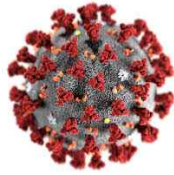


What's On in Warwick (and What's Not)

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



August 2020 onwards (updated 5.8.20)

www.unlockingwarwick.org

Warwick Market is every Saturday from 9am. Farmers' Markets are usually on the 2nd and 5th Saturdays of the month. Craft Market on the 1st Saturday of each month.

The latest rules from the government. They are liable to change at any moment it seems:

In England:

Pubs, cafe, restaurants, hairdressers, social clubs, places of worship, museums and other attractions, and indoor venues such as gyms and swimming pools are now able to reopen with social distancing measures and face coverings when required. Where 2 metres is not possible, '1 metre +' will be the rule.

B&Bs, hotels and holiday accommodation are also able to reopen if they are 'Covid Secure'. You can meet members of another household, one household per occasion, anywhere, and stay overnight. People are able to meet in groups of up to six people from different households - outside - either in parks or private gardens - so long as you observe social distancing. People can also exercise outside with up to five others from different households. That means small groups or sport teams can hold fitness sessions, but social distancing must be maintained.

Children in nurseries, early years, and Reception and Years 1 and 6 at primary schools are now able to return, but class sizes are expected to be no more than 15 pupils, with staggered breaks and hand washing. Shops are now able to open if they can achieve social distancing. You must wear a **face covering on public transport and in shops.**

In Warwick:

The Visitor Information Centre has reopened seven days a week, with social distancing and anti-Covid measures in place. The **temporary traffic scheme** with one-way systems introduced by WCC has now been lifted. Warwickshire County Council's **on-street parking** has resumed charging. **WDC car parks** began charging again from August 1st.

Currently public events requiring close contact indoors have been cancelled or postponed but many remain under review. **Warwick Town Council** is providing updates on local developments: <https://www.warwicktowncouncil.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Warwick District Council has information on local services on its website: www.warwickdc.gov.uk and a Covid-19 Helpline: 01926 456111 (Mon-Fri. 9am – 5pm)

Princes Drive Recycling is open for 'essential' visits but you must book a time-slot in advance: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/recyclingprincesdrive>

Here are the headlines of the local developments so far:

- The Warwick **Visitor Information Centre** in Jury Street/Castle Street has now reopened seven days a week with social distancing measures in place (from 9.30am weekdays and from 10am at weekend). Entry via the Castle Street door. 01926 492212
- The Warwick **Saturday Market** has resumed with social distancing in place. Be prepared to queue. The next French Market is now scheduled for October 3rd.
- The **Lord Leycester Hospital** has reopened (closed Mondays) with a one-way system in place.
- **Warwickshire County Records Office** and the county's **Market Hall Museum** have reopened. (CRO on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; Museum open Tuesday-Saturday). You must book in advance via Eventbrite. Tickets for the museum must be booked on a Monday for that week with only 8 people admitted at any one time. Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/heritage-and-culture-warwickshire-6137347795> The museum is also posting activities for children on its website, ranging from Arty Tots to 'Show and Tell' talks. You can see them at: <http://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk/> CRO: 01926 738959. Museum: 01926 412500
- **Warwick Racecourse:** The Jump Racing Season has been abandoned, and scheduled events at Warwick Racecourse have been cancelled or postponed until further notice.
- **Warwick Castle and Gardens** have now reopened in line with government guidance. Tickets must be pre-booked. See website for details. <https://www.warwick-castle.com/tickets-passes/passes/> www.warwick-castle.com/about/coronavirus/ On selected evenings in the Warwick Castle grounds. 'The Open Arms', an open-air beer festival. 'Joining forces with some of the area's favourite local independents, this new event will showcase some of the best food and drink in a safe area that everyone can enjoy'. Tickets: <https://www.warwick-castle.com/explore/events/the-open-arms/>
- **The Fusilier Museum at St. John's** and the **Warwickshire Yeomanry Museum** in the Court House are currently closed.
- The Myton Hospices have rescheduled their **Glow for Myton** event until Saturday 17th October .
- **Places of Worship** have begun to resume services with congregations distancing. **St. Mary's** has resumed Sunday Services (10.30am) and will be open for private prayer from 1pm to 3pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. www.stmaryswarwick.co.uk
- **The Warwick Horticultural Show** due at the end of August has been cancelled
- **Warwick Folk Festival** has been cancelled for 2020
- The **Warwick Words History Festival's** physical events have been cancelled for this year, but there will be online talks and discussions, Oct 5th – 11th. Details to come: www.warwickwords.co.uk
- Tom Kerridge's **Pub in the Park** has been postponed until 2021
- **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** resumed on July 18th and will take place at 11am on August 1st and 29th and Sept 5th. Book a place at the Visitor Centre: 01926 492212
- **Hill Close Gardens** has reopened weekdays only, 11am – 3.30pm, with distancing measures. But events in the garden are currently cancelled. www.hillclosegardens.com
- The **Stanks Island Roadworks** have been delayed by distancing measures; now scheduled to be completed 'by the autumn'. Details here: <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/stanks-island-and-birmingham-road-improvement-scheme-1190656?e=acfb8b1c7c>

August

- 1st** Note that **Parking Charges resume** in the WDC car parks from today.
- 1st** 11am – 11.45am. **Court House Tour** with Unlocking Warwick. Guides will take you round the Jury Street Court House and introduce visitors to the history of Warwick. Free to attend, but numbers limited to 10 individuals per tour and 2-metre distancing will be observed. Booking essential. Reserve a place at the Visitor Information Centre or call them on 01926 492212. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 9th** **Retro Warwick Classic Car Show** in the Market Place organised by The Court Leet. **Postponed** to a date to be decided. alan.lettis@gmail.com
- 15th** The **75th Anniversary of VJ Day** that ended WW2 will be marked by a display in the Visitor Information Centre featuring the Warwick men who gave their lives in the war in the Far East. The display will be available to see until August 23rd.
- 29th** 11am – 11.45am. A Bank Holiday Saturday **Court House Tour** with Unlocking Warwick. A guide will take you round the Jury Street Court House and introduce visitors to the history of Warwick. Free to attend, but numbers limited to 10 individuals per tour and 2-metre distancing will be observed. Booking essential. Reserve a place at the Visitor Information Centre or call them on 01926 492212. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 29th- 31st** The Court House and Pageant Gardens. **Warwick Horticultural Show**. www.whasociety.org **Cancelled**

September

- 1st - 3rd** **Luna Cinema at Warwick Castle**. Sept 1st The Greatest Showman. 2nd Grease. 3rd Rocketman. Doors open 7pm. Films 8.30pm. Screen in the Courtyard. Food and drink available. Anti-covid measures in place. Toilets available. Details: <https://thelunacinema.com/warwick-castle>
- 5th** 11am – 11.45am. **Court House Tour** with Unlocking Warwick. A volunteer guide will take you round the Jury Street Court House and introduce visitors to the history of Warwick. Free to attend, but numbers limited to 10 individuals per tour and 2-metre distancing will be observed. Booking essential. Reserve a place at the Visitor Information Centre or call them on 01926 492212. www.unlockingwarwick.org
- 11th - 20th** **Heritage Open Days** with free entry to many historic buildings and some special events. Plans are still under review depending on social distancing rules, but there are expected to be some outdoor events and online experiences. <https://www.heritageopendays.org.uk/news-desk/news/covid-19-update>
On Friday **11th Sept, The Great Fire Walk** will follow the course of the 1694 fire that devastated the centre of town. There will be three group walks at 10.30a.m, 12.30pm and 2.30pm. The tours are free, but will be limited to ten people on each tour; places must be reserved in advance at the Visitor Information Centre. Drop in (open seven days a week) or phone: 01926 492212. Email: lizhealey@visitwarwick.co.uk. Guests should gather in Pageant Garden five minutes before departure. Guides will take you along the route of the Fire, starting at the Lord Leycester Hospital, going via The Court House and St Mary's Church to the Market Hall Museum, where documents relating to the Fire will be available to look at. Each walk will last about 90 minutes.
On **Saturday 19th Sept** there will be free **Court House Tours** at 11am and 2pm. They last 45 minutes. Please book at the Visitor Information Centre. 01926 492212.
- 13th** The annual **Dragon Boat Racing** on the Avon in St. Nicholas Park has been **cancelled**.
- 18th - 20th** **'Pub in the Park'** with Chef Tom Kerridge and friends in St. Nicholas Park has been **postponed** to next year, date to be decided. <https://www.pubintheparkuk.com/warwick>
- 19th** 11am and 2pm. **Court House Tours** for Heritage Open Days. A guide from Unlocking Warwick will take you round the Jury Street Court House and introduce visitors to the history of Warwick. Tours last 45 minutes and are free to attend, but numbers will be

limited to 10 individuals per tour and 2-metre distancing will be observed. Booking essential. Reserve a place at the Visitor Information Centre. Drop in or call them on 01926 492212. Email: lizhealey@visitwarwick.co.uk www.unlockingwarwick.org

October

3rd 9am – 4pm. **The French Market** returns to the Market Place with social distancing.

6th St. Mary's Church. **Stile Antico** is due to open the Early Music Season with '**Mayflower 1620**'. But this is under review depending on government restrictions. Check www.learningtonmusic.org and sign in to their mailing list.

5th- 11th **Warwick Words Digital History Festival 2020**. www.warwickwords.co.uk The physical events have now been cancelled for this year and there will be no History Societies Fair. But there will be 7 days of free online talks and events. The programme is likely to be posted in September. www.warwickwords.co.uk

17th **Glow for Myton**, rescheduled to this date and this year based in the grounds of Princethorpe College near Stretton-on-Dunsmore. Details: <https://www.mytonhospice.org/our-events/event/glow-for-myton-2020-around-world-5km/>

21st New date for the annual **Warwick Town Meeting** in the Jury Street Court House, when councils and local organisations report on their activities.

November

22nd 10am – 5pm. **Warwick Winter Food Market**. Replacing the usual Winter Food Festival to ensure social distancing. There will be up to 40 local trader and artisan food stall in various streets in the town centre and the market place, but no traditional entertainments this year. CJ events say they will seek to capture the Christmas spirit while adhering to government guidelines. They will be posting details on their website: www.cjseventswarwickshire.co.uk

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



The Court House Volunteers

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