

what's on

in Cambridge

2026#15

BUSIT "FREE Family Adventure Pass" – All School Holidays! Experience BUSIT's regional (blue) services over the school holidays with the opportunity to travel for free. From Saturday 4 - Sunday 19 July families who present the "Free Family Adventure Pass" (on their phone or printed version) to the driver will get a free ride on BUSIT's regional services. It's one pass per family (up to 2 adults and 4 kids). For further information and to download the FREE pass: <https://www.busit.co.nz/news-and-events/freefamilypass/>

Midweek Magic – Save 50% on Selected Guided Tours and Sanctuary Explorer Day Passes, Sanctuary Mountain Maungatautari, 99 Tari Rd, Pukeatua, 9am-4pm.

Discover New Zealand's largest fenced eco-sanctuary, home to some of Aotearoa's rarest and most endangered wildlife. Valid until 30th September 2026. Use code MIDSAVE50 at the checkout online. *Applies to these experiences: Ancient Forest Guided Walk, Wetland Highlights Tour, Sanctuary Mountain Snapshot Tour, and the Sanctuary Explorer Day Pass. <https://www.sanctuarymountain.co.nz/visit/super-savers>

Thursday 2 July

Vetro Cambridge - Opening, Te Rerenga Terrace, 9am. As a locally owned Waikato business, we're proud to be bringing our carefully curated range of premium Mediterranean foods, European wines, artisan pantry staples, cheeses, charcuterie, and homewares to the Cambridge community. Whether you're looking for authentic ingredients, a unique gift, or inspiration for your next meal, we look forward to welcoming you and sharing our passion for great food. We can't wait to become part of our Cambridge community.

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. 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. 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>

Adoption Day – Come Meet Adoption Dogs, Waipa Animal Control, Petstock Cambridge, 41 Albert St, 12pm-2pm. Wonderful dogs and puppies searching for loving forever homes! Even if you just want to learn more about rescue dogs, come along. Every adoption changes a life.

Not just theirs, but yours too. aco@waipadc.govt.nz, <https://www.waipadc.govt.nz/our-services/animals/dog-control/dog-registration>

Nourish your Hauora – Soul Nourishing Sauna & Lymphatic Self Massage Workshop, The Sauna Project, The Narrows Landing, 431 Airport Rd, 2pm-5pm. A sanctuary for women in a busy world. Transform your wellbeing with this cleansing and rejuvenating event. Investment \$99pp, light refreshments are included. Tickets are essential - no walk ins. Register: <https://events.humanitix.com/nourish-your-hauora/tickets>

250th Anniversary 4th of July Show, Don Rowlands Event Centre, Mighty River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Lake Karapiro, 4.30pm-10pm. A night of live music, entertainment, and family fun! Featuring live performances from: Rowdy's Rose and Cooper's Run. Live country music; Mechanical Bull; Luxury American Cadillacs on display; BBQ Pit Master food; Fully licensed bar; Dancing, great food & good vibes. Tickets \$41.73 adult, \$26.21 child (14 Under) on sale now from: <https://events.humanitix.com/250th-anniversary-4th-of-july-show>

Saturday 4 July – Sunday 19 July School Holidays

Kids Go Free for the July School Holidays, Sanctuary Mountain Maungatautari, 99 Tari Rd, Pukeatua, 9am-4pm. Kids go Free into the Southern Enclosure with a paying adult. Swap screens and chaos for fresh air, native birds, and a forest to explore. Children 16 years and under must be accompanied by a paying adult (Sanctuary Explorer Day Pass prices for adults apply, \$32). Offer valid for Sanctuary Explorer Day Passes only. Offer not valid for large groups of 10+. Please book for large groups through our visitor centre: Ph: 07 870 5180. E: info@maungatrust.org, <https://sanctuarymountain.rezdy.com/630810/kids-go-free?>

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: <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

Equestrian Market Day – Cambridge East Maungakawa Pony Club Fundraiser, Hautapu Clubrooms, 211 Victoria St, 10am-2pm. Looking for a bargain? Need a new rug, saddle pad, riding gear or just love a good browse? Or... have you been meaning to declutter? Clear out

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your horse gear, riding clothes, household items or those odds and ends you've been meaning to sell. A handful of tables and sites are available for last-minute bookings. To book a tables or sites, email events.cemponyclub@gmail.com

Cambridge Public Meeting – Chris Flatt, Labour Party, Victorian Room, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 3pm-4pm. For South Waikato and Taupo region. All welcome.

Sunday 5 – Sunday 26 July

Kids Movie Nights, Good Union, 98 Victoria St, 5pm. Sun 5 July – Toy Story; Thurs 9 July – Epic; Sun 12 July – Big Hero 6; Thurs 16 July – Harry Potter; Sun 26 July – Tangled. Movie screening, \$5 Kids Bento Boxes, activities and more. T&C's apply – with every full paying adult and bookings are essential. Ph 07 834 4040. <https://www.goodunion.co.nz/whats-on/>

Monday 6 July

Beers & Boardgames, Cambridge Town Hall, 5pm-8pm. A relaxed way to start your week. Bring a group of friends, family, or join a table and meet new people. Enjoy some casual games, a drink, and a laugh in the Edwardian Room. Games will be provided, but you're welcome to bring your favourites to play too! All ages welcome, (under 18 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. An energetic musical theatre workshop. Students aged 5-14 years (all experience levels) will explore singing, dancing, and acting, circus arts and acrobatics, culminating in a live showcase performance at RSCC where family and friends are invited to celebrate. Run by RR & MR NELSON. Cost \$220 from <https://www.ignitearts.co.nz/holiday-workshops--july26/>

Monday 6 – Friday 17 July

Steam Creations Young Engineers Winter Camp (ages 7-14yrs), Taylor Made Community Space, 22A Taylor St, 9am-4pm. Week 1 Mechanical Camp (Mon 6 – Thurs 9 July) – hands-on building with step-by-step instructions to build motorised mechanical models and learn the concepts of Physics. Week 2 Coding Camp (Mon 13 – Thurs 16 July) – learn coding and robotics with GoAlgo app and Algobrix. Booking options: full 8 days (both camps); 4-day Mechanical or Coding only; single day – full or half day (9am-12.30pm). Pricing: From \$45/day (Half Day) or \$65/day (Full Day) for Mechanical Camp, and from \$55/day (Half Day) or \$75/day (Full Day) for Coding Camp. Save 15% when you register with a friend or sibling (minimum 4-day booking each). Register here: <https://form.jotform.com/261732061911854>

Winter Holiday at Cambridge Library, 23 Wilson St, 10.30am-11am. Each weekday this school holiday, you can expect a great and grotty story session with one of the Cambridge librarians. Also a gross character scavenger hunt - find them all and win a small prize! The library will be closed Friday 10 July for Matariki. <https://www.waipalibraries.org.nz/events/winter-holidays-cambridge-library-poo-goo-and-other-bodily-functions/375>

Tuesday 7, Thursday 9, Tuesday 14, Thursday 16 July

School Holidays Children's Art Classes with Elena Brambilla (age 6-12yo), The Painting Place (opposite 50 Thornton Rd), 1.30pm-3pm. Enjoy making art guided by Elena. Experiment with several techniques and create a different and new piece of art every day. Friendly and creative environment. 7th July: Hydrangea finger painting; 9th July: fruits gift tags in watercolours; 14th July: Bear painting with spatula knife; 16th July: Moulding paste ocean scene painting. Cost: \$40 per lesson or \$35 per lesson if attending 3 classes. Book by contacting Elena Brambilla Ph 029 779 1777, thesewingsailor@gmail.com

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. Team events include Team Sprint and Team Pursuit. <https://www.schoolscycling.nz/north-island-school-track-championships/>

Youth Photography Workshop (12 to 18 years), Podium Lodge, 20 Peake Rd, 10am-12pm. This absolute beginner's workshop will help your young person learn the basics and fundamentals of photography. Attendees will need to bring their own camera or phone. Cost \$75. Book online <https://www.blackcreative.co.nz/youth-photography-workshop/>

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. Ideal for FAMILIES & KIDS 8-14 yrs who want to make memories and masterpieces TOGETHER. Includes everything arty & step by step instructions. Adult & Child \$65+fee, Extra Child \$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>

Thursday 9 – Friday 10 July

Rowing NZ Winter Series #3, Mighty River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Lake Karapiro, 7am-11am daily. Zones 4,5,6. Ph 07 827 4178, info@lakekarapiro.co.nz, www.lakekarapiro.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. 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 \$65+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/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 more. The club will be selling flashy foam sticks, whistles and other fun things. Rides \$2pp. Kids under 5 ride free with paying adult. Eftpos. Covered shoes required. Secretarycmes@gmail.com, Updates: <https://www.facebook.com/CambridgeModelEngineering/>

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>

Speakeasy Sessions at 1866 – Rowdy’s Rose, Clements Hotel, 68 Duke St, 7pm. Rowdy's Rose brings country sounds to the Speakeasy for an evening of live music, handcrafted cocktails, and good company. Join us from 5.30pm. Live music from 7pm. Ph 07 974 9050. View what's on: <https://clements.co.nz/whats-on/>

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. 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.

Matariki Tournament, Cambridge Golf Club, 3498 Cambridge Rd, 9am. Nau mai, haere mai e te whanau - come together as we celebrate Matariki and the Maori New Year. Tournament Details - Format: 2-person teams. Add your handicaps and divide by 4. Entry: \$40 per team for Members; Non-members guest rate of \$55pp. Open to 9-hole and 18-hole members. Register: admin@cambridgegolf.co.nz, Ph 07 827 6381. Online Payment: Account number: 12-3268-0002705-000; Reference: Matariki & Member ID. <https://www.cambridgegolf.co.nz/>

Celebrate the Le Quesnoy Connection, St Andrew’s Anglican Church, 85 Hamilton Rd, set departure times on the half hour from 9.30am-1.30pm. You are warmly invited to join at St Andrew’s Church to celebrate Bastille Day. Learn about the historic French connection between Cambridge and Le Quesnoy, including a guided tour of St Andrew’s to view the stained glass windows and a few other French connections! Brought to you by Le Quesnoy Friendship Group and St Andrew’s Anglican Church Cambridge.

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>

Cambridge Comedy Club Stand-up Night @Tivoli Cinema (R18), 94 Lake St, 7.30pm. Get ready for a night of sharp, filthy, laugh-out-loud stand-up comedy in one of Cambridge’s best hidden gems - at the speakeasy bar upstairs at The Tivoli for an intimate night of top-tier comedians from around the Waikato and the Bay of Plenty. Hosted by Waikato's best MC, Paul Chadwick. Tickets: \$25 from <https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2026/cambridge-comedy-club-standup-night5/cambridge> | \$30 Door Sales (if still available).

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

Guided by Stars – Matariki Sauna @ Karapiro, Might River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Lake Karapiro, 5pm-6.30pm. As the Pleiades star cluster reappears in the sky, enjoy a nourishing evening of warmth, contrast, connection, and reflection. Aufgussmeister Emma Sinclair will guide the experience through 3-4 rounds of sauna and lake dipping, fire and ice. Each round in the sauna will include afguss ritual with essential oils and water/ice on the hot stones, an immersive sensory experience that encourages deep relaxation. Bookings are essential. No walk-ins available. Tickets \$36.52 from <https://events.humanitix.com/guided-by-stars-matariki-sauna-special-karapiro-domain/tickets>

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. 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. 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. 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/>

Tuesday 14 July

'Rockstar Panda' 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 \$65+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/rockstar-panda-holiday-family-paint-date-2>

Tuesday 14 – Thursday 16 July

Adopt a Pony Holiday Fun, Pony Tales Riding School, 1/1715 Cambridge Rd, 1pm-4.30pm. These clinics offer hands-on experience in both riding and horse management. Choose to ride one of our school ponies or bring your own. For riders who can walk and trot independently and are ready to canter, jump, and manage a pony confidently. Ph 021 201 3014. Cost \$125/afternoon with school horse, \$95 bring your own pony/horse from <https://ponytalesriding.co.nz/mec-category/adopt-a-pony-experienced-and-older-riders/>

Tuesday 14 – Friday 17 July

Pony Pals – Beginners and Young Riders, Pony Tales Riding School, 1/1715 Cambridge Rd, 9am-12.30pm. Focus is to start riders correctly, using game-based horse-riding activities that encourage correct riding and skills. Each ½ day brings new fun, learning and adventure, come along for one or more mornings! Activities include; care of a pony, learning correct riding skills, games, farm riding. Complete beginners are mentored by Pony Club Riders. Ph 021 201 3014. Cost \$125/morning from <https://ponytalesriding.co.nz/school-holidays-2/>

Wednesday 15 July

School Holiday Morning of Fun (ages 5+), The Girl Guide Hall, Thornton Rd, drop off from 8.30am – pick up by 12pm. Crafts, baking, games and more! Children supervised by a registered schoolteacher, supported by Girl Guide leader. Funds raised will go towards the cost for Guides and Rangers to attend Jamboree Jan '27. Cost: \$30 per child. To register email cbguidingfundraising@gmail.com

'Holy Cow' Holiday Family Paint Date, Cambridge Art House, 3165 Ohaupo Rd, 10am-12pm. Date added as first date Sold Out! Young artists have fun learning to paint with acrylic. Suitable for beginners of all ages. 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/hairy-highland-cow-school-holidays-paint-date>

Wednesday 15 July – Wednesday 5 August

Italian Film Festival, Tivoli Cinema, 32 Lake St, various times. A slice of Italy! Owned and curated by an Italian filmmaker living in Hawkes's Bay, Paolo Rotondo, the festival is as authentic as it is entertaining, with films ranging from dramas to documentaries, comedies to thrillers, historical to romance and even a couple of westerns. www.tivolicinema.co.nz, <https://www.italianfilmfestivalnz.com>

Thursday 16 July

'Giraffes' 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 \$65+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/giraffes-holiday-family-paint-date>

Friday 17 July

Harness Racing, Cambridge Raceway, 1 Taylor St, first race 5pm.

<https://www.cambridgeraceway.co.nz/racing-calendar/>

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/>

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>

Speakeasy Sessions at 1866 – Jason Wilcox & Pieter Bos Duo, The Clements Hotel, 68 Duke St, 7pm. Jason Wilcox & Pieter Bos Duo take the stage for an evening of live music beneath The Clements. Settle in with handcrafted cocktails, good company and an atmosphere designed to linger. Open from 5.30pm. Live music from 7pm. Ph 07 974 9050. View what's on: <https://clements.co.nz/whats-on/>

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>

Saturday 18 July

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

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/18-jul-2026>

Waikato Cavy Club's MEGA Guinea Pig Pet Show, Trinity St Paul's Union Parish Hall, 43 Queen St, 10am-3pm. Does your guinea pig think they're a superstar? Whether you're new to guinea pig showing or have been a cavy enthusiast for years, this event is perfect. Pet Show & Novelty Classes, Educational Seminars, Cavy Café, Multi-Draw Raffle, Guinea Pig Activities, Sales Tables, Cavies for Adoption. Judge: Barbara Coles - Christchurch. Public welcome – gold coin entry. <https://www.facebook.com/p/Waikato-Cavy-Club-100064731817593/>

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>

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Sunday 19 July

Rotary Urban Miners – Waipa E-Waste Recyclers, Cambridge High School Carpark, 25 Swayne Rd, 9am-11am. E-waste recycling. Charges apply. <https://www.urbanminers.nz/>
*In combination with Urban Miners, Achievement House will accept e-waste at its Wilson St location five days a week. Batteries of all types will be accepted as part of the e-waste.

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Winter Ribbon Day Series (1/3), 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 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/>

Beats by Bingo, Good Union, 98 Victoria St, 7pm-9pm. Bringing the party back with your new host MC Dan taking the mic for a night of bangers, laughs, and classic Beats By Bingo fun! Free to play. Grab your crew, lock in your table, and warm up those vocal chords. Contact the bar directly to book your free table today <https://www.goodunion.co.nz/book-now/>

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>

Speakeasy Sessions at 1866 – Ben Shephard Quartet, The Clements Hotel, 68 Duke St, 7pm. Ben Shephard Quartet brings an evening of jazz to the Speakeasy. Join us for handcrafted cocktails, live music and an atmosphere designed to linger. Open from 5.30pm. Live music from 7pm. Ph 07 974 9050. View what's on: <https://clements.co.nz/whats-on/>

Friday 24 – Sunday 26 July

Pathway Assessment Rowing Regatta, Mighty River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Lake Karapiro, Fri 24 12pm-5pm; Sat 25 6am-5pm; Sun 26 6am-1pm. Zones 4,5,6. Ph 07 827 4178, info@lakekarapiro.co.nz, www.lakekarapiro.co.nz

Saturday 25 July

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

2026 X Lab Track Series (3/3), Grassroots Trust Velodrome, 15 Hanlin Rd, 8.45am-1pm. 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](#)

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/>

Mosaic Choir in Concert, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 7pm-8.30pm. Cambridge community choir Mosaic returns, bringing warmth, energy, and a genuine sense of community under the direction of Brooke Baker. Un-auditioned and drawn from all walks of life, they are united by a love of music. Tickets: Waged \$20, Unwaged \$15, U13 free from <https://events.humanitix.com/mosaic-annual-concert/tickets>

Sunday 26 July

One Motion – Fun Run, Lake Te Koo Utu, 8am-1pm. A fundraiser fun run to raise money for local charity Kids in Need Waikato. All proceeds go directly to the charity. Join us at beautiful Lake Te Koo Utu for a community fun run with two route options to suit all fitness levels: Route One – 2.8km | Lake perimeter path, 2 laps of 1.4km. Flat, sealed, perfect for all ages and abilities. Route Two – 4km | Lake stairs and hills, 2 laps of 2km. Stairs, hills, lake path. Perfect for anyone looking for a bit of a challenge. Also: sausage sizzle, food trucks and coffee carts on site, Event t-shirts available. Parking available by Bridgestone tyres. Proudly organised by One Motion & Eventi. Cost \$16.43 Adult; \$11.14 child; \$48.15 family (up to 4) from <https://events.humanitix.com/one-motion-fun-run-7fx7bwnj/tickets>

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>

Friday 31 July

Harness Racing, Cambridge Raceway, 1 Taylor St, first race 5pm. <https://www.cambridgeraceway.co.nz/racing-calendar/>

Saturday 1 August

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

Karapiro Classic Water Ski Race, Mighty River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Lake Karapiro, (TBA). Ph 07 827 4178, info@lakekarapiro.co.nz, www.lakekarapiro.co.nz

Murder at the Party, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 5.30pm-7.30pm. A night to remember... You and your colleagues decided to meet for drinks at the Town Hall. You joined in with the Party group that had gathered, you are mixing and mingling, and then an alarming announcement is made over the intercom speaker! "A body has been found and it is clear a murder has just been committed". The venue is put into lockdown... Together you and your friends must hunt for clues, solve all the puzzles, and see if you can identify who the killer is! Teams of 4 - 6 people are recommended. No drinks included, the bar will be open to purchase drinks. For large groups or any questions, email hamiltonevents@confinement.co.nz Tickets \$40 from https://confinement.rezdy.com/769203/cambridge-murder-at-the-party?_ga_data=e30%253D

Sunday 2 August

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

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 Concert – University of Waikato Violin Class, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 12pm-1pm. Take a break and come along to a lunchtime concert. A great chance to hear live music and support local young musicians. Bring your friends, bring your lunch. Free. 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? 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. All ages welcome, under 18 must be accompanied by a legal guardian. Other dates: 9 Nov. Ph 07 827 3097, info@cambridgetownhall.co.nz

Wednesday 5 August

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.

Friday 7 August – Saturday 8 August

Activating Abilities Expo, Grassroots Trust Velodrome, 15 Hanlin Rd, Fri 10am-4pm, Sat 10am-2pm. Open to the public, FREE, the Expo features inclusive *Have a Go* experiences that encourage everyone (including able-bodied participants) to try activities, build understanding, and see ability from a new perspective. Enjoy hands-on experiences such as **wheelchair BMX, wheelchair basketball, trikes, tandem riding on the velodrome, gym classes**, and more, alongside opportunities to meet service providers and discover pathways to participation. If you are interested in bringing a group along or hosting a stall, please email events@velodrome.nz. <https://humanitix.com/nz>

Saturday 8 August

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

Sunday 9 August

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

Winter Ribbon Day Series (2/3), Leamington Pony Club, Carlyle St, 10.30am. Ribbon Day and clear round show jumping. Other dates: 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.

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

'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>

Friday 14 August

Harness Racing, Cambridge Raceway, 1 Taylor St, first race 5pm.
<https://www.cambridgeraceway.co.nz/racing-calendar/>

Saturday 15 August

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

Sunday 16 August

Te Miro Tussle, Event by Te Miro MTB Club, 632 Waterworks Rd, Te Miro, 8.30am-2pm. Te Miro Tussle Trail Running Festival 2026. Join us for a fun-filled day of trail running, featuring stunning trails, great community spirit, spot prizes, team challenges, and races for all ages and abilities. Distances: 21km Half Marathon, 10km Trail Run, 5km Run/Walk, 2km Kids Event, Team Competition. Grab your friends, family, workmates, school mates, or club members and enter as a team. Teams can include runners across different distances. Podium prizes across age categories, Spot prizes, Sausage sizzle & refreshments available, Event photography, School Team Challenge (Year 1-8), Battle of the Sponsors Team Competition. Please note: Te Miro MTB Park remains an active mountain bike park. This event uses specially designed running courses within the park. Pricing from \$15 - \$50 Early Bird, or \$15 - \$65. Register now: <https://www.temiromtbclub.co.nz/te-miro-tussle/>

Rotary Urban Miners – Waipa E-Waste Recyclers, Cambridge High School Carpark, 25 Swayne Rd, 9am-11am. E-waste recycling. Charges apply. <https://www.urbanminers.nz/>
*In combination with Urban Miners, Achievement House will accept e-waste at its Wilson St location five days a week. Batteries of all types will be accepted as part of the e-waste.

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>

Spotlight on Dance 2026, Cambridge Cruisers Rock'n'Roll, Hautapu District Hall, 143 Hautapu Rd, 12pm-4pm. This well-structured event with judges and dancers' suits anyone keen to gain more understanding and insights to developing the aspects of dancing aligned with our Judging Guidelines NZARRA. Suitable for anyone no matter their level of experience. A platform for judges to share their skills, insights and can get their very important judging eye in. Entry \$5. Email cambridgecruisers@gmail.com and we'll get that registration form to you.

Thursday 20 August

Paintvine Watercolour & Wine Night – Wildflowers in Vases, Good Union, 98 Victoria St, 7pm-9pm. A social painting class where artists will run you through step-by-step instructions on how to create your very own masterpiece in a fun and relaxed bar setting. No art experience needed. No drinks included, but drinks and meals are available to purchase. All art materials supplied. Tickets \$45 from <https://paintvine.co.nz/products/wildflowers-in-vases-20-08-2026-good-union-cambridge>

Friday 21 August

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/>

Saturday 22 August

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

Ironfist 21 Caged, Don Rowlands centre, 601 Maungatautari Rd, Lake Karapiro, 4pm-10.30pm. Muay Thai, kick boxing, boxing, MMA, exhilarating cage fighting. VIP tables, dinner, drinks, dessert, open bar, food and action packed entertainment. Tickets: GA standing/seated

\$54.55pp, VIP GA \$75.05pp from Ph 0800 BUY TIX (289 849);
<https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2026/ironfist-21-caged/waikato>

Monday 24 August

Lunchtime Concert – University of Waikato Voice Class, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 12pm-1pm. Take a break and come along to a lunchtime concert. A great chance to hear live music and support local young musicians. Bring your friends, bring your lunch. Free. Other dates: 7 September. Ph 07 827 3097, info@cambridgetownhall.co.nz.

Saturday 29 August

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.

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/>

Friday 4 September

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/>

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

Saturday 5 – Sunday 6 September

Huntly & District Kennel Association's 75th Anniversary Championship Shows, Cambridge Dog Obedience Club, McKinnon Park, Cnr Taylor & Swayne Rd, 8am. To celebrate this milestone, we have assembled an outstanding international judging panel featuring respected judges from Canada and Australia, giving exhibitors a rare opportunity to compete under a world-class line-up. Seven championship shows across the weekend, quality judging, excellent facilities and a special 75th anniversary celebration. The schedule is available and entries are open. Whether you're chasing points, seeking international judging opinions, or simply looking forward to a great weekend of dog showing, you won't want to miss this. Enter now through the Dogs New Zealand online entry system: <https://www.dogsnz.org.nz/>

Monday 7 September

Lunchtime Concert – University of Waikato Piano Class, Cambridge Town Hall, Victoria St, 12pm-1pm. Take a break and come along to a lunchtime concert. A great chance to hear live music and support local young musicians. Bring your friends, bring your lunch. Free. Ph 07 827 3097, info@cambridgetownhall.co.nz.

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

Sunday 13 September

Cambridge to Hamilton Paddle Race, Cambridge Boat Ramp, Riverside Reserve, 7am. The iconic event offers a scenic and challenging journey down the Waikato River, with options for all skill levels—from the full 23km course and 11km option to a Corporate Challenge. Features categories for Kayaks, Waka Ama, Surf Skis, and Stand-Up Paddleboards (SUP). Entries are now live. <https://www.theboatshed.net.nz/cambridge-to-hamilton-paddle-race/>

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 whakatau; 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, 10am-3pm. 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. Free admission.

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>

Monday 9 November

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. All ages welcome, under 18 must be accompanied by a legal guardian. Ph 07 827 3097, info@cambridgetownhall.co.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!!

12 March – 21 March 2027

Cambridge Autumn Festival, A variety of Cambridge venues. A 10-day celebration of the arts, creativity, and community in beautiful Cambridge during Autumn. Come and enjoy the wonderful range of events - concerts, dance, art exhibitions, workshops, the iconic Main Street Carnival, and Autumn Art Market Day, and more. There are a variety of events - from free events through to paid ticketed events. There's fun for all ages - see you there. Julie Epps, info@cambridgeautumnfestival.co.nz, <https://cambridgeautumnfestival.co.nz/>