

EDITION 1 SAT 16TH AUGUST 2025

Welcome to the 60th Whitby Folk Week!!

Craft Fair

From 11:30am on Saturday the Whitby Folk Week Craft Fair will be open for business. With over 20 stalls there is something for everyone. Look out for Andrew Parish who is only here from Saturday to Tuesday with his hand made fiddles made from recycled oak tables.

From Sunday there will be a crafting stall in the craft fair that will be set out for making heather for this years garland. This has been arranged in memory of Wendy Price and Emma Thornsby.

Doc Rowe Presentation 1: Tuesday, Coliseum, 10:00-11:20

Doc Rowe, a regular at the festical for over half its existence, will celebrate its Diamond Celebration by reflecting on earlier visits. He'll look at some of the physical changes, workshops and locations and honour past performers and 'source singers' no longer with us. In celebrating past and current organisers, he'll applaud a truly generous and democratic festival that has inspired many well known present day performers who were introduced to the genre at Folk Week. An illustrated talk with some unseen ephemera will welcome comments and memories from the audience as well.

Programme Updates

The CHURCH SERVICE REHEARSAL on Saturday 16:00-17:00 is now at St. Hilda's church, West Cliff. Event 23

Spa Theatre Bar (upstairs). The SPOKEN WORD now runs from 10:00-11:20 from Sunday for the week and the MORNING CONCERT now runs from 11:30-13:00. Events 42, 52, 119, 132, 205, 219, 289, 303, 371, 385, 451 & 464

The music for the NEXT STEPS IN PLAYFORD Workshop from Sunday to Wednesday is being provided by Mollie & Ali. Events 79, 167, 252, 336

The FOLKIES ON FILM talks by Jonny Mohun on Sunday and Wednesday have unfortunately had to be cancelled. Events 100 & 354

The ENGLISH TUNES PRACTICE SESSION workshops from Monday to Friday at the Rugby Club should be TUNES IN PARTS - with Spare Parts Concertina Band, for any melody instruments. Mixed ability, learning by ear and from dots Tunes in parts for any melody instruments. Mixed ability, learning by ear and from dots. Music is on the Spare Parts website. Events 122, 208, 292, 374 & 453

The CONCERTINA REPAIRS originally on Monday 11:30-12:50 at the Rugby Club will now take place on Wednesday 10:00-11:20 in the Conservative Club Function Room. Event 137

The SINGAROUND at Rusty Shears on Monday 17:00-19:00 will be led by Will & Pippa Noble. Event 186

Rosie Davis will be joining Jerry O'Reilly in the CONCERT at the Coliseum on Monday at 20:00-23:00. Event 193

Annie Winter & Paul Downes are appearing in place of Hase Waits for the CONCERT in the Rugby Club Concert Room on Tuesday at 15:30-17:30. Event 266

The PRESENTATION in the Conservative Club Function Room on Wednesday at 10:00-11:20 will now take place on Thursday at 11:30-12:50 in the Conservative Club Function Room. Event 293

Will & Pippa Noble will also be appearing at the BOOK LAUNCH in the Coliseum on Wednesday at 10:00-11:20. Event 302

The description for the ANGLO CONCERTINA WORKSHOP on Thursday at 11:30-12:50 in the Conservative Club Bar has changed to - 'Is there life after the Three-chord-trick?' Exploring some more left-hand chords with Roger Digby. Event 387

Notices

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