

What's On in Warwick

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



July 2022 onwards (Revised 2.7.22)

www.unlockingwarwick.org

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

- The **Warwick in Bloom** competition is open until July 31st for residents of CV34. Entries of pictures from your garden to warwickinbloom@warwicktowncouncil.org.uk For more details call 01926 411694
- **Warwick a Singing Town** – Warwick Choral Festival 2022. June 17th – July 24th. A full list and information can be found here: <https://warwicksingingtown.co.uk/>
- **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 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

- 1st** St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – Young Musicians from Warwick School.** Free to attend. Retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 2nd** 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
- 2nd** Sea Scouts hut and riverbank near the footbridge, St. Nicholas Park. 11am - 4pm. **Family Fun Day and Regatta.** Food, drink and entertainment. Duck race at 3pm. (£1 to enter a duck) Please bring a reusable coffee cup or bottle. <https://www.facebook.com/2wkseascouts/>
- 2nd** St. Mary's Church. 7.30pm. **Romance and Rhyme – Da Capo Chamber Choir.** Poetry in music for a cappella choir. Words by Blake, Lear, Silvestri and others, with music by Paul Mealar, Eric Whitacre and more. Tickets £12.50. Schoolchildren free. Available from www.dacapochoir.org.uk
- 3rd** **Warwick – A Singing Town.** A day of singing events with children from local schools.
 Concert 1: 11.00am - 11.45am. Children from Evergreen School, Woodloes and Westgate Primary Schools.
 Concert 2: 12.15pm - 1pm. Children from St. Mary Immaculate Catholic, Heathcote, and Aylesford Primary Schools.
 Concert 3: 1.30pm - 2.15pm. Children from Coten End Primary and All Saints Junior schools.
 Warwick's Got Singing Talent Grand Final. 6pm - 8pm. Bridge House Theatre.
www.warwicksingingtown.co.uk
- 3rd** 10am – 5pm. **Warwick Vintage Carnival** in the town centre. A new event from CJ Events, with live '40s music on a stage in the Market Place, fairground rides, a steam railway, food and pop-up bars. Dress up in vintage style – best dressed will be judged by the Mayor. <https://www.cjseventswarwickshire.co.uk/events/e668573346c05929/>

- 3rd Court House, Jury Street. 10am – 4pm. **Craft Fair in the Ballroom**. Locally made gifts and artwork on display in the Regency ballroom. For details email enquiries@visitwarwick.co.uk 01926 492212 **BEWARE! Do not interact with Facebook account of a 'Sandra Cara' claiming to be selling stalls for the Craft Fairs. This has nothing to do with the Town Council and appears to be a scam. The Council is collecting information for the police; if you have paid this person please call the Visitor Centre on 01926 492212.**
- 3rd The final day of **Warwickshire Open Studios** with scores of local artists and potters showing off and selling their work in their own studios. Details and studio locations here: www.warwickshireopenstudios.org/
- 5th St. Mary's Church. 7.30pm. **Choir of Clare College Cambridge – Programme Celebrating Ralph Vaughan Williams' 150th Anniversary**. Motets and anthems from England and America. Tickets £25, £15 and £1 students, (all unreserved), from Warwick Visitor Information Centre Box Office, www.learningtonmusic.org, or phone 01926 334418
- 7th Unitarian Chapel, High Street. 7.30pm. **Understanding Guy's Cliffe and Guy's Cave**. Edmund Simons FSA explains their place in the Rock-Cut Buildings Heritage of the UK. Preceded by a reception in the garden from 6.30pm. Organised by the Guy of Warwick Society. www.thegows.co.uk Tickets £7.50 from the Visitor Information Centre, Jury Street, or online from Ticketsource. <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/select/RdiEJKhzXNnT>
- 8th St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – Andrew Kirk** (organ) from St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol. Free to attend. Retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 9th St. Mary's Church nave. 7pm. **A Ceilidh featuring the Cats Whiskers Band** raising money for the church choirs. Light buffet included. Bar. Flat shoes advised. Tickets £20/£15 only from <https://fienta.com/ceilidh-july-2022>
- 9th St. Nicholas Church, Warwick. 7.30pm. **Divertimento: '70 Glorious Years'**. The singing ensemble perform a light-hearted look at British and Commonwealth music throughout the Queen's reign. Tickets £15. Under 18s free. Available from www.divertimento.org.uk, or 01926 429607, or from Presto Music in Leamington.
- 9th - 10th **Warwick Rotary Thai Festival** at the Racecourse. Saturday 10.30am – 6pm. Sunday 10.30am – 5pm. Food, music, dancing and entertainment. Book tickets here: <https://www.thejockeyclub.co.uk/warwick/events-tickets/the-warwick-thai-festival/>
- 10th Warwick Myton Hospice, Myton Lane. **The Myton Hospices Cycles Challenge**. 50km, 100km or 100 miles, through Warwickshire countryside and the Cotswolds, raising money for the hospices. All the details here: <https://www.mytonhospice.org/our-events/event/mytons-cycle-challenge-2022/>
- 13th The Court House, Jury Street. 2pm – 4pm. **In The Ballroom – 'Everlasting Flowers' with Christine Ramsey**. Tips on how to dry and arrange flowers from your gardens or hedgerows. 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 Organised by the Town Council and Unlocking Warwick. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 13th Warwick Castle, Castle Lane. 6pm. **Michael Bubl  at the Castle**. Tickets for the concert from www.ticketmaster.co.uk www.warwick-castle.com
- 15th Warwick Castle, Castle Lane. 6pm. **Tears for Fears**. Tickets from www.axs.com www.warwick-castle.com
- 15th St. Paul's Church Hall, Friar Street. 7.30pm. **Warwick WI – Recycling Unusual Items**. A talk by Kebrina Barker. All ladies welcome. For more information visit www.warwickwi.weebly.com or email warwickwi2@gmail.com
- 15th - 16th Pageant Gardens. **Warwick Beer, Cider and Music Festival** organised by the Court Leet and raising money for local charities. Many local brews and musical entertainment. Friday 15th 4pm -10pm. Saturday 16th 12noon - 10pm. Entrance £14 to include a £5 drinks voucher and a commemorative glass. Tickets available from the Visitor Information Centre, Torrey's hardware shop in West Street, or online from the Beer Festival website: <https://warwickbeerfestival.com/>

- 15th - 16th** The Dream Factory, Playbox Theatre. 7.30pm. **'Harmony'**. A summer presentation to celebrate the rich world of the Musical in it many forms. Music Director, Richard Norris. Ticket information: www.playboxtheatre.com
- 16th** Hill Close Gardens. 11am – 5pm. **Art in the Gardens**. A summer exhibition of arts and crafts around the gardens, with workshops, music and children's activities. Includes the opening exhibition of work by resident artist, Caitriona Dunnett - part of the Warwick District 'CultureFest' from July 16th to August 21st. Normal entry. Adults £5. Children 5-17s £1. Under 5s free. www.hillclosegardens.com 01926 493339
- 16th** Kingfisher Pools, St. Nicholas Park. From 9am. **Junior Fishing Drop-in Saturday**. No charge. Tackle provided. <http://www.kingfisherpool.co.uk/>
- 21st - 24th** Warwick Castle Park. CV34 6AX. **The Warwick Folk Festival** returns on a new site in the grounds of the castle after cancellation last year. Music, dance, crafts and food. The venue will be open from 1pm Thursday to 12noon Monday. Details/tickets: www.warwickfolkfestival.co.uk
- 23rd** The **Smith Street Fair** with stalls, food, drink and music. 10am – 8pm.
- 23rd** St. Mary's Church. 6.30pm. **Mascagni's Cavalleria Rusticana**, a concert in aid of Amnesty International by The Oriflamme ensemble with some operatic favourites. Tickets £15 (children £7.50) on the door and from Presto Music, Warwick books or email jsault8@gmail.com
- 24th** 10.30am. St. Mary's Church. **The Mayor of Warwick's Civic Service**. Councillors, Mace-bearers, the Town Crier and Officers of the Court Leet will process to St. Mary's from the Court House. civicadmin@warwicktowncouncil.org.uk
- 27th** St. John's House garden. 2pm. **Alice in Wonderland with Folksy Theatre**. Suitable for ages 3-6. Bring a picnic and dress for the weather. The performance will take place rain or shine. Tickets: child £12 adult £15 plus booking fee, from: <https://ticketstripe.com/events/1028612>
- 28th** The opening of 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. (See below). Some road closures begin on August 3rd. Traffic calming measures on the route are to be removed, then replaced afterwards.
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/birmingham-commonwealth-games-2022/road-closures-1/1
https://warwick.ac.uk/about/community/newsandevents/news/commonwealth_games_one/

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
- 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/> The cycle races are on the penultimate day of the Games – July 28th to August 8th - when throughout the games there will be a big screen in Market Place showing the action. 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/>
- 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 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.** free to watch from St. Nicholas Park or Myton Fields. For details email: regatta@warwickboatclub.co.uk
- 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 www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 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
- 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

30th St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm – 2pm. **Lunchtime Recital – Nina Savicevic** (piano). Free to attend. Retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk

Later in the Year ...

October 3rd - 9th **The Warwick Words History Festival.** Leading writers talk about their new books with history as a theme. www.warwickwords.co.uk Tickets go on sale in mid-July, online and in the Warwick Visitor Information Centre box office. On Sunday 9th at 2pm in the Court House ballroom, Unlocking Warwick will be performing a dramatisation of the events following the Warwick Bank Crash of 1887.

October 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, Vienne, 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>

October 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

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>

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



To alert us to forthcoming events in Warwick, or send news of cancellations, email whatson@unlockingwarwick.org