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# FREE High Street entertainment!

Gosport Borough Council is planning High Street Entertainment to take place in the Summer and in the lead up to Christmas.

We will be offering a programme of entertainment which will include childrens' rides, face-painting, street entertainment, music and more! See pages 13 and 26 for more information.

### Gosport Discovery Centre and Gosport Museum

With many activities for young people at both the Gosport Discovery Centre and Gosport Museum and Art Gallery (GMAG) – (visit their Facebook pages for the latest information), there's lots of ideas to keep the children happy during the school holidays.

# **Imagination Refinery**

# Gosport's creative hub is at 51/52 High Street.

They are becoming an established space for creative workshops including photography, ceramics, creative arts and social events. Also featuring an indoor makers market on 18th May.

Visit their website at

www.imaginationrefinery.co.uk for more information on what's going on and when.

# **High Street Market**

The Gosport High Street market is continuing with the Tuesday and Saturday markets with specialist markets and activities planned on the last Saturday of the month for March, April and May – the High Street is changing and is becoming less of a traditional shopping experience and more of an entertainment experience with plenty of cafes and the open spaces giving a more relaxed and fun environment

# The Alver Valley Country Park

Nestled between the urban areas of Gosport and Lee-on-the-Solent the Alver Valley is a two hundred hectare greenspace, home to a rich mosaic of habitats.

Visit **www.gosport.gov.uk** and search for Alver Valley Country Park for details of events and activities throughout the year.

You can find out more about what's going on in Gosport by visiting

# www.discovergosport.co.uk

**Enjoy Gosport!** ... and don't forget the lovely beaches – FREE every day! With Splash Parks at Stokes Bay and Lee-on-the-Solent for those sunny days.

# Welcome to the Gosport What's On guide for 2024

We hope you enjoy reading through the guide and planning your weekends and days out in Gosport – there's something for residents and visitors of all ages. *Peter Chegwyn, Leader of the Council* 



### Easter at the Hovercraft Museum

- Every Saturday from 9th March–6th April
- U 10am-4pm
- The Hovercraft Museum, Marine Parade West, Lee-on-the-Solent, PO13 9NS
- £8 for adults; £5 for children (5–17); £7 concessions; £22 for families 2 adults and up to 3 children.

Join us for Easter fun at The Hovercraft Museum, find our Easter Bunnies hidden around the museum or see if you can spot our bright yellow eggs in and around our Hovercraft Collection. Great fun for all the family and all ages. No pre-booking required.



# Anchored in Gosport - Easter Market

- iii Saturday 30th March
- U 10am-4pm
- Gosport High Street, Lawrence Square, Nat Gonella Square
- FREE

Over 40 handpicked market traders, a beautiful selection of food and drink vendors and a handful of live performances... what better way to kick off your Easter celebrations! Come and browse local suppliers, grab and bite to eat and listen to some local live music! Future bespoke markets will take place on the last Saturday of the month in April and May.

anchoredingosport.co.uk

# **Easter Egg Trail**

- Sunday 31st March
- (§ 12noon-4.30pm
- Stanley Park and Alverbank Hotel
- £3 per ticket
- Event will be advertised on Facebook via the Alverbank Hotel with booking details.

Can you name all the Easter bunnies and enjoy a walk through Stanley Park. You will be rewarded with an Easter egg when you find the names of all the Easter bunnies. There will also be a barbecue and refreshments in the the Alverbank Hotel garden. The event is ticketed. Suitable for ages 3 to 12 years old.



# **Spring Festival**

- iii Saturday 6th April
- 10am-8pm
- St Faith's Church, Victoria Square, Lee-on-the-Solent, PO13 9NF
- FREE

Spring Festival incorporating a market 'Smile Emporium' which brings local vendors, craftsmen and boutique businesses with food vendors coupled with music.

montserratevents.co.uk



# Soldier's Encampment at Little Woodham

- iii Saturday 6th-Sunday 7th April
- U 10.30am-4.30pm
- Little Woodham Living History Museum, Barrington Close, PO13 8NZ
- Pre-booking essential please see website

Meet the soldiers of Lord Brooke's Regiment of Foote as they try to recruit the villagers of Little Woodham, as they pass through. Will they be successful? How do the villagers like having soldiers billeted in their homes? Musket displays, traditional crafts to try, fun for young and old!

littlewoodham.org.uk

# Gosportarians Prostate Test Day

- iii Saturday 20th April
- U 10am-4pm
- Bay House School
- Donation requested

The Gosportarians are holding a prostate test day at Bay House school for up to 400 men. Online booking only which will open in March from the website.

pcaso.org/psa-testing/
#1674147680803-e1ce3859-97df

# Gosport Older Persons Forum Open Meeting – Town Centre Vision

- # Friday 26th April
- § 10am–12noon (coffee available from 9.30am)
- Council Chamber, Town Hall, High Street, Gosport

Open to all older people (over 55) or those with an interest e.g. working with or relatives/carers of older people. The annual Open Meeting will discuss plans for the future of the Town Centre. Written questions can be submitted before 19th April and will be addressed first. Email **gosportopforum@hotmail.co.uk** for more details from 1st April.





### Gosport 5K Summer Series

- Second Tuesday of the month from April to August
- SK race starts a 7pm; Junior Race starts at 6.45pm
- Stokes Bay Road, near to Bayside Cabin
- £7 for juniors; £13-£15 for adults

This series consists of five fast races. You can enter each race individually or save money and buy a series entry. The race offers a fast, out and back promenade run using an accurately measured 5k course. You can enter on the day or online.

nice-work.org.uk

# **May Day Celebration**

- iii Monday 6th May
- U 10.30am-4pm
- Little Woodham Living History
   Museum, Barrington Close, PO13 8NZ
- Pre-booking essential please see website

Come and celebrate May Day with us. Meet the characters of olde England in our procession, followed by maypole dancing, storytelling, and games. Watch the morris dancers, and get involved with traditional crafts. A day for young and old!

🔲 littlewoodham.org.uk

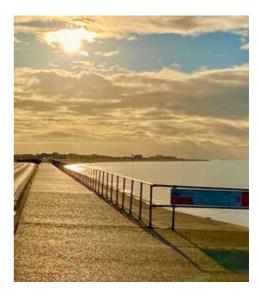
### John Searle's Funfair

- 3rd May-6th May and 9th May-12th May
- Walpole Park

Come along and enjoy the thrills and spills of the Funfair. Visit their Facebook page for details of times and any special offers on wristbands etc.

facebook.com/johnsearlefunfairs





# Gosport's Golden Mile 24

- Saturday 4th May-Sunday 5th May
- A 24 hour event between 12noon on 4th May through to 12noon on 5th May
- Free entry but donation to charity requested

Pre-booking not required – register at the gazebo near the Golden Mile marker on the promenade near Bayside Cabin.

An invitation to runners to run as many of the 2mile laps of the Golden Mile (Bayside to GAFIRS to Bayside) as they can in the allotted 24 hour period.

On the Golden Mile, Stokes Bay, Gosport. Using the measured mile to invite runners to run laps.

Organised by the Absolute 545 Running Club, contact David Kitching on 023 9255 0632 for more information or

**023 9255 0632** for more information or visit the website.

absolute545runclub.uk/contact-us

# **Gosport Marine Festival**

- iii Saturday 19th May
- 9am-9pm
- Millennium Timespace, Trinity Green, Haslar Marina, Cockle Pond (Walpole Park)
- Free activities for all ages. Main water sports activities 5 years plus

A free, fun, family day out about water sports. Bring a change of clothes and a towel! Have-a-go activities include Kayaking, Paddleboarding, Sailing, Axe-Throwing, Climbing Wall and more. Free bouncy castle and rides. Haslar Marina pontoons are open to see visiting boats plus live music, stalls and a parade.

The majority of activities are queue/walkin. All participants will be required to fill in a registration form (primarily for safety reasons). Visit the website for more details and to pre-register.

gosportmarinefestival.uk



# **Stokes Bay Junior Parkrun**

- **Every Sunday**
- 9am start
- Stokes Bay start is past the sailing club, finish near Pebbles cafe.
- Free
- Suitable for 4–14 year olds

Junior Parkrun is a series of 2k runs for children held in areas of open space. They are open to all, free, and are safe and easy to take part in. The courses are marshalled so that juniors will be in sight of at least one marshal at all times. Visit the Facebook page. Please register for free and bring a bar code along to the event.

- parkrun.org.uk/register
- facebook.com/people/Stokes-Bayjunior-parkrun/100064878450575

# Circus Zyair



Walpole Park

Returning to Gosport for another year! All the excitement of the circus with spectacular performances under the Big Top! Lots of fun for all ages.

Visit the website for more information on prices, times and special offers.

circuszyair.co.uk



#### St Vincent Summer Fest

- **Saturday 8th June**
- U 10am-4pm
- St Vincent College, Mill Lane, PO12 4QA
- Free entry

A family fun filled festival in the grounds of St Vincent College which includes live music, children's activities, Esports, stalls, sports activities, grand raffle, street food and refreshments.

stvincent.ac.uk

# D-Day 80 Anniversary Parade at Hardway

- iii Sunday 9th June
- ( 10.30am-12noon
- The foreshore at Hardway (Priory Road), next to Hardway Sailing Club

Civic Parade to mark the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings with an Unarmed Guard courtesy of HMS Sultan. Musical support will be provided by the Royal Marine Volunteer Cadet Band alongside a local school Choir. Revd Emma McPhail will lead the service incorporating a two minute silence at 11.00am.





#### St Faith's Summer Fete

- iii Saturday 15th June
- **U** 10am-2pm
- St Faith's Church and Parish Centre, Victoria Square, Lee-on-the-Solent
- Free entry

A fantastic Summer Fete, with music, entertainments, games, local crafts, food, preloved items, plants, inflatables for kids and more. St Faith's Summer Fete is a firm favourite in Lee - and entry is free! A fun day for all the family.

stfaithslee.org.uk

# My Pop Rocks

- iii Sunday 16th June
- U 1pm-4pm
- Leesland Park, Gosport
- Free

Join the Friends of Leesland Park for a party on the park to celebrate Father's Day and the start of summer. We invite you to gather up your Dads and family and bring a picnic down to the park where we will be providing an afternoon of free live music.



# Summer Philharmonic Concert

- Baturday 22nd June
- St Faith's Church, Victoria Square, Lee-on-the-Solent, PO13 9NF
- Adults £15, Children £5, under 5's free
- Get your tickets at montserratevents.co.uk/ purchaseeventtickets

Summer Philharmonic Concert is here with the amazing Portsmouth Philharmonic Orchestra with the superb soprano Jennifer Parker-Lummis providing a fantastic array of concert music for you to enjoy.

montserratevents.co.uk

# **Summer Ball**

- iii Saturday 22nd June
- √ 7pm-11.30pm
- Bulson Hall, Victoria Square, Lee-on-the-Solent
- £60 per person for 18 years and over only

Dress code: Gentleman – dinner jackets or lounge suits; Ladies – cocktail dresses.

19.00 with dinner at 20.00.

5 Course meal with wine, Prosecco welcome drink, table magician Colin Phillips and DJ providing entertainment.

Tables of 10 with red and white wine on the tables.

Carriages 23.30.

montserratevents.co.uk



# Gosport Armed Forces Community High Street Hub

- iii Monday 24th June
- 9.30am-2pm
- Ogosport High Street (ferry end) and Falkland Gardens



Organisations offering services and opportunities to the armed forces community are invited once again to take part in the Armed Forces High Street Hub, a "market-style" information event to be held at the Ferry end of Gosport High Street on Monday, 24 June, from 9:30 am to 2 pm. With the raising of the Armed Forces Day Flag at 10 am in Falklands Gardens with the Mayor of Gosport and representatives from HMS Sultan and the Institute of Naval Medicine and other guests attending. Members of the community are welcome.

gosport.gov.uk/gosportarmedforcescommunity



# **GoSport's Big Adventure**

- iii Saturday 29th June
- U 10am-6pm
- Broderick Hall, Clayhall Road, PO12 2BY
- Free entry activities cost from £1-£3

Come and join our community event for thrilling watersports activities such as: kayaking, canoeing, and paddle boarding. Why not get adventurous with axe throwing, archery, and wall climbing. We have many local companies showcasing what they have to offer. There will be refreshments and food available all day. Organised by Prime Paddling and GoSport Activity Centre.

gosportactivitycentre.co.uk

### Lee-on-the-Solent Horticultural Summer Show

- iii Saturday 29th June
- Show Times are Open to Public at 1.30pm and closes at 3.30 pm. Prize giving is at 3.15pm.
- Lee-on-the-Solent Community Centre,
   51 Twyford Dr,
   Lee-on-the-Solent
   PO13 8JU

Show Exhibits are detailed in the Society Show Schedule, classes include, Flowers, Vegetables, Floral Art,

Adult Craft, Juniors 8–11, Junior Adults 12–16.

Contact Ray Harding Chair Lee-on-the-Solent Horticultural Society **02392 551706 ryhrdng@aol.com** for more information.



### Round the Harbours Bike Ride

- iii Saturday 6th July
- £20 per entry
- Suitable for ages 16 and over

In aid of MS Society the Round the Harbours bike ride is returning to the picturesque seaside towns of Havant, Southsea, Fareham and Gosport. This year we have two starting venues for you to choose from, one in Gosport at Bay House School and the second in Portsmouth (venue tbc). You can choose to take on our 54-mile or 32-mile circular route both will include a ferry crossing and two rest stops.

mssociety.org.uk/get-involved/ fundraise/find-a-fundraising-event/ round-the-harbours



#### Little Hover World

- 20th July–15th September (on every open day)
- 10am-4pm
- The Hovercraft Museum, Marine Parade West, Lee-on-the-Solent, PO13 9NS
- £8.00 for adults, £5.00 for children (5–17), free to (0–4), £7.00 for concessions, £22 for families 2 adults and up to 3 children

Little Hover World returns to The Hovercraft Museum for another summer of fun, spot the little figures working, hiding and playing around the museum. So much to see and enjoy, great fun for all the family and all ages.

www.hovercraft-museum.org

# **GAFIRS Emergency Services Day**

- 🛗 Sunday 21st July
- 11am-4pm
- GAFIRS Lifeboat station, Lifeboat Lane, Stokes Bay
- Free

This free family event lets you meet the local emergency services that keep you safe. Operations permitting, we aim to have crew and vehicles attending from Ramona UK, the Fire, Ambulance and Police Services, Safer Gosport Community Team, HM Coastguard Hill Head CRT, Gosport NCI, Lee-on-the-Solent NCI and SERV Wessex.

gafirs.org.uk

# Shakespeare in the Open – As You Like It

- From Tuesday 23rd July– Friday 26th July
- 3.30pm nightly
- Little Woodham,
   Gosport's 17th Century Village,
   Barrington Close
- Adults £10, Under 16 £8, Family Ticket (2+2) £28

The Villagers are proud to present Shakespeare's most rural and charming comedy in the idyllic surroundings of Little Woodham.

Come along and enjoy the delights of an English summer evening with laughter and romance in the air.

Pre-booking is advisable – please call Ian Wright, **023 9234 5346** or email

ianwri@gmail.com

villagers.org.uk

# **Summer Family Fun Day**

- iii Saturday 27th July
- 10am-3pm
- St Faiths Hub,
   St Faiths Church,
   Tribe Road, PO12 3NS
- £2 per household suitable for 0–10 year olds – children must be accompanied.

Vintage Games such as 2p game, tin can alley, pin the tail on the donkey, crazy golf, hobby horses, pull the peg Lucky Dip, fishing game, craft and refreshments.



# Party in the Park

- iii Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th July
- Saturday 12noon-10.30pm; Sunday 12noon-9.30pm
- Walpole Park
- Free entry

Let's get "Summer in Gosport" started with a series of events supported by Gosport Borough Council.

FREE entry, come and enjoy, with music, entertainment, stalls, funfair (paid rides) food and drink.

montserratevents.co.uk



### **Summer Passport 2024**

- Every Tuesday and Thursday from 30th July-22nd August
- U 11am-3pm
- Various parks and open spaces across the borough
- Free for those who meet the age criteria (born between 1st September 2007 and 31st August 2012)

Summer Passport is a great opportunity for secondary school students in Gosport to meet new friends and engage in activities, crafts and educational workshops in a fun environment. For the latest updates on the Summer Passport scheme go to the website and search for Summer Passport.

Pre-registration is encouraged and registration details will be available on the Safer Gosport website nearer the time. These events are run by Gosport Borough Council and Motiv8.

- www.safergosport.co.uk
- facebook.com/gosportpassportscheme

# High Street Events

- Saturdays in the Summer Holidays -3rd to 24th August
- Starting at 11am through to 3pm

FREE activities on the High Street including the return of the Go-Karts, Punch and Judy shows, facepainting, street performers and music entertainment. Yes all FREE! Keep up to date with what's happening Saturday by Saturday with timings by visiting the Discover Gosport Facebook page.

facebook.com/discovergosport20







# The Provincial Society's Bus Rally

- **iii** Sunday 4th August
- Stokes Bay Field, off Stokes Bay Road, behind Sailing Club
- U 10am-4.30pm
- Free entry

The annual Provincial Society bus rally returns to Stokes Bay! Visit the large gathering of buses from heritage and from modern fleets and sample the free heritage bus services. Enjoy browsing the transport stall holders, selling models, photos and transport-related merchandise. Fun for all the family!

provincialsociety.org/rally.htm

# **Gosport's Strongest**

- 🛗 Saturday 10th August
- Walpole Park
- 9am-6pm
- £5 for Adults, £7.50 on the Gate, £15 for a Family of 4 (2 Adults, 2 childern over 12), Children under 12 free

Pushing men and women to their physical limits in 4 major strength events across amateur and professional athletes.

Tickets can be booked online at **eventbrite.co.uk**, or available at the gate.

themovingonprojectcounselling.co.uk



#### John Searle Fun Fair

- iii 10th-26th August
- Lee-on-the-Solent Headlands, Marine Parade East

The funfair comes to Lee-on-the-Solent once again as part of the popular Summer In Lee Event! Come long and enjoy the thrills and spills of the Funfair. Visit their face book page for details of times and any special offers on wristbands etc.



#### **Summer In Lee**

- i Saturday 17th-Sunday 18th August
- **U** 10am–10pm
- Seafront Promenade, Marine Parade, Lee-on-the-Solent
- Free

Summer in Lee brings you Summer Sounds, Summer Emporium, Summer Fun Fair and Summer Pirates on the promenade with different genres of music over 2 days comprising Lively Saturday 17th and Easy Sunday 20th August. Free community event raising money for Children with Cancer UK for the 8th Year.







# Allotment Association Summer Show

- iii Saturday 17th August
- 12noon-2pm (for public viewing)8am-11am (for entrants)
- St Mary's Parish Centre, Green Road, PO12 2ET
- Fee entry donations welcome

Come along and see the Flowers, Fruits and Vegetables grown in Gosport. It is amazing the talents that people have in growing top quality produce.

You do not have to be an Association member to enter produce. The show schedule is on our website with printed copies at Allotment Stores.

gosportallotments.co.uk



#### Gosport Waterfront Festival

- Friday 16th-Sunday 18th August
- Friday 5.30pm-11pm; Saturday 12noon-11pm; Sunday 12noon-10.30pm
- Entry Fees: Friday £5 per adult; Saturday and Sunday £10 per adult, children under 12 are free – visit website for more details.

Gosport's much loved music festival.

A family-friendly festival where you can enjoy Local Live Bands and DJ's along with a wide range of entertainment. Bring your family and friends to Walpole Park, explore a fully licensed Bar, Funfair for the kids, Catering, Local Crafts & Charity Stalls and much more.

gosportwaterfrontfestival.com

You can find out more about what's going on in Gosport by visiting

www.discovergosport.co.uk

# Vehicle Rally and Family Day

- iii Monday 26th August
- U 10am-4pm
- Stokes Bay Field, off Stokes Bay Road, behind Sailing Club
- ⊕ £3 children free

Now in its 71st year - one of Gosport's largest charity events, last year over 400 vehicles and thousands of visitors. Including stalls entertainment, petting farm, display showring plus food and drink and much more.

gosportrotary.co.uk

### High Vibes – Business Networking for Brilliant Women

**t** Last Wednesday of every month

See Facebook page (a) HighVibesNetwork for details of times and location as these vary.

These events are relaxed, informal and free to attend (you just need to buy your own drinks and snacks). Emma and Annelies look forward to welcoming you.

Call **07572 352 577** or email **emma@imagistic.co.uk** or **annelies@22midnight.com** 

for more details.

facebook.com/ HighVibesNetwork



# **Gosport Sunset Festival**

- Friday 30th August-Sunday 1st September
- Friday 2pm-11pm; Saturday 11am-11pm; Sunday 11am-10pm
- Walpole Park
- Free entry

The Gosport Sunset Festival returns for its second year.

We are back to provide a free event for the whole family to enjoy.

Music and Wellbeing is at the heart of our event along with some surprises.

Family friendly event for everyone to enjoy.

gosportsunsetfestival.co.uk

#### Crafternoon

- **iii** Saturday 31st August
- U 2pm-4pm
- St Faiths Hub, St Faiths Church, PO12 3NS
- £2 per household
- Suitable for 0 to 10 year olds

Variety of Craft Opportunities available on different tables with refreshments available.

# **GOSPORT** celebrates 30 years of



England's biggest

# **FREE**

Heritage festival

# heritage open days 6<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> Sept 2024 (10 days!)

# 60+ events in GOSPORT

run by Volunteers in the community for all to enjoy FREE of charge walks, talks, music, displays, activities and more something for all ages

Programme in print and online from early Aug Booking online from 17th Aug



www.gosportheritage.co.uk





#### FortonFest 24

- ## Friday 6th and Saturday 7th September
- **U** 11am-10pm
- Forton Park, Brockhurst Road
- Free entry

It's back and ready for Gosport's biggest party people! A day filled with love and remembrance for Levi and Darren. Live music all day long from some amazing local bands, stalls, games and fun. Local charity stalls raising funds and a grand raffle. All welcome!

### Lee-on-the-Solent Horticultural Society Autumn Show 2024

- **Saturday 7th September**
- Show Times are Open to Public at 1.30pm and closes at 3.30 pm. Prize giving is at 3.15pm.
- Lee On Solent Community Centre, 51 Twyford Drive, PO13. 8JU
- Free entry donations appreciated

#### **Park Life**

- iii Sunday 8th September
- U 12noon-4pm
- Stanley Park, Alverstoke
- Free

An afternoon of fun and games, music and craft stalls organised by Friends of Stanley Park. Visit the Facebook page for more details.

facebook.com/ groups/178021019791801





# Gosport Heritage Open Days at the Hovercraft Museum

- Sunday 8th and Sunday 15th September
- 10am-4pm
- The Hovercraft Museum, Marine Parade West, PO13 9NS
- Free entry

Come along to this unique attraction – the only Hovercraft Museum in the world – as part of the Gosport Heritage Open Days.

hovercraft-museum.org



#### ParkFest 24

- iii Saturday 14th September
- 1pm-10pm
- Leesland Park, Gosport
- Free

A well established and popular oneday event presented by the Friends of Leesland Park for local residents, their families and friends.

A rich mix of miscellaneous side stalls, children's entertainment and activities, friendly dog show, food and drink and continuous live music programme - ParkFest has something for everyone. Come and join us.

# Alverstoke Michaelmas Fayre

- iii Saturday 28th September
- 11am-4pm
- Alverstoke Village, Village Green and Parish Centre
- Free

Alverstoke Michaelmas Fayre is a Charity, Community and Commercial stall event, with street entertainment (bands and single performers) performing during the event.

rotary-ribi.org/clubs/homepage. php?ClubID=656



#### **Autumn Festival**

- # 5th October 2024
- 10am-6pm
- St Faith's, Victoria Square, Lee-on-the-Solent PO13 9NF
- Free

Autumn Festival incorporating a market 'Smile Emporium' which brings local vendors, craftsmen and boutique businesses with food vendors coupled with music.

All plans coming together we are hoping to deliver an evening barn dance. The day event is Free and the Barn Dance will be ticketed with tickets available online.

montserratevents.co.uk

You can find out more about what's going on in Gosport by visiting

www.discovergosport.co.uk

#### 55+ Infofest 2024

- iii Friday 18th October
- **U** 11am-3pm
- Masonic Hall,5 Clarence Road,PO12 1BB
- Free



Open to all older people (over 55) and those with an interest eg. relatives/carers of older people.

The Infofest brings together a wide variety of local services, activities and organisations likely to be of special interest to older people. A perfect opportunity to drop in, meet the right people and get answers to your questions.

Free refreshment. All visitors will be entered into a free raffle.





### **Hover Halloween**

- iii 19th October until 10th November (open every day)
- **U** 10am-3pm
- ₱ £8.00 for adults £5.00 for children (5-17) free to (0-4) £7.00 for concessions £22 for families 2 adults and up to 3 children

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Spooky goings on are happening at The Hovercraft Museum, explore our museum whilst taking part in our Pumpkin and I Spy trails to find all our Halloween friends. Great fun for all the family and all ages.

hovercraft-museum.org

# Pumpkin and Produce Fayre

- iii Saturday 28th October
- U 12noon-2pm
- St Mary's Parish Centre, Green Road, PO12 2ET
- Free donations welcome

Come along and see the giant pumpkins grown in gosport. There are also entries for homebaking, preserves and chutneys and photography and art. Lots of variety. Show schedules is on the website or from allotment stores and you do not have to be an association member to enter the show.

gosportallotments.co.uk

# **Light Party**

- iii Thursday 31st October
- 4.30pm-7pm
- St Faith's Hub, St Faith's Church, Tribe Road, PO12 3NS
- Donations welcome

Suitable for 0 to 10 years – must be accompanied by an adult.

Wear bright colours, see our lights, grab a hot chocolate, decorate and make some faith crafts to take home.

stmarysalverstoke.org.uk

**Please note:** Events in this guide may be subject to change or cancellation. Please check with event organisers prior to booking or visiting if you are unsure.



# HMS Sultan Bonfire and Fireworks Night 2024

- iii Thursday 31st October
- Gates open at 5.30pm with Bonfire being lit at 7.45pm and main display at 8.30pm. Gates to close at 10.45pm.
- Ticket and event details will be available mid-September with further information available via Facebook, HMS Sultan, and X-(formerly Twitter) @HMSSultan.

Join us on Thursday 31 October for a spooktacular evening, at the HMS Sultan Bonfire and Fireworks Night 2024.

A funfair, food hall, bonfire and fantastic fireworks await. The event also raises valuable funds for HMS Sultans Service charity, supporting the wellbeing of staff and trainees within the Base.

royalnavy.mod.uk



# Friends of Brockhurst Fireworks Display

- friday 9th November
- Brockhurst Primary School (South Campus), Avery Lane, PO12 4SR

For our 3rd year running, come and join our Professional Firework Display.

There will also be rides, hot food and drinks plus the sell of glow items.

All monies raised go back into the school.

This event is open to all, pre booking tickets only - tickets will go on sale in October.

ticketsource.co.uk/friends-ofbrockhurst-primary-school



### Gosport Half Marathon Road Race and Young Persons' event

- iii Sunday 17th November
- 10am Adult start; 10.15am Children and Young Persons' events
- Race Headquarters at Bay House School, Gomer Lane, PO12 2QP
- £29.50 for adult runner. £2 for Children and Young Persons'

1600 runners for 13.1 mile course. Great community involvement. Start/finish Browndown Road. Lee-on-the-Solent promenade.

Two separate events for young people. 11 years and under (1.07k) and 12 – under 17 years (2.14k). All runners/young people receive medal and goodie bag. Trophies for the winning male/female. Started by the Mayor.

Entry via website.

www.gosporthalf.org (race information link)

#### **Christmas in Lee**

- iii Saturday 23rd November
- 9am-8pm
- High Street, Lee-on-the-Solent
- Free

There will be stall holders providing plenty of inspiration for all your Christmas shopping, from clothes, handbags, jewellery, artwork, scents, candles jams and chutneys, gins, chocolates and more. A food court, fairground rides, Father Christmas in his grotto, carols and Christmas tree light switch on.

# Cats Protection Gosport Christmas Fayre

- Saturday 23rd November
- St Mary's Parish Centre, Green Road, Alverstoke
- 50p

THE Christmas Fayre for cat lovers!

Cat-themed merchandise, cat toys, new/nearly new goods, toys, books, jigsaw puzzles, cakes and craft items. When you've finished browsing, try your luck at our tombola and raffle stalls, then enjoy a cuppa from the refreshments stall. Volunteers on hand to answer your catcare questions.

cats.org.uk/gosport



### Meet and Greet Santa in his Grotto

- Every Saturday from 23rd Novmeber until 21st December
- **U** 10am-3pm
- C2U, 41 High Street, Gosport
- Free

Christmas Grotto – for the community to explore a specially decorated space. They are allowing families and community groups to enjoy the joy of Christmas. All children will meet with Santa, receive a small gift, and have the option for a photo. No booking required.

You can find out more about what's going on in Gosport by visiting

www.discovergosport.co.uk

# Gosport High Street Christmas Lights Switch On and Market

- Saturday 30th November
- 9am-7pm lights to be switched on at 6pm

Featuring staged entertainment, a Christmas market, street entertainers, food and drink and lots more.

More details of what's happening and when can be found on our website or Discover Gosport Facebook page nearer the event.

- gosport.gov.uk
- facebook.com/discovergosport20

# **Chrismas Pud 5K Charity Fun Run**

- Sunday 1st December
- **U** 10.15am start
- Start at Bayside Cabin, Stokes Bay
- £10 for adults, £5 for children, £25 family ticket

Gosport Rotary Club & Absolute 545 RunClub are organising this charity fun run/jog/walk. Last year, 250 people took part, many in fancy dress, raising £2,000 for Harbour Cancer Support. It is a fantastic, fun event for the family, with every finisher receiving a Christmas pudding!

bit.ly/xmaspud5k2024





### Saturdays in December – High Street Entertainment

- i Saturdays 7th, 14th, 21st December
- U 10am-3pm
- Gosport High Street and Lawrence Square
- Free

We are pleased to bring you a selction of entertainment and all absolutely FREE to include Go-Karts, facepainting, music entertainment from local talent, street performers, craft bus and lots of family fun! Details of what's happening and when can be found on our website or Discover Gosport Facebook page nearer the event.

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#### Santa's in the Park

- sunday 22nd December
- 1pm-3pm
- Leesland Park
- Free no pre-booking required

Father Christmas will be visiting the park on one of his last engagements before his big night out. Free entry to see Santa with a free gift for all children attending. Remember, this could be your last opportunity to hand in your Christmas present wish list. Ho! Ho! Ho! Organised by Friends of Leesland Park.

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# Carers Home and Well Hub

- Every second Wednesday of the Month
- 10am-3pm
- Nimrod Community Centre, Alver Valley
- Free

The Home and Well Hub is a 'ONE STOP SHOP' for Carers. It is a central point where many agencies come together to offer support, advice, information, and guidance to all Carers. Carers can access relevant information to support their needs, and the needs of the person they care for. Email contact collette.abery@carercentre.com

#### Healthy Start Breakfast Club

- Weekdays in School Holidays
- ( 10am-12noon
- C2U Gosport CIC, 41 High Street, Gosport
- Free no pre-booking required

Holiday Breakfast Clubs – Free of charge to families in need, provision of cereal, toast, fruit and juice is available. In addition to the breakfast, we offer crafting sessions to those attending breakfast. We also invite characters to visit during breakfast to brighten their day.

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# Harbour Cancer Summer Funday Fundraiser

- iii Saturday 30th June
- 11am-3pm
- Walpole Park
- Free entry donations appreciated

Fundraiser for Harbour Cancer Support includes Dog Show, Local Talent, Inflatables, GoKarts, Stall holders and refreshments.

Email queries to **fundingriasing@ harbourcancer.org.uk** or visit their Facebook page.

Harbour Cancer Support Centre

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