

what's on

in Cambridge

2026#13

Until Sunday 28 June

The L'Oreal Groupe French Film Festival Aotearoa, Tivoli Cinema, 32 Lake St. Go in the draw to win a trip to New Caledonia when you purchase a ticket to any Festival Film. Vive le cinema! For films/times/bookings see <https://www.tivolicinema.co.nz>

Saturday 20 June

Cambridge Farmers Market, Victoria Square, 8am-12pm.

NZFAA Indoor Regional Champs, Trinity St Pauls Hall, Bryce St, 8am-5pm. NZFAA Indoor Regionals - Waikato will be jointly hosted by River Glade and Lakeview Archers. information on NZFAA website <https://sites.google.com/view/nz-field-archery-association/events-calendar/indoor-series>

Sing Out Cambridge! Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 10am-4pm. A group singing workshop designed for people who love to sing. Julian and Laura are highly experienced song leaders; skilled at getting groups of people to learn different styles of songs quickly. For more information contact Julian at communitymusic@xtra.co.nz. Tickets: GA-Adult \$82.40; concession \$67.06. Tickets: <https://events.humanitix.com/sing-out-cambridge>

BYO e-Bike Tour, Takapoto Estate, 90 Finlay Rd, Maungatautari, 10am-12pm. Discover the beauty that lies beyond the equestrian and event areas. An e-Bike allows you to cover more ground with ease while immersing yourself in the natural surroundings. Cost \$45 (wine tastings optional and extra at the end of the tour). Includes tea/coffee and Volare scone for morning tea. Book: <https://www.takapoto.co.nz/garden-tours-bookings/p/20-june-2026>

Wine Tastings at the Cabana, Takapoto Estate, 90 Finlay Rd, 11am-4pm. Open Saturdays, no bookings required. The kitchen runs a short, considered menu: sourdough pizzas, small plates, and platters. Tastings from \$20pp. All wine tastings are redeemable with a three-bottle purchase. <https://www.takapoto.co.nz/wine-tastings-cabana>

Saturday 20 or Sunday 21 June

The Moa Hunter, Sanctuary Mountain Maungatautari, 99 Tari Rd, Pukeatua, 1pm-3pm. Guided by an expert mana whenua guide, this immersive tour invites visitors to walk in the footsteps of ancient Māori warriors, navigating the ngahere (native forest) through the lens of traditional bush lore and ancestral wisdom. It's a sensory journey of connection, discovery, and reverence. Mauriora – may the life force be with you. A complimentary Sanctuary Explorer Day Pass is included. Cost \$190 from <https://www.sanctuarymountain.co.nz/>

Sunday 21 June

7th Annual Winter Solstice Swim, Mighty River Domain Boat Ramp, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Lake Karapiro, 9am. Come for a laugh or a soak. All welcome. Contact Tash Couzner.

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Miniature Trains, Leamington Domain, Wordsworth St, 9.30am-12.15pm. Trains run 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month weather permitting. Rides \$2pp. Kids under 5 ride free with paying adult. Eftpos available. Covered shoes required. There is a permanent exhibition of model railways in the old bowling club alongside, open every weekend, 10am-12.30pm. Youngsters are encouraged to 'have a drive'. Gold coin donation. For updates: Cambridge Model Engineering Society Facebook. Secretarycmes@gmail.com, <https://www.cmes.org.nz>

Battle of the Schools Event Day, Grassroots Trust Velodrome, 15 Hanlin Rd. A high energy track cycling series that brings secondary and higher primary school students together for fast racing, team spirit, and plenty of noise from the side-lines. Riders race for their school across a range of events and categories, earning points and building momentum as the competition unfolds. <https://www.velodrome.nz/battle-of-the-schools/>

Mid-Winter Lantern Making, The Sculpture Park at Waitakaruru Arboretum, 207 Scotsman Valley Rd, Tauwhare, 3.30pm-5.30pm. Suitable for children 7 - 11yrs, all materials provided. Children create their own patterns or drawings before constructing the lanterns ready for an evening walk through the park and toasting marshmallows. Includes hot chocolate. Rug up and join us to celebrate winter! Cost \$35 per child (includes accompanying adult entry), additional siblings \$10ea: <https://www.sculpturepark.co.nz/events/winter-solstice-lantern-making-event>

Fire & Ice - Winter Solstice Sauna Special, Mighty River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Lake Karapiro, 5pm-6.30pm. The shortest day of 2026, come together to reflect and find light in the darkness. Aufgussmeister Emma will guide this practice with 3-4 rounds in the sauna, lake dips (optional), moving with the breath between hot and cold, and somatic awareness techniques, finishing off with Scandi inspired mulled cranberry. The sauna is heated to 85-95 degrees. Tickets: \$34+BF for 90-minute session, this is your investment in your winter wellness. Book: <https://events.humanitix.com/winter-solstice-sauna-special-karapiro-domain>

Fete de la Musique, Pijjas, 9 Albert St, 5pm-8pm. An evening of live music, food and new friends! La Fête de la Musique was created in France in 1982 and is now celebrated every 21 June across the world. What makes it special is its openness — a celebration of music in all its forms. Expect a gentle blend of French, Spanish and Kiwi touches. A colourful mix of flute, acoustic guitar, trumpet, saxophone and expressive vocals. A relaxed opportunity to mingle with like-minded people. Ph 022 080 0022, <https://www.pijjas.booknorder.co.nz>

Tuesday 23 June

Cambridge Community Board – Rural Farm Tour, Two sessions available: Roto-o-Rangi area 10am, Fencourt area 12pm. Join Mayor Mike Pettit and the team for an informal morning on farm. Discuss rural and district matters in a relaxed setting, update from Police on rural crime and a First Aid update. All ratepayers are welcome. Register to receive the address: andrew.myers@waipadc.govt.nz

Cambridge Young Professionals Trivia Night, Good Union, 98 Victoria St, 5.45pm onwards. Join for an epic Trivia Night filled with challenging questions, laughs, and meet some like-minded young professionals. RSVP <https://business.cambridgechamber.co.nz/events>

Tuesday 23 – Thursday 24 June

SpongeBob Musical (Youth Edition), Cambridge Middle School Hall, Clare St, Tues 11am-12pm, Wed/Thurs 7pm-8pm. Based on the series by Stephen Hillenburg, book by Kyle Jarrow. Tickets \$15 adult, \$10 child/student. To order tickets, please complete the google

form: <https://forms.gle/TVouu5cj9oCvq95v6> before 3pm Monday 15 June and make payment before Wednesday 17 June. Email office@cms.school.nz

Wednesday 24 June

Cambridge Evening Card Class, Star Stamping, 22A Taylor St, 6.30pm-8.30pm. A fun and hands-on Card Making Class. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced crafter, there will be something for you. Learn a new technique or remember an old one. Make two beautiful cards for \$25 or you can attend for free if you place a \$30 order on the day.

<https://starstamping.com/>

Wednesday 24 – Sunday 28 June

Cambridge Creative Fibre Exhibition & Fibre Fair, Victorian Room, Cambridge Town Hall.

Fibre Exhibition (Wednesday 12pm-4pm, Thursday/Friday/Saturday 10am-4pm, Sunday 10am-3pm). Showcasing the skills of our members across a range of fibre arts disciplines. From hand-spun yarn to delicate lace knitting, from snuggly knitwear to intricate weaves. Some items will be for sale (cash only), and there will be a raffle. Entry \$2 (cash only).

FIBRE FAIR Main Hall, Cambridge Town Hall, Saturday 27 June only, 10am-3pm. The Fibre Fair aims to encourage your creativity by bringing together a range of New Zealand's best traders in fleece, fibre and craft aids. There will be a raffle. Entry \$5 (EFTPOS available).

Friday 26 June

Walking Tour, Takapoto Estate, 90 Finlay Rd, Maungatautari, 10am-1pm. Experience a guided walking tour through the breath-taking Takapoto Estate and uncover the beauty beyond the equestrian areas. Includes tea/coffee and Volare scone for morning tea (wine tastings extra and optional at the end of the tour). Cost \$45 from <https://www.takapoto.co.nz/garden-tours-bookings/p/26-june-2026>

Watercolour Paint and Wine Night – Early Morning Walk, Good Union, 98 Victoria St, 7pm-9pm. Turn wine into watercolour! Take a brush in one hand, a drink in the other, and paint a masterpiece! Watercolour experts will guide you step-by-step, adding your own unique touch. All materials supplied. Drinks/food available to purchase. Tickets \$45 <https://paintvine.co.nz/>

The 1866 Speakeasy Sessions, Clements Hotel, 68 Duke St, 8pm. Sarah-Jane Limbrick Trio returns to the 1866 Speakeasy for an evening of jazz, swing, and contemporary sessions. Join us beneath The Clements for cocktails, live music and late-night atmosphere. Ph 07 974 9050, dine@clements.co.nz, <https://clements.co.nz/whats-on/>

Saturday 27 June

Cambridge Farmers Market, Victoria Square, 8am-12pm.

Monthly Dutch Market, Bridges Church & Community Centre, 28 Duke St, 10am-1pm. All sorts of Dutch goodies, Gezzelgheid and more. Great coffee/tea with speculaasje, kroketten and Bitterballen, Poffertjes, cheese, herring, and the Dutch Shop. Cash sales. Check Facebook for updates.

St Peter's Cambridge vs Lindisfarne College – CNI 1st XV Rugby, St Peter's School, 1716 Cambridge Rd, 12pm-2pm. CNI Game 34 Round 8 match. <https://www.cnirugby.co.nz/>

Cornerstones – Aotearoa Wind Ensemble, St Peter's School Auditorium, 1716 Cambridge Rd, 7.30pm. Headlining the National Concert Band Festival, Aotearoa Wind Ensemble return, performing the four cornerstones of band repertoire in one epic concert. Entry by Koha.

Bitter, Twisted, and On Tap – Stand Up Comedy Night, Stallions Bar & Grill Cambridge, 75 Victoria St, 8pm-10pm. New Zealand's most outrageous, hilarious, and politically incorrect comedy show is coming with a stacked line-up of top comedy talent. Tickets \$23.25pp from <https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2026/bitter-twisted-and-on-tap-comedy-tour-cambridge-stallions/waikato>

Saturday 27 – Sunday 28 June

NZ Concert Band Association Festival 2026, St Peter's Cambridge, 1716 Cambridge Rd, from 8am Sat to 7.30pm Sun. Your annual opportunity to immerse yourself in concert banding for a whole weekend! There will be band, solo and ensemble performances, workshops, and our All-Comers Band for "musical orphans" who want to join in. Tell your whanau and friends to come along - gold coin donation. More details and sign-up sheets: <https://nzcba.org/festival/>

The Moa Hunter, Sanctuary Mountain Maungatautari, 99 Tari Rd, Pukeatua, 1pm-3pm. Guided by an expert mana whenua guide, this immersive tour invites visitors to walk in the footsteps of ancient Māori warriors, navigating the ngahere (native forest) through the lens of traditional bush lore and ancestral wisdom. It's a sensory journey of connection, discovery, and reverence. Mauriora – may the lifeforce be with you. A complimentary Sanctuary Explorer Day Pass is included. Cost \$190 from <https://www.sanctuarymountain.co.nz/>

Sunday 28 June

Dogs Day at The Sculpture Park, Waitakaruru Arboretum, 207 Scotsman Valley Rd, Tauwhare, 10am-5pm. Bring your dog along as you walk through the Park (last Sunday of every month). Have a coffee at the Roosting Ruru cafe. <https://www.sculpturepark.co.nz/>

Wednesday 1 July

Cambridge Cruise Night (Stragglers Rod & Custom), Main St - Victoria St, park up anytime from 5.30pm. Everyone's welcome to join in - bring your hot rod, classic, or daily driver, you don't need to be a Stragglers' member, just enjoy the fabulous cars parked along the street. First Wednesday of each month.

Thursday 2 July

Operation Cover-Up – Mission Without Borders Blanket Display, Cambridge Baptist Church, 58 Queen St, 10am-1.30pm. All welcome. Entry \$5pp (includes morning tea). For more information please contact Elsa Ph 027 542 3910.

Pianist: Flavio Villani, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 7pm-9pm. Presenting pianist Flavio Villani in a solo evening shaped by memory, loss, and quiet transformation. The programme pairs Bach-Busoni's Chaconne and his debut suite In Memoriam with Brahms's searching Rhapsody and Intermezzi, and Franck's Prélude, Choral et Fugue. Tickets \$35 adult, \$30 senior/concession, \$10 U18 from <https://events.humanitix.com/pianist-flavio-villani/tickets?>

Friday 3 July

Friendly Forum with Hon Louise Upston, Victorian Room, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 10am-11.30am. I look forward to seeing you at my Friendly Forum. I will be there as your MP to discuss local electorate issues in an open forum. Please RSVP to 07 827 5572 or upston.cambridge@parliament.govt.nz

Meet Eat Repeat, Bridges Church & Community Centre, 28 Duke St, lunch from 12pm. FREE event first Friday of every second month. Koha accepted. Enjoy a meal together with your friends and whanau. If you need a lift, contact Cambridge Community House Ph 07 827 5402. Contact: Ruth, Ph 027 2021 191. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/701586107309320/>

Family Fun Nights, Perry Aquatic Centre, 23 Williamson St, 6.30pm-8.30pm. Perry Aquatic Centre has a Family Fun Night every Friday. Come and swim and have fun on the inflatable all for just \$7. Children under 10 years must be supervised by an adult and there is an age limit of 5 years plus for the inflatable. Ph 07 823 5115; email reception.CB@gowaipa.com, <https://www.gowaipa.com/perry-aquatic-centre-cambridge>

Saturday 4 July

Cambridge Farmers Market, Victoria Square, 8am-12pm.

Cambridge Holistic Wellbeing Pop-Up Market, Ngā Hau E Wha - Cambridge Community Marae, 3 Bracken St (main entrance off Pope Terrace), Leamington, 10am-3pm. Join us for a day of healing; nurturing the mind, body and spirit. Healers and Readers, Wellness products, crystals, bone and pounamu jewellery, jewellery, Rongoa and natural remedies, Reiki, Mirimiri-massage, gift stores, coffee, food and more... Free public entry. To have a site please email popupmarketees@gmail.com

Wine Tastings at the Cabana, Takapoto Estate, 90 Finlay Rd, 11am-4pm. Open Saturdays, no bookings required. The kitchen runs a short, considered menu: sourdough pizzas, small plates, and platters. Tastings from \$20pp. All wine tastings are redeemable with a three-bottle purchase. <https://www.takapoto.co.nz/wine-tastings-cabana>

250th Anniversary 4th of July Show, Don Rowlands Event Centre, Mighty River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Lake Karapiro, 4.30pm-10pm. An unforgettable night of live music, entertainment, and family fun! Featuring live performances from: Rowdy's Rose and Cooper's Run - with Cambridge local Ashley Cooper! Live country music; Mechanical Bull; Luxury American Cadillacs on display; BBQ Pit Master food; Fully licensed bar; Dancing, great food & good vibes. Whether you're coming for the music, the cars, the BBQ, or just a great night out with friends and family — this is shaping up to be one epic community event! Tickets \$41.73 adult, \$26.21 child (14 Under) on sale now from: <https://www.boimusicfestivals.com>

Saturday 4 July – Sunday 19 July School Holidays

Saturday 4, Saturday 18, Saturday 25 July

2026 X Lab Track Series, Grassroots Trust Velodrome, 15 Hanlin Rd, 8.45am-1pm. 4 & 18 July - Rounds 1 & 2 may include: Scratch Race, Elimination Race, Points Race, Team Pursuit or Italian Pursuit, Timed Mass Scratch Race or a Point-a-Lap. 25 July - Round 3 will be a full Omnium, featuring: Scratch Race, Elimination Race, Point-a-Lap and Points Race. For more information visit the [MWCC Facebook Group](#)

Saturday 4 – Sunday 5 July

North Island School Road Championship 2026, 690 Tirau Rd, Karapiro. The event will include a Team Time Trial, Road Race and Criterium. Entries are now open! For more information check out the website here: <https://www.schoolscycling.nz/north-island-school-road-champs/>

Sunday 5 July

Miniature Trains, Leamington Domain, Wordsworth St, 9.30am-12.15pm. Trains run 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month weather permitting. Rides \$2pp. Kids under 5 ride free with paying adult. Eftpos available. Covered shoes required. There is a permanent exhibition of model railways in the old bowling club alongside, open every weekend, 10am-12.30pm. Youngsters are encouraged to 'have a drive'. Gold coin donation. For updates: Cambridge Model Engineering Society Facebook. Secretarycmes@gmail.com, <https://www.cmes.org.nz>

Empire Street Market, Empire St, 10am-2pm. First Sunday of the month. An artisan street market in the centre of town with live music, coffee, baked treats, handmade creations, jewellery, clothing, bric-a-brac, and more. Vendor applications: barbara@violette.co.nz

Monday 6 July

'Holy Cow' Holiday Family Paint Date, Cambridge Art House, 3165 Ohaupo Rd, 10am-12pm. Young artists have fun learning to paint with acrylic. Suitable for beginners of all ages, yes Grownups too! Ideal for FAMILIES & KIDS 8-14 years who want to make memories and masterpieces TOGETHER. Includes everything arty & step by step instructions. Tickets: Adult & Child \$75+fee, Extra Child with Adult \$35+fee, Unaccompanied Child (8-14 yrs) \$45+fee, Extra Adult \$45+fee from <https://www.cambridgearthouse.com/event-details/holy-cow-holiday-family-paint-date>

Beers & Boardgames, Cambridge Town Hall, 5pm-8pm. Looking for a relaxed way to start your week? Bring a group of friends, work colleagues, family, or join a table and meet new people. Enjoy some casual games, a drink, and a good laugh in the Edwardian Room. Games will be provided, but you're welcome to bring your favourites along to play too! All ages welcome, under 18 must be accompanied by a legal guardian. Other dates: 3 Aug, 9 Nov. Ph 07 827 3097, info@cambridgetownhall.co.nz.

Monday 6 – Thursday 9 July

High School Musical Holiday Workshop, Ignite Arts Academy, 20 Milicich Place, 9am-4pm. Get your head in the game and step into the spotlight! An energetic four-day musical theatre holiday workshop inspired by High School Musical - a fun-filled, high-energy experience packed with iconic songs, dynamic choreography, and memorable characters. Students aged 5-14 years (all experience levels) will explore singing, dancing, and acting. With a unique Ignite twist, performers will also experience circus arts and acrobatics, adding exciting physical theatre elements to their performance skills. The week culminates in a live showcase performance at RSCC (Raleigh Street Christian Centre), where family and friends are invited to celebrate everything the students have learned and created. Run by RR & MR NELSON. Cost \$220 from <https://www.ignitearts.co.nz/holiday-workshops--july26/>

Tuesday 7 – Wednesday 8 July

The 2026 North Island School Track Championships, Grassroots Trust Velodrome, 15 Hanlin Rd. Organised by the CNZ Events Team. Individual events will be run in an 'Omnium style' and riders will be awarded Omnium points for placings in each event. Riders must start all individual events to be eligible for titles. Team events include Team Sprint and Team Pursuit. Medals will be awarded to the top 3 overall eligible riders in each age group. <https://www.schoolscycling.nz/north-island-school-track-championships/>

Wednesday 8 July

'Dream Horse' Holiday Family Paint Date, Cambridge Art House, 3165 Ohaupo Rd, 10am-12pm. Young artists have fun learning to paint with acrylic. Suitable for beginners of all ages, yes Grownups too! Ideal for FAMILIES & KIDS 8-14 years who want to make memories and masterpieces TOGETHER. Includes everything arty & step by step instructions. Tickets: Adult & Child \$75+fee, Extra Child with Adult \$35+fee, Unaccompanied Child (8-14 yrs) \$45+fee, Extra Adult \$45+fee from <https://www.cambridgearthouse.com/event-details/dream-horse-holiday-family-paint-date>

Thursday 9 July

July Polytrack Raceday, Cambridge Jockey Club, 40 Racecourse Rd, 11am. Join for exciting racing at the Cambridge synthetic track. Free entry. <https://www.waikatoracing.co.nz>

Friday 10 July

'Sun Flowers' Holiday Family Paint Date, Cambridge Art House, 3165 Ohaupo Rd, 10am-12pm. Young artists have fun learning to paint with acrylic. Suitable for beginners of all ages, yes Grownups too! Ideal for FAMILIES & KIDS 8-14 years who want to make memories and masterpieces TOGETHER. Includes everything arty & step by step instructions. Tickets: Adult & Child \$85+fee, Extra Child with Adult \$39+fee, Unaccompanied Child (8-14 yrs) \$39+fee, Extra Adult \$49+fee from <https://www.cambridgearthouse.com/event-details/sun-flowers-holiday-family-paint-date>

Miniature Trains Night Run - Matariki Night, Leamington Domain, 77 Wordsworth St, 4.30pm-8pm. Weather permitting. Lots of steam engines and other type engines coming from different clubs to make a fantastic night. Coming.... Doubl'n up donuts and ice creams, The Cauldron-Solar coffee cart, Greggys Gourmet for burgers, hot chips, hot dogs and loads more great food. The club will be selling flashy foam sticks, whistles and other fun things that look fantastic at night runs. Rides \$2pp. Kids under 5 ride free with paying adult. Eftpos available. Covered shoes required. For updates: Cambridge Model Engineering Society Facebook. Secretarycmes@gmail.com, <https://www.cmes.org.nz>

The Comedy Hypnosis Show – Chinese Hypnotist, Sir Don Rowlands Centre, Mighty River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Lake Karapiro, 7pm-8.30pm (doors open 6.30pm). The Show where you become the star of the show - if you're keen. Comedy Hypnotist Haiming Jiang blends hypnosis and comedy to entertain while showcasing the power and benefits of hypnosis through audience participation. Get ready to laugh hysterically. Tickets \$54.51 from <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/hilarious-comedy-hypnosis-show-in-cambridge-fun-for-all-ages-tickets-1989628990871?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Friday 10 – Monday 13 July

Resilience Retreat, Resolution Retreats, 1002 Tirau Rd, Karapiro, 9am-4pm. Step away from the demands of everyday life and give yourself the space to reset. This retreat focuses on beating burnout, restoring mental balance, and prioritising your wellbeing. Through empowering workshops, restorative yoga and meditation, and nourishing meals, you'll gain practical tools to manage stress, restore your energy, and build lasting resilience. Schedule: <https://www.resolutionretreats.co.nz/resolutionretreats>. Select retreat date to view package prices: <https://www.resolutionretreats.co.nz/all-upcoming-retreat-program-listings>

Saturday 11 July

Cambridge Farmers Market, Victoria Square, 8am-12pm.

2026 Cambridge Equestrian Market Day, Sir Don Rowland Centre, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Mighty River Domain, Lake Karapiro, 10am.

Wine Tastings at the Cabana, Takapoto Estate, 90 Finlay Rd, 11am-4pm. Open Saturdays, no bookings required. The kitchen runs a short, considered menu: sourdough pizzas, small plates, and platters. Tastings from \$20pp. All wine tastings are redeemable with a three-bottle purchase. <https://www.takapoto.co.nz/wine-tastings-cabana>

Saturday 11 – Sunday 12 July

National Track Series (NTS) Round 1, Grassroots Trust Velodrome, 15 Hanlin Rd. Your chance to race, learn, and grow. NTS is a development-focused opportunity for U17 to U23 and para classified riders to build experience, develop tactical skills, and grow in confidence on the track. <https://www.cyclingnewzealand.nz/nts/>

Sunday 12 July

Cambridge Market - Trash'n'Treasure, Memorial Park (The Rugby Grounds), 62 Taylor St, 8.30am-1pm. A variety of products at bargain prices. New and old goods for sale, buskers, entertainment, and a food court. Every second Sunday of the month. For stall bookings contact: cambridge@lionsclubs.org.nz (priced from \$20). <https://www.cambridgemarket.nz/>

Cambridge Repair Café, Cambridge Brass Bandroom, 26 Vogel St, 10am-12pm. Bring something to repair, or tools and skills to share! Items must be portable (no appliances!), and you must stay with your item. cambridgerepaircollective@gmail.com

Monday 13 July

'Balloon Dog' Holiday Family Paint Date, Cambridge Art House, 3165 Ohaupo Rd, 10am-12pm. Young artists have fun learning to paint with acrylic. Suitable for beginners of all ages, yes Grownups too! Ideal for FAMILIES & KIDS 8-14 years who want to make memories and masterpieces TOGETHER. Includes everything arty & step by step instructions. Tickets: Adult & Child \$75+fee, Extra Child with Adult \$35+fee, Unaccompanied Child (8-14 yrs) \$45+fee, Extra Adult \$45+fee from <https://www.cambridgearthouse.com/event-details/balloon-dog-holiday-family-paint-date>

Monday 13 – Wednesday 15 July

Camp Rock – Junior, Ignite Arts Academy, 20 Milicich Place, 9am-4pm. An introduction to music for young beginners (5-9-year-olds). This fun hands-on workshop gives children the opportunity to explore a range of contemporary instruments. Students rotate in small groups through workshops in: Guitar/Ukulele, Piano/Keyboard, Drums, Vocals & Bass Guitar. Led by experienced coaches. On the final day, students enjoy a collaborative song writing session where they create their own original songs and design their very own album covers! Run by RR & MR NELSON. Cost \$200 from <https://www.ignitearts.co.nz/holiday-workshops--july26/>

Monday 13 – Thursday 16 July

Camp Rock – Senior, Ignite Arts Academy, 20 Milicich Place, 9am-4pm. Are you a budding musician dreaming of playing in your own rock band? Four epic days of music, creativity, and performance. Designed for young musicians ready to take the stage and rock out with others in a real band setting. Experience - one year of playing experience OR a short audition for less-experienced. Under the guidance of inspiring professional musicians, students will: Form bands and rehearse a curated setlist; Develop stagecraft, musicianship, and group performance skills; Explore creative song writing and collaborate on an original song; Record their original track and perform in a high-energy showcase for family and friends. Run by RR & MR NELSON. Cost \$230 from <https://www.ignitearts.co.nz/holiday-workshops--july26/>

Wednesday 15 July

'2D Balloon Dog' Holiday Family Paint Date, Cambridge Art House, 3165 Ohaupo Rd, 10am-12pm. Young artists have fun learning to paint with acrylic. Suitable for beginners of all ages, yes Grownups too! Ideal for FAMILIES & KIDS 8-14 years who want to make memories and masterpieces TOGETHER. Includes everything arty & step by step instructions. Tickets: Adult & Child \$75+fee, Extra Child with Adult \$35+fee, Unaccompanied Child (8-14 yrs) \$45+fee,

Extra Adult \$45+fee from <https://www.cambridgearthouse.com/event-details/2d-balloon-dog-holiday-family-paint-date>

Thursday 16 July

'3D Space Cadet' Holiday Family Paint Date, Cambridge Art House, 3165 Ohaupo Rd, 10am-12pm. Young artists have fun learning to paint with acrylic. Suitable for beginners of all ages, yes Grownups too! Ideal for FAMILIES & KIDS 8-14 years who want to make memories and masterpieces TOGETHER. Includes everything arty & step by step instructions. Tickets: Adult & Child \$75+fee, Extra Child with Adult \$35+fee, Unaccompanied Child (8-14 yrs) \$45+fee, Extra Adult \$45+fee from <https://www.cambridgearthouse.com/event-details/3d-space-cadet-holiday-family-paint-date>

Friday 17 July

Meet Eat Repeat, Bridges Church & Community Centre, 28 Duke St, rolling dinner from 5.30pm. FREE event third Friday of every month. Koha accepted. Enjoy a meal together with your friends and whanau. If you need a lift: Cambridge Community House Ph 07 827 5402. Contact: Ruth, Ph 027 2021 191. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/701586107309320/>

Friday 17 – Saturday 18 July

Winter Series Showjumping Training Day 2, Takapoto Estate, 90 Finlay Rd, 9am. Informal showjumping practice day for horses and riders. Spectating welcomed and free. Cafe open 7.30am-2.30pm. Bar open 11am. Schedule published separately - for latest information please check social media. <https://www.takapoto.co.nz/winter-2026>

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Excerpts from the Nutcracker & A Trip Down Memory Lane, KS School of Dance, St Peter's School Auditorium, 1716 Cambridge Rd, 2pm-4pm. KS School of Dance presents an entertaining show full of dance styles for everyone to enjoy. Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Contemporary, HipHop.

Justin and Jonathan Chang: Classical Guitar, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 3pm-4pm. Two of NZ's most promising classical guitarists. The brothers present a programme of solo and duo works spanning a wide range of styles and periods. This concert marks their graduating year from Auckland Grammar and serves as a fundraising concert for their future music studies. Tickets: GA\$30, concession \$20. Flexible, pay what you can afford. <https://events.humanitix.com/jonathan-and-justin-chang-in-concert/tickets>

Sunday 19 July

Miniature Trains, Leamington Domain, Wordsworth St, 9.30am-12.15pm. Trains run 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month weather permitting. Rides \$2pp. Kids under 5 ride free with paying adult. Eftpos available. Covered shoes required. There is a permanent exhibition of model railways in the old bowling club alongside, open every weekend, 10am-12.30pm. Youngsters are encouraged to 'have a drive'. Gold coin donation. For updates: Cambridge Model Engineering Society Facebook. Secretarycmes@gmail.com, <https://www.cmes.org.nz>

'Matariki' Holiday Family Paint Date, Cambridge Art House, 3165 Ohaupo Rd, 1pm-4pm. Young artists have fun learning to paint with acrylic. Suitable for beginners of all ages, yes Grownups too! Ideal for FAMILIES & KIDS 8-14 years who want to make memories and masterpieces TOGETHER. Includes everything arty & step by step instructions. Tickets: Unframed Canvas Matariki \$59+fee, Framed Canvas Matariki \$79+fee, Adult & Child \$85+fee, Extra Child with Adult \$35+fee, from <https://www.cambridgearthouse.com/event-details/matariki-magic-holiday-sunday-studio-session>

Winter Ribbon Day Series, Leamington Pony Club, Carlyle St, 10.30am. Ribbon Day and clear round show jumping. Dates: 19th July 2026, 9th August 2026, 20th September 2026. Ribbon points add up to grand champion for each ring at end of series and we are going to change the classes up for each show. (New schedule will be released after each show). Food and coffee will be available. Show Jumping@1pm (ring 1: x-poles - 60cm, ring 2: 70cm upwards). Everybody welcome, you don't need to be a pony club member. Can just come to show jumping in PM if you don't want to do ribbon day. Entries for ribbon day and show jumping to: Events.leamingtonpc@gmail.com Entries close: Ribbon day 2 weeks prior to show date. SJ can be entered prior or on day. *Refunds only given for vet or Medical Certificates.

Monday 20 July

Moonlight Market, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 6pm-7.30pm. Moonlight Market will turn your closet into cash at the Cambridge Town Hall. Book a space and sell your pre-loved clothing, or come along to browse and pick up a great find - shoppers bring cash on the night. Get in touch to reserve your space. The bar will be open. Cost \$10+fee per space. Book your spot here <https://events.humanitix.com/moonlight-market/tickets>

Wednesday 22 July

MAAT Finals Raceday, Cambridge Jockey Club, 40 Racecourse Rd, 11am. Join for exciting racing at the Cambridge synthetic track. Free entry. <https://www.waikatoracing.co.nz>

Thursday 23 July

Community Careers Expo 2026, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 12pm-6pm. Cambridge High School, St Peter's School, and Te Awamutu College are proud to bring the 2026 Careers Expo once again to the community. Connect with industry experts, tertiary providers, universities, and employers, and discover the many pathways available to you. Entry is free, and the event is open to all. For all enquiries email Karina Judson - kjn@camhigh.school.nz

Paint and Wine Night – It's Wine Time, Good Union, 98 Victoria St, 7pm-9pm. Take a brush in one hand, a drink in the other, and paint a masterpiece! Experts will guide you step-by-step, adding your own unique touch. All materials supplied. Drinks/food available to purchase. Tickets \$45 <https://paintvine.co.nz/>

Friday 24 July

BYO E-Bike Tour, Takapoto Estate, 90 Finlay Rd, Maungatautari, 10am-12pm. Experience a guided E-bike tour through the breath-taking Takapoto Estate and uncover the beauty beyond the equestrian areas. Includes tea/coffee and Volare scone for morning tea (wine tastings extra and optional at the end of the tour). Own E-bike essential. Cost \$45 from <https://www.takapoto.co.nz/garden-tours-bookings/p/18-jul-2026>

Saturday 25 July

Cambridge Farmers Market, Victoria Square, 8am-12pm.

Monthly Dutch Market, Bridges Church & Community Centre, 28 Duke St, 10am-1pm. All sorts of Dutch goodies, Gezzelgheid and more. Great coffee/tea with speculaasje, kroketten and Bitterballen, Poffertjes, cheese, herring, and the Dutch Shop. Cash sales. Check Facebook for updates.

Marae Market, Nga Hau E Wha, Cambridge Community Marae, Cnr Bracken St/Pope Terrace, 10am-4pm. Seeking stallholders to join in the upcoming market day. Please get in touch if you'd like to take part: zaniaandjennifer@gmail.com

Fibretron 2026, Mystery Creek Events Centre, Gate 3, 125 Mystery Creek Rd, 10am-4pm. Fibretron is Hamilton's premier yarn and fibre festival. A haven for yarn and fibre enthusiasts. You'll find everything from raw fibres, batts, hand dyed yarn, commercial yarn, spinning wheels, needles, notions and much more, all under one roof. Coffee and food trucks. Free entry. Plenty of onsite parking. hello@fibretron.co.nz, <https://www.fibretron.co.nz>

St Peter's Cambridge vs FAHS Fielding High School – CNI 1st XV Rugby, St Peter's School, 1716 Cambridge Rd, 12pm-2pm. CNI Game 42 Round 9 match. <https://www.cnirugby.co.nz/>

Te Awa River Ride Light Night, from Gaslight Theatre, 8 Alpha St, 6pm-8pm. Back for its 4th year! Grab your wheels and winter woollies and join us for a walk or ride on the lit-up Te Awa River Ride! Parts of the 2km section will be lit up after dark, creating a unique experience. Enjoy lights, activities, music and a vibrant festival feel as the trail comes alive at night. Hot food and drink will have you forgetting altogether that its bedtime (and it's winter). Bring your brightest lights, dress to glow! All those on bikes must have lights. Food Trucks at Gaslight Theatre from 5.30pm! No parking available at the Gaslight Theatre, so please walk or ride to the event. Ph 021 333 623, info@te-awa.org.nz, <https://www.te-awa.org.nz/>

Sunday 26 July

Dogs Day at The Sculpture Park, Waitakaruru Arboretum, 207 Scotsman Valley Rd, Tauwhare, 10am-5pm. Bring your dog along as you walk through the Park (last Sunday of every month). Have a coffee at the Roosting Ruru cafe. <https://www.sculpturepark.co.nz/>

Wednesday 29 July

Final Cambridge Raceday of the 2025/26 Season, Cambridge Jockey Club, 40 Racecourse Rd, 11am. Join for exciting racing at the Cambridge synthetic track before the new season kicks off. Free entry. <https://www.waikatoracing.co.nz>

Saturday 1 August

Cambridge Farmers Market, Victoria Square, 8am-12pm.

Sunday 2 August

Sonic Boom – A Concert for Kids, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 3pm-4.15pm. The Monroes present SONIC BOOM EXA concert experience just for Kids. A high-energy concert made especially for tots to tweens, packed with epic singalongs, wild dance moments, and nonstop fun. With full professional live band, expect flashy guitar solos, glamorous costumes, and that signature Monroes rockstar vibe that kids (and parents) will love! You'll hear - K-Pop Demon Hunters, Bruno Mars, Taylor Swift, Pharell Williams, Minions, Queen, Katy Perry, Chappell Roan and more. Tickets GA \$36.55pp; group and family passes available from <https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2026/sonic-boom-live-band-concert-for-the-kids/cambridge>

Monday 3 August

Lunchtime Concerts, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 12pm-1pm. Take a break from your Monday routine and come along to a lunchtime concert. A great chance to hear live music and support local young musicians. Bring your friends or colleagues, bring your lunch. Other dates: 24 August, 7 September. Ph 07 827 3097, info@cambridgetownhall.co.nz.

Beers & Boardgames, Cambridge Town Hall, 5pm-8pm. Looking for a relaxed way to start your week? Bring a group of friends, work colleagues, family, or join a table and meet new people. Enjoy some casual games, a drink, and a good laugh in the Edwardian Room. Games will be provided, but you're welcome to bring your favourites along to play too! All ages welcome, under 18 must be accompanied by a legal guardian. Other dates: 9 Nov. Ph 07 827 3097, info@cambridgetownhall.co.nz

Sunday 9 August

HBCAFC Women's First Team vs Cambridge FC, Field 1, John Kerkhof Park, 36 Vogel St, 1pm. Cambridge FC vs Hibiscus Coast AFC.

Thursday 16 July

'Daffodils' Spring Sunday Studio Session, Cambridge Art House, 3165 Ohaupo Rd, 1pm-4pm. Painting glorious DAFFODILS to brighten the depths of winter. Receive a framed canvas ready to make your magic upon (or choose a stretched canvas). Small class numbers for individual step by step guidance by professional artist Leslie. Includes afternoon tea. You are welcome to BYO bubbles too and sip and paint. Tickets: Framed Daffodils \$79+fee, Unframed \$59+fee from <https://www.cambridgearthouse.com/event-details/daffodils-spring-sunday-studio-sessions>

Saturday 29 – Sunday 30 August

NZ Boat, Fish & Dive Expo, Mystery Creek Events Centre, 125 Mystery Creek Rd, Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 9am-4pm. If you are in any shape or form interested in any water-based sports from boating to fishing, scuba diving, free-diving, spearfishing, kayaking, wakeboarding, skiing, jet skiing, seafood or the culinary preparation of it, then this is one event you cannot afford to miss! Tickets \$25, child 12 and under free. <https://www.nzboatfishdiveexpo.co.nz/>

Saturday 5 September

Munch & Mix-Kai at the Marae, Cambridge Community Marae, 3 Bracken St (main entrance off Pope Terrace), Leamington, 10am-2pm. Pop Up Marketeers are bringing "Munch and Mix, Kai at the Marae". A great day to come down and enjoy a kai, experience a different range of foods, homemade baking, jams & sauces, sweets and desserts and other delicious treats. Various Food Carts, Community Group Fundraisers, Homemade Baking and Treats. Live Music to enjoy while having a kai. Family friendly, bring the kids — pony rides, face painting, bubbles, popcorn, jibbitz for all your crocs! Free entry. Email popupmarketeers@gmail.com

Friday 11 September – Sunday 13 September

Murder Mystery Weekend, Cambridge TOP 10 Holiday Park, 12 Scott St, Leamington, 10am. Your hosts NZMTG. Have you got what it takes to work out who is the murderer and why they did it? Email mark@nzmtg.co.nz with your contact details and he will send you the details for you to confirm. COST: \$175pp to be part of the murder mystery weekend. EVENT TERMS: Everyone who is on the Mystery Murder Tour Weekend needs to take part and act out the role they are given to the best of their acting abilities. Accommodation, Transport, Food & Drinks not included. By attending the Mystery Murder Weekend Tour you agree to abide by the laws of the land and the campground terms. Full details at www.nzmtg.co.nz, click on MMWT. https://www.facebook.com/events/1794238494524020/?active_tab=discussion

Friday 18 September – Sunday 20 September

The NZMCA Motorhome, Caravan & Leisure Show, Mystery Creek Events Centre, 125 Mystery Creek Rd, Fri/Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 9am-4pm. Explore a vast array of exhibitors showcasing everything you need for the perfect outdoor lifestyle. Discover the latest products and connect with industry experts for advice. Options to Park & Stay at the event. Show tickets \$18+fee single entry, \$36+fee multi entry. Children 16 and under free if accompanied by an adult. <https://www.nzmotorhomeshow.co.nz/hamilton-about-the-show/>

Sunday 20 September

Cambridge Half Marathon 2026, Tom Voyle Park, Taylor St, 8.30am. The Half Marathon features two scenic, mostly flat loops beneath Cambridge's well-loved trees. Other distances include a one-loop Quarter Marathon (10.7km), a 5km loop, and a 2km kids dash-making it a great day out for families and runners of all abilities. Finish strong, collect your medal, and treat yourself to a well-deserved coffee. Walkers are welcome to take part in all events and will be eligible for spot prizes. Ph 021 404 411. Half Marathon early bird \$75 (\$90); Quarter Marathon early bird \$50 (\$65), 5km early bird \$35 (\$45), 2km Kids \$15. Register at <https://raceroster.com/events/2026/115214/cambridge-half-marathon-2026>

Sunday 27 September

Annual Pirongia Craft Day, 661 Franklin St, Pirongia, 9am-3pm. What to Expect: 180-200+ stalls featuring: Handmade NZ crafts (jewellery, pottery, textiles, woodwork, art), Plants, produce, and homewares, Food vendors, Live entertainment (music, performances, street acts), Family-friendly activities and a strong community vibe. One of the biggest craft markets in NZ with a long history (40+ years). Focus on NZ handmade and homegrown products only. No dogs are allowed. Parking is available, but it gets busy - arrive early. The whole village turns into a vibrant street market atmosphere. Email moonlightlady@xtra.co.nz

Sunday 18 October

Kids In Need - Colour Cambridge - Save the Date! We're so grateful for the amazing support that makes this event possible and helps us continue our work for children in need across the Waikato. <https://www.kidsinneed.co.nz/>

Monday 19 October

Language Café, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 5pm. Put your Duolingo or language classes to the test and come along to Language Café. This will be a relaxed and friendly evening to practise your language skills, meet new people, and have a good chat. No fluency required, just a willingness to give it a go.

Saturday 24 October

Kaipaki School 150th Sesquicentennial Celebration – Welcome Day, 687 Kaipaki Rd, 10am-3pm. We warmly invite past and present students, staff, whanau, families, and community members to join us as we celebrate Kaipaki School and the rich history of our community. Schedule: Opening/Mihi whakataui; Speeches; Sharing of kai; Opening of the time capsule; Anniversary cake cutting; Decade group photos; Classrooms open for visits; Historical photo displays. Special Activities: Bus ride to the original school site at Rivermonte Park; Horse and carriage rides available on site. Any queries please pop into school office or email: kaipaki150thchair@kaipaki.school.nz Follow Facebook page for updates: <https://www.facebook.com/share/18f2Cetjyz/> *Please register your interest in attending: <http://events.humanitix.com/kaipaki-school-welcome-day/tickets>

Monday 26 October – Labour Day

St Andrew's Craft Fair, St Andrew's Church grounds, 85 Hamilton Rd, 9am-2pm. Celebrating its 30th year – 1996-2026. Enquiries email grannydunn.nz@gmail.com

Sunday 1 November

Barkfest, Lake Te Koo Utu, Albert St. Delivering the ultimate doggy day out and bringing with it a whole lot of wagging tails, and big smiles. This free, family-friendly event celebrates the "everyday dog" and the special bond we share with our four-legged friends. Stalls, food, face painting, photo booths, master classes and the popular competitions and races.

Cabaret Show, Cambridge Oaks Lifestyle Village, 14 Terry Came Drive, 2pm-5pm. International performers Lisa Lorrell and Russell Dixon will take you on a musical journey filled with popular classics and fun. Featuring comedy, pop, musical theatre, country and even some opera. Afternoon tea provided. Raising funds for Riding for Disabled Cambridge. Tickets \$25. Contact Julie Price, Ph 027 4456 474, email nakibach@gmail.com

Saturday 7 – Sunday 8 November

Armistice in Cambridge. It's coming back! Celebrating New Zealand's military heritage. armisticeincambridge@gmail.com, <https://www.armisticeincambridge.org.nz>

Sunday 15 November

2026 Rotary Cambridge Garden Festival. Yes, we're back - the 2026 Rotary Cambridge Garden Festival planning is well underway. MARK IT IN YOUR DIARY NOW!!