

What's On in Warwick at a Glance

A calendar of events for residents and visitors compiled by 'Unlocking Warwick'
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2016

March

- 4th Afternoon Tours of the now disused Warwick Assize Court and Judges' House in Northgate Street, (not to be confused with the Jury Street Court House at the central cross roads).
<http://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk>
- 5th Warwick Castle – Kingmaker's Medieval Banquet.
www.warwick-castle.com/events/dinners-and-banquets.aspx
- 5th St. Mary's Church. 'A Royal Fanfare' – music to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday, including Handel's Coronation Anthems with the Choirs of St. Mary's Collegiate Church.
www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk/index.php?/stmarys/whats-on-all
www.musictoyourears.org.uk/music-to-your-ears-diary
- 10th St. John's Museum. Food in the Fifties. An evening workshop. Book: 01926 412069.
<http://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk/events-and-activities/>
- 13th Warwick Races: Irish Day. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 15th St. Mary's Church. Gothic Voices perform 15th century music and songs in 'A Burgundian Ritual'. www.learningtonmusic.org
www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk/index.php?/stmarys/whats-on-all
- 19th St. Mary's Church. The Collegium choir perform works by John Rutter and Vaughan Williams. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk/index.php?/music/pages/collegium
- 23rd Warwick Races: March Midweek Jumps. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 24th Royal Regiment of Fusiliers Museum at St. John's House – Easter family event based on flags. www.enjoywarwick.co.uk/events-and-whats-on/
- 24th-28th Hill Close Gardens – A Victorian Easter, including Easter egg hunt and bonnet parade on Easter Sunday, a children's workshop making bonnets and baskets on 24th and 'Easter Eggstravaganza' on 27th. www.hillclosegardens.com
- 26th The Jury Street Court House – Easter Saturday Court House Tour with Unlocking Warwick volunteers. 11am. www.unlockingwarwick.org

April

- 2nd The Jury Street Court House – 11am Court House Tour with Unlocking Warwick. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 2nd Warwick Castle – Dungeons After Dark Dining. www.warwick-castle.com/events/dinners-and-banquets.aspx
- 3rd The Warwick Half Marathon raising funds for research into heart disease. www.bhf.org.uk/get-involved/events/runs-and-jogs/half-marathon www.bhf.org.uk
- 4th Warwick Races: Afternoon Jumps. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 8th Hill Close Gardens – Guided Walk with Garden Supervisor. www.hillclosegardens.com/events.html
- 8th- 9th A traditional French Market joins the regular stalls in the Market Place. www.cjseventswarwickshire.co.uk
- 9th The Jury Street Court House Ballroom - A Courtroom Drama. Unlocking Warwick volunteers recreate authentic cases heard in the building in the mid-19th century. 2.30 – 3 pm. Free. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 9th Love Hand Made Fair in St. Nicholas Church with local artists selling their own gifts, jewellery, homeware and cakes. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk
- 9th Heritage Ramble: Hidden Warwick. County Records Office. <http://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk>
- 10th Vintage Fair, St. John's Museum. www.heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk
- 16th Warwick Mayor's Charity Concert at St. Mary's Church. Rameau, Brahms, Elgar and Berlioz. <http://www.musictoyourears.org.uk/music-to-your-ears-diary#>
- 21st Warwick Races: April Afternoon Raceday. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 22nd St. John's Museum. "Beehive to Jive" – an evening 1950s event. www.heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk
- 23rd St. Mary's Church. Beauchamp Sinfonietta perform works by Roussel, Mozart and Beethoven. <http://www.musictoyourears.org.uk/music-to-your-ears-diary#>
- 24th St. George's Day service at St. Mary's and parade through Warwick by local Scouts, Guides, Cubs, Beavers and Brownies.
- 30th Hill Close Gardens. A Celebration of May Day and Springtime. Maypole dancing amongst spring flowers. www.hillclosegardens.com
- 30th Market Place. Warwick Farmers' Market, 9am – 2pm. www.warwickdistrictmarkets.co.uk

May

- 2nd Warwick Races: Family Fun Day. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 2nd May Bank Holiday Tour of the Jury Street Court House with Unlocking Warwick. 11am. www.unlockingwarwick.org

- 7th Warwick Races: 'Proudly Warwick' Evening Racing. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 7th Warwick Castle – Kingmaker's Medieval Banquet. www.warwick-castle.com/events/dinners-and-banquets.aspx
- 7th Love Hand Made Fair in St. Nicholas Church with local artists selling their own gifts, jewellery, homeware and cakes. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk
- 9th The annual Warwick Town Meeting when local charities and community groups present their activities in the ballroom. Contact Sarah Acklam: civcadmin@warwicktowncouncil.org.uk
- 13th Hill Close Gardens – Guided Walk with Garden Supervisor. www.hillclosegardens.com/events.html
- 13th Ghost Walk. Starting at 7pm outside the Rose and Crown in the Market Place. www.midlandsdiscoverytours.co.uk/ghost-walks/warwick-ghost-walk/
- 14th '1966 and all That!' a sixties disco, quiz, and fish and chip supper, 50 years on from the famous year of swinging Britain. In the Jury Street Court House ballroom. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 14th St. Mary's Church. Coventry Philharmonic Choir and Players perform the Vivaldi Gloria and other Baroque treasures. <http://www.musictoyourears.org.uk/music-to-your-ears-diary#>
- 18th Warwick Races: Ladies Day. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 21st Warwick Town Criers Competition, Pageant Gardens. Criers from across the county compete. www.warwickcourtleet.co.uk
- 25th The Warwick Mayor Making will inaugurate the new Town Mayor for 2016/17. www.warwicktowncouncil.gov.uk
- 29th Warwick Food Festival. www.warwickfoodfestival.co.uk
- 29th Warwick Farmers' Market in the Market Place. www.warwickdistrictmarkets.co.uk
- 30th Spring Bank Holiday Tour of the Jury Street Court House with Unlocking Warwick. 11am. www.unlockingwarwick.org

June

- 4th The Jury Street Court House – 11am Court House Tour with Unlocking Warwick. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 4th Warwick Castle – Kingmaker's Medieval Banquet. www.warwick-castle.com/events/dinners-and-banquets.aspx
- 4th Love Hand Made Fair in St. Nicholas Church with local artists selling their own gifts, jewellery, homeware and cakes. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk
- 10th Hill Close Gardens – Guided Walk with Garden Supervisor. www.hillclosegardens.com/events.html
- 12th The Two Castles Run, raising money for local charities. Warwick to Kenilworth. 10 kilometres. Registration opens on March 1st. www.twocastlesrun.org.uk

- 16th Aviva Women's Tour. Nearly 100 of the world's top women cyclists pass through Warwick on the second leg of the prestige race. 10am – 2pm. Saltisford, Market Place, High Street, Jury Street and out on the Banbury Road.
www.womenstour.co.uk/news/14348.php#.VrX4fvEm8bR
- 18th Midsummer Jazz in the Gardens – Hill Close Gardens.
www.hillclosegardens.com/events.html
- 18th - 3rd July Open Studios. Warwickshire arts and crafts on show where they are made.
www.warwickshireopenstudios.org
- 22nd Warwick Ale Tasting by members of the ancient Court Leet. www.warwickcourtleet.co.uk
- 25th – July 10th Folk on the Water. Free performances on the boats and banks along the Warwickshire Union Canal. www.folkonthewater.co.uk

July

- 2nd The Jury Street Court House – 11am Court House Tour with Unlocking Warwick.
www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 2nd Love Hand Made Fair in St. Nicholas Church with local artists selling their own gifts, jewellery, homeware and cakes. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk
- 3rd Warwick Chilli Festival. A celebration of hot and spicy food. www.warwickrocks.org
- 5th Warwick Open Gardens. 11am – 5pm. A range of interesting private gardens on show. Passes from Visitor Information Centre. 01926 492212. or email warwickopengardens@gmail.com www.warwickshiregardenstrust.org.uk
- 7th A concert by the Divertimento singers called 'Heroes and Villains' - in the Court House Ballroom, Jury Street. tickets@divertimento.org.uk or contact the Visitor Information Centre. 01926 492212
- 8th - 10th Hill Close Gardens – on 8th a Guided Walk with Head Gardener. On 9th-10th, 'Lost and Found', a weekend devoted to the story of how the gardens were rescued from dereliction and re-opened 10 years ago. www.hillclosegardens.com/events.html
- 9th Ukulele Festival at Warwick Racecourse. www.spa-strummers.co.uk
- 10th Warwick Thai Festival. www.warwickrotary.org.uk Thai drummers and dancers travel from the Castle courtyard through Swan Street to the Market Place where there will be more than 40 food and craft stalls.
- 15th-16th Warwick Beer Festival. A celebration of local ales raising money for charity, organised by the Court Leet. www.warwickbeerfestival.co.uk
- 21st-24th Warwick Folk Festival. The main festival takes place in the grounds of Warwick School, with musicians and morris-dancers all over town, including the Community Choir in the Market Place. www.warwickfolkfestival.co.uk
- 23rd Smith Street Party. On the Saturday of the Folk Festival, Smith Street is filled with stalls serving food and with street musicians. www.smithstreet-warwick.co.uk
- 26th The Tempest is performed by Heartbreak Productions at Hill Close Gardens.
www.hillclosegardens.com/events.html

- 28th Teddy Bears' Picnic at Hill Close Gardens. www.hillclosegardens.com/events.html
- 30th Market Place. Warwick Farmers' Market, 9am – 2pm. www.warwickdistrictmarkets.co.uk

August

- 6th The Jury Street Court House – 11am Court House Tour with Unlocking Warwick. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 7th Retro and Classic Car Show in Warwick Market Place. www.retrorwarwick.co.uk
- 12th Hill Close Gardens – Guided Walk with Head Gardener. www.hillclosegardens.com/events.html
- 12th Ghost Walk. Starting at 7pm outside the Rose and Crown in the Market Place. www.midlandsdiscoverytours.co.uk/ghost-walks/warwick-ghost-walk/
- 13th Warwick Court Leet Assize Day. www.warwickcourtleet.co.uk
- 14th Icon-o-Classic 2016 showcasing pre-1995 classic mountain bikes in the Market Place. www.iconoclassic.org
- 20th Warwick Regatta. In its 28th year, the regatta on the River Avon sees hundreds of crews try the 500 metre sprint course through St. Nicholas Park and Myton Fields. www.warwickboatclub.co.uk
- 20th - 28th Warwick Rocks Fringe Festival. Comedy, poetry, music and magic in central Warwick pubs and bars, ending in a stage show on 28th. www.warwickrocks.org
- 23rd Hill Close Gardens – Pruning Workshop. www.hillclosegardens.com/events.html
- 28th-29th Warwick Horticultural Show in St. Nicholas Park. www.whasociety.org
- 29th Summer Bank Holiday Tour of the Jury Street Court House with Unlocking Warwick. 11am. www.unlockingwarwick.org

September

- 3rd The Jury Street Court House – 11am Court House Tour with Unlocking Warwick. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 3rd Love Hand Made Fair in St. Nicholas Church with local artists selling their own gifts, jewellery, homeware and cakes. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk
- 9th 'Apple Walk'. Hill Close Gardens – Guided Tour with Head Gardener. www.hillclosegardens.com/events.html
- 10th-11th Saltisford Canal Trust Open Days. A fun weekend with music, boat trips and entertainment at the Canal Centre off Budbrooke Road. <http://www.enjoywarwick.co.uk/Events-and-What-s-On/417-Saltisford-Canal-Trust-Open-Days/View-details.html>
- 10th-11th Warwick Heritage Open Days. As part of England's national heritage festival, many of Warwick's historic places will open their doors free of charge. www.heritageopendays.org.uk/about On 10th there will be a Tour of the Jury Street Court House with Unlocking Warwick. 11am. www.unlockingwarwick.org

October

- 1st Love Hand Made Fair in St. Nicholas Church with local artists selling their own gifts, jewellery, homeware and cakes. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk
- 6th-9th Warwick Words Festival Weekend with personal appearances by leading literary figures. Details will be announced in April. www.warwickwords.co.uk
- 9th Warwickshire Regimental Association Annual Parade through the town and laying up of 2RRF Colours at St. Mary's Church.
www.fusiliers-association.co.uk/Warwickshire/Warwickshire_Events_Page.htm
- 16th Autumn and Apple Day at Hill Close Gardens. See and taste the gardens' historic fruit varieties, with craft stalls and children's activities. www.hillclosegardens.com
- 21st-22nd & 28th-29th The Mop Fair. Music, street food and entertainment, with fairground rides installed in the centre of Warwick. www.warwickmopfair.co.uk
- 30th Warwick Farmers' Market in the Market Place. www.warwickdistrictmarkets.co.uk

November

- 5th Warwick Fireworks. Bonfire and firework display at Warwick Racecourse from 5.15pm with display at 6.30pm. www.warwickbonfire.org.uk
- 5th Love Hand Made Fair in St. Nicholas Church with local artists selling their own gifts, jewellery, homeware and cakes. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk
- 6th Warwick Chocolate Festival in the Market Place and local shops. www.warwickrocks.org
- 8th St. Mary's Warwick. Remembrance Sunday.
- 11th Ghost Walk. Starting at 7pm outside the Rose and Crown in the Market Place.
www.midlandsdiscoverytours.co.uk/ghost-walks/warwick-ghost-walk/
- 24th Victorian Evening in Warwick, 5 - 9pm, with music and entertainment in the Market Place, and the switching-on of the Christmas lights at 7pm.
www.enjoywarwick.co.uk/events-and-whats-on/
- 24th- Dec 4th Christmas Tree Festival at St. Mary's Church.
www.enjoywarwick.co.uk/events-and-whats-on/

December

- 3rd Warwick Small Business Saturday, supporting Warwick's independent shops.
<http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/smallbusiness-saturday>
- 3rd Love Hand Made Fair in St. Nicholas Church with local artists selling their own gifts, jewellery, homeware and cakes. www.lovehandmadefairs.co.uk
- 10th The Warwick Christmas Regency Ball in the restored ballroom at the Jury Street Court House. Dress up. Dance like Jane Austen. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 11th Wassailing and Carol Singing at Hill Close Gardens, with mulled wine and mince pies.
www.hillclosegardens.com

17th Carols at Warwick Castle. The annual event attracting more than 2,000 people.
www.warwickcastle.com

31st New Year's Eve Banquet at Warwick Castle. www.warwickcastle.com

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The Court House Volunteer Group
www.unlockingwarwick.org

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