

# WHAT'S ON in and around WEST DORSET

July 2010

This listing contains a selection of events taking place across West Dorset this month.

Pop into your local Tourist Information Centre for full event information and programmes for all local theatres and art centres.

<b>HIGHLIGHTS</b>	<b>Don't miss this month...</b>	
	3 – 5 July	<b>Lyme Regis Jazz Festival</b> Tickets from Lyme Regis TIC 01297 442138
	3-16 July	<b>'Spirit of the Sea' Maritime Festival, Weymouth &amp; Portland</b> <a href="http://www.spiritofthesea.org.uk">www.spiritofthesea.org.uk</a>
	10 July	<b>Yeovilton Air Day</b> Tickets from your local TIC
	16-18 July	<b>Tolpuddle Martyrs Festival</b> <a href="http://www.tuc.org.uk">www.tuc.org.uk</a>
	24-31 July	<b>Lyme Regis Lifeboat Week</b> <a href="http://www.bathandwest.com">www.bathandwest.com</a>

<b>MARKETS &amp; FAIRS</b>	<b>Bridport</b>	<b>Weekly Market</b> in the Town Centre every Wednesday and Saturday, <b>Farmers' Market</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday in each month – Arts Centre 9.30am-2pm, <b>West Dorset Country Market</b> in the WI Hall, North Street every Saturday 9am-12 noon.
	<b>Dorchester</b>	<b>Weekly Market</b> in Fairfield Car Park, Weymouth Ave 8am-3pm every Wednesday, <b>Farmers' Market</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday in each month at Poundbury, 9am-1pm, <b>Country Market</b> at The Corn Exchange every Friday (exc Easter) 8.30-11am.
	<b>Sherborne</b>	<b>Pannier Market</b> on the Parade every Thursday and Saturday; <b>Country Market</b> in Church Hall, Digby Road, Thursday mornings, 9.15am-11.15am; <b>Farmers' Market</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday in each month – Cheap Street, 9am-1pm. <b>Saturday Antiques &amp; Flea Market</b> – held the last Saturday every month (Jan-Nov), Church Hall, Digby Road. 9am-4pm. <b>Monthly Book Fair</b> – held third Saturday every month, Church Hall, Digby Road. 9.30am-4pm.
	<b>Owermoigne</b>	<b>Monthly market</b> in the village hall 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month, 10.30am – 12 noon. Homemade produce, bric a brac, plants, crafts, books.
	<b>Charmouth</b>	<b>Weekly market</b> every Monday from May until September, open all day. Free parking.

<b>WALKS</b>	<b>Fossil Walks</b>	Regular guided fossil hunting walks in <b>Lyme Regis</b> and <b>Charmouth</b> are run year round by <b>Dr Colin Dawes</b> 01297 443758, <b>Brandon Lennon</b> 07944 664757 <a href="http://www.lymeregisfossilwalks.com">www.lymeregisfossilwalks.com</a> , <b>Lyme Regis Museum</b> 01297 443370 <a href="http://www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk">www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk</a> , <b>Lyme Regis Fossil Shop</b> 01297 442088, the <b>Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre</b> 01297 560772 <a href="http://www.charmouth.org">www.charmouth.org</a> and <b>Chris Pamplin</b> 0845 00943757 <a href="http://www.fossilwalks.com">www.fossilwalks.com</a> Times vary according to the tides, telephone for full details and booking information.
	<b>Sunday Strolls</b>	With the <b>Ramblers Association</b> from Bucky Doo Square, Bridport, 2.15pm. Tel: 01308 863754.
	<b>Walking the Way to Health in Bridport</b>	with trained health walkers. Every Tuesday and Thursday at 10.30am from Bridport TIC. Walks last approx 30mins, all welcome, free of charge. Tel: 01308 452263 for more information.
	<b>Dorchester Strollers</b>	walks with trained health walkers. Every Monday at 10.30am and Tuesday at 2.30pm. Walks last up to one hour, all welcome, free. Tel: 01305 263759 for more information.
	<b>Wednesday Afternoon Walks at the Kingcombe Centre</b>	Kingcombe Centre, Toller Porcorum. Each walk covers a particular subject. Most walks meet at the Kingcombe Centre at 2.15 and return for tea and cake at 4pm-4.30pm. Please tel. for details 01300 320684. <a href="http://www.kingcombe.org">www.kingcombe.org</a>
	<b>Literary Lyme</b>	– walking tours available throughout the year. During July there are Jane Austen and John Fowles walks on Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> , Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> , Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> , Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> . Tel. 07763 974569 for details and to book.
	<b>Lyme Regis Museum walks</b>	– various fossil and literary walks from the museum during July. Tel. 01297 443370 for details and to book. <a href="http://www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk">www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk</a>
	<b>Undercliff Walks</b>	– follow our UNESCO World Heritage Site cliff to Seaton. 8 mile woodland walk. Tel. 07763 974 569 for details and to book
	<b>Dorchester Town Walk</b>	Every Monday at 11am and from 21 <sup>st</sup> July also every Wednesday at 2.30pm, starting from the Tourist Information Centre. Guided walk of Dorchester with a Blue Badge Guide. 01305 267992
	<b>Sherborne Town Walk</b>	Every Friday at 11am, starting from the Tourist Information Centre. Guided walk of Sherborne with Blue Badge Guide Rob Curtis. 01935 815341
<b>Lyme Regis Ghost Walks</b>	- meet outside the Lyme Regis Museum, Tues and Thurs 7.30pm. £3.50 adults, £1.50 children	

<b>ARTS</b>	Regular <b>Art Exhibitions</b> are held at <b>Dorset County Museum</b> , Dorchester ( <a href="http://www.dorsetcountymuseum.org">www.dorsetcountymuseum.org</a> ), <b>Lyme Regis Museum</b> ( <a href="http://www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk">www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk</a> ), the <b>Town Mill Gallery</b> , Lyme Regis ( <a href="http://www.townmill.org.uk">www.townmill.org.uk</a> ) and <b>Bridport Arts Centre</b> ( <a href="http://www.bridport-arts.com">www.bridport-arts.com</a> ).
	<b>Dorchester Arts Centre</b> ( <a href="http://www.dorchesterarts.org.uk">www.dorchesterarts.org.uk</a> ), <b>Bridport Arts Centre</b> ( <a href="http://www.bridport-arts.com">www.bridport-arts.com</a> ) and <b>Eype Centre for the Arts</b> <a href="http://www.eypechurcharts.co.uk">www.eypechurcharts.co.uk</a> run a full programme of performances and events - drama, music, comedy, dance and more - suitable for all ages.
	<b>Artsreach</b> present a range of live professional arts events in rural Dorset. Full programme online at <a href="http://www.artsreach.co.uk">www.artsreach.co.uk</a> or from your local TIC.
<i>Opening times, programmes and further details from your local TIC</i>	

## Local events diary


- 01-02 Music Festival at Sherborne School** The Music School, Sherborne School. A festival to celebrate the opening of a new £3.5 million music school at Sherborne School, with concerts ranging from a blue grass band to a symphony orchestra. Over the 2 days there will be 181 boys playing, from 13-18 yrs of age. Free entry. 01935 812249 [www.sherborne.org](http://www.sherborne.org)
- 02 Dorchester Choral Society - Community Outreach** Dorchester Borough Gardens, 7pm. Taking music to where you are. Bring the family and a picnic. 01305 268363 / 01305 262005
- 02 Moth Trapping in West Dorset** West Bexington (please phone for details of meeting place), 8-10am. £5 per session. Learn about the seasonal changes of our resident and migratory moths. 01305 264620 [www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk](http://www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk)
- 02 Chimanimani** Village Hall, Wootton Fitzpaine, 7.30pm. Vibrant Zimbabwean sunshine-filled music. £8, £6.50 (u 18's) on door if available, in advance from 01297 560948.
- 02-04 Jurassic Jazz** Various venues in Lyme Regis. Lyme Regis' 20th Annual Jazz Festival with music at various venues around the town plus a Grand Brolly Parade on Saturday 3rd. Tickets and information available from Lyme Regis TIC 01297 442138
- 02-04 Scything Weekend** Monkton Wyld Court, Nr. Charmouth. With Simon Fairlie 01297 560342 [www.monktonwyldcourt.co.uk](http://www.monktonwyldcourt.co.uk)
- 02-04 Martinstown Flower Festival 'Water of Life'** St Martin's Church, Martinstown nr Dorchester, 11am to 6pm (Sunday 12-6). Displays and refreshments. On Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Wessex Women – a capella concert at 7pm 01305 889466
- 03 Celebrity Concert by "Impromptu"** St Mary's Church, Puddletown, 7.30pm. Wine & light refreshments. Tickets £7. Impromptu is a Women's Choir from Surrey - finalists in BBC Radio 3's Choir of the Year competition in 2008. 01305 848161 / 01305 848510
- 03 Craft & Country Garden Market** Church Hall, Digby Road, Sherborne, 10am - 4pm 01749 677049
- 03 Show of Hands Summer Family Concert** Abbotsbury Sub-Tropical Gardens, 3pm - 9pm 01305 871130 [www.abbotsbury-tourism.co.uk](http://www.abbotsbury-tourism.co.uk)
- 03 Ramblers Walk on Eggardon Hill** Meet Shatcombe Lane Car Park, Eggardon Hill GR 550948, 10am. A 6 mile walk following the course of the Roman road to Spyway. 01935 426842
- 03 Armed Forces Day Commemoration** North Square, Dorchester. 1.15pm march from North Square to Borough Gardens via South Street followed by a Commemoration service at 2pm
- 03 Harvest Moon perform at Powerstock Summer Concert** Powerstock Hut, Powerstock, 7.30pm. Tickets £5 from the Three Horseshoes and Marquis of Lorne Inns – proceeds in aid of church repairs.
- 03 Rock Around The Coast - Walk** Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre (SY 365 931) Meet at the Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre at 9.30 for a 7 mile (strenuous) walk to West Bay. Bring a packed lunch. 01929 552740 [www.walks@jurassiccoast.com](http://www.walks@jurassiccoast.com)
- 03 Summer Concert** St Mary's Church, Frampton, 7pm. "Geoffrey and Friends" singing Irving Berlin. Tickets £6 to include a glass of wine. 01300 320029 / 01300 320116
- 03 Charmouth Challenge and Fun Run** Charmouth, Dorset Tel: 01297 560341 [www.charmouthchallenge.co.uk](http://www.charmouthchallenge.co.uk)
- 03 A Musical Evening and Hog Roast** Sherborne Girls School, 6pm - 10pm. Music by Ringwood Pipe Band, Teresa De Roberto and Sherborne Town Band. Tickets £10 (including hog roast) - from Sherborne TIC. 01935 815341. Supporting Help for Heroes
- 03 Bridport Charter Fair** Asker Meadows, Bridport Free entertainment, craft stalls, arts, charity stalls and new for this year Danter's Fun Fair in South Street and a demonstration of traditional rope making in the Borough Gardens 01308 423767 [a.c.woodgate@btinternet.com](mailto:a.c.woodgate@btinternet.com)
- 03 Cerne Abbas Church Fete and Hog Roast** The Vicarage, Cerne Abbas, 12.30pm. Entry £1. Novelty dog show, children's games, tug-o-war, tombola, competitions, cakes and many stalls
- 03-04 Three Garden Safari** Long Bredy, Saturday 12-7pm, Sunday 12-5pm. Visit the gardens at Pitcombe, Bellamont and Whatcombe House. Lunch and tea available both days (hog roast for Sunday lunch). Sundowner at Whatcombe House on Saturday. Spot the animal game for children, raffle, tombola and stalls. Entry £3 per adult.
- 03-04 Dorset Medieval Festival** Winterborne Came nr Dorchester, Sat 10am - 6pm, Sun 10am - 5pm. Jousting tournaments, archery, cannon fire, jesters, Living History Encampment, Hog Roast & Medieval Market. Tickets adults £10, under 16s £6, Family ( 2+2 ) £28 from Dorchester TIC 01305 267992 [www.dorsetmedievalfestival.co.uk](http://www.dorsetmedievalfestival.co.uk)
- 03-04 Corscombe Open Gardens and Cream Teas** Corscombe Village - map available from the Village Hall, 1.30pm - 5.30pm. A range of gardens open from small cottage style gardens to large informal gardens. Plant stalls and teas available along the route. 01935 891415 [henryandrosemay@btinternet.com](mailto:henryandrosemay@btinternet.com)
- 04 Gardens for the Lifeboats and Lifeguards - Minterne Gardens** Minterne Magna, Dorchester, 10am - 6pm Admission Adult £4, accompanied children free 01300 341370
- 04 Muddy Wellies Day** Kingcombe Centre, Toller Porcorum, 10.30am - 4pm. Free refreshments 01300 320684 Email:- [davinahansford@kingcombecentre.org.uk](mailto:davinahansford@kingcombecentre.org.uk)
- 04 Swingtime in the Gardens** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, from 12.00 noon. Just Friends, Purbeck Big Band and The Mill Street Jazz Band. Collection/raffle in aid of Leukaemia Research & Fortuneswell Cancer Trust. Free. Bring a picnic. 01305 263005
- 04 Wessex Military Band and Dorchester Big Band** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 2.30pm
- 04 Beaminster Open Gardens** 2pm - 5pm - tickets available from Beaminster Square £2 per person. A number of private gardens open plus tea and community day with entertainment in the playing fields. In aid of Weldmar HospiceCare 01305 215315
- 04 Sutton Poyntz Victorian Street Fayre** Sutton Poyntz, nr. Weymouth. A day of family fun with craft stalls, live music, entertainment, refreshments, farmer's market, fun dog show and charity auction. 01305 832400 [www.sutton-poyntz.co.uk](http://www.sutton-poyntz.co.uk)
- 04 The John Wells Classic Motorcycle Run** Loders Arms, Loders, Bridport Road run and barbecue. Sign on at 9.30am - bikes leave at 10.30am prompt. Fee in aid of Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance. 01308 423788
- 04 Beaminster Festival Family Fun Day** Memorial Playing Fields, Beaminster, 2pm – 5pm. Entrance free. Brass band, dancing, fire engine, teas, juggling, Bridport Gig Rowers, dog agility and much much more!
- 04-09 Garden Work Week** Monkton Wyld Court, Nr. Charmouth Spend a week alongside our gardeners in the organically managed Victorian walled kitchen garden and grounds. 01297 560342 [www.monktonwyldcourt.co.uk](http://www.monktonwyldcourt.co.uk)
- 05 Sherborne U3A Open Morning** Marquee behind Sherborne Girls' School, Bradford Road, Sherborne, 10am - 12 midday.
- 06 Music By The Sea** Marine Parade, Lyme Regis, 8pm. Concert with Lyme Regis Town Band. [www.lymeregistownband.co.uk](http://www.lymeregistownband.co.uk)
- 07 Yetties Music Night** Weavers Club, Westbury, Sherborne, 8pm. Tickets £6 01935 814667 [www.theyetties.co.uk](http://www.theyetties.co.uk)
- 08 Diabetes UK West Dorset Support Group - First Aid** Dorchester Community Church Hall, Ackland Road, Dorchester, 7pm

- 08 **Enter The Vaults: Art** Dorset County Museum, Dorchester, 11am. Come and enjoy a behind the scenes guided tour of Dorset County Museum's Art Collection. Tickets £6.50 to be booked in advance from the museum. 01305 262735
- 09 **Orfeo - Ed Euridice** Dorset County Museum, 7.30pm. Fully staged with dance. Tickets £12 from Dorchester TIC 01305 267992 / 01258 456596 [www.dorsetproductions.com](http://www.dorsetproductions.com)
- 09 **Music at Plush** St John's Church, Plush Manor, 7.30pm. Plush 6: Merel Quartet. Tickets £16 [www.musicatplush.net](http://www.musicatplush.net)
- 10 **Limehouse Lizzy - The Legends Return to Lyme** Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, Lyme Regis, doors open 8pm; Tickets £12.00 available from Lyme Regis TIC (or £14.00 on door) 01297 442138
- 10 **Bride Valley Gardening Club - Flower and Produce Show** Puncknowle and Swyre Village Hall, 2pm. You are invited to view the exhibits produced by members, take part in judging and awarding points. 01308 482240 Email:- [secretary.bvgc@virgin.net](mailto:secretary.bvgc@virgin.net)
- 10 **Yeovilton Airday - 70th Anniversary** Royal Naval Air Station, Yeovilton. An extensive flying and static display. Gates open 9am. Saver tickets available from local TICs - £17 adult, £14 Senior, £5 children (2-15) 08445 781781 [www.yeoviltonairday.co.uk](http://www.yeoviltonairday.co.uk)
- 10 **Look What is Coming - Messy Church - " I am the True Vine"** Dorchester Baptist Church, Bridport Road, Dorchester, Dorset, 3-5pm. For all the family. .01305 262045 [www.dorchesterbc.org.uk](http://www.dorchesterbc.org.uk)
- 10 **Bag of Rats** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 3pm. Organised by Friends of Borough Gardens
- 10 **Dateline Antiques Fair** Church Hall, Digby Road, Sherborne, 9.30am - 4pm. Entrance £1 01963 370986
- 10 **The Quangle Wangle Choir** Maiden Newton Village Hall, 7.30pm 01305 814940 [www.qwchoir.co.uk](http://www.qwchoir.co.uk)
- 10 **Dorchester Poverty Action Group Coffee Morning** United Church, 49 - 51 South Street, Dorchester, 10 am - 12 noon. Raising money for new project to help families make ends meet. Free admission. Stalls and raffle. 01305 260959
- 10 **Sydling St Nicholas Fete** Village Green, Sydling St Nicholas, 2.30 - 5pm. Teas, cakes, Pimms and Real Ale, vintage tractor display and much more. Prize Draw 01300 341618
- 10 **Concert by Sine Nomine Singers** Church of Our Lady and St. Ignatius, Chideock (interval in the Manor Gardens) 7pm. Tickets £12 including a glass of wine. Available in advance only from Bridport TIC or Bridport Music 01308 424901 / 01308 488348 / 01297 489672 [www.chideockmartyrschurch.org.uk](http://www.chideockmartyrschurch.org.uk)
- 10 **Yetminster Fair** High Street, Yetminster, starts 1pm. Yetminster Fair is one of the oldest in Dorset and dates back to the 13th century. This year's fair will have over 100 stalls, plus music, dancing, children's entertainment, refreshments etc followed by a concert by the Yetties at 8pm. 01935 873719 / 01935 872940
- 10 **Makers' Market at Eype** Eype Centre for the Arts, St. Peter's Church, Eype, Bridport, 10am - 4pm. Popular community market for local makers, growers, cooks and artists. Any money raised goes to The Wallbridge Trust.01308 424321 [www.highwayfarm.co.uk](http://www.highwayfarm.co.uk)
- 10 **Rock Around the Coast Walk from West Bay to Abbotsbury** 9am – 5.30pm. Bring lunch. Booking essential on 01929 552740
- 11 **Bookfair at Kingston Lacy** Kingston Lacy House, Wimborne, 10.30am – 4.30pm. The fair is organised by the PBFA in conjunction with the National Trust. Admission to the book fair is free, but normal venue charges apply. 01305 263151 [www.pbfa.org](http://www.pbfa.org)
- 11 **Garden Party** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 2-6pm. Organised by the Rotary Clubs of Dorchester
- 11 **Family Fun Day** The Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 12noon – 6pm. Rotary says thank you to the people of Dorchester & Villages for their support for the Haiti appeal. Bring a picnic. Live music from 2pm
- 11 **Maiden Newton Open Gardens** Maiden Newton Village Hall, 11.30am - 5.30pm. Adults £2.50. Accompanied children free. Various stalls and cream teas. A Friends of St Mary's Church Event. 01300 320752
- 11 **Music at Plush** St John's Church, Plush Manor, 7.30pm. Plush 7: Kuss Quartet Starts. Tickets £16 [www.musicatplush.net](http://www.musicatplush.net)
- 11 **Taster Session' Lyme Regis Gig Club** The Cobb, Lyme Regis
- 11 **Sunday Afternoon Concert - Lyme Regis Town Band** Marine Parade, Lyme Regis, 2.30pm [www.lymeregistownband.co.uk](http://www.lymeregistownband.co.uk)
- 11 **Abbotsbury Village Fete** Rodden Row Car Park, 11.30am-4.30pm. Lots of entertainment including the Police Dog Display Team.
- 11 & 25 **Cream Tea and Poetry** The Old Tea House, 44 High West Street, Dorchester. 2nd and last Sunday of the month. 4 - 5.30pm Poetry workshop and scrumptious Cream Tea in the Hardy Room upstairs. £6.50 per person 01305 263719
- 12-14 **Alice in Wonderland** The Gryphon School, Bristol Road, Sherborne. A theatrical tour through Wonderland – 23 Alices, 3 Mad Hatters, 2 Queen of Hearts .... and a lot of fun! Three start times – 7pm, 7.30pm and 8pm. Tickets/info from 01935 810103
- 13 **Music By The Sea- Lyme Regis Town Band** Marine Parade, Lyme Regis, 8pm [www.lymeregistownband.co.uk](http://www.lymeregistownband.co.uk)
- 13 **John Jones and the Reluctant Ramblers** Comrades Hall, Broadwindsor, doors open 7.30pm. John Jones of Oysterband is joined by special guests from Oysterband, The Imagined Village and Show of Hands at this special gig on the first night of The Reluctant Ramblers walk from Lyme Regis to the Larmer Tree Festival. 01308 867316 [www.myspace.com/johnjonesoyster](http://www.myspace.com/johnjonesoyster)
- 14 **West Dorset Ramblers Walk** Meet Bus Stop outside Jewsons, South St, Bridport, 10am. Join the Ramblers as they catch the 10.05am X53 to Chideock and enjoy an 8 mile walk to Freshwater. 01308 456191
- 14 **Highway Farm Workshop – “HONEY!”** Highway Farm, West Road, Bridport, 10am – 1pm. Learn about the remarkable powers of honey with Tania Cash. Cost £30 including materials. 01308 424321 [www.highwayfarm.co.uk](http://www.highwayfarm.co.uk)
- 15 **Highway Farm Workshop – Fancy voile flowers displayed in a framed picture** Highway Farm, West Road, Bridport, 10.30am – 4.30pm. Cost £35 plus charge for materials used. 01308 424321 [www.highwayfarm.co.uk](http://www.highwayfarm.co.uk)
- 15 **An illustrated talk and music with journalist and writer Travis Elborough** Eype Centre for the Arts, Nr. Bridport, 6.30pm. Tickets £7.50 to include a glass of wine – available from Bridport TIC 01308 424901
- 15 **Charity Auction in aid of Rotary Club of Dorchester Casterbridge** Kingston Maurward College, 7pm. Tickets £10 inc. buffet and glass of wine. Items to be auctioned include original oil painting, exclusive Dorset delicacies hamper and more. 07598 977027
- 16 **July Market at Broadmayne** St. Martin's Community Hall, Broadmayne, 2 - 3.30pm Produce, cakes, plants, craft, fair-trade goods, local sausages, children's books, library et. c Sylvia Dooley 01305 852886
- 16 **Moths at Monkton Wyld Court** Monkton Wyld Court, Nr. Charmouth. Setting up the traps with Alan Kennard. Evening event. 01297 445 659 [madannatt@btinternet.com](mailto:madannatt@btinternet.com)
- 16 **The Knicker Lady** The Corn Exchange, Dorchester, 8pm. Tickets £12 from Dorchester TIC 01305 267992. A hilarious romp through the history of the humble knicker! 01305 267992 [www.theknickerlady.co.uk](http://www.theknickerlady.co.uk)
- 16 **Historic Ship Balmoral returns to Bridport for 1 day only** West Bay. Balmoral sails from West Bay at 10am for a cruise along the Jurassic Coast. Book at Bridport TIC 01308 424901 or Lyme Regis TIC 01297 442138. [www.waverleyexcursions.co.uk](http://www.waverleyexcursions.co.uk)

- 16 - 18 **Tolpuddle Martyrs Festival** Tolpuddle, Nr Dorchester Free festival commemorating the bravery of the martyrs' struggle against poverty and authority, featuring a wide range of music and speakers including stand up comedy, poetry and family entertainment. The festival is free, but there are charges for parking and camping. 01305 424901 [www.tuc.org/tolpuddle](http://www.tuc.org/tolpuddle)
- 16 - 31 **The South Dorset Ridgeway Festival** Varied programme of performances, talks, workshops and guided walks. Explore the Ridgeway with poets, archaeologists, storytellers, artists and geologists for a very special experience. See website for full listings. .01305 228241 [www.dorsetaonb.org.uk/our-work/south-dorset-ridgeway/eventslisting/260-south-dorset-ridgeway-festival-html](http://www.dorsetaonb.org.uk/our-work/south-dorset-ridgeway/eventslisting/260-south-dorset-ridgeway-festival-html)
- 16 - 30 **Wednesday Art Group Annual Exhibition** Bridport TIC South St Window display by the Wednesday Art Group Paintings for sale. Shop opening hours 9am-5pm Monday – Saturday 01308 456845
- 17 **Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Show** Playing Field & Village Hall, Lyme Road, Uplyme, Lyme Regis
- 17 **John Ottway - The Legends Return to Lyme** Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, Lyme Regis, doors open 8pm; Tickets £12.00 available from Lyme Regis TIC (or £14.00 on door)01297 442138
- 17 **Beaminster Antiques & Collectables Fair** Public Hall, Fleet St, Beaminster, 9.30am – 4pm. .Meadow Fairs 01297 24446
- 17 **Dance** Uplyme Village Hall, Lyme Road, Uplyme, Lyme Regis, 8pm. Ballroom, Latin & some Sequence; Entry £4.00
- 17 **Dorchester Stamp and Coin Fair** United Church, 49 - 51 South Street, Dorchester, 10am - 4pm. All welcome. 01761 414304
- 17 **Moths at Monkton Wyld Court and Breakfast** Monkton Wyld Court, Nr. Charmouth Opening the traps with Alan Kennard. Morning event. 01297 445 659 [madannatt@btinternet.com](mailto:madannatt@btinternet.com)
- 17 **People and Wildlife Day** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 11am-3pm. Fully interactive and fun wildlife activities for all the family including competitions, treasure hunts and minibeast safaris. Free event. 01305 264620 [www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk](http://www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk)
- 17 **Lorton Meadows Open Day** Lorton Meadows Nature Reserve, 10-4pm 01305 816546 [mail@dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk](mailto:mail@dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk)
- 17 **Butterfly Walk** Lorton Meadows Nature Reserve, 2-4pm £1/person. A walk through the meadows to discover butterflies. No unaccompanied children 01305 816 546 [www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk](http://www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk)
- 17 **Dorset Wildlife Trust** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 10-4pm
- 17 **Stoke Abbott Street Fair** Stoke Abbott Nr Beaminster. Starts with traditional 'Stoke Abbott Sick Club' parade at 1.45pm Fair starts from 2pm. New this year ' Fun Dog Show' Carparking £1 on road - free shuttle bus to village. 01308 867517
- 17 **New Orleans Jazz with Sunset Café Stompers** Powerstock Church, 6.45pm (bar opens 6pm). Tickets £8.50 - available from Bridport TIC 01308 424901
- 17 **Leigh Village Food Festival and Classic Car Show** Leigh Village Hall, 10am - 4pm. Sample all the best locally produced food and drink - and admire the cars of the past. Adults £2, under 15s free. In aid of Leigh Village Hall 01935 873846
- 17 **Seaton Tramway Barbeque & Jazz Night** Colyton Station, colyton, 7.30pm – 10.30pm. 01297 20375 552717
- 17 **Weldmar Hospicecare Summer Fete** Joseph Weld Hospice, Herringston Road, Dorchester, 11 am – 4pm. Celebrity guest Martin Clunes. Entertainment, stalls, silent auction, summer raffle, grand tombola, barbeque, refreshments. 01305 215315
- 17 **Beaminster St. Mary's School Grand Summer Fair** 2pm to 4.30pm with barbeque, car book sale and grand summer raffle.
- 18 **Peco Open Garden Day for Charity** Pecorama at Beer (East Devon) Free entry to the Gardens and Model railway Exhibition (charges for other attractions). Donations welcome to participating charities.01297 21542 [www.peco-uk.com](http://www.peco-uk.com)
- 18 **Classics at the Castle (Classic Cars)** Sherborne Castle, 10am - 4pm. Over 1,000 vehicles plus veteran and classic car tours, displays, trade and club stands, autojumble, crafts and children's entertainment. 01935 474630 [www.sherbornecastle.com](http://www.sherbornecastle.com)
- 18 **Blue Light Day at Sherborne Police Station** Sherborne Police Station, Digby Road, Sherborne, 10am - 4pm. A free event - with the Fire Brigade, St. John's Ambulance, Sherborne Museum and Midwest Radio in attendance plus stalls, games and refreshments.01305 229534 [www.dorset.police.uk](http://www.dorset.police.uk)
- 18 **Durnovaria Silver Band** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 2pm
- 18 **Steam train in Sherborne** Sherborne station, 11:45am. Steam engine "Tangmere" calls in at Sherborne on its journey from Waterloo to London and then down to Weymouth.Steam Dreams 01483 209888 [www.cathedralsexpress.co.uk](http://www.cathedralsexpress.co.uk)
- 19 **Bride Valley Gardening Club** Puncknowle and Swyre Village Hall, 7.30pm. Guide to selecting, growing and pruning top fruit by an expert from Castle Gardens. Members free, visitors £2. 01308 482240 Email:- [secretary.bvgc@virgin.net](mailto:secretary.bvgc@virgin.net)
- 20 **Dorset Archaeological Days - Dorchester Roman Aqueduct** Poundbury Hillfort, 11am. See the site in a new way with Steve Wallis of DCC following recent access improvements. 1½ hours. Prior booking essential. £3 in advance, £5 on day.01305 224921 / 01305 225117 [www.dorsetforyou.com](http://www.dorsetforyou.com)
- 20 **Music By The Sea – Lyme Regis Town Band** Marine Parade Shelters, Lyme Regis, 8pm [www.lymeregistownband.co.uk](http://www.lymeregistownband.co.uk)
- 21 **Vineyards Annual Wine Fair** Sherborne Castle, 5-9pm. In aid of Help for Heroes. More than 250 wines, champagnes and spirits to sample and order plus local food stalls and entertainment from Cabernet Six Jazz Band Entry by ticket only 01935 815544 [www.sherborne-vineyards.co.uk](http://www.sherborne-vineyards.co.uk)
- 21 **Jazz Jam Night** Three Compasses, Charminster. Resident Trio, All musicians and audience welcome. 01305 263618
- 21 **Wednesday Conservation Task** Lorton Meadows Nature Reserve, 10-2pm. Practical conservation task to restore the habitats important for local wildlife. Tools, gloves and drinks supplied.01305 816 546 [www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk](http://www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk)
- 21 **Highway Farm Workshop – Fairy Sculptures** Highway Farm, West Road, Bridport, 10am – 1pm. Workshop with Tania Cash. Cost £30 including materials. 01308 424321 [www.highwayfarm.co.uk](http://www.highwayfarm.co.uk)
- 22 **Highway Farm Workshop – introduction to feltmaking and fibres landscapes with Dennie Rose** Highway Farm, West Road, Bridport, 10.30am – 4.30pm. Cost £35 plus fibres at cost. 01308 424321 [www.highwayfarm.co.uk](http://www.highwayfarm.co.uk)
- 23 **Music on the Pitch - Ben Waters Band** Ivel Barbarians Rugby Club, Dorchester Road, Yeovil Gates open 6pm. Open air concert with Ben Waters Band and The Rogue Dolls. Tickets £14 in advance (under 16s £7) available from Sherborne TIC 01935 815341 [www.musiconthepitch.co.uk](http://www.musiconthepitch.co.uk)
- 23 **Auction of Promises** Dorset County Museum, Dorchester, 7.30pm £5 entry. 01305 262735
- 24 **Street Fair** West Stafford, 12pm. Hand-made cards and gifts, produce and more. 01305 260004 [anna-butler@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:anna-butler@hotmail.co.uk).
- 24 **Music on the Pitch - Abba Rival** Ivel Barbarians Rugby Club, Dorchester Road, Yeovil Gates open 6pm. Open air concert with tribute band ABBA Rival plus Stress. Tickets £12 in advance (under 16s £6) available from Sherborne TIC 01935 815341 [www.musiconthepitch.co.uk](http://www.musiconthepitch.co.uk)
- 24 **Summer Fair** Dorset County Museum, Dorchester, 10am. Lots of fun for all the family in the Victorian Hall. Free entry. Stalls and raffle, plants, games, books and bric a brac & Treasure hunt 01305 262735


- 24 **Fast Company** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 2.30pm
- 24 **Bridport Bee-Fest 2010** Bridport Football Ground, Brewery Fields, Bridport, 1pm - 11pm. Live music from Pronghorn, Hightown Crows, Shelby's Elbows, Patchwork Mammoth and Skank Tank plus children's entertainment and family activities throughout the day. Beer tent and barbeque. [www.beefest.co.uk](http://www.beefest.co.uk)
- 24 -1/8 **19th Thomas Hardy Conference.** The United Church, South Street, Dorchester. 170th anniversary of Hardy's Birth. Booking forms available from The Thomas Hardy Society, c/o Dorset County Museum, High West Street, Dorchester, Dorset DT1 1XA 01305 251501/ 01305 837331 [info@hardysociety.org](mailto:info@hardysociety.org) [www.hardysociety.org](http://www.hardysociety.org)
- 24 - 31 **Lyme Regis Lifeboat Week** The Cobb, Lyme Regis A full week of events and activities in the town, in aid of RNLI 01297 442683
- 24 – 5/9 **" When we Were Very Young- revisiting Childhood" Summer Exhibition.** Beaminster Museum, Whitcombe Road, Beaminster, Tues,Thurs, Sat. 10.30 -12.30 & 2.30 - 4.30, Sunday 2.30 - 4.30. .01308 863577
- 25 **Branscombe Classic AirDay and Car Show** Branscombe Airfield, East Devon .01297 680259
- 25 **Teas at West Bay** The Salt House, Fisherman's Green, West Bay A tea afternoon organised by Bridport W.I.
- 25 **Durnovaria Silver Band** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 2pm
- 25 **Walk It - Ridgeway Charity Challenge** Smugglers Inn, Osmington Mills. 9.00 am start. Walk or run the amazing coast to coast South Dorset Ridgeway and support The British Heart Foundation. Enjoy 17 or 7 miles the choice is yours. Registration Fee £5, under 12s free. Includes medal and Park and ride. £10 minimum sponsorship 01892 893918 [www.bhf.org.uk/ridgewaychallenge](http://www.bhf.org.uk/ridgewaychallenge)
- 25 **Music on the Pitch - Family Fun Day** Ivel Barbarians Rugby Club, Dorchester Road, Yeovil 12 noon to 6pm. Family fun day plus live music with Stereoironics, fiver and Diva Lea. Entry £5 - under 16s free.01935 815341 [www.musiconthepitch.co.uk](http://www.musiconthepitch.co.uk)
- 25 **Sculpture on the Beach** Eype Beach, Nr. Bridport, 11am-3pm. Register, grab a flag and sculpt what you like from the things you find on the beach – stones, seaweed, driftwood, pebbles etc etc – or just come and watch! Judging at 4pm £3 registration fee per entry. 01308 424204
- 25 **Triathlon - Sherborne School Sports Centre** Sherborne School, Abbey Road, Sherborne Open to all ages. Distances are 500m swim, 20km cycle and 5km run. Cost £20 per person.01935 810548 [acox@sherborne.org](mailto:acox@sherborne.org)
- 25 **Summer Fayre** Blackdown House signposted off B3165 Crewkerne-Lyme Regis Road Gardens Open by kind permission of Mr D Parkes - pony rides, plant stalls, teas on the Terrace, etc etc. In Aid of The Three Churches 01305 868083 / 01460 30661
- 25 **Taster Session - Lyme Regis Gig Club** The Cobb, Lyme Regis
- 25 **Lyme Regis Art Group Exhibition and Sale** Marine Parade Shelters, Lyme Regis, 10am to 5pm
- 25 **Concert & RNLI 'Songs Of Praise'** Marine Parade Shelters, Lyme Regis, 2.30pm. Presented by Lyme Regis Churches with the Lyme Regis Town Band playing. All welcome.
- 25 **Monthly Tea Meeting** Bethany Chapel, Coombe Street, Lyme Regis, 4pm. Conducted by United Beach Mission Team. . Followed by a delicious full Sunday tea. 01297 443210
- 25 **Lyme Regis Town Criers Competition** on top of the Marine Parade Shelters, Lyme Regis, midday. Competition for the perpetual Fossil Trophy, featuring Town Criers from South West England.
- 25 **Bridport Vintage Market** Situated within the Art and Vintage Quarter of Bridport, St. Michael's Trading Estate, 12-4pm.
- 26 **" Biological Evidence For Climate Change"** United Church Hall, East Street, Bridport, 8pm. Guest lecture by Professor Sir Ghillean Prance FRS, Scientific Director of the Eden Project & Former Director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. A Golden Cap Centre presentation. All welcome 01308 863577
- 26 **West Dorset Ramblers Walk** Meet at Trinity Way, Bridport (SY480945), 10am. Join the Ramblers as they enjoy an 7 mile walk to Walditch. 01308 424000
- 26,29,30 **Dorchester Town Walks** Town Pump, South Street, Dorchester, 2.30pm. Hear about the Bloody Assizes, Judge Jefferys, The Tolpuddle Martyrs, The Elephant Man and Sir Frederick Treves. Adults £4.00
- 27 **U3A - A Pensioners Adventure On The Amazon** Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, Lyme Regis, 7.30pm.A talk by Joyce West.
- 27 **Music By The Sea – Lyme Regis Town Band** Marine Parade Shelters, Lyme Regis, 8pm. [www.lymeregistownband.co.uk](http://www.lymeregistownband.co.uk)
- 27-29 **New Forest & Hampshire County Show** The Showground, New Park, Brockenhurst, Hampshire. Tickets Adult £12.80. SC £12.00, Family £32, Child £4.80 from Dorchester T I C 01305 26799201590 622409 [www.newforestshow.co.uk](http://www.newforestshow.co.uk)
- 28 **D'Arcy Trinkwon - International Concert Pianist** St Michae'l's Church, Chruch Street, - Lyme Regis, 7.30pm; Proceeds to The Organ Appeal & RNLI. Tickets £10/£8; Child £5 from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre 01297 442138
- 28 **A Celebration of Love parks Week** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 10am-4pm Dorset Wildlife Trust, Action Van, Punch and Judy, (12noon & 2pm), Mill Street Jazz Band 12.30-2pm
- 28 **PACT Public Meetings** Dorford Centre, Dorchester - Coffee Lounge, 7pm. Meet your PACT panel and vote on the issues that you would like the police and partner agencies to tackle in your neighbourhood.01305 222222 / 07500816287 [www.dorset.police.uk](http://www.dorset.police.uk)
- 29 **My Life, My Death, My Choice** Old Ship Inn, Upwey, Nr Weymouth, 7.45pm for 8pm talk A discussion on assisted dying. Free but suggested donation of £2. 07921 311518 [westdorsethumanists@hotmail.com](mailto:westdorsethumanists@hotmail.com)
- 29 **Ramblers Walk from Beaminster** Meet Yarn Barton Car Park, Beaminster, 10am. A 5 mile walk via Stoke Abbott and Netherbury. 01460 78182
- 29 **Raft Race (RNLI) at West Bay** West Bay, Bridport, 6.30pm for 7.30pm. Come and watch home made rafts race (and sink!) down the River Brit. Tel. 01308 427212 for more details or to register your own team (by 23<sup>rd</sup> July). [www.rnli.org.uk](http://www.rnli.org.uk)
- 30-1/8 **Camp Bestival** Lulworth Castle, Lulworth A cracking family festival at a castle by the sea. Arts and entertainment, live music, weekend camping tickets. 08448884410 [www.campbestival.net](http://www.campbestival.net)
- 31 **Craft & Country Garden Market** Church Hall, Digby Road, Sherborne, 10am - 4pm 01749 677049
- 31 **Dance** Uplyme Village Hall, Lyme Road, Uplyme, Lyme Regis, 8pm. Ballroom, Latin & some Sequence. Entry £4.00
- 31 **Cheddington Street Fair** Cheddington, 12 - 5pm. Live music, tombola, barbeque, ice cream, raffle books, crafts, games and activities, toy tombola, beer tent, wine tasting etc! Adults 50p. Free parking. 01935 891891
- 31 **The Boogie Men** Borough Gardens, Dorchester, 2pm
- 31 **Nurture Day** Self Realization Meditation Healing Centre, Queen Camel, Nr Sherborne. Refresh, revitalise and restore your whole being in beautiful and peaceful surroundings. Cost £48 inc lunch/refreshments.01935 850266 [www.selfrealizationcentres.org](http://www.selfrealizationcentres.org)
- 31 **Puncknowle Manor Garden Fete** Puncknowle, Nr Bridport, 2.30pm. Garden Fete with a wide range of exciting events and acvtiities including cakes, bottles, bric-a-brac, Punch & Judy, coconut shy and grand draw. Adults 50p. 01308 898068

<b>MARINE THEATRE</b>	<p>2-4 July            Lyme Regis Jazz Festival            9 July                William Shakespeare's 'The Rape Of Lucrece'            15-16 July        Lyme Regis Pantomime Society - Showstoppers            17 July                Bill Giles' Weather Show            18-24 July        Cabaret Chordelia            23-24 July        Edinburgh Preview Comedy Nights            28 July – 29 Aug    Shanty Theatre Company 'A Rats Tale'</p> <p>Daytime classes &amp; activities including Ballroom Dancing, Pilates and Over 50s Fun &amp; Fitness – for full details 01297 442394</p> <p><b>Marine Theatre Box Office: 01297 442138 (Lyme Regis TIC)</b></p>	 <p><a href="http://www.marinetheatre.com">www.marinetheatre.com</a></p>
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<b>ELECTRIC PALACE</b>	<p><b>World Cup Football at the Electric Palace</b>  <i>Tickets to watch the FIFA World Cup are free and can be collected from Bridport Tourist Information Centre.            Doors open an hour before kick off. Maximum capacity of 400, great atmosphere!</i></p> <p><b>2 July – Los Albertos with support from Papa La Gal</b>  <i>Tickets £12 from Bridport Tourist Information Centre</i></p> <p><b>Electric Palace Box Office: 01308 424901 (Bridport TIC)</b></p>	 <p><a href="http://www.electricpalace.org.uk">www.electricpalace.org.uk</a></p>
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<b>SPECIAL INTEREST</b>	<p>The <b>Dorset County Museum</b> and the <b>Dorset Natural History and Archaeological Society</b> host a programme of events, including lectures, study days and concerts. Tel: 01305 262735 <a href="http://www.dorsetcountymuseum.org">www.dorsetcountymuseum.org</a></p> <p><b>Sherborne Science Café</b> has a programme of presentations, talks and meetings and provides a forum to discuss all aspects of science. <a href="http://www.sherbornesciencecafe.co.uk">www.sherbornesciencecafe.co.uk</a></p> <p>The <b>Dorset Wildlife Trust</b> runs a programme of walks, talks, workshops, workparties and other wildlife events. Tel: 01305 264620. <a href="http://www.dorsetwildlife.co.uk">www.dorsetwildlife.co.uk</a></p> <p>The <b>Sherborne Historical Society</b> organises a programme of lectures by noted historians and summer field trips. Tel: 01963 364075.</p> <p>For details of gardens open under the <b>National Gardens Scheme</b> please pick up a copy of the Dorset Yellow Book from any of our Tourist Information Centres or see <a href="http://www.ngs.org.uk">www.ngs.org.uk</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>There are many other special interest clubs, societies and groups across West Dorset – for a full list see <a href="http://www.dorsetforyou.com">www.dorsetforyou.com</a> or contact your local TIC.</i></p>
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<b>AUGUST</b>	<p><b>Coming up next month...</b></p> <p>7 – 13 August        <b>Marine Week, Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre</b>            7 – 15 August        <b>Lyme Regis Regatta and Carnival Week</b>            21 August            <b>Bridport Carnival</b>            26 August            <b>Melplash Show, Bridport</b></p>
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