

# ParkLife

Lichfield Historic  
Parks Newsletter  
Jul to Sept 2018



**Celebrate 20 years of Lichfield Proms on Saturday 1 September!**  
This is an extra special year for our free annual Lichfield Proms in Beacon Park as it's the twentieth anniversary, so you can expect an extra special event!

We are set to welcome back The City of Lichfield Concert Band who will take to the stage at 6pm. They will play popular classics and film score medleys.

Then the British Police Symphony Orchestra will play the main concert from 7.30pm. The musical programme is set to feature music from La Boheme, Star Trek through the years, Coates Dambusters March, a World War One medley and all the proms anthems. The night will be brought to a close by a firework display with plenty of flag waving and a sing-song.

There will also be inflatable fun for children from 5.30pm and food & drink stalls.

Don't forget your deck chairs and bring an extra jumper as it can get a bit chilly when it gets dark.

Keep up to date on Lichfield Proms in Beacon Park at [www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/lichfieldproms](http://www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/lichfieldproms).

**Prime seating at proms**  
Treat yourself this year and book the best seats at proms at tables in front of the stage!

Prime seating costs £15 a seat and needs to be booked in multiples of four or six.

So a table of four will cost £60 and a table of six will cost £90.



To find out more and to book your prime seating tickets, visit [www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/lichfieldproms](http://www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/lichfieldproms)

**Welcome to ParkLife**  
Welcome to our summer edition of ParkLife.

This is the newsletter that keeps you up to date with all that's going on across Lichfield Historic Parks, which includes Beacon Park, Minster Pool and Walk, the Garden of Remembrance and Stowe Pool.

We hope you find ParkLife interesting. Please get in touch if you have any comments or suggestions.

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## August's Drive-in Movies in Beacon Park

The all singing, all dancing spectacle, **The Greatest Showman**, will play at Beacon Park's third Drive-in Movie of 2018 on Friday 10 August. It will be followed by the romantic 90s classic, **Pretty Woman**, on Saturday 11 August.

The films will appear on a large inflatable screen, and movie-goers simply need to tune their car radios in to hear the soundtrack. There will be a reserved area in front of the cars for on foot ticket holders, and movie meals and cinema snacks will be on offer. Please note, on foot tickets for The Greatest Showman have sold out.



Gates will open at 12noon to allow audience members to park up and enjoy all that Beacon Park and Lichfield has to offer. Both films will then start at around 9pm.

It costs £25 a movie per car (max 4 people) and £5 on foot (optional £3 headset hire & £15 deposit). Tickets available from Lichfield Garrick Box Office by calling **01543 412121** and online at [www.lichfieldgarrick.com](http://www.lichfieldgarrick.com).

Find out more at [www.lichfieldhistoricparks.co.uk/drivein](http://www.lichfieldhistoricparks.co.uk/drivein)



### Summer of fun including Fun Day!

There is plenty on offer over the summer to entertain the children at Beacon Park - from pond dip days, make paper aeroplane workshops, trails to follow and much more.

One of the highlights of our summer calendar is our Fun Day on Wednesday 8 August from 11am to 3pm. The free entry event includes inflatable fun, rides, stalls, games and the Teddy Games, featuring races such as Ted on the Head and Teddy Wanging - so don't forget to bring your teddy bear!



### Festival of Sport

To kick off the summer, we're linking up with Active Lichfield to offer sporty activities during the first week of the summer holidays.

To start with, we're running a 2-4-1 offer on foot and disc golf games from 23 to 27 July! Simply head to the Ranger Station to benefit from this offer. Both games must be bought at the same time.

We're also running a free multi sports session on 26 July from 1pm to 2.30pm at the basketball court and then have a family rounders day on 28 July.

### Friends of Lichfield Historic Parks

The Friends group makes sure park users and locals are involved in discussions about local parks.

The group meets at District Council House (Frog Lane) generally on the last Thursday of the month, from 6.20pm to about 8.15pm. To find out more email [parks@lichfielddc.gov.uk](mailto:parks@lichfielddc.gov.uk). Find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/FoLHP](http://www.facebook.com/FoLHP)

### What's on at Beacon Park

To find out more visit [www.lichfieldhistoricparks.co.uk/whats-on](http://www.lichfieldhistoricparks.co.uk/whats-on) or call the parks team on **01543 308867**. Remember children need to be accompanied by an adult.

#### Date/time

#### Event details

##### Tues 3 Jul

1pm - 3pm  
Community  
Garden

##### Volunteer event

##### Neaten and Natter

This volunteer activity is for adults who want to help us look after Beacon Park. Call **01543 308869** to check the activity is running.

##### Wed 4 Jul

11am start  
Ranger Station  
Free

##### Lichfield Parks Health Walks

These gentle walks over easy terrain are open to everyone of any age and are a great way to discover the city's parks and to enjoy some healthy exercise. Weather permitting.

##### Thurs 5 Jul

From 8.30am  
Community  
Garden  
Free

##### Moth Recording Morning

We'll identify moths that have been caught in traps from the night before, then we'll let them go. Call to



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<b>Thurs 5 Jul</b> 10am - 12noon (approx.) Community Garden, <b>Free</b>	<b>Butterfly &amp; Bee Walk</b> Help us record these important insects. The walks are dependent on fine weather. Call <b>01543 308869</b> to confirm the event is running.
<b>Fri 6 Jul</b> 1pm - 3pm Discovery Hub <b>Volunteer event</b>	<b>Event Volunteers</b> Help the parks team with its packed event schedule. Tasks will vary each month and include making props, resources and costumes for events.
<b>7 &amp; 8 July</b> <b>Free, donations</b>	<b>Cars in the Park</b> Classic car show.
<b>13 - 15 Jul</b> Beacon Park	<b>Fuse Festival</b> A weekend full of music.
<b>Wed 18 Jul</b> 11am start	<b>Lichfield Parks Health Walks</b> <i>See 4 July listing for details</i>
<b>Fri 20 July</b> 1pm - 2pm Tennis courts <b>Free</b>	<b>Wellbeing Wonder Wander</b> We'll use various senses to explore our wonderful park. July's session is Smell Meander.
<b>21 &amp; 22 Jul</b> Beacon Park	<b>Carter's Steam Fair</b> Vintage steam fairground with fireworks on the sports pitches.
<b>23 - 27 Jul</b> 9am - 6pm Golf course <b>£8/£6</b>	<b>Disc and foot golf buy 1 get 1 free</b> Try out foot or disc golf during our Festival of Sport and get 2-4-1 on games when bought together. 
<b>23 Jul - 2 Sept</b> 9am - 4pm Ranger Station <b>£1 per trail</b>	<b>Beacon Park Story Trail</b> Follow a trail around to discover Arbordoozie and his adventures. Pencil 20p extra (or bring your own). Not sure what an 'Arbordoozie' is - take part to find out!
<b>Thurs 26 Jul</b> 1pm - 2.30pm Basketball court <b>Free</b>	<b>Multi Sports</b> As part of our Festival of Sport, try out a range of different sports with qualified coaches. 
<b>Tues 24 Jul</b> 10am, 11am, 1pm and 2pm Woodland area	<b>Pond Dip Day</b> Search for pond life in these one hour sessions. Call <b>01543 308867</b> . A session costs <b>£2/£2.50</b> .
<b>23 - 28 Jul</b> 9am - 5pm	<b>Baseball Camp</b> Sessions for 8 to 18 year olds. Email <b>baseball@wadestreetchurch.com</b> .

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<b>Sat 28 Jul</b> 10am - 10pm	<b>Food &amp; Drink event</b> Café International event <b>www.cafeinternational.co.uk</b>
<b>Sat 28 July</b> 12pm - 4pm Sports pitches	<b>Family Rounders Day</b> Bring the family down to play some rounders for free.
<b>Wed 1 Aug</b> 11am start	<b>Lichfield Parks Health Walks</b> <i>See 4 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Thurs 2 Aug</b> From 8.30am	<b>Moth Recording Morning</b> <i>See 5 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Thurs 2 Aug</b> 10am - 12noon	<b>Butterfly and Bee Walk</b> <i>See 5 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Thurs 2 Aug</b> 1pm - 2.30pm Basketball court <b>£1</b>	<b>Multi Sports</b> Try out a range of different sports with qualified coaches at Beacon Park's basketball court area.
<b>Fri 3 Aug</b> 11am - 3pm Discovery Hub <b>£1 for 2 planes</b>	<b>Paper Aeroplane Day</b> Make, decorate and fly your own paper aeroplanes. For all ages. 
<b>Fri 6 Jul</b> 1pm - 3pm	<b>Event Volunteers</b> <i>See 6 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Tues 7 Aug</b> 1pm - 3pm	<b>Neaten and Natter</b> <i>See 3 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Weds 8 Aug</b> 11am - 3pm Sports pitches <b>Free entry</b>	<b>Beacon Park Fun Day</b> Family outdoor fun day, including rides, stalls, games and the Teddy Races. The event is free entry but there is a small charge for most of the activities. Don't forget your teddy! 
<b>Thurs 9 Aug</b> 1pm - 2.30pm	<b>Multi Sports</b> <i>See 2 August listing for details.</i>
<b>Fri 10 Aug</b> Gate opens 12noon, film starts 9pm	<b>The Greatest Showman (PG)</b> The all singing all dancing spectacle, The Greatest Showman will play at Beacon Park's Drive-in Movie.
<b>Sat 11 Aug</b> Gate opens 12noon, film starts 9pm	<b>Pretty Woman (15)</b> Watch this modern fairy tale on a giant inflatable screen in your car under the stars. It costs £25 a car per movie with walk-in tickets costing £5 +headset hire. Find out how to book: <b>www.lichfieldhistoricparks.co.uk /drivein</b>



## What's on at Beacon Park - August to September

Date/time	Event details
<b>Wed 15 Aug</b> 11am start	<b>Lichfield Parks Health Walks</b> <i>See 4 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Thurs 16 Aug</b> 1pm - 2.30pm	<b>Multi Sports</b> <i>See 2 August listing for details.</i>
<b>Tues 16 Aug</b> 10am, 11am, 1pm and 2pm	<b>Pond Dip Day</b> <i>See 24 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Fri 17 Aug</b> Tennis courts	<b>Wellbeing Wonder Wander</b> This month is Lichen Look.
<b>Sat 18 Aug</b> 12pm - 4pm Sports pitches <b>Free</b>	<b>Family Rounders Day</b> Bring the family down to play some rounders.
<b>Thurs 23 Aug</b> 1pm - 2.30pm	<b>Multi Sports</b> <i>See 2 August listing for details.</i>
<b>Weds 22 Aug</b> 10am, 11am, 1pm and 2pm	<b>Pond Dip Day</b> <i>See 24 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Mon 27 Aug</b> 11am - 2pm Play area, <b>£1</b>	<b>Stride and Seek</b> Follow a map to find coloured markers. Find all the colours in the correct order to claim your certificate.
<b>Fri 31 Aug</b> 6.30pm Beacon Park <b>£10/£8</b>	<b>The Three Musketeers</b> Expect swashbuckling, sword-fights and subterfuge in the family-friendly adaptation of the play. It will be performed in the open-air and will continue in all safe weathers. Bring a picnic and something to sit on. Some seating will be provided. To book call <b>01242 572573</b> or visit <b>www.everymantheatre.org.uk</b>
<b>Sat 1 Sept</b> 5.30pm children's entertainment 6pm music 7.30pm concert Sports pitches <b>Free/donation</b>	<b>Lichfield Proms in Beacon Park</b> Celebrating 20 years of Lichfield Proms! The City of Lichfield Concert Band will warm up the crowd as they find their places. This leads up to the main concert which features The British Police Symphony Orchestra and classically trained singers. The evening culminates with a rousing sing-song and a firework finale. Prime seating tables available, call <b>01543 308869</b> to find out more.



Date/time	Event details
<b>Sun 2 Sept</b> 1pm onwards Skatepark <b>Free</b>	<b>Skatepark Competitions</b> Come to Beacon Park's skatepark to show off your skills on a skateboard.
<b>Tues 4 Sept</b> 1pm - 3pm	<b>Neaten and Natter</b> <i>See 3 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Wed 5 Sept</b> 11am start	<b>Lichfield Parks Health Walks</b> <i>See 4 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Thurs 6 Sept</b> From 8.30am	<b>Moth Recording Morning</b> <i>See 5 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Thurs 6 Sept</b> 10am - 12noon	<b>Butterfly and Bee Walk</b> <i>See 5 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Fri 7 Sept</b> 1pm - 3pm	<b>Event Volunteers</b> <i>See 6 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Fri 14 Sept</b> 1pm - 3pm Discovery Hub <b>£5</b>	<b>Beginner's Bunting Workshop</b> Learn how to make your own length of bunting and experience the wellbeing benefits of sewing. Limited places available. Pre-booking and pre-payment essential. Please book on <b>01543 308867</b> .
<b>Weds 19 Sept</b> 11am	<b>Lichfield Parks Health Walks</b> <i>See 4 July listing for details.</i>
<b>Fri 21 Sept</b> Ranger Station	<b>Wellbeing Wonder Wander</b> This month is Fungi Appreciation
<b>Sat 22 &amp; Sun 23 Sept</b> 11am - 3pm Petanque court <b>Free</b>	<b>Lichfield Heritage Weekend celebrating 100 years of...</b> All ages are invited to come and try a free game of Petanque on Beacon Park's court, next to Lakeside Bistro. There's no need to book - just turn up anytime between 11am and 3pm.

**Volunteer:** Our Countryside & Parks Conservation Group carry out conservation work across the district. Find out more by emailing [parks@lichfielddc.gov.uk](mailto:parks@lichfielddc.gov.uk)

**Walking Netball:** Join in our adult only walking netball sessions each week running on Thursdays from 10.30am to 11.30am. It costs £2.50 a class. No need to book.

**Tennis for Free:** Come along to coach-led tennis sessions on Sundays at Beacon Park from 2pm to 4pm. Register & check online at [beaconparktennis.co.uk](http://beaconparktennis.co.uk)

