WHAT’S ON in and around

WEST DORSET

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This listing contains a selection of events taking place across West Dorset this month. For full event information pop into your local TIC

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| **HIGHLIGHTS** | ***Don’t miss this month…***  **25th Mar-10th Apr. Great Dinosaur Egg Hunt**  Dinosaur Museum, Icen Way, Dorchester.  **25th Mar-10th Apr. Easter Holiday Activities 'Tank Men'** Tank Museum, Bovington**.**  **30th March-4th April From Page to Screen Film Festival** Bridport.  **29th April-1st May** **Lyme Regis Fossil Festival** Lyme Regis. |

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| **WALKS** | **Lyme History Walks:** April – June, Mon & Sat. Starts 11am outside Marine Theatre. 01297 443140 [www.lymehistorywalks.com](http://www.lymehistorywalks.com)  **Fossil Walks** Regular guided fossil hunting walks in **Lyme Regis** and **Charmouth** are run year round by **Brandon Lennon**  07944 664757 [www.lymeregisfossilwalks.com](http://www.lymeregisfossilwalks.com), **Lyme Regis Museum** 01297 443370 [www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk](http://www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk), **Lyme Regis**  **Fossil Shop** 01297 442088, the **Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre** 01297 560772 [www.charmouth.org](http://www.charmouth.org) and **Chris Pamplin**  0845 00943757 [www.fossilwalks.com](http://www.fossilwalks.com) Times vary according to the tides, telephone for full details and booking information.  Sunday Strolls With the Ramblers Association from Bucky Doo Square, Bridport, 2:15pm. 01308 863754.  **Walking the Way to Health in Bridport**, with trained health walkers. Starts from CAB 45 South Street every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30am. Walks last approx 30mins, all welcome, free of charge. 01308 422655 for more information.  **Dorchester Strollers**, walks with trained health walkers. Every Monday at 10:30am and Tuesday at 2:15pm. Occasional Thursday and Sunday afternoons. Walks last up to one hour, all welcome, free. 01305 263759 for more information.  **Literary Lyme** walking tours available throughout the year. 07763 974569 for details and to book.  **Old Lyme Ghost Tours**  From Lyme Regis Museum. Approx 1hr. Adult £6, Child £2 (u10s free)  **Lyme History Walks** Tours last approx 1½ hours. £7 adults, children half price. 01297 443140 [www.lymehistorywalks.com](http://www.lymehistorywalks.com)  **Mary Anning Walks**, Lyme Regis. Explore the paths and streets of Old Lyme as Mary knew them with expert guide Natalie Manifold. Details from Lyme Regis Museum. 01297 443370. [www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk](http://www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk)  **Marshwood Trails**  guided day electric bike tours & rentals in spectacular West Dorset. 07796 135256 [www.marshwoodtrails.co.uk](http://www.marshwoodtrails.co.uk)  **West Dorset Ramblers** organise regular walks around the area. 01297 631130 [www.westdorsetramblers.org.uk](http://www.westdorsetramblers.org.uk)  **Sherborne Town Walk**  10:30am, Tuesdays from Sherborne TIC, Digby Rd. covering central Sherborne, & Thursdays from the Post Office, Cheap Street, covering upper Sherborne and Saxon Hound Street. 1½-2 hrs with Blue Badge Guide Cindy. £5. 01935 815341  **Bridport Guided Walk** 5th and 7th April only. Bridport Museum, South Street, The walks cost £2.50 pp, pay on the day. They leave from the museum at 10am. Aprox 1.5 hours, easy level walking. 01308 458703 [office@bridportmuseum.co.uk](mailto:office@bridportmuseum.co.uk) |
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| COUNTRY WORKSHOPS | **Highway Farm**, Bridport [www.highwayfarm.co.uk](http://www.highwayfarm.co.uk) 01308 424321. Local artists & craftspeople share their skills at 1-2 day workshops inc. willow sculptures, hazelwood garden furniture, painting and more. Small groups. Pre-book. Gift vouchers available.  **Kingcombe Environmental Studies Centre**, Toller Porcorum [www.kingcombe.org](http://www.kincombe.org) 01300 320684  Natural history, wildlife, archaeology and art and craft courses run all year. Booking essential. Gift vouchers available.  The **Dorset Wildlife Trust** runs walks, talks, workshops, work parties and other events. 01305 264620. [www.dorsetwildlife.co.uk](http://www.dorsetwildlife.co.uk)  **Monkton Wyld Court**  runs walks, talks, workshops, courses and other events. 01297 560342. [www.monktonwyldcourt.co.uk](http://www.monktonwyldcourt.co.uk)  **The Bodger’s Barn** Nr. Bridport. Green woodwork courses throughout the year - short courses and evening classes, all small groups. Also workshop sessions for groups including special needs. 01308 425455 [www.brightwater.org.uk](http://www.brightwater.org.uk)  **Arty Crafty Workshops** – **Cake Decoration, Textiles and Creative Crafts** Contact Dennie Rose for details of this month’s workshops 01308 459100 [www.dennierose.co.uk](http://www.dennierose.co.uk)  **Countryside Conservation Services** – runs various courses ,e.g. hedge laying, in North Dorset. For further information please contact - 01963 23680 or email  [coppiceworks@aol.com](mailto:coppiceworks@aol.com)  **Butterfly Bright Workshops** Digby Road,Sherborne. Patchwork/quilting, sewing, jewellery, embroidery, cake decorating, ceramic buttons, paper cutting. 01935 817303. [www.butterflybright.co.uk](http://www.butterflybright.co.uk)  **Fish Skills Course** Lyme Regis, 1pm every Tuesday. £20 per person. Learn how to dress a crab and correctly gut any fish. Fact filled hour learning about local fish. 01297 444205 or 07814 528020  **Marilyn Allis**  Briantspuddle DT2 7HJ. Watercolour, Acrylic & Mixed Media. 07789026546 [www.marilynallis.com](http://www.marilynallis.com)  **Monthly Art Courses** Swallows Rest B&B, Martleaves Farm, Weymouth. Art Courses for all levels of ability. 1, 2, & 3 day full board courses tailored to individual needs. 01305 785244 [www.artholidaysdorset.co.uk](http://www.artholidaysdorset.co.uk) |

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| **ARTS** | Regular **Art Exhibitions** are held at **Dorset County Museum**, Dorchester ([www.dorsetcountymuseum.org](http://www.dorsetcountymuseum.org)), **Lyme Regis Museum** ([www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk](http://www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk)), the **Town Mill Gallery**, Lyme Regis ([www.townmill.org.uk](http://www.townmill.org.uk)) and **Bridport Arts Centre** ([www.bridport-arts.com](http://www.bridport-arts.com)). **Dorchester Arts Centre** ([www.dorchesterarts.org.uk](http://www.dorchesterarts.org.uk)) and **Bridport Arts Centre** ([www.bridport-arts.com](http://www.bridport-arts.com)) run a full programme of performances and events - drama, music, comedy, dance and more - suitable for all ages. **Dorchester Film Society** 18 films per season, Sept-Easter, 01305 265243 [www.dorchesterfilmsociety.org.uk](http://www.dorchesterfilmsociety.org.uk) **Artsreach** present a range of live professional arts events in rural Dorset. Full programme online at [www.artsreach.co.uk](http://www.artsreach.co.uk)  Opening times, programmes and further details from your local TIC. |

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| information i | **Dorchester** **Bridport**  **Sherborne**  **Lyme Regis** | Antelope Walk, DorchesterSouth Street, BridportDigby Road, SherborneChurch Street, Lyme Regis | 01305 267992  01308 424901  01935 815341  01297 442138 | [**www.visit-dorset.com**](http://www.visit-dorset.com) |

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**Local events diary**

**25/03-10/04 Easter Holiday Activities 'Tank Men'** Tank Museum, Bovington, BH20 6JG. Talks, tours, trails and activities.

**25/03-10/04 Great Dinosaur Egg Hunt at Easter** Dinosaur Museum, Icen Way, Dorchester, DT1 1EW. 10am-5pm daily. Easter Egg Hunt with a difference. Sport the dinosaur eggs and solve the Dinosaur Mystery.

**29/03-08/04 Easter Holiday Activities** Gryphon Sports Centre, Sherborne. [www.dorsetforyou.com/gryphon-sports-centre](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/gryphon-sports-centre)

**31/03-13/04 'Yugen' Exhibition** The Town Mill, Lyme Regis. 10:30am-4:30pm. Free entry. Exhibition of oil & acrylic abstract paintings by Andy Rollo that take inspiration from geology, psychology & Post-Modernist thinking. [www.townmillarts.co.uk](http://www.townmillarts.co.uk)

**Until 05/06 Unknown Photographs of Dorset by Val Dicker** Tea Room, Dorset County Museum, High West St. Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, (4pm winter). Can you help identify our Photographic Archive Team’s collection of unidentified photographs?

**01 AsOne Theatre Company presents The Fisherman's Daughter** Dorchester Library, Charles St. Dorchester DT1 1EE. 11am. Heart-warming family theatre with song, music and puppetry. Approx. 45mins. Please call for info: 01305 835541

**01 Local Music by Local People** Bridport Museum, South Street, 11:30am. Music by Declan Duffy, free entry. 01308 458703

**01 Sunset Café Stompers** Cheap Street Church, Sherborne. 7:30pm. Jazz with Hamish Maxwell. £10 from Sherborne TIC.

**01 ABC Steppin' In Line** Brownsword Hall, Poundbury, Dorchester. 7:30pm. Expert teaching of line dancers, demonstrations and fun throughout the evening with Bob Francis and his dance team. Soft drinks and bottled water on sale. Tickets £6 in advance only from Rivoli Pummery Square, The Garden Centre or via web: [www.brownswordevents.org.uk](http://www.brownswordevents.org.uk)

**01 From Southwest England to the Mediterranean: How Humans have transformed their world** Dorset County Museum, High West St, Dorchester. 7:30pm start. Talk by Dr Ralph Fyfe. 01305 756827 [www.dorsetcountymuseum.org](http://www.dorsetcountymuseum.org)

**01-04 From Page to Screen Film Festival** Bridport Arts Centre, 9 South St / Electric Palace 35, South St / St Mary's Church, 84 South Street. (Depending upon film). 1st: 11am A Month in the Country (PG), 2pm A Fairytale: A True Story (PG), 5pm The Long Goodbye (18) £6/4. 8pm The Big Short (15), £10/8/4. 2nd: 11am Breathless (PG), 2pm L'Argent (PG), The Player (15) £8/6/4. 8pm Lady in the Van (12A), £10/8/4. 10pm Nosferatu (PG), £8. 3rd: 11am Orlando (PG), 2pm The Loved One (X), 5pm A Handful of Dust (PG), 8pm Room (15) £8/6/4. 01308 424204 [www.frompagetoscreen.org.uk](http://www.frompagetoscreen.org.uk)

**01-13 'Take Three Women' Exhibition** The Town Mill, Lyme Regis 10:30am-4:30pm. Free entry. A mixed exhibition of work by three local artists who specialize in abstract & representational landscapes and figurative work. [www.townmillarts.co.uk](http://www.townmillarts.co.uk)

**02 Spring Show** Bridport United Church Hall, East Street, Bridport. Bridport & District Gardening Club, entries close wed 30th March 7pm. 01308 424055 [www.bridportgardeningclub.co.uk](http://www.bridportgardeningclub.co.uk)

**02 Quiz at Royal British Legion Hall** Victoria Grove, Bridport. 7:30pm. In aid of the Friends of Bridport Millennium Green. Tickets £6 to include a light supper.  Bar available, although you are welcome to BYO drinks. Raffle and Chinese bingo. Teams of 4-6, but individuals can come along and make up a team. Details from Sue Wilkinson: 01308 425037.

**02 Live Music: 'Perfect Strangers'** The Nag's Head, Silver Street, Lyme Regis. Live music until late. 01297 442312

**02-11 Spring Exhibition** Sherborne Abbey. 10am-6pm. Feat. work by professional artists, raising frunds for Yeovil Hospital.

**03 Annual Spring Flower Show** Sunninghill School Hall, Dorchester, DT1 1EB. Exhibits staged 8am-10am. Public viewing 2pm-4pm. Dorset afternoon teas & cakes available. [competitions@dorsetcountyshow.co.uk](mailto:competitions@dorsetcountyshow.co.uk) [www.dorsetcountyshow.co.uk](http://www.dorsetcountyshow.co.uk)

**03 English Historical Dance Classes** Bridport Town Hall, South Street, DT6 3LF. 1:30pm-4pm, Taught by friendly dancing master. No previous experience needed, nor partner, nor costume. 07710 285687 [thedancingmaster@outlook.com](mailto:thedancingmaster@outlook.com)

**04 Dorchester & Districts U3A Talk** Parish Centre, Culliford Rd, Dorchester, DT1 1QG. Coffee 10:15, talk 10:30am by Ellis Ford, who works as a POPP Wayfinder who provide signposting & support for older people. [www.dorchesteru3a.org.uk](http://www.dorchesteru3a.org.uk)

**04 Mystery Masterpiece Art Sale** The Marine Theatre, Church Street, Lyme Regis 12pm-9pm. Free Entry. Come and view exceptional work by local artists, professional and amateur. All pieces of work will be offered anonymously and will be available for £40. Proceeds go towards fundraising for the Marine Theatre Roof. 01297 442394 [www.marinetheatre.com](http://www.marinetheatre.com)

**04 Modern Slavery - Does it happen here?** West Dorset District Council, South Walks House, South Walks Road, Dorchester DT1 1UZ. Doors open 1pm, 1:30pm-2:30pm. How to spot the signs & take action. Showing Unchosen films as well as a Q&A session. Free entry but please reserve your ticket by going to: <https://modernslaverydorset.eventbrite.co.uk>

**04 Sherborne Flicks: Song of the Sea (PG)** Memorial Hall, Digby Rd, Sherborne. 4pm. Animated feature based on a traditional Irish tale. Two siblings trying to get home are waylaid by witches, owls & fairies. Book directly: 01935 815899

**05 Friends of Sherborne Library Present Kate Adie** Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne. 10am-12noon. The world renowned war correspondent and author will talk about her interesting life. £3 for friends, £4 for guests. 01935 812934

**05 Bridport Guided Walk** Bridport Museum, South Street, The walks cost £2.50 pp, pay on the day. They leave from the museum at 10am. Aprox 1.5 hours, easy level walking. 01308 458703 [office@bridportmuseum.co.uk](mailto:office@bridportmuseum.co.uk)

**05 Barrel Organ Demonstration (Gordon Bartlet)** Dorset County Museum, High West St. Dorchester, DT1 1XA. 3pm-4pm. Hear our newly restored 19thC barrel organ play any number of traditional melodies. [www.dorsetcountymuseum.org](http://www.dorsetcountymuseum.org)

**05-08 Showstoppers 5** Bridport Arts Centre, Tickets through Bridport Arts Centre, 01308 424204 [www.bridport-arts.com](http://www.bridport-arts.com)

**06 Local Music by Local People** Bridport Museum, South Street, Music by Chris Deacon 11:30am, Val Hall and David Tizzard 2:30pm, free entry. 01308 458703 [office@bridportmuseum.co.uk](mailto:office@bridportmuseum.co.uk)

**06 Street Dance at The Hub** The Hub, Church St, Lyme Regis. Street Dance Workshop between 11:30am-12:30pm. For children from 5-10 years, learn cool new street dance moves. Price is just £3 per child. 07725 465360 [www.hublyme.co.uk](http://www.hublyme.co.uk)

**06 Royal Opera House: Giselle (Ballet) (12A)** Regent Cinema, Lyme Regis. 7pm. The quintessential Romantic classic, a love affair that begins in the real world & continues beyond the grave. 01297 442053 <http://lymeregis.scottcinemas.co.uk>

**06 Quiz in aid of the Christmas Lights** Nag's Head, Silver St, Lyme Regis. 8pm. Max 6 per team, £2 each. 01297 442312

**07 Bridport Guided Walk** Bridport Museum, South Street, The walks cost £2.50 pp, pay on the day. They leave from the museum at 10am. Aprox 1.5 hours, easy level walking. 01308 458703 [office@bridportmuseum.co.uk](mailto:office@bridportmuseum.co.uk)

**07 "Dreams" Art workshop** The Old Cow Shed Studio, Manor Farm, Glanvilles Wootton, Sherborne, DT9 5PZ. 10am-12:30pm. For Children aged 6-10 years. Booking essential, £12 per child. 07775 902516 [www.theoldcowshedstudio.co.uk](http://www.theoldcowshedstudio.co.uk)

**07 A Walk In The Woods (15)** The Regent Cinema, Lyme Regis. 10:30am. A Silver Screen ticket is just £3.50, and that comes with a complimentary tea or coffee. 01297 442053 <http://lymeregis.scottcinemas.co.uk/offers/silverscreen>

**07 AsOne Theatre Company presents The Fisherman's Daughter** Bridport Library, South Street, DT6 3NY. 11am. Heart-warming family theatre with song, music & puppetry. Approx. 45mins. Please call for pricing and other info: 01305 835541

**07 'Jane Austen & Lyme Regis' Talk** Woodmead Halls, Lyme Regis. 2:30pm. Members £2, visitors £3. Talk by Natalie Manifold on Jane’s associations with the town. Followed by the Friends’ of Lyme Museum AGM. 01297 445537

**08 Local Music by Local People** Museum, South St, Bridport. By Val Hall & David Tizzard. 11:30am. Free. 01308 458703

**08 ‘The Edwardian Garden' Talk by Yvonne Bell** Woodmead Halls, Lyme Regis. Coffee/tea at 10am. Heritage Coast U3A meeting. Admission: Free to members; small donation if non-member. 01297 444566 <http://whatsoninlyme.co.uk/U3A.htm>

**08 Night of Comedy** The Thomas Hardye School Theatre, Queen's Avenue, Dorchester, DT1 2ET. 7pm. Hosted by Stuart

Goldsmith, supported by Bobby Mair and feat. Zoe Lyons. £10 from school reception. Not suitable for U15s. 01305 266064

**08 Owl Appreciation Day** Sherborne Museum. 11am to 2pm. Eddi the barn owl & Beebo the tawny owl from the New Forest Owl Studio come to visit. They are captive-bred, licensed, calm & friendly and the day will allow children to experience these beautiful birds first-hand. Admission is free but to hold an owl, a donation of £2.50 will be appreciated. 01935 812252

**08 The Forgotton Conscripts: The Bevin Boys** Dorset County Museum, High West St. Dorchester. 7:30pm. By Warwick Taylor MBE, a Bevin Boy conscripted to serve in the coal mines during WWII. Free, £3 donation suggested. 01305 756827

**08 Jubilee Cup Competition** Woodmead Halls, Lyme Regis. 7:30pm-10pm. Lyme Bay Photographic Club mini AV presentation telling a story, 3 minutes duration, 20 PDIs followed by Members’ Evening. 01297 442475

**09 Hidden Heritage Conference: Heritage Matters** Town Hall, Corn Exchange, High East St, Dorchester DT1 1HF. 9am-5:30pm. An international panel of 17 speakers, presenting papers on a diverse range of subjects are related to hidden or overlooked aspects of heritage. 01305 266549 / 07989306322 [www.bookitbee.com/3128/hidden-heritage-conference-2016](http://www.bookitbee.com/3128/hidden-heritage-conference-2016)

**09 The Somerset & Dorset Family History Society 'Victorian Pleasures & Pastimes'** Village Hall, Loders, Nr Bridport DT6 3SA. 2pm-4:30pm. Talk by Pat Hase. Members £1.50, visitors £3 (inc. afternoon tea). 01308 425710 [jferentzi@aol.com](mailto:jferentzi@aol.com)

**09 RSPCA Spring Fayre** Raleigh Hall, Digby Rd, Sherborne.10am-12noon.Cakes, plants, toys, jewellery, raffle, books and bric-a-brac. Free entry, refreshments available. All proceeds to RSPCA West Dorset Branch.

**09 Chasty Cottage Antiques Fair** Digby Hall, Hound St, Sherborne. Up to 35 stands, homemade food and refreshments available at coffee shop within the fair. Entrance £1, opening 8:30am (trade) 9:30am (public) to 4pm. 01963 370986

**09 'Real Deal'** The Nag's Head, Silver St, Lyme Regis. Live music until late. 01297 442312 [www.nagsheadlymeregis.co.uk](http://www.nagsheadlymeregis.co.uk/)

**09 Sing Sankey** St Mary's Church, 84 South Street, Bridport, DT6 3NW. By Bridport Rotary Club.

**10 A Walk from Maiden Castle to Martinstown** 10am-12noon. All welcome inc. children & dogs. Organised by Dorchester Community Plays Association. Please email or call if interested: 01305 785259 / 07815 852859 [suemcgarel@gmail.com](mailto:suemcgarel@gmail.com)

**10 Vintage and Handmade Fair** The Marine Theatre, Church Street, Lyme Regis. 12 noon-5pm. Entry £1. Pop Up stalls selling vintage ladies & menswear, vintage & antique jewellery, homeware, antiques, collectables, handmade curiosities and more. Live vintage music in the Marine auditorium; Tea, coffee & homemade cakes & cocktails. 01297 442394

**10 Bolshoi: Don Quixote (Live) (12A)** The Regent Cinema, Lyme Regis 3.45pm. Cervantes’ eccentric hero Don Quixote sets off with his loyal squire Sancho Panza on journey full of adventures in search of his perfect woman. 01297 442053

**10 Charity Plant Fair** Mapperton, Nr Beaminster DT8 3NR. 10am-4pm. Entry £3 in aid of Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance. 32 stands. House & garden open with special £3 dicount on the day. Café and Shop also open.

**11 Overcoming Negative Habits** Quaker Meeting House, Holloway Road, Dorchester. 7pm-8:30pm. £7. 02380 557077

**11 Landskipping Talk with Anna Pavord** Symondsbury Tithe Barn. 2:30pm. A talk by Anna Pavord on Landskipping. Tickets are £12 from Bridport TIC. Organised by the Friends of Bridport Literary Festival & The Friends of the LSI. 01308 424901

**11-15 ‘Young and Contemplative’** The Friary, Hilfield, nr Dorchester, DT2 7BE. A week for younger people to explore contemplative prayer and life. 01300 342311 [www.hilfieldfriary.org.uk](http://www.hilfieldfriary.org.uk)

**12 Barrel Organ Demonstration (Gordon Bartlet)** Dorset County Museum, High West St. Dorchester DT1 1XA. 3pm-4pm. Hear our newly restored 19thC barrel organ play any number of traditional melodies.

**12 Knightshayes Daytrip with Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society** Uplyme Village Hall, Lyme Regis. Depart by coach 9:30am for this National Trust country house. Cost £8.50 NT members, £16 non-NT. 01297 444034

**12 Illustrated Talk 'Just back from Gaza'** Dorford Baptist Church, Bridport Rd, Dorchester DT1 1RR. 7pm. Illustrated talk by Charlotte Seymour-Smith for Dorset Palestinian Israeli Peace Group. All welcome, Palestinian stall, refreshments.

**13 Sherborne Flicks: Lady in the Van** Memorial Hall, Digby Rd, Sherborne. 7:30pm. Film of the relationship between Alan Bennet & the singular Miss Shepherd who ‘temporarily’ parked her van in his drive for 15 years. £6 from Sherborne TIC.

**13 Geology Lecture: Not Just a Lot of Old Rocks! Why Geoconservation Matters** Dorset County Museum, High West St. Dorchester DT1 1XA. 6:30pm for 7pm. By Lesley Dunlop. Showing how England's geodiversity is world class and why we need to take positive steps in geoconservation. Free, £3 donation encouraged. 01305 756827

**13 The Dorset Postcard Club 'The Lure of Gold'** Dorset Youth Association Hall, Lubbecke Way, Dorchester DT1 1QL. 7:30pm. Talk by John Willows. More Information: Secretary, Sue Lee 01305 785878

**14 Fashion Show** Bridport Town Hall. 7pm-9pm. Barnardo's Group.

**14 Ramblers Walk** Yarn Barton CP, Beaminster. GR481014. 10:30am. 4 miles. Fairly easy, varied walk towards Netherbury through farmland, woods and lanes. Two hills to be taken slowly. Wendy & Richard: 01935 862340 / 07810 717370

**14 My life on the fairgrounds, by Kay Townsend** St George's Church Hall, Fordington, DT1 1LB 2.15pm start, £1 entry to include tea and biscuits. Meeting arranged by Thursday Group. 01305 269834

**15 Fashion Show** The Thomas Hardye School Theatre, Queen's Avenue, Dorchester DT1 2ET. Doors open 6:30pm. Show starts 7pm. In aid of the Royal Voluntary Service. Hosted by Travelling Trends. Try & buy on the night. £7. 01305 236666

**15-27 'Born To Shine' Exhibition** Town Mill, Lyme Regis. 10:30am-5pm. Free entry. Irina Song’s oil & acrylic paintings take the viewer on a journey across a magical world of colour, glistening light & divine inspiration. [www.townmillarts.co.uk](http://www.townmillarts.co.uk)

**15-27 'Not Black & White!' Exhibition** The Town Mill, Lyme Regis 10:30am-4:30pm. Free entry. Paintings by Phil Clayton & Duncan Harris that explore colour. Both draw their inspiration from natural & man-made forms. [www.townmillarts.co.uk](http://www.townmillarts.co.uk)

**15/04-04/05 Exhibition Of New Work By Ana Bianchi, Vanessa Bowman & Ian Elliot** Jerran Gallery, Half Moon Street, Sherborne.Open 9:30am- 5pm, Mon- Sat. All Gallery stock viewable online: [www.jerramgallery.com](http://www.jerramgallery.com) 01935 815261

**16 Concert given by Andrew Massey Duo** St. Marys Church, Beaminster. 3pm Programme of music by Dowland, Bach, Mozart, Schubert, Argentinians Piazzolla & Pujol, also British folk music. Tickets £12 available on the door or from Yarn Barton Centre 01308 862715, Bridport music 01308 424707. Promoted by the Friends of Beaminster Festival.

**16 Henry Priestman Live in Concert** Martinstown Village Hall, Nr Dorchester DT2 9JU. 7:30pm for 8pm. £8 in advance or £10 on the door if available. Contact Annie: 01305 889059 [www.henrypriestman.com](http://www.henrypriestman.com)

**16 Book Fair** Memorial Hall, Digby Road, Sherborne, DT9 3NL. 9:30am-4pm. New, Second-hand & antiquarian books (also magazines, prints, postcards & ephemera). 01803 613356 [colinbakerbooks@btinternet.com](mailto:colinbakerbooks@btinternet.com)

**16 Benjamin Jesty** Jubilee Hall, Yetminster. 2:30pm. A Bicentary Review by Patrick Read on the smallpox vaccination

pioneer & resident of Yetminster who died 1816. £5 (inc. tea & cake) from Spar Shop, Yemtinster. [Jesty2016@gmail.com](mailto:Jesty2016@gmail.com)

**16 Live Music: 'The Deesenters'** The Nag's Head, Silver Street, Lyme Regis. Live music until late. 01297 442312

**18 Dorset Button Workshop** Hardy’s Birthplace Visitor Centre Nr Dorchester DT2 8QH. 10am-12:30pm. £13 inc. morning coffee plus £1 for materials. Spaces limited, please book: 01305 251228 or email [hardysbirthplace@dorsetcc.gov.uk](mailto:hardysbirthplace@dorsetcc.gov.uk)

**18 Community Lecture: The Antikythera Mechanism: A 2000 Year Old Computer** Thomas Hardye School Theatre, Queen's Avenue, Dorchester DT1 2ET. 6pm for 7pm start. By Dr Maria Pavilidou, School of Physics and Astronomy, University of Birmingham (in conjunction with Dorset County Museum). 01305 266064

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**19/03-07/01/16 Speed to the West: A Nostalgic Journey** Dorset County Museum, High West St. Dorchester DT1 1XA. Mon-Sat 10am-5pm. Exhibition of 20thC Railway Posters. [www.dorsetcountymuseum.org](http://www.dorsetcountymuseum.org)

**20 Leonore Piano Trio** Dorset County Museum, High West Street, Dorchester DT1 1XA. 7pm for 7:30pm. Tim Horton piano, Benjamin Nabarro violin and Gemma Rosefield cello). Tickets £12 (students £2) in advance from museum & on the door. For membership please see: [www.dorset-county-museum-music-society.org.uk](http://www.dorset-county-museum-music-society.org.uk)

**20 Tinkers Cuss** Buckydoo Square, Bridport. Free live music for shoppers’ enjoyment.

**20 Sherborne W.I.** Catholic Church Hall, Westbury, Sherborne. 2:30pm. An afternoon of fun, take part in a quiz,followed by our Annual General Meeting. New members and visitors always welcome at a cost of £3, to include refreshments.

**21 Bollinger Wine Tasting** Seaside Boarding House, Burton Bradstock DT6 4RB. 7pm-9pm. Taste a selection of 8 wines; Fizz, whites, rose and reds. £20. 01305 261480 [www.morrishandbanham.com](http://www.morrishandbanham.com)

**21 Lunchtime Concert** Dorset County Museum, High West St. Dorchester DT1 1XA. 1pm-2pm. Kevin Avebury on lute, with Bernardo on flamenco guitar. Free, £3 donation encouraged. 01305 756827

**21 South Dorset R.S.P.B. Group** St. George's Church Hall, Fordington, Dorchester. 7:45pm. Short AGM followed by a talk by Chris Wyeth called Common Birds of Northern Thailand. Admission £3. Members, Visitors £3.50 inc. coffee & biscuits.

**21-23 Auction of Sporting Items, Interiors and Antiques** Charterhouse, Long Street, Sherborne. 01935 812277

**21-23 Amateur Players of Sherborne ‘Great Expectations’** Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne, DT9 3AA. Tickets: £8, £5 students, from Marshes, Cheap Street, & The Abbey Shop, Abbey Close, Sherborne. More info: 01935 813765

**22 Bollinger Wine Tasting** Café Paninis, 11 Weymouth Ave, Brewery Sq, Dorchester, DT1 1QR. 7pm-11pm, £40. Aperitifs followed by an 8 wine tasting. After a 2 course supper with wine included. 01305 261480 [www.morrishandbanham.com](http://www.morrishandbanham.com)

**22 Milborne Movies - Brooklyn (12)** Milborne St Andrew Village Hall DT11 0JX. Film starts 7:30pm. £3.50 on the door.

**22 Viewing and judging of Cyril Nimo Trophy and Cobb Trophy competitions** Woodmead Halls, Lyme Regis. 7:30pm-10pm. For further information please contact: 01297 442475. 01297 442475 <http://lymebayphotographicclub.org/>

**22-24 ‘Walk Lightly on the Earth’ -** The Friary, Hilfield, nr Dorchester, DT2 7BE. Through story, discussion, meditation and corporate weaving we shall seek to befriend the traveller in each one of us. 01300 342311 [www.hilfieldfriary.org.uk](http://www.hilfieldfriary.org.uk)

**23 Wessex Local Craft & Food Producers Market** Brownsword Hall, Poundbury. 10:30pm-4pm. Refreshments. Free entry.

**23 Plant Sale & Coffee Morning** Uplyme Village Hall, Lyme Regis 9.30am to 11.30am. Admission £1. 01297 444034

**23 Coffee Morning** Bridport United Church. 10am-12oon. Cakes, bric-a-brac, books, clothes and a raffle. Stalls for Save The Children, Good Books, the Richard Ely Trust for Young musicians, Bothenhampton Knit & Natter Group.

**23 Henry V** Sherborne Abbey. 7:30pm. Award-winning theatre company Antic Disposition’s critically acclaimed production comes to Sherborne for one night only. Tickets: £20-£35 (Under 18s £10 off).For more info: [www.anticdisposition.co.uk](http://www.anticdisposition.co.uk)

**23 Live Music: 'The Luggers'** The Nag's Head, Silver Street, Lyme Regis. An evening of live music until late. 01297 442312

**24 West Bay Beach Clean** West Beach, West Bay, Bridport. Starts 11am. [www.dorsetforyou.com/greatdorsetbeachclean](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/greatdorsetbeachclean)

**24 Great Dorset Beach Clean** Lyme Regis Cobb slipway. Dorset's beaches need you: come and join us!

**25 Overcoming Negative Habits** Quaker Meeting House, Holloway Road, Dorchester DT1 1LF. 7pm-8:30pm. All welcome. £7. Discount vouchers available. Tel: 02380 557077 [www.thechencentre.org](http://www.thechencentre.org)

**25 Life Abroad HMS Britannia** Bridport United Church Hall, East Street, Bridport. 7:30pm. Illustrated talk by Mike Crankshaw. Presented by the National Trust Golden Cap Association. £3 inc. tea/coffee and biscuits. 01308 863577

**25 Royal Opera House: Lucia Di Lammermoor (Opera) (12A)** The Regent Cinema, Lyme Regis. 7pm. The story of an ongoing feud between two families in C17th Scotland that has terrible consequences for two young lovers. 01297 442053

**26 Charlotte Bronte Talk with Claire Harman** Symondsbury Tithe Barn 2:30pm. A talk by Claire Harman on Charlotte Bronte. Tickets are £12.00 from Bridport TIC. Organised by the Friends of Bridport Literary Festival 01308 424901

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**26 Sir Henry De La Beche** Woodmead Halls, Lyme Regis. By Keith Shaw. 2:30pm. Visitors £3 [www.lymeregissociety.org.uk](http://www.lymeregissociety.org.uk)

**27 Saving Nature- A Media Perspective** Raleigh Hall, Digby Rd, Sherborne. 7:30pm. Science Café Lecture by Dr Julian Hector. [sherborne.scafe@gmail.com](mailto:sherborne.scafe@gmail.com)

**27 Tapas Wine Tasting with The Dorset Foodie** Morrish & Banham Wine Merchant, 1 Pope Street, Brewery Square, Dorchester, DT1 1GW. 7pm-9pm. £20. 01305 261480 [www.morrishandbanham.com](http://www.morrishandbanham.com)

**27 Jerri Hart** Buckydoo Square, Bridport. Free live music for shoppers’ enjoyment.

**27 ‘Organic Vegetable Growing’** Uplyme Village Hall, Lyme Regis. By Brian Hesketh. 7:30pm. 01297 444034

**28 Talk: Bushmaster - Raymond Ditmars & the Hunt for the World's Largest Viper** Dorset County Museum, High West St. Dorchester DT1 1XA. 7pm for 7:30pm. Talk by Dan Eatherley. Free, £3 donation encouraged. 01305 756827

**29/04-11/05 'Sea Journal' Exhibition** Town Mill, Lyme Regis 10:30am-4:30pm. Accompanying the release of Lisa Woollett’s new book, partly set in Lyme Regis & the natural history, geology & mythology of the Dorset coast. [www.townmillarts.co.uk](http://www.townmillarts.co.uk)

**29-01/05 Lyme Regis Fossil Festival** Various locations around Lyme Regis. A natural science and arts cultural extravaganza on the beautiful Jurassic coast. The Fossil Festival features live performances in street theatre, music and welcomes exhibitors from some of the UK's top natural science organisations and institutions. [www.fossilfestival.com](http://www.fossilfestival.com)

**30 Tiger Day** Tank Museum, Bovington, Nr Wool, BH20 6JG. 10am-5pm. WWII talks and tours. Tanks in action, including

Tiger 131. Vehicle Conservation Centre full access 10am-4:30pm. Book in advance on: [www.tankmuseum.org](http://www.tankmuseum.org)

**30 World Tai Chi & Chi Kung Day** Borough Gardens, Dorchester. 9:30am-11:30am. Free event, come & watch, come & try!

Details on: 07971 884071 [www.corehealth.co.uk](http://www.corehealth.co.uk)

**30 Fantastic Fun Charity Fitness Day** Trinity Club, Trinity Street, Dorchester. 10am-4pm. Zumba, SlimDance, Pilates, Full Body Workout and Piloxing by local instructors. £15, tickets available from Lyn Cordier: 7821807255

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| **MARKETS** | **Bridport Weekly Market** in the Town Centre every Wednesday and Saturday, **Farmers’ Market** 2nd Saturday in each month – Arts Centre 9:30am-2pm, **Bridport Market** in the WI Hall, North Street every Saturday 9am-12 noon.  **Dorchester Weekly Market** in Fairfield Car Park, Weymouth Ave 8am-3pm every Wednesday, **Farmers’ Market** 1st Saturday in each month at Poundbury, 9am-1pm, and 4th Saturday of each month in South Street, 9am-4pm. **Country Market** at The Corn Exchange every Friday (exc. Easter) 8:30am-11am.  **Sherborne** **Pannier Market** on the Parade every Thursday and Saturday; **Country Market** in Church Hall, Digby Road, Thursday mornings, 9:15am-11:15am; **Farmers’ Market** 3rd Friday in each month – Cheap Street, 9am-1pm.  **Saturday Antiques & Flea Market** – held the fourth Saturday every month (exc. April and December), Church Hall, Digby Road. 9am-4pm **Monthly Book Fair** –every third Saturday, Church Hall, Digby Road. 9:30am-4pm. **Big Little Market** – Local Artisan market every fourth Sunday, Digby Hall, Hound Street. 11am-4pm.  **Owermoigne Monthly Market** in the village hall 2nd Saturday, 10:30am-12noon. Bric a brac, plants, crafts, books, produce.  **Broadmayne Monthly Market** St. Martin's Community Hall, Broadmayne (Next to the Church), 3rd Friday in each month 2pm-3:30pm. All proceeds for St Martin's Community Hall. 01305 853765 |

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| **DORCHESTER**  **ARTS CENTRE** | 01 **Swansea City Opera: A History of Opera: Abridged!**  02 **DA Blues: Matt Woosey**  06 **Springtime Creative Workshop**  07 **The Beat**  08 **Gabrielle Ducomble**  09 **John Bryden and Matthew Souter** (piano & viola) At Dorset County Museum  [http://www.dorchesterfestival.co.uk/files/da-logo_4c.png](http://www.dorchesterfestival.co.uk/more/)09 **The Leggomen + Blazin’ Strings**  13 **Backstage at Biscuit Land**  13-14 **Shot at Dawn: Doppleganger Productions**  15 **Tankus The Henge**  22 **The Undercover Hippy**  23 **Whole Lotta Led**  27 **Show of Hands: Long Way Home Tour**  29 **Lee Nelson**    **Ticket Office : Dorchester TIC 01305 267992** [www.dorchesterarts.org.uk](http://www.dorchesterarts.org.uk)  **Box Office : 01305 266926** |

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| **MARINE THEATRE** | 01 **Grease Singalonga** Music & Film  02 **Young British Composers** Music  03 **Joss Kidd & Philip Clouts** Music  04 **Mystery Masterpiece** **Art Sale** Affordable Art Sale  05-06 **Upbeat** Family Theatre  07 **Blofed & Baxter** Comedy  10 **Vintage & Handmaid Fair** Craft Fair  15 **The Drive** R&D Theatre  16 **Buffalo Gals** Music  22 **Swing** Theatre  23 **Marine Music Hall** Fundraiser  29 **Princess** R&D Dance  29  **Jake Leg Jug Band** Music  30  **Animated Dinosaur Movie Making** Family Theatre [www.marinetheatre.com](http://www.marinetheatre.com)MTLOGOcropped    **Marine Theatre Box Office: 01297 442138 (Lyme Regis TIC)**  For full details: 01297 442394 |
| **BRIDPORT**  **ARTS CENTRE** | [http://www.dorchesterfestival.co.uk/files/da-logo_4c.png](http://www.dorchesterfestival.co.uk/more/)05-08 **Bridport Musical Theatre Company: Showstoppers**  10 **ROH: Giselle**  12 **Met. Madame Butterfly**  15 **Rob Auton**  16 **Zoe Schwarz Blue Commotion**  19 **EOS: Monet to Matisse**  22 **Classic Concert: Amy Jolly & Gemma Beeson**  21-22 **Shot at Dawn**  23 **Swing**  26 **Roberto Devereux**  29 **Fred Macaulay**  30 **Jake leg Jug Band**  **Electric Palace.jpgBox Office : 01308 424 204** [www.bridport-arts.com](http://www.bridport-arts.com) |
| **ELECTRIC PALACE** | 09  **Daniel Kemish** Music  29 **Hunter & The Bear** Music  **Electric Palace Box Office: 01308 424901 (Bridport TIC)** [www.electricpalace.org.uk](http://www.electricpalace.org.uk) |

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