Major Events in Cheshire, North Wales, Warrington and Wirral in 2024

January

1st January 2024 New Year's Day Bank Holiday

To 7th January 2024 Christmas Tree Festival Chester Cathedral, St Werburgh Street, Chester Over 50 Christmas trees will sparkle and shimmer throughout the Cathedral. <u>https://chestercathedral.com/</u>

12th January 2023 Bangor on Dee races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

27th January **2024** Holly Holy Day Nantwich Spectacular 'Sealed Knot' re-enactment of the 1644 Civil War Battle of Nantwich – 50th Anniversary. https://www.battleofnantwich.org/

February

Feb-Oct Warrington Wolves Engage Super League XVI <u>https://warringtonwolves.com</u> Feb-March Snowdrop Walks Rode Hall & Gardens, Congleton Discover over 40 varieties of snowdrops. <u>https://www.rodehall.co.uk</u>

9th February 2024

Bangor on Dee races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

10th February **2024**, 11.00am (provisional) Chinese New Year Celebrations – Year of the Dragon Eastgate Street & Storyhouse

16th-18th February **2024** The Chester Decorative, Antiques and Fine Art Fair Chester Racecourse <u>http://www.cooperevents.com</u>

13th February **2024** Shrove Tuesday – National Pancake Day

28th February **2024** Bangor on Dee races <u>https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/</u>

March

March-October Motor Racing Oulton Park, near Tarporley https://www.oultonpark.co.uk/calendar

1st-8th March **2024** Chester International Film Festival Storyhouse https://www.chesterfilmsociety.co.uk/?page_id=375

23rd March **2024** Bangor on Dee races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

April

28th March-1st April **2024** Nantwich Jazz, Blues and Music Festival https://nantwichjazz.com/

29th March 2024 Good Friday Bank Holiday

30th March-1st April **2024** Chester Food, Drink & Lifestyle Festival Chester Racecourse, Chester https://chesterfoodanddrink.co.uk/

1st April 2024 Easter Monday Bank Holiday

20th-21st April **2024** Sandbach Transport Festival <u>https://www.sandbachtransportfestival.com/</u>

20th April **2024** Bangor on Dee races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

End April-late May Bluebell Festival Capesthorne Hall Explore the six-acre Woodland Walk. https://www.capesthorne.com/

April & May

Bluebell Festival Cheshire's Gardens of Distinction -Bluebell Cottage Gardens, Capesthorne Hall, Norton Priory Museum & Gardens, Adlington Hall, Quarry Bank Mill, Arley Hall and Gardens https://www.visitcheshire.com/things-to-do/things-to-do-incheshire/gardens/glorious-gardens

May

4th-6th May **2024** Victorian Extravaganza Llandudno <u>https://victorian-extravaganza.com/</u>

6th May 2024 Early May Bank Holiday

8th-10th May **2024** Chester Races Chester Racecourse, Chester <u>https://www.chester-races.com/</u>

18th May **2024** Bangor on Dee races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

19th May **2024** Essar Chester Half Marathon Chester Racecourse https://www.activeleisureevents.co.uk/half-marathon/route

25th May **2024** Chester Races Roman Day Chester Racecourse, Chester <u>https://www.chester-races.com/</u>

24th-27th May **2024** Chester Folk Festival Kelsall, Nr Chester Concerts, ceilidhs, workshops, sing-arounds, sessions, displays, craft fair, family events & children's entertainment. https://www.chesterfolk.org.uk/

23rd-26th May **2024** Geronimo Children's Festival, the largest in the North West Arley Hall https://www.geronimofest.com/

27th May 2024 Spring Bank Holiday

28th May **2024 (eve)** Bangor on Dee races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

June

June-August Chester Town Crier public proclamations The High Cross, Chester 12 noon Tues-Sat, June-August (11am on race days) https://chestertowncriers.com/chester-cross-proclamation/

6th-16th June **2024** Bolesworth International Equestrian Summer Festival An equestrian summer festival in Cheshire featuring 10 days of international showjumping, live music, action and family-friendly entertainment with onsite camping and exclusive ringside hospitality. <u>https://bolesworth.com/international/</u>

8th June **2024** Bangor on Dee races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

8th-9th June **2024** Chester Regatta The oldest rowing race in the world on the River Dee <u>https://www.chesterregatta.org</u>

13th June **2024, 19.00 Forest Live: Becky Hill** Delamere Forest 0300 068 0400 https://www.forestryengland.uk/music/beckyhill 14th-16th June 2024 Middlewich Folk & Boat Festival https://www.facebook.com/groups/2377438679101489/

14th-15th June **2024** Chester Races Chester Racecourse, Chester <u>https://www.chester-races.com/</u>

14th June **2024, 19.00 Forest Live: Sting** Delamere Forest 0300 068 0400 <u>https://www.forestryengland.uk/music/sting</u>

15th June **2024, 19.30 Forest Live: CHIC** Delamere Forest 0300 068 0400 <u>https://www.forestryengland.uk/music/jack-savoretti</u>

18th-19th June **2024** Royal Cheshire County Show Tabley, Knutsford Large equestrian section, farm livestock classes, dog shows, flowers, a superb food hall, cheese, crafts, shoppers mews and country pursuits. https://www.royalcheshireshow.org/

21st-30th June **2024** Chester Heritage Festival Various venues in and around the city https://www.chesterheritagefestival.co.uk/

22nd-23rd June **2024 (tbc)** Midsummer Watch Parade Chester City Centre A colourful re-enactment of a traditional medieval celebration marking the summer solstice featuring a colourful cavalcade of characters including the Festival of Giants. <u>http://www.midsummerwatch.co.uk/</u>

22nd-23rd June **2024** Kelsall Steam and Vintage Rally Ashton, Nr. Chester, CH3 8BH One of the largest displays of commercial vehicles in the country including classic, vintage and modern trucks. <u>https://www.kelsallsteamrally.co.uk</u>

28th June **2024 (eve)** Bangor on Dee races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

29th June **2024** Chester Races Chester Racecourse, Chester https://www.chester-races.com/

30th June **2024**

Chester Raft Race River Dee An annual charity event taking place every July in the Groves on the River Dee. The rafts race against the clock over an approximate 400 metre course starting just upriver of the Royal Chester Rowing Club, passing under the pedestrian Suspension Bridge to a finish on the north bank of the river by Recorder's Steps to the Walls and just above the weir. Although the race is over at this point, the rafts then have to retrace their route back to the launch area on the Meadows. The theme for this year will be TOYBOX. https://chesterraftrace.org.uk/

July

July-August Open Air Theatre Gawsworth Hall, near Macclesfield Outdoor entertainment takes centre stage in the grounds of the stately home featuring the best from the world of comedy and music. https://gawsworthhall.com/events/

2nd-7th July **2024** Llangollen International Eisteddfod Llangollen, North Wales Featuring dancers, musicians and choirs from across the world in friendly competition plus concerts by well-known artistes. https://international-eisteddfod.co.uk/:

2nd July: Tom Jones
4th July: Kerry Ellis & John Owen-Jones (West End stars)
6th July: Choir of the World
9th July: Katherine Jenkins

5th-7th July **2024** Chester Art Beat (5-7th July A biennial art trail in the city showcasing the work of 40 artists at 18 venues following the success of the 2022 event. https://chesterartbeat.co.uk/

12th-14th July **2024** The Foodies Festival Tatton Park <u>https://www.tattonpark.org.uk/events_at_tatton_park/eventlistings/events-calendar.aspx</u>

12th-13th July **2024** Chester Races Ibiza Classics (12th eve) Soul Sunset (13th) Chester Racecourse, Chester https://www.chester-races.com/

17th-21st July **2024** RHS Flower Show Tatton Park Tatton Park, Knutsford A truly unique day out for all garden lovers. https://www.rhs.org.uk/shows-events/rhs-flower-show-tatton-park 19th July-1st September **2024** Grosvenor Park Open Air Theatre <u>https://storyhouse.com</u>

9th August-1st September **2024** The Importance of Being Earnest by Oscar Wilde

19th July-31st August **2024** The Gangs of New York based on the book by Herbert Asbury

27th July-22nd August **2024** The Wonder Wizard of Oz A walkabout theatre experience

31st July **2024** Nantwich Show Reaseheath Old Hall, Nantwich https://nantwichshow.org/

27th July **2024** Chester Races Midsummer Meeting Chester Racecourse, Chester <u>https://www.chester-races.com/</u>

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August

2nd-4th August **2024** Rewind Festival Celebrate the music, fashion and culture of the '80s. Capesthorne Hall <u>https://north.rewindfestival.com/</u> 4th August **2024** Chester Races Family Fun Day Racecourse, Chester https://www.chester-races.com/

8th-11th August **2024** Devafest - three days of the finest entertainment, fairground rides and the most sumptuous food. Cholmondeley Castle, Malpas https://devafest.co.uk/

16th-18th August **2024** Just So Festival – a family weekend adventure beyond your wildest dreams Rode Hall https://justsofestival.org.uk

17th-18th August **2024** Passion for Power Classic Motor Show Tatton Park https://www.tattonpassionforpower.com/

22nd-25th August **2024** Creamfields North Daresbury, Warrington <u>https://creamfields.com/</u>

23rd-25th August 2024 Rock The Lake Reindeer Lodge, Black Meadows, Leeswood, Mold, Flintshire Back-to-back Live Bands and awesome tributes, great food and drinks with an amazing atmosphere in stunning lakeside surroundings for a social occasion that's not to be missed. <u>https://www.rockthelake.co.uk/</u>

26th August 2024 Summer Bank Holiday 30th August- 1st September **2024** Nantwich Food & Drink Festival Nantwich Town Centre <u>https://www.nantwichfoodfestival.co.uk/</u>

31st August **2024** Chester Races Chester Racecourse, Chester <u>https://www.chester-races.com/</u>

September

30th August- 1st September **2024** Nantwich Food & Drink Festival Nantwich Town Centre <u>https://www.nantwichfoodfestival.co.uk/</u>

6th September **2024** Bangor on Dee races <u>https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/</u>

6th-15th September **2024** Heritage Open Days Various venues in and around Chester that are not normally open to the public invite you across the thresh-hold to explore their hidden secrets.

https://www.heritageopendays.org.uk/

7th-8th September **2024** Malpas Yesteryear Rally featuring a host of vintage vehicles and steam engines. and lots more including historic fairground. Hampton, Malpas, Cheshire SY14 8JN. https://malpas-yesteryear-rally.co.uk/

13th-14th September **2024** Chester Races Food & Drink Festival Chester Racecourse, Chester https://www.chester-races.com/

21st September **2024** Chester Races -Oktoberfest Season Finale Chester Racecourse, Chester <u>https://www.chester-races.com/</u>

22nd September **2024** New Balance English Half Marathon Warrington <u>https://www.warringtonrunningfestival.com/</u>

October

6th October **2024** MBNA Chester Marathon <u>https://www.activeleisureevents.co.uk/marathon</u>

11th- 31st October **2024** Magical Woodland Blakemere Village, Northwich https://www.magicalwoodland.com

18th-20th October **2024** The Chester Decorative, Antiques and Fine Art Fair Chester Racecourse <u>http://www.cooperevents.com/chester/</u> 26th-31st October **2024** Halloween Ghost Tours – exploring the haunted heritage of the city Chester <u>https://chesterghosttour.co.uk/</u>

29th October **2024** Bangor on Dee Races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

November

13th November 2024

Bangor on Dee Races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

21st November **2024**, **19.00hrs** (tbc) Christmas Lights Switch-On plus Chester 12 Days of Christmas Parade Town Hall <u>https://www.visitcheshire.com/chester/christmas</u> 28th November **2024**, **19.00hrs (tbc)** Lantern Parade Chester Town Hall Square https://www.visitcheshire.com/chester/christmas

29th November-1st December **2024** 6th-8th Dec, 13th-15th Dec, 16th-24th Magical Christmas Woodland A truly magical start to the Christmas celebrations for all the family. An enchanting event which is open during the evenings in December, this takes place in 15 acres of woodland and incorporates cutting edge lighting and sound to bring a touch of wonder and magic to this stunning location.The Magical Woodland experience will fully immerse you in a world of pure imagination www.magicalwoodland.com

30th November **2024** Bangor on Dee Races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

December

5th December **2024**, 19.00 (tbc) Winter Watch Parade Chester Town Hall Square Re-enactment of traditional celebrations dating from the Middle Ages, orchestrated by the Lord of Misrule! https://www.midsummerwatch.co.uk/winter-watch-parade/

13th December **2024** Bangor on Dee Races https://www.bangorondeeraces.co.uk/

12th December **2024**, 19.00 (tbc) Winter Watch Parade & Feast of Saturnalia Re-enactment of traditional celebrations dating from the Middle Ages, orchestrated by the Lord of Misrule and Roman Torch-Lit Procession featuring legionaries in full battle-gear Chester Town Hall Square <u>https://www.midsummerwatch.co.uk/winter-watch-parade/</u>

25th December 2024 Christmas Day (Wednesday)

26th December 2024 Boxing Day (Thursday)

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