

Love Ashford News Update

Ashford Food and Drink Festival launches this weekend!

Throughout July, Ashford Town Centre will become home to its first Food and Drink Festival – and there's something for the whole family on offer!

Join us from 4pm on Friday 30 June at Coachworks (Dover Place, TN23 1HU) for the **FREE launch party** – they'll be live music, an independent food market, pizza-making workshops and the Mayor of Ashford will be on hand to officially open the party.

Opening weekend continues with ASHFOOD! at Elwick Place, which is a two-day including food and drink stalls, live music, children's crafts and so much more on Saturday 1 July from 11am-7pm and Sunday 2 July from 12pm-5pm.

Other highlights for younger members of the family throughout the month include...

•Made in Ashford craft activities

The team are hosting a series of workshops over July including pizza bunting, ice cream garlands and making your own piñata
Dates and bookings vary, see madeinashford.com for details.

•Cupcakes – let's decorate at The Little Teapot

A chance for the whole family to get creative with cupcakes!
Monday 3 July / 3pm-6pm / £1 per cupcake

•Pizza making workshops at Coachworks

An authentic pizza making session where you can make your own pizza and learn how to use the wood fired pizza oven.

Thursdays 13, 20 and 27 July / 4.30pm-6pm / £12 per adult or £5 per child

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•Lily's Kitchen Presents Kids Cream Teas at One You

Get your child making their own scones this July with the help of the team at Lily's Kitchen.

Wednesday 26 July / 11am & 2pm / £7.50 per child

Something for the adults...

•Summer Beers & BBQ Festival at Curious Brewery

Taste summer small plates, BBQ classics, exclusive brews and enjoy live music.

Friday 21 July, 5pm – 11pm / Saturday 22 July, 12pm – 11pm

/ Sunday 23 July, 12pm – 4pm

•A Tasting Evening With Wine Garden of England and Boys Hall at St Mary's Church

Enjoy a tutored wine tasting from seven of Kent's finest wineries alongside local cheeses and charcuterie, all accompanied by live music from Jonny Hepbir.

Wednesday 19 July / 7.30pm - 9.30pm / £35 per person

•Bond-Themed Cocktail Night at Valerie's Wine Bar

Enjoy 5 Bond-inspired cocktail, a DJ and even a best dressed competition.

Friday 28 July / 7pm-12am / £7.50 per person (includes a glass of Prosecco)

Plus, there's loads more events, offers and even two exclusive competitions – so check out the full programme today at loveashford.com