Newsletter 003

Visit Thirsk Town

Showcasing the people, businesses, activities, culture, countryside and architectural gems found in Thirsk & North Yorkshire

Hello .....

Welcome to the third edition of the Visit Thirsk Town newsletter aimed at putting a spotlight on the people, places to stay, where to eat, things to do and activities in around the town.

In this weeks edition we'll be putting a spotlight on the many cultural activities that are going on in and around Thirsk. The town and the surrounding villages are incredibly privileged to have a range of inspiring gardens, galleries, parks and visitor attractions offering a portfolio activities that you won't find anywhere else in the country.

If you have a story that you would like us to include in the next newsletter do get in touch and email us. Alternatively please fill out our form by clicking on the button below :

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Where to go for culture ?

At the heart of any thriving community are temples of 'culture and the arts' where creative opportunities are presented in an effort to enrich lives and connect communities. This is very definitely reflected in the work of the Rural Arts, situated in the Old Courthouse. Founded in 1993 as part of the Arts Council England National Portfolio scheme, this hive of activity hosts an award-winning cafe, artisan shop, exhibitions & theatrical performances.

If on the other hand you would rather take in the sights of the Thirsk Hall Sculpture Garden, part of a historic grade II listed Town House situated in the centre of Thirsk, this unique outdoor walk is where you can enjoy an outdoor sculpture exhibition in a beautifully maintained garden.

In addition to the outdoor sculptures there are also two indoor gallery spaces within the garden, The Orangery and Gallery One which opened in 2022. Exhibitions which have been held in Gallery One include, Jeff Lowe: Sculpture Near Distance, David Hockney Early Etchings and Drawings, and Gordon House paintings.

Link To Other Cultural Activities Here

New aerial video of Thirsk

As part of an on-going initiative to highlight the many and varied things to do whilst here in Thirsk , we're putting together a portfolio of aerial photography providing an apparelled views of the town and the surrounding North Yorkshire countryside. In this months edition of the Visit Thirsk Town newsletter we share the views of Thirsk Racecourse with its association with horse racing that can be traced back as far as 1612.

Click on the image below to view this aerial video ..

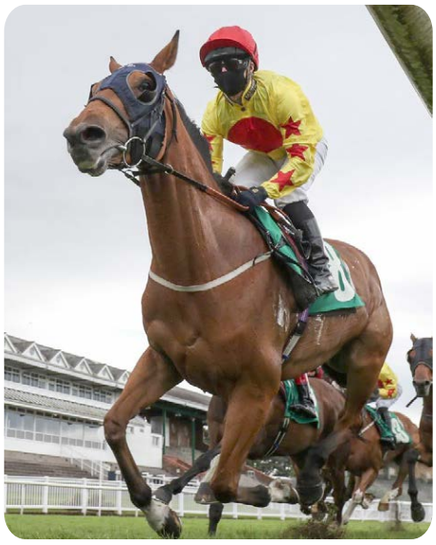
If you would like to be kept put to date with our latest aerial video's then we would recommend that you subscribe to our YouTube channel here. Alternatively do check back with our video wall.

More Aerial Views Of Thirsk

Upcoming events ..

Monday 5th June 2023

Afternoon Racing At Thirsk Races. A warm welcome awaits you at Thirsk Racecourse. The racing, facilities and friendly staff will make your visit a winning one, so whatever the outcome on the track, you'll enjoy your day with us. For more information click here



Monday 5th June 2023

The summer term is back for **Life Drawing with Laraine Simpson in Gallery One at Thirsk Hall Sculpture Garden**.We have afternoon (2pm) and evening (6.30pm) classes available which last 2.5 hours. Life Drawing is every Monday from 5th June - 10th July.The classes are suitable for all abilities and are recommended for 18+ years of age. Drawing materials and refreshments available. For more informant click here

Thursday 8th June 2023

Tanunda Town Brass Band Concert at the Thirsk Methodist Church, St James Green, Thirsk YO7 1AQ. Come & hear this amazing band from the Southern Hemisphere. They have a wide repertoire including traditional & pop. The evening will include refreshments. 7.15pm. A suggested donation of £15 to support the work of Holy Rood House. For more information click here

Friday 9th June 2023

Afternoon Racing At Thirsk Races with live music from The Flat Cap Brass Band. Gates open 11am, first race 1.10pm. For more information click here

Saturday 10th June 2023

Tractor Festival at Newby Hall, Ripon HG4 5AJ. The UK's largest vintage tractor & engine show. Each year the show attracts over 1,600 exhibits as well as in excess of 12,000 visitors who also get access to the award winning gardens and other attractions. Features over 1,000 tractors. 10am-4pm. £56 family, £18 adult, £15 child, under 4s free. For more information click here

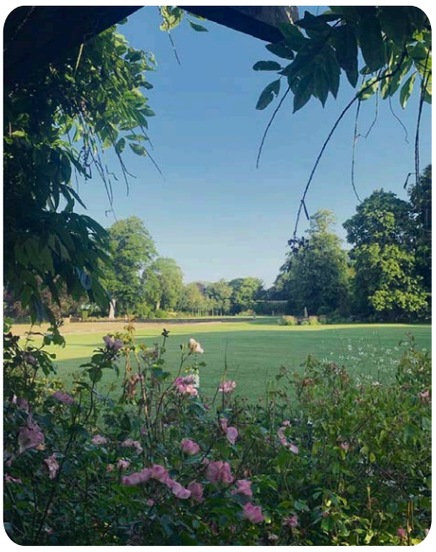
Saturday 10th June 2023

To co-inside with current exhibitions, Thirsk Hall Sculpture Gardens are putting on a programme of artist talks, featuring a Q&A with internationally recognised artist **Emily Young** – as well as a chance to meet and

talk to a selection of artists from the Royal Society of Sculptors, including Elpida Hadzi-Vasileva, Rosie Leventon & Rory Menage. This is a free event once you purchase a Sculpture Garden General Admission ticket. For more information click here

Sunday 11th June 2023

Flower Power Fair, Thirsk Hall, Kirkgate YO7 1PL. Flower Power Plant Fairs bring together the very best in Northern Growers and Nurseries. All the growers offer quality plants, grown in the UK, and usually propagated and nurtured by themselves. The fairs enable serious plant enthusiasts and keen gardeners to meet, share knowledge, learn from the experts and buy the latest in unusual, rare plants & shrubs as well as those key classic favourites. 11am-4pm. £5.00 admission. For more info click here

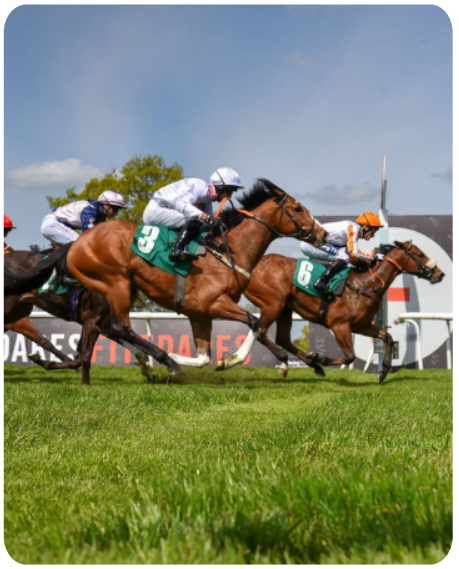


Sunday 18th June 2023

The monthly **Artisan Market**, Thirsk Market Place YO7 1EY. Locally-produced arts & crafts, food & drink. A diverse, quality, shopping experience that celebrates independent producers and makers. 10am-3pm. For more info click here

Tuesday 20th June 2023

Afternoon Racing & Ascot, Thirsk Racecourse, Station Road, Thirsk YO7 1QL. Afternoon Racing featuring Royal Ascot Coverage. Gates open 11am, first race 1.10pm. For more information click here



Friday 23rd June 2023

Thirsk Hall Sculpture Garden is absolutely thrilled that Yorkshire Food & Drink Rising Star Winners **Frango Eduardo** and BBQ enthusiast thesm0keyjoe are once again joining forces for their second collaboration at Gallery One. This is a free entry to the Sculpture Garden event but we encourage visitors to book online so that we can ensure that there is enough food for everyone. Doors will open from 6pm. This event is being sponsored by Timothy Taylor's. For more info click here

Saturday 24th June 2023

Be the first to see snippets of new shows from four great emerging theatre companies entitled '**Scratch Night Spring**'. Each company will be showing 20-minute excerpts and feedback from members of the public, so this is your opportunity to see exciting new work early and give advice on how best to improve the shows. For more information click here

Sunday 2nd July 2023

The inaugural **North Yorkshire Moors 300** is here, starting July 1st 2023 through to the 2nd July. From the creator of the infamous Yorkshire Dales 300 comes the North Yorkshire Moors 300. A new venue. A new challenging route but the same old vibe #smilesandmiles. Your entry ticket gets you a place on the 2023 mass start at **RedSky Bikes** in Thirsk.There will be a basic breakfast spread on the morning of the ride as well as a hot meal on your return. If you complete the entire route you will receive a well-earned badge. For more information click here

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Testimonial's ..

Don't just take out word for it - watch the testimonial's from the residents and visitors that have shared advice, things to do etc whilst visiting Thirsk. Click on the image below to watch Thirsk Town Councillor David Duffey talk about why he loves living in Thirsk.

Thirsk Town Councillor David Duffey shares his passion for the festival having contributed to its successful running for the past 10 years. As a resident of Thirsk David talks about why he loves living in the area together with why a sense of 'community' is so important to the wellbeing of Thirsk and the surrounding area.

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