

## Running Throughout the Festival

### Competitions

**Alta Image Festival Photography Competition** Competition to find the best photograph taken during the Festival. Junior & Adult winners: a framed A3 print of your photo. Details from Alta Image, Broadway.

**Base Camp One Identify the Mountains Competition** Photographs and details from Base Camp One, Leys Avenue.

**Emporium Guess the Era Competition** Guess the era of the item in the shop window. Prize: a bottle of champagne. Details from Emporium, Station Road.

**Festival Treasure Hunt** For the eagle-eyed of all ages. Prize: £50 voucher.

Entry sheets 50p from Letchworth Tourist Information Centre.

**Greggs Guess How Many Sausage Rolls We Sell in a Week Competition** Visit the shop for competition details. Greggs, Eastcheap.

**Millets Design a Tent Competition** (children only) Prize is a two man tent (value £20) and a discount voucher for the winner's parents. Millets, Commerce Way.

**Satchells Estate Agents House Price Competition** Guess how much houses sold for in years gone by - see the shop window for details. Satchells Estate Agents, Station Place.

**Spot the Festival Duck Competition** (children only) Spot the Festival Duck swimming in shop windows. Prize: £25 voucher. Entry free, details from website and Tourist Information Centre.

### Offers

**Aspidistra: 10% Discount and Automatic Entry** into a draw for a free bouquet. Aspidistra, Station Road.

**Bodyshop: Free Makeovers, Consultations and Hand Massages** You are advised to visit the shop and book your session. Bodyshop, Garden Square.

**Connells Estate Agents: Balloons and Goodie Bags** (children only) Connells Estate Agents, Station Parade (Saturdays only).

**R & E Family Butchers: Festival BBQ Platter** Buy a platter of meat for your own celebration from R & E Family Butchers, Leys Avenue.

**Radical Ink Custom Clothing: Official Festival 2010 T-shirts** Limited edition T-shirts, £5 each (donating £1 per T-shirt to Festival funds). Radical Ink Custom Clothing, Openshaw Way.

**Sagar Tandoori: Festival Food** Order 2 or more Main Dishes and the least expensive one is free (excl prawn dishes; not to be used with any other offer). Details from Sagar Tandoori, Broadway.

**Serenity Day Spa: Festival Facial** £5 discount. Serenity Day Spa, Station Road.

### Events

**Classic World War II Films** Broadway Cinema (28 June-2 July only). See cinema publicity for details.

**A Global Walk Under Water** A photographic exhibition and educational programme for all ages. Letchworth Arts Centre, Leys Avenue.

**Walk More Feel the Difference** 10:30-11am, week days only. Stretch your legs in Howard Park Gardens. Start and end (with tea) at Howard Gardens Social Centre, Norton Way South.

## Additional Information

### Saturday 26 June

**10am-3:30pm: A Celebration of All Things MINI** In conjunction with a Secret Millionaire, the Letchworth Arts Centre and Town Centre Partnership are celebrating the iconic Mini car. Mini skirts, mini dogs, mini offers and even win a Mini.

**11:30am onwards: Dancing in Leys Square**, to watch or join in.

Programme includes:

11:30am Flexit Dance Academy: bhangra, street and traditional Bollywood.

11:50am Banat Al Gharb: Raqs Sharqi, the traditional-style Egyptian dance.

12:15pm Flexit Dance Academy: see 11:30am.

12:30pm Footsteps School of Dancing: come along and learn to Cha Cha.

1:20pm Imajica Dance Company: tribal style belly dance, cabaret pastiche and fire dance.

1:45pm Ceroc Central: ceroc, a form of modern jive. Watch the dancers then learn a few moves.

2:30pm Black Squirrel Square Dance Club: American square dancing.

### Saturday 3 July

**10am-6pm: World War II Celebration Day 1** Letchworth Arts Centre's Celebration of Letchworth at War: an all day event that includes music, dance, drama and the fashions of the time. Today is the day to look out for Spivs on Broadway Gardens, to treat yourself to a taste of wartime Britain at Letchworth's own NAAFI, inspect a scale model of a Mosquito and watch re-enactments of wartime activity by, amongst others, the Home Guard and the Air Cadet Force - and even sound an air-raid siren.

### Sunday 4 July

**10am-5:30pm: World War II Celebration Day 2** Letchworth Arts Centre celebrates the role American soldiers and airmen played in the Allies' victory with a special US day. With US bases all over East Anglia, local people grew to know the performers who came to entertain the troops. Today, tribute acts, a swing band, dancers, a wartime bar and canteen and vehicles with an all-American flavour take over Broadway Gardens.

### Saturday 10 July

**10am-4pm: Summer Arts in Letchworth** The town centre will come alive with an explosion of entertainment from Music and Dance to Theatre and Art. Local groups and professional acts will perform throughout the town, with a main stage in Leys Square and sites in Garden Square and Eastcheap. Street artistes will be on hand to keep the crowds entertained as well as face painting and fun for all the family. Organised by the Town Centre Partnership.

### Sunday 11 July

**1-6pm: Proms in the Park** Live entertainment in Howard Park with a juice bar by La Concha of Station Place.

1pm In-Sync Dance Ensemble.

1:10pm Baldock and Letchworth Music Live Club: Al Hewson country music and Na Mara Celtic folk duo.

2pm Highfield School: music, dance and art.

3:15pm Fearnhill School Jazz Band.

3:45pm Letchworth All Nations Voice Choir.

4pm Andor Kovacs Music Tuition Centre.

4:30pm Fen Song: folk music from Cambridgeshire.

5pm Rhythms of Egypt Drum and Dance Ensemble.

6pm Finish.

## www.letchworthfestival.org

### Tickets

Tickets will be available from Tuesday 1 June.

Details of where to obtain them are given with each event.

Please note payment may be by cash or cheque only.

### Using this guide

**D** = David's Bookshop.

**T** = Letchworth Tourist Information Centre.

### Contact Information

Festival website: [www.letchworthfestival.org](http://www.letchworthfestival.org)

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Opening hours

Mon - Fri: 8am - 7pm

Sat: 8am - 6pm

Sun: 10am - 5pm

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Opening hours

Mon - Sat: 9:30am - 4:30pm

### Acknowledgements

The Letchworth Festival Steering Committee would like to thank the individuals, groups, organisations and businesses who have worked so hard to organise the events and activities. The Committee would also like to thank its partners and the Festival's sponsors for their generous support.

### Sponsors

Letchworth Arts and Leisure Group, Letchworth Civic Trust, Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation, North Hertfordshire District Council, Nuffield Health.

### Partners

David's Bookshop, Letchworth Tourist Information Centre, Mrs Howard Memorial Hall, Phillips Digital Services, Prontaprint, Signalmedia.co.uk

### Further Information

More detail about these and other events is available from: [www.letchworthfestival.org](http://www.letchworthfestival.org), Letchworth Tourist Information Centre, Letchworth Library and David's Bookshop.

### The Small Print

Festival Competition Rules and Standard Terms and Conditions are available from the Tourist Information Centre and the Festival website.

Personal accident insurance is for individuals to arrange.

Great care was taken when producing this programme and information was believed to be correct at time of printing.

Unforeseen circumstances may necessitate changes in events.





# Programme - Saturday 26 June - Sunday 11 July

## Saturday 26 June

**10am-3:30pm: A Celebration of All Things MINI** Details overleaf.

**11am: Sufi Fusion** Spiritual Sufi drumming with a western influence. Leys Square.

**11am-4pm: Armed Forces Day** Enjoy military fun and games. First Garden City Museum, Norton Way South.

**11:30am onwards: Dancing in Leys Square** Details overleaf.

**12 noon: Town Crier Competition** to find Letchworth's own Crier. Do you have a loud voice? Turn up and have a go, on the Broadway by Morrisons. Details from website/Tourist Centre.

**2-3pm: Letchworth Garden City Brass Band** The band will play popular music on the Broadway, by Morrisons.

**All day: Spring Clean Letchworth** Form a group of 3-10 litter pickers and make our town a cleaner place. Details on website or 07722 044622.

**5:30-9pm: Swimming Gala** Club members' championship. Letchworth outdoor pool, Norton Common.

Photography by prior arrangement. £2.50 Outdoor pool.

**7:45pm: Variety Show - Around the World** The last night of this show, presented by SPADS. St Paul's Hall, Pixmore Way. £7 Box Office 01462 677157.

## Sunday 27 June

**11am-5pm: LALG Open Gardens** Stroll or use the free LGCHF minibus to visit some or all of the 23 gardens open across the town. £4.50 in advance **D & T** £5 on day at the gardens, in aid of Parkinson's Disease Society.

**11:30am-3:30pm: Hands-on Archaeology** with Norton Community Archaeology Group. Activities include cleaning and sorting items found locally. First Garden City Museum.

**1-4pm: Trace Your Family Tree** Learn about the resources available to you with Letchworth and District Family History Group. First Garden City Museum, Norton Way South.

**2:15pm: The Story of All Saints' Church Willian** Guided tour of the church and churchyard.

Free but donation to Church Restoration Fund appreciated. **T**

**3:30pm: The Story of Willian Church** As 2:15pm.

**5-10:30pm: Sun Fest** Relax with Pimms, cocktails or sangria and live music at La Concha, Station Approach.

## Monday 28 June

**5:30am: William's Walk, Ardeley** Early morning walk, approx 6 miles. Meet at David's Bookshop.

Details from website and David's Bookshop. **D**

**8am: Breakfast at Church Farm, Ardeley** Book your coffee/breakfast at this celebrated farm via David's Bookshop. **D**

**9am: Walk from Church Farm, Ardeley** Approx 7 miles. Details from website & David's Bookshop. **D**

**2-4pm: What On Earth Is It?** Pop in and help the aspiring gardeners to identify their plants. 8 Broadwater Avenue.

**7:30pm: Toby Litt** reading and signing his new novel *King Death*. David's Bookshop. £2 **D & T** refunded if book purchased.

**8pm: Climate Change is Bad! Peak Oil Happens!**

**Reduced Energy - Let's Go For It** Talk by Transition Town Letchworth. St Thomas' Church Hall, Bedford Road. £3 on the door.

## Tuesday 29 June

**10am-12 noon: NCT Coffee Morning** Open to everyone with children under 5. Norton Methodist Church Community Centre, Common View. £1 per family on the door.

**10:30am: Talk on Hatfield House.** Join the LALG Daytime Social Group at Central Methodist Church, Norton Way South. Free.

**2pm: Garden City History Walk** Meet by Broadway Cinema and take in some of Letchworth's interesting buildings.

Approx 1.5 miles, ending with tea at Howard Gardens Social Centre. Walk free, small charge for tea.

**2:15pm: The Story of Willian Church** See 27 June 2:15pm.

**4pm: The Story of Willian Church** See 27 June 2:15pm.

**7:30pm: The Moneyless Man - Public Debate** Mark Boyle, author of *The Moneyless Man: A Year of Freeeconomic Living* will lead a debate on the pros and cons of a moneyless lifestyle. Howgills, Southview. £4 **D & T**

**8pm: Light Music for a Summer Evening** Hertfordshire Constabulary Choir & organist Alan Osborn will entertain you. Central Methodist Church, Norton Way South. £7.50 (concessions £6.50) **T** in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support.

## Wednesday 30 June

**2:30pm: Tea Dance** Ballroom and Latin dancing, with music by Maurice, at Letchworth Hall Hotel £4.50 incl refreshments. **T**

**3-5pm: International Port** A talk on port's history followed by a tasting. La Concha, Station Place £5 in advance, La Concha.

**7:30- 9:30pm: Children Rule - Is it OK?** The National Women's Register hosts a debate exploring whether children have been given too much influence with too little responsibility. David's Bookshop. Free but booking essential. **D**

## Thursday 1 July

**11am-1pm: Milton Keynes Theatre Backstage Tour** A fascinating tour arranged by Lordship Theatregoers. Meet at theatre. Free but booking essential 07831 417687.

**2pm: A Photographic Odyssey: Shackleton's Endurance Expedition Captured on Camera** An illustrated lecture by Mark Cottle, organised by North Herts Decorative and Fine Arts Society. Plinston. Free.

**2:15pm: The Story of Willian Church** See 27 June 2:15pm.

**3-7pm: Free Golf at Willian Way Par 3 Course** Turn up and play (under-12s must be with an adult). Refreshments available.

**4pm: The Story of Willian Church** See 27 June 2:15pm.

**7-9pm: A Midsummer Open Evening** with nibbles & tipples at Norton Way Gallery & Wild Roses Lingerie, Norton Way North.

**7:30pm: Murder in Flitwick Wood and Other Stories** Story teller Mark Steinhardt relates the tale of a local 18th Century Murder. David's Bookshop £4 **D & T**

**8pm: Music Night at the Arena Tavern** A wide-ranging selection of live music in Arena Parade.

## Friday 2 July

**7-10pm: Festival Wine Tasting** Join the Broadway Hotel and LALG Wine Groups to taste wine, and to try food from local suppliers. Broadway Hotel. £15 in advance from Hotel 01462 480111.

**7:15-9:15pm: Wilbury Walk** Stroll with Letchworth Natural History Society and admire the views and wildlife. £1 **T**

**7:30pm: Poetry Live** Poetry and music at Mrs Howard Hall. Free but booking essential. **T**

**8pm: Wilbury Hills Amateur Theatricals Open Evening** See what WHAT can do and have a go too if you wish. St Thomas' Church Hall, Bedford Road.

## Saturday 3 July

**10am-6pm: World War II Celebration Day 1** Details overleaf.

**10-11:45am: Summer Bazaar** Produce, activities, cakes, stalls. Free Church Hall, Gernon Road. Free entry.

**10am- 1pm: Reformed Hertfordshire Gangster Jason Cook** will sign his two autobiographical novels. David's Bookshop.

**10am-3pm: Poetry Workshop** Families welcome at this event, led by Joy Howard. Mrs Howard Hall. Free but booking essential. **T**

**10am-4pm: Transition Town Letchworth in Garden Square** Garden projects, seed and produce swap, local eggs for sale, activities for all including 'Human Dice'.

**10am-4pm: Art Exhibition and Refreshments** Hosted by Letchworth Cortez and Mind Yourself groups. Brotherhood Hall.

**12 noon - late: Hoggi-aoke** A hog roast all day plus karaoke (c1940s war songs) from 8pm. Hogshead, Station Place.

**2-4:30pm: Summer Produce Show & Plant Swap** View the exhibits or enter your own fruit, vegetables, flowers, photos; swap surplus plants. Call

Letchworth District Gardeners Association to exhibit 01462 686630. St George's Hall, Common View.

**7pm: 1940s Dinner and Dance** An authentic forties evening organised by First Garden City Heritage Museum & Plinston.

Spirella Ballroom £22.50 from Plinston.

## Sunday 4 July

**10am-5:30pm: World War II Celebration Day 2** Details overleaf.

**10am-4pm: Letchworth Open Garages** Garage sales across Letchworth: pick up bargains from others' sales or hold your own. See website for details.

**From 2pm: Give it a Croquet** Have a go at croquet- turn up and play. Letchworth Croquet Club, Muddy Lane. Free.

**2-4:30pm: Historic Norton Walk** Discover the history and archaeology of Norton on this 3 - 5km walk. Free but booking essential. Letchworth Museum, Broadway.

**7pm: Quiz Chase** Answer questions at each of La Concha, Hogshead and Arena Tavern (Station Place and Arena Parade). Question sheet £1 **T**

## Monday 5 July

**9:45am: The History of the River Thames** A talk preceded by tea/coffee, organised by The 27 Club. Clulow Room, St. George's Church, Common View. Free but booking essential. **T**

**1:30pm: Time for Toddlers** Activities at Letchworth Museum, Broadway. Free.

**2:30pm: Tour of St Christopher's School** A half-hour tour of the school, followed by a discussion and tea/coffee.

Free but booking essential. **T**

**5:30pm: Greenway Stroll** Meet at Manor Wood car park to walk as much of the Greenway as you wish.

Details from website and David's Bookshop. **D**

**6-8pm: World War II Exhibition** A special evening opening at the First Garden City Museum, Norton Way South. Free.

**8-10pm: Letchworth and District St Andrew's Society: Scottish Country Dancing** Turn up and have a twirl. Scout Hall, Spring Road. Free.

## Tuesday 6 July

**10am-12 noon: NCT Coffee Morning** Open to everyone with children under 5. Norton Methodist Church Community Centre, Common View. £1 per family on the door.

**1-2pm: The Life of a Tudor Housewife** A talk describing how a Tudor housewife ran her home. Letchworth Museum, Broadway.

**2-4pm: NCT Bumps & Babies** For expectant mums and parents of babies up to walking age. Details on website.

**2:30-4:30pm: Groovy Graveyards Cycle Ride** Meet at Mrs Howard Hall and cycle or car share to the cemeteries around Letchworth, viewing interesting graves at each location. Free.

**7:30pm: Waiting for the Bluebirds - an Evacuee's Journey** June Matthews describes her local evacuation experiences. David's Bookshop. Free but booking essential. **D**

## Wednesday 7 July

**2pm: History of St Francis College and Its Site** Illustrated talk on the history of the college and its site, including a tour.

Free but booking essential. **T**

**2:30pm: History of Letchworth Hall Hotel** Learn about the building's history then take afternoon tea at the hotel. £4.50 incl refreshments. **T**

**7:15-9:15pm: Wildlife of Norton Common** Stroll round the common with Letchworth Natural History Society and learn about its plants and birds. £1 **T**

**7:30pm: Find Out About LALG** For existing and potential members. Learn about the Letchworth Arts & Leisure Group and discuss possible new groups. David's Bookshop .

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## Thursday 8 July

**6:30pm: Tasty Delights** Food demonstration and tasting with Campbell & Toft in their shop. £7.50 incl wine, in advance. Campbell & Toft, Leys Avenue.

**7-9pm: Buntingford Brewery** Tour the brewery, learn about the brewing process and sample the results. Meet at the brewery. Free but booking essential. **T**

**8pm: Music Night at the Arena Tavern** A wide-ranging selection of live music on Arena Parade.

## Friday 9 July

**10am Visit to Hitchin Lavender** A talk about the farm and its lavender, a tour of the lavender field and tea/coffee £3. **T**

**7:30pm: Find Out About LALG** See 7 July 7:30pm.

**8pm: Three One Act Plays** The Settlement Players present: Close to Croydon; Failed Investments; How to Make Your Theatre Pay. Letchworth Arts Centre, Leys Avenue. £5 Letchworth Arts Centre.

## Saturday 10 July

**8am-6pm: David's Carless Day** 20% off if you leave your car at home. David's Bookshop.

**10am-2pm: Nuffield Health Bike a Mile Competition** for free gym membership, plus exercise advice. See website for details.

**10am-3pm: David's Children's Book Swap Day** Children can swap one of their used books for another. David's Bookshop.

**10am-4pm: Summer Arts in Letchworth** Details overleaf.

**10:30am-12:30pm: Rachel in Stitches** Rachel will teach simple sewing and embroidery in David's Bookshop. Free.

**11am-12:30pm: Fishing For Eels Ceilidh Band** Learn to dance with a caller and live band. Leys Square.

**11:30am-1pm: Dig Up Your Dinosaurs** Entertainment for all ages at Letchworth Museum, Broadway. Free.

**2:30-4pm: Rachel in Stitches** see 10:30am.

**3pm: Children's Event with Emma Kennedy** the popular comedian, actor and author of the *Wilma Tenderfoot* series. David's Bookshop. Free but booking essential. **D**

**8pm: Three One Act Plays** As 9 July but at The Settlement, Nevells Road. £5 **T**

**9:30pm till late: Understanding Moths** Learn with local experts: capture, identify and release moths unharmed. Letchworth Centre for Healthy Living, Hitchin Road. Free but booking essential. **T**

## Sunday 11 July

**11am-2pm: NCT Cheeky Monkey's Tea Party** Family fun and games: bring a picnic or visit the Café. Letchworth Centre for Healthy Living, Hitchin Road. Tickets: see website.

**11am: Walking Tour of 1905 Exhibition Cottages** View some cottages and learn about the innovative building techniques. Free but booking essential. **T**

**11am-12:30pm: What the Papers Say** What caught your eye? Topical discussion in Esquires Coffee House, Leys Avenue.

**12:15pm: Walking Tour of 1907 Exhibition Cottages** View some cottages and learn about the competition. Free but booking essential. **T**

**1-6pm: Proms in the Park** Music, dancing and art in Howard Park. Details overleaf.

**2pm: Walking Tour of 1905 Exhibition Cottages** As 11am.

**2-5:30pm: Willian Village Fair** A traditional village fair.

**3:15pm: Walking Tour of 1907 Exhibition Cottages** As 12:15pm.

**5:30-9pm: Inter-Club Swimming Gala** Support Letchworth's battle against 6 other towns. Letchworth outdoor pool, Norton Common. Photography by prior arrangement. £2.50 Outdoor pool.