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Alterations and additions will be posted on the website www.lymmfestival.org.uk

Tickets available form **3rd June** by order. Festival box office open **Saturday 24th June** 

Box Office Tel: 01925 756133 (not for booking tickets. Enquiries and information only)
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Art in the Garden Delicious teas will be served daily
Weekends 11am to 4pm
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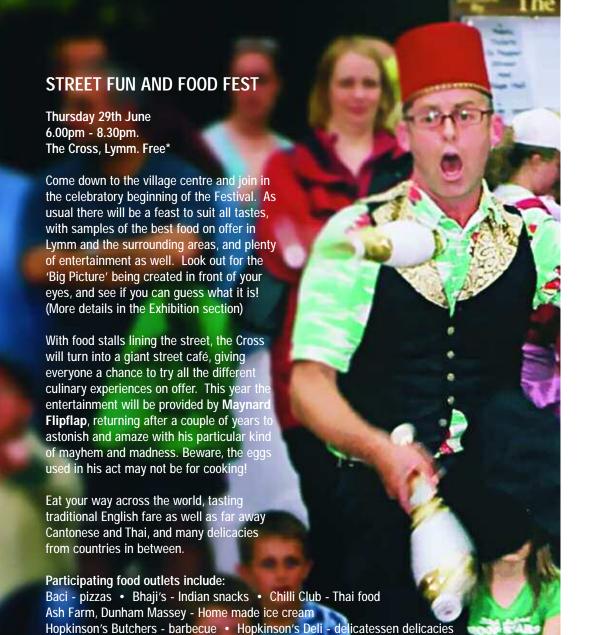
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## **FESTIVAL PICNIC**

Saturday 8th July
7.00pm – midnight
Lymm Hall, Rectory Lane, Lymm\*
Car park and entrance on May Queen Field, Pepper Street
£17.00 per head. Pre-booking essential.
Maximum order of 6 tickets per household
(ticket holders must be at least 16 years of age)

The beautiful and secluded gardens of Lymm Hall are once again the setting for the Festival Picnic. The Cottrill family, residents of the fine 17th century house, have generously offered their grounds for one of the most popular events of the Festival. Compered by the inimitable **Jim Hancock**, BBC North West's political correspondent, the evening will be a relaxed and sociable mix of music and dining. Guests are encouraged to take a turn around the garden and discover some of its fascinating features, as well as enjoying the fine music.

This year the entertainment will be provided by a group of young talented musicians (to be confirmed) playing a selection of music to listen and dine to, and the **Cinnamon Club Swing Band** from Bowdon will set the feet tapping as they play two sets from their extensive repertoire. A little Sinatra, some Louise Jordan jump jive, and some classic dance tunes featuring one of the best saxophonists in the UK. **Iain Dixon** has played with Michael Brecker, Brian Ferry and Simply Red. Jeremy Sassoon on keyboard and **Paul Bentley** on vocals drive the music forward. Look out for some special guests in set two.

Bring a picnic and liquid refreshment and dine in any style you wish.

NB: Barbecues of any kind are strictly forbidden. There will be restrictions on the number of gazebos and where they are placed. Only authorised personnel are allowed into the grounds before 7.00pm. **Event Code 01** 

Please be aware that the house and grounds are a family home and, therefore, treat the place with respect. All litter from your picnic should be removed.

## **SCARECROW TRAIL**

To view from Monday 26th June
All around Lymm. £5.00 registration fee.
Deadline for entries Thursday 22nd June.
Trail maps and quiz sheets £1.00,
available Monday 26th June from the Festival Box Office, Stephanie's and Rush Green Services

They're here again! And hopefully more of them than ever! The increasingly popular scarecrow trail will enliven the highways and by-ways of Lymm for the duration of the Festival, and as usual there will be prizes for the best entry, and also for the guiz.

This year there is no special theme so let your imagination run riot, and have fun creating a character to join the army of scarecrows who will patiently pose for us to view. Tour the scarecrow sites and see if you can identify them all. You could be in for a prize!

Entry forms will be at Rushgreen Service Station, Stephanie's the Florist, the Library, or can be downloaded from the Festival website www.lymmfestival.org.uk

The prize giving will be after Morning Stories on Sunday 9th July, at 12 noon, in the Sunken Garden, or in the Village Hall if wet.



## **ART IN THE GARDEN**

Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd July 11.00am – 7.00pm Monday 3rd to Friday 7th July 1.00 – 7.00pm Saturday 8th July 11.00am – 4.00pm Sunday 9th July 11.00 – 7.00pm Leckonby Cottage (see directions below)\* Teas: Weekends 11.00am – 4.00pm, weekdays 2.00pm – 4.00pm Admission £2.00, £1.00 (concs), pay at the gate

Art in the Garden has been one of the great successes of the Festival with its unique combination of outstanding work by local artists, designers, potters and sculptors, set in the beautiful canal-side gardens of Leckonby Cottage. The theme again is diversity and inclusiveness. Many of the works will have been created especially for the event at workshops run in the weeks leading up to the Festival. Others will draw upon the rich vein of creativity in local groups, Risley Prison and schools – featuring works from the recent "Flights of the Mind" project in Warrington. The work of professional artists will also be on view.

On Sunday 2nd July, between 12 noon and 4.00pm, visitors of all ages will be encouraged to work with artist **Paul Bearman**, making their own exhibits out of a multitude of materials, and leaving them on show or taking them home.

With home-baking and teas on hand, what better way to spend a summer's afternoon?

\*Access to Leckonby Cottage garden is via the canal towpath close to Brookfield Road Bridge, or up the driveway of 11 Whitbarrow Road. Pedestrian access only, except for disabled visitors for whom special arrangements can be made by phoning 01925 754080.

School groups and sketching groups should also contact the number above.



## O'YE! O'YE! O'YE!

**Festival Town Crier competition** Saturday 8th July.

10.30am Meet at Village Hall for Draw

11.00am lst round of competition at the Dingle (follow path beside Lower Dam)

12 noon 2nd round of competition in Beer Garden of the Spread Eagle,

Eagle Brow followed by lunch and prize giving.

The village of Lymm is very fortunate to have the services of its own Town Crier, currently **Peter J Powell** who has held the post since 1994. To celebrate this traditional and very special role, the Festival is playing host to a competition to which several Town Criers will be invited from all over the country. They will perform, each dressed in his own unique costume, two rounds of 'Cries' which will be judged according, among other things, to their clarity, content, entertainment value, and volume.

Join the competitors and their consorts as they draw for the order in which they will compete, and then follow them up to the Dingle (between the upper and lower Dam) to hear the first round. This will be on the subject of their own home town or village. The second round will then take place in the pretty beer garden at the back of the Spread Eagle. This round will be on a given topic.

Peter Powell is not just well known for his ringing tones in Lymm. He is a member of the Ancient and Honourable Guild of Town Criers and the Loyal Company of Town Criers, and has competed very successfully since 1996 in many parts of the UK, Europe and Canada. He has also been invited to cry in the USA and Japan.

## LIGHT HEARTED LEAPS

A collaboration between residents of Cotebrook House, Keate House and the children of two Lymm Primary Schools.

Celebratory social events to be held during Festival week.

Times to be confirmed.

This will be the culmination of a series of workshops at which young children, disabled adults and the elderly will exchange memories and experiences, using movement and music, much of which will be recorded on film.

Local dance artist **Jan Halloran** and colleague **Ruth Spencer** will join forces with Lymm-based musician **Carmel Clowes** in exploring the intergenerational relationship between these two age groups, and finish by hosting celebratory tea parties, where some of the participants' own materials (writings, photographs, drawings etc.) will be on display. These events are open to everyone.

Lymm Festival is delighted to include this project in the programme. There are always groups within the community who are unable to participate as fully as they would wish, and it is hoped that this kind of inclusive event will be followed by others.

The project is dependent on a successful bid for funding from Awards for All.



## **THURSDAY 29TH JUNE**

## **FESTIVAL BLUES NIGHT**

The Lymm Hotel, Whitbarrow Road, Lymm\* 8.00pm. £6.00. Bar Facilities

Following on from last year's successful evening the Lymm Festival is pleased to present its second blues night featuring **Perfect Strangers** and **Peter Price**.

The Stockport based Perfect Strangers blues band is now regarded as one of the finest outfits in the North West. Formed in 1985, the band has supported some of the biggest names in the blues world including Chris Farlowe and Jack Bruce. The current line-up features **Jim Ensor** vocals/harmonica), **John Brett** (guitar), **Jim Reeder** (keyboards), **Neil Burgess** (bass) and **Henry Quick** (drums).

Peter Price will provide a superb start to the evening with his classic mix of acoustic guitar styles including delta blues, ragtime, jazz and more. Event code 02

## **NELSON PEACH**

Supported by Nick and Lin Tysoe The Railway Folk and Acoustic Music Club, Mill Lane, Heatley, Lymm 8.30pm prompt. £4.00, £2.00 (under 15). Bar facilities

Nelson Peach, a resident trio formed in the last couple of years at the Railway Folk Club, is Lesley (guitar, whistle, flute and vocals), Rick (guitar, cittern and vocals) and Richard (multi-instrumentalist and vocals). They sing and perform a range of music from traditional to contemporary. With Lesley's beautiful, powerful voice, which makes the hairs on the back of your neck stand on end, along with Richard's accompaniments (there are very few instruments he can't play!) and Rick's clever harmonies and cittern playing, this is a splendid way to begin the Festival at the Folk Club. Event code 03

## FRIDAY 30TH JUNE

THE ENGLISH RENAISSANCE presented by The Coupland Consort
The Old Church of St Werburgh, Wigsey Lane, Warburton, Lymm\*

7.30pm. £7.00, £5.00 (concs). Refreshments available

The Coupland Consort was founded in 2004 by baritone, Marcus Farnsworth, with fellow singers Amy Wood (soprano), Rebecca Anderson (alto) and Timothy Kennedy (tenor) with the aim of blending the ensemble skills of choral singing with the drama of solo vocal performance to

create a truly unique sound. Joined on this occasion by lutenist **Roger Child**, the programme will demonstrate the rich variety of music of the English Renaissance period, from the beautiful sacred settings of Tallis and Byrd to the exuberant secular madrigals of Morley and Tomkins.

The Old Church of St Werburgh is one of the area's best kept secrets. Tucked away in a corner near the Warburton Toll Bridge, parts of the church date back to the eleventh century. The combination of beautiful music in such an ancient setting will be a compelling one, and, with limited seating, it would be wise to book early. **Event code 04** 

## PIANO RECITAL by Damian Girvin

United Reformed Church, Brookfield Road, Lymm\* 7.30pm. £10.00 (adults) £7.00 (under 16s + senior citizens) Refreshments available

Internationally known pianist **Damian Girvin** will give a recital featuring popular classical music including works by Beethoven, Liszt, Brahms and Chopin.

Since being awarded unanimous First Prize in the 1997 European Beethoven Competition, Damian Girvin has performed as both solo and chamber musician. Based in Lymm, he has performed at many of the UK's most prestigious venues including Manchester's Bridgewater Hall, Birmingham Symphony Hall, and London's Wigmore Hall. He has also played in Recital halls in Ireland, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, France, Holland and Spain as well as New York's Caramoor and 'Mostly Mozart' Festivals and Chicago's Ravinia Festival. Event code 05

## **ALLAN TAYLOR**

## Supported by Stewart Lever

The Railway Folk and Acoustic Music Club, Mill Lane, Heatley, Lymm 8.30 prompt. £8.00, £4.00 (under 15s). Bar facilities

For 30 years, **Allan Taylor** has been a consummate performer; a writer of literary gracefulness, whose troubadour chronicles encapsulate the realism of otherwise unsung heroes and uncharted lives. His songs are faultlessly constructed and flawlessly performed, with his instantly recognisable voice, attractively dark and mellow, accompanied by his intricately detailed yet full-sounding guitar.

Such is the quality of Allan's songs that they have been recorded by many performers, including: Don Williams, De Danaan, Fairport Convention, The Poozies and many more. Event code 06

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## SATURDAY 1ST JULY

## LATE BREAKFAST with THE MARMALADE CLUB

The Railway Folk and Acoustic Music Club, Mill Lane, Heatley, Lymm 11.30am - 2.00pm (approx). Free. Breakfast available (extra) and Bar facilities.

The Marmalade Club are a group of regulars at the Railway Folk Club who meet early on Saturday mornings, in their own homes. So early, in fact, that breakfast is involved, followed by the playing of traditional tunes on accordion, guitar, fiddle, flute and whistles. As part of the Festival, they have again agreed to delay their breakfast until they get to the pub, and to share their music making with any others who wish to have a late breakfast and listen or join in. They were a real hit at last year's Festival.

## LES BARKER

Supported by Don and Heather Davies
The Railway Folk and Acoustic Music Club, Mill Lane, Heatley, Lymm
8.30 prompt. £7.00, £3.00 (under 15s). Bar facilities

A very funny man, Les Barker writes weird and wonderful poems, many of which have spawned what can only be described as folk heroes: Jason and the Arguments, Cosmo the Fairly accurate Knife Thrower, Captain Indecisive and Spot of the Antarctic to name but several. He has toured all over the world, had his own series of six programmes on BBC Radio 2 with the Mrs. Ackroyd Band, and is frequently leaving audiences doubled up all over the USA, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. See Les, and you will go home all warm and smiling! Event code 07

## **SUNDAY 2ND JULY**

## **MOZART 250**

St Peter's Church, Oughtrington Lane, Lymm\* 8.00pm. £15.00, £12.00 (concs). Interval refreshments

NB: Friends 2 for 1

An evening of the very best music making, featuring two of Mozart's most loved works — the timeless Requiem, and the enchanting Serenade for 13 Wind Instruments K361,(the Gran Partita). The Lymm Festival Orchestra and Chorus with a host of excellent young soloists and the cream of the North West's wind and string players, (including players from the Halle, Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra, the BBC Philharmonic and the Camerata), will perform an unforgettable evening of Mozart's greatest music. The concert will be directed and conducted by Nicholas Cox, Lymm resident, and principal clarinettist with the RLPO. Event code 08

## LAST NIGHT'S FUN

Supported by Bernard Cromarty
The Railway Folk and Acoustic Music Club, Mill Lane, Heatley, Lymm
8.30pm prompt. £10.00, £5.00 (under 15s). Bar facilities

A three-piece traditional band with an international reputation. Producing a sparkling wall of gripping and vibrant music, they have been described as "the most exciting and entertaining traditional Irish music band in England" (Irish Music Magazine).

In Chris Sherburn they have a concertina player widely regarded as being one of, if not the, best in the world and in Nick Scott probably the best uillean piper in England. Guitarist Denny Bartley has an unparalleled style of interpreting traditional music, whilst his singing has a command and gravitas to make any song his own. The key to the unique sound produced by Last Night's Fun is the electric, spontaneous interplay between three musicians very much at one with each other. Event code 09

## **MONDAY 3RD JULY**

## LYMM YOUNG VOICES

Methodist Church, Eagle Brow, Lymm\* 5.00pm. £4.00, £2.00 (concs)

Join Lymm Young Voices for their annual appearance at the Lymm Festival! Both Junior and Senior Choirs will perform a wide variety of songs, separately and together. The choirs are currently recruiting new members, so young people between the ages of 7 and 18 who are interested in joining this energetic ensemble, are most welcome to come and see and hear what it is all about. Whatever your age, you are welcome to enjoy an hour of interesting and exciting vocal music at this year's concert. Event code 10

## **TUESDAY 4TH JULY**

## YOUNG MUSIC MAKERS IN CONCERT

St Peter's Church, Oughtrington Lane, Lymm\* 7.00pm. £5.00, £4.00 (concs) Under 18 Free. Refreshments included

For the fourth year running, talented young instrumentalists from the Lymm area will entertain and delight with a varied and exciting programme of works for ensembles. The proceeds from this year's concert will be shared between St Peter's Church and the Oughtrington Community Association. Event code 11

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## **FESTIVAL CEILIDH**

Statham Lodge Hotel, Warrington Road, Lymm\* 8.30pm prompt. £5.00, £2.00 (under 15). Bar facilities

Dance the night away to a great CEILIDH band featuring Pete Orpet (guitar, vocals), Richard Peach (fiddle, mandolin, guitar, banjo, vocals), Bernard Cromarty (accordion and a few other things), Cathy Barman (bass, vocals) and other friends of the band. Arthur Marshall, the maestro of callers, will make things easier for everyone. He's very persuasive, and if he can't get you up and dancing, then you must be made of stone! Event code 12

## WEDNESDAY 5TH JULY

## **CHORAL CORNUCOPIA** 5 with Lymm and District Chorus

St Peter's Church, Oughtrington Lane, Lymm\* 7.30pm. £4.00, £3.00 (concs). Refreshments included

This popular and versatile local choir, conductor **Robin Mundy**, will be singing music spanning 600 years; some serious, some humourous, some familiar and some less well known. It will also feature the **Lymm Madrigal Group**, all of whom are choir members. The concerts are always enjoyable, so spend a relaxing evening listening to a programme of fine choral singing. **Event code 13** 

## IRISH NIGHT with GARVA

Supported by Nelson Peach

Statham Lodge Hotel, Warrington Road, Lymm\* 8.30pm prompt. £7.00 £3.00 (under 15). Bar facilities

It's time for another fix of the Garva experience! Continuing their special relationship with the Railway Folk Club, the band is back and, no doubt, will pack the place as usual... Christmas with Garva last year was a total sell-out! So instead of a marquee, this year we've booked the biggest room in Lymm, at the Statham Lodge Hotel, to give everyone a chance to enjoy them. With a cracking selection of songs and tunes, some new and many familiar, and plenty of terrible jokes to make you groan – how can anyone resist? The usual suspects in line-up are **Tony Gibbons** (singer, cittern), **Terry Coin** (singer, flute, whistle), **Lesley McGough** (singer, keyboards) and maybe more of Tony's Irish mates... it's always a surprise and joy to see who he brings along! Turn up early if you want a good seat. **Event code 14** 

## LYMM FESTIVAL 2006 TICKET SALES INFORMATION AND BOOKING FORM

To order tickets please fill in the booking form overleaf. Tickets may be bought from the Festival Box Office situated in the Village Hall Annexe from **Saturday 24th June**.

## **BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS (Tickets available from 3rd June)**

## Please fill all parts of the booking form carefully and clearly

Put your completed booking form in an envelope together with your remittance (cash or cheque) Cheques should be crossed and made payable to Lymm Festival.

## Please make out a separate cheque for Festival Picnic ticket orders to make refunding easier if the event sells out quickly

The envelope, addressed to Lymm Festival, containing the order may be taken to:

- · Stephanie's the Florist, The Cross, Lymm,
- · Rushgreen Service Station, Rushgreen Road, Lymm
- The Festival Box Office, Village Hall Annexe, Pepper St, Lymm from Saturday 24th June

Extra copies of the order form will also be available at the above outlets. You may specify on the form which outlet you would like your order to be delivered to. Whenever possible your ticket order will be returned to the outlet within 24 hours. If you wish the tickets to be sent by post you must include a stamped addressed envelope with your order.

If an event is sold out, your money will be refunded.

Lymm Festival regrets that it cannot deal with electronic payment.

## NB: Friends of Lymm Festival get special concessions, as indicated on order form

A copy of the booking order-form can be downloaded from the Lymm Festival website: www.lymmfestival.org.uk

## **FESTIVAL BOX OFFICE:**

Saturday 24th June to Friday 30th June - 10.00am to 4.00pm. Saturday 1st July to Saturday 8th July - 10.00am to 6.00pm Monday 26th to Wednesday 28th June - 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Unless specified, tickets will be available on the door at most events

BOX OFFICE TELEPHONE NO: 01925 756133.

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# BOOKING FORM (Please fill in using block capitals, carefully and clearly)

Event Title	Event Code	Date	Ticket Price	Number	Number of tickets	Total £
				Full	Concs	
Festival Picnic (max 6 per household) Please provide separate cheque	10	8 July	£17			
Festival Blues Night	02	29 June	£6			
Nelson Peach	03	29 June	£4 / £2			
The English Renaissance	04	30 June	£7 / £5			
Piano Recital by Damian Girvin	05	30 June	£10 / £7			
Allan Taylor	90	30 June	£8 / £4			
Les Barker	07	1 July	£7 / £3			
Mozart 250 (Friends 2 for 1)	80	2 July	£15 / £12			
Last Night's Fun	60	2 July	£10 / £5			
Lymm Young Voices	10	3 July	£4 / £2			
Young Music Makers in Concert	1	4 July	£5 / £4			
Festival Ceilidh	12	4 July	E5 / E2			
Choral Cornucopia	13	5 July	£4 / £3			
Irish Night with Garva	14	5 July	£7 / £3			
Old Time Music Hall	15	6 July	E5 / E3			
Jazz at the Cinnamon Lounge	16	6 July	£8			
Bernard Cromarty	17	6 July	£4 / £2			
The Return of the Laughing Policemen	18	6 July	£4 / £3			
Facinatin' Flutin'	19	7 July	E6 / E4			
Lymm Concert Band	20	9 July	£4 / £3			
Music for a Summer's Afternoon	21	9 July	£8 / £7			
Lymm Open Garden Afernoon	22	2 July	£5 / £1.50			
Embroidery Walk	23	3 July	£2			
Taming of the Shrew (Friends 2 for 1)	24	1 July	E8 / E4			
Dylan Thomas in America	25	3 July	L <del>J</del>			
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Our Favourite Poems	29	5 July	£3			
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Dance Night 2006	32	7 July	E5 / E3			
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## THURSDAY 6TH JULY

## **OLD TIME MUSIC HALL**

St Winefride's Church, Booths Hill Road, Lymm\* 7.30pm. £5.00, £3.00 (concs). Refreshments included

Ladies and Gentlemen! You are invited to attend a show brought to you for your delight and delectation, a veritable vortex of vivacious variety, featuring the sweetest of singers, pukka performers of perfection and a comely comedienne – the very mistress of mirth! Sing along to your old time favourites – all good friends and jolly good company! Event code 15

## **JAZZ at THE CINNAMON LOUNGE**

The Lymm Hotel, Whitbarrow Road, Lymm\* 8.00pm. £8.00 in advance, £10.00 on the door. Bar facilities

The Cinnamon Club from Bowdon provides some of its most popular artists for one night only at the Lymm Hotel. Paul Bentley has one of the best blues and gospel voices in the country, and he teams up once again with the Jeremy Sassoon trio. Great jazz, blues and a whole lot of fun! Laura Beth is a fantastic singer, songwriter and pianist. She will play some original material, Tom Waits, Ray Charles and some jazz covers. Sit back, relax, and enjoy an evening of great music, with Paul and Laura joining forces to bring the show to a grand finale. Event code 16

## **BERNARD CROMARTY**

Supported by Don & Heather Davies, Nick and Lin Tysoe, Stewart Lever The Railway Folk and Acoustic Music Club, Mill Lane, Heatley, Lymm 8.30pm prompt. £4.00. £2.00 (Under15). Bar facilities

**Bernard Cromarty** is one of the resident performers at the Railway Folk Club. He's been around for ever, but it is always a pleasure to hear him perform. He is a multi-instrumentalist, playing guitars, banjo, mandolin, accordion, concertinas, flutes and whistle, to name but a few. He is a master of the comic song and entertains with a lightning wit, but is also a very skilled, sensitive singer and musician. **Event code 17** 



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## THE RETURN OF THE LAUGHING POLICEMEN

St Peter's Church, Oughtrington Lane, Lymm\* 7.45pm.

£4.00, £3.00 (concs). Refreshments included

Making a welcome return after their performance last year, the G.M.P.M.V.C. with their joint conductors Robert Aston and Robin Mundy, invite you to an evening of good singing and good fun! This internationally known choir aim to make you leave the concert with a spring in your step and a smile on your face. Event code 18



## FRIDAY 7TH JULY

## FASCINATIN' FLUTIN'

Baptist Church, Higher Lane, Lymm\*. 8.00pm. £6.00, £4.00 (concs). Refreshments available

Local professional flautist, **Nicola Gerrard** makes her second appearance at the Festival. Having trained at the Royal Northern College of Music, she plays first flute with the New English Orchestra and regularly broadcasts live on BBC Radio 4 as part of the Daily Service team. Recent performances have included concerts at the Salzburg Festival and solo appearances at the Bridgewater, Colston and Symphony Halls. In this hugely varied concert, Nicola will play four different flutes, with accompanist **Stephen Reynolds**. The performance will include well known pieces including a Bach sonata and Fauré's Sicilienne, as well as spectacular pieces by Muczynski and Rechert, a Disney medley and Gershwin's Fascinatin' Rhythm. She will be joined by the fabulous soprano soloist, **Catherine Swinford White** for a Bach Cantata. **Event code 19** 

## **SUNDAY 9TH JULY**

## LYMM CONCERT BAND

St Mary's Church, Church Road, Lymm\* 2.30pm. £4.00, £3.00 (concs). Refreshments included

The Lymm Concert Band return with a wide variety of music to cater for all tastes and featuring some of their most talented players. Event code 20

## MUSIC FOR A SUMMER'S AFTERNOON presented by QUATTROMANI

United Reformed Church, Brookfield Road, Lymm\* 3.00pm. £8.00, £7.00 (concs). Refreshments available

Quattromani, the piano duettists **Joan Greenburgh** and **Nicholas Oliver**, has been established for over 15 years, performing with four hands on one piano and bringing both favourite and little heard music to the concert platform to great acclaim. Playing a repertoire of pieces adapted for this medium by some of the great composers as a way of making their symphonic works more accessible, on this occasion Quattromani will include in their programme, Ravel's Mother Goose Suite, Bach's Sheep May Safely Graze and the F minor Fantasy by Schubert. **Event code 21** 

## FESTIVAL SONGS OF PRAISE - Lymm Churches Together

Lymm Baptist church, Higher Lane, Lymm\*. 6.30pm. Free. Refreshments available

A celebration of hymns, old and new, chosen by members of local churches. Your favourite hymn could be amongst them. Celebrate the conclusion of another Lymm Festival and enjoy the music and singing provided by the churches of Lymm, High Legh, and Thelwall.



## MONDAY 26TH JUNE - SATURDAY 8TH JULY

LYMM LINES – The Lymm Festival Creative Writing Competition Lymm Library, Davies Way, Lymm\*. Library opening hours. Free

You are invited to browse through stories and poems on the theme 'Down to Earth', and enjoy the rich variety of ideas and expression contained in these competition entries from both adults and children

## SATURDAY 1ST AND SUNDAY 2ND JULY

## MAY OUEEN MEMORIES

The Methodist Church Hall, Eagle Brow, Lymm Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd July 11.00am – 3.00pm. £1.00 (pay at the door). Refreshments included

Lymm has celebrated the crowning of the May Queen since the turn of the last century, only breaking off the tradition for the duration of the second World War, and re-starting again in 1948. For many people, the May Queen celebrations have been an integral part of their lives: participating in the processions, enjoying the entertainment and watching the crowning ceremony.

This exhibition will feature a collection of memorabilia donated by those who have been involved over the years: dresses and costumes of May Queens, Rose Queens and their retinue, photos and programmes. Long term residents can enjoy reviving those memories, and newcomers can catch a glimpse of one of Lymm's most enduring and much loved traditions.

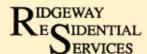
## **SUNDAY 2ND JULY**

## LYMM OPEN GARDEN AFTERNOON

12 noon – 6.00pm. £5.00 adults, £1.50 children Refreshments available in some gardens (see brochure) Disabled access limited (see brochure). NB. No dogs except for guide dogs

We are delighted to be opening more gorgeous Lymm Gardens to the public this year. From the stately grandeur of the grounds at Lymm Hall, to the modern glamour of a hot tub garden, there is sure to be a garden to appeal to everyone. Many of the gardens will be offering afternoon teas, plant sales and stalls etc. After the sell out success of last year's event, we recommend that you buy your tickets early to avoid disappointment. All funds raised will be in aid of St Rocco's Hospice. Tickets and brochure with map can be bought using the ticket offer form, or at the Festival Box Office. Event code 22



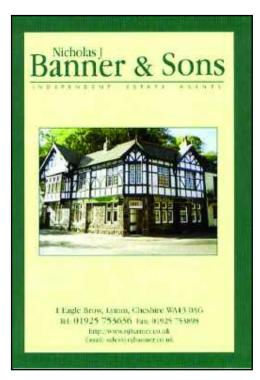


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## THROUGHOUT THE FESTIVAL

## L'IMAGE – The Lymm Festival photographic competition

Baptist Church, Higher Lane, Lymm\*
Sat 1st July 2.00pm - 5.00pm, Sun 2nd July 12 noon - 4.00pm
Mon 3rd July 2.00pm - 6.00pm, Tues 4th - Thurs 6th July 2.00 - 6.30pm
Fri 7th July 2.00pm - 7.30pm Sat 8th July 10.00am - 2.00pm
Free admission, donations gratefully accepted

An exhibition of the short-listed entries to the Festival Photographic competition, with six categories being represented. The subject matter for each category ranges from 'Motion' and 'Lymm at Work' to monochrome images and a junior category. There will also be a display entitled 'Relative Images' which will be non-competitive, showing groups of three photographs taken of family members, by at least two generations. Judging for the competition will take place on Monday 3rd July from 6.00pm

## LYMM ARTISTS EXHIBITION

Village Hall Annexe, Pepper Street, Lymm\* Saturday 1st - Sunday 9th July. 11am - 6.00pm. Free admission

The Lymm Artists are pleased to support the Lymm Festival with their annual Summer Show. Individual members of the group follow successful careers as professional artists, exhibiting in many parts of the country. As always they present a diverse collection of traditional and contemporary styles in a variety of media, including oils, acrylics, watercolours, etchings and textile art. The work on show will be for sale.

## **BEGINNINGS**

Orchard Barn, Booths Lane, Lymm\* (Tel 01925 759 535 for directions if required)
1st 2nd 8th 9th July 11.00am – 4.00pm
3rd – 7th July 11.00am – 2.00pm
Free admission, Refreshments available, donations welcome

An exhibition of contemporary artwork produced by a co-operative of local artists working in mixed and multi-media. Each artist has identified an individual focus and direction, but has joined the co-operative because of the exploratory and experimental nature of their work. The exhibition reflects the serious individuality of each artist, in terms of the content and innovative use of both materials and visual language.

## ART AND CRAFT AT COTEBROOK

Cotebrook Day Centre, Oughtrington Lane, Lymm\* 3rd – 7th and 10th July. 11.00am – 3.30pm. Free

At Cotebrook Day Centre, there is no such thing as "I can't do that" - disablement does not get our way. Life is about experimentation, and fun. Come and be amazed at the talent on display at the arts and crafts exhibition of work produced by our clients. It will be inspirational!

## **THURSDAY 29TH JUNE**

## THE BIG PICTURE

Supported by Wrights of Lymm Ltd and Harrison's Business Supplies The Cross, Lymm\*. Free

Inspired by the BBC's The Big Event' when Rolf Harris recreated gigantic versions of famous paintings, Lymm Festival will be host to a huge copy of a well known work of art! Umpteen local artists will paint sections of the original and these will be assembled together at the Street Fun and Food Fest to make one spectacular, enormous painting ...do you know what it is yet?

With special thanks to 3rd Lymm Scouts for their help

## **MONDAY 3RD JULY**

## 'EMBROIDERY' WALK

Around Lymm. 2.00pm. £2.00 includes refreshments and a donation to charity.

A chance to admire and discuss the beautiful embroidered hangings created over the past few years by the Churches Together Needlework Group. The walk begins at St Winefride's Roman Catholic Church, Booth's Hill. There the Millennium Hanging will be on show. Take a gentle stroll through the park and along the canal to the Village Hall to look at the 'Seasons' embroidery, and then on up Eagle Brow to the Methodist Church where you can see 'Lymm Through 2000 Years'. The walk will finish back at St Winefride's where there will be refreshments. The walk will be led by Marie Clowes. Event Code 23

## **SATURDAY 8TH JULY**

## MAPLE LODGE ART GROUP

The Village Hall, Pepper Street, Lymm\* 10am – 4.00pm. Free. Refreshments extra

The Maple Lodge Art Group meet regularly to work together at the Maple Lodge scout hut on Pepper Street. They evolved from a group of fellow students at Warrington Collegiate, and worked with a tutor in Lymm for some time, before becoming entirely independent. The members work in different media, and also enjoy workshops, demonstrations and visits to exhibitions or places of interest. New members are always welcome. Some work will be for sale.

## MANCHESTER BONSAI SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW

United Reformed Church, Brookfield Road, Lymm\* 10.00am – 4.00pm. £2.00 adults, £1.00 concs. Under 12s Free. Pay on the door. Refreshments extra

This will be a spectacular display of Bonsai – the smallest trees in the world! – by Manchester Bonsai Society, Silver Gilt medal winners at the Royal Horticultural Society Show at Tatton Park and Southport Flower Show.

Many trees of diverse species will be on show, ranging from first class specimen trees to the work of beginners. There will be demonstrations and members on hand to offer advice, especially to those who want to take up the hobby, plus a sales table where you can buy tools, equipment and material to get you started.



## THURSDAY 29TH JUNE - SATURDAY 1ST JULY

## THE PERILS AT PEDDLERS COVE

The Really Useless Theatre Company
Lymm High School, Oughtrington Lane, Lymm\*
7.30pm. £5.00 or £25.00 per table seating 6. Bring own food and drink
Tickets only available through High School. Tel 01925 755458 Ext 218

Come and guess the murderer in another hilarious entertainment by local playwright **Richard Coleman**. This summer murder-mystery event takes us back to 1962 and the lonely Peddler's Island where a host of mysterious guests are gathered for the weekend. One by one the murderer strikes. Can you guess who it is? If you can, you can win a bottle of champagne. Bring your friends, bring your family, bring your own food and drink, for a rollicking evening of fun, frivolity and MURDER!

## **SATURDAY 1ST JULY**

## THE TAMING OF THE SHREW

Oddsocks Productions

Cotebrook House, Oughtrington Lane, Lymm\* (please use High School car park opposite) 6.00pm. £8.00 adults, £4.00 children. Children must be accompanied by an adult Outdoor performance. Bring rug or fold-away chair, and own refreshment if desired. Ice cream available

NB: Friends 2 for 1

The nationally acclaimed **Oddsocks Productions** returns for the third year by popular request. Bringing their magical pageant wagon to provide their stage and all the scenery they need, they will give their very special version of one of Shakespeare's most enduring comedies. Taking one very fresh, attractive but ruthless, bounty-hunting rogue, and introducing him to a wild, dangerous and opinionated woman, could spell trouble. Stir in a large helping of music, song, slapstick and comedy, and add a dash of pre-nuptial tension and a host of comedy characters, the chances are there will an explosive mix that no other couple can match. Despite their best efforts, Oddsocks still manages to let Shakespeare shine through, and it is an excellent introduction to his work for children aged 7 and over.

Lymm Festival are delighted to be welcomed to the grounds of Cotebrook House and wish to thank the residents and staff for their hospitality. **Event code 24** 

## SUNDAY 2ND JULY AND SUNDAY 9TH JULY

## MORNING STORIES

The Sunken Garden, The Cross, Lymm 11.00am – 12 noon. Free

Children and their grown-ups are invited to join storytellers **Helen Stewart** and **Honor Giles** in the special storytelling place for an hour of fun, listening to stories about many strange and magical creatures, and the weird and wonderful lands they live in. If it is too wet or cold we will be in the Village Hall.

## **MONDAY 3RD JULY**

## DYLAN THOMAS IN AMERICA by Gwynne Edwards

Old Garbo Productions. Upstairs at the Spread, Spread Eagle Hotel, Eagle Brow, Lymm 8.00pm. £7.00. Bar facilities

What were the thoughts flying through Dylan Thomas' anguished mind, shortly before his death in America in 1953? This stunning one-man show draws on the letters written by the poet during his tours of the USA that offered him both fame and ultimate tragedy. During the course of the performance, the many conflicts which dogged him throughout his life are explored; the dinner parties at which he entertained with his outrageous wit; his gregarious bonhomie; his despondent moments of self-doubt; insights into his own uncertainty in his love life. Dylan constantly tortures himself with memories of Wales and an unending internal debate as to whether he should be an actor or a writer. The play culminates in his untimely death as he kills himself with a massive whisky binge. Old Garbo Productions are based in South Wales. Directed by Helen Veale, this performance is given by Peter Read who won excellent reviews for the production at the 2005 Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

"Peter Read as Thomas is exemplary, gradually uncovering over the course of an hour a performance beautifully nuanced in both delivery and movement" (Gary Woodward – Edinburgh Guide) Event code 25

## TALES OF TREES AND TALIESIN

Upstairs at the Spread, Spread Eagle Hotel, Eagle Brow, Lymm 10.00pm. £5.00. Bar facilities

Storytellers **Helen Stewart** and **Honor Giles** will continue the Welsh theme with an hour of stories celebrating the history, landscape and mythology of the land of the Dragons. Strange tales taken from the Mabinogion, the great Welsh collection of wonder stories, intertwined with mystical and magical stories of the trees that inhabit the landscape. Always beware of the deep, dark wood! **Event code 26** 

## TUESDAY 4TH AND FRIDAY 7TH JULY

## OUT ON A LYMM

Lymm Canal Cruising Club, The Square, Lymm\* 8.00pm. £6.00. Bar facilities

Songs, sketches and even a dance or two, and all in a room with a bar! Laugh? We hope so! Come and spend a happy couple of hours with **Nick Johnson** and some of his very funny and talented friends. If you are easily offended you won't be disappointed, but probably best not to bring the under 12s. **Event code 27 / 28** 

## **WEDNESDAY 5TH JULY**

## **OUR FAVOURITE POEMS**

The Parish Rooms, Bent Lane, Warburton (next to parish church) Extra parking at Bent Farm, opposite church. 8.00pm. £5.00. Refreshments available

After the success of last years' event, the community has been asked once again to submit details of their favourite poems, to be read by the same excellent team of Michael Burgess, Sue Dodd and Nick Johnson. Spend a relaxed evening listening to poetic works of all kinds – romantic, tragic, humourous, passionate, historical and contemporary – something for everyone to enjoy. Application forms are available in the library and local shops, and should be submitted by June 10th at the latest. Event Code 29



## THURSDAY 6TH AND FRIDAY 7TH JULY

## 25 YEARS STICKING YOUR HAND UP A TEDDY BEAR'S BOTTOM

Upstairs at the Spread, Spread Eagle Hotel, Eagle Brow, Lymm. 8.00pm. £7.00 (half the proceeds will be donated to charity). Bar facilities

Lymm resident Peter Corbett, (aka Matthew Corbett), spent 25 years of his life being "The Man behind SOOTY". Like his father Harry before him, Peter was best friend, mentor and manipulator of Britain's favourite TV puppet. In his audio/visual talk, Peter transports you back to 1948 (when it all began) and you learn how a one foot square of yellow mohair became a British institution and the longest running TV show in the world, (earning Harry Corbett the OBE on the way)

This is a trip down memory lane for many, an enlightening history lesson for some and just a good laugh for others. But, beware, whilst Sooty and Co were characters aimed at children, some of the anecdotes and 'out takes' from the TV shows are FAR FROM SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN! You have been warned! So it's IZZY WIZZY LET'S GET BUSY! Have a magical night! Event Code 30 / 31

## FRIDAY 7TH JULY

## **DANCE NIGHT 2006**

Lymm High School, Oughtrington Lane, Lymm\* 7.30pm. £5.00, £3.00 (concs). Refreshments available

Always a favourite during the Festival! An evening of dance, music and entertainment performed by many talented students from the dance schools in Lymm. Featuring some of the best dancers showing off a wide variety of styles, there'll be something for everyone to enjoy. Tickets always sell out fast for this event, so book early! **Event Code 32** 



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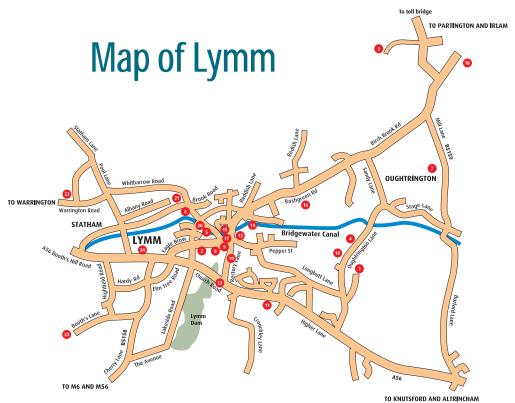
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