



A seasonal celebration of environment, food, culture and Tring.

**"Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple tree."**

Martin Luther 1483-1546

## Reasons to be cheerful, Pt. 3



Following in the spirit of a former Tring resident, why should orchards give us reasons to be cheerful? With Climate Change looming, Nature's 'Ecosystem Services'\* are increasingly recognised as the planet's life-support. Orchards can help by contributing to:

**Air:** Vegetation filters pollutants; **Pollination:** Blossom supports pollinators; **Pest control:** Habitat for wasps, birds and hedgehogs; **Soils:** Natural soils support nutrient-recycling biota; **Water:** Regulate water quality by reducing soil erosion; **Carbon:** Trees and soils store carbon and leaves emit oxygen; **Climate:** Regulate local temperature, humidity and water; **Flooding:** Trees slow run-off and draw water up; **Health and Well-Being:** Can affect immune systems, allergies and spirituality; **Food:** Fruit provides fresh, local, seasonal produce; **Biodiversity:** Distinctive wildlife including lichens, beetles and moths; **Culture:** Enriching landscapes to relax and celebrate. Wassail!

That's twelve reasons to be cheerful! However, Orchards East has shown a regional decline in farmhouse orchards of over 80% since 1900\*\*. We need to conserve, support and celebrate the special orchards we have left – and plant lots more! Whilst Ian Dury suggested a few more reasons, DON'T just get back into bed – come along and see what the 2022 Apple Fayre has to offer to promote a more sustainable future!

**Thank you & enjoy! Martin Hicks**

\* Working with Nature, Environment Agency, July 2022

\*\*Prof. Tom Williamson, University of East Anglia, July 2022

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# What's on? . . . Lots!

## Fri 23rd Sept Mabon - Celebrate the Autumn Equinox



8pm-10pm · Jeacock's Orchard, Cow Lane, HP23 5NS · with New Moon Morris · **Free!**

Ritual showing respect to the fruit of the earth & changing seasons with NMM's very own Druid.

## Sat 1st Oct— Sat 22nd Oct Appleachian Trail



Tring High Street, Frogmore Street & Dolphin Square · **Free download!**

While shopping or strolling down the High Street, have a look in the shop windows and see whether you can find any clues illustrating interesting facts and myths about apples. Download the trail map for printing here [https://bit.ly/TOAF22\\_AppleTrail](https://bit.ly/TOAF22_AppleTrail) With thanks to all taking part and to Anne Chatterley for bringing the trail to life!



## Sun 2nd Oct Scrumptious! Apple Day

Event incl. British food & its producers!



10am – 4pm · Jeacock's Orchard, Cow Lane, HP23 5NS · **Free! Donations welcome.**



Come along to the Apple Day at Tring's historic WWI smallholding orchard. Purchase heritage apples from Cam Valley Orchards and bring your unknown apples for expert ID by Anna Baldwin. Support local produce stalls, get involved with apple pressing, see fantastic craft stalls, including spinning, weaving, and wood turning. There will also be fruit tree sales, wildlife displays and live moth identification, nature notes, music, storytelling and nature activities, local charity stalls, live plays and puppet show, games, maypole 'dancing' and light refreshments. Please walk if possible. The ground is very bumpy (ant hills) but if dry, suitable for wheelchairs.

## Mon 3rd Oct— Mon 10th Oct Bee friendly Tring!



Tring Library, High Street · **Free!**

A photographic display celebrating Tring's Bee Friendly Town award. Come and find out how you can help keep Tring buzzing! Organised by the Justice and Peace Group.



## Weds 5th & 12th Oct Tots! What can you do with scraggly giggles?!



9.30am – 11.30am · High Street Baptist Church · **Free!**

Find out what a scaggly giggle is! Indoor fun for toddlers with toys, activities and lots of apple-themed crafts! Plus, local apple juice for sale. Just come along, there is no need to book.



## Fri 7th & 14th Oct Books in the Woods – Apples at Ashridge



10.30am · Ashridge Woods · Suitable for children 0-5 with their parents/carers · £3

Community outdoor playgroup with stories, nature and child-led play at the heart of their weekly sessions featuring two appley books each, '**T-Veg**' by Smriti Prasadam-Halls & '**Very Helpful Hedgehog**' by Rosie Wellesley (7th Oct); and '**The Little Green Hen**' by Alison Murray & '**You're Snug With Me**' by Chitra Soundar (14th Oct). Tickets from <https://bookwhen.com/bitw63>



# What's on

## Sat 8th Oct Pippin Parade & Tring Farmers' Market



**9am - 1pm · Tring Farmers' Market · Market Place, Brook Street and**

**10.30am – 11am · High Street Apple Cart Procession · Free!**

Line the streets for the Apple Fayre procession from the King's Arms (thanks Rob!) to the Market Place, Brook Street. Follow the Apple Cart decorated by Magnolia, Tring's Own Apple Man, Morris dancers, musicians, maypole, scarecrows and Apple Wagon in honour of our rural heritage.



Then stay for the Farmers' Market (est. 1999) and support local produce with a special fruity flavour. Activities include Morris dancing and apple pressing—you can even bring your own apples and a bottle for juicing! There will be Tring's own plague of frogs and other fun games, a maypole and crafts; plus, the judging of the 'Scarecrow in a Barrow' competition.



**Join the animal-themed 'Scarecrow in a Barrow' Competition!**

**10.15am · Meet at Temperance Hall, Christchurch Road ready for the procession at 10.30am · Free!**

Join the fun and enter your 'Scarenimal' in the competition! All entries will be part of the Pippin Parade and a proud winner is crowned afterwards! To join, please email Jo via [jo.L.jameson@googlemail.com](mailto:jo.L.jameson@googlemail.com) with your details and the name of your 'Scarenimal'.



## Sat 8th Oct Mynstralls and their Myrth of Game



**Afternoon · The Robin Hood Pub · Free!**

Acoustic music session led by local mynstralls keeping themselves and everybody else awake. 'We'll eat and we'll drink, we'll laugh joke and sing...' A great way to end the morning's dancing with more tunes and general musical mayhem from morris sides. With thanks to Terry & Stuart!


## Sun 9th Oct Comfort me with Apples! Harvest Festival



**10am-11am · St Peter & St Paul Church · Suitable for all ages · Free!**

Celebration of harvest provides an ancient, spiritual dimension to the seasons and our countryside. Listen to the Apple 'Peel' of bells, help create a Tapestry of Apples and contribute to the family Act of Worship with the choir, music, readings and seasonal refreshments. Bring an apple (ideally red or green) and place it on the mosaic to celebrate and scent the Harvest Festival. The Apple mosaic will be left in the Church all day Sunday and the apples are then used for apple pressing displays. Food bank donations are welcome but please check [www.tringteamparish.org.uk](http://www.tringteamparish.org.uk) for requirements.





## Sun 9th Oct Dig (or no dig) for Britain! Well, Tring at least ...



**10am-12noon · Duckmore Lane allotments, junction with Aylesbury Rd, HP23 6JP · Free!**

Come along to Tring in Transition's Community Garden and see what we're doing there! We are having our regular gardening session (every 2nd Sunday of the month). If you would like to help, please bring a hot/cold drink, gloves and a gardening tool of your choice. We also have spare tools at the garden.



## Sun 9th Oct Flour Power! Ford End Water Mill



**Admission 2pm – 4.30pm · Milling 2.30pm – 4.30pm · Water Levels Permitting  
Station Rd, Ivinghoe, Bucks LU7 9EA · Adults £3 / Children (5-15) £1 / Under 5's go free**

Special milling demonstration at the only historic working water mill in the Chilterns. If you have a special pack of wheat seeds, bring them along during milling time and see how they are turned into flour using only natural water power. Sustainability in Action – assuming the water levels are sufficient!



## Thurs 13th & 27th Oct Puddingstone Distillery Tour



**8pm – 10pm · Unit 1 Artisan Workshop, Lower Icknield Way, Wilstone, Tring  
HP23 4NT · Booking required £20pp+booking fee · Suitable for over 18s only**

Join Ben and Kate Marston for an insight into the history of gin, Puddingstone Distillery and how the award-winning Campfire Gin is made. The tour includes two gin cocktails, gin samples and a branded glass to take home. This autumn it is hoped to trial some heritage apple varieties as one of the botanicals for a new gin to be launched in 2023! See [puddingstonedistillery.com](http://puddingstonedistillery.com) or contact 01442 502033. Don't drink and pick apples.



## Sat 15th Oct Creative Art Alert! All Things Bright and Beautiful



**10am – 4pm · Memorial Garden · Free!**

An interactive art installation is coming to Tring! Come and join James Brunt, Creative Earth Artist, and help create a unique community land art installation in the Memorial Garden. Bring an apple and see where it can be added! Organised by courtesy of High St Baptist Church. To see some of James's fantastic work, visit [www.jamesbruntartist.co.uk](http://www.jamesbruntartist.co.uk)



## Sat 15th Oct Bin it? No way! Tring Repair Cafe



**10.30am – 1pm · High Street Baptist Church · [info@tringrepaircafe.uk](mailto:info@tringrepaircafe.uk) · Free!**

Community of local volunteers with the skills to fix & repair things that would otherwise end up in landfill. Held every 3rd Saturday of the month and brought to you by Tring in Transition with the support of Dacorum Borough Council. See if you too can prevent a little waste.

# What's on

## Sun 16th Oct Wood works! Hertswood Spoon Carving Workshop



11am–3pm · Jeacock's Orchard, Cow Lane, HP23 5NS · £55 (incl. Apple Fayre donation)

This wood carving course will be held outside under cover. Please bring your own lunch but soup & tea will be provided. Spaces are limited and not suitable for u18s. Book online via <https://www.hertswood.org/product-page/spoon-carving-workshops> or contact Jonah Maddox email [hello@hertswood.org](mailto:hello@hertswood.org) / 07896410132.



## Thurs 20th Oct Talk! Rural Herts – Legacy or Lifeline?



8pm · High Street Baptist Church · Campaign for the Protection of Rural England · **Free!**

Talk by Elizabeth Hamilton of Hertfordshire CPRE. Find out why rural Herts is not simply a historic legacy, but a lifeline for the future. How can we best protect it despite the current pressures on it? From food to biodiversity, landscapes, water conservation and health & well-being, find out what CPRE are doing to help. There will be time for discussion afterwards.

## Sat 22nd Oct Feast! Apple Bake Off & Tring Farmers' Market



9am-1pm · Tring Farmers' Market · Market Place, Brook Street

10am · Apple Bake Off Competition · Market Place, Brook Street · **Free!**

Let's bake for Tring's Own Apple Bake-Off! There is no proposed recipe, but judges must taste the **apple & cinnamon** in your choice of bake, such as cupcake, tray-bake, flan or sponge.

Free entry for three classes: **up to 7 years, 8-15 years and 16+ years.**

Bring your bakes to the Farmers' Market by 10am to be judged by **Steven Carter-Bailey** (BBC Bake-Off finalist), **Andy Sawyer** (PAMS) and **Betsabe** (Bacanas Argentinian Food). There are great prizes for the winners and runners up! To enter, email your name and class by Friday 14th October to [enquiries@tringfarmersmarket.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@tringfarmersmarket.co.uk). Let your imagination and flour run free!



There will also be a **special straw plaiting demonstration** at the Local History Museum by Heather Beeson. This was a major cottage industry and money earner locally for poorer rural families during the 19th century, with mainly women and children plaiting lengths of straw for sale to the bonnet making factories in nearby Luton. There will also be **facepainting, special storytelling** by Wild Kites Forest School, **games**, as well as the **Mynstrall's merrie musicke**.

## Sat 22nd Oct Walk! Discover the History of Tring Market Town



2pm-4pm · Meet at the Local History Museum, Brook Street · **Free! Donation welcome.**

Guided heritage walk around the town's historic centre with an emphasis on its heritage of food and drink led by local historian and expert Tim Amsden. There will be some uneven pavements, and this walk is unsuitable for young children or dogs.





## Sat 22nd Oct Waggle dance ceilidh! In support of



**8pm-11pm · Nora Grace Hall, Faversham Close, HP23 5BA · Adults £12 / u18 £6**

Waggle what you can to celebrate Tring's Bee Town Status and support DENS. Helping us dance the night away will be local band Pickled Tink. Teas, coffees, soft drinks & nibbles will be provided but please bring your own drink or food if required. Bee costumes are optional. To ensure you have enough space to waggle, book via <https://bit.ly/TOAF22WaggleDance> Unsold tickets on the door.



## Sun 23rd Oct Walk! Discover the History of Tring Park



**2pm-4pm · Meet at the Natural History Museum, Park Street · Free! Donations welcome.**

Guided heritage walk around Tring Park led by local historian and expert Tim Amsden. There will be rough, steep ground, and this walk is unsuitable for young children or dogs.

## Fri 28th Oct Biodiversity in a Bottle



**10am-4pm · Meet at the Natural History Museum, Park Street · Free!**

Have a go at making freshly squeezed apple juice the traditional way and sample the fruits of your labour, plus see fruity displays on the biodiversity orchards can support.

## Sun 30th Sundown & Summers' End with New Moon Morris



**4pm · Pitstone Hill · Weather Permitting · Free!**

Enjoy a spectacular sunset and celebrate the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, which marks the end of summer and the oncoming of winter, with a seasonal last dance at sundown.

## Mon 31st Oct Soulin' for Halloween



**8pm · Robin Hood Pub · Free!**

Music session to celebrate All Hallows Eve, cakes, fruit, livestock, men and maidens, beer and begging. Clearly within the folk canon. With thanks to Terry & Stuart!



## All October & November Tring's Own Apple Juice!



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## Sun 11th Dec A cut above! Fruit Tree Pruning Course



**10am-4pm · Jeacock's Orchard, Cow Lane, HP23 5NS · Book now, limited places · £45.00**

Everything you wanted to know about pruning fruit trees but were too afraid to cut... Popular pruning course teaching the basics of pruning mature and younger trees from orchard expert Anna Baldwin (National & Regional Orchard Forums). Course fee includes light refreshments and famous soup! Book with Martin Hicks [martin.hicks61@gmail.com](mailto:martin.hicks61@gmail.com) or 01442 823188.



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