and other musicians will form the 'Warwick Poppies Chorus' while senior pupils and professionals from the Warwick Foundation Schools will form the 'Poppies Ensemble'. Free to attend with unreserved seating, but tickets must be obtained in advance from Bridge House Theatre Box Office www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk 01926 776438 or St. Mary's shop. **SOLD OUT**.

Evening Events at Warwick Castle. Here is the schedule:

6.48pm: Following a candlelit procession from the War Memorial, a **Choir** sings.

6.52pm: The **Mayor's Welcome**.

6.55pm: **The Last Post** sounded by a Warwick Schoolboy. (1,000 buglers will sound this historic tribute at WWI Beacons of Light locations across the Nation and Overseas Territories).

7pm: **WWI Beacons of Light – The Mayor Lights the Warwick Beacon**. (One of more than a thousand Beacons of Light symbolising an end to the darkness of war and a return to the light of peace).

7.05pm: **A Cry for Peace around the World** from The Warwick Town Crier. (100 Town Criers throughout the UK and other countries join together in an International Cry for Peace around the World).

7.10pm: **Tribute to the Millions**. A Reading by the Leader of Warwick Town Council

7.15pm: **Names of the Warwick Fallen**. The names of the 358 Warwick fallen from WWI will be read out.

7.30pm: **The National Anthem**.

7.35pm: **Closing Words** from the Royal British Legion.

7.40pm: A memorial **Rocket** will be fired.

(Free parking is available at Warwick Castle's Stratford Road car park. Gates open 6.30pm).

Road Closures for Remembrance Sunday. Details here:

www.warwicktowncouncil.gov.uk/remembrance-day-temporary-road-closures/

12th

Market Hall Museum. **Recollections: Dementia Cafe**. 2pm – 3.30pm. Designed to engage and inspire people living with dementia and their carers by handling interesting museum objects, crafts, games and socialising. Refreshments provided. Free to attend; donations welcome. Spaces are limited so please book by calling 01926 412500

- 13th** The Court House, Jury Street. **Tea and Dance Lessons** in the ballroom. 2pm – 4pm. A social gathering suitable for ballroom dance beginners. Coaching by professional dance teachers. £2.50 per person. Organised by Warwick Town Council and Unlocking Warwick. No need to book. Just turn up. For details call 01926 411694
- 13th** Market Hall Museum. **Show and Tell: Horns and Antlers.** 1pm – 1.30pm. Why do some animals have antlers? How do they grow? Specimens from the museum collection will be available to handle. Free; no need to book, donations welcome. 01926 412500
- 13th** St. Mary's Church. **Stile Antico: Queen of Muses.** Music from the time of Elizabeth I, by Byrd, Farmer, Ferrabosco, de Lassus, Sandrin, Tallis, Taverner, Weelkes, Wilbye and Willaert. 7.30pm. Tickets £13 and £24 from Leamington Box Office. 01926 334418 www.leamingtonmusic.org/event/stile-antico/
- 14th** Warwick Arms Hotel. **The First World War and The Commonwealth War Graves Commission** – a talk by author Alan Reed for the monthly meeting of The Western Front Association. 7.45 pm. Non-members welcome. www.westernfrontassociation.com/branches/united-kingdom/heart-of-england/events/
- 14th** Market Hall Museum. **Knit and Natter.** 1.30pm – 3.30pm. Have a go at knitting or crochet to make items for a local charity. Free; no need to book. 10% off in the cafe. 01926 412500
- 15th** Lord Leycester Hospital. **The Verdict is Yours.** A 'Smart Talk' by Graham Sutherland about a murder trial at Warwick Assizes in the 1780s. The audience is asked to act as the jury. Held in the Bretheren's Kitchen. £22 with food and a help yourself bar. 7pm. To book a place call 01926 491422 or email info@lordleycester.com www.lordleycester.com
- 15th** Friends Meeting House, High Street. **Warwick Natural History Society Meeting.** Non-members welcome. 7.30pm. Peter Preece will give an illustrated talk, 'Every Picture Tells a Story'. www.wnhs.net wesandlinda@btinternet.com
- 16th** **St. Mary's Church. Lunchtime Recital: Florence Lloyd (clarinet).** 1.15pm - 2pm. Free to attend. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk 01926 403940
- 16th** Alderson House, High Street. **Murder Most Warwick.** The Mayor's Charity Murder Mystery Evening. From 7pm at Alderson House, High Street. Tickets from the Visitor Information Centre £20 include a welcome drink and a chilli and jacket potatoes supper. In aid of Safeline. www.safeline.org.uk/events/murder-most-warwick-a-murder-mystery-fundraising-evening/
- 17th** County Record Office. **Family History: 20th Century Military Records.** Social Historian Jennifer Cranfield explains the resources available for researching your military ancestors. 10.15am – 12.45pm. £12. 01926 738959 www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/family-history-20th-century-military-records-tickets-47953922473
- 17th** Westend Centre, Hampton Road. **1940s Night** with the Warwick Community Band, guest singer Maggie O'Hara. Doors open 7pm. Period dress optional. Tickets £10 adults, £5 children, from the Visitor Information Centre or Julie Quinn: 07818 282863
- 17th** Chase Meadow Community Centre. **SCBU Pamper and Prosecco Evening.** Raising money for the Warwick Special Care Baby Unit. 6.30pm – 10.30pm. Pop-up salon with massages, facials, nails. £10. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1764208110294953/>
- 18th** **Trivia Trails.** 1pm starting at The Globe in Theatre Street, teams of up to six follow a mystery trail around Warwick for 90 minutes, looking for clues and answering questions. Adults £10. Children 8-16 £5. Under-8s free. 07718 574544. Email: jane@triviatrails.co.uk www.triviatrails.co.uk
- 18th** St. Nicholas Church. **Sunday Concert – Victoria Wilson (soprano).** 3pm. Free admission. Refreshments available. Donations welcomed. www.stnicholaswarwick.org.uk/church-events

- 19th Market Hall Museum. **Portable Antiques Scheme: 20 Years of Treasures.** A talk about the scheme that has identified more than 27,000 archeological discoveries in Warwickshire, revealing the lives of our ancestors. 7pm – 9pm. £7.50. 01926 412500
www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/portable-antiquities-scheme-20-years-of-treasures-tickets-47954160184
- 20th County Record Office. **Explore Your Archive: Behind the Scenes.** Go into the strong rooms to see some of the valuable old Warwickshire documents with Senior Archivist Rob Eyre. 10.30am – 12noon. £7.50 01926 738959
www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/explore-your-archive-behind-the-scenes-tickets-47954247445
- 21st **Warwick Races.** The Winter Warmer meeting. Mulled cider, gluewein and hot toddies. Details: www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 21st Warwick Hall, Warwick School, Myton Road. **On This Day in History.** 7.30pm Historian and broadcaster Dan Snow tells the history of the world in 365 days. Tickets £15 including a copy of Dan Snow's book 'On This Day in History'. Box office: 01926 334418
www.warwickwords.co.uk
- 21st St. Paul's Church. **Warwick WI – 'Thoughtfully Wrapped'** with Alan Keech. 7.30pm. Non-member ladies welcome. <http://warwickwi.weebly.com/events-diary.html>
- 23rd St. Mary's Church. **Warwick Poppies Remembrance Service for Local Schoolchildren.** There will be road closures (Northgate Street, Church Street, Old Square and New Street) between 8am and 12noon to allow the 500 children to get to and from the church safely.
www.warwicktowncouncil.gov.uk/warwick-poppies-temporary-road-closure/
- 23rd Bridge House Theatre, Myton Road. **The Noise Next Door – Remix!** Adult evening show by the improv comedy troupe. Recommended age suitability 16+. 7.30pm. Tickets £14. Call box office on 01926 776438 or visit www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk
- 24th Warwick School, Myton Road. **Breakfast or Afternoon Tea with Father Christmas,** raising money for the Special Care Baby Unit. Breakfast 10am – 1pm. Tea 2pm – 5pm. Adults £12. Children £7. <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/raisingmoneyforscbuswanward/181459>
- 24th Fusilier Museum, St. John's. **The Warwicks and the Christmas Truce.** A lunchtime talk by writer Alan Reed for the Friends of the Museum For details call 01926 491653.
<http://www.warwickfusiliers.co.uk>
- 25th St. John's House Museum. **Stir Up Sunday.** 10am -12noon. Make your Christmas pudding in the Victorian kitchen. Find out what we used to cook and look at some of the recipes from the archives. £20. Price includes festive refreshments. Please bring your own pudding basin. www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stir-up-sunday-tickets-47954339721
- 26th Coten End Primary School CV34 4NP. **Come and Sing Messiah** with the Warwick and Kenilworth Choral Society – **first rehearsal** at 7.30pm for a performance on Dec 10th at St. Nicholas Church Kenilworth. (7.30pm). All ages welcome. Buddy support and music available. Email: Stephanie. steph.glassworks@btinternet.com <http://wkcs.org.uk>
- 28th The Jury Street Court House. **Connect at the Court House.** Networking event for Warwick businesses over coffee in the ballroom. Free but please register:
www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/connect-at-the-court-house-tickets-45287054800?aff=erellivmlt
- 28th Market Hall Museum. **Show and Tell – The Sheldon Tapestry.** 1pm – 1.30pm. Find out about the remarkable Elizabethan tapestry map of Warwickshire. Free to attend though donations welcome. No need to book. 01926 412500
- 28th Bridge House Theatre, Myton Road. **Grease** performed by the Stratford Musical Theatre Society. 7.30pm. Summer luvvin with Sandy and Danny. £19 adults. £14 children. Box Office: 01926 776438 (Mon-Fri 1pm-5:30pm) / boxoffice@warwickschool.org
www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk

- 29th** **Warwick Victorian Evening 2018.** 5pm – 9pm. Carousel, ferris wheel, traction engines, food stalls, dressing up and live music. *At 7pm the Mayor of Warwick will switch on the Christmas Lights.* The *Market Hall Museum* will be open until 9pm. *Visit Father Christmas* at the museum. (£4.50 per child, includes a gift; drop in and pick up a timed ticket; take part in our childrens craft activity while you wait). Hot drinks, cakes and savouries available in the museum cafe. 01926 412500
- 29th – Dec 9th** St. Mary's Church. **Christmas Tree Festival.** Small admission charge. Come along and vote for your favourite tree & enter the prize draw. Children free. See Unlocking Warwick's tree with unusual decorations. 01926 403940 www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk

December

- 1st** **Small Business Saturday.** Support your local shops.
- 1st** All Saints Church, Emscote. **Community Carol Service** complete with a 17-foot knitted Christmas Tree. Contact Rev'd Diane Thompson. 01926 492073. revdt.allsaints@gmail.com
- 1st** St. Mary's Church. **Sing It Loud Choir – 'Tis the Season.** 7.30pm. Tickets £16. Students £7.50. Children £5. from www.singitloud.co.uk
- 1st** St. Nicholas Church. **Love Handmade Fair.** Original crafts and artwork from local designers. 10am – 4pm. Free to attend. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk 07793 160950
- 1st** Northgate Methodist Church. **Christmas Charity concert in aid of Helping Hands,** with Village Voices Choir. 7.30pm. Varied musical entertainment with refreshments and raffle. Tickets £8.50 from www.villagevoices.co.uk and 07484 820650
- 1st** Court House Ballroom, Jury Street. **The Mayor's Christmas Fair.** Craft stalls, tombola, cake stall. 11am – 4pm. Free entry. 01926 411694
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- 5th** Lord Leycester Hospital. **The Mellstock Band – Leaves of Life.** Christmas concert with mulled wine and mince pies. 7.30pm. £21. 01926 334418
www.learningtonmusic.org/event/the-mellstock-band-2/
- 6th** Court House, Jury Street. **In the Ballroom – Christmas Carols with the SingWell Choir.** 2pm - 4.30pm. This month's welcoming social gathering organised by Unlocking Warwick for the Town Council will usher-in the Festive Season with a singalong of some of your favourite carols - with tea, coffee, cake, a quiz and time to chat. £2. For further details: 01926 411694.
- 6th** St. Mary's Church. **The Christmas Truce.** 7pm. Local historians Alan Reed and Sir Andrew Hamilton will recount this famous story from the Western Front against the backdrop of the poppy display and Christmas trees. Free entry, but please get your ticket from St Mary's Shop or Warwick Visitor Information Centre, as there will be light refreshments – supported by the Fusiliers Association. 01926 403940
- 6th** Friends Meeting House, High Street. **Warwick Natural History Society Meeting.** Non-members welcome. 7.30pm. John Roberts will give an illustrated talk, 'Eastern Turkey's Steppes and Mountains'. www.wnhs.net wesandlinda@btinternet.com
- 6th** Market Hall Museum. **Show and Tell: Roman Coins.** 1pm – 1.30pm. A close-up look at some of the coins from the South Warwickshire Roman Hoard, with explanations of their significance. Free; no need to book. Donations welcome. 01926 412500

- 7th St. Mary's Church. **Lunchtime Concert – Mark Swinton (organ)**. 1.15pm – 2pm. Free admission. Retiring collection. 01926 403940
- 7th Bridge House Theatre. **Showstopper! The Improvised Musical**. Spontaneous Musical Comedy. 7.30pm. Suitable for ages 14+ Tickets £20 (£18). www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk
- 8th County Record Office. **Family History: Victorian Crime and Punishment**. Were your ancestors criminals or victims of crime? Join family historian Jennifer Cranfield for a look at available records to help explore your family history. 10.15 a.m. - 12.45 pm. £12. www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/family-history-victorian-crime-and-punishment-tickets-47954771011
- 9th **Warwick Santa Dash** in aid of Myton Hospice. Put on your Santa outfits and run, jog or walk a 5km route round St. Nicholas Park, starting and finishing at Myton Hospice in Myton Road. There's a 50-metre dash for children. Put your name down and start getting sponsorship. Email: lucy.turner@mytonhospice.org 01926 838825 www.mytonhospice.org
- 9th Bridge House Theatre, Myton Road. **Robin Hood and the Revolting Peasants** performed by 'Oddsocks'. 7.30pm Join the Merry Men for an evening of comedy. £18 adults. £15 concessions. Box Office: 01926 776438 (Mon-Fri 1pm-5:30pm) / boxoffice@warwickschool.org www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk
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- 11th St. Mary's Church. **Sirinu – From Candlemas to Epiphany – The Lord of Misrule**. Christmas concert with mulled wine and mince pies. 7.30pm. £13 - £21. 01926 334418 www.leamingtonmusic.org/event/sirinu/
- 11th Hill Close Gardens. **Winter Pruning Workshop**. 10am – 2pm. Tickets £15 (HCG and RHS members £12). Pre-booking essential. Phone 01926 493339 or visit www.hillclosegardens.com
- 12th Warwick Arms Hotel. **'England's Difficulty' The British Army and Ireland, 1912-1922** – a talk for the Western Front Association. 7.45pm. Non-members welcome. www.westernfrontassociation.com/branches/united-kingdom/heart-of-england/
- 13th **Warwick Races**. Eventmasters Christmas at the Races. From 10.15 am. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk <http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets/whats-on>
- 13th Market Hall Museum. **Christmas Carols at the Museum** with musicians from Leamington Symphonia. Sing along, explore the museum, let the kids take part in craft activities. Tickets £10 to include a mulled wine and mince pie. Children £3 including juice and a gingerbread man. Book at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/heritageboxoffice
- 15th Court House Ballroom, Jury Street. The annual **Warwick Christmas Regency Ball** with live music from Mr. Sayer's Players, experienced caller Brian Stanton, interval canapes and a presentation about Regency assemblies by the Unlocking Warwick volunteers. 7.30pm. Tickets at 20 guineas are already **Sold Out**. To go on the waiting list for returns, email regencyball@unlockingwarwick.org
- 15th - 16th Hill Close Gardens. **Illuminated Gardens at Christmas**. Details to be announced. www.hillclosegardens.com

- 16th** Court House, Jury Street. **The Visitor Information Centre will be closed on Sundays** from today until March 2019 unless there are special events in the town. 01926 492212
- 18th** St. Mary's Church. **Wassail!** Traditional Christmas music with audience participation. Da Capo Chamber Choir, Charles Matthews piano, John Adams conductor. 7.30pm
Tickets £10 (£7.50), £28 family, including refreshments from www.dacapochoir.org.uk and 01926 403940
- 20th** St. Mary's Church. **Carols by Candlelight** with Armonico Consort and Orchestra. 7.30pm
www.armonico.org.uk
- 20th and 21st** Lord Leycester Hospital. **Christmas Presence.** Vivo, an a cappella quartet, present their usual eclectic mix of old and new music, celebrating the Christmas story. 8pm each day. Tickets £10 (£5 children) Email VivoConcerts@gmail.com or phone 07963 640602. Seasonal refreshments.
- 21st** St. Mary's Church. **Lunchtime Concert – Oliver Hancock (organ).** 1.15pm – 2pm. Free admission. Retiring collection. 01926 403940
- 22nd** St. Mary's Church. **Christmas Concert with Saint James's Singers.** Conductor Julian Harris. Festive Music and Readings. 7.30pm. Tickets £15/£10 from Box Office 07502 939498 or www.stjamessingers.com
- 22nd** Warwick Castle. **Carols at the Castle** in aid of local charities. 7.30pm – 9pm. Adults £6.50. Children £2. www.warwick-castle.com/events/carols-at-warwick-castle.aspx
- 25th** Court House Ballroom. **Warwick Town Christmas Lunch.** 12noon – 4pm. Lunch served at 1pm. For Warwick residents or couples who might otherwise be on their own on Christmas Day. You must register to secure a place by phoning 01926 710284 or email warwickchristmas@outlook.com Details on Facebook here: www.facebook.com/WTCL2018
- 26th** **Boxing Day Trivia Trail.** 11.30am starting at The Globe in Theatre Street, teams of up to six follow a mystery trail around Warwick for 90 minutes, looking for clues and answering questions. Adults £10. Children 8-16 £5. Under-8s free. 07718 574544.
Email: jane@triviatrails.co.uk www.triviatrails.co.uk
- 31st** **Warwick Races.** New Year's Eve Raceday. From 10.25am. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
<http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets/whats-on>
- 31st** Warwick Castle. **New Year's Eve Banquet** in the Great Hall and State Dining Room. 7.30pm
£135 per person. 01926 406660 www.warwick-castle.com/corporate/christmas-events/

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January

- 3rd** Friends Meeting House, High Street. **Warwick Natural History Society Meeting.** Non-members welcome. 7.30pm. Denise Taylor will give an illustrated talk, 'Wolves, Bears and Lynx: Can humans co-exist with large carnivores?'. www.wnhs.net
wesandlinda@btinternet.com
- 5th** St. Mary's Church. **Twelfth Night with The Carice Singers.** Exploring the nocturnal mysteries of Twelfth Nigh with music by Barber, Howells, Ludford, Mahler, Poulenc Rachmaninov and more. 6pm. Tickets £15/£5. Students and children free, available on the door from 5pm.

- 8th Court House, Jury Street. **Tea and Dance Lessons** in the Ballroom. 2pm – 4pm. A social gathering suitable for ballroom dance beginners. Coaching by professional dance teachers, with tea, cake and time to chat. £2.50 per person. Organised by Warwick Town Council and Unlocking Warwick. No need to book. Just turn up. 01926 411694
- 9th Court House, Jury Street. **In the Ballroom – The Wallace Collection and its Warwickshire Connections.** The popular monthly social gathering with a talk or activity, tea and time to chat, moves to the *second Wednesday of the month for 2019*. The January edition will hear from Ann O'Flanagan about how the famed art collection was put together by the Sir Richard Wallace, the illegitimate son of the Fourth Marquess of Hertford at Ragley Hall. 2pm - 4pm. £2. No need to book. Organised by Unlocking Warwick for the Town Council. 01926 411694
- 12th **Warwick Races.** Classic Chase Day. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
<http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets/whats-on>
- 17th Lord Leycester Hospital. **From the Pillory to the Prison Cell.** A 'Smart Talk' by Ginny Davis, a barrister turned writer and performer. An entertaining history of criminal punishments. 7pm. Held in the Bretheren's Kitchen. £22 with food and a help yourself bar. To book a place call 01926 491422 or email info@lordleycester.com
- 17th Friends Meeting House, High Street. **Warwick Natural History Society Meeting.** Non-members welcome. 7.30pm. Graham and Janet Harrison will give an illustrated talk, 'Capability Brown – Today's Wildlife in his Landscapes'. www.wnhs.net
wesandlinda@btinternet.com
- 19th St. Mary's Church. **Amnesty International Concert** with Oriflamme Ensemble and Coventry Philharmonic Choir. Music by Franck, Duparc and Gounod. 7.30pm. Tickets £15 from 07876 790546 or 07437 178877
www.musictoyourears.org.uk/index.php/music-to-your-ears-diary
- 20th St. Nicholas Church. **Sunday Concert – Piano Trio.** 3pm. Free admission. Refreshments available. Donations welcomed. www.stnicholaswarwick.org.uk/church-events
- 21st **Warwick Races.** Midlands Raceday. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
<http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets/whats-on>
- 29th St. Mary's Church. **A Venetian Carnival** with The Musicke Companye . 7.30pm. Tickets £13 to £21 From Warwick Visitor Information Centre or the church gift shop. Or phone 01926 334418 www.warwickdc.gov.uk/royalspacentre/events/event/1133/
- 30th Bridge House Theatre, Myton Road. **Where the Hell is Bernard?** presented by Haste Theatre. 7.30pm. Mixing magical visuals, movement, live song and clown, award winning Haste Theatre create a darkly comic warning for the future. £10 adults. £8 concessions. Box Office: 01926 776438 (Mon-Fri 1pm-5:30pm) boxoffice@warwickschool.org
www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk

February

- 5th The Court House, Jury Street. **Tea and Dance Lessons** in the Ballroom. 2pm – 4pm. A social gathering suitable for ballroom dance beginners. Coaching by professional dance teachers, with tea, cake and time to chat. £2.50 per person. Organised by Unlocking Warwick and the Town Council. No need to book. Just turn up. 01926 411694
- 7th Warwick Hall, Myton Road. Roderick Williams, baritone, and Christopher Glynn, piano, perform **Schubert's Winterreise.** 7.30pm. Tickets £16. 01926 334418

- 7th Friends Meeting House, High Street. **Warwick Natural History Society Meeting.** Non-members welcome. 7.30pm. Ben Coleman will give an illustrated talk, 'Ryton Pools and its Wildlife'. www.wnhs.net wesandlinda@btinternet.com
- 9th **Warwick Races.** Gentlemen's Raceday featuring the Kingmaker Chase. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk <http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets/whats-on>
- 13th The Court House, Jury Street. **In the Ballroom - Bingo and Beetle.** The ever-popular games afternoon returns for this month's social gathering, with tea, cake and time to chat. 2pm - 4pm. £2. No need to book. Organised by Unlocking Warwick for the Town Council. 01926 411694
- 15th- 16th Lord Leycester Hospital. **The Warwick Court Leet Beer and Cider Festival.** More than 20 different beers and at least 7 ciders. Hot food available. £5. Entry includes commemorative glass. Advanced tickets only due to the size of the venue - from the Lord Leycester Hospital or the Visitor Information Centre, Jury Street. All proceeds to the Lord Leycester restoration fund. www.warwickbeerfestival.com
- 17th St. Nicholas Church. **Sunday Concert – Wesley Biggs (Baritone)** 3pm. Free admission. Refreshments available. Donations welcomed. www.stnicholaswarwick.org.uk/church-events
- 19th Friends Meeting House, High Street. **Warwickshire Local History Society Lecture – The Catholic Experience and Aspects of Childhood** by Dr. Lucy Underwood. 7.30pm. www.warwickshirehistory.org.uk 01789 205043
- 21st Lord Leycester Hospital. **The Battle of Evesham 1255** A 'Smart Talk' by Alan Bailey. 7pm. Held in the Bretheren's Kitchen. £22 with food and a help yourself bar. To book a place call 01926 491422 or email info@lordleycester.com
- 21st Friends Meeting House, High Street. **Warwick Natural History Society Meeting.** Non-members welcome. 7.30pm. Paul Wilkinson will give an illustrated talk on 'Reptiles and Amphibians'. www.wnhs.net wesandlinda@btinternet.com
- 22nd **Warwick Races.** Fabulous Fiver Friday featuring The Budbrooke Chase. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk <http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets/whats-on>
- 26th St. Mary's Church. **K'antu Ensemble perform A La Vida Bona – Music in the Age of Discovery.** 7.30pm. Tickets £13 to £21. From Warwick Visitor Information Centre or the church gift shop. Or phone 019126 334418 www.kantu-ensemble.co.uk

March

- 5th **Warwick Pancake Races** in the Market Place organised by the Rotary Club. 1.30pm – 3.30pm. £10 entry per team. Contact Jackie Crampton. 01926 492496 www.warwickrotary.org.uk
- 5th The Court House, Jury Street. **Tea and Dance Lessons** in the Ballroom. 2pm – 4pm. A social gathering suitable for ballroom dance beginners. Coaching by professional dance teachers, with tea, cake and time to chat. £2.50 per person. Organised by Unlocking Warwick for the Town Council. No need to book. Just turn up. 01926 411694
- 7th Friends Meeting House, High Street. **Warwick Natural History Society Meeting.** Non-members welcome. 7.30pm. Brian Ellis will give an illustrated talk, 'Warwickshire Landscapes, the 600 million year story'. www.wnhs.net wesandlinda@btinternet.com
- 10th **Warwick Races and Countryside Day.** Jump racing and rural craft stalls. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk <http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets/whats-on>

- 13th** The Court House, Jury Street. **In the Ballroom – The Walls of Warwick.** This months welcoming social gathering organised by Unlocking Warwick for the Town Council will hear a talk by Trevor Langley about Warwick's old walls and the silent tales they tell - the good, the strange, the secret and the sad. With tea, cake and time to chat. 2pm – 4pm. £2. No need to book. 01926 411694
- 17th** St. Nicholas Church. **Sunday Concert – Poliphonica Recorder Trio.** 3pm. Free admission. Refreshments available. Donations welcomed. www.stnicholaswarwick.org.uk/church-events
- 18th** Bridge House Theatre, Myton Road. **Police Cops in Space.** 7.30pm. Award winning company Police Cops are back after a sell-out at the Edinburgh Fringe. An '80s low-fi sci-fi'. Box Office: 01926 776438 (Mon-Fri 1pm-5:30pm) boxoffice@warwickschool.org
www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk
- 19th** Friends Meeting House, High Street. **The Warwickshire Local History Society AGM** followed by a lecture by David Paterson on 'George Elliot and Warwickshire History'. 7.15pm. www.ourwarwickshire.org.uk/?event=george-eliot-warwickshire-history
- 21st** Lord Leycester Hospital. **'Old Mettle'** A 'Smart Talk' by Stephen Wass about a remarkable professional fool called William Castle, nicknames Old Mettle. 7pm. Held in the Bretheren's Kitchen. £22 with food and a help yourself bar. To book a place call 01926 491422 or email info@lordleycester.com www.lordleycester.com
- 21st** Friends Meeting House, High Street. **Warwick Natural History Society Meeting.** Non-members welcome. 7.30pm. Ian Butler will give an illustrated talk on Costa Rica. www.wnhs.net wesandlinda@btinternat.com
- 26th** St. Mary's Church. **Ex Cathedra – Fire Burning in Snow** – music from the Latin American Baroque. 7.30pm. Tickets £13 to £24. From Warwick Visitor Information Centre or the church gift shop. Or phone 01926 334418
- 28th** **Warwick Races.** Spring Raceday. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
<http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets/whats-on>
- 31st** Bridge House Theatre, Myton Road. **David Baddiel's AniMALCOLM.** 2.30pm. A new musical comedy from the award-winning Story Pocket Theatre. ANIMALCOLM combines theatre, puppetry and the company's outstanding storytelling style to bring to the stage David Baddiel's comic story of Malcolm who doesn't like animals though his house is full of them. £12 Adults, £10 Concessions, £35 Family (2x Adult, 2x Child)
Box Office: 01926 776438 (Mon-Fri 1pm-5:30pm) boxoffice@warwickschool.org
www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk

April

- 10th** The Court House, Jury Street. **In the Ballroom – Guy's Cliffe Walled Garden.** This months welcoming social gathering organised by Unlocking Warwick for the Town Council will hear an illustrated talk about the history of the walled garden of the great house and the ongoing restoration work. With tea, cake and time to chat. 2pm – 4pm. £2. No need to book. 01926 411694
- 10th** **Warwick Races.** St. Mary's Land Cup Day. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
<http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets/whats-on>
- 11th - 13th** Bridge House Theatre, Myton Road. **The Addams Family.** Spa Theatre Juniors present this bizarre musical comedy for the whole family. *Thursday 11th 7.30pm. Friday 12th 7.30pm. Saturday 13th 2.30pm and 7.30pm.* Tickets £14 (£10 concessions) from www.spatheatre.com or email boxoffice@warwickschool.org or phone 01926 776438
Details: <https://www.spatheatre.com/summershow>
- 25th** **Warwick Races.** Charity Raceday. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
<http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets/whats-on>

Some other key dates in 2019

May 26 th	Warwick Food Festival
June 9 th	The Two Castles Run
June 15 th - 30 th	Warwickshire Open Studios
July 25 th - 28 th	Warwick Folk Festival with the Smith Street Party on 27 th
August 11 th	Retro and Classic Car Show
August 17 th	Warwick Regatta
August 24 th - 26 th	Warwick Horticultural Show
Sept 11 th	Tour of Britain cycle race goes through Warwick
Sept 13 th - 22 nd	Heritage Open Days
Sept 30 th - Oct 6 th	Warwick Words History Festival 2019

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The Court House Volunteer Group

To alert us to forthcoming events in Warwick, email well in advance to whatson@unlockingwarwick.org