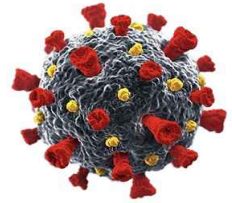
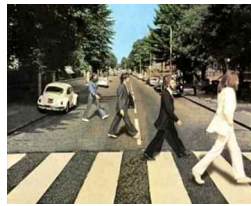


# What's On in Warwick (and What's Not)

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



**October 2020 onwards** (updated 1.10.20)

[www.unlockingwarwick.org](http://www.unlockingwarwick.org)

Warwick Market is every Saturday from 9am. Farmers' Markets are usually on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month.

**The latest rules from the government. They are liable to change at any moment it seems:**

## In England

**Pubs, cafes, and restaurants**, are restricted to table service or takeaways and **must close by 10pm**. **Other indoor venues** are now able to be open with social distancing measures and face coverings when required. Where 2 metres is not possible, '1 metre +' will be the rule.

**The 'Rule of Six'** means **no more than six people in a 'social gathering'**, indoors or outdoors, with social distancing.

**You must wear a face covering on public transport and in shops and shopping centres.**  
Shop workers now have to wear face coverings.

## In Warwick

- Currently some **public events** requiring close contact with others have been cancelled or postponed but some such as Leamington Music concerts are going ahead. **The Victorian Evening** the **Christmas Tree Festival** and the **Warwick Bonfire** in November have been cancelled, and there will be no **Tree of Light Service** this year.
- **Warwick Town Council** is providing updates on local developments: <https://www.warwicktowncouncil.gov.uk/coronavirus>
- **Warwick District Council** has information on local services on its website: [www.warwickdc.gov.uk](http://www.warwickdc.gov.uk) and a Covid-19 Helpline: 01926 456111 (Mon-Fri. 9am – 5pm)
- The **Warwick Visitor Information Centre** in Jury Street/Castle Street is open seven days a week with social distancing measures in place (from 9.30am weekdays and from 10am at weekend). Entry via the Castle Street door. 01926 492212 The souvenir and gift shop has expanded its range and is called 'A Little Gift from Warwick'.
- The Warwick **Saturday Market** has resumed with social distancing in place. The next French Market is scheduled for October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- The **Lord Leycester Hospital** has reopened (closed Mondays) with a one-way system in place.

- **Warwickshire County Record Office** and the county's **Market Hall Museum** have reopened. (CRO on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; Museum open Tuesday-Saturday). You *must book in advance* via Eventbrite. Tickets for the museum must be booked on a Monday for that week with only 8 people admitted at any one time. Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/heritage-and-culture-warwickshire-6137347795> The museum is also posting activities for children on its website, ranging from Arty Tots to 'Show and Tell' talks. You can see them at: <http://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk/> CRO: 01926 738959. Museum: 01926 412500
- **Warwick Racecourse:** The new Jump Racing Season has begun but behind closed doors. [www.warwickracecourse.co.uk](http://www.warwickracecourse.co.uk)
- **Warwick Castle and Gardens** have reopened in line with government guidance. Tickets must be pre-booked. See website for details. <https://www.warwick-castle.com/tickets-passes/passes/> [www.warwick-castle.com/about/coronavirus/](https://www.warwick-castle.com/about/coronavirus/) From September 17<sup>th</sup> to October 4<sup>th</sup>, **Picnic at the Castle** will offer distanced groups of six food, drink and live entertainments. Booking essential at [www.warwick-castle.com/explore/events/picnic-at-the-castle](http://www.warwick-castle.com/explore/events/picnic-at-the-castle) The annual **Carols at the Castle in December** has been cancelled.
- **The Fusiliers Museum at St. John's House** is now open Tues – Sat, with anti-Covid measures in place. But the **Warwickshire Yeomanry Museum** in the Court House is currently closed.
- **Princes Drive Recycling** is open for 'essential' visits but you must book a time-slot in advance: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/recyclingprincesdrive>
- **Places of Worship** have begun to resume services with congregations distancing. **St. Mary's** has resumed Sunday Services (10.30am) and will be open for private prayer from 1pm to 3pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. [www.stmaryswarwick.co.uk](http://www.stmaryswarwick.co.uk)
- The **Warwick Words History Festival's** physical events have been cancelled for this year, but there will be online talks and discussions, Oct 5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>. Details to come: [www.warwickwords.co.uk](http://www.warwickwords.co.uk)
- Tom Kerridge's **Pub in the Park** has been postponed until 2021
- **Unlocking Warwick** have cancelled until further notice their 'In The Ballroom' socials, their Tea and Dance Lessons, and special events.
- **Hill Close Gardens** is now open every day 11am – 5pm. Last entry 4.30pm. Tea room open Saturday, Sunday and bank holiday Monday. [www.hillclosegardens.com](http://www.hillclosegardens.com)
- The **Stanks Island Roadworks** have been delayed by distancing measures; now scheduled to be completed 'by the autumn', but no date has been published. Details here: <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/stanks-island-and-birmingham-road-improvement-scheme-1190656?e=acfb8b1c7c>

## October

- 1<sup>st</sup> Warwick Racecourse. **The Great Autumn Meeting.** Currently to be held behind closed doors. [www.warwickracecourse.co.uk](http://www.warwickracecourse.co.uk)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 9am – 4pm. **The French Market** returns to the Market Place with social distancing. A range of French food on sale.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Market Place and around town. 11am – 5pm. **Warwick Chocolate Festival.** Many speciality chocolate treats – even chocolate flavoured beer. [www.sketts.co.uk](http://www.sketts.co.uk)

- 5<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>** **Warwick Words Digital History Festival 2020.** [www.warwickwords.co.uk](http://www.warwickwords.co.uk) The physical events have been cancelled for this year and there will be no History Societies Fair. But there will be 7 days of online guest speakers, including talks about the town's past: 'Soundbites of Warwick'. Three talks will be released each day of the Digital Festival at 10.00am for you to watch online at your leisure. The programme of speakers is here: [https://warwickwords.co.uk/index.php/whats-on?utm\\_source=newsletter\\_115&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=warwick-words-digital-history-festival-2020](https://warwickwords.co.uk/index.php/whats-on?utm_source=newsletter_115&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=warwick-words-digital-history-festival-2020) All the talks are free, but donations will be very welcome. (See the website for how to donate to Warwick Words)
- 11<sup>th</sup>** Hill Close Gardens. 11am – 5pm. **Autumn and Apple Day.** Many varieties of apples, pears and plums. Adults £4.50. Children £1. [www.hillclosegardens.com](http://www.hillclosegardens.com)
- 11<sup>th</sup>** **Trivia Trail.** 12.30pm starting at The Globe gastro pub, Theatre Street, a 90-minute walk round central Warwick looking for clues to answer historical, observational and fun questions. Maximum of 6 per team, and coronavirus measures will be in place. Adult £12.50. Child 8-16 £5.00. Under 8s free. Buggy and dog friendly. Please book in advance: Phone 07718 574544 or 01926 409266 or email [jane@triviatrails.co.uk](mailto:jane@triviatrails.co.uk) [www.triviatrails.co.uk](http://www.triviatrails.co.uk)
- 13<sup>th</sup>** The Dream Factory, Playbox Theatre, Stratford Road. 7pm. **Concert by the Fitzwilliam String Quartet.** Haydn, Wolf and Schubert. Face coverings must be worn. Tickets £25 to include a glass of champagne from [www.leamingtonmusic.org](http://www.leamingtonmusic.org) or call 01926 497000 Mon-Friday 10am – 12noon. **SOLD OUT See extra date on 20<sup>th</sup>**
- 17<sup>th</sup>** **Glow for Myton**, rescheduled to this date and this year a little different. Complete a sponsored 5km run or walk on or before Oct 17<sup>th</sup>, then at 7pm join the online After Party at Home. Details: <https://www.mytonhospice.org/our-events/glow-myton-home/>
- 20<sup>th</sup>** The Dream Factory, Playbox Theatre. 7pm. Extra performance by the **Fitzwilliam String Quartet.** £25. Details and tickets here: <http://www.leamingtonmusic.org/event/extra-date-fitzwilliam-string-quartet-at-the-dream-factory-warwick/>
- 21<sup>st</sup>** Court House Ballroom, Jury Street. 6pm The annual **Warwick Town Meeting** when councillors and community groups report on their activities.
- 24<sup>th</sup>** Hill Close Gardens. 11am – 5pm. **Crysanthemum Open Day** with teas, displays and gifts. Adults £4.50. Children £1. [www.hillclosegardens.com](http://www.hillclosegardens.com) 01926 493339

## November

- 3<sup>rd</sup>** The Dream Factory, Playbox Theatre, Stratford Road. 7.30pm. **Joglaresa – Boogie Knights.** Medieval music. Part of the Leamington Music Season. Face coverings must be worn. Tickets £20 from [www.leamingtonmusic.org](http://www.leamingtonmusic.org) or call 01926 497000 Mon-Friday 10am – 12noon. <http://www.leamingtonmusic.org/event/joglaresa-boogie-knights-at-the-dream-factory-warwick/>
- 6<sup>th</sup>** Warwick Racecourse. **The November Raceday.** Currently to be held behind closed doors. [www.warwickracecourse.co.uk](http://www.warwickracecourse.co.uk)
- 7<sup>th</sup>** Warwick Racecourse. **Warwick Fireworks and Bonfire Night.** Gate 5.15pm. Display 6.30pm. Free parking. Adults £7. Children £2. Proceeds to charity. [www.warwicktownbonfire.org.uk](http://www.warwicktownbonfire.org.uk) (Under review depending on government restrictions)
- 10<sup>th</sup>** The Dream Factory, Playbox Theatre, Stratford Road. 7.30pm. **Kosmos – music from around the world from the acclaimed trio.** Part of the Leamington Music Season. Face coverings must be worn and distancing will be in place. Tickets £20 from [www.leamingtonmusic.org](http://www.leamingtonmusic.org) or call 01926 497000 Mon-Friday 10am – 12noon. <http://www.leamingtonmusic.org/event/kosmos-at-the-dream-factory-warwick/>
- 14<sup>th</sup>** **Trivia Trail.** 12 noon starting at The Globe gastro pub, Theatre Street, a 90-minute walk round central Warwick looking for clues to answer historical, observational and fun questions. Maximum of 6 per team, and coronavirus measures will be in place. Adult £12.50. Child 8-16 £5.00. Under 8 free. Buggy and dog friendly. Please book in advance: Phone 07718 574544 or 01926 409266 or email [jane@triviatrails.co.uk](mailto:jane@triviatrails.co.uk)

- 18<sup>th</sup>** Warwick Racecourse. **The Winter Warmer Raceday**. Currently to be held behind closed doors. [www.warwickracecourse.co.uk](http://www.warwickracecourse.co.uk)
- 22<sup>nd</sup>** 10am – 5pm. **Warwick Winter Food Market**. Replacing the usual Winter Food Festival to ensure social distancing. There will be up to 40 local trader and artisan food stall in various streets in the town centre and the market place, but no traditional entertainments this year. CJ events say they will seek to capture the Christmas spirit while adhering to government guidelines. They will be posting details on their website: [www.cjseventswarwickshire.co.uk](http://www.cjseventswarwickshire.co.uk)
- 24<sup>th</sup>** The Dream Factory, Playbox Theatre, Stratford Road. 7.30pm. **The Mellstock Band – The Shepherd's Calendar**. Words and music celebrating merrymaking through the rural year, with unusual instruments. Part of the Leamington Music Season. Face coverings must be worn. Tickets £20 from [www.leamingtonmusic.org](http://www.leamingtonmusic.org) or call 01926 497000 Mon-Friday 10am – 12noon.
- 27<sup>th</sup>** **Warwick's Christmas Lights** are due to be switched on but there will be no Victorian Evening this year. Details to come.
- 29<sup>th</sup>** Warwick Racecourse. 10am. **Warwick Reindeer Run**. Dress up as a reindeer and run or jog a 7km or 2.5km course. Plus a 1km fun-run for children. Details of entry and charity sponsorship here: <http://www.reindeerrun.co.uk>

## December

- 10<sup>th</sup>** Warwick Racecourse. **Eventmasters Christmas at the Races**. Currently to be held behind closed doors. [www.warwickracecourse.co.uk](http://www.warwickracecourse.co.uk)
- 27<sup>th</sup>** **Trivia Trail**. 12 noon starting at The Globe gastro pub, Theatre Street, a 90-minute walk round central Warwick looking for clues to answer historical, observational and fun questions. Maximum of 6 per team, and coronavirus measures will be in place. Adult £12.50. Child 8-16 £5.00. Under 8 free. Buggy and dog friendly. Please book in advance: Phone 07718 574544 or 01926 409266 or email [jane@triviatrails.co.uk](mailto:jane@triviatrails.co.uk)
- 31<sup>st</sup>** Warwick Racecourse. **New Year's Eve Racing**. Currently to be held behind closed doors. [www.warwickracecourse.co.uk](http://www.warwickracecourse.co.uk)
- 31<sup>st</sup>** Warwick Castle New Year's Eve Ball. 7.30pm. £135. Details here: [www.warwick-castle.com/private-events/christmas/](http://www.warwick-castle.com/private-events/christmas/) Suggest check with Warwick Castle. 01926 406660

Please check events with the organisers. Unlocking Warwick cannot take any responsibility for any errors or changes



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