

St. Richard's Festival



Classic and Vintage Car Rally Boating Festival

Saturday 4 - Monday 6 May

Droitwich Spa Town Centre & Vines Park

- Medieval entertainment & living history
- Classic and vintage cars
- Canal boats and boat trips
- Markets
- Real ale bar
- Live music
- Art exhibition
- Static engine display
- Stalls and activities
- and much more

Event timing and content will vary over the weekend

**FREE
EVENT**
(charges apply for
some activities)



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And Droitwich Spa Vintage and Classic Car Rally

Welcome to St. Richard's Festival



St. Richard's Festival started in 2007 and has grown rapidly through the addition of street markets, new attractions and the Classic and Vintage Car Rally. The event fills the streets in Droitwich Spa town centre and Vines Park and provides visitors with a great day out in the heart of this historic salt town.

The festival celebrates the life of St Richard, the Spa's patron saint, who – legend has it – made the town's brine wells flow again in the Middle Ages. It offers attractions to suit all ages ranging from medieval re-enactment and entertainment to classic and vintage cars and boat trips on the Droitwich Canal.

This year's event will be joined by a boating festival in Vines Park, which means for the first time it will run over 3 days offering even more attractions.

Highlights of the 2013 festival include:

- **Medieval re-enactment and entertainment**
- **Classic and vintage cars**
- **Boating festival**
- **Markets**
- **Entertainment and live music**
- **Real ale bar**
- **Art exhibition**
- **Children's activities**
- **Community stalls and activities**
- **Bike showcase**

This year's event has been organised by Wychavon District Council; Worcester, Birmingham and Droitwich Canal Society; and Droitwich Spa Vintage and Classic Car Rally. The organisers would like to thank the many local groups and businesses that either help in its organisation, provide sponsorship or run activities and attractions.

Friday 3rd May
Vines Park

7 – 11pm

An evening of live music in the marquee with a real ale bar. **8.00pm** The Rambling Jacks



Saturday 4 May

Vines Park

10am - 4pm

Medieval Spectacular

Meet "The Plantagenets" who will recreate pageantry and excitement of medieval combat – armoured knights, medieval musicians, dancing, squire training and brass rubbing.

- 11.00am** Squire training - sword combat
- 12.00pm** Medieval musicians and brass rubbing*
- 12.30pm** Dressing the knight - demonstration of armour
- 1.00pm** Squire Training
- 2.00pm** Courty dance - 14th century dancing
- 2.45pm** Medieval foot combat
- 3.30pm** Show and tell

Drudion Medieval Camp

Visit the encampment to experience life in medieval times.

- Try on armour and hold a weapon
- Play games or have a go at weaving
- Make a candle*
- Listen to stories on medicinal cures, arrows and weapons

St Richard's Fayre

- Stalls and entertainment
- Ferret racing
- Face painting
- Event catering
- Duck race **3.30pm**
- Canal boat trips on the Pamela May*
10 - 11.30am/2.30 - 4pm

Boating Festival

- Display of canal boats
- Mayor's Flotilla on Droitwich Canal **12pm**
- Static engines
- Real ale bar **12 - 5pm**

*Charges apply

St. Augustine's Church

Quarter Peal of Bells 10 - 11am

Tour of Dodderhill Tower 11am - 1pm

Enjoy a visit to the Norman Church of St. Augustine and climb Dodderhill Tower for spectacular views over Droitwich Spa. Have a go at bell ringing.

Netherwich Basin

Droitwich
ARTS
Network

Inauguration of the New Mural 10.30am

The new mural "Captain Kidd's last adventure" will be unveiled by Cllr Anne Taft, Mayor of Droitwich Spa at Netherwich Basin, Vines Park.

The mural was painted by adults and children from all over the area on 6 April and will be in place until end September.



Vines Park

7 - 11pm

An evening of live music in the marquee with a real ale bar.

- 7.00pm** Droitwich Rock Choir
- 8.00pm** Rainbow Road

Saturday 4 May

High Street Area

10am – 4pm

High Street

Classic & Vintage Car Rally

Display of cars through the ages.

Saltbarrow Market

Come and enjoy a 'Taste of Italy'

Cheeses, cured meats, olives, olive oils, pasta, breads, cakes, sweets. **Opens 9am**



St. Andrews Street and Victoria Square

10am – 4pm

Classic & Vintage Car Rally

Display of vehicles and through the ages.

Art exhibition and stalls - St. Andrews Church

An exhibition by local art clubs and solo artists. Features display of paintings, photography and poetry that reflect the heritage and history of Droitwich Spa.

Parish Centre open **10am – 4pm** serving drinks and light refreshments.

Farmers and crafts market

Local crafts and produce including meats, preserves, cakes, pies and more. **Open 9am**

Heritage Centre

10am – 4pm

Visit the museum, which traces back the history of Droitwich Spa to Roman times and brass rubbing for younger visitors.

Display about Copcut Park. Radio Room demonstrations **11am and 12pm**.

Morris dancing

11.30am & 12.45pm

St. Andrews Square Shopping Centre

10am – 4pm

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- Stilt walkers
- Children's art workshop
- Community stalls

Live entertainment

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| 10.30am | Westacre School Choir |
| 11.00am | Giant bubbles and music |
| 11.50am | Westacre School Choir |
| 12.15pm | Giant bubbles and music |
| 12.45pm | Puppet show by Lighthouse Street Puppets |
| 1.15pm | Giant bubbles and music |
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Well Dressing

Resurrecting the old tradition of where the brine pit was decked with greenery and tapestry to celebrate the life of St. Richard.

- **Gurneys Lane** - Old pump mechanism and brine well by Fleur
- **Vines Park** – reconstruction of the great Upwich Pit by Secret Garden
- **Vines Park** – St. Richard's statue by Droitwich Plant and Flowers

Sunday 5 May

Vines Park

10am – 4pm

Live music and activities in the marquee

10am – 6.30pm

10.00am Community Church Service –
Salvation Army choir and band

11.00am Appellation dancers

12.00pm Appellation dancers

1.00pm Blackwell Concert Band

3.00pm Spa Tones – Droitwich

Community Choir

4.30pm Rainbow Road

St Richard's Fayre

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Cycle Festival -

On Yer Bike Activity Zone

11am – 4pm

- Display of bikes
- Have a go activities
- Dr Bike
- Bikeability
- Family fun quiz cycle ride
- Stalls
- ArtAttack
- Canoeing

Other activities

- Stalls and activities
- Face painting
- Event catering
- Pig roast
- Canal boat trips on the Pamela May*

10am – 4pm

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Boating Festival

- Display of canal boats
- Static engines
- Real ale bar **12-5pm**

Vines Park

7 – 11pm

An evening of live music in the marquee with a real ale bar

8.00pm Meet on the Ledge

Town Centre

10am – 4pm

Ricketts Lane Car Park Classic & Vintage Car Rally

Display of cars through the ages.



Art Exhibition and Stalls - St. Andrews Church, St. Andrews Street

An exhibition by local art clubs and solo artists. Features display of paintings, photography and poetry that reflect the heritage and history of Droitwich Spa.

10am – 3pm



Sunday 5 May

St. Richard's Cycle Festival



'On Your Bike' activities

Sunday 5 May Vines Park 11am - 4pm

- Ride an Olympic WattBike and become an athlete for a day
- Family fun quiz cycle ride along the historic canals
- Dr Bike fix-a-fault sessions & bike checks
- Think electric and try the latest bikes
- Rollapalooza and Race a Mate
- Pedal powered smoothies
- Join a ride or race club
- Cycle challenge
- What's On Next
- Bikeability
- Canoe2You
- Healthy You
- ArtAttack



Cycle goodie
bag prizes! 

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Monday 6 May

Vines Park

10am – 4pm

Live music and activities in the marquee 10am – 5pm

10.00am Children's art workshop, puppets and story telling

1.15pm Boaty Folk

2.00pm The Rambling Jacks/Boaty Folk

St Richard's Fayre

Drudion Medieval Camp

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Appellation dancers

Dancing by St. Richard's statue

11.00am & 12.00pm

Animal rescue zone

- Display of farm and rescue animals
- Animal charity stalls

Other activities

- Stalls and activities
- Face painting
- Event catering
- Pig roast
- Canal boat trips on the Pamela May*
10am - 4pm

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Boating Festival

- Display of canal boats
- Static engines
- Duck race **3pm**
- Real ale bar **12 - 5pm**



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Places to eat and drink

Droitwich Spa offers a good range of places to eat and drink, ranging from pubs to coffee shops, takeaways and sandwich bars. There is event catering in Vines Park and High Street and the Parish Centre in St. Andrews Street is serving light refreshments. Throughout the town you will find sandwiches, fish and chips, pizza, savoury snacks, ice cream, cakes, pub meals and hot and cold drinks. Just wander and see what takes your fancy!



Thanks to all exhibitors and partners involved with the event and to Bourne Decorators for their assistance

Programme correct at time of print and might be subject to change

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