

Bridport Hat Festival

the first of its kind in Britain... and still the best!

We would like to thank our **sponsors**,
as they all help to make Bridport Hat Festival possible:

PUBLIC 'ELEGANT ENSEMBLE' COMPETITIONS

prizes donated by: T Snook, Hatters & Outfitters

Most Elegantly Hatted and Attired

LADY & GENT £125 each in Snooks vouchers
and COUPLE £250 in Snooks vouchers

PUBLIC FUN 'BEST HATTED' COMPETITIONS

prizes donated by:

Susquehana Hat Co (John Halifax Hatters):

LADY, GENT and COUPLE £50 each

Nantes Solicitors: GIRL and BOY £30 each

Whiteley Fischer: FAMILY OR GROUP £100

Animal House: DOG Prizes and treats all round!

THE BRIDPORT HAT-HURLING CHALLENGE

cash prizes donated by: Symonds & Sampson

BEST HATTING/MILLINERY TRADE STAND DISPLAY

prize: signed copy of 'Souvenirs' by Stephen Jones

donated by Brain Tumour Research

BEST HATTING/MILLINERY TRADER'S HAT

prize: a year's subscription donated by Hatlines Magazine

BEST HATTED SHOP WINDOW

trophy donated by: Stags Estate Agents

SCHOOLCHILDREN'S POSTER COMPETITION

prizes: book tokens donated by Parkers Property Consultants & Valuers

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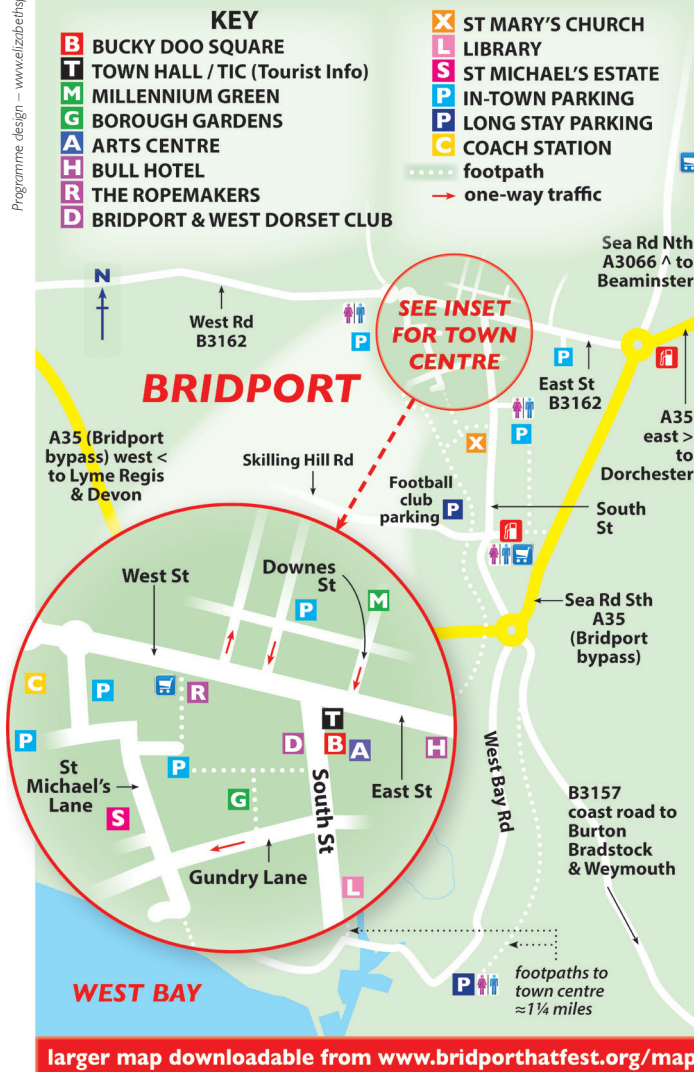
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... and thanks to the organisations that work with us, including Bridport Town Council, the TIC, Bridport Lions Club, Brit Valley Rotary Club, Bridport Scouts, St John's Ambulance, Bridport Arts Centre and the media. Thanks, too, to our raffle prize donors (listed on our website) and all our other supporters and **HUGE** thanks to our band of volunteers!

MAP of venues for Bridport Hat Festival events



larger map downloadable from www.bridporthatfest.org/map

HAT AMNESTY

Hand over your unwanted hats

NOW!

to the Hat Amnesty box at
T. Snook (hat shop)
32 West St, Bridport

then bid for the surrendered hats at the

HAT AUCTION

(profits to head-related charities)

Thurs 30th August
7.30 for 8pm at the
Bridport & West Dorset Club
12 South St, Bridport
(between Wild & Homeless Books and Vicary's)

Bridport Hat Festival

9th YEAR

2018



Brain Tumour Research



raising funds for
head-related charities including...

MAIN DAY
'HATURDAY' Sat 1st Sept

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

- mass hatted photo for adults, children... and dogs!
- live music • prizes • trade stands • talks
- mad hatters' tea party • games
- food and drink • displays • workshops
- hat amnesty and auction • quiz • raffles
- shows • dancing • entertainment... and Hank Wangford!

**'It's the most fun
you'll
ever
have
in a
hat'**



full details online

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www.bridporthatfest.org

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2018

PROGRAMME

kindly sponsored by the

Lyme Regis
Bridport NEWS

BEFORE HATURDAY

14th & 16th August – Millinery Workshops

10.30-2.30 with **Fiona Neylan** – call 07905 999437 for details or see www.bridportthatfest.org/millineryworkshops2018

at **Fiona's Hat Studio, Studio 48, St Michael's Estate** **S**

TUESDAY 28 August

8pm Hatty QUIZ (& Raffle) at **The Ropemakers** **R**

WEDNESDAY 29 August

11am-3pm Family Hat Making **Bridport Museum** **U**

THURSDAY 30 August

7.30 for 8pm HAT AUCTION (& Raffle)

with auctioneer **Jim Rowe** at **Bridport & West Dorset Club** **D**

FRIDAY 31 August

9.15pm MUSIC – **Million Dollar Bash**

free entry at **The Ropemakers** **R**

MAIN DAY – Saturday 1 September

HATURDAY!

B BUCKY DOO SQUARE

9-10am Mass Hatted Keep Fit with instructor **Luke Hayter**

10am Town Crier and **Mayor's Welcome**

10.05am-1pm MUSIC – **The Pop Club Stage**

featuring young musicians from **West Dorset Pop Clubs**

10am-on HatFest Stall – souvenir bags, hats, T-shirts and more

10am-1pm 'BEST HATTED...' Fun Public Competitions

– on-street **shortlisting** for the categories: **Lady, Gent, Girl, Boy, Couple** and **Family or Group** ...if you're given a lanyard, you're in!

in **Bucky Doo** and at **Millennium Green**

1-1.30pm MASS HATTED PHOTO

1.30-2pm final judging and **prize-giving** for the

'BEST HATTED...' Fun Public Competitions

in the categories: **Lady, Gent, Girl, Boy, Couple** and **Family or Group**

... and... **Prize-giving** – **Best Hatting/Millinery Trade Stand Display** and **Best Hatting/Millinery Trader's Hat**

2-5pm MUSIC – more from **The Pop Club Stage**

M Millennium Green (refreshments & seating on site)

10am-2pm MUSIC

– **The Milly Green Stage** featuring **local folk bands**

10am-12.45pm The Bridport Hat Hurling Challenge

– prizes at **12.45pm**

10am-4pm Fast Cartoon Portrait Artist Petra Hughes

10am-4pm Psychic Hat Readings Joylina Goodings

11am-12 Best Hatted DOG Competition

NB please be sure your dog is happy to wear a hat before entering

2-4pm MUSIC

– **The St Swithun's Brass Band**

2.45-5pm The Mad Hatters' Tea Party

– tea, cake & soft drinks (plus prosecco available for the grown-ups!)

3.30-4pm 'MOST ELEGANT ENSEMBLE'

Public Competitions for the **Lady, Gent** and **Couple**

sporting the most stylish and sophisticated complete costume...

that's topped by a suitable hat!



'If you're truly elegantly hatted and attired, be king or queen of Milly Green, the place to be admired!' (adults only)

T Town Hall

10am-4pm HatFest HQ, Crafts & Charity Stands



10am-4pm Display

of entries for the

Schoolchildren's

Hat Festival

Poster Competition

A Arts Centre

10am-4pm Hat & Millinery Trade Stands

8pm MUSIC

– **HANK WANGFORD & The Lost Cowboys**

– **our esteemed patron's official HatFest closing concert**

Tickets £15 from the Arts Centre or online, advance booking **strongly** advised

Correct at time of going to press, final details may vary – see latest programme in full and other details at www.bridportthatfest.org or find us on Facebook and Twitter

See MAP on reverse for venue locations

H Bull Hotel

11am-12 TALK – **'Confessions from a Hat Shop'**

with **Sue 'Darling' Outhwaite** of **Snooks** **the Ballroom**

2.15-3.15pm TALK – **'Royal Hats: Uneasy Heads'**

with author **Clair Hughes** – plus signing of her latest book, **'Hats'** **the Ballroom**

Tickets £5 per talk or both talks for £8, available from T Snook hatters, the TIC and on the door, advance booking **strongly** advised

6pm Cocktails and Fascinators

Venner Bar

G Borough Gardens

11am-12 noon Dynamic Dance modern jive demonstration

– audience participation encouraged!

12-12.45pm No Limits inclusive arts group performance

2-3pm MUSIC – **Timothy Beckett**

Other locations

8am-4pm Bridport Market **West, East & South Streets**

10am-4pm Street Entertainment throughout the town

10am-5pm Art & Vintage Quarter **St Michael's Estate** **S**

11-11.30am Children's Story Time at the **Library** **L**

2-4pm MUSIC – **The Collaborators**

free entry at the **Bridport & West Dorset Club** **D**

7.30-11pm Bridport Ceilidh

Tickets £8 adv from Bridport Music or 01308 443424 or £9 on door **St Mary's Church Hall** **X**

9.15pm MUSIC

Tori Redd & the Tall Travelling Troubadours **The Ropemakers** **R**

free entry

AFTER HATURDAY

SUNDAY 2 September

12-2.30pm Sunday Lunch

followed by

4pm MUSIC – **Jim Reynolds**

free entry at **The Ropemakers** **R**

Bridport Hat Festival is run by volunteers with profits donated to head-related charities including **Brain Tumour Research** and the **Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust**

HAVE FUN AND BE GENEROUS!

And if you'd like to help with next year's event, please get in touch now!