



ROCHDALE *Feel*
Good
Festival

Friday 29 & Saturday 30 August

SCOUTING FOR GIRLS

The Selector

MDNGHT • Bird to Beast

Celebrity chefs

AINSLEY HARRIOTT

Andrew Nutter • Aazam Ahmad

Festival Market

FREE



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Welcome

This is your one-stop guide to **Rochdale Feel Good Festival 2014**. Now in its seventh year, this **FREE** event organised by Rochdale Town Centre Management and Rochdale Borough Council is jam packed with even more things to do for all ages and backgrounds.

There's live music from top name acts and the finest cookery from some of the world's best known celebrity chefs right here in our town centre, as well as a food village and market. There are also events happening in towns around the borough and venues within the town centre prior to the festival weekend.

The festival aims to support local businesses by showcasing Rochdale at its best, and attracts thousands of visitors each year.

Thank you for your support and please visit our website for up-to-the-minute news about the festival.

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Rochdale's renaissance

Rochdale on track for renewal!

With Metrolink making tracks into the heart of the town centre earlier this year alongside the stunning new bus station, it is now easier than ever for visitors to access the wealth of heritage, leisure and shopping opportunities on offer.

The demolition of the old bus station and multi-storey car park is complete and the contractors are continuing to clear the site of the 'Black Box'. They are deconstructing it from the top of the building floor by floor. The site will make way for a temporary car park in time for Christmas pending the future Town Centre East leisure and retail scheme.

The renewed confidence that the £250m regeneration of the town centre is bringing has seen M&S investing in their town centre store with other businesses following suit. A new entrance on Baillie Street to The Wheatsheaf Shopping Centre is under construction and Rochdale Exchange has welcomed several new stores in the last year.

Our two award winning colleges continue to attract students from far and wide and the new Riverside Restaurant at Hopwood Hall College adds a new dimension to the range of town centre eateries.

For all the latest information on developments across the town centre including the re-use of the iconic Town Hall follow [@RochdaleCentre](#) on Twitter or see www.rochdaletowncentre.com



Festival warm ups & cool downs

Re-enactment of Lancashire Fusiliers March

Sunday 10 August, 11am - 2pm

Todmorden - Rochdale
Cenotaph

The reformed 6th Lancashire Fusiliers will be recreating the 1914 march from Todmorden to Rochdale, prior to serving in Gallipoli.

Puppet Show

Friday 29 August, 2pm

Rochdale Central Library
(children's area).

Pandemonium Drumming Workshop

Saturday 30 August, 11am - 12pm

Outside Rochdale Central Library.

Heywood Charities Fete

Sunday 01 September

Park gates open at 10.30am

A great day out for all the family. Stalls, fun fair and live entertainment.

Middleton's Grand Day Out

Saturday 13 September,
10am - 4pm

To coincide with Heritage Open Days 2014, Middleton's Golden Cluster buildings will be open all day and running a land train every half hour from Middleton Gardens. There will also be a Teenage Market, children's rides, face painting, Merlin's Magician and more.

Military Parade

Sunday 14 September

70th Anniversary of Arnhem Parade, Heywood Town Centre.

Rochdale Wedding Show

Sunday 28 September

Rochdale Town Hall

More than 50 of the region's finest wedding suppliers providing endless information for your big day.

Spot the Hot Rod

If you spot the Hot Rod out and about, take a selfie with the Feel Good Festival car and send us your photo via Facebook or Twitter with a chance to win a prize every day throughout August!



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Rochdale Literature & Ideas Festival

Expand your mind

24-26 October 2014

Don't miss

Lucy Spraggan Longfella (Tony Walsh)
Bill Turnbull Jackie Kay
Dave Spikey Chrissie Manby
Ian McMillan and many more!



PLUS
EXCITING
EVENTS FROM
LOCAL ARTS
GROUPS &
ARTISTS

24-hour box office at
www.rochdaleliteraturefestival.co.uk



Live music at The Flying Horse

Every Thursday night throughout August - Feel Good Jam Nights

Saturday 2 August - Mini Fest with 'A Jokers Rage' and 'LA' (Live Again)

Friday 8 August - The Big Fat Gypsy Hooligans

Saturday 9 August - Mystery Beats

Friday 15 August - The Noels Fraser Band

Saturday 16 August - The Corrollas

Friday 22 August - Hell to Pay

Saturday 23 August - Biscuitface

Sunday 24 August - The 'Getting Ready to Feel Good' Festival
- 6 live bands
- Headliners 'The Fellons'

Acoustic sessions

**An Acoustic Lunch
@ Coffee Options
The Exchange Shopping Centre**

Friday 15 August, 12pm - 2pm
Enjoy some music over lunch and soak up the atmosphere in the Exchange Shopping Centre. Why not indulge in some retail therapy afterwards?

**An Acoustic Lunch
@ The Wheatsheaf
Shopping Centre**

Friday 22 August, 12pm - 2pm
Have a spot of lunch in the Wheatsheaf Shopping Centre and kick back and enjoy a live musical acoustic Feel Good special.



Our partners



Shopping

With a vast range of high street names such as Boots, Marks & Spencer and Beales as well as fabulous independent shops, include some retail therapy into your visit!

Food and drink

There will be lots of tempting food and drink available around the main festival site, which is also home to restaurants, pubs, bars and retailers.



Feel Good with Metrolink

With fast and frequent trams
running every 12 minutes,
connecting Rochdale town centre
with Oldham, Manchester
and beyond...

**There's no better way
to the Festival**



Festival Market & Food Village

Friday 29 and Saturday 30 August, 9am - 5pm

A wide range of stalls will be situated around the front of the Town Hall selling gifts and treats for the family, plus a fabulous food village with made to order delicacies from around the world. There'll also be a large seating area where you can relax, eat and drink and soak up the festival atmosphere.

Link4Life 'Sensational Seasons' Creativity Tent

Friday 29 and Saturday 30 August, 10am - 5pm

Inspired by the Four Seasons in One Day exhibition at Touchstones Rochdale, families can join in with free, fun craft activities and there's also balloon modelling from Balloonimals.

Join street theatre company Fair Play for a ramble over to Touchstones too, do the exhibition drawing trail and pick up a freebie!

Fair Play rambles will take place three times a day.

Presented by Link4Life's Arts & Heritage Service.



Rock Choir

Saturday 30 August, 12.45pm

The singing sensation Rock Choir will add its own unique sparkle to this year's Rochdale Feel Good Festival. The local Rock Choir will perform a repertoire of specially arranged contemporary songs, conducted by local Rock Choir Leader, Phil Reynolds.

Main Stage

Saturday 30 August from 3pm



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Fickle Friends
MDNGHT
and more...

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M6 Street Theatre

Friday 29 and Saturday 30 August

Working with Aqueous Humour, members of M6 Youth Theatre have created this highly visual, unique piece of street theatre. The performance has been specially created for the Feel Good Festival 2014, funded by The BBC Performing Arts Fund and The Granada Foundation. Performances will be popping up around the festival on Friday and Saturday so keep your eyes peeled for some weird and wonderful characters!



Vibe Youth Music

All day Friday 29 & Saturday 30 August

Live DJ workshops from the Vibe Youth Music tent in the Festival Market. Come along and have a go at mixing your favourite tunes on the decks.

Skylight Circus Arts

Friday 29 and Saturday 30 August

Rochdale's own circus school, Skylight Circus Arts, will be performing excerpts from 'Angel'. Circus and stories, images and spectacle, inspired by the wonderful angel statue that once stood on the corner of Broadfield Park. Aerial escapades, unicycling horses, feathers and flight, still statues and globewalking stones.

Why not have a go? Come and try your hands and feet at a variety of different skills in our circus workshops from juggling to unicycling, diabolo to spinning plates.



Carillion Celebrity Kitchen

Watch our fantastic line up of Celebrity Chefs in action during the festival. Pick up tips, sample delicious treats and relax whilst absorbing the festival atmosphere.



Ainsley Harriott

He's the master of fresh, fun, accessible cuisine and after 18 years as one of the country's favourite TV chefs, Ainsley Harriott is something of a national institution.

Saturday 30 August, 11am, 1pm & 3pm

Andrew Nutter

"Rochdale's most famous culinary son" (Manchester Evening News).

Friday 29 August, 12pm & Saturday 30 August, 12pm



Aazam Ahmad

Charismatic BBC Fusion chef, back for his 7th Feel Good Festival.

Friday 29 August, 11am & 1pm & Saturday 30 August, 2pm



Peter Clough

Head Chef at the popular Norden Arms.

Friday 29 August, 10am



Farooq Ahmed

Local restaurateur from Veenas Indian Restaurant, Heywood.

Friday 29 August: 3pm & Saturday 30 August: 4pm



Justine Forrest

Justine won the TV series Michael Winner's Dining Stars and became a celebrity in her home region where she supplies businesses with her wonderful brownies and cakes.

Friday 29 August, 2pm & Saturday 30 August, 10am



Feel Good At The Flying Horse

Thursday 28 August

Feel Good Open Mic Jam Night **9pm - 2am**

Friday 29 August

Upstairs: The Flying Jokers Comedy Night **from 7.30pm**

Downstairs: The return of 'The Reno Corrado Pimps' **from 11.30pm - 1.30am**

Saturday 30 August

Upstairs: The Back Door Music Project Feel Good Special **from 6pm - 1am**

Downstairs: Live Music all day with headliners 'Flight 49' **from 9am - 2am**

The Wheatsheaf Shopping Centre

Friday 15 August, 12pm - 2pm

Celebrity Kitchen Warm Up

Live cookery demonstrations with BBC Fusion Chef Aazam Ahmad

Every Day throughout August, 11am - 4pm

Commonwealth Crazy Golf

Visit the Wheatsheaf's 9 countries of the commonwealth and see if you can rack up a hole in one or the best score of the week! A family first class trip to London for the winner worth £1000 is up for grabs as well as weekly winners and on the spot prizes! All you have to do is buy something from the shops and show your receipt for a FREE game!

Rochdale Town Hall

Saturday 30 August, 10am - 3pm

Regular Town Hall tours will take place on the hour and there will be a range of arts and craft stalls in the Town Hall Exchange. Afternoon Tea will also be served in the Bistro.



Rochdale Exchange Snapper Jaxx Kids Club

Saturdays in August, 11am - 4pm

01 August - Carnival Chaos - Dancing, singing, music making and more

08 August - Up, Up and Away! - A whirlwind of imaginative adventure

15 August - All the Fun of the Fair - Meet Candy Floss & Poppa Corn at the Snapper Circus Show