

# THE BIG CHEESE FESTIVAL GUIDE 2019

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## The BIG CHEESE Festival

Friday 26th July: 3pm – 10pm

Saturday 27th July: 10am – 9pm

Sunday 28th July: 10am – 8pm

**FREE ENTRY** to Caerphilly Castle (Sat & Sun only)

**The Big Cheese Race Friday 26th July @ 6:30pm**

followed by a spectacular fireworks display above Caerphilly Castle at 10pm

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# Welcome to The Big Cheese 2019!

It's no exaggeration to say that Caerphilly has one of the most iconic Castles in Europe, and we are very proud of it. What better way to celebrate our 751 year old medieval Castle by opening its doors and welcoming the 22nd annual Big Cheese Festival. Over the weekend visitors can enjoy a refreshed layout, the introduction of an enticing range of street food and live music lounge style marquees with bars provided by local drink producers.

The festival is wrapped around Caerphilly Castle and brings it to life with Medieval re-enactment camps and battles, art, craft and retail stalls and three huge food halls. Not forgetting the star of the show – a dedicated cheese market with ten cheese producers.

Caerphilly Tourism Association have produced this guide and its members recognise the important role festivals and events play in the cultural life of the borough.

As an active member, Llechwen Hall Hotel is delighted to sponsor The Big Cheese Festival Guide 2019. As a dedicated supporter of the local community, and with a passion for celebrating Welsh food producers and suppliers, they're proud to be part of this exciting festival and to support Caerphilly Tourism Association.



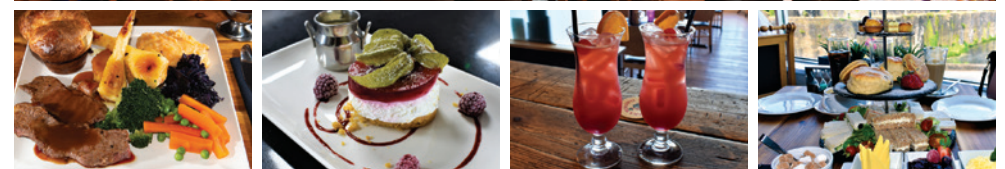
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- ▶ The Wonky Kitchen
- ▶ Ultimate Fudge Outlet
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### Liquid Refreshment – enjoy a tippie from these fantastic bars!

- ▶ Hallets Cider
- ▶ Handcrafted Horsebox
- ▶ Severn Events
- ▶ Vantage Point Events

### Delicious Street Food & Drink Vendors

- ▶ Bryn Farm BBQ
- ▶ Caterico
- ▶ Dinky Donuts
- ▶ Ele's Little Kitchen
- ▶ Fablas Ice Cream Ltd
- ▶ Flamin' Rooster BBQ
- ▶ Gourmet Farm
- ▶ Hughes Fresh Fruit Ltd
- ▶ Llanfaes Dairy Ice Cream
- ▶ Modo Italian
- ▶ Signore Twister
- ▶ Simply Cakes & Coffee
- ▶ Snowycones
- ▶ Sub Zero Ice Cream
- ▶ Taste of Persia
- ▶ The Giggly Pig Company
- ▶ Uncommon Ground Roasting Co



## Stalls

Craft Folk have over 25 distinctive stalls offering a wide selection of original arts and crafts, just look out for the red and white stripe stalls!

- ▶ Air Tatts
- ▶ Balloons 4 U
- ▶ Bullies Out
- ▶ Caerphilly Council of Churches
- ▶ Caerphilly Station Chiropractic Centre & Blackwood Chiropractic Centre
- ▶ Caerphilly Tourism Association
- ▶ Cardiff Pain & Performance Clinic
- ▶ CATS Protection
- ▶ Charity Link O.B.O Dogs Trust
- ▶ Charles Taylor
- ▶ Chris Noonan
- ▶ Coleg Gwent
- ▶ Coleg y Cymoedd
- ▶ Costco Wholesale Ltd
- ▶ Creation Station Caerphilly
- ▶ Cwmcarn Forest
- ▶ Deb's Face Painting
- ▶ Dunraven Windows
- ▶ Edwards Coach Holidays
- ▶ Falconry UK
- ▶ Flint and Flame
- ▶ Four Paws Animal Rescue South Wales
- ▶ Freemasonry in the Community
- ▶ Gwen Davies Art & Henna
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- ▶ Psychic Hare
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- ▶ Rush Organics
- ▶ Shaunnah's Sew Crafty
- ▶ Shining Stars
- ▶ Simply Christmas Ltd
- ▶ South Wales Fire & Rescue Service
- ▶ Slime Box UK
- ▶ Steve's Engraving
- ▶ Swimkidz Wales
- ▶ Tenovus Cancer Care
- ▶ The 1 in 500
- ▶ The 11th Hour Jewellery
- ▶ The Royal British Legion
- ▶ The Wallich
- ▶ The Woodland Trust
- ▶ Ty Hafan
- ▶ Utility Warehouse
- ▶ Velindre Cancer Centre
- ▶ Welsh Cycling

## Living History Village - Caerphilly Castle

### The Vikings – Blaeddau Du

Be transported to c950 when the hiberno Norse Vikings who fought for the Welsh King in South Wales were settled in our land. Be enthralled by live combat displays as well as living history displays, cooks and many different crafts from the period, all 100% authentic.

**The Freeman of Gwent** portray the period 1350- 1420 when King Edward III was monarch. Wander through the middle age encampment and see life as it was in the late 14th and early 15th Century.

**Kitch n Synch** are all things vintage, retro and wonderfully absurd! This vibrant dance theatre fuse different dance genres with unusual dance props and get the audience involved! They are truly infectious, quirky and entertaining walkabout performers.

## Living History Timetable

Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th July 2019 - Caerphilly Castle

Company	Area	11:30	11:45	12:30	13:15	14:00	14:45	15:30	16:15	17:00
Freemen of Gwent	Encampment Arena	x		x			x			x
Kitsch n Synch	Walkabout Performances		x		x		x		x	
The Vikings	Encampment Arena		x			x		x		x





# SITE MAP

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## KEY

- ZONE 1: Castle Area**  
Re-enactment Displays  
Great Hall Entertainment Programme
- ZONE 2: Picnic & Chill Out Area**  
A: Donkey Rides
- ZONE 3: Picnic & Chill Out Area**  
B: South Wales Fire Service & Gwent Police Displays
- ZONE 4: Main Site**  
C: Cheese Market & Caerphilly Tourism Association  
D: Ron Skinner & Sons  
E: Falconry UK, Coleg Y Cymoedd, JCP Solicitors, Air Brush Tattoos  
F: Food Hall 3  
G: Food Hall 2  
H: Food Hall 1  
I: Charles Taylor Furniture  
J: Charity & Craft Stalls  
K: Cookery Demonstration Kitchen  
L: Charity & Craft Stalls  
M: Craft Folk Genuine Craft Stalls
- ZONE 5: The Live Lounge**  
N: The Big Beach  
O: Face Painting & Mini Golf  
P: Acoustic Music Stage & Dome Tents
- ZONE 6: Funfair Site**
- ZONE 7: Picnic & Chill Out Area**
- ZONE 8: Caerphilly Town Centre**
- EC** Event Control, Lost Children, Baby Change, Breastfeeding, Lost Property  
**EV** Emergency Vehicles  
**T** Toilets, Disabled Toilets, Baby Changing  
**CP** Concession Parking  
**HQ** Steward and First Aid Headquarters  
● Food & Drink Concessions  
⚡ Site & Funfair Exits  
⚡ Public First Aid

## Festival Car Parks

10am – 8pm Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th July

**St Cenydd School Park & Ride** .....£5 per car  
**Bedwas High School Park & Ride** ....£5 per car  
**Y Gwyndy Park & Walk** .....£5 per car

### Facilities

Toilets are located at both ends of the site, including disabled access toilets. A lost children tent is located on site with baby changing and feeding facilities. More information can be found on our website [bigcheese caerphilly.co.uk](http://bigcheese caerphilly.co.uk)

### Caerphilly Town Centre

Just a 5 minute walk from the Big Cheese site are shops, restaurants, cafes and public houses. Cash points are located on Cardiff Road with the closest being Natwest.

Castle Court shopping Centre has many high street retail names and a craft & food market taking place within the centre on Saturday 27th July. Also, on Saturday 27th July, even more local food & drink can be found at our resident Caerphilly Farmers' Market in Twyn Community Centre and additional craft stalls will be dotted around the Cenotaph area.

### Funfair

One of the biggest travelling funfairs in the country arrives in Caerphilly for The Big Cheese. With over 40 rides including some white knuckle rides not for the faint hearted!

Please note that no alcohol is permitted to be brought onto the event site. Alcohol will be confiscated and destroyed on entry by security staff, police or CCBC Community Safety Wardens.

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## Big Cheese Live Lounge

### Friday, 26th July

- 15:00-18:00 Shai (DJ)  
18:00-19:45 Richie Moulton (DJ)  
19:45-21:45 Scratch Master Slider (DJ)

### Saturday, 27th July

- 10:30-11:45 RecRock  
12:00-13:15 Frankie Wesson Duo  
13:35-14:50 Mansel Davies  
15:10-16:25 Tobias Robertson  
16:45-18:00 Lost Tuesday Society  
18:30-20:00 Bleedin' Noses

### Sunday, 28th July

- 12:00-13:00 Sarah Brown  
13:15-14:15 Andy & Gos  
14:30-15:15 The Erin Mac Quartet  
15:25-16:25 Ragsy  
16:40-17:25 The Bug Club  
17:40-18:40 The Apple Tree Theory  
19:00-20:00 Albino Frogs

## The Great Hall

### Saturday, 27th July

- 11:00-11:40 Tri Caer Sir, Community Choirs  
11:50-12:35 Caerphilly Ladies Choir  
12:45-13:30 Caerphilly Male Voice Choir  
13:40-14:10 &  
14:30-15:00 Aber Valley Male Voice Choir  
14:15-14:30 Wendy Jane  
15:10-15:55 Treble C  
16:05-16:35 Caerphilly Community Chorus

### Sunday, 28th July

- 11:00-11:45 Crosskeys Silver Band  
11:55-12:25 The Rock Choir  
12:35-13:05 The Melody Makers  
13:15-13:45 'More than a song' Community Choir  
13:55-14:40 Ragsy  
14:50-15:35 Shango & Chef  
15:45-16:15 Machen Academy of Dance & Drama

## Cookery Demonstrations

Presented by Stoves Cookery Theatre & supported by Food & Drink Wales

### Headline Chef – Tommy Heaney

Tommy Heaney's rave reviews led him to appear on The Great British Menu in 2017. His exciting culinary journey developed in America then continued in 'Restaurant Tommy Heaney' at The Great House in Bridgend where he used his creative freedom to develop his own menus. Tommy opened his eponymous restaurant, 'Heaney's' last October in Cardiff.

### Home Cook - Katie Davies

A quarter finalist on Britain's Best Home Cook, and the only Welsh contestant, Katie is a passionate home cook, with a flare for combining unusual ingredients. Katie surprised and wowed the judges with her creativity and palate whenever she cooked.

### Simon Brown – Compere

Simon is a well renowned cookery event compere and demonstration chef and has worked with Mary Berry, Raymond Blanc, The Hairy Bikers and James Martin.

### Saturday 27th July

- 12pm – 12.30pm Simon Brown  
1pm – 1.30pm Tommy Heaney  
2pm – 2.30pm Simon Brown  
3pm – 3.30pm Tommy Heaney  
4pm – 4.30pm Simon Brown  
5pm – 5.30pm Tommy Heaney

### Sunday 28th July

- 12pm – 12.30pm Simon Brown  
1pm – 1.30pm Katie Davies  
2pm – 2.30pm Simon Brown  
3pm – 3.30pm Katie Davies  
4pm – 4.30pm Simon Brown  
5pm – 5.30pm Katie Davies



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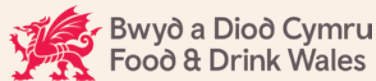
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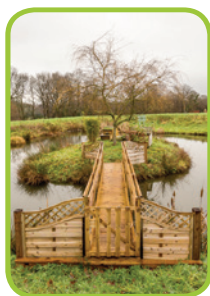
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