


Programme for the 12th Bathurst Country Affair (BCA) 9 to 11 August 2024


Don't forget to place your bets for the famous pigeon race before 10am on Saturday – place your bets at Pig/That Coffee Place - R20 per bet – great cash prize

Where to eat and drink in the Village:

Eatery	Menu	Times open
The Historic Pig & Whistle Inn – 046 6250673	Full menu all weekend Friday Evening & Sunday Lunch - Booking essential	All Weekend
Upmarket Food Trucks	Various take - aways	Village Centre
The Bathurst Arms – 0782394281	Gourmet curry Fri night, Chilli Tasting Saturday and Babalaas Brekke on Sunday – Wellie and Michelle can't wait to meet you	10am till late
The Pizza Place – 084051606	Pizza	Open early 'til late
The Little Bistro – 0645305039	Artisanal Italian	Open early 'til 21:00
The Ploughman – 0728309177	Pub food	Open early 'til late
That Coffee Place – 0611915174	Coffee and Baked Goods	Open early 'til 16:00
Summerhill Inn – 0744809988	Pub Menu & Venison Specials	Open early 'til late
Kingston Farm – 0832624813	Outstanding Sunday lunch presented by Chef Carla	Sunday Lunch – Booking essential
Jack Black at The Village Green	Beer, gin and tequila on tap	Village Green
The Gin Boutique at The Village Green	Gin Tastings	Village Green
Pig & Whistle	Beer & Gin on tap	Garden at The Historic Pig
Wine tasting at The Village Green 	Wine tasting	The Village Green 10:00 onwards

Friday 9th August 2024

Time	Activity	Venue
All day	Music with Muso Gin	The Historic Pig & Whistle

All day	Bathurst Riding Club presents the Eastern Cape Showing Championships	Bathurst Agricultural Showgrounds
14:00	Live Show - Last Willoughby & Testament – featuring Corrinne Willoughby - Booking essential - R100pp - Selena 0722152727	The Little Theatre on the Green
17:00	Official opening of the Bathurst Country Affair brought to you by our famous town criers	4 Way stop / Pig and Whistle
18:00	Wine Tasting featuring the magnificent Warwick and Guardian Peak Estates. Savour outstanding wines with your professional hostess in the most beautiful setting. A very classy affair indeed! Bookings via Quicket essential R90 pp 	The Little Theatre on the Green – Village Green
18:00	Celebrity Chef Carl Penn presents a delicious 4 course meal. Live music by Greg Short. A dinner & dance celebration. Booking essential 046 - 6250673	The Historic Pig
19:00	Beer tasting – win a prize for having the most discerning palette	Ploughman Pub
20:00	Beer belly competition - does your belly have what it takes to win?	Ploughman Pub
19:00	Karaoke Dance Party	Summerhill Inn

Saturday 10th August 2024

Time	Activity	Venue
06:30	Rugby SA vs Australia - for the early risers	The Bathurst Arms
All day	Bathurst Riding Club presents the Eastern Cape Showing Championships	Bathurst Agricultural Showgrounds
All day	Gin and Beer on Tap	Village Green & Historic Pig Garden
09:00 – 16:30	Launch of 2025 Collections Tori Stowe	The Corner Gallery
09:00 – 17:00	Upmarket Food Trucks and Vendors	Village Green & Village Centre
All day	Music with muso Gin	The Historic Pig
09:00	Market stalls and shops	Pikes trading post, Bathurst Agricultural Museum

07:00- 11:00	Bread baking in old style outside ovens	Bathurst Agricultural Museum
10:30 – 12:30	Bradshaws Mill open to the public. Visit this iconic historical site. Your hosts - Cherry and Geoff Howell – R40 per person	Bradshaws Mill
10:00 onwards	Sushi Bar presented by Chef Carl Penn	The Historic Pig - Garden
10:00	Bathurst Agricultural Museum opens. A must see for the whole family and an experience totally unexpected	Bathurst Agricultural Museum
10:00	Maize Grinding Demonstration	Bathurst Agricultural Museum
10:00	The Pigeon Race – a magnificent spectacle as the birds set off. R20 per bet. Place your bets at The Pig and That Coffee Place – awesome cash prize	Toposcope
10:00 – 12:00	Blacksmith Demonstrations and Lessons	Bathurst Agricultural Museum
10:00 – 12:00	Kingston Confidential classes by Chef Carla – a special way to spend the morning. Apple Strudel and Espresso Martini. Booking essential 0832624813	Kingston Farm
10:00	Tractor rides to and from the village from the Bathurst Agricultural Museum	Bathurst Agricultural Museum & Village Centre
All day	Music with Muso Gin	The Historic Pig
10:00 - 13:00	The Mystery Box Cooking Challenge - come and watch home cooks face-off over the open fire - be a judge by tasting & voting	The Historic Pig Garden
10:00	Sushi Bar by chef Carl Penn	The Historic Pig - Garden
11:00	A Wine Tasting Affair brought to you by De Grendel and Haute Cabriere - Experience fine wines in a working fine art studio – presented by a wine industry professional. Bookings essential – Quicket – R90 pp 	Sandra Thomas Fine Art Gallery & Studio, Off Centre – Sunday Market venue
11:00	Brawn Competition - So how far can you throw an anvil?	Bathurst Agricultural Museum
11:00	The Alpacas come to Town (donations to SPCA welcome)	Village Centre
12:00	The Famous Pineapple Throwing Competition	The Big Pineapple
13:00	The Incredible & Unbelievable Bathurst Parade - Vintage tractors, Classic cars, Bikes, Horses, Skateboarders. Not to be missed. Check out the tractors and cars after the parade and say hello to the horses – bring carrots!	Shangri La to Village Centre
13:00	Live Music – Fancy chilling and enjoying the vibe?	Summerhill Inn
14:00	The Inaugural Drag Race - like no other you have ever seen – prepare to laugh	Outside Bathurst Arms

15:00	The Bokdrol Spitting Competition – one of our quirkiest comps! Make your name by winning something really weird	Summerhill Inn
15:30	Fun Photoshoot until sunset with our very own, Grant Webb	Powder Magazine
18:00	A Wine Tasting Affair brought to you by La Motte and Leopards Leap - A treat for any wine lover and a great way to start your evening in the village. Presented by professionals and guaranteed to make you happy. Booking essential – Quicket – R90 pp 	The Workshop Gallery
18:30	Who Invited Karen? – A Live Tribute Show to artists like Gary Moore, Dire Straits, The Eagles, Fleetwood Mac, Bon Jovi and many more..... Booking essential – R150 pp – Selena – 0722152727	The Little Theatre on the Green
19:00	Best Beard Competition - Are you the wooliest of them all? Prizes if you are...	Ploughman Pub
19:00	Candace sings Country – A Country Music Affair - A fantastic live show performed by one of South Africa's best country singers. Bookings essential - R150 – Selena – 0722152727	The Little Theatre on the Green

Sunday 11th August 2024

Date	Activity	Venue
09:00-13:00	Traditional Sunday Farmers Market	Sandy Thomas Art Gallery/Off Centre
All day	Bathurst Riding Club presents the Eastern Cape Showing Championships	Bathurst Agricultural Showgrounds
All day	Gin and Beer on Tap	Village Green & Historic Pig Garden
09:00	Market Stalls and Shops	Pikes Trading Post, Bathurst Agricultural Museum
09:00 – 16:30	Launch of 2025 Collections Tori Stowe	The Corner Gallery
09:00-14:00	Upmarket Stalls & Delicious Food Trucks	Village Centre and Village Green
10:00	DJ Trevor is back – groovy baby!	The Village Green
10:00-13:00	Wine Tasting Experience 	The Village Green
10:00 onwards	Sushi Bar by Chef Carl Penn	The Historic Pig - Garden
10:00	Bathurst Agricultural Museum opens A must-see for the whole family	Bathurst Agricultural Museum
10:00 – 12:00	Blacksmith Demonstrations and Lessons	Bathurst Agricultural Museum
10:00	Tractor rides to and from the village from the Bathurst Agricultural Museum	Bathurst Agricultural Museum & Village Centre

11:00	Bubbles and Scones Tasting featuring Simonsig Estate. A bubbles tasting paired with delicious scones with a variety of toppings – a classy affair. Booking essential via Quicket R130 	The Historic Pig Lounge
11:00	The Alpacas come to Town (Donations to the SPCA welcome)	Village Centre
12:00	3 Course Gourmet Lunch presented by Chef Carla. A superb dining experience in a magical setting. Bookings essential – R485 -0832624813	Kingston Farm
12:00	Traditional Sunday Braai Day. Braai fires, cosy pub and gees	Ploughman Pub
12:00	Traditional Sunday Lunch - A Bathurst Sunday Tradition	Historic Pig & Whistle Inn
12:00	Live Music with Anthony Caplan	The Historic Pig
13:00	Bring and Braai and open Mic	Summerhill inn
	A great social afternoon	
14:00	Drag Bingo with EksnieDanie. A hilarious bingo session with the most enigmatic host you will ever meet. Booking essential - R100 - Selena – 0722152727	The Little Theatre on the Green