



What's On?

Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre & National Nature Reserve

March 2012 – September 2012

General Information

Opening times

The visitor centre opens daily (except Christmas day) 10.00am to 5pm in summer and 10.00am to 4.00pm after the October half term holiday.

Admission & parking

Admission is free. A car parking charge of £3 applies at weekends and bank Holidays from April to mid December, and daily through the school holidays. A £5 car parking charge applies during the Robin Hood Festival Monday 13th to Sunday 19th August. See www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/sherwoodcp for details.

Weather

Please be aware that all outdoor events are subject to the weather. Scheduled events will run whenever practical, but occasionally we may have to cancel or change events. If in doubt, ring us before travelling.

Access

Mobility scooters are available for hire @ £2 per hour. Please pre-book on 01623 823202. If you have specific mobility or access needs, please call us for advice.

Unaccompanied Children

To keep everyone safe, under eighteens attending events MUST be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Dogs

Unless specifically stated for certain events, dogs are welcome but must be kept on a lead.

Pre-booking

For Events with  symbol, pre-booking is essential on 01623 823202

Weddings

Please be aware that on certain days the Forest Table Restaurant will close at 2pm to accommodate Sherwood's new wedding venture. Drinks and light snacks will be available from the newly refurbished kiosk. If you are interested in booking a wedding or function please contact Julie Fox on 01623 823202.

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of information at the time of printing. However Nottinghamshire County Council cannot be held responsible for any error, omission or subsequent alteration.

Sherwood Forest National Nature Reserve
Edwinstowe, Nottinghamshire
NG21 9HN

Tel / Fax: **01623 823202**

E-mail: sherwood.forest@nottscc.gov.uk

The Nature Reserve and Visitor Centre are off the B6034, north of Edwinstowe village, between the A6075 and the A616. Follow brown tourism signs from Ollerton roundabout on the A614.

Public Transport

Call Traveline 0871 200 22 33

7am – 9pm daily, or e-mail:

buses@nottscc.gov.uk

The nearest train stations are Shirebrook (5.79 miles) and Mansfield (7.2 miles). Both are served by **East Midlands Trains**. **East Midlands Trains** also run services from London St Pancras to Nottingham.

Contacting Us:

Email: sherwood.forest@nottscc.gov.uk

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or 08449 80 80 80

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Internet:

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SHERWOOD FOREST CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS



April – June (inclusive) - third Sunday of each month

September – March (inclusive) – first & third Sunday of each month

Help the rangers look after Nottinghamshire's only National Nature Reserve and at the same time have fun, learn new skills, meet new people and get fitter! We'll provide the tools, training and the all important tea and biscuits. Meet at the Visitor Centre at 10am. Not suitable for under 14's. 14-18 year olds must be accompanied by an adult.

NB – there is no volunteer session in July and August

MARCH

Saturday 31st March

WILDLIFE NIGHT – MOTHS



7pm – 9pm

Join the rangers and local experts Trevor and Dilys Pendleton for a fascinating evening of moth trapping and discover some of the many night flying moths that can be found in Sherwood Forest. Please bring a torch and wrap up warm.

Adults, £3, children, £1.50

Pre-booking essential by calling, 01623 823202

Saturday 31st March – Sunday 15th April



ROBIN HOOD'S EASTER EGG TRAIL

11am – 3pm daily

Follow this self-guided trail around the Visitor Centre and woodland to discover lots of 'egg-citing' facts about Sherwood Forest and Robin Hood. Complete all the clues and claim your chocolate reward! (subject to availability)
£1 per trail leaflet

Saturday 31st March to Sunday 14 April

'THE FOREST ARCHER' PRESENTS



HAVE A GO LONGBOW INSTRUCTION

Daily between 11am & 4pm each day (weather permitting).

Fun for all ages as we invite all budding Robin Hoods and Maid Marian's to try their hand at longbow archery in the shadow of the mighty Major Oak.

Small charge applies

APRIL

Sunday 1st April

MEDIEVAL SHERWOOD



11.30am & 2pm

Join Community Archaeologist Andy Gaunt who will bring medieval Sherwood to life in this absorbing 45 minute talk which unveils fascinating facts behind the laws of the forest and life at the time of Robin Hood using archaeological and historical evidence. If this has whetted your appetite don't miss today's Time Team programme on Channel 4 at

4.20pm (*information correct at time of going to print*) which unravels the secrets of nearby Royal Hunting Lodge, King Johns Palace.

Wednesday 4th April

WALKING WITH OUTLAWS



11.30 am – 1pm & 2pm – 3.30pm

Take a walk through time with a medieval ranger and learn about life in the royal hunting forest of Robin Hood's time.

Adults £3 children £1.50

Friday 6th April

RSPB AT SHERWOOD



11am – 3pm

With information on local and garden wildlife, volunteering and membership of this important wildlife charity together with children's activities the RSPB stand is well worth a visit today.

Saturday 7th April

SPRING BIRD WATCH



9.30am -11.30am

Throughout the year over 60 species of bird can be seen in and around Sherwood Forest. This bird population comprises of both resident and migrant species that have just arrived from Africa. April is one of the best months for observing both these groups, just before they become hidden from view by the forest's green canopy.

Pre-booking essential on 01623 823202

Meet at the Visitor Centre gates and bring binoculars if you have them.

Adults, £3, children £1.50 Sorry no dogs

Sunday 8th April



THE ART OF THE GREEN WOODWORKER

11am – 3pm

The East Midlands Local Group of the Association of Pole lathe Turners and Greenwood Workers revive ancient woodland craft skills using pole lathes, shave horses and traditional tools and show how they are still important in the management of today's Sherwood Forest.

Monday 9th April



THE LEGEND LIVES ON!

12 noon, 2pm & 3.30pm

Come along to Sherwood today and meet some of the colourful costumed characters from the *Oakwood Outlaws*. Be amazed as the lads and lasses demonstrate their medieval combat skills 'up close and personal'!

Wednesday 11th April



JOHN HALL, TUDOR GREENWOOD WORKER

11am – 12noon, 12.30pm – 1.30pm, 2pm – 3pm

Learn more about the renewable and ancient craft of hazel hurdle making using materials gathered from the forest.

Thursday 12th April

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ROBIN HOOD



12 – 1pm & 2.30 ~ 3.30pm

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Adults £5, children £2.50. Sorry, no dogs. Maximum distance 1½ miles.

(Heavy rain or strong winds may require this event to be re-scheduled.)

Saturday 21st & 22nd April

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Saturday 28th & 29th April

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Sunday 29th April

DAWN CHORUS IN THE FOREST

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5am to 7am (walk)

Set your alarm clock for an experience not to be missed and one you'll be talking about for weeks afterwards. Wrap up warm and join the RSPB's Nottinghamshire Conservation officer for a gentle stroll through this ancient forest to enjoy a magical early morning concert courtesy of the birds of Sherwood then warm up and recover with a cooked breakfast in the Forest Table Restaurant.

Adults £6, children (under 12) £3. – including breakfast after walk.

Sorry, no dogs. Maximum distance 1½ miles
Places are limited so pre-booking is essential on 01623 823202.

MAY

Saturday 5th to Monday 7th May

MEDIEVAL MAY FAIR

11am – 4pm

Step back in time this weekend and enter the world of the Medieval Travelling Fair. Don't think you want anything from a medieval merchant? You'll be surprised by the array of trinkets and wares the traders have to offer; from a pin to a full suit of armour and everything in between. Take a meander through the living history village and see what life would be like for the knights and families of a travelling army. See it, hear it, smell it!

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Saturday 5th to Monday 7th May

BLAST FROM THE PAST!

11am – 4pm

Enjoy medieval music and stories from this talented duo but be prepared to join in!

Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th, Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th, Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th May

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WALK IN THE WOODS MONTH

Where better to celebrate National Walk in the Woods month than in the heart of world famous Sherwood Forest. Why not join us for one of our themed guided walks throughout the month of May.

Saturday 5th May

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Maximum distance 1½ miles.

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Saturday 12 May

WALKING WITH OUTLAWS

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11.30 am – 1pm & 2pm – 3.30pm

Take a walk through time with a medieval ranger and learn about life in the royal hunting forest of Robin Hood's time.

Adults £2 children £1

Sunday 20th May

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Adults £3, children £1.50. Maximum distance 1½ miles

Sunday 27th May

WALKING WITH GIANTS....

11am – 12.30pm & 1.30pm – 3pm

Join one of two gentle guided walks to celebrate Sherwood's amazing and magical ancient oak trees, and learn why they and the hidden wildlife they support are so special.

Adults £2, Children £1. (Pre-booking essential by calling 01623 823202)

JUNE

Saturday 2 June to Sunday 10 June

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Between 11am & 4pm each day (weather permitting).

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Small charge applies

Saturday 2nd June

NIGHTJAR WALK

☎ £ † 🐕

9.15pm – 10.45pm

Join a Ranger and RSPB expert Carl Cornish as they go in search of the mystical Nightjar also known in folk law as 'the goat sucker'.

Prepare to be amazed at the sound of a male bird 'churring' at dusk and with a bit of luck you will be treated to the sight of him displaying and defending his territory.

This event will involve a gentle stroll of approximately 2.5 miles and finishes in the dark. Please bring a low powered torch and insect repellent is recommended. Sorry no dogs

£5 per person. (places limited)

Pre-booking essential on 01623 823202

Sunday 3rd to Tuesday 5th June

IN CELEBRATION OF ROYAL SHERWOOD

11am to 4pm

In this weekend of royal celebration to mark Her Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee we invite you to journey back through time to when Sherwood was once one of the finest Royal Hunting Forests in the country. The forest will echo with the sights, sounds and smells of Medieval forest life with displays of cooking and traditional skills, archery and combat.

Sunday 3rd June

EDWINSTOWE ANGELS FRIENDSHIP WALK

10.00 am – starting from Edwinstowe Cricket Pavilion

Our Friendship Walk is not a race, but a 5 mile walk and a great way to spend valuable time with friends. Each year we have encouraged and enjoyed seeing our walkers wearing pink and having fun in angel wings. It is estimated that there are 550,000 people living today in the UK that have been diagnosed with breast cancer. To help us build a brighter future for people with breast cancer, we ask walkers to aim to raise a minimum of £20 each please.

For further information, please contact 07973676950. Sponsor forms will be available from April.

Sunday 3rd June

EDWINSTOWE JUBILEE BIG PICNIC LUNCH

12.00pm - 4.00pm

Bring your own lunch and enjoy the surroundings, live music and Village Cricket match on the green near the Sherwood Forest Amusement Park at the edge of Sherwood Forest National Nature Reserve.

Thursday 7th June
RSPB AT SHERWOOD



11am – 3pm

With information on local and garden wildlife, volunteering and membership of this important wildlife charity together with children's activities the RSPB stand is well worth a visit today.

Friday 8th June



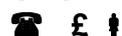
SHERWOOD FOREST NATIONAL NATURE RESERVE 10TH ANNIVERSARY WALK

2 – 3.30pm

In 2002 Sherwood was granted National Nature Reserve status to commemorate Her Majesty the Queen's Golden Jubilee. In this special week of celebrations for the Diamond Jubilee we invite you to join a Ranger for a leisurely stroll through this magnificent ancient forest to learn about some of the history and wildlife associated with Sherwood and see what has been happening in the last 10 years.

Saturday 9th June

GLOW WORM WALK



9.15pm – 11pm

Have you ever had the opportunity to see a female Glow Worm sitting patiently awaiting the arrival of her mate? The intense glow from the flightless female can best be described as one of nature's marvels. Local experts Trevor and Dilys Pendleton will be on hand to guide you and reveal some of the mysteries relating to these insects.

A gentle walk of approximately 2.5 miles will give you the best chance of seeing Glow Worms and maybe a bat or two. Please bring a low powered torch, insect repellent and wear suitable footwear and clothing because weather permitting you will be treated to one of nature's most memorable spectacles. Well behaved dogs on a lead welcome.

£5 per person.

Places are limited so pre-booking is essential on 01623 823202

Sunday 10TH June

MINI-BEAST DAY



10.30am – 4pm

Sherwood Forest NNR is world famous for its ancient oaks but did you know over 1500

different invertebrates and 250 species of spiders have also been recorded on site. Why not come along to this **FREE** event and get involved with a mini-beast hunt under the expert guidance of the ranger staff and local experts. All equipment will be provided and guidance given to identifying insects found on the day. Don't forget your camera and please wear suitable clothing and footwear as those nettles really can sting!

Saturday 16th June



WELSH CLEARWING DAY

11am – 12.30pm & 1.30 – 3pm (Weather Permitting).

Did you know that the Welsh Clearwing day flying moth is only found in a handful of sites in the UK? It was discovered in Sherwood Forest in 2008, making Sherwood Forest National Nature Reserve only the second site in England to record the moth. Part of the nature reserve's 10 year management plan includes tree thinning to enhance the area for the survival of this attractive moth. So why not pop along and learn more about the moth's life cycle and if the sun shines we may even be able to lure males to our pheromone traps for a close up view.

Sunday 17th June

THE FOREST BOWMEN



From 11am at the Major Oak.

The Forest Bowmen are back in Sherwood, offering Dad's (well everyone really!) the chance to see if they've got what it takes to be the next Robin Hood this Father's Day with have a go archery at the Major Oak.

Small charge applies

Sunday 17th June

THE BIRKLAND OUTLAWS



11.30 am – 1pm & 1.30pm – 3pm

Come along today and meet 'retired' outlaws Hob and Ket, outlaws by name and in-laws by marriage! Listen to their tales of daring exploits and learn more about forest life in medieval time

Saturday 23rd, Sunday 24th & Saturday 30th
June

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Small charge applies

Saturday 23rd June

GLOW WORM WALK

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9.15pm – 11pm.

Another opportunity to see these remarkable creatures if you were unable to join us on the earlier walk.

A gentle walk of approximately 2.5 miles will give you the best chance of seeing Glow Worms and maybe a bat or two. Please bring a low powered torch, insect repellent and wear suitable footwear and clothing because weather permitting you will be treated to one of nature's most memorable spectacles. Well behaved dogs welcome.

£5 per person.

Numbers are limited so pre-booking is essential on 01623 823202

Sunday 24th June

THE LEGEND LIVES ON!

12 noon, 2pm & 3.30pm

Come along to Sherwood today and meet some of the colourful costumed characters from the *Oakwood Outlaws*. Be amazed as the lads and lasses demonstrate their medieval combat skills 'up close and personal'!

JULY

Sunday 1 July

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12 noon, 2pm & 3.30pm

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Sunday 1, Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 July

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Small charge applies

Saturday 7 July

RATTLEJAG MORRIS

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2 – 4pm

These colourful Morris Dancers are sure to get your toes tapping as they perform in the Visitor Centre this afternoon!

Sunday 8th July

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Friday 13th July

GHOST HUNT

☎ £ †

8pm – 2am

Rangers from Sherwood Forest National Nature Reserve are teaming up with Haunted Events UK to run the first ever ghost hunt in Sherwood Forest. You will be joined by Sky TV's Paranormal Investigator Lee Roberts and International Medium Michelle Hare and together you will conduct controlled experiments using the team's specialised Ghost Hunting Equipment to see if there are any spirits roaming the Forest late at night!

Whether a believer or not there is something for everyone as we look not only for spiritual evidence but also the scientific explanations.

Tickets are £50 per person (places are limited and a £20 deposit is required). For booking details and further information visit

www.hauntedeventsuk.com

email info@hauntedeventsuk.com / telephone: 07854199667

Saturday 14th July
RSPB AT SHERWOOD



11am – 3pm

With information on local and garden wildlife, volunteering and membership of this important wildlife charity together with children's activities the RSPB stand is well worth a visit today.

Saturday 14th July

BAT WALK



9.15pm – 10.30pm

Did you know that a Pipistrelle Bat can devour over 3000 midges a night and baby bats cling to their mothers when mum flies in search of food?

Join a Ranger on this evening walk to learn more about the bats of Sherwood Forest and their association with the world famous Ancient Oaks.

This event will involve a gentle stroll of approximately 1.5 miles and finishes in the dark. Please bring a low powered torch and insect repellent is recommended.

£5 per person.

Places are limited so pre-booking is essential on 01623 823202

Sunday 15th July

WILDLIFE DAY.

11am – 4pm (weather permitting).

Sherwood Forest NNR is world famous for its ancient oaks, but did you know that over 1500 different invertebrates and over 250 species of spider have been recorded on site? Come and quiz the Ranger staff about Sherwood's diverse wildlife and you never know if conditions are right you might even get a glimpse of one of the UK's largest spiders that live right under your feet in the visitor centre. An event not for the feint hearted!

SUMMER IN SHERWOOD...

There's plenty of fun to be had in the forest over the long school holidays – archery, storytelling, living history displays, falconry walks and of course the annual Robin Hood Festival

Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd July

THE FOREST BOWMEN



From 11am at the Major Oak.

The Forest Bowmen offer you the chance to try your hand at longbow archery. Why not see if you've got what it takes to be the next Robin Hood or Maid Marian.

Small charge.

Saturday 21st July to Sunday 2 September

ROBIN HOOD'S TREASURE TRAIL



Daily between 10am & 3pm.

This fun filled self-guided trail will lead you around the Visitor Centre and to the Major Oak. Find out how much you know about Robin and the forest where he lived.

£1 per trail from Visitor Information.

Sunday 22nd July

MEDIEVAL KNIGHT HOSPITALIER



Between 12 noon & 4pm

Meet medieval Knight Hospitalier Justin De Frais as he rests for a while after his long journey back from the Holy Land. Listen to his tales of blood, gore and adventure!

Daily from Tuesday 24 July throughout the school holidays

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Small charge applies

Wednesday 25th July, Friday 3rd, Wednesday 8th, Wednesday 22nd & Wednesday 29th August

WALK WITH HAWKS IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

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11.30am – 1pm or 2.30 – 4.00pm

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Thursday 26th July

TEAM BGEE

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12noon onwards

With the Official Opening of the 2012 London Games only a day away, Mark Mark Productions bring their own special blend of comedy to Sherwood today to help get you in the mood for all things Olympic... seeing is believing!

Saturday 28th July

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11.30 am – 1pm & 1.30pm – 3pm

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Sunday 29th July

OUTLAW OBSTACLE COURSE

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11am – 1pm & 2pm – 4pm

If you want to join Robin Hood and his outlaws in Sherwood you will need to prove that you can survive. Life is hard in Sherwood Forest. The rangers have set up an obstacle course deep in Sherwood Forest, you will need to navigate yourself round it and complete tasks

along the way, shoot arrows at the sheriff's men and make it to the end, battle against the clock or just for fun.

It may not be Olympic Gold but everyone taking part will receive a certificate and most of all respect from Robin Hood and his merry men.

Tuesday 31st July

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AUGUST

Wednesday 1st August

SIMPLE TOM – THE MISCHIEF MAKER

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Between 12noon & 4pm.

Mischief making guaranteed to put a smile on your face wherever you might bump into this playful buffoon!

Thursday 2nd August

MEDIEVAL MAYHEM

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Between 11am & 4pm

A dose of medieval fun for the kids is on offer today courtesy of minstrels Blast from the Past...with a new activity on the hour be it music, sword training, fashion, dancing or storytelling there's bound to be something to amuse!

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Thursday 9th August
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12.00 & 2.30pm

In celebration of the 30th Olympic Games which draw to a close this weekend, everybody's favourite jesters WHAT A PALAVER present 30 acts in 30 minutes - it may not have quite the drama of the 100 metres final but it's bound to make you laugh!
Adults £1, children 50p

Sunday 12th August
THE LEGEND COMES TO LIFE



Between 12 noon & 4pm

Hear tales of daring exploits and marvel at the skills of the medieval archer in the shadow of the mighty Major Oak, where Robin himself learnt to shoot.

Don't miss the
**28th Annual
ROBIN HOOD FESTIVAL**

Monday 13th – Sunday 19th August 2012

A whole host of medieval merriment including

Archery Jousting Jesting

A fun-filled week for all the family! Admission

Free. £5 car parking

More details:

www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/robinhoodfestival

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August



'KNIGHTS IN THE FOREST'

11am – 4pm.

Step back in time this weekend with a visit to the camp of the medieval Knight Hospitaliers down by the Major Oak. Watch demonstrations of chain mail making, basket weaving together with medieval cooking, medicine, embroidery and writing and, not for the faint-hearted, see a medieval surgeon in action!

Tuesday 20th August

Thursday 30th August
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12 noon, 2pm & 3.30pm

Come along to Sherwood today and meet some of the colourful costumed characters from the *Oakwood Outlaws*. Be amazed as the lads and lasses demonstrate their medieval combat skills 'up close and personal'!

Sunday 16th September

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ROBIN HOOD

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12 noon - 1.00pm and 2.30 - 3.30pm.

Return to the year 1248 and follow in the footsteps of Robin Hood. Journey back through time with Robert of Wentbridge, one of Robin's faithful band, as he leads you on a gentle wander through the forest, telling tales of Sherwood's most famous outlaw.

Adults £3 children £1.50

Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th September

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SHERWOOD THROUGH THE AGES

Between 11am & 4pm daily

Sherwood Forest has had a long history as a working woodland. Come along this weekend and meet some of the characters who shaped Sherwood's past and present – Stone Age man, Romans, Normans and Saxons, Medieval craftsmen and their families, Civil War and World War One soldiers, even the odd Highway Man or two, and of course the modern day rangers. Now in its 7th year this interactive living history experience for all the family is not to be missed!

Saturday 29th September - 10am to 4pm

Sunday 30th September – 11am to 4pm

EDWINSTOWE ARTS FESTIVAL

Don't miss this exciting new event centred around Edwinstowe village and follow the trail which features artists' exhibits in every conceivable space in the village including houses, historic buildings, the church, shop windows, gardens and pubs. The festival will encompass a broad ranging programme of visual and performance art which include artists, crafters, poets, musicians, mime artists, dancers and many more.

Please keep an eye on the website

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for changes and additional events