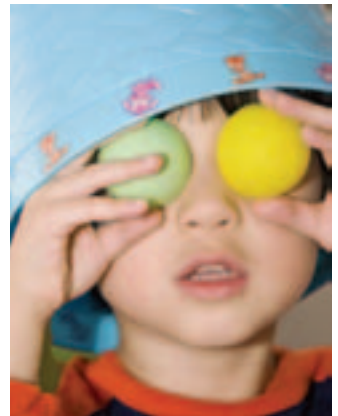


March '08



Spinnaker Tower's Eggcellent Easter Weekend Activities

age 3 upwards
21st -24th March.

Free activity sheets will be available for children, to include Easter egg hunt, colouring in and word puzzles – trade in your completed sheet for an Easter treat and the chance to win a fantastic Spinnaker Tower goodie bag. Spinny the friendly Easter Bunny mascot, will be making daily appearances between 11am and 3pm.

Spinnaker Tower, Gunwharf Keys, Portsmouth

Enquiries:
www.spinnakertower.co.uk

The City Mill, Winchester

ages 3 upwards
21st-24th March

Special Easter trails for children with chocolate prizes during the Easter week-end and during the school holidays.

The City Mill, Bridge Street, Winchester, SO23 0EJ

Enquiries:01962 870 057

Kew Gardens, London

all ages
21st-24th March

Just a 45 minute drive up the M3 and you can join in the Easter trail, giant bunnies, children's spring trail and Easter-themed activities in the indoor play centre, Climbers and Creepers.

Egg hunt from 10am-2pm and is free once inside the gardens.

Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, Richmond, Surrey, TW9 3AB

Enquiries: 24 hour Information Line: 020 8332 5655
www.kew.org

TOP 5 EASTER EGG HUNTS

Exbury Gardens

all ages

22nd March-24th March

Explore the gardens and follow the Easter Trail, then take a ride on the Exbury Gardens Railway where there are surprises in store - who will spot the Easter bunnies hiding in the woods? Easter treats for the children and fun for all the family.

Exbury Gardens The Estate Office
Exbury, Southampton
Hampshire SO45 1AZ

Enquiries: 023 8089 1203 (office hours) www.exbury.co.uk

Hilliers Garden Centre Creative Crafts for Easter Time

all ages

23rd & 24th March

Come along and make fun crafts, including traditional colourful egg dyeing, to take home! Solve puzzles around the Gardens to win an Easter egg prize and enjoy a fun spring trail around the Garden.

Sir Harold Hillier Gardens, Jermyns Lane, Ampfield, Romsey, Hampshire SO51 0QA

Enquiries: Tel: 01794 369 317 or 01794 369 318

www.hilliergardens.org.uk

DAYS OUT OVER EASTER

Day Out With Thomas

all ages

21st - 24th March

Thomas and friends return to the Watercress Line for the Easter week-end and later again for the school holidays.

The Mid Hants Railway, Alresford, Ropley and Alton stations.

9.30am-4.30am
Enquiries: 01962 733810

Easter Activities at Intech

The UK's largest planetarium will open during the Easter weekend with an exciting programme of activities, which will be repeated for the later school holidays. See the website for showtimes. 10am-4pm

INTECH Science Centre and Planetarium, Telegraph Way, Morn Hill, Winchester SO21 1HX

Enquiries: 01962 863 791 www.intech-uk.com

The Westgate Museum - Children's Easter Spotter Quiz

Ages 4+

Friday 21st March-20th April

Free fun quizzes for children.

Westgate Museum, Upper High Street, Winchester SO23 9JX and The City Museum, The Square, Winchester SO23 9ES

Enquiries: 01962 869 864



April '08

SHOWS

Fungus the Bogeyman

Ages 4+
8th-12th April
Theatre Royal, Winchester
Repulsive yet compulsive viewing for all the family!
Tue/Wed 2pm, Thu - Sat 2pm & 7pm
Theatre Royal Winchester,
Jewry Street SO23 8SB
Enquiries: 01962 840 440

Thomas & Friends Live on Stage

Tots and pre-schoolers
17-19th April
Thu-Sat 11 am & 2pm
Sat 5pm
The Mayflower, Southampton
Enquiries: 023 80 711811
www.mayflower.org.uk

Does a Monster Live Next Door?

Ages 6+
16th April, The Point, Leigh Road, Eastleigh 2pm and 4pm
A dark and spooky whodunit presented by Tall Stories Storytelling, humour and music create a world where nothing is at it seems.
Box Office: 0238065 2333
www.thepoint-online.co.uk

Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium (U)

18th, 19th April, The Point, Leigh Road, Eastleigh
Various times
Box Office: 0238065 2333
www.thepoint-online.co.uk

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Ascot Racecourse Countryside Day

All ages
Friday 11th April,
A fun day for the whole family with Easter egg hunts around the racecourse, a falconry display and an action packed sheep dog display, plus ferret racing and much much more. A family farm will be beside the main display arena and racegoers young and old can meet and feed the animals plus visit the tractor stand and learn more about the farming and food industry.
Ascot Racecourse, Ascot, Berkshire, SL5 7JX
Enquiries: 0870 727 1234

Family day out at the Royal Green Jackets Museum

All ages
Fun for all the family with a 95th Rifles re-enactment group, modern soldiers and vehicles, and a chance to have a go at firing a rifle on the paintball range.
Royal Green Jackets Museum, Peninsula Barracks, Romsey Road SO23 8TS
Enquiries: 01962 828 549

Marwell Zoo

Ages 5-9
Fun interactive children's activities. Two booked activities running each day (booking essential)
10.30am - 12.30 pm

DRAMA

Theatrical Fun Time Factory

The Point, Eastleigh
Ages 7-13
17th April 10.30 - 4pm
Young People's Theatre workshop. Spend a day playing dramatic games and theatrical activities intended to inspire the young actor.
18th April 10.30 - 4pm
A knockabout, slapstick workshop comedy. Learn how to fall and trip over safely and comically. Create your own slapstick situations and try your hand at performing a routine.
Enquiries: 0238065 2333 www.thepoint-online.co.uk

2.30 pm - 4.30 pm.

Activities will be themed on the following: Amphibian Action, Animal Superheroes and Save Your Planet.

Marwell Zoological Park, Colden Common, Winchester, Hants SO21 1JH

Enquiries: 01962 777407

Moors Valley Country Park Nuts about Nature Trundle

Ages 4+
April 9th
Learn how to make your family walks more exciting by joining the Rangers and Barry the Beetle for an interactive Nature Walk. We will look under logs for insects, listen to the wonders of woodland and get closer to trees. Children must be accompanied and able to walk 1.5 miles.

Moors Valley Country Park
Horton Road, Ashley Heath, Nr Ringwood, BH24 2ET
Enquiries: 01425 470721

Blue Fantastic Royal Victoria Country Park

Sat 12th April, 1pm
A family stroll through the bluebells. Meet at the Chapel.
Enquiries: 0238045 5157

SPORT

Skiing Alpine Snow Sports

Ages 9-16
Ski courses available during the Easter holidays
Enquiries: 01252 325889

Mountain Biking Moors valley country park

Tues April 1st:

Mountain Biking for kids 1

Ages 7-8
A range of fun activities and challenges to help improve skills and confidence on off-road tracks and terrain
10.30am - 12.30pm

Tues April 8th: Mountain Biking for Kids 2

Ages 9-11
Moors Valley Country Park
Horton Road, Ashley Heath, Nr Ringwood, BH24 2ET
Enquiries: 01425 470721

Swimming

Intensive Swimming & Diving Courses

Ages 4+
Wessex Swimschool
Week long courses over Easter.
Book now on 02380 273657

Waterskiing

ages 8+
New Forest Water Park
10am-9pm during Easter holidays
New Forest Water Park
Ringwood Rd, Fordingbridge, Hampshire SP6 2EY
Enquiries: 01425 656868

Cookery workshops Creative Catering Company

5-7 year olds: 8th April 10am-1pm
8-12 year olds: 8th April 2-5pm
13-15 year olds: 9th April 10am-1pm
4 day student survival course
15th-18th April

The Holding, Chapel Lane, Easton, Winchester, Hampshire SO21 1HG
Enquiries: 01962 849396

EXHIBITIONS

Milestones Creepy Crawlies Exhibition

Ages 4+
Tuesday 8 April to Friday 11 April and Tuesday 15 April to Friday 18 April
Get even closer to creepy crawlies as Zoolab present special animal handling sessions - with Madagascan hissing cockroaches, mega millipedes and other bugs and insects. Drop in workshops, lasting 45 minutes, will be held five times each day between 10.30am and 4.30pm.
Milestones, Leisure Park, Churchill Way West, Basingstoke RG22 6PG
Enquiries: 01256 477766 www.milestones-museum.com