



EDITION 7

FRI 22ND AUGUST 2025

It's the FRIDAY Countdown!!

We have two big events for your diary tomorrow. Firstly, it's garland building time at the Spa! If you have any crafted heather or other items to add to the garland, please bring them to the Spa tomorrow morning, preferably by 11:00am. Secondly, we have a parade in the afternoon. Like the parade on Friday (that we didn't tell you about), it will start from the Lighthouse end of the Pier and run to the Bandstand, where the teams will perform a dance each.

Your last chance to see The Wilderness Yet in the Friday Morning Concert - Event 464.

At Lunchtime Stories on Friday, Ailsa Dixon and Ffion Phillips will be performing their sell out fringe show Aderyn/Bird - an exploration of Welsh and Scottish bird mythology.

A big thankyou to David on Facebook who pointed out that the evening concert at the Metropole on Friday starts at 19:30 not 19:00 - Event 501

Craft Fair

Well, here we go, it's last chance Friday and, although we have lost a couple of stalls, we have gained Patricia Cass - Vintage tea cup candles and Whitby Wood - Hand turned bowls. Also, this is your last chance to get yourself some 60th Anniversary merchandise, so why not pop in for a last look around.

Doc Rowe Presentation 3: Friday, Coliseum, 10:00-11:20

Doc Rowe is grateful to Whitby Folk Week for its support of his collection and archive. For many years, the festival has provided an excuse to review and showcase current activities, as well as exploring unseen or newly revealed material in the collection. With new connections and repertoire. This event typically will include some requests, surprises and discoveries, plus news of future developments.



Did you ever go to the Blue Bell Folk Club in Hull? The aims of this project are to make some links and fill in some of the gaps across the excellent and extensive archives already collected and collated. We hope to put a fuller picture together, by collecting memories of the richness and uniqueness of the Bluebell as well as the impact it has had on individual/family stories, careers, hobbies and the wider folk networks - national and international. We are starting with this questionnaire as a baseline, plus an opportunity for 'live' interviews. You are invited to do one or the other or both. If you would like to email us directly, then we can be contacted at: bluebellfolk@gmail.com



Programme Updates

Spa Theatre Bar (upstairs). The SPOKEN WORD now runs from 10:00-11:20 for the week and the MORNING CONCERT now runs from 11:30-13:00. Events 451 & 464

The description for the ANGLO CONCERTINA WORKSHOP in the Conservative Club Bar on Friday from 11:30-12:50 should read - 'Exploring some outside keys'. Roger Digby looks mainly at playing in D on a C concertina and will also look at playing in F if there is time. Event 466

The PRESENTATION at the Coliseum on Friday from 12:00-13:30 has been cancelled as Thomas McCarthy is sadly not in Whitby. Event 476

The MUSIC SESSION at the Conservative Club Bar on Friday from 13:00-15:00 will be lead by Mossy Christian and Katie Howson. Event 485

The CONCERT in the Coliseum on Friday that was published as running from 14:30-15:30 is actually running from 14:30-16:45. Event 491

Southport Swords will be doing a swap with Flag & Bone Gang, with Southport Swords appearing in the DANCE DISPLAY at Dock Endon Friday from 12:30-13:15 and Flag & Bone Gang in the DANCE DISPLAY at the Bandstand on Friday from 15:00-15:45. Event 479 & 493

Hebble will be replacing Jim Murray & TTGTHB and concluding the CONCERT in the Metropole Hotel Ballroom on Friday from 15:00-17:30. Event 495

The FINAL FAMILY CELIDH on Friday from 18:00-20:00 will include a spot by Lynda Hardcastle & Alan Rose. Event 500

Hebble will be replacing The Wilderness Yet in the CONCERT in the Metropole on Friday from 19:30-23:00. Event 501

Dan & Matt Quinn are MCing the TRADITIONAL NIGHT OUT at the Flowergate Centre on Friday from 20:00-23:00. Event 502

Wailer Updates

A big mea culpa from us today because we managed to miss the incorrect starting time of event 501. Sorry. Anyway, this being our last Whitby Wailer for this year, we'd like to thank you for all the engagement. You'll notice that there is no request for notices on this Wailer. Please no more till next year, I need some sleep.

Notices

If you have enjoyed this year's whistle classes then you'll be pleased to know that May Cheadle runs classes on Zoom throughout the year. There is a Complete Beginners group 1st Sep 16:30-17:30, a Superstar's group 8th Sep 4:30-5:30 for learning tunes a little faster and a Dream Team group on alternate Tuesdays 12:30-13:30 for intermediates. May also teaches clog on Zoom on alternate Saturday mornings 10:00-11:45. For more information contact May on 07999845936. FB May Anderson Whatsapp May Anderson Email mcmaziee534@gmail.com

Need something to listen to then try :- Tales of the Devon parson the Rev Sabine Baring-Gould & his folk song collecting in Devon & Cornwall in the pod cast series; theparsonandthesongmen.buzzsprout.com With more information about the series & all 52 episodes available to down load please see my website; mikebosworth.uk

Ssssssh! Silent auction for a handbag made of festival wristbands. Come to the festival office to get your bids in now! Closes Friday morning.

May Cheadle has a 12 piece jigsaw clog board for sale. For more details call on 07999 845939

Exquisite painted milk churn in the traditional style, hand-painted by Nick Dow. Available to view on the Veteran Records stall in the Craft Fair, £150 ono.

Wendy Price's Castagnari Lilly is for sale. Contact Ruth Price on 07866 347622