



Friday 17th April 2026

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News and information

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Shandy Hall



Shandy Hall is a unique and much loved museum, inhabited for 600 years, the former home of 18th century writer Laurence Sterne, author of Tristram Shandy. It offers history, literature and creative inspiration in a peaceful rural setting.

Since publication of Tristram Shandy, writers, artists & musicians have been inspired by its wit and digressive and non-linear manner of story-telling.

Writers such as Virginia Woolf, James Joyce, Orhan Pamuk, Salman Rushdie, and Vladimir Nabokov are just a few who acknowledge a debt to Sterne.

There are two acres of gardens, with a wildlife gardening award, a shop, gallery and plants for sale.

Shandy Hall is less than 20mins by car from Thirsk in the village of Coxwold. laurencesternetrust.org.uk

Thirsk to Helmsley bus



Until Sun 27 Sep there is a bus service between Thirsk and Helmsley on Saturdays, Sundays & Bank Holidays. The M5 bus leaves Thirsk Market Place for Helmsley at 9:42 on Saturdays and at both 10:42 & 15:42 on Sundays & BHs. The opposite journey from Helmsley to

Thirsk starts from Helmsley Market Place at 16.33 on Saturdays and at both 11:33 & 16:33 on Sundays & BHs. The journey between Thirsk and Helmsley takes about 40mins. You are not limited to staying in Helmsley or Thirsk. The M5 journey above is only part of a large network of Moorsbuses on Saturdays and Sundays. If Northallerton or Easingwold is more convenient than Thirsk you can catch a Moorsbus there. The adult single fare is capped at £3 (concessionary cards accepted). See the full network map, timetables & fares at moorsbus.org

Are you retiring?

Have you just retired and are looking for a new challenge and the opportunity to meet visitors to Thirsk as well as local people?

At Thirsk Tourist Information we are a friendly group committed to promoting the area and helping visitors to enjoy all the interesting and exciting things that there are to do in and around Thirsk. Please email Jo Caramello at jo@visitthirsk.uk or phone her at **07482 084643**

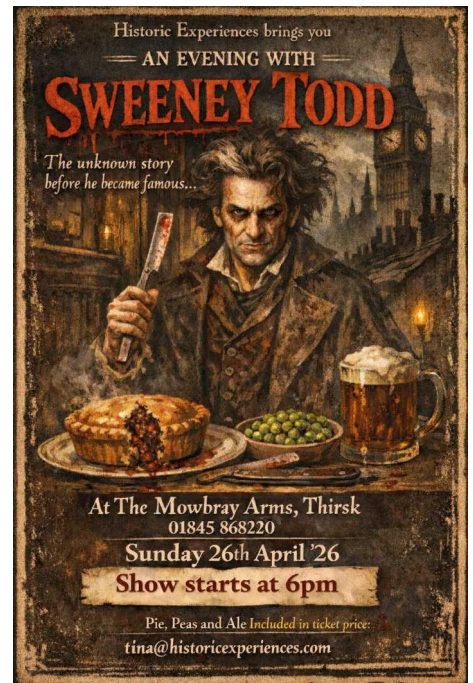
Thirsk Birds of Prey Centre



A visit to Thirsk Birds of Prey Centre is inspiring, uplifting & unforgettable.

It is now open for the summer season in beautiful Yorkshire countryside, less than 15 minutes by car from Thirsk. The centre is home to one of the largest collections of flying birds in the North — around 100 birds from over 50 species from across the world, including owls, vultures, eagles & kites. The Birds of Prey Centre is open every day except Wednesdays with 35–40 minute free-flight displays where you get remarkably close to the birds. falconrycentre.co.uk

Sweeney Todd



£25 including the play and also pie, ale & mash. Book by email or phone: **E: tina@historiceperiences.com** **T: 07876 010835**

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What's on in the coming weeks

Send your event - go to VisitThirsk.uk/event

Fri 17 Apr

Thirkleby Film and Food

Thirkleby Village Hall
Film, (ring for details) with Chilli Con Carne and Garlic Bread. Bar serving drinks and snacks - cash only
In aid of Thirkleby Parish Hall
reserve your space by 14/4/26. 18.00.
£5. Tickets: Phone Charlotte.



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T: 07875 427411

Fri 17 Apr

Alfie Moore: Apocalypse Now (14+)

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP

The Four Horsemen of Rising Crime, Global Warming, AI and Culture Wars are galloping towards us. In his brand new tour show 'Fair Cop' Alfie has the antidote to the breakdown of law and order, fake news and the price of baked beans. 7.30pm. £21. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.

forumnorthallerton.org.uk

Fri 17 Apr

Beginner's Hand Embroidery

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Join textile artist Hayley Mills-Styles for this half day workshop and create a hand embroidered botanical design using six stranded embroidery threads and a variety of hand embroidery stitches. 1:00pm - 4:00pm. £35. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.

www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/beginners-hand-embroidery/

Now until Sat 18 Apr

Come From Away

Grand Opera House, York

'Come From Away' The remarkable true story of the small town that welcomed the world on 9/11. Book, Music & Lyrics by Irene Sankoff and David Hein. Tickets from under £16. Tickets: www.atgtickets.com/york.

T: 0333 009 6690

Sat 18 Apr

Afternoon Racing

Thirsk Racecourse, Station Road, Thirsk, North Yorkshire YO7 1QL

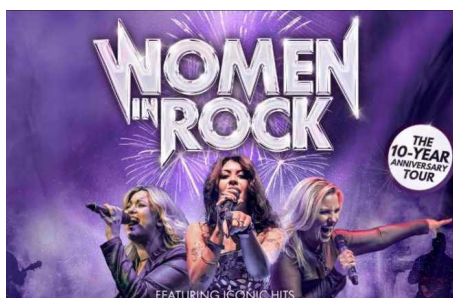
Racing and music from The Y Street Band, bars & food vendors. Gates open 11am. Tickets: Book online. E: info@thirskracecourse.net. T: 01845 522276.

thirskracecourse.net

Sat 18 Apr

Women in Rock

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP



Get ready to crank up the volume and feel the power for Women in Rock, the electrifying live show dedicated entirely to the trailblazing women who shattered the ceilings and redefined rock music forever. 7.30pm. £26. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.

forumnorthallerton.org.uk

Sat 18 Apr

Jervaulx Singers - The Birds & The Bees

St John's Church, Sharow, Ripon

Music for Nature & Love featuring And The Swallow-Caroline Shaw, Trois Chansons-Maurice Ravel & Song of June-Jonathan Harvey. 7.30pm. £22 on the door - £20 in advance. Tickets: Online, phone or on the door (Cash or card). E: jervaulxsingers@gmail.com. T: 07729 882344.

jervaulssingers.com

Sat 18 Apr

"View from a Pew"

Leake Church, A19 postcode YO7 4BN

Art Workshop. New Beginnings. Surrounded by the beauty of the Hambleton hills and the peace and quiet of our lovely Church, be inspired to spend some time painting, drawing, sketching. Come, no pressure, Get cracking Achieve something! Tea, coffee & biscuits. 10.30am. Free. Tickets: Just turn up. E: shelagh.s@aol.com.

leakechurch.org.uk/

Sat 18 Apr

Ceilidh

Knayton village hall, Thirsk YO74AZ

The Codbeck Ceilidh Band will entertain us. Pie and Pea supper choice of (Pork,Steak and Veggie). Bring your own drinks. 7-30pm, Supper served 8-8-30pm. 7.30pm. £15 incl pie and pea

supper. Tickets: Please phone. E: aileenandkeith3@gmail.com.

T: 07867 171522 / 07930 476409

Now until Sun 19 Apr

Easter Wonderland

Prophecy House, High Bridge, Knaresborough, HG5 8DD

Tumble down the rabbit hole into an Easter Wonderland at Mother Shipton's, an award-winning attraction voted the Best Magical Experience in the York area. EGG-splore the enchanting woodland, transformed into a springtime dream with EGG-stravagant Easter scenes inspired by Alice in Wonderland. 9:30am until 5:30pm. See website for full details. Tickets: Online - Booking is essential. E: info@mothershipton.co.uk. T: 01423 864600.

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Sun 19 Apr

Thirsk Artisan Market

Market Place, Thirsk YO7 1EY



An artisan market that wants to help serve local communities with the best artisan stalls, whilst giving traders the best opportunities to showcase and sell their handmade goods. 10am-3pm. E: info@littlebirdmade.co.uk.

littlebirdmade.com

Sun 19 Apr

Pottery Power

Helmsley Arts Centre, Meeting House Ct, Helmsley, YO62 5DW

A workshop with the Wilson Sisters. Ever fancied having a go at pottery? Now's your chance. Join us for Potter Power with the Wilson Sisters in the Studio Bar at Helmsley Arts Centre to create 3 ceramic pieces including the exciting experience of throwing on the potters wheel. 10.30am. T: 01349 771700.

helmsleyarts.co.uk

Tue 21 Apr

Royal Opera: The Magic Flute

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP

(12A) Princess Pamina has been captured. Her mother, the Queen of the



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'We had such a great day out here, it's not just for fans of the books. I highly recommend this little gem to everyone!'

Night, tasks the young Prince Tamino with her daughter's rescue. 6.45pm. £16, Child £10, Senior £13. Tickets: Book online, by phone or on the door. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.
forumnorthallerton.org.uk

Tue 21 Apr

Book Club

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

The Rural Arts Book Club is all about bringing people together through the power of a good story. Come along to our welcoming monthly sessions and chat about the book we've chosen with friendly fellow readers. 6:30pm - 8pm. £5. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.
www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/book-club-april/

Fri 17 Apr until Thu 23 Apr

Project Hail Mary

Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Starring Ryan Gosling, Sandra Huller and James Ortiz. Science teacher Ryland Grace wakes up on a spaceship light years from home with no recollection of who he is or how he got there. 7.30pm, also 2.30pm Wed. £7 on door, £8 online. Tickets: Online or on door. T: 01845 524751.

ritzcinema.co.uk

Thu 23 Apr

Knights Templar of Westerlake

Thirkleby Village Hall

Thirkleby Local History Society present a talk by Carol Wilson. 2pm. Annual subs £15 - visitors £3.00. Tickets: Contact A Stony. T: 01845 501365

Thu 23 Apr

French for post-GCSE / Improvers

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Weekly French classes start for post-GCSE / Improvers. For details please email or phone.. 7pm. E: thirsk.evening.classes.french@gmail.com. T: 01845 522342

Fri 24 Apr

Manford's Comedy Club (14+)

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP

Launched by comedian Jason Manford to bring comedians to small towns and cities across the country for a night of live comedy. Every show has a different line-up of four top comedians, who are all personally chosen by Jason Manford. 8.00pm. £15. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.

forumnorthallerton.org.uk

Fri 24 Apr

Etching and Elderflower Gin

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Our evening workshops are the perfect way to meet new people and make lasting friendships, or to attend as a group of friends. Either way, these are fun and sociable. We're offering a drink at all of these as a great way to get crafting and creative. 7pm - 9pm. £25. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.

www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/something-social-etching-and-elderflower-gin/

Fri 24 Apr

Mosaic Collage

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Experience a hands-on collage workshop that blends creativity with sustainability. The session begins with a brief introduction to the artist's journey and distinctive style, followed by an overview of the materials available for participants to use. 12:30pm - 3:30pm. £35. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.
www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/mosaic-collage/

Fri 24 Apr

NT Live: The Audience (12A)

Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Special event - one night only, filmed live from London's West End. Academy Award winner Helen Mirren plays Queen Elizabeth II in the much anticipated return of the Olivier Award-winning hit production that inspired Netflix's The Crown. 7.30pm. £15, Child (under 15) £10. Tickets: On door or online (adds £1 booking fee). T: 01845 524751.

ritzcinema.co.uk

Fri 24 Apr

St Cecilia Orchestra

Ripon Cathedral, Minster Road, Ripon, HG4 1QT

7.30pm.

www.st-cecilia.org.uk

Fri 24 Apr

Textures in Watercolour

Helmsley Arts Centre, Meeting House Ct, Helmsley, YO62 5DW

Create beautiful Textures in Watercolour with Ione Harrison. Discover how to bring your watercolours to life with rich, expressive textures. 10am. T: 01439 771700.

helmsleyarts.co.uk

Sat 25 Apr

Animals in Pastel

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Immerse yourself in a full day of creativity as you learn to capture the character, movement and texture of animals using pastels. Whether you're inspired by pets, horses, or wildlife, this workshop invites participants to explore form, mood and personality through this expressive medium. 10am - 4pm. £80. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.

www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/animals-in-pastel/

Sat 25 Apr

St Cecilia Orchestra: Great Romantics

Ripon Cathedral, Minster Road, Ripon, HG4 1QT

A programme of titanic proportions, bringing together three greats of the Romantic era: Brahms, Dvorak and Weber. St Cecilia Orchestra will be joined by soloists Jack Liebeck (violin) and Tim Lowe (cello) in Brahms' mighty Double Concerto. Followed by Dvorak's dramatic 7th Symphony. 7.30 pm. Adults £20-£35; Under 18s Free.

Tickets:

www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-cecilia (all ticket types). Little Ripon Bookshop and Harrogate Theatre (unreserved seating only).

www.st-cecilia.org.uk

Thu 23 Apr until Sun 26 Apr

Harrogate Spring Flower Show

Great Yorkshire Events Centre, Harrogate, HG2 8NZ

Stunning show garden features, live talks and demonstrations, great garden shopping, and the biggest exhibition by



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florists and flower arrangers in the country. 9.30am-5.00pm. £29 (£24 up to 7 Apr 26), Child free (with adult). Tickets: Book online. E: info@flowershow.org.uk. T: 01423 648212.
flowershow.org.uk/spring-show

Fri 24 Apr until Sun 26 Apr

Film: Mother's Pride (12A)

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP

ONLY FRI SAT SUN. A comedy about a failing pub, a divided community and a grieving family whose lives are changed by brewing real ale and entering the Great British Beer Awards. Fri 12.30pm, Sat 2.30pm, Sun 7.30pm. £6, Child/Senior/Student £5. Tickets: Book online, by phone or at the door. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.
forumnorthallerton.org.uk

Sat 25 Apr until Sun 26 Apr

Bluey and Bingo

Monk Park Farm



Join Bluey and Bingo on the farm this April for special meet-and-greet sessions, animal feeding, and hands-on time in the Animal Barn. Enjoy outdoor play, woodland walks, the mini train and barrel ride (extra charge), plus food and treats from our food court. A full day of family fun included. From 10am. Adult £14.45 Child £17.45 Under 1 £5 when booked in advance online. Tickets: Online or on the door (cheapest is online up to the day before your visit). E: eyup@monkparkfarm.co.uk. T: 01845 421124.
www.monkparkfarm.co.uk

Sun 26 Apr

An Evening with Sweeney Todd

The Mowbray Arms, 83 Market Place, Thirsk YO7 1ET

Historic Experiences brings you Sweeney Todd, the untold story before he became famous. Show starts 6pm.

£25 including the play and also pie, ale & mash. Tickets: Book by email or phone. E: tina@historicexperiences.com. T: 07876 010835

Sun 26 Apr

Thirsk Tennis Club Open Day

Newsham Road Thirsk YO7 1QP Parking at Thirsk Athletic Club

Try Tennis for FREE! 3 Floodlit courts for all weather play, Social and competitive tennis, Rackets provided on open day, All ages welcome, Meet new people, Refreshments available, Memberships for the season. Come and give tennis a go, no matter your experience. 2 -4pm. FREE.

Sun 26 Apr

Spring Motocross

Cawthorn Lane, Wreton YO18 8PQ (off A170)

HPE Print. Pickering and District Motor Club Spring Motocross Adults & Youth. Refreshments. 12.30pm. Tickets: facebook.

Mon 27 Apr

Organ recital series

St Mary's Church, Thirsk, YO7 1PQ

First in a series of lunchtime organ recitals in the wonderful setting of St Mary's Church. Enjoy some great music and refreshments and a chat afterwards. Retiring collection in aid of the organ fund to help maintain the instrument which will be 150 years old in 2027. 12.15. Free with retiring collection. E: chrisdodd1@gmail.com

Tue 28 Apr

Bookbinding: Australian Reverse Piano Bind

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Discover this sculptural, eye-catching binding style in a relaxed, hands-on workshop. You'll learn the Australian Reverse Piano Bind, a playful structural technique that creates an exposed, flexible spine using concertina folds and stitched sections. Perfect for beginners and enthusiasts alike. 1:30pm - 3:30pm. £35. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536. www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/bookbinding-australian-reverse-piano-bind/

Wed 29 Apr

St Cecilia Orchestra

Ripon Cathedral, Minster Road, Ripon, HG4 1QS

7.30pm.

Wed 29 Apr

Jane Eyre

Church of Christ the Consoler, Newby Hall Estate, Ripon HG4 5EG

"I am no bird; and no net ensnares me; I am a free human being with an independent will." Follow Jane Eyre on her journey from orphaned childhood to the haunting halls of Thornfield and her passionate, complex relationship with Mr Rochester. 7pm, doors open 6.30pm. £18.75, Child (Under 16) £16.75.

Tickets: Book online.

tickettailor.com/events/cuemarketing/1977225

Now until Thu 30 Apr

Spilman's Tulip Festival

Church Farm Sessay YO73NB

250,000 tulips, fifty different varieties. Experience the true beauty of tulips in the Yorkshire countryside this Spring. See website. Tickets: www.spilmans.co.uk. E: hellospilmans@gmail.com. www.spilmans.co.uk

Now until Thu 30 Apr

Sketchbook Sessions

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Our new evening group, Sketchbook Sessions, is designed for anyone who wants to explore techniques, mediums, style, and form all through the versatile medium of a sketchbook. 6pm - 8pm. £40 for the month. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536. www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/sketchbook-sessions/

Sat 25 Apr until Thu 30 Apr

The Magic Faraway Tree (U)

Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

A modern family relocates to the countryside where the children discover a magical tree with eccentric residents. They're transported to fantastical lands, rekindling their family bond through adventures. 7.30pm, also Sat & Sun 2.30pm. £7 on door, £8 online. Tickets: Online or on door. T: 01845 524751. ritzcinema.co.uk



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Fri 1 May

Sugar Pie Honey Bunch

*The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton
DL6 1LP*



Music of the Four Tops. Brings the Motown magic back to the stage in a live concert with powerful vocals, splendid harmonies and high stepping dance routines. 7.30pm. £27. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E:

info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.

forumnorthallerton.org.uk

Fri 1 May

Helmsley Open Air Pool

Baxton's Sprunt, Helmsley, YO62 5HT

Yorkshire's only 25m heated open air pool. We are a charity providing affordable outdoor swimming and a 'holiday atmosphere' to our local community and many visitors. The pool opens for the summer season today. Tickets: Online booking is recommended. E:

helmsleypool@outlook.com. T: 01439 326008.

helmsleyopenairpool.org

Sat 2 May

Thirsk Hunt Cup

Thirsk Racecourse, Station Road, Thirsk, North Yorkshire YO7 1QL

Watch top sprinters compete in our most valuable race of the season. With live music, bars & food vendors. Gates open 11am. Tickets: Book online. E: info@thirskracecourse.net. T: 01845 522276.

thirskracecourse.net

Sat 2 May

Forest Bathing

Sutton Bank National Park Centre, Thirsk YO7 2EH

This involves a mindful walk through the woods, and along the way we will stop to do some gentle nature-based activities that will enhance our connection to nature and our environment. This has a number of health benefits and improves general wellbeing. 10am-12.30pm. £20. Tickets: Book by email or phone. E: discovernaturemindfully@gmail.com. T: 07988 758288

Sat 2 May

Beautiful Botanicals: Collagraph Printing

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Join York-based printmaker, Yvonne Hoggarth, for a creative and inspiring workshop making botanical prints using natural materials such as leaves, stems and seed heads. 10:30am - 3:30pm. £90. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.

www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/beautiful-botanicals-collagraph-printing/

Sat 2 May

Spoken Word Poetry Evening

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Join us for an evening of spoken word poetry with Stu Freestone and Chloe Hanks. 8pm. £13 Early Bird or £15 Full Price. Tickets: Online.

Fri 1 May until Sun 3 May

Whitby Goth Weekend

All over Whitby

The first Goth weekend of the year featuring music, markets and gatherings at various venues all over Whitby. Some events will be ticketed. Search for the Little Black Almanac for more details including 30th April events to start it off. All weekend. Free to wander but there may be a charge for some events. whitbygothweekend.co.uk

Sun 3 May

Sunday Big Band

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP

Enjoy the fabulous sounds of the Big Band Era performed, in an open session, by Alan Owens and The Forum Big Band. 12pm-2pm. £4, and the bar is open. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.

forumnorthallerton.org.uk

Sun 3 May

Sports Cars in the Park

Newby Hall, Ripon HG4 5AE

More than 1,000 sports cars.. A really fantastic day out for the whole family, with a great atmosphere and your ticket includes free entry into Newby Hall's amazing grounds with its legendary adventure playground. £22, Child (4-15) £16, Family (2+2) £65. Tickets: Book online. E: info@newbyhall.com. T:

01423 322583.

newbyhall.com/event

Sun 3 May

Thirsk Farmers' Market

Market Place, Thirsk YO7 1EY



Unlike some other markets all stallholders are local independent businesses who grow, rear or produce the food or drink on their stall. They're passionate about what they do and it shows. 9am-2pm. E: info@northerndalesfarmersmarkets.com. northerndalesfarmersmarkets.com

Thu 30 Apr until Mon 4 May

Northallerton May Fair

Northallerton High St DL7 8LP

The High Street will be filled with rides and side shows.

www.facebook.com/NorthallertonFair

Sat 2 May until Mon 4 May

The Super Mario Galaxy Movie

Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS



(PG) Having thwarted Bowser's previous plot to marry Princess Peach, Mario and Luigi now face a fresh threat in Bowser Jr., who is determined to liberate his father from captivity and restore the family legacy. 2.30pm. £7 on door, £8 online. Tickets: Online or on door. T: 01845 524751.

ritzcinema.co.uk

Sat 2 May until Mon 4 May

Constable Burton Hall Tulip Festival

Constable Burton Hall, Constable Burton, Leyburn, DL8 5LJ

Constable Burton Hall & Gardens will be running the ever-popular annual Tulip Festival over the Early May Bank Holiday weekend - Saturday 2nd May to Monday 4th May 2026. 10:00 until



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16:00. Adults: £10 in advance online, or £12 on the door. Children (3 - 16) £5. Tickets: Online or on the door. E: estate@constableburton.com. www.constableburton.com/tulip-festival

Mon 4 May

Duncombe Park Country Fair

Duncombe Park, Helmsley, YO62 5EB
Stunt Riding, Mini Grand National, Gun Dog Display, Terrier Racing, Fun Dog Show, Working Ferret Display. 9am - 5pm. £35 Family (2 +2), £15 Adult, £12 OAP, £6 Child, Free Under 5yrs. Tickets: Book online. E: info@dpcountryfair.co.uk. www.dpcountryfair.co.uk

Tue 5 May

Are you sitting comfortably?

Golden Lion Hotel, Northallerton, DL7 8PP
Lecture by Janusz Karczewski; A consideration of the chair, its style and construction, and significance from ancient times to the 19th century. 1.30 for 1.45pm. free to members, visitors £11 or £5.50 if a member of another Arts Society. Tickets: On the door. E: hambleton@theartsociety.org. www.theartsociety.org/hambleton

Tue 5 May

Bedale Archaeology & History Society

Bedale Hall, North End, DL8 1AA (opposite the church)
Ironstone Mining in New Marske, Dr Chris Twigg, Chair, Cleveland Industrial Archaeology Society
Please note not Monday 4th as originally advertised. 7.30 pm. non-members £3 (full-time education free), or £12 pp for membership for the whole of 2026 (6 more talks & at least 1 field trip). Tickets: on the door or email bedale.arch@gmail.com for details. E: bedale.arch@gmail.com. bedaleahs.com

Fri 1 May until Thu 7 May

California Schemin' (15)

Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS
Starring James McAvoy, Amber Anderson, James Corden. In the late 1990s, Gavin Bain and Billy Boyd had their musical ambitions consistently ridiculed for having the 'wrong' accents, so they went for broke and reinvented themselves as Californian rappers. 7.30pm. £7 on door, £8 online. Tickets: Online or on door. T: 01845 524751.

ritzcinema.co.uk

Thu 7 May

Music Monthlies: Basset

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS
Canadian folk/roots duo, Basset, are full of timeless heart, with deeply human lyrics and stunning duo harmonies reminiscent of the early folk revival. Their live performances are both sincere and disarmingly funny, with warmth enough to soothe anyone ready to lean in. 7:30pm. £13.00. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536. www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/at-the-courthouse/music-monthlies-basset/

Fri 8 May

Origami Fairy Lights

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS
Join Laura from L & S Crafts in this relaxing origami class where you will learn how to create a stunning string of origami fairy lights. Working with a wide selection of patterned and plain specialist origami papers, Laura will guide you step-by-step through the creative process. 6:30pm - 8:30pm. £25. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536. www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/origami-fairy-lights/

Fri 8 May

Maverick Line Dancing

Northallerton WMC
Live music and dancing. 7pm - 11pm. £8 on the door. T: 076864525359

Thu 7 May until Sat 9 May

Show Stoppers - NMTC

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP



Northallerton Musical Theatre Company presents well-known songs from the shows. A foot tapping evening will include "Oklahoma", "Chicago", "Jersey Boys", "Shrek", "Guys and Dolls", "Joseph & the Amazing Technicolour Dream-coat" and more. Thu 7.25, Fri & Sat 7.30pm. £16, Child £14. Tickets:

Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230. forumnorthallerton.org.uk

Sat 9 May

Repair your stuff

Thirsk Library, Meadowfields, Chapel St YO7 1TH



Be greener by avoiding waste and save money by letting a team of dedicated and talented volunteers try to repair your broken or "worn-out" items; cost is a voluntary donation. For further details or if you would like to volunteer, please email. 10am-1pm, last repair 12.30pm. Free, donations welcome. E: thirskrepaircafe@gmail.com

Sat 9 May

Drawing with Thread

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS
Join textile artist Hayley Mills-Styles for this full day workshop and create a hand embroidered picture using different colours and textures of fabric and some simple hand embroidery stitches. 10am - 4pm. £90. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536. www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/drawing-with-thread/

Sat 9 May

Silver Wrap Rings

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS
Learn the basics of silversmithing as you design and make your own silver ring wrap ring. You will learn how to use basic jewellery making tools to form your ring and how to apply different techniques to create textures and finishes. 10am - 1pm. £45. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536. www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/wrap-rings/



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Emergency Services' Day

Monk Park Farm, Green Lane, Bagby, Thirsk, YO72AG

Join us for a special Emergency Services Day at Monk Park Farm! Meet real-life heroes, explore emergency vehicles, and learn about the amazing work they do. Plus enjoy all the farm fun – animals, play areas, woodland walks and our brand-new indoor role play village. 10am. Adult £12.45 Child £12.45 Under 1 £3 when booked in advance online. Tickets: Online or on the door (For the cheapest price book online before midnight the day of your visit). E: eyup@monkparkfarm.co.uk. T: 01845 421124.

www.monkparkfarm.co.uk

Sun 10 May

Rock Choir

Newby Hall, Ripon HG4 5AE

Performances at 1pm & 2pm. Free with Gardens or other tickets. Tickets: Book online. E: info@newbyhall.com. T: 01423 322583.

newbyhall.com/event

Tue 12 May

Saint Hild of Whitby

Sacred Heart Church, Thirsk Rd, Northallerton DL6 1PJ

Northallerton & District Local History Society. 'Saint Hild & the Synod of Whitby'. Talk by Rev Dr Greg Hoyland FRSA FHEA. 7pm. Non members £5, full-time students free. E: heritage1138@outlook.com. T: 07566 770625

Now until Wed 13 May

Intermediate Abstract Landscape Painting

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Step beyond realism and discover the freedom of painting landscapes in an abstract style with artist, Dave Mercer. This inspiring, hands-on workshop invites you to explore mood, movement, colour, and texture rather than literal detail. 10am - 2pm. £35 per session. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.

www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/abstract-landscape-painting/

Wed 13 May

Northallerton u3a

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP

Speaker: "Sister Dora" - Suzanne Strike. 10.15am.

northallerton.u3asite.uk

Fri 8 May until Thu 14 May

Glenrothan (12A)

Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Starring Brian Cox and Alan Cumming. After 35 years in Chicago, Donal reluctantly returns to the Scottish Highlands to reconcile with his estranged older brother Sandy. Sandy needs Donal to take over the family's whisky distillery or he'll be forced to sell and give up on the family's legacy. 7.30pm, also 2.30pm Wed. £7 on door, £8 online. Tickets: Online or on door. T: 01845 524751.

ritzcinema.co.uk

Fri 15 May

Spring Quiz

Thirsk & Sowerby Institute, Flats Lane

In aid of Sowerby Flatts Bowling Club. 7.30pm Arrival, Starts 8 pm. Up to 6 people per team. £2 per person.

Fri 15 May

Sting & The Police

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP



A tribute to Sting and The Police starring The Rozzers. From Roxanne and Every Breath You Take to Fields of Gold and Englishman in New York, all the hits are reproduced with stunning authenticity and vocal accuracy. 7.30pm. £25. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.

forumnorthallerton.org.uk

Fri 15 May

NT Live: All My Sons

Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Special event - one night only, filmed live from London's West End. Bryan Cranston and Marianne Jean-Baptiste star in this triumphantly acclaimed new production of the Arthur Miller's

classic. 7.30pm. £15, Child (under 15) £10. Tickets: On door or online (adds £1 booking fee). T: 01845 524751.

ritzcinema.co.uk

Tue 12 May until Sat 16 May

Florence Foster Jenkins

Darlington Hippodrome, Parkgate DL1 1RR

In Glorious, Wendi Peters moves from her life on the cobbles of Coronation Street to reprise her role as musically inept character Florence Foster Jenkins. 7.30pm. £20 to £43. Tickets: Book online. E:

hippodrome.boxoffice@darlington.gov.uk. T: 01325 405405.

darlingtonhippodrome.co.uk

Thu 14 May until Sat 16 May

Grease

The Joseph Rowntree Theatre, Haxby Rd, York YO31 8TA



Return to Rydell High with the T-Birds and Pink Ladies for a night of hot rods and timeless songs, including Summer Nights, We Go Together and the unforgettable, sing-along classic, Greased Lightning. By York St. John Musical Production Society. 7.30pm, also Sat 2.30pm. £15, Child/Senior £12. Tickets: Book online. E: boxoffice@jrtheatre.co.uk. T: 01904 501935.

josephrowntreetheatre.co.uk

Sat 16 May

York Guildhall Orchestra

York Barbican, York YO10 4NT

Conductor Simon Wright, Leader Fiona Love. 3pm. Tickets: 08448542757.

Sat 16 May

Sky Bet Irish Day

Thirsk Racecourse, Station Road, Thirsk, North Yorkshire YO7 1QL

Prepare your Irish-themed outfits and join us for thrilling races, live Irish music from The Emerald Thieves and some quality racing. Gates open 11am. Tickets: Book online. E: info@thirskracecourse.net. T: 01845 522276.

thirskracecourse.net



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Sat 16 May

Easingwold Singers

St Oswalds Church, Sowerby, Thirsk YO7 1JG

A Sea Symphony - Vaughan Williams. 7.00pm. £12. Tickets: White Rose Bookshop, Choir members or On the door. E: easingwoldsingers@gmail.com. T: 07821 429022.
easingwold-singers.com

Sat 16 May

Landscape in Pastel

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Spend a full day exploring the expressive possibilities of pastels as you learn to capture the atmosphere, light and texture of the landscape. From sweeping vistas to intimate natural details, this workshop invites participants to explore composition, colour and mood through this versatile medium. 10am - 4pm. £80. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.
www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/landscape-in-pastel/

Sat 16 May until Sun 17 May Yorkshire Game and Country Fair

Scampston Hall, Malton YO17 8NG

Experience all the countryside has to offer – from a vast array of country sports with loads of ‘have-a-go’ opportunities, to fine foods and animals. 9am-5pm. £14, Over 65s £13, Under 16s £8, Under 5s free, Family (2+3) £40. Tickets: Book online. E: info@outdoorshows.co.uk. T: 01751 200839.
outdoorshows.co.uk/yorkshire-game-and-country-fair

Sun 17 May

Scarecrow Festival

Sessay YO7 3BE

Come and follow our Scarecrow Trail through the Village. Refreshments, bar, tombola, games. 2pm - 5pm. £5 per adult. Children FREE! Tickets: At the Village Hall.

Sun 17 May

Thirsk Artisan Market

Market Place, Thirsk YO7 1EY



An artisan market that wants to help serve local communities with the best artisan stalls, whilst giving traders the best opportunities to showcase and sell their handmade goods. 10am-3pm. E: info@littlebirdmade.co.uk.
littlebirdmade.com

Sun 17 May

How To Write A Novel

Helmsley Arts Centre, Meeting House Ct, Helmsley, YO62 5DW

A workshop with Kate Gray. 10am. T: 01439 771700.
helmsleyarts.co.uk

Tue 19 May

Japanese Four Hole Stab Bind

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Explore the elegance of traditional Japanese bookbinding in this hands-on workshop. You'll learn the iconic four-hole stab binding technique, using beautiful papers and threads to create your own handcrafted notebook. 1:30pm - 3:30pm. £35. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.
www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/bookbinding-japanese-four-hole-stab-bind/

Thu 21 May

Enamel Pendant

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

Join Heather, the North East representative for the Guild of Enamellers and a proud member of Heritage Crafts, in this engaging day session, creating a beautiful pendant. 10:30am - 12:30pm. £45. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.
www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/enamel-pendant-creation/

Thu 21 May

Spring Reflective Day

Holy Rood House, Centre for Health & Pastoral Care, 10 Sowerby Rd. Thirsk YO7 1HX

A day with the Labyrinth with Helen Warwick. This refreshing day will include space in our garden with our indoor chapel and creative hub space. E: enquiries@holyroodhouse.org.uk. T: 01845 522580.
www.holyroodhouse.org.uk

Fri 22 May

Fleeting Rumours

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd, Northallerton DL6 1LP

Fleeting Rumours are the North's premier Tribute band to Fleetwood Mac. Getting that special blend of vocals, guitars, keyboards and drums to an exceptional level of authenticity. Every member of the six piece band are seasoned musicians and singers renowned in their own field. 7.30pm. £22. Tickets: Book online, at The Forum or on the door. E: info@forumnorthallerton.org.uk. T: 01609 776230.
forumnorthallerton.org.uk

Fri 22 May

Colour Reduction Linoprint

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, 4 Westgate, Thirsk YO7 1QS

In this workshop, you'll plan your image, carve each layer, apply ink, and print with accurate registration so the colours line up. We'll cover how to manage drying times, work safely with tools, and get clean, consistent prints. 10:30am - 4:30pm. £90. Tickets: Online. E: admin@ruralarts.org. T: 01845 526536.
www.ruralarts.org/whats-on/workshops/colour-reduction-linoprint/

Wed 20 May until Sat 23 May

Calendar Girls The Musical

The Joseph Rowntree Theatre, Haxby Rd, York YO31 8TA

Heart-warming and Hilarious. The inspiring story of friendship and strategically-placed jam jars arrives in York with a score written by Take That's Gary Barlow. 7.30pm, also 2.30pm Sat. £24. Tickets: Book online. E: boxoffice@jrtheatre.co.uk. T: 01904 501935.
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