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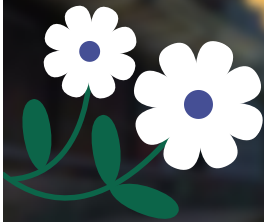
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# Welcome



Welcome to the next edition of the Folkestone Community Magazine.

Thank you to Vanessa Jackson for providing the lovely cover photo taken of the lighthouse on the Harbour Arm. If you have any photos of Folkestone you would like considered for future editions, please send them to me at:

[georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk](mailto:georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk)

During the next couple of months there are lots of events and activities taking place around Folkestone, including many events at the Folkestone Museum.

For further information, please visit the website [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk) or call us on **01303 257946** or pop in, the Museum is open Monday – Saturday from 10am – 4pm. If you have not yet visited Folkestone Museum, then please pop in and have a look around, we have a guide book especially for younger visitors full of interesting facts and activities to keep little ones entertained as well as a variety of exhibitions and craft activities.

Due to the local Elections taking place on 2nd May, we have not been able to advertise the contact details for your new local Councillor. These details will be published online and on our notice boards as soon as we have the information, please visit our website, [www.folkestonec.kentparishes.gov.uk](http://www.folkestonec.kentparishes.gov.uk) to find out your local Councillor.

If you have a photo of Folkestone or an idea for an article, please send them to me for consideration at [georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk](mailto:georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk) all ideas are gratefully received.

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# Town Mayor's Community Awards

The Town Mayor of Folkestone, Councillor Ann Berry, presented the 'Town Mayor's Community Awards' at the Full Council meeting on 14 March 2019.



These annual awards provide an opportunity for the Mayor to show his/her appreciation to members of the community who have done something particularly noteworthy in Folkestone within their year in office. Members of the public are asked to put forward the names of individuals that they would like to be considered for an award.

At the Full Council meeting Councillor Berry said "I am delighted to be able to show appreciation to members of the community who have done something particularly noteworthy in Folkestone over the past year and we have been inundated with some very worthy nominations.

However, unfortunately, I am only permitted to present six Awards and it has therefore been particularly difficult to make a decision, but we have tried to acknowledge as many different sectors across our community as possible.

I am sure you will all agree that we are very lucky in Folkestone to have so many people that are active in our local community making our Town a safe, supportive and positive place to live. A huge thanks to all of the volunteers that give up their time – I only wish I could give an Award to every selfless individual."

The following recipients of a Town Mayor's Community Award were invited to receive a certificate and gifts from the Mayor.

**Mr Vic Seymour** for his continued support of the veterans within our community.

**SILt (SCC) Adam Smith** for his hard work and dedication to the continued success of the Folkestone & Hythe Sea Cadets & Royal Marine Detachment.

**Mr John Barber** for his continued work during 2018/19 in bringing free events to the Town and for the support provided to the Gurkha Memorial Fund.

**Mr Craig Ward** for his hard work and dedication to the continued success of the 11th Folkestone Scout Group.

**Mrs Rosemary Braid** for her hard work and dedication towards the John Bowley Almshouses Charity, the Municipal Charity and Town Mayor's Christmas Fund Committee.

**Mr Eamonn Rooney** for his hard work and relentless dedication in supporting projects in Folkestone to preserve the heritage of our Town.

Information regarding nominating individuals for an Award for 2019/20 will be released during November this year.



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# Folkestone's Annual Town Meeting

**Did you know that every year, Folkestone Town Council hold a Town Meeting open to all Electors in Folkestone where you can ask questions of your local Councillor, Police and Fire representatives?**

This meeting takes place on Tuesday 21st May at 7pm in the Chamber at Folkestone Town Hall. The primary purpose of this meeting is to provide the townspeople of Folkestone with the opportunity to speak on matters within the Town, representatives from Kent Police and Kent Fire & Rescue will speak briefly to outline what issues each authority has been grappling with the past 12 months, together with an outline of issues that they are facing over the next 12 months, followed by public questions.

If you would like further information please call us on **01303 257946**, email me [georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk](mailto:georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk) or pop in to the Town Hall.

We look forward to seeing you on 21st May.



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# Forthcoming Meetings May – July 2019

All of these meetings will now be held in the Town Council's offices at the Town Hall starting at 7pm unless otherwise stated.

## FULL COUNCIL MEETING

**13th June 2019**

(please note this meeting will start at 6.30pm)

## ANNUAL COUNCIL

**Tuesday 14th May**

## TOWN ASSEMBLY

**Tuesday 21st May**

Members of the public are welcome to attend. Electors of the Town are able to ask questions relevant to the agenda. For further information contact the Town Council on **01303 257946**.

## FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

**13th June 2019**

Scrutinise, monitor and further develop the Council's budget and oversee Council's policies.

## GRANTS COMMITTEE

**20th May 2019**

To consider Town Grant applications. There is currently approximately £30,000 in Town Grants available each year with a limit of £2,500 per project with a maximum of three applications per organisation per financial year. Please note this meeting starts at 6.30pm.

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

**6th June, 27th June and 18th July 2019**

Closely examine all planning applications submitted to Shepway District Council in the Folkestone Town area and make recommendations and comments on acceptance as part of the statutory consultation process.

## COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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# Folkestone Town Team Business Awards

Folkestone businesses have been receiving business awards from Folkestone Town Team.

The Town Mayor, Councillor Ann Berry joined representatives from Folkestone Town Team to deliver certificates and congratulations to local business winners in Folkestone Town in December 2018.

Folkestone Town Team wanted to give some recognition to the businesses in the Town that are providing great services, working hard on their image and in turn raising the profile of the Town along with helping customers to access their businesses easier and increasing their business opportunities with the use of the internet.

There were four categories and within each of them, there were winners from different areas of business. The categories were External Appearance, Internal Appearance, Customer Experience and Web Presence. The business areas were retail, hospitality and other.

Ray Johnson, Chairman of Folkestone Town Team said "I am so pleased with the variety of winners and runners up. It's testament of the hard work and commitment from our local traders and they should be proud of their achievements during challenging times.

Folkestone is up and coming and its great to see local traders going the extra mile. This is just one of our successful Folkestone Town Team projects to help retailers in many ways."

Councillor Ann Berry added "Another finest for Folkestone'. It gave me great pleasure today to join the Town Team in presenting winning certificates to the many and varied small businesses through the Town, which involved best store fronts, hospitality and interior. Thanks to all involved who made such a success of this fine initiative."



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### External Appearance

Retail: **Wild for Flowers**  
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### Internal Appearance

Retail: **Landau**  
 Hospitality: **Anna's**

### Customer Experience

Retail: **A Simmonds**  
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 Other: **Abbeywell Vets**  
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# The Town Mayor's Charity Fund

The outgoing Town Mayor of Folkestone, Councillor Ann Berry, recently presented cheques to her nominated charities.



Following various charity events organised by the Town Mayor and her Charity Committee, a total of £3,200 was raised. These events included a meal provided by students at Folkestone College, a Burns Evening, a Fun Night and a Nepalese Evening at the Gurkha Palace in Folkestone. The Town Mayor and Deputy Mayor also took part in the 'Big Sleep Out' last September, raising an additional £425 for Folkestone's Winter Shelter.

The Mayor's nominated charities for the year 2018-19 were RBL Cheriton & Morehall, Kent Army Cadet Force, Folkestone's Winter Shelter and Folkestone's Young Carers.

The Mayor said "I am delighted to be able to present these cheques to such worthy causes within our local community and hope that this money will help with the valuable work they undertake. I would like to thank my Charity Committee for all its work in putting together the events. Thanks also to the guests that attended the various events in support of our fundraising activities throughout the year and the many organisations and



individuals who donated raffle prizes. These included P&O Ferries, Hotel Burstin, Hythe Imperial, Eurotunnel, Folkestone Sports Centre, Folkestone Invicta and Radiance Beauty Clinic." Alan Wrotchford, Treasurer for Cheriton and Morehall Royal British Legion, said "Please pass on our most sincere thanks to the Mayor, Councillor Ann Berry for her most generous donation of £800 raised from her annual charity events to the Royal British Legion Cheriton and Morehall Branch. The monies will be put to good use by the Branch to assist in providing better liaison and work within our local community to help more beneficiaries; and also gather more members to develop and continue our good work well into the future."

Councillor Ann Berry's term in office ends on Tuesday 14th May when a new Mayor will be elected at the Annual Council Meeting to be held at The Town Hall, 1-2 Guildhall Street, Folkestone commencing at 7pm. For further information please contact the Folkestone Town Council on **01303 257946** or look at our website:

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# Rotary Club of Folkestone Update



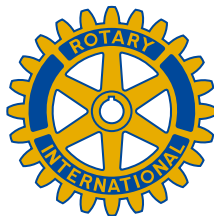
## FILL YOUR PLATE FOR POLIO

The Rotary Club of Folkestone held a Fill Your Plate for Polio initiative at Rocco's in February half term week culminating in a special event attended by our Mayor, Councillor Ann Berry, which has raised around £550.

The Rotary goal funded by clubs worldwide is to raise funds to totally rid the world from polio, which is a terrible, paralysing disease that can severely disable children, mainly affecting those under age 5, but change the lives of those children afflicted forever or even kill them.

Rotary has helped immunise 2.5 billion children globally since 1985 and now Rotary is on the brink of history to end Polio forever.

All money raised is generously matched £2 to each £1 raised by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. So that means thanks to the help from Rocco's Folkestone Rotary will enable around £1,650 to be added to this invaluable programme.



## GURKHA MEMORIAL FUND

The Gurkha Memorial Fund held its first litter picking project which was held in Folkestone Harbour on Saturday 15th December 2018.



The local Nepalese community came together along with the chairman, Dhan Gurung, to assist with collecting discarded litter within the harbour area. It is now envisaged that the initiative will continue working closely with Folkestone & Hythe District Council who have appreciated the assistance on a quarterly basis or perhaps every two months as necessary.

In addition, the Gurkha Memorial Fund supported the local homeless community where a Gurkha Christmas Curry Lunch was held at the offices of Independent Insurance Services on Sandgate Road. Over 15 people attended the lunch who very much appreciated the facility during a rather cold period. A full curry with soft drinks was provided along with Christmas crackers.



As we all know this is a time of year where the homeless do need support and along with other excellent facilities that exist in Folkestone it is also nice that the GMF team and others assisted within this project.

The organisers also had the opportunity to chat to those that came along who gave their sincere thanks and were most appreciative of the hot, spicy food that was a tradition Himalayan meal.

Dhan Gurung the chairman commented, "I was so pleased with the turnout and the feedback received along with all those who assisted with the Gurkha curry preparation and meal. I would like to say thank you to the trustees including Alka Gurung and Hema Thapa along with Ray Johnson for providing the venue facilities.

In addition, I am grateful for the support received from both John and Brenda Duggleby."

For further information visit our website <https://gurkhamemorialfund.org.uk/>

## THE SHEPWAY BRASS ACADEMY

The Rotary Club of Folkestone recently presented a donation to The Shepway Brass Academy and they played some festive music at the time of presentation. The Brass Academy were so pleased with the funds and will be buying further instruments to cater for their additional pupils who include some of the special needs schools in Folkestone.



Within the picture you will see left Peter Woodward-Bailey and right President Bill Wright presenting the cheque to Colleen Dunn the chairman of Shepway Brass Academy.

They provide excellent facilities and the money was used to purchase further equipment which is also lent free of charge to all children to gain practice who then gather for band meetings and tuition.

Bill Wright chairman commented, "we are so pleased to support this worthy cause which in turn encourages music to all of sectors of our community. The facilities particularly help transform children's knowledge and abilities which gives them a real sense of purpose and it is most gratifying to see and hear the results."

The chairman of the Brass Academy Colleen Dunn commented, "we are so grateful for the Rotary Club of Folkestone who have kindly supported this worthy organisation that brings music, teamwork and pleasure to the young players."

# Tips on how to be Plastic Free

Plastic has been an extremely topical subject over the last few years as many 'plastic free' schemes have successfully started up in towns all over Kent with Whitstable and Faversham both achieving 'plastic free status' this year.

300 million tons of plastic get produced every year and with the average time for plastic to decompose in landfills being 1000 years, it's not an overreaction to state that we are destroying the world we live in.

I recently spoke with Sally Edge (Faversham Plastic Free) and Kati Ramsden (Plastic Free Ashford) who provided some helpful tips on what you can do at home to help reduce your plastic consumption.

- Cook more from scratch
- Buy loose fruit and veg
- Take your own tubs to the butchers or meat counters at supermarkets, and loose dry goods from your local package free shop
- Re-use paper bags
- Instead of using cling film or foil to keep food in the fridge, improvise and use a bowl with a plate on top to act as the lid
- Keep glass jars to store leftovers in.
- Fold up a shopping bag to carry with you

- Invest in a reusable bamboo coffee cup or water bottle rather than buying single-use ones each time you want a drink
- Taking leftovers to work for lunch rather than buying expensive salads in single-use dishes.
- Make your own cleaning products.

Plastic Free Folkestone is a community dedicated to minimising their local area's contribution to the single-use plastic crisis.

It is part of a national initiative started by the 'Surfers Against Sewage' environmental organisation who have set up a national accreditation scheme aimed at communities all around the UK to build 'Plastic Free Communities'.

This involves individuals, community groups, schools, businesses and the local authorities making a pledge to reduce their use of three types of single-use plastic as a first step.

For more information visit the [Plastic Free Folkestone](#) Facebook page.

## Commemorative Bench

Cheriton and Morehall Branch, Royal Branch Legion, have purchased a WW1 Centennial Commemorative Bench, with the assistance of a grant from Folkestone and Hythe District Council Commemorative Fund.



Picture by T Geere

On Sunday 13th January, it was unveiled, in the grounds of All Soul's Church, Cheriton, by Folkestone Town Mayor, Councillor Ann Berry and dedicated by the Archdeacon of Ashford, the Venerable Darren Miller, in the presence of Cheriton Ward Councillor Peter Gane, RBL Standards and Branch members - pictured.

The Branch Chairman, Mr Trevor Mays, thanked the Archdeacon and Mayor for attending and all Branch Members for seeing the project through from inception to completion.

He also thanked Folkestone and Hythe District Council for their financial assistance.



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# Latest News From Folkestone Channel Rotary Club



Its the time of year when Channel Rotary prepares for our main fund-raising events.

We're working hard on our 29th annual Charity Golf Day at Sene Valley Golf Club on 17th May, our 10th annual Channel50Challenge Bike Ride on Romney Marsh on 7th July and our big one, the 2nd Folkestone Channel Triathlon centred on the Harbour Arm on 8th September. We've also supported a wide range of local charities with donations and hands-on support which takes our donations to over £16,000 in the past nine months, plus possibly as much again in the sponsorship money raised by our participants for their own favourite charities. Among our larger donations were The Mayor's Christmas Fund, Hi Kent, Ashford Hospital Broadcasting, Young Carers, Folkestone & Hythe Scouts, Strange Cargo, Kent Marine Cadet Force, Folkestone Harbour (defibrillator) and various local schools.

## ONE OF OUR SANTAS ESCAPED TO AUSTRALIA



*Frances Loughrey in Geelong, Victoria, Australia 23.12.18*

It's a while since Christmas but we've discovered one of our Santas relaxing in the lovely 32C summer heat of Geelong, Australia. Thank you Frances Loughrey, a long-time friend of Channel Rotary, for entering into the spirit of the event, even if you couldn't be with us in Folkestone in December. Our photo shows Frances enjoying a well-earned glass of chilled Australian white wine. She joins a long line of similarly supportive people who have done the Run in many countries around the world. We've had Santas in rush-hour Oxford Street, on beaches in New Zealand, in Red Square Moscow, with orphans in Uganda and running through Central Park, New York and Mumbai, India to name a few.

## 1,200 SALTWOOD BOXING DAY RUNNERS RAISE £000's FOR CHARITY

Every year Channel Rotary helps the Saltwood Boxing Day Run with things like registrations, cash collection, marshalling and the local media.



*Off They Go!*

It's a great day and has grown to be the biggest Boxing Day event of its type in the UK raising a total of over £300,000 for good causes. This year's main beneficiaries were Dementia UK and East Kent Motor Neurone Disease Association. If you haven't been before, we recommend you join us at Saltwood Green on 26th December 2019.



**Organiser Greg Boarman (2nd left) with Channel Rotary Helpers.**

A big 'Well Done' to all 1,200 runners from all over the UK and abroad who joined this year's 44th Run. Under the direction of local man Greg Boarman who has been involved for over 30 years. Saltwood Green was jam packed with runners of all ages from 4 to 84 supported by families, friends and spectators. Once again everyone was in festive mood for the 5km run through the Brockhill countryside to work off the turkey, Christmas pudding and the odd glass or three of wine and raise some money for charity. Of course, when it was all over, they could retire to The Castle Hotel for a convivial drink and a bite to eat – the diet could wait for another 24 hours!

Greg was delighted with the outcome. "It's amazing how the Run has grown, and every runner has our grateful thanks. It was a fine day for the event even if the going was a bit heavy after the recent rain. We appreciate the financial support, manpower and facilities provided by so many people including Active Cycles, Castle Hotel, Channel Rotary, Kent Trophy Shop, Nice Work Race Timing and Raynet Amateur Radio." Martin Bishop, Director of Fundraising & Communications for Dementia UK summed it all up.

We're so grateful to the 1,200 hardy souls who took part in the Run. Dementia UK relies on donations, and because of your generous support we can care for families facing the toughest times with dementia, through our Admiral Nurses. Thank you to all involved."

### CHANNEL ROTARY SUPPORTS 'THE SHED' IN BRADSTONE AVENUE.

The Folkestone Youth Project, better known to its friends and users as 'The Shed', was very pleased to receive a £500 donation from Channel Rotary to buy furniture, fabric and paint for its new home in Bradstone Avenue near the railway viaduct.



**Project Leader Ruth Tyler received the £500 cheque from Channel Rotary President Bill Flavell**

Project Leader Ruth Tyler received the cheque from Channel Rotary President Bill Flavell and said "Thank you so much to Channel Rotary. We've very little finance and facilities and your donation means a great deal to everyone who benefits from The Shed."

The building needs extensive renovation, much of which was being done by Ruth and her team of volunteers in the bitter January weather, installing electricity, lighting, heating and other essential services with the aim of an official opening in the early Spring.

The Shed assists the large number of youngsters (typically aged 10 to 25) who come from some of the most deprived neighbourhoods in Folkestone.

◀ It also helps the Kent Refugee Action Network to support young people in the asylum system to adjust to life in the UK and with their education.

Ruth wants to make The Shed a valued part of the local community and will welcome any ideas about how to do this and any volunteers who would like to assist with the refurbishment and on-going community work. One plan is to improve the general appearance of the site and make it as environmentally friendly as possible.

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### CHANNEL ROTARY MEMBER AWARDED THE OBE IN THE NEW YEAR HONOURS

We're proud to announce that our member Derek Harris has been awarded the OBE in the New Year Honours for his exceptional services to UK charities and charitable fundraising.

President Bill Flavell expressed the great pleasure of all Club members saying "We're delighted to hear of Derek's award. For ten years he was Sales Director for Age UK, doubling the number of shops to 200 and greatly increasing their impact and contribution. Such was his commitment that, when he could have retired, he took on a similar role in the mental health charity Mind as a Director of Minds Matter Trading Activities.

Mind provides advice and support to anyone experiencing a mental health problem and campaigns to improve services, raise awareness and promote understanding of mental health. In the seven years until Derek recently stepped down, the annual turnover of the retail shops effectively doubled under his stewardship.

"Derek joined Channel Rotary in 2001, was our President in 2009/10 and has held other senior responsibilities. Throughout, he has worked tirelessly for the Club and for the charities and good causes we support locally, nationally and internationally. He exemplifies in every way the Rotary motto of Service Above Self."



*Derek Harris (left) takes over from Colin Tomson as President of Channel Rotary July 2009*

### COFFEE MACHINE FOR THE CELIA BLAKEY CANCER CARE CENTRE

A little while ago we were delighted to donate £1,500 to the Celia Blakey Cancer Care Centre at the William Harvey Hospital to buy a much-needed coffee machine for the patients and staff. We've just heard that the machine is on its way and look forward to joining Unit Manager Lucy Turner and her team for a nice cuppa!

### ENJOYABLE VISIT BY OUR FRIENDS FROM MECHELEN ROTARY CLUB

It's not all work in Channel Rotary. At the end of January, we were visited by our good friends from Mechelen Rotary Club in Belgium for a couple of days of murder mayhem and a guided tour of historic Sandwich.

The first evening was a very enjoyable Murder Mystery written and performed by a group of local actors. It was won by one of our Mechelen guests who analysed the many twists and turns so effectively that his solution was spot on.

The next day we had a fascinating tour of Sandwich starting at the Guildhall, then a walk-through ancient streets finishing with a very welcome glass of mulled wine, open fire and a bite to eat in the Kings Arms Hotel (it was very cold outside!).

## GET READY FOR THE NEXT CHANNEL TRIATHLON

Joe Sullivan and his team are working hard to make the next Folkestone Channel Triathlon a great success on Sunday 8th September at the Harbour Arm.



*Into The Water At The Harbour*

The routes (swim, bike, run) are suitable for all levels of experience and have been carefully designed to make this a spectacle for the town. You'll see the details displayed in this magazine.



*Mens Winners: (l to r) Mark Hooker 1st, Yiannis Chrisodoulou 2nd and Trevor Back 3rd*

## Ladies Winners



We've had great support from many people, businesses and the civic authorities so why not join us as a participant or help us as a Marshal. [www.channeltri.com](http://www.channeltri.com) or contact Joe Sullivan **07740 284236**

## CHANNEL ROTARY LOOKS FORWARD TO OUR 2000TH MEETING!

We're excited at the thought of our 2,000th meeting on 12th June. It's a tremendous milestone and will be followed by an even bigger one when we celebrate our 40th anniversary in June next year.

During that time, we've raised about £1,000,000 for local, national and international charities and given countless hours of personal hands-on time to help local good causes. More in the next edition of the Town Magazine.

## YOU CAN PLAY YOUR PART, TOO!

Join us at Channel Rotary's next big Charity Event – Channel50Challenge Bike Ride On Romney Marsh (the UK's flattest 10, 30 and 50 mile ride).

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## YOU COULD BE A CHANNEL ROTARY MEMBER OR HELPER.

Our year includes lots of talks, outside visits and social evenings. To hear more, please contact Alan Myers **07904 317047** or Duncan Hopkin **01303 242082** or visit:

[www.channelrotary.org.uk](http://www.channelrotary.org.uk)



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# Purrfect Landlords

Cats Protection is launching a major new campaign called Purrfect Landlords, to help more people living in rented housing own a pet cat.



A new website offers free advice to help tenants speak to their landlords to ask for permission to own a cat. The website also offers guidance to landlords and letting agents to help ensure that tenancy agreements reflect modern day living.

Some renters may have been lucky enough to find cat-friendly housing, but live in fear of having to move, aware that cat-friendly properties are few and far between. If you live in rented housing and are not allowed cats, there are ways you can reassure your landlord that you'd be a responsible cat owner. Start by speaking to your landlord and letting them know you'd like a cat - even if your tenancy agreement doesn't allow pets, landlords may be willing to be flexible.

You can help reassure your landlord that your cat is unlikely to cause a problem by taking a few simple steps:-

- Start your search early to give yourself plenty of time to look for a new rented property that will allow a cat.
- Tell your landlord about the nature and behaviour of your cat to show you are a responsible owner; such as if they use a litter tray and how they interact with people and other pets.

- Ask for a pet reference, if possible from a previous landlord, which helps to confirm your cat has not caused damage in the past.
- If you have a cat already but your new tenancy doesn't allow pets, have a chat with the landlord. Landlords often use standard templates for tenancy agreements, but you may find they can be flexible.
- Request a copy of your cat's vet records to show your landlord that your cat is neutered, micro-chipped, vaccinated and protected against fleas and other parasites.

Folkestone and Hythe Cats Protection is urging cat owners to have their pets neutered, as they are not wanted when they become older - frequently because intact toms will spray.



Unneutered female cats taken on as kittens and indoor only can escape and are likely to get pregnant - even at the young age of four months!

Copies of the Purrfect Landlords Guide can be obtained from the Cats Protection Shop at 139a High Street, Hythe. Or visit the website: [www.cats.org.uk/purrfectlandlords](http://www.cats.org.uk/purrfectlandlords)

If you would like to contact Folkestone and Hythe Cats Protection please call: **0345 260 1253**

# Sir John Moore Commemoration Takes Place In Sandgate

The 'father' of the modern British Army, Sir John Moore was the subject of a commemoration on Saturday, 19th January, marking the 210th anniversary of his death at the Battle of Corunna.



The event took place at Sir John Moore's Memorial on Sandgate Esplanade and was organised by the Shorncliffe Trust.

It was attended by a Trust supporters and representatives from Sandgate Parish Council, Cllr Jan Holben and KCC and F&HDC Cllr Rory Love OBE and Cllr Mary Laws F&HDC and Folkestone Town Councillor. The Commemoration was led by Trust Chairman, Chris Shaw, with Readings given by Roger Joyce Chair of Shepway's Heart Forum and members of the Trust.

Sir John Moore brought modern tactics and paid greater respect to men of all ranks through education and welfare support.

Shorncliffe was the birthplace of this new army and defences built at that time shape the district today, with Martello Towers, the Royal Military Canal and Forts and Redoubts built to defend England against Napoleon. Sir John Moore's original earth Redoubt can still be seen in woodland high on Military Road and is now a Scheduled Ancient Monument along with all the Heritage buildings and structures from that time.



For those with an interest in Military History, the Shorncliffe Trust's 2019 Battlefield Tour Programme commences on 16th March with a tour of the Somme, visiting battlefields and memorials around the Arras area and visiting Vimy Ridge and the Wellington Tunnels amongst other places of interest during this full day guided tour.

In April, a 3 day tour takes place in Normandy. This D-Day tour visits the Normandy Beaches, including Omaha, Juno and Arromanches. You will also visit Caen and Ranville making a stop at the famous Pegasus Bridge dedicated to the men of the 6th British Airborne Division 'the Red Berets'. On 7th July, the Trust will be taking a group to Dunkirk to follow the story of Operation Dynamo; when from May 26 to 4 June 1940, Dunkirk was the stage of the largest evacuation effort in military history. 338 000 Allied soldiers were evacuated on a flotilla of more than 800 ships.

All tours offer Folkestone, Cheriton, Hythe and Ashford coach pick up points and can be booked online at the Shorncliffe Trust's website. Visit <http://shorncliffe-trust.org.uk/educational-resources/>



The Trust are planning further events and tours during 2019 and are fundraising with the aspiration of securing one of the few original buildings to remain at Shorncliffe Garrison following redevelopment to create 1200 new homes.

To keep up to date with activity and events, you can subscribe to receive news on their website or contact them on email via [community@shorncliffe-trust.org.uk](mailto:community@shorncliffe-trust.org.uk).

**Editors Notes:**

The Shorncliffe Trust is a heritage charity, which is setup to preserve and protect the heritage of Shorncliffe Garrison near Folkestone in Kent.

Part of our educational objective is to tell the stories of the many thousands of men, women and children who have lived and worked in and around Shorncliffe for the last 200 years. The Trust's website: [http://shorncliffe-trust.org.uk/](http://shorncliffe-trust.org.uk) can provide further information; or please contact our Trustee for community engagement:

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# Dignity Day – Children’s Writing Competition

Pelham House Care Home and Aspire Home Carers have registered as Dignity Champions with the National Dignity Council, which is part of a nationwide network that works to put dignity and respect at the heart of UK care services to enable a positive experience for those living and working in care homes and home support services.



In order to promote an awareness of dignity values and as part of our Dignity Action Challenge we created a Schools Writing Competition which was opened to all aspiring young writers in years 5 and 6. Entries were accepted through the schools and prizes awarded to the top 3 writers and a special award given to the first-place winners school.

Evaluation of written work was based on grammar, spelling, vocabulary, structure as well as logic and content.

Judging was completely independent with the marking and evaluating the pieces individually and then coming together with their findings to nominate the winners for this year.

Winning School **Christ Church CEP Academy**

First Place **Lexi - Christ Church CEP Academy**

Second Place **Sarah– St. Eanswythe Primary School**

Third Place **Sophie - Christ Church CEP Academy**

## Judges

**Karen Marwood** - Chair Lady 'Write by the Sea' and blog Karen's World. Presently she is writing a book and as well as some short stories

**Tony Quarrington** - Writer of prose and poetic pieces on Folkestone. Currently writing book on the history of the Old High Street

**Michele Sheldon** - Award-winning author of short stories published in a diverse range of magazines and anthologies. She has written plays performed at Folkestone Harbour Arm and Dover Castle and for a podcast.

This was the first time we had ever put together a competition that involved the schools and due to its success we are now looking at making this an annual event. Next year we will kick off with a writing workshop that will be held at one of the participating schools, inviting all the local schools to select their top writers to attend. The workshop will be given by this year's judges who are willing to share their knowledge of writing and presentation, as well as a representative from Pelham House who will highlight 'Dignity in Caring' for those different to ourselves.

For further information visit:

<http://www.pelhamhousecarehome.co.uk/>

<http://aspirehomecarers.co.uk/>

<https://www.dignityincare.org.uk/>

**Photo** : Left to right back: Tony Quarrington, Karen Marwood, Michele Sheldon. Front : Lexi 1st Place, Sophie 3rd Place (both from Christ Church Primary School) and Sarah 2nd Place (St. Eanswythe).





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# Charivari Day 6th July 2019

Make a date with Strange Cargo to enjoy our spectacular and colourful Charivari Day carnival again this summer.



If you are on the streets of Folkestone on 6th July and you hear the sound of distant drumming, then it means that Charivari Day is heading your way. The 2019 carnival parade, entitled A Night at the Movies, is a celebration of cinema, film stars, the red carpet, and those iconic blockbusters from Willy Wonka to Frankenstein.

Strange Cargo's trained carnival artist teams will be working with people from across the district to create the six themed sections based on the movies. In total 27 schools from across the district will be taking part in the carnival on the Saturday 6th July, alongside community groups and public workshop participants.

The parade of costumes, dancers and boisterous drumming bands will be setting off at 2pm from The Stade at Folkestone's fishmarket, before heading up the Old High Street, through Sandgate Road precinct before

joining The Leas at West Terrace and heading to the finale point at The Leas Bandstand.

Following the parade there will be an afternoon of music playing at the bandstand with the amazing line-up of streetbands, followed by a music programme on The Leas Bandstand until 6.30pm.

The event can only happen because of generous support from our funders. Our grateful thanks go to Arts Council England, Folkestone & Hythe District Council, The Roger De Haan Charitable Trust and Creative Foundation, Cllrs. Love, Wheeler, Monk, Dearden, Ewart-Jones and the Rotary Club of Folkestone Channel.

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# Fundraising for Maya

The Town Mayor of Folkestone, Councillor Ann Berry attends a lot of events for a variety of reasons.



These vary from Civic functions to Community Days to fund raising events such as this, to raise funds for a 5-year-old Folkestone girl called Maya Nash. Mr Dipak Kaucha, the organiser of this event reported:

"A successful fund-raising event was recently held at the Harvey Grammar School to raise funds to be able to help Maya Nash, a 5-year-old girl from Folkestone, access the Bivalent Vaccine clinical trial in New York to give Maya the best chance of living cancer-free. The event which was a meal, a show, auction and raffle raised £5556.00 to go towards the £243,000 needed for this treatment, was attended by approximately 200 people amongst who were the Mayors of Folkestone and Hawkinge Town Council."

Maya was diagnosed with stage 4 high-risk neuroblastoma at just 3-years-old. She has endured ten cycles of chemotherapy, stem cell harvest, surgery, stem cell transplant, high-dose chemotherapy, radiotherapy, differentiation therapy and immunotherapy. She also had countless injections, blood and platelet transfusions, and general anaesthesia. She has now come to the end of her treatment in the UK.

Maya began treatment in New York at the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center receiving the Bivalent Vaccine clinical trial in the hope that it could help keep her cancer away. However, her family are still a long way from their fundraising target and need to raise £243,000 to continue to access the treatment that could help keep her cancer away.

For 40-50% of children diagnosed with high-risk neuroblastoma, the cancer comes back and once it does, the chances of long-term survival drop to less than 10%.

Maya's parents, Dellanie and Terry wanted to say, "We are overwhelmed with gratitude to family, friends and the community, who continue to show their support and love for our family."

There are many ways you can help Maya, by making a personal donation; holding a fundraising event; getting sponsored to take on a challenge. To find out more on Maya's Solving Kids' Cancer Page at [www.solvingkidscancer.org.uk/campaigns/maya-nash](http://www.solvingkidscancer.org.uk/campaigns/maya-nash)

To donate by text, send MAYA followed by any whole amount up to £20 to 70085. This will cost your donation plus your standard network charge. If you would like to help support Maya's campaign, please contact the fundraising team on **0207 2840800** or [fundraising@solvingkidscancer.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@solvingkidscancer.org.uk)

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# Armed Forces Day Folkestone 2019

This is a free Community Fun Day being held on Sunday 30th June 2019 at the Leas Bandstand, Arena Area and The Leas from 11am to 8pm.

We are proud and thrilled to announce that our 11th annual Armed Forces Community Fun Day will this year include an exhilarating air display from the Red Arrows. Flying displays will also include parachute regiments and memorial aircraft which are still to be announced.

Event organiser, Folkestone Town Council have further details to follow with regular press updates provided as the comprehensive event programme develops and further display stands confirmed.

Folkestone Armed Forces Day is a free family day out with recognition of Service Personnel, Veterans and Cadets past, present and future the prime focus.

The area to the rear of the Bandstand is dedicated to stalls including a field kitchen, cadet's laser shooting tents, face painting, military benevolent organisations, vehicle displays, Great War Trench Experience, Flight Simulator, Funfair, Battle of Briton and weapon display stand to name but a few.

Veterans will be present on the day and many will engage with the public about their experiences in service.

Those attending will have the opportunity to visit the many stands and stalls involved with Armed Forces Day including the Royal British Legion, BLESMA, SSAFE, RAFA, RNLI who also offer a wide range of services and advice to forces personnel.

Attracting visitors nationwide, this year's Armed Forces Day promises to be unforgettable.

The MOD fully supports this Folkestone Town Council event and has contributed funding together with Folkestone & Hythe District Council and The Big Lottery Fund.

For further information please visit our website: [www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk](http://www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk) or check our social media for updates.



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# What's on

**1st March – 31st May**

## **Shane Record Exhibition**

Folkestone Museum - A celebration of the work of the much-loved self-taught local artist. For further information visit [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk) or call **01303 257946**.

**11th May – 2pm**

## **Refugees and the School Bus Project**

Folkestone Museum - A talk by Jon O'Connor in conjunction with the Friends of Folkestone Museum. Places are limited so please book by emailing [friendsfolkestonemuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friendsfolkestonemuseum@gmail.com) or visit [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk)

**14th May - 7pm**

## **Mayor Making**

Election of the Town Mayor, Deputy Mayor and appointment of the Town Mayor's Chaplain. For further information visit [www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk](http://www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk) or call **01303 257946**.

**18th May – 2pm**

## **Talk and book launch of 'The Folkestone**

**Pulpit** - A Brief History of Folkestone's Churches existing in 1875', edited by Vincent Williams - Folkestone Museum. For further information visit [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk)

**21st May – 7pm**

## **Town Meeting**

Electors of the Town and Parish of Folkestone may raise and discuss matters of general interest and hear reports on activities from their local County, District and Town Councillors, together with representatives from Kent Police and Kent Fire and Rescue. For further information visit [www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk](http://www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk) or call **01303 257946**.

**26th May**

## **Folkestone Coastal 10k Race**

This race is an ideal opportunity whether you are an athlete or wish to take the challenge for the first time, for all age categories. Its easy to enter and we encourage participants to raise money for the fund or indeed their own good cause. We are also encouraging companies to perhaps get a team together and maybe enter in fancy dress. Further details can be found on [www.folkestonecoastal10k.co.uk](http://www.folkestonecoastal10k.co.uk)

If you have an event you would like included in the next edition of this listing, please send details to: [georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk](mailto:georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk)

**28th May – 1pm – 3pm**

## **Bugs and Butterfly craft**

Folkestone Museum. Get creative with bugs and butterflies, any age is welcome for some arts and crafts fun. All activities are free drop-in events for all the family in the Education Room of Folkestone Museum, no booking required, donations are gratefully received. For further information visit [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk)

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**31st May – 10.00am – 5.00pm**

## **Folkestone Festivals Art Mart**

Folkestone Town Centre. A well established and increasingly popular specialist Art, Craft and Artisan Food market. A range of stalls in the precinct between Debenhams and W.H Smith.

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**1st June – 1pm – 3pm**

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**2nd June – 2.30pm**

## **William Harvey Sunday**

The Leas. In commemoration of William Harvey who lived in Folkestone. The Town Mayor, Town Clerk and other dignitaries will be in attendance. Members of the public are welcome to attend. For further information visit [www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk](http://www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk)

**6th June – 11.00am**

**D-Day (Normandy Veterans)**

Garden of Remembrance, Sandgate Road.  
An annual service of remembrance for all Normandy Veterans who fought and died in the Normandy Campaign in June 1944. Members of the public are welcome to attend. For further information visit [www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk/](http://www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk/)

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**8th June – 3.35pm**

**Talk on HG Wells**

By Paul Allen of the HG Wells Society – Folkestone Museum - Places are limited so please book by emailing [friendsfolkestonemuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friendsfolkestonemuseum@gmail.com) or visit our website [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk)

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**9th June – 23rd June**

**Baseball Exhibition**

Folkestone Museum – For further information please visit our website [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk)

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**15th June – 10.00am – 5.00pm**

**One Great Day**

Bouverie Place Shopping Centre  
This thrilling event in conjunction with Bouverie Place Shopping Centre and Folkestone Festivals will be raising money for Footprints and Great Ormond Street Hospital. Entertainment will include traditional Japanese and Nepalese Dancing, Origami, Martial Arts displays and many more. For further information visit [www.folkestonefestival.org](http://www.folkestonefestival.org)

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**23rd June - 10.30am**

**Town Sunday**

The Parish Church of St Mary and St Eanswythe. Members of the public are welcome to attend. For further information visit [www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk/](http://www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk/)

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**23rd June – 2.45pm**

**Blessing of the Fisheries**

St Peter's Church, The Durlocks. There is a short procession from St Peter's Church to the Harbour where a service will take place. The procession is then led back to the Church. Members of the public are welcome to attend. For further information visit [www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk/](http://www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk/)

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**27th June – 21st July**

**Pioneering Place East Kent**

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**28th June – 6th July**

**The Tower Theatre presents  
The Sound of Music.**

This new production of the classic stage musical coincides with the 50th Anniversary of the film version – the best loved and most successful movie musical in history. For further information visit [www.towertheatrefolkestone.co.uk](http://www.towertheatrefolkestone.co.uk)

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**30th June – 11am – 8pm**

**Armed Forces Day Free Family Fun Day**

The Leas. The 11th annual Armed Forces Day will include an exhilarating air display from the Red Arrows, parachute regiments and memorial aircraft. As well as many stands and stalls involved with Armed Forces Day, there will also be a funfair, Flight Simulator and many more attractions, see the article within the magazine For further details or visit our website [www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk](http://www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk) or check out our social media for updates.

# What's on

◀ **1st July – 11.00am**

## Canada Day

Shorncliffe Military Cemetery. The Canada Day Service commemorates the 305 Canadian soldiers who died during WWI and are buried in the Shorncliffe Military Cemetery. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

For further information visit

[www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk/](http://www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk/)

**6th July - 2.00pm**

## Charivari Day

The Parade leaves the Stade at 2.00pm and travels through the town to the Bandstand on The Leas. For further information see the article inside the magazine or visit

[www.strangecargo.org.uk](http://www.strangecargo.org.uk)

**13th July – 10.00am – 7.00pm**

## Vintage Festival Music Day

The Leas Bandstand – For further information visit

[www.folkestonefestivals.co.uk](http://www.folkestonefestivals.co.uk)

**14th July – 10.00am – 5.00pm**

## UK Strongest Man Competition

The Leas Bandstand – A range of events will be taking place plus there will be inflatable games for members of the public take part in, bring your own chairs and picnic.

For further information visit

[www.folkestonefestivals.co.uk](http://www.folkestonefestivals.co.uk)

**21st July – 10am**

## Sandcastle Competition

Sunny Sands. This event is going from strength to strength

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[georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk](mailto:georgina.wilson@folkestone-tc.gov.uk)

**26th July - 10.00am – 5.00pm**

## Folkestone Festivals Art Mart

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**26th July – 4th August**

## From Shadows to Objects

A history of Puppets around the world and Folkestone at Folkestone Museum. For more information visit

[www.folkestonemuseum.com](http://www.folkestonemuseum.com) or [www.folkestonepuppetfest.co.uk](http://www.folkestonepuppetfest.co.uk)

**12th August – 11am – 5.30pm**

## Folkestone Puppet Festival

Folkestone Harbour Arm. A free, one day outdoor event celebrating puppets and the art of puppetry, with a programme for children and adults alike. For more information visit

[www.folkestonepuppetfest.co.uk](http://www.folkestonepuppetfest.co.uk)

**15th August – 11am**

## VJ Day - Garden of Remembrance.

This is an annual service to celebrate the surrender of Japan, ending combat in the Second World War on 15th August 1945. Members of the public are welcome to attend. For more information visit

[www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk/](http://www.folkestonetc.kentparishes.gov.uk/)

**17th & 18th August**

## Trawler Race at Folkestone Harbour

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# What's on at Folkestone Museum



## FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM TALKS

The Friends are continuing to offer a varied series of talks in the Museum Education Room on Saturday afternoons from 2-3.45pm. After each talk there will be time for questions - and for tea and cakes. Tickets are £4 (£3 for Friends) payable at the door, but as spaces are limited please reserve in advance by emailing [friendsfolkestonemuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friendsfolkestonemuseum@gmail.com) or visit our website [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk)

**May 11th – 2pm – 3.35pm – Friends Talk** requires booking

Refugees and the School Bus Project. Talk by Jon O'Conner -Jon O'Conner is a Trustee of this Folkestone-based charity which supports refugee children and young people in continuing their education.

**May 18th – 2pm – 3.35pm**

**Talk and book launch of 'The Folkestone Pulpit** – A Brief History of Folkestone's Churches existing in 1875'. Edited by Vincent Williams. For further information please visit our website [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk)

**June 8th - 2pm – 3.35pm – Friends Talk**

requires booking- Talk on H G Wells by Paul Allen of the H G Wells Society. Further details available soon.

## BASEBALL EXHIBITION AT FOLKESTONE MUSEUM

**9th June – 23rd June**

For further information please visit our website [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk)

## PIONEERING PLACE EAST KENT: FOLKESTONE HISTORY OF THE GASWORKS EXHIBITION

**27th June – 21st July**

Folkestone Museum will exhibit architectural drawings and artistic proposals re-imagining the design and future use of the old gasworks site on Foord Road/Ship Street in Folkestone.

Showcasing drawing from Folkestone schoolchildren, design proposals from architecture students from Canterbury School of Architecture, architectural proposals from local architects and archive materials which document the history of the gasworks site.

This includes oral history accounts from people living and working in the area and a space for people to feedback. This well-received exhibition, previously seen at the Sunflower House at the end of last year has been re-configured for Folkestone Museum, for further information please visit our website [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk)

## TALK BY CHRISTOPHER HOUGHTON BUDD

**28th June – 2pm**

Christopher Houghton Budd will be taking about the Cezanne painting and Folkestone's involvement in the Treaty of Versailles, this is being held in the Education Room of Folkestone Museum from 2pm. For further information please visit our website [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk)

## FROM SHADOWS TO OBJECTS – A HISTORY OF PUPPETS AROUND THE WORLD & FOLKESTONE

**26th July – 4th August**

This is an exhibition looking at the rich history of puppets, from 3000 year old shadow plays to contemporary puppetry. Puppets have been used on all continents since early times to tell stories and the puppets that tell them, from Chinese shadow plays and Czech marionettes to the infamous Punch and Judy and Spitting Image.

There will be puppet displays, images, film and books. A special feature of the exhibition will be a photographic display of archival images spanning 23 years of Charivari in Folkestone by Strange Cargo.

The exhibition is part of Folkestone Puppet Festival, taking place on 27th July at the Harbour Arm with free performances through the whole day. For further information please visit our website [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk) or [www.folkestonepuppetfest.co.uk](http://www.folkestonepuppetfest.co.uk)

## CRAFT ACTIVITIES

We are continuing to offer free craft events for children during school holidays. Over the coming school holidays the Folkestone Museum Team will be hosting Bugs and Butterfly crafts in the Education Room from 1pm – 3pm. All craft activities are free but a £2 per child donation is welcome.

They will be taking place on the following dates:

**Tuesday 28th May**

**Thursday 30th May**

**Saturday 1st June**

Folkestone Museum is free to enter but we are always happy to receive donations, there are collection boxes situated around the Museum for donations.

For more information on any of these events please visit our website; [www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk](http://www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk), call us on **01303 257946** or pop in to the Town Hall during our open hours; Monday – Saturday, 10am – 4pm.



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# FHODS at The Tower Theatre

## The Folkestone and Hythe Operatic Dramatic Society present Jules Verne's 80 Days Around the World this May and the smash hit musical Sound of Music in June/July.

We are delighted the Sound of Music cast will be performing at the 'Reviving Memories' event on Saturday 18th May, Oakland Park in Hythe, in support of the Hythe Dementia Forum. Admission is free and the event will run from 10am-3pm. There will be live entertainment and vintage amusements, with full programme details are available on our website.

You will also have another opportunity to catch the cast at Bouverie Place, Folkestone on Saturday 15th June, as part of the 'One Great Day' festival!

### **AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS** **8th - 12th May 2019**

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**Wednesday 8th May at 7.30pm | Thursday 9th May at 7.30pm | Friday 10th May at 7.30pm | Saturday 11th May at 2.30pm & 7.30pm | Sunday 12th May at 2.30pm**

Tickets £13 | £11 concessions | £10 children 14 and under



## SOUND OF MUSIC

**28th June - 7th July**

Based on Baroness Maria von Trapp's 1949 autobiography, this wonderfully inventive new staging of The Sound Of Music tells the true story of the world-famous singing family, from their romantic beginnings and search for happiness, to their thrilling escape to freedom as their beloved Austria becomes part of the Third Reich at the start of WWII.



The unforgettable score features some of the most memorable songs ever performed on stage, including 'Edelweiss', 'My Favorite Things', 'Do-Re-Mi', 'Climb Ev'ry Mountain', and of course, the title song - 'The Sound of Music'.

This new production of the classic stage musical coincides with the 50th Anniversary of the film version - the best loved and most successful movie musical in history.

**Special sing-along performance on Sunday 7th July at 2.30pm!**

**Friday 28th June 7.30pm | Saturday 29th June 2.30pm & 7.30pm | Sunday 30th June 2.30pm | Thursday 4th July 7.30pm | Friday 5th July 7.30pm | Saturday 6th July 2.30pm & 7.30pm | Sunday 7th July 2.30pm**

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# Folkestone Artmart Commences Its 2019 Season

Folkestone's famous ArtMart's are pleased to announce the dates for 2019.



## Dates for your diary are:

28th June  
26th July  
30th August  
27th September  
25th October  
29th November  
20th December



You will be able to find local creatives and traders at the Bouverie Place Shopping Centre in Folkestone town centre adding a touch of vibrancy and colour to the town each month. The ArtMart takes place on the last Friday of the month from March to November, with a seasonal market on 20th December:

You will find a range of hand made products and gifts as well as a number of food stalls. Stalls do vary and if you are interested in trading then please contact Nevile Pundole, Festivals stalls co-ordinator:

[neville@folkestonefestivals.org](mailto:neville@folkestonefestivals.org)

Further details about the work of Folkestone Festivals can be found at:

[www.folkestonefestivals.org](http://www.folkestonefestivals.org)



Folkestone Festivals stalwart and Secretary, John Barber; has recently been recognised in the Town Mayor's Community Awards for his wide range of voluntary work that bring benefit to the town, including that for Folkestone Festivals. John was delighted to be nominated.

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