



The 32nd Annual

Robin Hood Festival

Festival programme summary

Monday 1 August

In the Jousting Arena

11am

OPENING CEREMONY

Join Robin and some of the colourful festival cast, and a special guest as they get together to open the 32nd annual Robin Hood Festival. Let's hope the Sheriff doesn't spoil the fun!!
Please note this event does not involve jousting.

Around the Major Oak Path

Enjoy story tellers; look out for the medieval minstrel as well as festival folk and traders.

Starting from the Visitor Centre

11am to 4pm

PONY RIDES*

Follow signs to the Open Air Theatre

Calling all budding knights and princesses, visit Kids Pony Parties and take a ride on one of their ponies - £3 per ride. Suitable for children up to a max weight limit of 8 stone.

2.30pm

CHRIS MILLER FALCONRY WALK*

A chance to get up close and personal with a beautiful bird of prey and learn about the sport of kings in this once Royal Hunting Forest.

Adults £5, children £2.50. Limited spaces – pre-booking essential.

At the Visitor Centre

11am to 4pm

There will be plenty of musical fun, jesters, medieval magic, japes and jokes with fools.

At the Major Oak

11am to 3pm

A one man band, medieval magic and crazy comedy.



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12.30pm & 2.30pm

SKIRMISHING

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3pm

MAJOR OAK MAYHEM

A medley of festival entertainers hosted by the magnificent Medieval Maniax in one crazy cabaret.

Open Air Theatre (tickets required)

11.45am, 2pm & 4pm

Alan a Dale and Rosie will entertain you with a variety of shows telling tales of Robin Hood with plenty of audience participation.

12.45pm

THE BILLY OF LOXLEY SHOW

Hilarious traditional jesting – fun-filled, non-stop and full of audience participation.

3pm

WHAT A PALAVER present...

A carnival of chaos, featuring the internationally renowned bed of nails, plus even more derring-do, fun and frivolity.

Tuesday 2 August

In the Jousting Arena

No Jousting today

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12.15pm



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IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ROBIN HOOD

Journey back through time on this gentle story walk through the greenwood to the mighty Major Oak. Adults £2, children £1.

2.30pm

ROBIN'S BIRTHDAY BONANZA TRAIL

Hip Hip Hooray. It's our birthday today! Join Robin, The Sheriff and all the Outlaws at the Visitors Centre's 40th birthday party. Collect an invitation from the Sheriff's men in the centre. Then solve the clues as you journey through the Greenwood with lots of laughs on the way. £2 per invite. Last invitation issued at 3pm.

At the Visitor Centre

11am to 4pm

There will be plenty of musical fun, entertainers and fools to make you giggle and a short burst of ratiness!

At the Major Oak

11am to 4pm

Have-a-go long bow archery*, a one man band, street performers, music and medieval magic.

11.30am & 1pm

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Festival evening event

7 – 9pm

MUSIC IN THE FOREST

Join some of the festival's talented performers for a magical evening of music and song in the Open Air

Theatre. Places limited, pre-booking required at Visitor Information (subject to availability and booking fee). Adults £5, children £2, family £12 (2 + 2).

Wednesday 3 August

In the Jousting Arena

12noon & 2pm

FALCONRY DISPLAY

Admire the speed, grace, power and beauty of hawks, falcons and owls.

2.30pm

JOUSTING

Enjoy the action, the pageantry, the thrills and spills at the first of the festival's jousting tournaments.

Around the Major Oak

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THE MEDIEVAL MANIAX

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2pm

ROBIN HOOD & THE SILVER ARROW

Storytellers Alan a Dale and Rosie return to the festival to tell their tales with a little help from you the audience.

4pm

ROBIN'S MERRIEST MEN!

Another chance to become a star of the woodland stage as Alan a Dale and Rosie, storytellers extraordinaire, relate tales of everyone's favourite outlaw.

Thursday 4 August

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THE TRIAL OF ROBIN HOOD

OH NO! Robin Hood has been captured by the evil Sheriff of Nottingham! Only you can save him by becoming a medieval sleuth. Collect an evidence card from the Visitors Centre and journey through the forest to meet the witnesses who can clear his name! £2 per evidence card. Last card issued at 3pm.

At the Visitor Centre

11am to 4pm

Enjoy medieval minstrels, melodies and fools.

At the Major Oak

11am to 4pm

Enjoy have-a-go long bow archery*, a one man band, street performers, music and skirmishing!

12noon

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1pm

FEE FI FO FIRE

Using the character of the traditional English Fool who 'hath not so much brains as earwax' Peterkin's show culminates in his famous finale, feeding the fire into the features of his face, whilst balanced precariously on a pair of rickety wooden stilts!

Festival evening event

7.30pm

TWILIGHT TALES*

Past Imagined will lead you on a gentle story walk through the magical forest telling spellbinding tales accompanied by enchanting melodies from medieval minstrel Trevor James! Tickets £4 per person are limited and must be purchased in advance (subject to availability and booking fee) at Visitor Information. Distance $\frac{3}{4}$ mile. Not suitable for under 7s. Sorry no dogs.

Friday 5 August

In the Jousting Arena

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1.30pm

HUNT THE OUTLAW

Back by popular demand! Get your hunting permit from the Sheriff before entering the depths of the forest to search out Robin and his outlaws. £2 per permit with a certificate for



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all successful hunters. Adult supervision essential. Last permits issued at 2pm. (This event will take place weather permitting).

At the Visitor Centre

11am to 4pm

There will be plenty of musical fun, minstrels, fools and magic.

At the Major Oak

11am to 4pm

There will be plenty of medieval fun for you to enjoy and get involved in.

11am, 1pm & 2.30pm

NO STRINGS PUPPETS

See the sheep save the day as No Strings Puppets recreate the hilarious tale of Robin Hood and the Monk!

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3.45pm

'NOUGHT TWIXT THE EARS'

A seriously silly half an hour entertainment combining acrobatics, comedy, fire eating and stilt walking, with Peterkin the Fool to round off your day at the festival!

Saturday 6 August

In the Jousting Arena

12noon & 2pm

FALCONRY DISPLAY

A reminder of the power and beauty of nature in this increasingly hi-tec world, the weekend's falconry shows from festival newcomers Falconry Life are not to be missed.

2.30pm

JOUSTING TOURNEY

Sherwood's ever-popular jousting tournaments featuring the talented Legends Medieval Stunt Team. See Robin battle it out with the Sheriff and his men.

Around the Major Oak Path

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3pm

HAVE A GO JESTING

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At the Visitor Centre

11am to 3.30pm

Music, a burst of ratiness, folk dancing, a piper and fools.



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At the Major Oak

11am to 4pm

Meet colourful characters; enjoy longbow*, puppets and fools!

Open Air Theatre (tickets required)

11am & 1pm

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2pm

NOUGHT 'TWIXT THE EARS'

Peterkin embarks on a journey of serious silliness involving breath taking displays (of incompetence), balancing the world's oldest egg (on his nose) and acrobatic balance (on top of an audience volunteer). Lose yourselves in the company of possibly the most foolish man in England.

Festival evening event

7.30pm – 10pm

AN EVENING OF MEDIEVAL MERRIMENT!*

Let your hair down with Robin and his merry band as they gather together with other members of the festival cast for an evening of mayhem and merriment. Let's hope nobody's told the Sheriff!

Tickets, adult £6, child £3, family (2 adults, 2 children) £15. Pre-book on 01623 823202

Sunday 7 August

In the Jousting Arena

12noon & 2.15pm

FALCONRY DISPLAY

Admire the speed, grace, power and beauty of hawks, falcons and owls.

3pm

LET BATTLE COMMENCE!

Thrill to the colour and pageantry of medieval jousting, as the Legends team take to the saddle for the final time this festival with a daring display of horsemanship and armed combat.



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Around the Major Oak Path

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Starting from the Visitor Centre

2pm

PROCESSION

Join characters from the festival cast in a procession to the Jousting Arena for this afternoon's festival finale.

3pm

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At the Visitor Centre

11am to 4pm

Puppets, what a palaver, a piper and fools!

At the Major Oak

11am to 4pm

Enjoy longbow*, fools, magic medieval style and major oak mayhem!

Open Air Theatre (tickets required)

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*PRICES

PONY RIDES: £3 per ride

WALK WITH HAWKS: Adult £5, child £2.50, sorry no dogs.



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IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ROBIN HOOD: Adult £2, child £1.

LONGBOW ARCHERY: £3 for 5 arrows.

OPEN AIR THEATRE

Tickets on sale at the gate 15 minutes before each show and each show is approx. 30 minutes.

Adult £1, child and concession 50p, family (2 children, 2 adults) £2.50 per performance.

You can find out the full festival programme, including times, activities, festival map and more, by picking up a Souvenir Programme for £1 at the festival.