

#### Newsletter 005

# Visit Thirsk Town

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



### Hello .....

As we look back on July and a month that saw very little in the way of sunshine, we here at the Visit Thirsk Town head offices are hoping for better weather to support the wealth of culture, shopping, music and the arts scheduled across August. Once again Rural Arts are pulling out all the stops by hosting a variety of workshops and events. There's a plethora of activity down at the Thirsk racecourse and we're really looking forward to both the Farmers Market and Artisan Markets, both of which will be following a tradition that dates back to 1293.

In short we hope that this newsletter finds you well and we are looking forward to you including your news into September's edition.

Latest Thirsk & Sowerby Festival Schedule

## New video's of Thirsk

To coincide with this months Thirsk & Sowerby Festival scheduled to take place on the Thirsk & Sowerby Flatts on Sunday the 6th August we met up with the organisers, volunteers and the Mayor of Thirsk to test out the newly purchased inflatable sumo suits and fancy dress costumes. If you want to take part in this years fancy dress competiton don't forget to register your interest by <u>completing the form here</u>.

To get you in the mood for what is going to be fun packed event sit back and enjoy this promotional video by <u>clicking here</u>. Alternatively click on the image below ..



If you would like to be kept put to date with our latest aerial videos then we would recommend that you subscribe to our YouTube channel <u>here</u>. Alternatively do check back with our video wall as we are adding new videos

More Video's of Thirsk

# **Events across August ..**

Thursday 3rd August 2023

The fairies in the forest are starting a fight – but which side are you on? Team Titania or Team Oberon? Hoglets Theatre presents their interactive and larger-than-life version of Shakespeare's summer comedy **A Midsummer Night's Mischief** – especially for young audiences. Expect wild characters, raucous singalong songs, puppets, stunts, and some frankly ridiculous disco dancing. For more info <u>click here</u>



Saturday 5th August 2023



**The William Hill Summer Cup**, one of our busiest race meetings of the year with live music from The Black Marcs. For more information <u>click here</u>

Sunday 6th August 2023

Thirsk and Sowerby Festival on the flatts is an amazing family event, full on fun, live music and much much more. We cannot wait to see you between 10am/4pm on Sunday 6th August 2023 to show you what we have in store. For more information <u>click here</u>



Sunday 6th August 2023



**Thirsk Farmers Market** is unlike other markets all our stallholders are local independent businesses who grow, rear or produce the food or drink on their stall. They're passionate about what they do and it shows. 9am to 2pm. For more information <u>click here</u>

Wednesday 9th August 2023

**Rusty Bikers For Women** meeting at Sowerby Gateway entrance at 10am. Thirsk Breeze rides, helping women to feel more confident about getting back on a bike and make new friends. The event is free to enter. Phone Gillian Crane for more information on 07979 997310. Alternatively <u>click here</u>



Wednesday 9th August 2023



Lose yourself in the beautiful architecture of rban rooftops of recognisable cities such as Oxford, London and Paris. In this class entitled '**Drawing Urban Rooftops**' you will learn tips on perspective to recreate your urban rooftop scene and develop markmaking techniques to create different textures within your drawing. Use photographs or content from our lovely collection of drawing resources to help design your piece. For more information <u>click her</u>e

Friday 11th August 2023

Circus Family Day at Thirsk

Racecourse. With performances from The National Festival Circus! An exciting day for the whole family, with endless amounts of children's entertainment. Gates open 11am. First race starts at 2.10pm. For more information <u>click here</u>



Wednesday 16th August 2023



Rural Arts. Using fabric sculpting techniques, you will create your very own magical fairy house for your home or garden. In this workshop you will work with artist, Abigail Lagden, to learn basic fabric sculpting techniques, and use materials and embellishments to create a magical fairy house for your home or garden. For more information <u>click here</u>

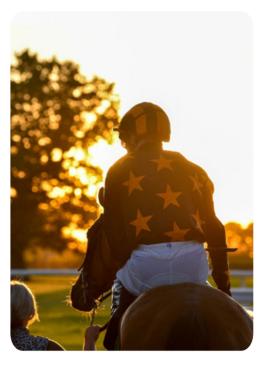
Friday 18th August 2023



**Cavalleria Rusticana & Pagliacci Opera** at St Mary's Church. Enter the twisted, love entangled lives of Turrido and Pagliacci in these two one-act operas. Heritage Opera, directed by Sarah Helsby-Hughes, are accompanied by the Festival Orchestra and Chorus. 7pm. £15, Child (under 16) £10. For more info <u>click here</u>

Friday 18th August 2023

**BresBet Sausage & Cider Evening at Thirsk Racecourse.** An evening of racing alongside a sausage and cider festival showcasing some of Yorkshire's premium brands! Our friends at Heck will be supplying the sausages with a range of pork, chicken and vegetarian bangers on offer! Masham Cider and a range of other local independent cider makers will also join us. Live music from Yorkshire lad Jack. Gates open 3.30pm. For more info click here



Saturday 19th August 2023



**Evening of Jazz,** Chestnut Suite , Thirsk Racecourse. The band will be entertaining with classics from Frank Sinatra to Nina Simone. The racecourse provides a lovely setting, with the roof terrace and bar available throughout the evening. This promises to be a spectacular evening of well-known jazz charts with top-quality performers including vocals by Eleanor Sandars. Starts 7pm.For more information <u>click here</u>

Saturday 19th August 2023

#### The Yorkshire Flea at Thirsk

Auction Mart. Between 70 & 100 traders in antiques & vintage items occupying stands in the foyer & pens of a step free spacious venue with ample free parking & a cafe. We have furniture, ephemera, glass ceramics, treen & more. Unusual, beautiful & forgotten items to admire & purchase. 11am - 6pm. Admission £3 per adult. For more information <u>click here</u>



Sunday 20th August 2023



Film & Orchestra at the Ritz Cinema. The Festival Orchestra returns, this time to provide the soundtrack for Charlie Chaplin's 'Shoulder Arms' set in France during World War I. Closing this year's festival, the chance to bring a live orchestra to one of England's oldest cinemas is rare and an exciting way to collaborate between film and music. Start at 3pm. For more info <u>click here</u>

Sunday 20th August 2023

Artisan Market at Thirsk Market Place. Locally-produced arts & crafts, food & drink. A diverse, quality, shopping experience that celebrates independent producers and makers. Open at 10am. Closes at 3pm. For more info <u>click here</u>



Thursday 24th August 2023



**The Real James Herriot** . *A* Talk by Jim Wight about life with his father - James

Herriot. Held at the Thirsk & Sowerby Hall. This is a fund raiser by Thirsk Ladies Club for HH@TL. All welcome. 7.30pm. Free for members, visitors £5. tickets. For more information <u>click here</u>

Up To Monday 28th August 2023

Weekend bus to the Moors. This year Thirsk Moorsbus Days are both Saturday & Sunday. The Moorsbus leaves Thirsk Market Place and arrives in Helmsley via Coxwold, Byland Abbey and Ampleforth. There is one bus from Thirsk on Saturdays, three per day on Sundays & Bank Holiday Monday. The service is run by a non-profit organisation and is reliant on donations as well as fares. There is a £2 cap on all single fares, with rover tickets also available. National free bus passes are accepted. For more info click here



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# **Testimonials** ..

Don't just take our word for it - why not head on over to <u>our video wall</u> and select from a plethora of testimonial's from the residents and visitors that have shared advice, things to do etc



Click on the image above to watch the boss of YO1 radio station Wayne Chadwick share why he loves going to Thirsk & Sowerby Festival every year and the importance of community, food and family. Having lived and worked in North Yorkshire all of his life Wayne has so many friends both in the North and in London and the South East that would love to live in Thirsk. Wayne also touches upon why visiting the Thirsk Hall Sculpture Park and Thirsk races is a must for anyone visiting the area.

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