

What's On in Warwick

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



August 2022 onwards (Revised 31.7.22)

www.unlockingwarwick.org

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

- **The Visitor Information Centre** in the Jury Street Court House is open seven days a week with friendly staff, free maps and guides, and gifts and cards on sale. www.visitwarwick.co.uk Tickets for the castle are available at discounted price. There is a touch-screen display in the Visitor Centre about the Fusilier Museum, commemorating the Royal Warwickshire Regiment. The museum is closed while it prepares to move to Pageant House later in the year.
- **The Lord Leycester Hospital** is now *closed to visitors for at least a year* for a major refurbishment of the ancient buildings. www.lordleycester.com
- **The Collegiate Church of St. Mary** is open to visitors Mon to Sat 10am – 4pm, (Weds from 10.45am) and Sun 12noon- 4pm.
- You can enjoy **Virtual Tours** of The Court House, St. Mary's Church and The Lord Leycester Hospital via the QR code below, or go to <https://warwicktour.oncell.com> and watch online.



The Town of Treasures Web-based App

- **Market Hall Museum** is open as normal and there are family events on the Heritage Warwickshire website. <https://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk>. On the *first Saturday* of the month, 10am – 12noon, Make and Create craft workshop. £1 per accompanied child. On the *third Thursday* of the month, 1.30pm – 3.30pm drop in for 'Sketch in the Museum' for adults. Materials supplied. And on *first and third Tuesdays*, 1pm – 3pm 'Knit and Natter'. Free. No need to book. 01926 412500.
- **The Warwickshire Yeomanry Museum** in the Jury Street Court House is now open at weekends and on bank holidays from 10am to 4pm. Private viewings may be possible at other times by appointment including those following up research enquiries, ideally mid-week between 10am and 4pm. Please contact the principal_curator@warwickshire-yeomanry-museum.co.uk The team will continue to respond to research enquiries received via the form on the website. <http://www.warwickshire-yeomanry-museum.co.uk>

- **The Museum of The Queen's Royal Hussars – Churchill's Own** in Priory Road is open on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays from 10am – 4pm, until October 31st. <https://www.facebook.com/The-Queens-Royal-Hussars-Museum-1087446214620464/>
- **The Fusilier Museum** in St. John's House is closed as it prepares to move to a new site at Pageant House in the centre of town; but it is still open for research enquiries, shop sales and events. 01926 492653
- **Guy's Cliffe Walled Garden** behind Hinton's Nursery on Coventry Road is open to the public from 1pm to 3.30pm on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Entry is free but numbers are limited by a ticketing system. Book via the website: <http://www.guyscliffewalledgarden.org.uk/>
- **Hill Close Gardens** are open every day during the summer season, 11am – 5pm, (last entry 4.30pm). There is no need to book. www.hillclosegardens.com 01926 493339
- **The Mill Garden.** 55 Mill Street. The beautiful garden by the weir beneath the walls of the castle, is now open each day.
- **Unlocking Warwick's** monthly 'In The Ballroom' Socials and Court House Tours have now returned. (See calendar below).

2022

July 28th – Aug 8th – The **The Commonwealth Games** hosted by Birmingham. There will be a big screen in Warwick Market Place showing the action throughout the games. On the final competition day, August 7th, the cycling road races will be in Warwick, starting and ending at Myton Fields. (See below). Road closures begin on August 3rd, so expect disruption in the days leading up to the road race. www.warwickshire.gov.uk/birmingham-commonwealth-games-2022/road-closures-1/1
https://warwick.ac.uk/about/community/newsandevents/news/commonwealth_games_one/

The big screen in the Market Place will be next to the Museum, with a strip of AstroTurf up the centre of the square for various activities. Here is the schedule of events and organisations issued by the County Council:

July 28th: 'CultureFest' on screen until opening Ceremony. Have a go at circus skills
 July 29th: National Table Tennis Association
 July 30th: Market Day as usual
 July 31st: Crazy Golf and Caving (!)
 August 1st: Sport All Day on Screen
 August 2nd: Warwick Hockey Club
 August 3rd: Warwick Lantern Rouge Cycling Club and Smoothie Bikes
 August 4th: Warwick Boat Club
 August 5th: Talking Birds (Street Theatre). Come Bowl with me (11.30, 13.30, 15.30)
 August 6th: Market Day
 August 7th: Road Race Day (08.00 – 16.00) Screen 10.00 – 22.00
 August 8th: Sport and Closing Ceremony on the screen.

August

- 3rd - 8th** **Myton Road closures** as stands are erected for the Commonwealth Games cycling road races on 7th. www.warwickshire.gov.uk/birmingham-commonwealth-games-2022/road-closures-1/1
- 4th** Hill Close Gardens. 2pm - 4pm. **Teddy Bear's Picnic.** Bring a bear and a picnic. £4 per child. Booking in advance essential. www.hillclosegardens.com
- 6th** 11am - 11.45am. Court House, Jury Street. **Court House Tour with Unlocking Warwick.** A stroll around the Grade-1 listed building constructed after the Great Fire that destroyed most of the town centre, as guides tell some of Warwick's rich history. Free to attend. Assemble in the Visitor Information Centre, Jury Street. 01926 492212 www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 6th - 7th** **Road Closures.** From 6pm on Saturday 6th to 7pm on Sunday 7th August there will be widespread road closures and restrictions to parking in and around central Warwick in preparation for and during the men's and women's Cycling Road Races.

- 7th 8am - 5pm. **Commonwealth Games Women's and Men's Cycling Road Races**, starting and finishing at Myton Fields opposite St. Nicholas' Park. <https://www.birmingham2022.com/the-games/schedule/>
There will be **extensive road closures** for the cycle races between 3am and 7pm. Details here: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/birmingham-commonwealth-games-2022/road-closures-1> .
The route: www.warwickdc.gov.uk/events/event/204/birmingham_2022_s_cycling_road_race
Note: part of Myton Road will be closed from August 3rd - 8th to allow the erection of grandstands. Many thousands of spectators are expected. You can get tickets for the seating areas at the start and finish line here: <https://www.birmingham2022.com/venues/myton-fields> More information: <https://www.warwicktowncouncil.gov.uk/commonwealth-games-cycling-road-races/>
And there are some public transport options on the day here: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/birmingham-commonwealth-games-2022/public-transport-commonwealth-games>
- 9th Hill Close Gardens. 10am - 12noon. **Summer Pruning Workshop**. £25. Pre-booking essential. www.hillclosegardens.com . 01926 493339
- 10th The Court House, Jury Street. 2pm - 4pm. **In The Ballroom – 'Antiques Collecting' with Steve Bruce**. Hints, tips and anecdotes on collecting. Bring in some small items and Steve Bruce may be able to tell you about them. Followed by tea and cake, a quiz, and time to chat. £3 per person to include the tea. Numbers are limited, so *pre-booking is essential*. Call the Visitor Centre on 01926 492212 to reserve a place, or email enquiries@visitwarwick.co.uk
- 13th **The annual Warwick Court Leet Assizes Day**. Officers of the ancient Court in ceremonial dress will be at the Saturday market and around the town, checking that food and ale are fit for consumption. They include the Fish, Cheese and Flesh taster as well as the Bread Weigher and of course the Ale Taster. <https://warwick-courtleet.co.uk/assizes-day/>
- 14th 8am – 3pm. Market Place. **The Warwick Classic Car Show**, organised by the Court Leet and free to attend. <https://www.warwick-courtleet.co.uk/classic-car-show/>
- 17th St. Paul's Church Hall, Friar Street. 7.30pm. **Warwick WI – 'Summer Social'**. An evening of fun with a bring-and-share supper. All ladies welcome. For more information visit www.warwickwi.weebly.com or email warwickwi2@gmail.com
- 20th From 9am. **Warwick Regatta 2022**. regatta@warwickboatclub.co.uk **CANCELLED**
- 20th Kingfisher Pools, St. Nicholas Park. From 9am. **Junior Fishing Drop-in Saturday**. No charge. Tackle provided. <http://www.kingfisherpool.co.uk/>
- 23rd Hill Close Gardens. **Jane Eyre – Drama by Heartbreak Productions**. Picnic from 5pm. Drama at 6.30pm. Adults £15. Children £11.50. www.hillclosegardens.com
- 27th 11am - 11.45am. Court House, Jury Street. **A Bank Holiday Saturday Court House Tour with Unlocking Warwick**. A stroll around the Grade-1 listed building constructed after the Great Fire that destroyed most of the town centre, as guides tell some of Warwick's rich history. Free to attend. Assemble in the Visitor Information Centre, Jury Street. 01926 492212 www.unlockingwarwick.org

Sept

- 2nd St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – Oliver Hancock** (organ) Free to attend. Retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 3rd 11am - 11.45am. Court House, Jury Street. **Court House Tour with Unlocking Warwick**. A stroll around the Grade-1 listed building constructed after the Great Fire that destroyed most of the town centre, as volunteer guides tell some of Warwick's rich history. Free to attend. No need to book. Assemble in the Visitor Information Centre, Jury Street. 01926 492212
- 9th Hill Close Gardens. 11am – 5pm. **Apple Day and Country Fair**. Fruit displays, stalls, arts and crafts for all the family. www.hillclosegardens.com 01926 493339
- 14th The Court House, Jury Street. 2pm - 4pm. **In The Ballroom – The Origins of Pub names**, with Anthony Paulton-Smith, followed by tea and cake, a quiz, and time to chat. £3 per person to include the tea. Numbers are limited, so *pre-booking is essential*. Call the Visitor Centre on 01926 492212 to reserve a place, or email enquiries@visitwarwick.co.uk

- 16th St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – Wyatt Smith** (organist from Seattle USA). Free to attend. Retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 17th Kingfisher Pools, St. Nicholas Park. From 9am. **Junior Fishing Drop-in Saturday**. No charge. Tackle provided. <http://www.kingfisherpool.co.uk/>
- 18th 11am – 11.45am and 2pm – 2.45pm. Court House, Jury Street. **Court House Tours with Unlocking Warwick** marking the final day of the national Heritage Open Days. Stroll around the Grade-1 listed building constructed after the Great Fire that destroyed most of the town centre, as guides tell some of Warwick's rich history. Free to attend. No need to book. Assemble in the Visitor Information Centre, Jury Street. 01926 492212 www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 19th Warwick Racecourse. **Racing TV Grand Season Opener**. Tickets from £20. <https://www.thejockeyclub.co.uk/warwick/>
- 20th Warwick Racecourse. **Poundland Grand Season Opener**. Tickets from £20. <https://www.thejockeyclub.co.uk/warwick/>
- 21st St. Paul's Church Hall, Friar Street. 7.30pm. **Warwick WI – The Alpaca Pals!** All ladies welcome. For more information visit www.warwickwi.weebly.com or email warwickwi2@gmail.com
- 29th Warwick Racecourse. **The Great Autumn Meeting**. Tickets from £20. <https://www.thejockeyclub.co.uk/warwick/>
- 30th St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – Nina Savicevic** (piano). Free to attend. Retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk

October

- 3rd - 9th Tickets are now on sale for **The Warwick Words History Festival 2022**. There's a wide-ranging programme of events with many returning guest speakers, including Tracy Borman, Max Hastings, Dan Jones, Adam Rutherford, Charles Spencer and Alison Weir– and some faces new to Warwick, such as Nathen Amin, Anna Keay, Joanne Paul, Helen Rappaport and Emma J Wells. The programme includes Tea Time Talks, in association with the University of Warwick, and a Study Day. Tickets from the Warwick Visitor Information Centre box office, by phone on 01926 334418, or online at www.warwickwords.co.uk On **Sunday 9th** at 2pm in the Court House ballroom, Unlocking Warwick will be performing a dramatisation of the courtroom events following the Warwick Bank Crash of 1887.
- 7th St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – Mark Swinton** (organ). Free to attend. Retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 8th St. Mary's Church. 7.30pm. **Last Night of the Proms**. The Choirs of St. Mary's with patron Elin Manahan Thomas, soprano, perform music by Parry, Purcell, Handel, Vierne, and Dove, plus *Land of Hope and Glory, Rule Britannia and Jerusalem*. Director Oliver Hancock. Adults £18 (concessions £10) including glass of wine and Union Flag. Tickets from Eventbrite: <https://lastnightofthepromswarwick.eventbrite.co.uk>
- 9th Hill Close Gardens. 11am – 5pm. **Apple Day and Country Fair**. Fruit displays, stalls, arts and crafts for all the family. Normal entry charges apply. www.hillclosegardens.com
- 12th The Court House, Jury Street. 2pm - 4pm. **In The Ballroom – Warwick Ghost Stories**, with Steve Garrison, followed by tea and cake, a quiz, and time to chat. £3 per person to include the tea. Numbers are limited, so *pre-booking is essential*. Call the Visitor Centre on 01926 492212 to reserve a place, or email enquiries@visitwarwick.co.uk
- 12th Hill Close Gardens. 10am – 12noon. **Autumn Wreaths Workshop**. £25. Booking essential. 01926 493339 or email centremanager@hcg.org.uk
- 19th St. Paul's Church Hall. 7.30pm **Warwick WI Annual Meeting**. Warwick WI over the years. All ladies welcome. Email warwickwi2@gmail.com for details. www.warwickwi.weebly.com
- 27th Hill Close Gardens. 10.30am – 2pm. **Hedgehog Day**. A prickly tickly session of hedgehog surprises – arts and crafts and caring for hedgehogs. Adults £5. Children 5-17 £1. Under 5s free. Booking essential. Call 01926 493339 or email centremanager@hcg.org.uk

29th Hill Close Gardens. **Chrysanthemum Open Day**. Normal opening times. 01926 493339.

Later in the Year ...

November 24th **The Warwick Victorian Evening** in the town centre with the switching on of the Christmas lights.

December 22nd St. Mary's Church. **Three screenings of 'The Snowman' with live orchestra** – at 12noon, 2pm and 4pm. Adults £1e3, Children (under 16) £5. Family (2 adults and up to 2 children) £28. Under-threes free if sitting on adult's lap. Tickets available from Eventbrite from November 1st:
<https://thesnowmanwarwick.eventbrite.co.uk>

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