



# THE ALTONIAN WEEKLY

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## Alton Lions News

There are plenty of opportunities to get involved with the Alton Lions this Christmas.

Christmas post cards through doors in Alton, Holyborne and Four Marks. This will be from Monday 15th November.

Christmas parcel / Voucher - can you help with collation and distribution?

### Alton Lions Markets:

Saturday 13th November

Saturday 11th December

If you can help Alton Lions with any of the above please email [alton@lions105sc.org.uk](mailto:alton@lions105sc.org.uk)

## POTR Living Advent Calendar

The Parish of the Resurrection are looking for 2 more windows for the Alton Living Advent Calendar.

If you are able to decorate a window in your house that can be seen from the street and can be lit up from a selected date in December, please email [potradventwindows@gmail.com](mailto:potradventwindows@gmail.com) for more information or to volunteer your window.

## Remembrance Sunday



Sunday 14th November sees the Annual Remembrance Service at The Cairn in Alton

This year will be a short, low-key service with no parade.

As last year, the service, led by Rev Micklefield will be streamed on-line on [Alton Town Council](#), [Parish of the Resurrection](#), [Royal British Legion Alton](#) and [Wey Valley Radio](#) Facebook pages and also live on-air Wey Valley Radio 101.1FM. Streaming of the service will start at 10:45am.

We would strongly encourage as many people to tune in rather than attend in person if at all possible. Whilst this is an outdoor event, due to the still increasing Covid rates we would like to reduce the number of people standing in close proximity of each other for a prolonged period of time and protect those in vulnerable age groups who are more at risk. The road closure at the top of Crown Hill will be in place to ensure the safety of those leading the service and laying wreaths.

# Go Wild! In Alton Calendar 2022 and Exhibition



**Go Wild! In Alton**  
11 December 2021 – 9 January 2022  
An exhibition of photographs showcasing the diversity of Alton's wildlife, taken by members of the local community. Images from the exhibition are included in the 2022 Alton charity calendar.



**ALTON TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HAMPSHIRE CULTURAL TRUST**

Location: Allen Gallery, Church Street, Alton, GU34 2BW  
T 01420 82802 [www.hampshireculture.org.uk/allen-gallery](http://www.hampshireculture.org.uk/allen-gallery)



The Allen Gallery is operated and funded by Hampshire Cultural Trust. We are a registered charity (no. 1158003) and company (no. 58196225) in England and Wales.

FREE admission

Saturday 11th December 2021 from 10.30am – midday. The exhibition will then run until Sunday 9th January 2022, giving the community plenty of opportunity over the festive period to enjoy the 'Go Wild! in Alton' photographic display.

An impressive variety of entries were submitted including a slimy snail, handsome hawk, beautiful butterfly and a majestic Kingfisher to name but a few. The standard of the submissions was very high, making it incredibly difficult to choose the images to be featured in the calendar. There will be an additional selection of 'highly commended' photographs displayed in the exhibition which are not featured in the calendars. We just wish it had been possible to include all the wonderful images and would like to thank everyone for taking the time to share their photographic encounters with Alton's wildlife.

Following the success of last year's charity calendar featuring photographs of nature taken by the community, Alton Town Council asked residents once more if they would like to share their local photographs, this time showcasing the diverse wildlife found in Alton and the surrounding villages.

The 2022 'Go Wild! In Alton' local wildlife calendars are available as wall calendars for £6 or desktop for £4. This is a reduced price from previous communications due to receiving extra funding. All profits from the sale of the calendars will be given to support the work of HART Wildlife. Calendars are now available to purchase from the Allen Gallery and Curtis Museum, as well as from the Alton Creatives Emporium located in the Market Square and on their website - <https://robo-shack.com/.../go-wild-in-alton-charity...> and direct from Alton Town Council.

A photography exhibition to accompany the calendar will be held at Alton's Allen Gallery with a 'meet the photographers morning' on

The theme 'Go Wild! In Alton' was chosen in recognition of HART Wildlife Rescue's 25th anniversary with funds raised from the sale of the calendars being donated to the local charity. Peter Mart from HART Wildlife Rescue (HART) said: "we are the only wildlife hospital in Hampshire. Our mission is to relieve the suffering of disabled, wounded, sick or homeless wildlife and this year it will have treated nearly 4000 patients. 2021 is the charity's 25th Anniversary which was celebrated at the beginning of the year by the announcement that Chris Packham OBE had agreed to become a patron of the charity.

Alton Town Council would like to thank the Welcome Back Fund (WBF) provided under the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) for financial support to aid in administering the production of the community charity local wildlife calendars and funding the framed photographs for the exhibition at the Allen Gallery, meaning more of the funds raised from the calendar sales can be donated to support HART Wildlife Rescue.

## Events happening in Alton

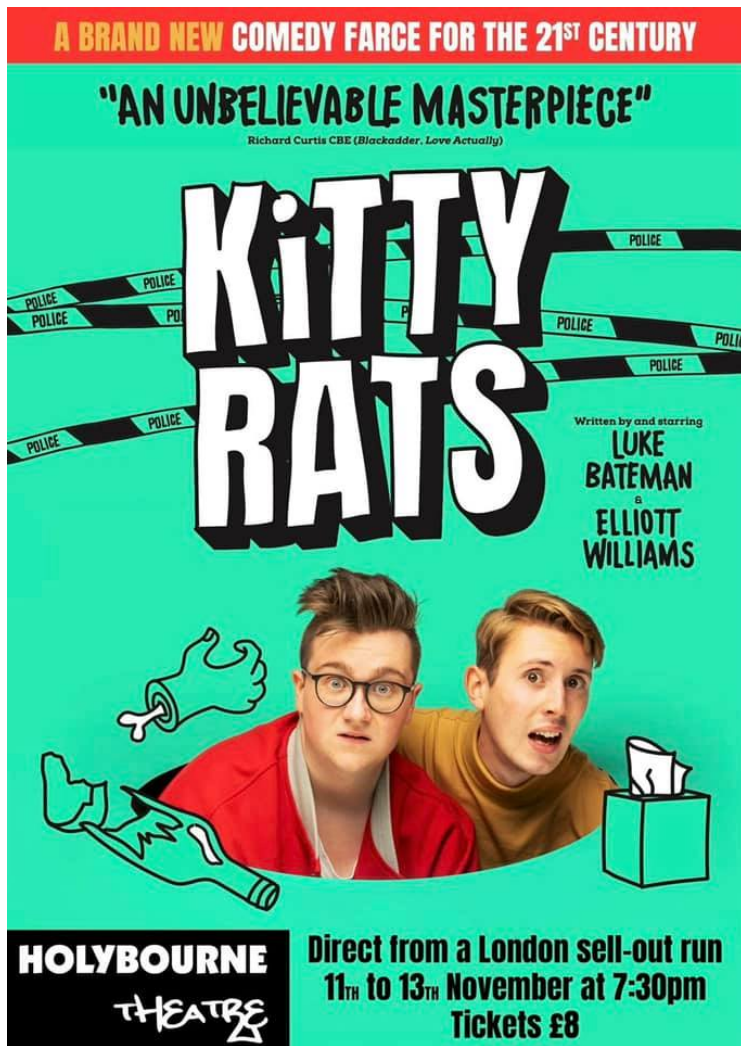
For full details on events happening in and around Alton please visit [www.altonevents.co.uk](http://www.altonevents.co.uk).

**A BRAND NEW COMEDY FARCE FOR THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY**

**"AN UNBELIEVABLE MASTERPIECE"**  
Richard Curtis CBE (*Blackadder, Love Actually*)

# KITTY RATS

Written by and starring  
**LUKE BATEMAN**  
&  
**ELLIOTT WILLIAMS**



**HOLYBOURNE THEATRE**

Direct from a London sell-out run  
11<sup>TH</sup> to 13<sup>TH</sup> November at 7:30pm  
Tickets £8

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## Christmas Markets Market Square

10:00AM - 2:00PM  
MARKET SQUARE, ALTON

**SATURDAY 20TH NOVEMBER**

**SATURDAY 27TH NOVEMBER**

**SATURDAY 4TH DECEMBER**

**SATURDAY 11TH DECEMBER**

For more information please email  
[events@alton.gov.uk](mailto:events@alton.gov.uk) or call 01420 83986

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## MARMOT FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Friday 19th November 2021  
5:00pm - 7:00pm  
Alton High Street and Market Square  
JOIN US FOR A FUN FAMILY EVENING

CHRISTMAS LAND TRAIN  
CRAFTS  
ENTERTAINMENT  
FUN FAIR  
AND MUCH MORE

Meet Father Christmas

Bring along your list of Christmas wishes and post them directly to the North Pole.

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