



# CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Windsor  
Eton & Ascot  
2018



*“Christmas isn’t just a day, it’s a  
frame of mind” - Valentine Davies,  
Miracle on 34th Street.*



## **Eton Christmas Lights Switch-on and Parade**

**Thursday 15 November from 5.30pm  
Jubilee Square**

Community carol service at Eton College Chapel followed by a parade through Eton High Street to the Jubilee square. For more information [www.etoncommunity.co.uk/events](http://www.etoncommunity.co.uk/events).

Organised by Eton Community Association and Windsor, Eton & Ascot Town Partnership.

## **Windsor Christmas Lights Switch-on and Lantern Procession**

**Saturday 17 November from 3pm  
Castle Hill**

Windsor Switch-on will have a truly festive feel live music, Christmas story telling by Once Upon a Bus and a children's lantern procession. Switch-on ceremony in front of Windsor Castle at 5.30pm with the cast from the Theatre Royal Windsor's Panto the Dick Whittington.

Sponsored by Shanly Trust in association with Windsor, Eton and Ascot Town Partnership.



## Windsor Castle Illuminations

17 November 2018 – 6 January 2019

Windsor Castle, Garter Tower

With kind permission from HM The Queen, Windsor Castles' Garter Tower will be illuminated a presentation featuring historical images from Windsor castle, members of the St Georges Chapel Choir and Christmas images designed by local school children from Windsor and Eton.

Organised by Windsor, Eton and Ascot Town Partnership.



## Windsor on Ice

17 November 2018 –

6 January 2019

Alexandra Gardens

Windsor on Ice Rink returns to Alexandra Gardens for 8 magical weeks of ice skating. Be one of the first to skate among the twinkling lights of one of Windsor's most enchanting winter experiences.

Visit [www.windsoronline.com/](http://www.windsoronline.com/) for more information.

## Christmas Grotto

17 November - 24 December 2018

Daniels

Santa is here this Christmas. A beautiful grotto awaits those that wish to visit from 10.30am – 4.30pm every Saturday and Sunday from 17 November. Plus every day leading up to Christmas from 17 December. Entry is £7 and includes a gift from Santa.

## Free ice skating for shoppers in Windsor & Eton

17 November - 24 December – 9.30am - 9pm

Alexandra Gardens

Anyone shopping or eating in the town can claim a free skating session\* at Windsor on Ice if they spend over £50 in any Windsor or Eton business.

Shopping and diners simply need to keep a hold of their receipts to claim. A perfect way to finish off a Christmas shopping visit in the town centre.

For more information, terms and conditions and tickets go to [windsoronline.com](http://windsoronline.com) or call 01753 743915.

## Late Night Shopping Event

13 November

Shops throughout the town will open late. The streets will be filled with festive market stalls, entertainers, brass bands and carol singers, all rounded off with the festive smell of mulled wine and hot chestnuts from 4pm.



## Santa's Dash – Windsor

**25 November from 9am -  
Windsor Town Centre**

Kick start your Christmas with this fab event and support your local children's hospice. Grab your family, friends, colleagues, even dogs and join us for this 5km festive fun run. Walk it, jog it, run it, skip it...it's just for fun!

To register go to  
[www.alexanderdevine.org](http://www.alexanderdevine.org) or call  
01628 822777

Organised by Alexander Devine  
Children's Hospice



## Christmas on the Green

**1 December from 4pm – 7pm  
Memorial Green, Datchet**

Join the residents of Datchet Village for their annual Christmas lights event where there will be community carols, food, drink and entertainment. For more information go to [www.datchetparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.datchetparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Organised by Datchet Parish Council

## Sunningdale Switch-on

**30 November  
5pm – 7pm**

For further information go to  
<https://sunningdale-pc.org.uk>

Organised by Sunningdale Parish  
Council



## Sunninghill Victorian Street Fayre

**18 November - from midday - 4pm  
Sunninghill High Street**

The popular Victorian Street Fayre will return to Sunninghill High Street. from midday to 4pm Sunninghill High Street will be lined with market stalls, selling all sorts of enticing goods, and children's fairground rides. Hot food and drink will be plentiful.

Organised by the Sunninghill and Ascot Parish Council



## Free Christmas car parking in Windsor and Eton Town Centre

Available after 4pm on the Christmas Lights Switch-on events in Windsor and Eton, then every Thursday between 6 - 20 Dec and Christmas Eve, every Sunday between 2 - 26 Dec, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day at the following council car parks\*

Alma Road, Alexandra Gardens, Romney Lock, Victoria Street, Eton Court, Meadow Lane and King Edward VII (Datchet Road). Coach Park - £2 flat rate charge for cars in the coach park between 10am and 4pm from 17 - 24 December.



**KEVIN CRUISE**  
WINDSOR'S CALAMITOUS COMIC

**ANNE HEGERTY**  
THE GOVERNESS FROM THE CHASE

**BASIL BRUSH**  
THE NATION'S FAVOURITE FOX

**MIKE READ**  
THE LEGENDARY DJ

**STEVEN BLAKELEY**  
WINDSOR'S DELIGHTFUL DAME

# DICK WHITTINGTON

HIGHGATE  
WINDSOR

**BASIL'S BACK WITH A BOOM!**

**FRI 23 NOV 18 - SUN 6 JAN 19**  
theatreroyalwindsor.co.uk . 01753 853888



## Living Advent Calendar

**1 – 24 December - various venues Windsor and Eton**

Now in its 6<sup>th</sup> successive season this family favourite has become a must for locals in the town centre. At 6.15pm promptly every evening there will be a 15 minute Christmas themed performance. There will be Christmas nibbles, drinks and the spirit of Christmas to celebrate at each event. For more information go to [www.windsor.gov.uk](http://www.windsor.gov.uk).

Organised by Windsor, Eton and Ascot Town Partnership

## Breakfast with Santa

**Between 1 - 24 December  
- Daniel from 9am  
Monday - Saturday and  
10.30am on Sundays.**

Breakfast this year will be held in the new Fogs restaurant, Tickets are £6 per adult or child. Included in price is a light selection of pastries and a tea, coffee or juice. Hot breakfast menu will also be available as usual Santa will be visiting from the beginning of the time slot. Every child will be given a gift as part of the experience.

To book or enquire about Breakfast with Santa, please call us on 01753 801000.



## Christmas Bricktacular

**1 & 2, 8 & 9, 15 - 23 December 2018  
Legoland Resort**

Experience the Ultimate LEGO® Christmas at the LEGOLAND® Windsor Resort. Wonder at the twinkling lights, snow dusted pine trees, and exciting seasonal festivities and see the Park as you have never seen it before... all with a sprinkling of LEGO magic. From £36 per person.

For more information visit [www.legoland.co.uk](http://www.legoland.co.uk).

# Windsor Yards Reindeer Parade

**1 December**

**Parade between 2pm – 2.30pm - Windsor Town Centre**

**Reindeer Gallery 2.30pm – 4pm - Windsor Yards Shopping Centre**

Where would Father Christmas be without his faithful reindeer?

The Reindeer Parade, starts at Windsor Castle, and finishes in Windsor Yards Shopping Centre. Follow the parade or watch as it passes by and get your photo taken with the reindeer and Father Christmas at the post-parade Reindeer Gallery in Windsor Yards Shopping Centre. You'll also get the chance to tell him what's on your Christmas List.

The reindeer are from the only free-ranging herd of reindeer in Britain and will be travelling from Cairngorms in Scotland. Their parades and appearances in the festive season help to fund their care through the rest of the year.

Organised and funded by Windsor, Eton and Ascot Town Partnership and Windsor Yards Shopping Centre.



## Carols on the Hill

**14 December - 6pm - Queen Victoria Statue Castle Hill**

Join the whole of Windsor on Castle Hill for the traditional service and programme of carols, along with The Band of The Household Cavalry, to celebrate Christmas in the heart of Windsor Town.

## Christmas Trees from the Crown Estate

**30 November - 22 December  
Crown Estate Windsor**

Purchase your Christmas tree along with freshly cut Holly and Mistletoe, gifts and games are available for sale in the heart of Windsor Forest. For full details go to [www.windsorgreatpark.co.uk/christmastrees](http://www.windsorgreatpark.co.uk/christmastrees).

## Christmas Racing

**21 & 22 December - Ascot**

This festive two-day finale offers the perfect opportunity to celebrate with family, friends or colleagues as the holidays begin in earnest.

Festive menus, winter cocktails, mulled wine, brass bands, complimentary mince pies and a spectacularly decorated Grandstand provide a perfect excuse to leave the office early. Hospitality Packages available. On the track, the jumps racing card offers competitive action as the build-up to March's Cheltenham Festival intensifies.

Go to [www.ascot.co.uk](http://www.ascot.co.uk) or call 0344 3463000.



## Christmas Cracker Weekend

22 & 23 December  
Windsor Royal Station

For more information go to  
[www.windsorroyalstation.co.uk](http://www.windsorroyalstation.co.uk).



# Living Advent Calendar Venues

1 - 24 December

At 6.15pm promptly every evening there will be a special 15 minute Christmas performance at the following venues:

Sat	1	Guildhall	Thu	13	Windsor Museum
Sun	2	Bills	Fri	14	Eton College Natural History Museum
Mon	3	The Harte and Garter Hotel and Spa	Sat	15	Sir Christopher Wren Hotel
Tue	4	Windsor on Ice	Sun	16	The Royal Windsor
Wed	5	Royal Collection Trust	Mon	17	Goldstein Legal
Thu	6	The Queen Charlotte	Tue	18	Windsor Library
Fri	7	Heritage Health Care Windsor (Cafe Rouge)	Wed	19	CSK ARCHITECTS
Sat	8	Waterstones Windsor	Thu	20	The Old Court
Sun	9	Busy Button's	Fri	21	Windsor Royal Shopping
Mon	10	Farrow & Ball	Sat	22	Holy Trinity Church
Tue	11	Ice Gallery	Sun	23	TBC
Wed	12	Le Creuset	Mon	24	Windsor Parish Church

All details featured in this programme were correct at the time of printing, but are subject to change without prior notification.



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