

What to see and do in July 2023

Lord Mayors Weekend Celebration Norwich <https://www.visitnorwich.co.uk>

7 – 9 July

Enjoy the Sounds of the City stage in Chapelfield Gardens from Saturday, July 8, 12pm onwards, with some incredible musicians. At City Hall, you can catch the Voices of the City stage, which will see poetry, singing, and an appearance by beatboxing world champions, Beatbox Collective. Then comes the bit everyone's been waiting for, the Lord Mayor's Procession. A major part of the weekend, this tradition goes back to 1408, The procession starts on Saturday, July 8, 3pm on Surrey Street. This year's theme is 'Sights of the City'! Finishing at Norwich Cathedral, you can expect to see acrobatics, dance, music, and plenty of other incredible displays. Then, the Lanes Summer Fayre makes its return on Sunday, July 9, as part of the weekend celebrations. This well-loved and hugely attended day out goes from 11am – 5pm, and offers live music, pop up markets, DJ sets, street food courts, theatre, performance, workshops, and much, much more.

The Cromer Pier Show <https://www.cromerpier.co.uk/>

The celebrated and award-winning Cromer Pier Show is back with a rip-roaring show for 2023. The production team is working hard behind the scenes to create an eclectic blend of the finest variety of entertainment on the planet in one enthralling theatre show. Expect all the usual West End production values, including our jaw-dropping 8-meter video wall, delivering impressive special effects alongside our unique and traditional scene sets, creating a visual sensation. Don't forget Cromer is also the perfect place for Crabbing with people of all ages catching the famous Cromer crab on their bait lines from the pier and why not finish your day with fish at chips at No 1 right next to the pier. Or if fresh Lobster and Crab is more your thing head up the coast just on the edge of Cromer to Rocky Bottoms Seafood restaurant based in an old brick kiln and run by a local fishing family, the Lobster is fabulous! <https://www.rockybottoms.net/welcome>

Great Yarmouth Races <https://www.greatyarmouth-racecourse.co.uk/>

This historic racing venue is on the edge of Great Yarmouth, there are 2 fixtures of Summer Afternoon Flat racing this month on the 6 July and the 12 July along with ladies evening with Scott Mills DJ set on 19 July

“The Yellow Book” National Open Garden Scheme 2023 www.ngs.org.uk

2 July Walcott House, Walcott NR12 0NU ; 5 July The Walled Garden, Little Plumstead NR13 5FA 15 & 16 July Swafield Hall, Swafield, North Walsham NR28 0RP

Dragon Fly and Damselfly Safari, Guided Walk, Strumpshaw Fen, NR13 4HS, 15 July

<https://events.rspb.org.uk/strumpshawfen> Discover Strumpshaw Fen's wonderful dragonflies and damselflies and practise your identification skills, on this glorious, laid-back meander through our reed beds, meadows and marshes. Be guided by our knowledgeable volunteers who will help you learn more about the different species and their habitats, as well as useful tips for how to identify the variety of species seen in the fens.

The Poppy Line Vintage Railway, Sheringham <https://www.nnrailway.co.uk/special-events/>

The North Norfolk Railway runs from Sheringham to just outside the Georgian town of Holt. In July they are hosting 2 events Vintage Week **3 – 9 July** where the unique vintage train of 4- and 6-wheeled carriages dating from Victorian times will be one of the trains in action meaning you can see

and travel on three contrasting historic trains. Two of our powerful steam locomotives will be in action, one hauling the vintage train and a second pulling a train of restored carriages dating from the 1950s and 60s. followed by 60's weekend on the **22 & 23 July** where they **recall the atmosphere of the transformative decade with steam and diesel trains working alongside one another, live music from the era at Weybourne plus displays of some of the distinctive road vehicles of the time.**

Worstead Festival 29 & 30 July

<https://www.worsteadfestival.org/>

A traditional village event with art and craft stalls, Activities, Demonstrations, Music and Entertainment

Summer Paddle Boarding, Kayaks and Pedalos <https://summersup.co.uk/>

Based at Coltishall Bridge this is the perfect part of the river as it is super quiet as no boats can access it, the river takes you through the Bure Valley up towards Buxton and is a ideal spot for beginners to learn to enjoy the water, friendly staff and they also offer evening kayaking with LED Crystal Kayaks

Happisburgh Lighthouse open days 23 July and 30 July, 10 – 5.

It is great to be able to see inside this iconic building and the views of coast and countryside are fabulous. Prebooking advised but not essential.

<http://happisburgh.org.uk/lighthouse/open-days/>

Pub of the month, The Rising Sun, on the River Green at Coltishall

The Rising Sun is a traditional riverside pub & restaurant adjacent to Coltishall Common, it is a popular destination for both locals and tourists looking for good food and a relaxing drink overlooking the delightful River Bure with both indoor and outdoor seating. Food is served 12 – 8 (12 til 7 on Sundays) 7 days a week. They don't take bookings in the summer just walk in and they will find you a table. It's my families favourite summer pub!

<https://www.risingsuncoltishall.co.uk/>

