

What's On in Warwick at a Glance

A long-term calendar of events for residents and visitors compiled by 'Unlocking Warwick'
October 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.

October

1st - 7th

Warwick Words History Festival. The full programme of talks and presentations is available at the Visitor Information Centre or online www.warwickwords.co.uk/whats-on. Tickets are available at the Warwick Visitor Centre walk-in box office in the Court House, or by phone at 01926 334418 www.warwickwords.co.uk

3rd

Market Hall Museum. **Knit and Natter.** 1.30pm – 3.30pm. Have a go at knitting or crochet for a good cause. Join fellow crafters to develop your skills, make friends and make items that will be donated to a local charity. FREE event, no need to book, donations welcome. 10% off in the cafe. 01926 412500

4th

Court House, Jury Street. **In the Ballroom – Fakes and Fortunes at Auction.** 2pm - 4.30pm. This month's welcoming social gathering organised by Unlocking Warwick for the Town Council will be a talk by Steven Bruce about antiques and bargains, with tea, coffee, cake, a feindish quiz and time to chat. £2. For further details: 01926 411694.

4th

Warwick Races. The Autumn Meeting. Details: www.warwickracecourse.co.uk

4th

Friends Meeting House, High Street. **Conservation of Warwickshire's Butterflies** is the subject of a talk by Mike Slater to the Warwick Natural History Society. 7.30pm. Non-members welcome. Free to attend. www.wnhs.info wesandlinda@btinternet.com

4th

Bridge House Theatre, Myton Road. **'Re: Production'** by White Slate Theatre. Karen and Tom married really young. Now as grown-ups, is it time to join the club? 7.30pm. Tickets £12.50 (£10.50). Box office: 01926 776438 or visit www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk

5th

St. Mary's Church. **Warwick Poppies 2018 – Gala Dinner** formally opening the display of poppies. Tickets are now **sold out**. contact@warwickpoppies.org.uk

6th – Dec 9th

St. Mary's Church **Warwick Poppies 2018 Display.** The display of thousands of poppies, hand-made by individuals, schools, local organisations, businesses and people living overseas, will be open to the public for two months. Open daily 10am – 4pm (12noon - 4pm Sundays). <http://www.warwickpoppies.org.uk/opening-times>. Entry is free but all donations will be shared equally between the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, and St Mary's Church. www.warwickpoppies.org.uk

- 6th Court House, Jury Street. **The Warwick Words History Fair** will showcase the work of Warwick's heritage organisations – this year in the Court House Ballroom above the Visitor Information Centre in Jury Street. 10am – 2pm. Free to attend.
- 7th Court House, Jury Street. **Warwick Armistice Afternoon Tea** with Unlocking Warwick, for the Warwick Words History Festival. 2pm – 4pm in the Regency ballroom. Marking the centenary of the end of fighting in the 1914-18 war, a period tea with presentations about the Great War and how it affected Warwick, with songs, poems and human stories using research by Unlocking Warwick's War Memorial project. www.warwickwarmemorial.org.uk Tickets £16 available from the Warwick Visitor Information Centre walk-in Box Office or online at www.warwickwords.co.uk or by phone: 01926 334418
- 7th **Warwick Chocolate Festival** in the Market Place and local shops. 11am – 5pm. Artisan chocolate, chocolate cakes, even chocolate beer. www.sketts.co.uk
- 8th 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
- 8th Bridge House Theatre, Warwick School. **The Rise of the Humans**. An illustrated lecture by technology writer David Coplin about taking back control in the 'digital deluge'. 7.30pm. Free to attend but book your seats: call the box office 01926 776438 www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk
- 9th 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 half time tea and cake. £2.50 per person. Organised by Warwick Town Council and Unlocking Warwick. No need to book. For details call 01926 411694
- 9th St. Mary's Collegiate Church. **Lunchtime lecture – the medieval instruments in the windows of the Beauchamp Chapel**. 1pm. Tickets £2 from St. Mary's gift shop or call 01926 403940
- 9th – Dec 15th Royal Regiment of Fusiliers Museum, St. John's House. **Poppy Installation** to remember soldiers from the Royal Warwickshire Regiment with an official opening on 13th October. Over 11,500 soldiers from the county infantry Regiment died in World War I. There will be a display of handmade poppies on the staircase and the first floor. www.warwickfusiliers.co.uk
- 9th St. Mary's Collegiate Church. **The York Waits** will open the 2018/19 season of early music concerts at St. Mary's with music from the 15th Century. 7.30pm. Tickets £13 - £21 from the church gift shop or call Leamington Music Box Office 01926 334418. Online: www.leamingtonmusic.org/event/the-york-waits-2/
- 10th County Record Office. **Show and Tell: Make Your Own Paper Booklet** with instruction from the conservation team. Materials provided. Free to attend. No need to book. Donation welcome. 01926 738959
- 11th Bridge House Theatre, Myton Road. **About a Bot** by 22/11 Productions. 7.30pm. The first professional theatre production featuring a 'live' autonomous robot in the lead role. Suitable for all the family. Tickets £12.50 (£10.50 concessions). Call box office on 01926 776438 or visit www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk
- 12th Lord Leycester Hospital. **Ostrich Boutique Charity Fashion Show**. 6pm. In aid of the Lord Leycester restoration fund. Tickets from the Ostrich Boutique, 26C Market Place. 01926 493271

- 13th** **The Warwick WWI Walk** with Unlocking Warwick. 3pm – 4pm. Starting at the Jury Street Court House where the Mayor will re-enact the announcement of the declaration of war in 1914, the tour will go to the War Memorial in Church Street to hear some of the stories of the local men and one woman who died in the Great War. Then to St. Mary's Church to see the spectacular display of hand-made poppies commemorating the men of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment who died in WWI. Tickets £5 from the Visitor Information Centre, or email warwickwalks@aol.com All proceeds to the St. Mary's Church Fund and the Fusiliers Museum. Meet in the Pageant Gardens behind the Visitor Centre.
- 13th** County Record Office. **Family History: The Written Word.** Find out how books and newspapers can help you to develop your family history. 10.15am -12.45pm. £12. 01926 738959 www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/family-history-the-written-word-tickets-47919839530
- 13th** Warwick Hall, Myton Road. **Warwickshire Symphony Orchestra – a 20th Century English Musical Journey.** Music by English composers Butterworth, Vaughan Williams and Elgar. 7.30pm. Tickets £14 and £18 with half-price concessions for students and children. Phone 01926 850385; email boxoffice@wso.org.uk or buy online at www.wso.org.uk
- 13th** St. Nicholas Church. **Love Handmade Fair.** Original crafts and artwork from local designers. 10am – 4pm. Free to attend. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk 07793 160950
- 13th** Chase Meadow Community Centre. **SCBU Cheese and Wine Tasting**, raising funds for the Warwick Special Care Baby Unit with five different kinds of wine and cheese to try. 7pm – 10.30pm. £15. www.tickettailor.com/events/raisingmoneyforscbuswanward/181814
- 13th** **Medieval Banquet at Warwick Castle** with live entertainment and music. 7.30pm. £49. www.warwick-castle.com/events/dinners-and-banquets.aspx 01926 406660
- 14th** Hill Close Gardens. **Autumn and Apple Day.** Apple tasting and sales, craft stalls, plant sales, refreshments. 11am – 5pm. Adults £3 Children 50p. 01926 493339
- 14th** St. Mary's Church. Annual Fusiliers Service and Parade. 10am. www.fusiliers-association.co.uk/Warwickshire/Warwickshire_Events_Page.htm
- 16th** **The Earls of Warwick in 25 Objects** – a study day organised by the County Record Office for the Warwick Words History Festival. 9am – 3.15pm including afternoon tea at the Oken Tea Rooms. Meet at the Record Office in Priory Park. A walk round Warwick's historic attractions will be led by historians Adam Busiakiewicz and Aaron Manning, who will tell the tales of the Earls of Warwick who were knights and kingmakers but also poets and patrons of the arts. There will be walking and some steep steps. £30. Book via Warwick Words Box Office on 01926 334418
- 18th** Lord Leycester Hospital. **The Lost Village of Billesley.** A 'Smart Talk' by Alan Bailey about the development of the Warwickshire village from Roman times to the finding of the Billesley Hoard. 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
- 18th** Unitarian Chapel, High Street. **Rosa Bene (harpsichord)** The Leamington Music Prize Winner's Concert. 7.30pm. Tickets £12.50 from Warwick Visitor Information Centre or phone 01926 334418. www.leamingtonmusic.org/event/roza-bene-harpischord/
- 18th** **Autumn Walk** with Warwick Natural History Society. 2.5 mile circular walk from Woodloes Park along the canal to Saltisford Basin returning via Saltisford Common, Cape Road and Lock Lane Bridge. 2pm. Contact Richard Dinsdale. 01926 312988 www.wnhs.info
- 19th** St. Mary's Church. **Lunchtime Recital: Mark Swinton** (Organ). 1.15pm - 2pm. Free to attend. Retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk 01926 403940
- 19th - 20th** **The Warwick Mop Fair** in the Market Place and surrounding streets. Friday 5pm – 10.30pm. Sat 12noon – 10.30pm. Fairground Rides, street food and entertainment. <http://warwickmopfair.co.uk/index.html> Email: info@warwickmopfair.co.uk

- 20th** **Trivia Trails.** 2.30pm 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
- 20th** **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
- 21st** St. Nicholas Church. **Sunday Concert – Oriflamme Ensemble.** 3pm. Free admission. Refreshments available. Donations welcomed. www.stnicholaswarwick.org.uk/church-events
- 23rd** Market Hall Museum. **Show and Tell - Archaeological Archives.** 1pm – 1.30pm A lunchtime talk about our archaeological archives. Free event, no need to book, donations welcome. 01926 412500
- 25th** Hill Close Gardens. **Half Term Family Workshop – All About Autumn.** 10.30am-12noon. £4 per child. Must book in advance. 01926 493339. www.hillclosegardens.com
- 26th** County Record Office. **Archives Online.** 10.30am – 11.30am. Find out how to use Warwickshire's Past Unlocked, the Record Office's own online catalogue. Free; donations welcome. 01926 738959
- 26th - 27th** **The Runaway Mop Fair** in the Market Place and surrounding streets. Fairground rides, street food and entertainment. Friday 5pm – 10.30pm. Saturday 12 noon – 10.30pm. www.warwickmopfair.co.uk
- 27th** Royal Regiment of Fusiliers Museum, St. John's House. **The Battle of the Somme.** A talk by David Seeney. 2pm. £5. 01926 491653
- 27th** Hill Close Gardens. **Chrysanthemum Weekend.** Large collection on display. 11am – 5pm. (10am talk £3 extra). Adults £3. Children 50p. www.hillclosegardens.com 01926 493339
- 27th** St. Mary's Church. **St. James's Singers: War and Peace.** Readings and Music to commemorate the end of the First World War. In aid of the Royal British Legion. 7.30pm. Tickets £12.50 and £17.50. Call 07502 939498 www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 27th and 28th** **Halloween Fancy Dress and Dance Party** raising money for the Special Care Baby Unit. On *Saturday 27th* 9am -12noon at The Gap. On *Sunday 28th* 2pm – 4pm at Chase Meadow Community Centre. £2 per child. Non-ticketed event. nicola.scott2@innogy.com
- 28th** St. Mary's Church. **St. James's Singers: War and Peace.** Readings and Music to commemorate the end of the First World War. In aid of the Royal British Legion. 8pm. Tickets £12.50 and £17.50. Call 07502 939498 www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk

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.
- 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. **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.warwicktowntonbonfire.org.uk Email: tickets@warwicktowntonbonfire.org.uk
- 3rd St. Mary's Church. **'Memoria Aeterna': Collegium Warwick with Strings and Organ**. 7.30pm. Tickets £13 (under-16s free) from the church gift shop. 01926 403940
- 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 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
- 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
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- 11th Warwick War Memorial, Church Street. **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 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. There will be road closures as the marchers go through the centre of town. Full details next month.

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.

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- 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/
- 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
- 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** 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
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- 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
- 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>
- 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
- 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.
- 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
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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
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- 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
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- 7th Bridge House Theatre. **Show Stopper – 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
- 10th St. Nicholas Church. **Warwick and Kenilworth Choral Society – Handel's Messiah.** 7.30pm. Tickets £13 (£12 concessions, £5 students, £2 under-16) available from Warwick Books or call 01926 491316 in advance (also available on the door). www.wkcs.org.uk
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- 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

- 20th St. Mary's Church. **Carols by Candlelight** with Armonico Consort and Orchestra. 7.30pm
www.armonico.org.uk
- 21st St. Mary's Church. **Lunchtime Concert – Oliver Hancock (organ)**. 1.15pm – 2pm. Free admission. Retiring collection. 01926 403940
- 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
- 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@triviatrials.co.uk www.triviatrials.co.uk
- 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
- 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
- 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. 7.30pm. Details: 01926 403940.
- 20th St. Nicholas Church. **Sunday Concert – Piano Trio**. 3pm. Free admission. Refreshments available. Donations welcomed. www.stnicholaswarwick.org.uk/church-events
- 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/

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
- 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, 7 plus 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
- 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

- 13th** The Court House, Jury Street. **In the Ballroom – The Walls of Warwick.** This month's 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
- 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@btinternet.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

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The Court House Volunteer Group

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