

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

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



**July 2021 onwards (Revised 23.7.21)**

[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 - in England

On **July 19<sup>th</sup>** all Covid legal restrictions in England ended, including social distancing. There are no limits on people attending events. But because of rising infection rates of the more transmissible Delta variant, the government says people should proceed with 'extreme caution' and is *recommending* and *expecting* that the use of face coverings should continue on public transport and in 'enclosed spaces'.

Self isolation: If contacted by Test and Trace because of close contact with an infected person, you must self isolate for 10 days. But from *16th August*, people who've had both their jabs in England will no longer have to self-isolate after close contact with someone who tests positive. If contacted they will be advised to take a PCR test as soon as possible. As long as that is negative, and they don't develop symptoms, they won't need to take any further action. Of course the rules can change at any time!

*Holidays abroad:* only to green list countries. Current guidance is not to go to amber list countries. (From July 19<sup>th</sup> fully vaccinated people and children returning to England from amber-list countries were no longer required to self-isolate, with the exception of France).

## In Warwick

- **Vaccinations:** The vaccination centre for the Primary Care Network (PCN) covering Warwick is at Warwickshire Golf Club. Some GP surgeries are also carrying out vaccinations. There is another nearby vaccination centre at Stoneleigh Nat. Agricultural Centre. NHS England says all adults (aged 18 and over) have now been offered a first vaccination. More local information here: <https://www.southwarwickshireccg.nhs.uk/Your-Health/COVID-19-Vaccination> You can pick up free lateral flow tests at Mellors Chemists.
- **Market Hall Museum:** There are summer family events on the Heritage Warwickshire website. <https://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk>. 01926 412500. **The Fusilier Museum** remains closed as it prepares to move location next year, but is still open for family research enquiries and shop sales. **The Warwickshire Yeomanry Museum** in the Jury Street Court House is due to reopen in September, but can accommodate private viewings (less than 10 people) on mutually convenient dates between 10am and 4pm, ideally midweek. Contact the Principal Curator. [principal\\_curator@warwickshire-yeomanry-museum.co.uk](mailto:principal_curator@warwickshire-yeomanry-museum.co.uk)
- **Warwick Town Council** is providing updates on local developments: <https://www.warwicktowncouncil.gov.uk/coronavirus>
- **Warwick District Council** has information on the infection rate in the district and local services on its website: <https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20827/coronavirus> There is a Covid-19 Helpline: 01926 456111 (Mon-Fri. 9am – 5pm).



The Town of Treasurers Web-based App

- You can enjoy **Virtual Tours** of The Court House, St. Mary's Church and The Lord Leycester Hospital via the QR code above, or go to <https://warwicktour.oncell.com> and watch online.
- **St. Mary's Church** will be open to the public on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 12noon to 5pm, but some Covid precautions will remain through the summer, and the shop remains closed for the time being. [www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk](http://www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk)
- **Guy's Cliffe Walled Garden** is now open on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons. With numbers limited by a ticketing system. Book here: <http://www.guyscliffewalledgarden.org.uk/>
- **Hill Close Gardens** are open every day, 11am – 4.30pm, until November, (then weekdays only for the winter season). There is no need to book. [www.hillclosegardens.com](http://www.hillclosegardens.com) 01926 493339
- The **Mill Garden**. 55 Mill Street. For current opening times and further details call the Visitor Information Centre: 01926 492212
- **Unlocking Warwick** have cancelled until further notice their 'In The Ballroom' Socials, their Tea and Dance Lessons, and special events. The free Court House Tours returned at the end of May, with limits on numbers and a simple booking system; (see calendar below).

## 2021

**Many of the events below remain under review.**

Tickets are on sale for the Warwick and Leamington Midsummer Music Festival marking 25 years of 'Music to Your Ears'. Details: [www.leamingtonmusic.org](http://www.leamingtonmusic.org)

### July

- 24<sup>th</sup>** Guy's Cliffe Walled Garden **Charity Open Day** for National Garden Scheme. 10am – 3.30pm. Adults £3.50. Children free. Pre-booking and payment needed via NGS website: <https://ngs.org.uk/view-garden/34002>
- 28<sup>th</sup>** Market Hall Museum / Market Place. 10am – 3pm. **Start Your Engines**. Challenge your family and friends to a remote-control car race in the market Place. Then become a budding engineer and make you own battery-powered car in the museum. £3 per child for the car; free to take part in the racing. Book at [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/heritageboxoffice](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/heritageboxoffice)

### August

- 1<sup>st</sup>** **Myton Hospice Cycle Challenge**. Choose a 50K, 100K or 100 mile route to help raise money for the Myton Hospice. Details and how to sign up: [www.mytonhospice.org/our-events/event/cycle-challenge-2021/](http://www.mytonhospice.org/our-events/event/cycle-challenge-2021/)
- 1<sup>st</sup>** **Warwick Food Festival** organised by CJ Events, with up to 100 stalls around the centre of Warwick and live music. <https://www.cjeventswarwickshire.co.uk/events/b33aeb6055faa582/>
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>** Market Hall Museum. 10am – 4pm. **Fastest Lap Competition**. As part of the Donald Healey exhibition, there is a Scalextric racetrack. You are challenged to do the fastest recorded lap over the five days to win a goodie bag. Free. 01926 412501

- 4<sup>th</sup> St. John's House Museum Garden, 10am – 3pm. **Arty Tots – Circus Skills**. Amazing circus entertainers. Can you juggle? Big Top inspired crafts for you to make and take home. Bring a picnic. Book a morning or afternoon slot. Circus skills workshops at 10am, 11.15am, 1pm and 2.15pm. Children £5. Accompanying adults free. Book here <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/arty-tots-circus-skills-tickets-162246442477?aff=ebdsoporgprofile> or book a slot when you arrive.
- 5<sup>th</sup> **Teddy Bear's Picnic at Hill Close Gardens**. 2pm – 4pm. £4 per child. [www.hillclosegardens.com](http://www.hillclosegardens.com) 01926 493339
- 7<sup>th</sup> 11am – 11.45am. **Court House Tour** with Unlocking Warwick. A stroll round the Grade-1 listed Jury Street Court House, while guides relate the history of the buildings on this central site, and stories from Warwick's past dating back to its Saxon origins. Free to attend but numbers limited. So **please book** at the Visitor Centre. 01926 492212
- 11<sup>th</sup> Market Hall Museum / Market Place. 10am – 3pm. **Green Power**. Create a glider, a wind turbine and a wind-powered car. £3 per child. Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/green-power-sail-car-activity-tickets-161807591863?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>
- 14<sup>th</sup> 2pm. St. John's House Garden. **Little Red and The Big Bad Wolf** with Folksy Theatre. Filled with live music, colourful characters and puppetry, this family musical has something for everyone! Bring along your picnics, blankets, folding chairs and friends and family! Adults £15. Children £12 plus booking fee. Book here: <https://ticketstripe.com/events/1025427> or [www.folksytheatre.co.uk](http://www.folksytheatre.co.uk)
- 15<sup>th</sup> **Retro Warwick Classic Car Show 2021**. Market Place. 9am – 4pm. Free to attend for visitors and exhibitors. Up to 150 classic vehicles on show. <https://www.carsceneinternational.com/uk-classic-car-shows-club-event/retro-warwick-classic-car-show-2021/>
- 16<sup>th</sup> The government has said that from this date **new rules** that will exempt double-jabbed people in England from having to self-isolate if a close contact has tested positive – allowing them to take tests instead.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Market Hall Museum. 10am – 3pm. **Arty Tots – Vroom vroom**. Transport inspired craft activities. £3 per child. Select a time here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/arty-tots-vroom-vroom-tickets-161811704163?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>
- 19<sup>th</sup> Warwick Racecourse. 7pm – 10pm. **Outdoor Theatre – The Lion King**. Tickets from £12 (adult) and £8 Child). <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/lion-king-pg-outdoor-cinema-experience-at-warwick-racecourse-tickets-88305316579>
- 21<sup>st</sup> From 9am. **Warwick Regatta** on the Avon, St. Nicholas Park/Myton Fields. Free to watch. <https://www.warwickboatclub.co.uk/rowing-regatta/>
- 25<sup>th</sup> Market Hall Museum. 10am – 3pm. **Stone Age Day**. Could you survive living in the stone age? Tools, crafts and crops. £3 per child. Book a slot in advance here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stone-age-day-tickets-161808570791?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>
- 27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> Warwick Racecourse. **The Warwick Festival**. Family funfair, live music with tribute acts, open-air cinema, classic cars, food and drink tents. Tickets at a range of prices. Details and tickets via Eventbrite at: [www.thewff.co.uk](http://www.thewff.co.uk)
- 28<sup>th</sup> 11am – 11.45am. Bank Holiday Saturday. **Court House Tour** with Unlocking Warwick. A gentle walk round the Grade-1 listed Jury Street Court House, while guides relate the history of the buildings on this central site and stories from Warwick's past dating back to its Saxon origins. Free to attend but numbers limited. So **please book** at the Visitor Centre. 01926 492212 [www.unlockingwarwick.org](http://www.unlockingwarwick.org)
- 29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> The Court House, Jury Street, and Pageant Garden. **Warwick Horticultural Show** over the August bank holiday weekend. Judging on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> and open to the public on the Sunday and Monday. Details including how to enter here: <https://www.whasociety.org/annual-show.html>

## Sept

- 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> **Warwick Thai Festival** at the Racecourse; food, music and entertainment. Details here: <https://www.thejockeyclub.co.uk/warwick/events-tickets/the-warwick-thai-festival/>
- 5<sup>th</sup> 9am – 5pm. **Warwick Town Cycle Race** starting at the Dough and Brew. [www.doughandbrew.com](http://www.doughandbrew.com) <https://www.facebook.com/events/dough-brew/warwick-town-centre-races-2021/663743131110826/>
- 10<sup>th</sup> St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – Fumi Otsuki** (violin) with **Sarah Kershaw** (piano). Free. Retiring collection. [www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk](http://www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk)
- 16<sup>th</sup> St. Mary's Church. 7.30pm. **The Gentlemen of St John's**. A concert of sacred and secular a cappella music from Byrd to the Beatles. Formed of the choral and organ scholars of the Choir of St John's College, Cambridge, the Gentlemen of St John's have enjoyed a busy schedule of concerts and recordings for over forty years. The Gents are noted for their versatility and range of repertoire, performing music spanning over 600 years. All profits from the concert are kindly being donated to St Mary's. Tickets: £15 (accompanied under-16s free) from <https://gentlemenofstjohns.eventbrite.co.uk>
- 20<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> **Warwick Races** – the new season opens with a full programme of jump races. This two-day Grand Season Opener has a total of 17 races. [www.warwickracecourse.co.uk](http://www.warwickracecourse.co.uk) <https://www.thejockeyclub.co.uk/warwick/events-tickets/the-grand-season-opener/>
- 24<sup>th</sup> St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – Oliver Hancock** (organ). Free. Retiring collection. [www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk](http://www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk)
- 26<sup>th</sup> **Dragon Boat Racing on the Avon**. St. Nicholas Park from 10am. Organised by The Rotary Club in aid of Myton Hospices and Birmingham Children's Hospital. Up to 26 teams, many in fancy dress. To enter a team contact Norman: 07966 951234

## October

- 1<sup>st</sup> St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – Mark Swinton** (organ). Free. Retiring collection. [www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk](http://www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk)
- 4<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> **Warwick Words History Festival**. [www.warwickwords.co.uk](http://www.warwickwords.co.uk) Confirmed speakers so far include Tracy Borman, Helen Carr, Ben Collins, Sarah Gristwood Loyd Grossman, Max Hastings, Greg Jenner, Lauren Johnson, Dan Jones, Alexander Larman, Suzannah Lipscomb, Fatima Manji, Marc Morris, Charles Spencer, Rachel Trethewey, Simon Thurley, Nicola Tallis and Alison Weir. A full programme and ticket booking will be published at the end of July.
- 15<sup>th</sup> St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – John Keys** (organ) from St. Mary's Nottingham. Free. Retiring collection. [www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk](http://www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk)

## November

- 6<sup>th</sup> 5pm – 8pm. **Warwick Bonfire and Fireworks** at the Racecourse, organised by Warwick Lions and Rotary Club.
- 25<sup>th</sup> **Victorian Evening** and switching on of Christmas Lights. Market from 12noon.
- 27<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm. St. Mary's Church. **Concert by Collegium Warwick**. Director Oliver Hancock. Music by Mendelsshon and Mozart. Adults £13, accompanied under-16s free. Tickets available from members of Collegium or on the door. [www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk](http://www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk)

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



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