

Calderdale News & Events

*The newsletter for older people & their families & friends
from CALDERDALE FORUM 50 PLUS*



Welcome to Calderdale Forum 50 Plus's August 2025 Newsletter

Welcome to our AUGUST newsletter. With the start of the Summer school holidays Calderdale continues to host plenty of open days and carnivals as well as talks, walks and more. You can also find full details and a more complete range of events on our website's Big Calendar: www.calderdaleforum50plus.com/events-activities/

WHAT'S ON – AUGUST 2025

7 August: The Mayor of Todmorden's Charity Quiz Night. For 2025 it is in aid of Todmorden Age Concern and Tod Support. 7.30pm at The Beer Necessities in Water Street with Quiz Master Neil Lavery.

9 August: Halifax Agricultural Show The Halifax Agricultural Show is the largest of its kind in the local region and offers something for everyone. Venue is Savile Park, Halifax, HX1 3EA and runs 9am – 5pm. Tickets can be bought on the day or in advance at £12 for adults, £8 for children 5-16 and pensioners.

10 August: Halifax Model Railway Club Open Day

A great day out for all the family, the event features fourteen layouts, a trade stand and Bring and Buy Stall. 10am to 4pm at 2-4 Deal Street Halifax HX1 1QE including refreshments/lunch available to buy.

16 August: Celebrate 80 years since VJ (Victory over Japan) Day with a 1940s festival at Bankfield Museum. The day includes a host of activities including WW2 military displays, 1940s re-enactors, live music from the 1940s, dance workshops, a fashion show, assault course and more. 10am to 3pm.

22-25 August: Brighouse Charity Jigsaw Festival. Up to 400 new and pre-owned puzzles will be on display at any time. St. Martin's Church, Church Lane, Brighouse HD6 1AT. Friday to Monday, 10am to 5pm except Sunday 12pm to 5pm.

23-30 August: Hebden Bridge Camera Club Annual Exhibition. A showcase for the work of their members, open 10am-4pm from Saturday 23rd August to Saturday 30th August (closed on Sunday). A wide variety of images, demonstrating different photography styles and techniques.

29 August: The Later Listers of Shibden Hall, a history talk with David Glover. Find out more about the little-known history of the later Lister family from 1854-1933, at this talk with David Glover. 6.45pm at St. Anne's Church, Southowram.

31 August: Brighouse & Rastrick Band at the Victoria Theatre. Tickets £19.25. Concert runs from 3 to 5pm.

2 September: Brighouse Third Age Registration Day. A chance to find out more about Brighouse Third Age and sign up for membership. 10am to 12pm at the Mashinter Hall at the Waring Green Community Centre, Brighouse HD6 2AX

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NEWS JUNE 2025

New Committee Members for Calderdale Forum 50 Plus

Are you aged over 50 with a few spare hours each month and interested in local issues which affect the lives of older people in Calderdale? We are looking for two new members for our committee which meets bi-monthly. **To find out more contact Julie on info@calderdaleforum50plus.com**

Age Friendly Calderdale: Grants available for International Day of Older Persons

If you belong to a voluntary/community group you could apply for a small grant to run an event for older people. Calderdale Council is looking for groups to get creative and use the small grants (of up to £400) to host an activity or event that really encourages people aged 50 plus to come together and do something new. **More info on our website – search Age Friendly Calderdale**

In Touch: Our Directory of 50 plus-friendly groups, clubs and activities

We have updated the "In Touch" section of our website, where you can easily search over 200 age-friendly Activities, Groups and Clubs across Calderdale by area or by interest. These are regular activities, weekly, bi-weekly or monthly, which are open to all and easy to access and enjoy.

Yorkshire Water hosepipe ban now in place

With hosepipe restrictions now in place across Yorkshire, activities such as watering the garden or washing cars, patios etc. using a hosepipe is banned. However if you have registered for Yorkshire Water's Priority Services Register, the ban does not apply. **You can find out how to register and if you are eligible by calling 0800 1 387878.**

Tree Planting in Calderdale

Calderdale could see 2,500 more hectares of trees and woodland, thanks to a new tree planting and management plan for North and West Yorkshire. Calderdale Council is being asked to support the White Rose Forest Strategic Plan (2025-50), as one of the partner organisations helping to deliver the work. In Calderdale, there are plans to increase tree and woodland cover from 10% to 17% by 2050, including more tree planting on streets and in urban areas.

Gentleman Jack costumes back on display at Shibden Hall

Back due to popular demand, a new selection of costumes from the TV series Gentleman Jack, designed and made by costume designer Tom Pye and his team will be back on display at Shibden Hall until Sunday 7 September 2025.

Fit20 Blog: Sceptical? So were we!

It's natural to have doubts about the effectiveness of a 20-minute workout. At fit20, we've optimised our training method to deliver maximum results in minimal time. fit20 is a safe form of High Intensity Training. It requires an intensive effort in a short space of time and research proves that this kind of intense training requires just 20 minutes per week to be effective. Call 01422 412222 to book a free demonstration.

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