

What's On in Sandwell

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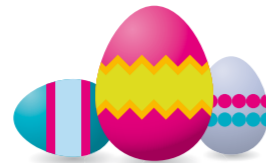
Enjoy life. Enjoy Sandwell.



Spring 2011.
Sandwell Council... working for you



EASTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



MAKE A MUG WORKSHOP

11th & 22nd April | 10.15am – 12.30pm or 12.45pm – 3pm | £6 | suitable for all ages
Create your own wacky design and transfer it on to your very own mug. All of our creations will be duplicated and go on sale in our 'make' gift shop.

PLAY AND PAINT BOTZ

13th, 15th & 18th April | 10.15am – 12.30pm or 12.45pm – 3pm | £2 | suitable for ages 3-11
A special twist on our regular play and paint sessions. Join us for some fantastic robot building and dancing.

ROBOT DRAWING WORKSHOP

12th, 14th & 16th April | 10.15am – 12.30pm or 12.45pm – 3pm | £3 | suitable for ages 11+
Celebrate our invention exhibition by creating your own drawbots from simple batteries and motors.

CRAZY COMICS: SCI-FI SPECIAL

Thursday 14th April | 10.15am – 12.30pm or 12.45pm – 3pm | £3 | suitable for ages 3-11
Find out how to make cool sci-fi comic book art with our professional comic book artists.

FOR A FULL LIST OF ALL THE EASTER WORKSHOPS AND ACTIVITIES, VISIT WWW.THEPUBLIC.COM OR CALL 0121 533 7161

THE KINETIC CORNER

13th, 15th, 18th & 20th April | 10.15am – 12.30pm or 12.45pm – 3pm | £1 | suitable for ages 11+
Join one of our most ambitious projects to date by helping us make a giant mechanical sculpture that uses sticks, pulleys, pipes and power, to create a fantastic spectacle at the heart of The Public.

SCI-FI SCENES

Thursday 21st April | 10.15am – 12.30pm or 12.45pm – 3pm | £4.50 | suitable for ages 14+ or young people with a genuine interest are welcome
Are you interested in illustration, drawing and sci-fi? Our fun workshop will concentrate on the creation of fantasy worlds and alien characters through drawing and digital editing using Photoshop software.

COMING SOON...

LOOK OUT FOR MORE FUN AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES FOR MAY HALF-TERM ON THE PUBLIC WEBSITE: WWW.THEPUBLIC.COM

COMEDY, MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT

PAUL KERENSA COMEDY NIGHT

Friday 4 March, 8pm-11pm, £6 advance/£8 door
Award winning comedian finds out what each country thinks of its neighbours as Paul brings his new show "Borderline Racist" to The Public.

SUNDAY JAZZ

Sunday 13 March | Featuring Tipitina | 1pm-4pm | FREE
Sunday 27 March | Featuring Millennium Eagle Jazz Band | 1pm-4pm | FREE

ACOUSTIC BITES

1pm-4pm | FREE
Sunday 6 March | featuring Monica and The Explosion
Sunday 20 March | Act to be confirmed

BEHNA (SISTERS) – BY SONIA LIKHARI

22 March-14 April, 7pm-11pm, £9, £7 conc.
Fast-paced and fun *Behna* looks through the keyhole of a family home to reveal the secrets and lies of two generations.

COMEDY ALL STARS FEATURING BARBARA NICE & GARY DELANEY

Friday 25 March, begins 8.30pm, £6 advance/£8 door, suitable for 18+

JOHNNY 2 BAD: UB40 TRIBUTE BAND

Saturday 26 March, 7.30pm-11pm, £8 advance/£10 door

FAMILY FILM CLUB

Saturday 5 March, *CORALINE* (PG certificate), 11am-1pm
Saturday 12 March, *UP* (U certificate), 11am-1pm
£3.50 adults, £2.50 children, family ticket £10 (2 adults and 2 children)



GOUCHERS WAR

Friday 8 April, 1.30pm, £7 & 8pm, £8 advance/£10 door
The Reverend Donald Goucher is a popular children's writer blessed with a wildly fertile imagination. But when Goucher's tales of a mischievous pig fall into the hands of a military dirty tricks outfit things get badly out of hand... Wildly comic and disturbing, *Goucher's War* explodes with powerful physical performance, live music and inspired animation by Forkbeard Fantasy's Tim Britton. Great for GCSE and A level drama and performing arts students aged 14+ or theatre lovers in general.

DARKSIDE: THE PINK FLOYD SHOW

Saturday 9 April, 8pm-11pm, £10 advance/£12 door

COMEDY ALL STARS FEATURING BEN SCHOFIELD AND SEAN PERCIVAL

Friday 15 April, begins 8.30pm, £6 advance/£8 door, suitable for 18+

AN AUDIENCE WITH IMRAN YUSUF

Saturday 16 April, starts 8pm, £10 advance/£12 door, suitable for 18+
Star of Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow and Edinburgh Comedy Award nominee Imran Yusuf is renowned for his super-high energy performances and is rapidly becoming one of the UK's most inspirational comedians.

GOSPEL GOES PUBLIC (GOSPEL SINGING WORKSHOPS)

Saturday 30 April & Saturday 28 May 1pm (doors), £5, £3 conc., £10 family (2 adults, 2 children)

GOSPEL GOES PUBLIC (GOSPEL SHOWCASE)

Saturday 30 April & Saturday 28 May 4.15pm (doors), £2/FREE if attending workshop

FREE EXHIBITIONS

THE ART OF INVENTION PARALLEL UNIVERSES! TWO EXHIBITIONS. ONE GIANT ADVENTURE. Wednesday 6 April – Sunday 26 June

Visit the spectacular parallel universes of West Bromwich and Wednesbury and experience science fiction characters and creatures from the world of Dr Who, Star Wars and more. Take part in a host of fun-filled family workshops and create your own fantasy worlds and crazy characters, as the adventure sci-fi begins.



PLANET WEST BROMWICH: OUT OF THIS UNIVERSE – THE POWER OF INVENTION

As part of 'The Art of Invention' exhibition, travel in time with a free family exhibition at The Public. Explore a world of science fiction, weird interactive machines, Daleks, Wall-e, R2D2 and the Tardis! With models, costumes, toys and memorabilia from Sci-Fi productions such as Dr Who and Star Wars the exhibition is set to be a huge hit.

PLANET WEDNESBURY: OUT OF THIS WORLD – AN EXHIBITION BIGGER ON THE INSIDE

Wednesbury Museum & Art Gallery, Holyhead Road, Wednesbury, WS10 7DF Tuesday 8 February – Saturday 18 June, free entry
Travel to the unknown with this family science fiction exhibition and explore a world beyond the stars of monsters, doctors, Daleks and Jedi Knights. Younger visitors can enjoy the quizzes, trails and activities inside the museum. To run alongside the exhibition Sandwell Museums will be running a series of family workshops, events and activities. For more information, opening times and events, visit www.facebook.com/sandwellmuseums, www.museums.sandwell.gov.uk or call 0121 556 0683.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

ST PATRICK'S CELEBRATION DAY

Saturday 19 March | 10am-3pm | FREE
Celebrate St Patrick's Day at The Public at this special event organised by Sandwell Irish Society.

THE MAYOR'S BIG SHOW

Saturday 26 March | 7.30pm (doors open 6.30pm) | £6
The Mayor of Sandwell hosts a variety night by

Sandwell MBC employees and friends. Proceeds from the event will be donated to Macmillan Cancer and The Alzheimer's Society.

GET ACTIVE AND DANCE

Sunday 27 March | 10am-6pm | FREE
After its huge success last year, The Public is excited to host the extravaganza for a second year. An event not to be missed!

REGULAR EVENTS



STREET DANCE

Every Tuesday | 6pm-7pm | £3.50 | suitable for ages 10-16
Dance classes that give young people the opportunity to work towards Sports Leader UK's – Dance Leadership Award Level One. No experience required, just a passion for dance.



ZUMBA

Every Thursday | 6.30pm-7.30pm | £4.50 | suitable for ages 16+
Come and keep fit in this Latin inspired fitness class.

SALSA

Every Thursday | 8pm-10pm | £4 | suitable for ages 16+
Release your Latino side and join DJ Picante for a fun-filled night of dance and music, along with classes for beginners and intermediates.

WEST BROMWICH WRITERS GROUP

First Friday of each month | 6.30pm-8.30pm | FREE | Suitable for ages 16+
Do you enjoy writing poetry, prose, plays, film scripts, short stories or even a novel? This group covers all aspects of creative writing.

TEA DANCING

Fortnightly on Wednesdays | 1.30pm-4pm | £1 | suitable for all ages
The Public invites you to put on your dancing shoes and step back into an age of elegance.

SANDWELL STRIDE INDOOR HEALTH WALK

Every Wednesday | 10.30am-11.15am | FREE | suitable for all ages
Take the opportunity to explore the building and get fit at the same time. Suitable for wheelchair users and push chairs.

SATURDAY ART CLUB

Every Saturday | 10am-1pm | £2 | Suitable for ages 3-11
Children can get involved in fun and creative arts activities each week working with professional artists and our learning team. Children can make everything from gallery installations to seasonal cards for family and friends.

THE PUBLIC ART CLASS

Saturdays (fortnightly) | starts 9 April 2011 | 11am-2.30pm | £3 | suitable for ages 16+
Adult art classes designed to encourage individuals to practice new artistic techniques in a friendly and supportive atmosphere.

DON'T FORGET TO FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER!

www.facebook.com/thepublicwestbromwich
www.twitter.com/_the_public



Access guide

If you have any questions about your visit, please phone the site for more information.

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High Street, West Bromwich B70 8DZ
0121 569 4904



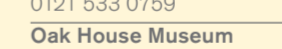
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Forge Lane, West Bromwich B71 3DX
0121 538 7210



Haden Hill House Museum and Park
Halesowen Road, Cradley Heath B64 7JU
01384 569444



Manor House Museum
Hall Green Road, West Bromwich B71 2EA
0121 533 0759



Oak House Museum
Oak Road, West Bromwich B70 8HJ
0121 533 0759



Oldbury Rep
Barlow Theatre, Langley B69 4SP
0121 552 2761



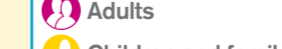
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Freeth Street, Oldbury B69 3DE
0845 358 2200



Sandwell Park Farm
Salter's Lane, West Bromwich B71 4BG
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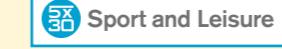
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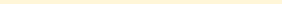
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0121 502 5534



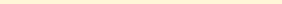
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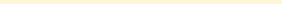
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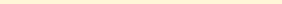
West Bromwich Town Hall
High Street, West Bromwich
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Worley Hill House & Museum
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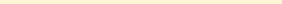
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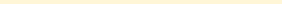
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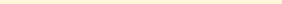
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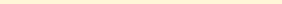
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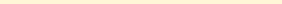
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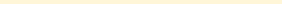
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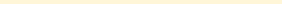
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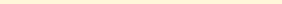
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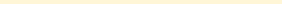
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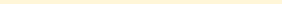
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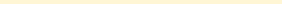
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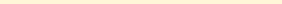
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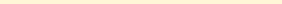
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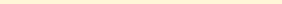
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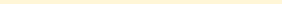
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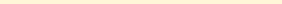
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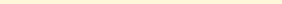
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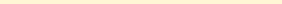
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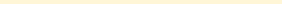
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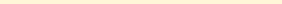
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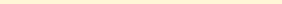
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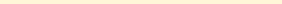
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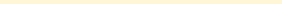
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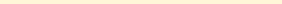
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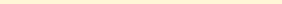
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Sandwell Arts in Queen's Square



Until 31 March
What's going on?
Drawing workshops, exhibitions, crafts, music and storytelling in Queen's Square Shopping Centre (unit 26 next to Boots)
Info: 0121 569 4710



Tues 1 Feb – Sat 30 April
F H Lloyd Exhibition
Wednesbury Museum and Art Gallery
An exhibition by Wednesbury Local History Society on the famous local firm, FH Lloyd.
Time: Tues – Fri 10am-4.30pm
Free admission
Info: 0121 556 0683



Tues 1 Feb – Thurs 30 June
Sci-Fi Exhibition
Wednesbury Museum and Art Gallery
Visit before June and meet a Dalek!
Time: Tues – Fri 10am-4.30pm
Free admission
Info: 0121 556 0683



Mon 21 & Fri 25 Feb
Wildlife with RSPB
Manor House Museum
Make a nesting box (21 Feb) or some bird food (25 Feb) and learn about the different birds that visit your garden.
Time: 11am-3pm
Price: Nesting boxes £5.00, bird food 50p
Info: 0121 553 0759



Mon 21 Feb – Sun 6 March
Swimming Focus Weeks
Various swimming centres
Different water based activities at all of our centres including activities such as water polo, swimming lessons, snorkelling, first aid and much more.
Activities available for all ages. The annual Aquathon will take place on 6 March at Tipton Swimming Centre
Various times and prices.
Info: 0121 506 4980



Tues 22 Feb
Get Crafty for Chinese New Year
Smethwick Library
Children's craft activity in celebration of Chinese New Year.
Time: 2.30pm-3.30pm
Info: 0121 558 0497



Wed 23 Feb
Pinocchio Puppet Show
Smethwick Library
Clive Chandler performs the classic tale.
Time: 2.30pm-3.15pm
Info: 0121 558 0497



Sun 27 Feb
Children's Bring & Buy Sale
Haden Hill House Museum
This event is run by the children for the children. Booking is



Children's Half Term Craft Workshops
Haden Hill House Museum
Tues 22 – Fri 25 Feb
Tues 12 – Fri 15 April
Tues 19 – Thurs 21 April
Tues 31 May – Fri 3 June
Drop-in style craft workshops
Time: 11am-1pm & 1.30pm-3pm
Price: 50p
Info: 01384 569444

essential as places are limited. No electrical goods please
Time: 2pm-4pm
Info: 01384 569444



Thurs 3 March
Murder Ancient and Modern
Bleakhouse Library
Featuring Judith Cutler and Edward Marston, authors of over 70 crime novels.
Time: 2.30pm-4pm
Free admission
Info: 0121 422 2798



Sat 5 March
Box of Delights
Central Library
Box of Delights family quiz and entertainment in Central Library, West Bromwich to celebrate the inaugural World Book Night on Saturday 5 March 2011.
Time: 7pm
Free admission
Info: 0121 569 4911



Sun 6 March
Aquathon
Tipton Swimming Centre and Victoria Park
Event that combines swimming and running. In partnership with Oldbury Swimming and Triathlon Club, and England Triathlon.
Price: £5/£2 (concessions)
Info: 0845 649 4815 or visit www.slt.sandwell.gov.uk



Sun 6 – Sat 12 March
LTA, MENS AEGON GB Pro-Series, Tipton £15K EVENT
Tipton Sports Academy
First class tennis, featuring top players from around the world
• Main draw Mon 7 March
• Quarter finals Thu 13 March
• Semi finals/doubles final Fri 11 March
• Singles final Sat 12 March
Time: 10am-6pm. Free admission
Info: 0121 502 5534



Thurs 10 March and Thurs 7 April
Organ Concerts
West Bromwich Town Hall
Luncheon organ concerts at West Bromwich Town Hall.
Time: 1pm-2pm. Free admission



Wed 9 March
Wednesbury Music Club Concert – Midlands Fretted Orchestra
Richards Gallery of Wednesbury Art Gallery and Museum
Manduc music played on banjos, mandolins and guitars.
Exhibitions in the Art Gallery may also be enjoyed before the concerts or during the interval.
Time: 7.30pm-9.30pm
Price: £5 per concert
Concessionary price £40 per couple season pass £25 per individual season pass
Info: 0121 502 5751 or email smelia5751@aol.com



Sat 12 & Sun 13 March
Weddings at Haden Hill House Museum
Haden Hill House Museum
An opportunity to view our beautiful Victorian house set

in 55 acres of award winning parkland, as a wedding venue
Time: 2pm-5pm. Free admission
Info: 01384 569444



Tues 15 March
St Patrick's Celebration Night
Wednesbury Library
Rearing up their heads and hearts for a special St Pat's Storytelling Café. Billy Teare and Kathleen O'Sullivan are a great Irish storytelling trad song duo.
Time: 7.30pm-10pm
Price: £5 non-members/£3 members. Concs: £2.50 non-members/£1.50 members
Info: 0121 556 0351



Wed 16 March
Valuation Day
Manor House Museum
Fieldings of Stourbridge will be coming to put a value on your valued items. Please note that at busier times there will be a wait.
Time: 10am-2pm
Price: £1 per item
Info: 0121 553 0759



Wed 23 March
Sandwell Twinning Association – Dr Patricia Martin (Chair of Magistrates)
Oldbury Council House
A talk on the way the magistrates office operates with a case study and role play.
Time: 7pm-7.30pm
Price: £2 non-members/£1 members
Info: 0121 558 1857



Sun 27 March
mother's Day Children's workshop
Haden Hill House Museum
Come and make a handmade gift for your mom for Mother's Day at our drop-in workshop.
Time: 2pm-4pm. Price: 50p
Info: 01384 569444



Mon 28 March – Thurs 7 April
Sandwell Youth Music and Arts Service Springtime Concerts Series
Following the success of last year's "Music in March" concerts, a second series of concerts performed at a range of venues.
Info: 0121 569 8502



Sat 2 April
Mother's Day Workshops
Manor House Museum
Make your mum something special. All ages welcome.
Time: 10.30am-2pm
Price: £2.50
Info: 0121 553 0759



Thurs 7 April
"Swinging Sixties" Evening
Haden Hill House Museum
Step back in time for an evening of 60s nostalgia.
Time: 6.30pm-8.30pm
Price: £2/£1 (concessions)
Info: 01384 569444



Sat 9 April
'Neither Shoreditch Nor Manhattan'
New Market Hall, Kings Square, West Bromwich
Documenting the two-year project 'Black Country creative advantage,' artistic investigations into regeneration in West Bromwich including short films produced by Céline Siani Djiaokua, Neil Gray, and Manu Luksch. A partnership between the University of Wolverhampton



Mon 25 April
St George's Day
Manor House Museum
Family Fun Day. Have a go on the climbing wall, see the birds of prey and see St. George and the fire juggling jester.
Time: 11am-4pm. Free admission
Info: 0121 553 0759

and Multistory. Supported by the National Lottery through Arts Council England.
Time: 11am-4pm. Free admission
Info: 0121 524 2127



Sat 9 April
Easter Bonnet Parade
Smethwick Library
Come and show off your Easter Bonnets. Prize for the best.
Time: 2pm-2.30pm
Info: 0121 558 0497



11, 12, 13, 18, 19 & 20 April
Easter Activities for Children
Oak House Museum
Make something special to take home. Trails and quizzes too!
Time: 10.30am-12.30pm & 2pm-4pm
Price: 50p-£1.50 per item made
Info: 0121 553 0759



Tues 12 April
The Big Bear Hunt
Manor House Museum
Family fun day. Come along and make an explorer kit and book on a Bear hunt to search for the bookstart bear. In partnership with Sandwell Libraries.
Time: 10.30am-3.30pm. Free
Info: 0121 553 0759



Wed 13 April
Wednesbury Music Club Concert – Charlotte Moseley and Friends
Richards Gallery of Wednesbury Art Gallery and Museum
Quality musicians playing various styles. Exhibitions in the Art Gallery may also be enjoyed before the concerts or during the interval.
Time: 10.30am-12 noon & 1.30pm-3pm
Price: 50p per child
Info: 0121 553 0759



Tues 26 April
Easter Egg Hunt
Oak House Museum
Search the grounds for clues that will lead you to an Easter Egg.
Time: 10.30am-12 noon & 1.30pm-3pm
Price: 50p per child
Info: 0121 553 0759



Sat 30 April
Open Mic Night
Wednesbury Museum and Art Gallery
Up and coming musician or comedian and need somewhere to perform why not come along and take part in Wednesbury Art Gallery's first open mic night.
Time: 7.30pm
Info: 0121 556 0683



Sun 24 and Mon 25 April
Easter Celebrations
Haden Hill House Museum
Activities for all the family. Please note there may be a small charge for some activities.
Time: 12 noon-4pm
Free admission
Info: 01384 569444



Mon 25 April
Easter Egg Roll
Warley Woods, Smethwick
Take part in the competition to roll your (hard boiled) egg as far as you can. There is also a painted egg competition and an Easter trail through the Woods. Meeting point, upper St Mary's Entrance to the park on Barclay Road, Smethwick.
Time: 11.00am-1pm
Price: £1 per entry
Info: 0121 420 1061



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Sandwell Libraries

During March, April and May Sandwell Libraries will be hosting a range of events and activities tailored to suit all ages.

Featuring Play and Stay Sessions, Creative Writing Groups, Reading Groups with various themes including LGBT, Xbox360, PS3 and DJ workshops there is something for everyone.



For further info:
0121 569 4911



Sat 14 May to Sat 28 May
Black Country Libraries Big Book Fortnight 2011
Library venues across Sandwell and the Black Country
Two week festival of book events and author visits for adults and children held in libraries across Sandwell and the Black Country. See Library What's On and Library web pages for events details.
Daytime events are free
Price: £3/£1.50 concessions
Info: 0121 569 4911



Sun 8 May
Sandwell Twinning Association – Bluebell Walk
The Saltwells, Dudley
Price: £1 per head
Time: 10am-12 noon
Info: 0121 558 1857



Sun 8 May
Garden Party
Oak House Museum
Come to our garden party and enjoy plants, stalls, entertainments and refreshments
Time: 12 noon-4pm.
Free admission
Info: 0121 553 0759



Tues 10 – Fri 13 May
Murder in Play by Simon Brett
All Saints Church
All Saints' Players present a comedy thriller – a play within a play with a murder built in. Not to be missed!
Time: 7.30pm
Price: £4.50/£4 concessions
Info: 0121 588 4786



Wed 11 May
Wednesbury Music Club Concert – St. Cecilia Singers
Richards Gallery of Wednesbury Art Gallery and Museum
High quality mixed choir based at Heath Hayes. Exhibitions in the Art Gallery may be enjoyed before the concerts or during the interval.
Time: 7.45pm-9.30pm
Price: £5 per concert
Concessionary price £40 per couple season pass £25 per individual season pass
Info: 0121 502 5751 or email smelia5751@aol.com



Sun 15 May
Signs of Spring in Sandwell Valley
A two mile evening walk around the Country Park in search of some signs of Spring. Booking essential.
Time: 6.30pm
Prices and info: 0121 553 0220



Sandwell Stride Walks
A great way to get some exercise, enjoy a walk and the fresh air of some of Sandwell's best parks and nature reserves. All walks are led by a trained walk leader, all ages and abilities are welcome, and refreshments are available on many walks.
Info: 0800 011 4656



Walkwell
This free programme is open to people who live, work or study in Sandwell. People who take part are given a step counter and a diary to record how far they walk each day. With free health checks and rewards of up to £40 for people who show a health improvement!
Call 0800 011 4656 to register.



Countryside Walks
If you enjoy walking in the countryside and like to meet new people, then our free healthy walks are for you. Lasting for about an hour, they take in some of Sandwell's best countryside. With a designated leader at the front and the rear of the group, you're free to walk at your own pace.



Priory Woods Health Walk
Every Tuesday
10.30am-11.30am
Meet at Sandwell Park Farm



Sot's Hole Health Walk
Every Thursday
10.30am-11.30am
Meet at Sandwell Park Farm



Forge Mill Health Walk
Every Friday
10.30am-11.30am
Meet at RSPB Nature Centre
Info: 0121 553 0220



Forge Mill Weekend Health Walk
Second Saturday of each month
10.30am-11.30am
Meet at Forge Mill Farm



Haden Hill Park Weekend Health Walk
Second Sunday of each month
3pm-4pm
Meet at Haden Hill House Museum



Thimblemill Brook Health Walk
Third Wednesday of each month
10am-11am
Meet at Thimblemill Library



Victoria Park Smethwick Health Walk
Last Tuesday of the month
1pm-2pm
Meet at Smethwick Library
Info: 0121 588 5842



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Cycling in Sandwell Sandwell Valley Rides
First Sunday of the month
Starts at 10.00am
Saddle up and join cycling in Sandwell's family bike cycle rides around Sandwell Valley. All rides are short and easy (2-3hours with a break) and follow off-road paths or minor roads. Riders return to the start point at the end of their ride. Please ensure your bike is roadworthy. Cycling in Sandwell does not accept liability for loss, damage or injury incurred. Children under 16 should be accompanied by an adult. There may be an opportunity to purchase lunch but we recommend that you bring a drink and snack with you. Rides last 2-3 hours, meet at War Memorial, Dartmouth Park.
Information: 0800 011 4656



Warrens Hall Nature Conservation Volunteers
Every fourth Friday in the month
Bumblehole Visitors Centre, Windmill End, Netherton, DY2 9HU
Warrens Hall Local nature Reserve provides wonderful scenery and their opportunity to help look after this site. As well as keeping the green space well kept the activity is good for health and fitness
Time: 10am-1pm
Free admission
Info: 0121 588 5842



Saturday Book Club
Central Library
New informal reading group meeting the third Saturday of the month
Time: 2.30pm-3.30pm
Info: 0121 569 4911



Reading Group
Central Library
Reading Group meeting the last Friday afternoon of each month
Time: 2.30pm-4pm
Free admission
Info: 0121 569 4911



LGBT Reading Group
Smethwick Library
Time: 5.45pm-6.45pm
Info: 0121 558 0497



Monthly Food and Craft Fair
Forge Mill Farm
Held on the third Sunday of each month at Forge Mill Farm, the event provides the opportunity to purchase food, plants and hand-made crafts.
Time: 10am-4pm
Cost: adults £3/children £2.50/family ticket £8
Info: 0121 553 0220



Craft Fairs
Sandwell Park Farm
23 – 25 April, 2 May and 29 – 30 May
Popular craft fairs return to the farm for the bank holidays.
Info: 0121 553 0220



British Sign Language Classes
Every Tuesday
Thimblemill Library
Weekly classes for beginners wishing to gain a qualification in BSL.
Time: 11.30am-1.30pm
Free admission
Info: 0121 429 2039



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Info: 0121 553 0220



Learn to Swim with Sandwell Leisure Trust
Various times and days
Swimming lessons for all ages and abilities from 5yrs to adult. Parent and toddler and one-to-one session are subject to availability. Learn to swim in a safe and warm environment with our friendly and fully qualified instructors.
Book now for your 30 minute lesson. Contact any Sandwell Leisure Trust swimming centre reception (shown below).
Info: 0845 659 4815 – leisure pass discounts available



Sandwell Leisure Trust Swimming Centres:
• Langley Swimming Centre, Vicarage Rd, Oldbury, B68 8HS
• Smethwick Swimming Centre, Thimblemill Rd, Smethwick, B67 5QT
• Tipton Swimming Centre, Queens Rd, Tipton, DY4 8ND
• Wednesbury Leisure Centre, High Bullen, Wednesbury, WS10 7HP
• Haden Hill Leisure Centre, Barrs Rd, Cradley Heath, B64 7HA



Sandwell Historic Vehicle Show
Sandwell Valley Country Park, Salters Lane West Bromwich
A vintage car show with over 800 vehicles dating back to the 1920s. American cars, commercial vehicles, buses, motorcycles, fire engines are on display to compete for the 48 awards on offer. There is also a Craft Fair, Toy Fair, Arena with their Piston Ring Youth MotorCycle Display Team and Pat Collins Fun Fair.
Free admission
Info: 0121 569 8276



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