

# May Coast & Moor Outdoor Festival events

## Week 2 (Monday 6<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May)

### Monday 6 May – Active

#### ***Rock Climbing in Valley of Rocks***

Join us for a half day Rock Climbing experience at the beautiful Valley of Rocks. We provide qualified instruction, as well as all the equipment you need, including harnesses, helmets and instruction. We'll teach you all you need to know including climbing skills and techniques, belaying and knot tying. Location: Valley of Rocks, Lynton, North Devon. You'll have the opportunity to test your nerve on a range of different climbs, at the scenic Valley of Rocks.

Cost - £40 adults, £30 children. A family of 4, only £110! Booking Essential via [exmooradventures@gmail.com](mailto:exmooradventures@gmail.com) / 07976 208279 <https://www.visit-exmoor.co.uk/point-of-interest/rock-climbing-activity-day>

### Monday 6 May - 2pm - May Day Celebration

#### ***Celebration of Spring***

Celebration of Spring with a May Pole, tugs of war, Wellie tossing, teas, live Music, at Exford Village Green.

Part of the Simonsbath Festival - [www.simonsbathfestival.org.uk](http://www.simonsbathfestival.org.uk)

### Tuesday 7 May – 10am

#### ***Discover Exmoor's Ferns***

Exmoor's Atlantic woodlands are home to around 19 species of fern - join us on a walk at Tarr Steps to discover more about them. Learn about the parts of a fern, understand how to identify them using an Atlantic woodland fern ID guide and become confident in identifying some of them. Aimed at beginners.

Booking Essential on 07970 099127

### Tuesday 7 May – 10am - Guided Walk

#### ***Spring Walk on the Holnicote Estate***

'An eye for spring' guided walk in Dunkery and Horner Wood. Celebrate the height of spring on a guided walk through an ancient woodland and National Nature Reserve. Ranger Paul will guide you through this reasonably challenging walk, helping you spot rare plants and listen out for cuckoos and migrating birds. See if you can spot 'The General', an ancient oak and one of the oldest trees on Holnicote. The walk winds through ancient woodland and you'll get panoramic views across the Horner Valley and Porlock Vale towards picturesque Selworthy.

Location: Webber's Post, TA24 8TB, SS902438 Contact: 01643 862452, Email: [paul.camp@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:paul.camp@nationaltrust.org.uk)

### Tuesday 7 May - 3pm - Guided Walk

#### ***Dulverton Town Tour***

Join a guided walk exploring the history of Dulverton. Discover some secret places and hear tales of old from local guides.

Cost £3. Meet Dulverton Heritage Centre TA22 9EZ 07969 243887

**Wednesday 8 May - 11am - Guided Walk**

***Hidden Dunster***

Join local walk leaders on a stroll around Dunster. Starting from National Park Centre Dunster, you will be guided through hidden parts of the village and see historical sites in Dunster.

Booking essential - call 01643 821835 Free - Donations gratefully received to CareMoor for Exmoor

**Wednesday 8 May - 11am - Safari**

***Lorna Doone Safari***

Celebrating 150 years since RD Blackmore's famous novel was published, join a Landrover safari from Porlock Visitor Centre through beautiful Doone country, visiting St Mary's Church in Oare, Badgworthy Water and Robber's Bridge.

Cost £25 per person. Booking essential - call 01643 863150

**Thursday 9 May - am and pm sessions - Active**

***Learn to draw and paint***

11am - 1pm, have fun learning to draw with Chris Howe. 2-4pm, learn watercolour painting with Chris. Chris is a talented local artist who teaches in a friendly, approachable way.

Booking essential - call 01598 752509. Both classes at Lynmouth National Park Centre. £15 per person per session (am or pm)

**Saturday 11 May - Active**

***Spoon carving course***

For beginners or those who've carved before and want to improve, this covers safe carving technique with axe and knife and plenty of time to practice your skills throughout the day.

Location: TA22 9NP, Cost £80, Booking: Booking essential – call 01398 371686 or visit [www.theriversideproject.org/courses](http://www.theriversideproject.org/courses)

**Saturday 11 May – Active**

***Coasteering on Exmoor – Hele Bay***

Come and enjoy a guided Coasteering trip with Exmoor Adventures around the stunning North Devon coastline. Our experienced and qualified Coasteering instructors will kit you out and take you along a section of coastline by means of swimming, scrambling, climbing and jumping into the deep water. You'll be up close and personal with a unique landscape, with the possibility of seeing such wildlife as porpoises, seals and more! Adults £40 Children aged 10+ £30.

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**Saturday 11 May - Sunday 12 May - Active**

***Come and learn how to make charcoal, and camp overnight if you want***

All the basics of how to make your own charcoal, on a fully catered course, with the option to camp overnight and enjoy full cooked breakfast Sunday morning.

Location: Bulworthy Project - EX16 8DL. Cost £100 per person (£130 if staying overnight).

Booking Essential via [www.bulworthy.uk/charcoalcourse](http://www.bulworthy.uk/charcoalcourse) / 07594 569441

**Saturday 11 – Sunday 12 May – 11- 4:30pm – Artisan**

***Cowbridge Sawmill Open Days***

Cowbridge Sawmill is situated in the village of Timberscombe, amid the beautiful Exmoor countryside. The first Mill on this site dates from at least the 14th Century when it produced flour for the local people. The old mill has been completely renovated including the restoration of the 14 ft water wheel which used water from the Mill Leat to power the Mill for over 700 years. There is also a forge, workshop and display area. Guided Tours and Craft Displays throughout the weekend. Refreshments available. *Free Admission but donations welcome.*

Location: At junction of A396 and Wootton Courtenay Road, Timberscombe. More details: [www.timberscombeinfo.com](http://www.timberscombeinfo.com) or call 01643 841803

**Saturday 11 - Sunday 12 May - Festival**

***Lynton Railway Spring Gala***

Celebrate times past, real ales, barbecue, marquee attractions. All our resident locos in steam at Woody Bay Station EX31 4RA.

More information: [www.lynton-rail.co.uk](http://www.lynton-rail.co.uk) 01598 763487

**Sunday 12 May – Active**

***Rock Climbing in Valley of Rocks***

Join Exmoor Adventures for a fun day, designed to introduce participants to outdoor climbing, bouldering and abseiling. All the necessary equipment and expertise to ensure you have a safe and fun experience is provided. Course includes correct fitting of harness and helmet, warm up & bouldering techniques, knots & rope work, belaying techniques, and basic climbing techniques. Experience a range of climbs and tackle an abseil off of 'Castle Rock'

Cost – £65 pp. Call 07976 208279 to book. <https://www.visit-exmoor.co.uk/point-of-interest/rock-climbing-course>

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