The Rossendale 60’s Festival
8th, 9th and 10th September 2017
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The Rossendale 60’s Festival – The Story So far

The Rossendale 60’s Festival is now in its fifth year and has established itself as the premier valley-wide event in Rossendale. Its current Chair Barry Hyde founded the Festival in 2013 as an initiative that would provide a theme that both businesses and the community would buy into. It was seen as a Festival that supported a number of individual events that adopted the 60’s theme but the interpretation was left to each event organising group. The first year did attract a significant number of groups and businesses, and was seen to have great potential going forward. Pete Sweetmore joined Barry in 2014 to provide further capacity to discuss and engage with businesses and community groups with a view to developing further events and highlight the opportunities for all to benefit. The Festival Organising Group, now a constituted group of members, has coordinated and promoted the Festival and has succeeded in developing the Festival to where it is now. The organisers have always seen the Rossendale 60’s Festival as distinctive in a number of ways.

• It has always encouraged the Rossendale community and businesses to get involved and engage with the Festival and benefit from all of the opportunities presented to them as a consequence of the success of the Festival
• From its conception, the Festival has always been envisaged as a Valley wide event, encompassing all that is synonymous with the 60’s era
• Putting Rossendale on the map as a preferred tourism destination

The Rossendale 60’s Festival 2017 has increased both in size and diversity, while maintaining the quality of the events which the organisers have developed over the past four years, and has added a number of new events and venues across the Valley

The Rossendale 60’s Festival 2016 has been recognised by the Northern Soul Awards Judging panel as one of the best Festivals in the Northwest and shortlisted the Festival in the ‘Music Festival of the Year’ category of this years Northern Soul Awards.
THE ROSSENDALE 60’S FESTIVAL 2017
PROGRAMME OF EVENTS:

Dust off your flairs, shorten your skirts and prepare yourself for a fab and groovy weekend of music, art and culture that will take you back to the swinging 60’s era. There’s lots happening to get excited about throughout the Rossendale valley.

Friday 8th September

- The Whitaker Museum and Art Gallery in Rawtenstall will be holding an exhibition which will open on 2nd September and run until 1st October. It is an exhibition entitled "Just Above the Mantelpiece" that celebrates the mass produced art that began to decorate 1000’s of homes on both sides of the Atlantic from the late 50’s and 60’s including artists such as Vladimir Tretchikoff and Margaret Keane. A number of works have been loaned by Designer Wayne Hemingway.

- From 6.30pm onwards, specialist 60’s psychedelic soul DJ will be spinning his vinyl and local duo Liam and Sarah will be playing a live 60’s classic set

- Artisan in Rawtenstall will be hosting an evening with popular band ‘The Thundercats’

- The Crawshawbooth Community Association will be hosting a dinner at Crawshawbooth Village Centre themed around the Beatles song "With a Little Help from My Friends". There will be a Sixties menu, a guest speaker, more entertainment and an exhibition of art specially created for the 60’s Festival

- The Popular Shop Window Dressing Competition will be held again, and all shops in the Valley have been invited to dress their windows in a 60’s theme. The windows will be independently judged over the weekend
• **The East Lancashire Railway** will be theming their station in Rawtenstall in 60’s style, providing 60’s music on the trains and running their ‘Ales on the Rails’ event alongside the Festival

• **The Horse & Bamboo Theatre** in Waterfoot is pleased to present international singer/songwriter **Grace Petrie**, who will be performing a programme of songs at **8.00pm**. Tickets from only £10/£8 get yours now at [www.horseandbamboo.org](http://www.horseandbamboo.org)

• **The Crown Inn Bacup** will be hosting the brilliant award winning vocalist **Peter May** who will be entertaining you with your favourite 60’s hits from **8.45pm**

• **Rawtenstall Conservative Club** is having an evening of 60’s Karaoke, Fancy Dress and Buffet

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**Saturday 9th September**

• The Popular 60’s themed Shop Window dressing Competition entries will be on display over the weekend, so look out for the 60’s shop window displays throughout the Valley

• The Whitaker will be staging their now famous ‘Whitstock’ music and culture event, which will continue the 60’s theme from **12.00 midday** onwards. Included will be:
  
  o There will be a display of classic Mini cars
  o Fancy dress ‘Make Love Not War’ tug of War
  o Music will be provided by:
    - 2.00pm - **The Nat O’Brien Band**, established Manchester musicians playing 60’s favourites
    - 4.00pm - Beatles tribute band **The Threetles**
    - **DJ #Psychedelic Soul** will again be spinning his Vinyl throughout the afternoon
  o **The Clog Market** will be providing delicious food and drink
  o 60’s wardrobe – get an instant 60’s makeover
  o 60’s related craft activities for the kids
• **The Duke of Buccleugh** in **Waterfoot** will feature **Johnny Haze** with optional 60’s dress code for the evening

• **Bacup Market** will be getting in the groove for the 60’s Festival with a **Bacup Bakeoff Competition**. Entries to be in by 10.00am for judging from 10.30am. £1 per entry going to Rossendale Responsible Animal Rescue

• The evening will see **The Crown Inn Bacup** hosting their Fancy Dress event with popular **DJ Shortie** who will be staging his **Nanoscopic 60’s disco**. There will be a BBQ (weather permitting) and a free drink for all in 60’s fancy dress

• **Artisan** in **Rawtenstall** will be holding an ‘Open Mic’ session in the afternoon, with a 60’s inspired band and DJ in the evening

• **TESCO** in **Rawtenstall/Haslingden** and **ASDA** in **Rawtenstall** will be supporting the Festival with 60’s activities

• **New Kirk Fair**, which is an annual community event in **Newchurch Village**, will have a market with cake, book and bottle stalls, lots of kids activities and a heritage walk looking back at the history of Newchurch and looking at how it changed in the 60’s. **The Boars Head pub** will be hosting vocal harmony duo **Sorella**

• In the evening, **The Hare & Hounds** in **Stacksteads** is hosting a 60’s themed party with 60’s fancy dress, disco and Karaoke. Prizes for best male and female fancy dress.

• **The East Lancashire Railway** will be continuing the 60’s theme at their station in Rawtenstall, providing 60’s music on the trains and running their ‘**Ales on the Rails**’ event alongside the Festival

**Sunday 10th September**

• **Bacup Cricket Club** will again be hosting ‘**Scoot Rossendale**’, an event that has been organised specifically for the scooter fraternity in mind. Entry is just £2 including raffle entry. Included this year will be:
• **The Boo Theatre** in Waterfoot will be repeating their very popular ‘Baby Boogie’ experience. Think psychedelic fashion, flower power and rock and roll! Go along for an afternoon of disco fun with your babies and toddlers. With plenty of opportunity to dance, interact and play, it’s sure to be the grooviest event of the year for you and your little ones. £6 Adult £4 Concession £2 Under 2's..Ages: 0-4 years. From 2.00 – 4.00pm

• **The Crown Inn Bacup** - will be hosting the return of Elvis Presley aka Andy Brown who will be rocking the Crown from 5.45pm

• **The Artisan** in Rawtenstall will be hosting a DJ spinning genuine 60’s vinyl along with a further 60’s inspired band

• **The East Lancashire Railway** will be continuing the 60’s theme at their station in Rawtenstall, providing 60’s music on the trains and running their ‘**Ales on the Rails**’ event alongside the Festival.

• **A Display of Classic Mini Cars** on the forecourt at J A Taylors adjacent to Rawtenstall Station

• **The Whitaker** will be hosting a book launch at 1.30pm from author Steve Millward who will also be giving a presentation based on his book ‘**Changing Times: Music and Politics in 1964**’. At 4.30pm, there will be a screening of the iconic 60’s film ‘**The Italian Job**’ with Italian food available on request

• **St Mary’s Chambers** is excited to announce that they are staging a **Northern Soul** music event featuring renowned **DJ Keiron ‘Woody’ Woodward** from 2.00pm
All the venues are easily accessible by car and public transport. Here are the addresses and postcodes, and for further information and event timings please contact the venue:

The Hare & Hounds - Newchurch Rd, OL13 0NB Tel: 01706 874522

Newchurch Village - Turnpike, BB4 9DU

Bacup Cricket Club – Greensnook Lane, OL13 9DF Tel: 01706 873286

Bacup Market - Union St, OL13 0AA

The Crown Inn - Greave Rd, Bacup OL13 9HQ Tel: 01706 873982

The Duke of Buccleugh - Bacup Rd, BB4 7HB Tel: 01706 211780

The Boo Theatre - Bacup Rd, BB4 7HB Tel: 01706 200241

Rawtenstall Con Club - Grange Crescent, BB4 7QT Tel: 07709 637221

The Artisan - 1 Brook Street, BB4 6AA Tel: 01706 21114

St Mary’s Chambers - Haslingden Rd, BB4 6QX Tel: 01706 223222

East Lancashire Railway Station - Bury Rd, BB4 6EH Tel: 0161 764 7790

J A Taylor (Ford) – Bury Road, BB4 6AG

The Whitaker Museum - Haslingden Rd, BB4 6RE Tel: 01706 260785

Crawshawbooth Village Centre - Adelaide St, BB4 8PW Tel: 01706 507167

ASDA – St Mary’s Way Rawtenstall

TESCO – Bocholt Way Rawtenstall

TESCO - Syke Street Haslingden
ENDORSEMENTS FOR THE FESTIVAL

Derek Quinn, guitarist with ‘Freddie and the Dreamers’, says “The Festival is my kind of music. It’s nice to see that people still appreciate the 60’s music that was a new generation of music. As soon as The Beatles released “Love me do “ in 1962 the whole music scene changed with an invasion of groups. Happy days. I wish you every success with the 60’s Festival ”

Eric Haydock, bass guitarist with ‘The Hollies’ says ” Wishing you all the best with the Festival“.

Chris Allen, Bassist/Guitarist and singer with the band ‘The Troggs’ says “Please support the fabulous Rossendale 60’s Festival this September”

The 60’s band The Searchers who say “We wish everyone involved in presenting The Rossendale 60’s Festival a huge success. It is so good to know people are keeping our kind of music alive”. Frank Allen, John McNally, Spencer James and Scott Ottawa – The Searchers”

60’s Superstar Helen Shapiro says “Thank you very much for telling me about the Rossendale 60s Festival. It sounds wonderful and I’m writing to wish you much success with this year’s event. I hope all goes well and that an enjoyable time will be had by all. All the very best!”

60’s Superstar Sandie Shaw has sent her best wishes for the Festival and says “Dear all in Rossendale, congratulations on your 5th Rossendale 60’s Festival. What an amazing thing to do. I really hope this one goes well for you all. Many thanks for keeping music alive! Sandie Shaw x”

For those who would like to stay the weekend, there is some excellent accommodation offered by Rural Rossendale. Check out their web site at http://www.ruralrossendale.co.uk