

Hello to Heritage Forum members,

Thanks go to Marie Woods for chairing the Forum over the past few years. Mark Vesey & Angela Kale will try to keep us all in touch via this email and a new webpage <https://www.scarboroughsmaritimeheritage.org.uk/heritage-forum-north-yorkshire-coast.html>

Just a quick reminder of why the Forum started: It was set up in 2015 with the aim of sharing information and supporting all groups and organisations seeking to preserve and promote the heritage of Scarborough and the North Yorkshire Coast. The forum has no registered status but comprises of chairs, presidents, CEOs, staff and volunteers of organisations actively working to save and promote our heritage. The forum meets 3 or 4 times a year in various venues, and by Zoom, to share ideas and events. When small groups are heavily invested in their work they may miss out on wider opportunities to network and share events, publicity, knowledge etc. All members try to participate in National Heritage Open Days each year.

Our best wishes go to Andrew Clay who is moving on from his role at Woodend and SMG. He has worked tirelessly for many years keeping Scarborough's cultural and heritage offering at the forefront of the town. We wish him all the best for the future.

Congratulations to the Scarborough & District Civic Society who celebrate their 60th year. An amazing record of work protecting and enhancing our borough's heritage. Their events are listed here: <https://scarboroughcivicsociety.org.uk/Events.php>

Congratulations to Scarborough Library on their new refurbishment and continued work to digitise their archive collection (Group meets Thursday evenings 6 to 8pm). See <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/leisure-tourism-and-culture/libraries/local-libraries/scarborough-library>

Congratulations to the South Cliff Gardens group for all their work to restore and enhance the gardens that now look fabulous. Summer events listed here: <https://www.southcliffgardens.co.uk/>

Scarborough Tramway carried 500,000 passengers in 2023 and had major improvements. Events listed here: <https://www.centraltramway.co.uk/> **PLEASE** fill in and circulate this quick survey to help them with future plans: <https://forms.gle/Bea3wEj367e3imur5>

A new culture and arts festival 'Scarborough Streets' is due to take place on the 4th to the 6th of May. See <https://www.scarborough.co.uk/whats-on/>

The 2024 Big Ideas By The Sea Festival is running from May 17th to 31st, see <https://www.bigideasbythesea.com/whats-on-2024-book-tickets>

Scarborough's Armed Forces Day is on the 29th of June from 11am to 5pm, see <https://www.armedforcesday.org.uk/event/armed-forces-day-scarborough-2024/>

Scarborough's Seafest is on from the 19th to 21st July, see <https://www.discoveryyorkshirecoast.com/event/seafest/132430101/>

Summer Events at Scarborough Castle can be seen here: <https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/scarborough-castle/events/>

The Scarborough Maritime Heritage Centre's current exhibition looks at the history of women at sea. From June to September the exhibition will be on the history of seaside attractions.

The SAHS is planning some summer events, watch their website and Facebook page: <https://www.sahs.org.uk/>

The OPO has exhibitions and music events, details here <https://www.oldparcelsoffice.org/>

If you wish to be part of the National Heritage Open Days in September follow this link: <https://www.heritageopendays.org.uk/get-involved/how-to-get-involved.html>

Apologies if we have missed any other news or events from Forum members. Please contact us if you would like a specific event, question or call for help shared directly among Forum members?
Best wishes to everyone for a busy & successful summer.