

Our Berwick 900 Programme for 2015

We're celebrating 900 years of Berwick's historyand everyone's invited!



Our Christian Story

Fri. 3rd to Mon. 6th April, St. Andrew's Wallace Green Church

Celebrating the role of the Churches in Berwick, today and in the past

Floral Art Show

Our Garrison Story: Remembering World War One

Wed. 22nd 7.30pm, Parish Centre

Sat. 25th April, 10.30am-11.30am, Berwick Library

Sat. 25th & Sun. 26th April, 11.00am-4.00pm, Town Hall

Focusing on Berwick's contribution to the First World War, at home and abroad

"For King and Country" Berwick History Society talk by Harry Scott

"Thomas Gray: Berwick's First World War Poet" poetry and talk

Exhibition, displays, talks and performances

Our Border Story

Fri. 1st May, 10.30am cavalcade leaves The Barracks

Sat. 2nd to Mon. 4th May, 11.00am-4.00pm

Sat. 2nd & Sun. 3rd May. 11.00am-4.00pm, Town Hall

Marking 500 years of turbulent Border history

The annual Riding of The Bounds

"Raiders and Reivers" medieval re-enactments

"Bygone Borderlands" exhibition

Our Garrison Story: Berwick at War 1939-45

Sat. 9th & Sun. 10th May, 11.00am-4.00pm, Town Hall

Sun. 10th May, 11.00am-4.00pm, Town Hall

Sun. 10th May, 11.00am-3.00pm, The Barracks

Sunday 10th May, 3.00pm-5.00pm, St Aidan's Hall, Church Street

Marking the 70th anniversary of VE Day and life in Berwick during the 1940s

"Berwick at War: 1939-45" activities and displays

"A Day in the 1940s" demonstrations, talks and performances

1940s Vehicle Rally and recreated air raid shelter

"Wartime Wedding: From Land-girl to Bride" - costume presentation

Our Guild and Trades Story

Fri. 22nd May, 12.00 noon, Marygate

Fri. 22nd May to Mon. 25th May, 11.00am-4.00pm, Marygate

Sat. 23rd May, 11.00am to 5.00pm, The Parade

Sat. 23rd May, 7.30pm-11.00pm, The Parade

Sun. 24th May, 11.30am-8.30pm, The Parade

Sun. 24th May, 11.45am parade starts from Castlegate

Sun. 24th May, 5.00pm, The Barracks

Sun. 24th May, 6.00pm, The Parade

Reviving Berwick's ancient May Fair

Walking of the May Fair by The Mayor of Berwick-upon-Tweed

May Fair Markets and Berwick's Guild and Trades through the ages

"Talent on the Parade" open mic. Event for local performers

Berwick Rotary "Ceilidh on the Parade" (*admission charge*)

Berwick Rotary "Party on The Parade"

The Mayor's Parade

Pipe Band display

Churches Together in Berwick "Hymns on The Parade"

Our Garrison Story: England's First Barracks

Sat. 27th June, 11.00am, St. Andrew's Wallace Green Church

Sat. 27th June, 12.00 noon parade leaves Church Street

Sat. 27th June, 5.00pm, The Barracks

Sat. 27th & Sun. 28th June, 11.00am-4.00pm, various locations

Celebrating Berwick's military heritage from the 17th to the 20th century

Armed Forces Day Drumhead Service

Armed Forces Day Parade

Armed Forces Day Band Display and Beating Retreat

"Our Garrison Story" living history enactments

Our Fishing Story

Tues. 14th to Sat. 25th July, 11.00am-4.00pm, Berwick Watchtower

Thurs. 16th July, 11.00am-4.00pm, Berwick Quayside

Thurs. 16th July, 7.00pm, West End, Tweedmouth

Thurs. 16th July to Sun. 19th July, various times and venues

Sun. 19th July, 2.00pm parade starts from Church Street

Celebrating 900 years of Berwick's salmon and sea-fishing heritage

"Salmon Shiels and Silver Darlings" exhibition and visual arts

Mouth of the Tweed Festival

Crowning of The Tweedmouth Salmon Queen

"Tidal": performances inspired by the themes of river, sea and bridges

Tweedmouth Feast Carnival Float Parade

Our Garrison Story: Minden Day

Sat. 1st August, 12.30pm parade starts from The Barracks

Commemorating the action of the 25th Foot (KOSB) at the Battle of Minden, 1759

Minden Day Parade through the town

Our Seaside & Maritime Stories

Thurs. 30th July to Sun. 16th August, 11.00am-4.00pm, Berwick Watchtower

Sat. 8th & Sun. 9th August, from 11.00am each day, Spittal promenade

Sun. 16th August, 1.00pm-4.00pm, at Carr Rock, Spittal

Celebrating the heritage of the Port of Berwick and the Resort of Spittal

"Salmon Shiels & Silver Darlings, Spas & Smacks" exhibition

Spittal Seaside Festival

Berwick RNLI Lifeboat Festival

Our Food and Drink Story

Sat. 5th & Sun. 6th September, from 11.00am each day, The Barracks

Exploring Berwick's heritage of producing food and drink, today and in the past

Berwick Food and Beer Festivals

Our Buildings' Story

Sat. 12th and Sun. 13th September, 11.00am-4.00pm, various sites

Celebrating Berwick's buildings through the ages

Heritage Open Days: An opportunity to visit buildings not always open to the public

Our Families' Story

Sat. 3rd & Sun. 4th October, various times and venues

Sat. 3rd & Sun. 4th October, 11.00am-4.00pm, Town Hall

Sat. 10th & Sun. 11th October, 11.00am-4.00pm, Town Hall

Fostering historical family links with Berwick-upon-Tweed

"Wait and Sea": Colourful outdoor festival of music and theatre

The Berwick 900 Family History Festival

"1715: Northumbrian Jacobites" performances, displays and talks marking the 200th anniversary of the capture of Holy Island Castle

Our Creative Story

Fri. 16th to Sun. 18th October, various times and venues

Thurs. 22nd - Sun. 25th October, various times and locations

Arts and Crafts in Berwick through the Ages

Berwick Literary Festival

"The Great Performing Rope" promenade performances throughout the town revealing the stories and histories of Berwick and its people

"Creative Berwick": Art and crafts inspired by Berwick 900 themes

Sat. 24th & Sun. 25th October, 11.00am-4.00pm, Town Hall