

The
GROVES

Association

presents

The Groves
Spring Festival

All ages welcome

1-3 May 2026

 Live bands

 Family arts activities

 Ceilidh

 Art exhibition

 Hot chocolate workshop

 Raffle

 Choir concert

 Teddy bear hunt

 Groves storytelling walk

 Pet dog competition

 Secret garden fair

 The Hut open day



Craft market

 Festival antiques roadshow



Bingo

 Karaoke

All events **FREE!!!**

Donations gratefully accepted

For more info visit:

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GROVES SPRING FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

Advanced tickets required for some events

EVENT 1 THE HUT OPEN DAY

Friday 1 May | 11am-3pm | The Hut Wigginton Rd. Clarence Gardens

The Hut supports adults with mental health and/or learning disabilities. Come along and see what we do. Refreshments provided. www.thehutyork.co.uk

EVENT 2 BAND NIGHT

Friday 1 May | 7-10.30pm | Door 84 Lowther St.

A night of fabulous music featuring local bands:

Saliva Birds (indie/rock/punk), Still Crazy(soul/rock/blues classics),

The Queries(indie/pop) and the Bargestra (jazz/swing).

Paying bar/refreshments. Raffle.

Scan QR code for tickets.



EVENT 3 CRAFT MARKET

Saturday 2 May | 9.30am-12pm | St.Thomas' Church Hall Lowther St.

Come and browse all the lovely things on sale and treat yourself.

EVENT 4 FESTIVAL ANTIQUES ROADSHOW

Saturday 2 May | 9.30am-12pm | St.Thomas' Church Hall Lowther St.

'Bring Your Thing' to show our antique experts, Lucy and Claudia, who work for Dickinson's Real Deal expert Tim Hogarth at Red House Antiques Centre. We can provide valuations and background history where possible. We can buy gold and silver items for cash!

EVENT 5 HOT CHOCOLATE WORKSHOP

Saturday 2 May | 10-11.30am | Chocolate & Co. Lowther Street

Children's Activity - build your own hot chocolate at the Chocolate & Co hot chocolate station - add cream, marshmallows & all your favourite toppings.

(Free of charge for children.)

EVENT 6 ART EXHIBITION

Friday 1 - Monday 4 May | Groves Corner (junction of Lowther St. and March St.)

An exhibition created by members of the Hut with Stephen Lee Hodgkins.

EVENT 7 'WE ARE THE GROVES' STORYTELLING WALK

Saturday 2 May | 1-3pm | Start/finish at Bile Beans sign, Lord Mayor's Walk

Led by Stephen Lee Hodgkins, historical gossip. Wander down old

walkways where homes once stood, animals roamed, and food

grew. Learn of secret codes and unsung heroes. Discover the

Reindeer, Magpie and the Ox, and the Whit Sunday walks.

Find an 'Axe' in the wall and hear the one about the sociologist

who changed the light bulb.

The walk is approx. 1.5 miles and will take 2 hours.

The route is level - no steps.

Scan QR code for tickets.



EVENT 8 CHOIR CONCERT

Saturday 2 May | 3.30-4.45pm | York St. John University Chapel
Be soothed by the beautiful voices of Communitas, Kingdom Life Tabernacle choir, PitchWitches and Park Grove Academy choir.

Scan QR code for tickets.



EVENT 9 FESTIVAL FAMILY CEILIDH

Saturday 2 May | 7-10pm | St. Thomas' Church Lowther St.
Get your dancing shoes on for a lively family ceilidh with top local ceilidh outfit, The New Fox Band. Paying bar/refreshments.

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EVENT 10 'CHURCH FOR ALL' SERVICE

Sunday 3 May | 10.30am | St. Thomas' Church Lowther St.
Community church service followed by food and family activities.

EVENT 11 SECRET GARDEN FAIR

Sunday 3 May | 12-3pm | Secret Garden (between Del Pyke and March St.)
Family fun activities. Follow the stalls surrounding the Secret Garden - tombola, creative crafting and a teddy bear hunt.

EVENT 12 PET DOG COMPETITION

Sunday 3 May | 2pm | Secret Garden (between Del Pyke and March St.)
Prizes for - best behaved - worst behaved - scruffiest - tidiest
Just turn up to the secret garden with your pooch

EVENT 13 BINGO

Sunday 3 May | 1-3pm & 4-6pm | Punchbowl Lowther St
1-3 normal bingo. 4-6 card bingo. There is a small charge of £3 per play

EVENT 14 DJ AND KARAOKE

Sunday 3 May | 7-11pm | Punchbowl Lowther St.
Come down and be the audience - be the singer!

To help us keep the Festival free, you are welcome to make a donation at any event or via the website

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