

COCKERMOUTH SUMMER FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

June ~ July ~ August 2007

From the Children's Carnival to the Agricultural Show
Events for all the family

*Art, Concerts, Drama, Film, Music, Exhibitions,
Demonstrations, Children's Shows, Story Telling*

WELCOME

A message from the Town Mayor

It is my real pleasure to welcome all visitors & residents to another very special Cockermouth Summer Festival, spanning the Children's Carnival in June until the Agricultural Show at the beginning of August. As you will see, this year's programme truly has something for everyone!

And Cockermouth has so much more to offer. From gaining our market charter in 1221, through the medieval hiring fairs, right up to the present day, Cockermouth has always been a wonderful place to meet and enjoy life, from the wealth of pubs serving the best beer in Cumbria (including Jennings, brewed in town), the variety of award-winning restaurants catering for all tastes, the range of special, individual shops offering the personal touch, to the peace and tranquility of the many wonderful riverside walks. The Town Trail (available from the TIC) provides a great way to explore all the nooks and crannies, and to learn about some of our other famous sons - John Dalton, Fletcher Christian, Fearon Fallows as well as William (& Dorothy) Wordsworth - all featured in our very enjoyable Georgian Fair, to be held again on May 3rd, 2008.

Returning to the Festival, I would like to thank Town Clerk David Bertram, Nigel Sidaway (Solway Arts), Bob Pritchard (Kirkgate Centre), the Tourist Information Centre staff, Chris George (programme), Alan Tyson (publicity) and everyone who is organising an event or providing demonstrations - it is really very much appreciated.

I am sure that whether you come from near or far, you will find something to enjoy in our Festival Programme and in Cockermouth itself. You are most welcome!

Councillor Sam Standage

SPECIAL DAY EVENTS

Saturday 16 June

Cockermouth Carnival Committee presents

COCKERMOUTH CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL

A fun day for the whole family!!

Carnival Float Judging from 12.30, Procession from South Street around town to Memorial Gardens, commencing 1.00pm. Funfair and stalls on Memorial Gardens.

Free, donations invited for Carnival funds

Friday - Saturday, 29 - 30 June

WOOLFEST 2007 - Celebrating Nature's Finest Fibres

Mitchell's Lakeland Livestock Centre, 10.00am to 5.00pm

A national show, featuring a great range of stands, exhibitors and workshops. Call 016974 78707 for more information.

FRIDAY 5.00 - 7.00pm: HOG ROAST - Must be booked

7.00 - 9.30pm: SPIN-IN - Bring your wheel!

£5 ea day, accompanied children FREE www.woolfest.co.uk

Saturday - Sunday, 30 June - 1 July

Fairfield Junior School

ART FESTIVAL

Fairfield Junior School, Gallowbarrow,

10.00am - 5.00pm Sat; 11.00am - 3pm Sun

Featuring a wide range of art & work by local artists. Open to the public.

Saturday 7 July & 4 August

Made In Cumbria FOOD & CRAFT MARKET

Market Place, 9.30am - 2.30pm

The finest local produce, set in our historic Market Place.

Saturday, 14 July

Organised by the Reef & King's Church

WOW!!! Day @ URC, 11.00am - 4.00pm

Fun-filled activities for children & young people, including bouncy castle, craft activities, sumo suits and the rodeo bull!

Free

Saturday, 21 July www.ckermouthrockfestival.com

COCKROCK 2007!

Wellington Farm (nr Lakeland Livestock Centre), 12.00pm - 12.00am

Cockermouth's very own Rock Festival - loud & proud!

£10 (£5) from Hunters, Billy Bowman or ticket hotline: 01900 826560

Saturday 4 August

Cockermouth Agricultural Society

COCKERMOUTH AGRICULTURAL SHOW

Fitz Fields, from 10.00am

The traditional Show, with animals, machinery, crafts, vintage cars & engines, Cumberland & Westmorland wrestling, a band & children's entertainment - a wonderful family day out!

£4 (£2)

MUSIC, DRAMA

Saturday 23 June

The Kirkgate Centre: WORLD ON YOUR DOORSTEP

ASERE (Cuba)

Kirkgate Centre, 8.00pm

This hot young Cuban 7-piece band offer an unmissable night of Cuban musical passion - dance space provided (essential!)

£14 (£5 - u18s) from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Sunday 24 June

Nova Cantica - www.novacantica.co.uk

SUMMER CONCERT

St Bega's, Bassenthwaite, 8.00pm

A concert in aid of the Credo Appeal

£6.50 from Nova Cantica members or Peter Lingard (017687 75358)

Wednesday ~ Saturday, 27 ~ 30 June

Cockermouth Amateur Dramatic Society

THE DRESSER by Ronald Harwood

Kirkgate Centre, 8.00pm

Set during the Blitz, this is a superb portrait of a great Actor/Manager at the end of his career, still performing Lear as the bombs drop outside.

£7 (£5) from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Saturday 30 June

Cockermouth Harmonic Society

FESTIVAL CONCERT

All Saints Church, 7.30pm

Featuring Elgar's Songs from the Bavarian Highlands, Moeran's Songs of Springtime, Vaughan Williams Songs of Travel plus vocal solo & piano duets.

£10.00/£8.00 (£2 for students) from Billy Bowman's, Percy House Gallery or on the door. Call 01900 829812 for more details.

Saturday 30 June

Promoted by Cockermouth Town Council, Cockermouth Civic Trust & Solway Arts

EYMS BRASS BAND

United Reform Church, 8.00pm

A welcome return to one of the country's top brass bands.

£8.00 (£6.50 Solway Arts/Snrs, £4.00 U18s) from TIC, KC & Billy Bowman's

Saturday 7 July

The Kirkgate Centre: WORLD ON YOUR DOORSTEP

THE EDUARDO NIEBLA EXPERIENCE

Kirkgate Centre, 8.00pm

A spellbinding mixture of flamenco & modern jazz, bursting with obvious passion & verve - not to be missed!

£12.50 (£5) from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Friday 13 July

A Kirkgate Centre Family Friendly event

STRIDING EDGE Ceilidh Band - BORROWDALE JOHNNY

Kirkgate Centre, 7.30pm

A first half concert of original songs & music from this well respected Cumbrian band, followed by a lively ceilidh - with caller

£7.50 (£5), Family £20, from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Sunday 22 July

Nova Cantica - www.novacantica.co.uk

SUMMER CONCERT

St Cuthbert's, Embleton, 7.45pm

An annual concert, with wine & nibbles

£6.50 from Nova Cantica members or Douglas (017687 76375)

Wednesday 25 July

Promoted by Cockermouth Town Council, Solway Arts & the Kirkgate Centre

FANNY HILL or Memoirs of a Woman of Pleasure!

Kirkgate Centre, 8pm

A bawdy romp in 18th Century costume, chronicling the life of 'the most famous whore in Christendom' - often hilarious, but with a poignant ending. There is no nudity or four letter words.

£7 (£6 - Solway Arts, Kirkgate members & Seniors; £5 u18) from TIC, KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Friday 27 July

Promoted by Cockermouth Town Council, Solway Arts & the Kirkgate Centre

TJ JOHNSON'S JAZZ & BLUES BAND

Kirkgate Centre, 8pm

A welcome return (by popular demand!) for the dynamic, young band leader, blues pianist & vocalist, plus the finest young musicians.

£7.50 (£6 - Solway Arts, Kirkgate members & Seniors; £5 u18) from TIC, KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

STORYTELLING

Sunday, 8 July

Promoted by Cockermouth Town Council & Solway Arts

STORYTELLING EVENING

Victoria Hall, 8.00pm

A superb evening of all-round entertainment, with special storyteller Billy Teare (Ireland) and Shonaleigh. Billy specialises in stories drawn from the ancient Celtic Kingdoms, and Shonaleigh is a Drut'syla, a storyteller from the Yiddish tradition.

Free, tickets from TIC, or just turn up!

Friday, 6 July + Monday - Wednesday, 9 - 11 July

STORYTELLING IN SCHOOLS

FILM

Monday 18 June

LETTERS FROM IWO JIMA (15)

Clint Eastwood's moving & intelligent study of the madness & sadness of war, beautifully filmed & acted, based on real-life correspondence.

Kirkgate Centre, 8.00pm

£4.50 (£3.50) from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Monday 25 June

BAMAKO (PG)

The First World is put on trial for its exploitation of the African nations, taking place in a makeshift outdoor people's court - unique & insightful.

Kirkgate Centre, 8.00pm

£4.50 (£3.50) from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Monday 2 July

IRAQ IN FRAGMENTS (No Cert.)

Multi-award-winning documentary about three diverse tales of life in Iraq today - an intimate, fascinating & moving portrait of ordinary people.

Kirkgate Centre, 8.00pm

£4.50 (£3.50) from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Monday 9 July

BECOMING JANE (PG)

Classy period romance based on speculation that as a young woman, Jane Austen found love with an arrogant young lawyer. With Anne Hathaway, James McAvoy, plus Julie Walters & Maggie Smith - Be sure to book early!

Kirkgate Centre, 8.00pm

£4.50 (£3.50) from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Monday 16 July

DAYS OF GLORY (INDIGÈNES) (12A)

Four North African Muslims enlist in the French army during WWII, even though they have never been to France. Deeply moving, Oscar nominated.

Kirkgate Centre, 8.00pm

£4.50 (£3.50) from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Monday 23 July

THE LIVES OF OTHERS (15)

Winner - Best Foreign Language Oscar, a gripping & intelligent psychological thriller from an exciting new wave of German film-makers.

Kirkgate Centre, 8.00pm

£4.50 (£3.50) from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

Monday 30 July

THE PAINTED VEIL (12A)

A lavish adaptation of Somerset Maugham's 1920's set tale of love & cholera in colonial China. Naomi Watts & Edward Norton excel.

Kirkgate Centre, 8.00pm

£4.50 (£3.50) from KC & Billy Bowman's Music Shop

TOWN EVENTS

Promoted by Cockermouth Town Council, Solway Arts & the Kirkgate Centre

SATURDAY SHOWTIME

Main Street & around town from 10.30am

7 July	COCKERMOUTH MECHANICS BAND
14 July	BELFAGAN WOMEN'S MORRIS DANCING
21 July	CUMBERLAND HOTSHOTS JAZZ BAND
28 July	BAYOU RHYTHM KINGS JAZZ BAND

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CHILDREN'S & FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

7 July	Victoria Hall, 10.15/11.30am	MARTINY'S MAGIC
21 July	URC, 10.30am	LEMPEN PUPPETS IN THE WILD
28 July	Victoria Hall, 10.30am/1.00pm	BEZERKAZ CIRCUS SKILLS
See also: Day Events: 14 July WOW!!! Day at URC		

OTHER EVENTS

Saturday 23 June

ALL SAINTS CHURCH - OPEN DAY

10.00am - 4.00pm

Open for light refreshments

Saturday 30 June

Cockermouth Committee of the Children's Society

OPEN GARDENS

1.00 - 5.00pm

Access to a wonderful variety of gardens around town. Teas available.

£3 to all gardens, from the Linden Tree or committee members

Sunday 1 July

ANNUAL CIVIC SERVICE

Christ Church, 9.45am

The Mayor of Cockermouth invites all residents and visitors to attend.

Thursday 12 July

AN EVENING WITH COCKERMOUTH SPEAKERS CLUB

Victoria Hall, 7.30pm

Come, listen and be hugely entertained - everyone welcome!

Free, including refreshments

Friday 13 July

AFRICAN EVENING

All Saints Church, 7.30pm

Including food, talks and safari demonstrations

Tickets from TIC & The Word Bookshop

VISITS & WALKS

COCKERMOUTH CASTLE

Guided Visits with Mary Bradbury

A very special opportunity - the Castle is only open during the Cockermouth Festival, by kind permission of Lady Egremont.

£2.00 from TIC only

LIMITED PLACES - EARLY BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Tuesday	3 July	2.30pm
Thursday	5 July	6.30pm
Tuesday	10 July	2.30pm
Thursday	12 July	6.30pm
Tuesday	17 July	6.30pm
Thursday	19 July	2.30pm
Tuesday	24 July	2.30pm
Thursday	26 July	6.30pm

WEST CUMBERLAND HERITAGE WALKS

with Blue Badge Guide, Diana Stewart

starting from the TIC ~ £2.00

Wednesday	11 July	2.00pm
Wednesday	25 July	2.00pm

For more details, please call 016973 21999

WOOD HALL GARDENS

Open by appointment

£2.00 - phone 01900 823585 to book

TOWN HERITAGE TRAIL

A beautiful walk around all the nooks and crannies.

Guide available from the Tourist Information Centre.

MEMORIAL GARDENS

A beautiful, peaceful location by the River Derwent, with a playground, gentle walks and splendid views of the Castle, Jennings brewery and the mouth of the River Cocker.

HARRIS PARK

Overlooking the town, this beautiful park offers tennis, bowling, putting and walks down to the River Cocker.

DEMONSTRATIONS

TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE

In July, from 10.00am ~ 4.00pm

2	Mon	BEADING	Dorothy Cane
4	Wed	WOOD TURNING	Rick Felix
6	Fri	EMBROIDERED TEXTILES	Avril Clavey
9	Mon	BOTANIC ART	Jonathan Miller
11	Wed	CALLIGRAPHY	Raymond Duckworth
13	Fri	FLY TYING	John Moses
16	Mon	BOO BEARS MOHAIR COLLECTABLE TEDDIES	Lynne Roberts
18	Wed	RUSKIN LACE	Sally Evans
20	Fri	LACEMAKING	Margot Barkhouse & Margaret Conner
23	Mon	CHINA PAINTING	Heather Shield
25	Wed	ENCAUSTIC WAX	Shelley Tomlinson
27	Fri	VARIOUS CRAFTS	Rachel Habgood
30	Mon	PORCELAIN DOLLS	Vron Spencer

WORDSWORTH HOUSE

William's Childhood Home

Open 11.00am ~ 4.00pm daily, except Sundays

£4.90 (£2.60) Family - £13.50

Experience the sights, sounds, smells & feel of a Georgian home. Meet the maid and manservant, the cook and clerk, find out what they think of young Master William, the feared Sir James Lowther and being the one who has to clean out the chamber pot every morning...

WEDNESDAYS 11.00 to 11.50, FRIDAYS, 11.00 to 1.15

HEAVENLY HARPSICHORD MUSIC

Keith Jackson plays our newly acquired harpsichord

SATURDAYS: GEORGIAN GAMES, COOKING IN THE KITCHEN, plus TRUSTY THE HEDGEHOG TRAILS

Enter our competition & win £20

If you live in Cumbria, take advantage of our special Local offer: one free child with every paying adult on presentation of this Programme.

Now with wheelchair access to ground floor, Discovery Room & gardens

Living History - Bringing the past to life!

Tel 01900 824805 for more details

LAKELAND SHEEP & WOOL CENTRE

Egremont Road, Cockermouth

The Amazing FARM Show!

10.30am, 12.00pm, 2.00pm & 3.30pm, Sunday ~ Thursday

£4.50 (£3.50) Tel: 01900 822673

EXHIBITIONS

CASTLEGATE HOUSE GALLERY

Fri, Sat, Mon: 10.30am ~ 5.00pm, Sun: 2.00 ~ 4.30pm

1 June ~ 2 July DAVID HOWORTH: Sculpture in the Walled Garden
KAREN WALLBANK: Paintings
6 July ~ 20 Aug 20th BIRTHDAY EXHIBITION: A Special Celebration

PERCY HOUSE GALLERY

Mon ~ Sat, 10.00am ~ 5.00pm

2 June ~ 27 June WENDY JONES: The Changing Face
of a Northern Landscape - Mixed media & oils
30 June ~ 25 July THULINE De COCK: Recent Works
Observations of animals, their shapes, gestures & mannerisms
28 July ~ 29 Aug CHRIS MOUNCEY: The View From Here
Watercolours of land- and sea-scapes of the North West

NEO GALLERY & COFFEE SHOP

Mon ~ Sat, 9.00am ~ 6.00pm

2 June ~ 30 June SUNDAR KANTA WALKER: This Precious Place
New paintings in Sundar's distinctive style
2 July ~ 31 July JETTE RIEDLIN: Comments
Do you have a comment to make about CLIMATE CHANGE?

KIRKGATE CENTRE - EGREMONT ROOM

23 July ~ 19 Aug, 10.00am ~ 4.00pm daily - FREE

EXHIBITION OF LOCAL HISTORY

by the Kirkgate Museum Group

COUNCIL CHAMBERS - TOWN HALL

Mon ~ Sat throughout July, 10.00am ~ 4.00pm - FREE

ART AND PHOTOGRAPHS

An exhibition by local artists will be held in the Council Chamber,
Town Hall (above the Tourist Information Centre).

ALL SAINTS CHURCH *Throughout July, 11.00am ~ 3.00pm*

A PLACE OF HISTORY, A PLACE IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Stewarded by the Friends of All Saints, the Church is open to visitors. There is a large memorial window to William Wordsworth and his father's grave. Copies of Wordsworth's baptism register entry are available.

Full details of Services are on the board outside the Church.

CHRIST CHURCH *Open from 9.30am to 5pm for visitors*

A Prayer House within the Church is available for some quiet time.

EVENTS DIARY

KEY

ASC	All Saints Church
CC	Christ Church
FS	Fairfield School
FMH	Friends Meeting House
KC	Kirkgate Centre
LLC	Lakeland Livestock Centre

MP	Market Place
TIC	Tourist Information Centre
URC	United Reform Church
VH	Victoria Hall
WH	Wordsworth House
WF	Wellington Farm

JUNE

16	Sat	12.30pm	Sth St	Spl Event	Cockermouth Children's Carnival
18	Mon	8.00pm	KC	Film	Letters From Iwo Jima (15)
23	Sat	10.00am	ASC	Event	Church Open Day
23	Sat	8.00pm	KC	Music	Asere (Cuba)
24	Sun	8.00pm	St Bega's	Music	Nova Cantica Summer Concert
25	Mon	8.00pm	KC	Film	Bamako (PG)
27/30	Wed/Sat	8.00pm	KC	Drama	The Dresser (CADS)
29/30	Fri/Sat	10.00am	LLC	Spl Event	WOOLFEST 2007
30/1	Sat/Sun	10/11am	FS	Spl Event	Art Festival
30	Sat	1.00pm	Town	Event	Open Gardens
30	Sat	7.30pm	ASC	Music	Festival Concert (Harmonic Soc)
30	Sat	8.00pm	URC	Music	EYMS Brass Band

JULY

1	Sun	9.45am	CC	Event	Annual Civic Service
2	Mon	8.00pm	KC	Film	Iraq In Fragments (No Cert)
3	Tue	2.30pm	Castle	Visit	Guided Visit - Cockermouth Castle
5	Thu	6.30pm	Castle	Visit	Guided Visit - Cockermouth Castle
7	Sat	9.30am	MP	Spl Event	Food & Craft Market
7	Sat	10.15am	VH	Children	Martiny's Magic
7	Sat	10.30am	Town	Event	Cockermouth Mechanics Band
7	Sat	8.00pm	KC	Music	The Eduardo Niebla Experience
8	Sun	8.00pm	VH	Story	Storytelling - Billy Teare, Shonaleigh
9	Mon	8.00pm	KC	Film	Becoming Jane (PG)
10	Tue	2.30pm	Castle	Visit	Guided Visit - Cockermouth Castle
11	Wed	2.00pm	TIC	Walk	West Cumberland Heritage Walk
12	Thu	6.30pm	Castle	Visit	Guided Visit - Cockermouth Castle
12	Thu	7.30pm	VH	Event	Cockermouth Speakers Club
13	Fri	7.30pm	ASC	Event	African Evening
13	Fri	7.30pm	KC	Music	Striding Edge Ceilidh Band
14	Sat	11.00am	URC	Spl Event	WOW!!! Day
14	Sat	10.30am	Town	Event	Belfagan Women's Morris
16	Mon	8.00pm	KC	Film	Days Of Glory (12A)
17	Tue	6.30pm	Castle	Visit	Guided Visit - Cockermouth Castle
19	Thu	2.30pm	Castle	Visit	Guided Visit - Cockermouth Castle
21	Sat	10.30am	URC	Children	Lempen Puppets In The Wild
21	Sat	10.30am	Town	Event	Cumberland Hotshots Jazz Band
21	Sat	12.00noon	WF	Spl Event	COCKROCK 2007! Rock Festival
22	Sun	7.45am	St Cuth.	Music	Nova Cantica Summer Concert
23	Mon	8.00pm	KC	Film	The Live Of Others (15)
24	Tue	2.30pm	Castle	Visit	Guided Visit - Cockermouth Castle
25	Wed	2.00pm	TIC	Walk	West Cumberland Heritage Walk
25	Wed	8.00pm	KC	Drama	Fanny Hill
26	Thu	6.30pm	Castle	Visit	Guided Visit - Cockermouth Castle
27	Fri	8.00pm	KC	Music	TJ Johnson's Jazz & Blues Band
28	Sat	10.30am	VH	Children	Bezerkaz Circus Workshops
28	Sat	10.30am	Town	Event	Bayou Rhythm Kings
30	Mon	8.00pm	KC	Film	The Painted Veil (12A)

AUGUST

4	Sat	9.30am	MP	Spl Event	Food & Craft Market
4	Sat	10.00am	Fitz	Spl Event	Cockermouth Agricultural Show