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FRIDAY DAYTIME TIMETABLE

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11 - 11:30

County Assembly Rooms

Opening Ceremony

Join the Ministry of Steampunk for the Grand Opening of Asylum XIII. Come and find out more about the extra treats we have in store for you at Asylum XIII - the year of the cicada - including the blue plaque trail and the daily Shipping Forecasts

11:30 - 12:30

County Assembly Rooms

The Illicit Market #1

An opportunity for small independent traders to come along and sell their wares whilst doing their best to escape the eye of the law. This is a fun event which mixes up trading and role playing. It is known as 'the market that doesn't happen'. You can find out more about it under the 'Features' tab on the website.

12:30 - 13:00

County Assembly Rooms - the Oval Room

Steampunk 101

If you are new to Steampunk in general or to the Asylum in particular, this is your opportunity to hear about how the event runs and what you can expect over the weekend. It's also a good time to meet others in the same position and to make new friends.

13:00 - 14:00

County Assembly Rooms

An introduction to Steampunk Duelling

Come and find out about two of the most hotly-competed and yet fabulously polite extreme Steampunk sports - Tea Duelling and Parasol Duelling. You will find some background information about Tea Duelling under the features tab of the website, but there's nothing quite like seeing the sport in action and having it explained in person to help build the tension and adrenaline. And as for Parasol Duelling? - well you will just have to come along and find out!

13:00 - 13:30

Westgate School Playground

The Old Curiosity Swap

A new feature for Asylum XIII, the 'OCS' is an opportunity for participants to swap items with each other, such as trinkets, badges, patches or whatever else they wish to bring along. The principal rule is that no money must exchange hands - this is purely for swapping items. You are of course free to take part in the trading of treasures at any time over the weekend

but we have designated several times and locations over the weekend when people wishing to take part in this fun activity can find each other more easily.

13:30 - 15:00

The County Assembly Rooms Edwardian Tea Room

(access is through an indoors corridor to the right of the main room)

The Mad Hatter's Tea Party #1

Come and join the Mad Hatter and the Queen of Hearts for afternoon tea in the splendour of the County Assembly Rooms. The food is sure to be excellent and the Queen of Hearts will be a charm (if she's not in a bad mood that is - because if she is in a bad mood you might hear her screaming 'Off With Their Heads!!') As for the Mad Hatter himself, he's a bit more of an unknown quantity. Anyway, he's bound to make you feel welcome and the food, drink and company around you will more than make up for his many failings. Come prepared to enjoy a fabulous tea and to meet new people. This is another feature that caters very well (pun intended) for Asylum virgins.

13:30 - 14:30

The County Assembly Rooms

What's that Gadget?

This is the perfect 'show and tell' opportunity for gadget-lovers and gadget-makers to get together and see some fabulous Steampunk gadgets up close and personal. It is a great opportunity to discuss how things were made or to ask questions about how to make something yourself. Every gadget has a story behind it and many of those stories are fascinating - whether about the inspiration for a device, or exactly how the quantum time machine built in a matchbox actually works. Come along and find out.

14:00 - 15:00

Westgate School Playground

Teapot Racing

Another high-adrenaline sport, teapot racing combines that quintessentially Steampunk vessel from which one of our favourite beverages is served with the thrill of a race. Come along and see how the sport works and why it has been attracting such a following. You are welcome to bring your own racing teapot along, but if you don't have room for it in your travelling trunk, fear not as there are likely to be one or two teapots that can be driven by visitors who have arrived 'unarmed' (as it were).

14:30 - 15:30

The County Assembly Rooms

Decodance Workshop

Come and join Lady Elsie to learn a simple dance which you can try out at the DecoDance later tonight. No previous dancing experience is necessary. It is not difficult to learn and you don't need a partner for this dance, so all are welcome to come along.

14:30 - 15:30

The County Assembly Rooms

Gadgets with Rodney

Hello everyone and come join me, Rodney, as we talk about making Steampunk gadgets on a budget, covering everything from inspiration for projects to where to find the parts for

projects, large and small. I have been making Steampunk gadgets for many years and hope to inspire you to 'have a go' yourself.

15:30 - 16:30

The County Assembly Rooms

Asylum Virgins Meet

Another perfect opportunity for Asylum virgins (and veterans!) to meet up and share their past experiences, to learn more about how the event runs and what to expect. Where will everyone be travelling from this year? How did you find out about Steampunk and The Asylum? Come along and find out. Steampunks are the friendliest imaginable people.

15:30 - 17:00

The County Assembly Rooms Edwardian Tea Room

(access is through an indoors corridor to the right of the main room)

The Mad Hatter's Tea Party #2

Come and join the Mad Hatter and the Queen of Hearts for their second afternoon tea in the splendour of the County Assembly Rooms. The food is sure to be excellent but by this time the Queen of Hearts will already be full of cake and it's hard to know whether this will make her more subdued or a bit more 'Off With Their Heads!!' If she's in a bad mood the Mad Hatter himself will be keeping a lowish profile, but you can still expect a heartfelt welcome, awesome food and drink and you will be amongst a host of other afternoon-tea loving friends. Don't miss it.

SATURDAY DAYTIME TIMETABLE

Please note that for all events at the Assembly Rooms participants will require a Weekend or Saturday festival wristband. Wristbands will be available for collection or purchase from Event Control situated in Castle Square. Wristbands also give access to the public areas of the Castle (to which you can also gain access by buying a Castle entrance ticket) as well as the marquees, Men's Prison and Heritage Centre. Events in the Westgate School playground are open to all. The tea parties require a separate ticket to be purchased in advance from the Assembly Rooms.

10:00 - 11:00

The Castle Bandstand

The Steampunk Choir of Notorious Excellence (S.C.O.N.E.)

Come and listen to the fabulous S.C.O.N.E. on the bandstand. Last year they were singing as the gates to the castle opened and created the perfect beginning to an amazing day. What should you expect from S.C.O.N.E? Expect neo-Victorian choir tomfoolery, with copious references to tea, gin, airships and even the war hippo cavalry. As S.C.O.N.E. say themselves "We've got it all and refuse to give it back!"

10:30 - 11:30

The Heritage Centre

Becoming Strange

Come and meet Andy Arbon and find out exactly how he made his award-winning 'Mr Strange' outfit based on the song 'Mr Strange' by Alice Strange (if that's Strange enough for you)...

11:00 - 12:00

The Castle Bandstand/Banjo area

Belly Fusion Dance Collective

The Belly Fusion Dance Collective are a fun-filled vibrant dance group with their roots in tribal belly dance. They have developed their own unique style of theatrical fusion which is fabulous in every way - but with just a slight hint of madness.

11:00 - 11:30

The County Assembly Rooms

The Old Curiosity Swap

A new feature for Asylum XIII, the 'OCS' is an opportunity for participants to swap items with each other, such as trinkets, badges, patches or whatever else they wish to bring along. The principal rule is that no money must exchange hands - this is purely for swapping items. You are of course free to take part in the trading of treasures at any time over the weekend but we have designated several times and locations over the weekend when people wishing to take part in this fun activity can find each other more easily.

11:30 - 12:30

The County Assembly Rooms

Movement, Posing and Dance Workshop

Have you every wanted to go to the Ball? Well now you can! Come to P.O.S.E (the Position Of Sophisticated Extravagance) to strut, wheel or shuffle your way down the catwalk. Show off those posing skills and let's find out which of us hail from royalty. All abilities and disabilities are welcome. The idea for this workshop comes from the Ballroom Scene in

Queer cultures which embraces fashion, beauty, freedom and fun. At the end of the workshop there will be a runway walk for all who wish to take part and perhaps even a very friendly competition.

11:30 - 12:30

Westgate School playground

The Steampunk Sallys

The great army of the Steampunk Sallys burst upon the Steampunk scene at Asylum 2022 and have become a truly unstoppable force. Come to cast your gaze on their outfits, delight in their rendition of well known tunes and marvel at the sheer inventiveness of the sisters (all of whom are called Anna, just to keep it simple). Their mission is to convert one soul at a time, and you might just be the next to fall under their spell!

12:00 - 12:30

The Castle Bandstand

Alice Strange

Come and hear Alice perform at the Castle Bandstand. The heavenly voice of Steampunk. If you missed her performance at the Fashion show on Friday night you definitely need to come and hear her on the Castle Bandstand. Alice never fails to deliver a performance that is 'not to be missed'.

12:00 - 13:00

The Heritage Centre

Making Teapot Racers

Keith Harper, teapot maker and racer extraordinaire will tell you everything you need to know about making successful racing teapots. If you come to Keith's talk you should leave knowing enough about racing teapots to go away and build your own and then join in the fun.

12:00 - 12:30 [British Summer Time]

The Castle Men's Prison Exercise Yard

The High Noon Shoot-Out

For insurance reasons this has to be a strictly age 18+ feature.

Come and see if you have the nerve of steel required to succeed in this wild-west style nerf gun shoot-out. You are welcome to bring your own nerf guns if you feel brave enough. There can only be one winner of this nail-biting and popular feature, but on a brighter note that just could be you and you could end up taking home a Ministry of Steampunk medal! Just make sure you don't come at 12 noon Greenwich Mean Time.

12:30 - 13:30

The County Assembly Rooms

Steampunk Dr Who Meet-Up and Quiz

In honour of Dr Who's 60th birthday this year, anyone interested in the Time Lord is invited along to the inaugural meeting of a new Steampunk Dr Who inspired group. Like the Steam Wars and Steampunk Superheroes & Villains groups we very much expect that a Steampunk Dr Who feature will become a regular and popular event. For the very first event we will also be having a Dr Who themed quiz, so set your TARDIS for 12:30 at The Assembly Rooms on Saturday 26 August 2023.

12:30 - 13:30

The Castle Marquee

Alice Strange meet and merch.

Following straight on from her performance on the Castle Bandstand, come to the marquee to meet Alice in person and see what merchandise she has brought along for your delectation and delight.

12:30 - 13:00

The Castle Banjo

Minimal Altitude Display Team (M.A.D.T.)

Come along to the Castle banjo to see the gravity-defying feats of daring of the M.A.D.T. Quite how they don't crash down to the ground is simply beyond human understanding and challenges the laws of physics on which our very lives depend. Prepare to hold your breath as they perform their daredevil tricks with such precision that it's hard to believe they don't have their feet planted firmly on the ground. Astounding.

13:00 - 13:30

The Castle Banjo

The British Aeronautical Piloting School (B.A.P.S.)

Come and join the frankly unhinged Madam Misfit as she teaches basic aeronautical skills to pilots of all ages. This is a family-fun activity sure to blow away any cobwebs that might be lingering from yesterday.

But be warned. There has been hushed talk of some sort of cooperation between M.A.D.T and B.A.P.S. You have been warned.

13:00 - 14:00

The Men's Prison Car Park

Teapot Racing

Another opportunity to see or take part in this wonderful activity combining the magnificence of splendidly adorned teapots with the thrill of a race. You are welcome to bring your own racing teapot along, but if you don't have one with you there are likely to be one or two teapots that can be driven by visitors who have arrived 'unarmed'. Medals will be awarded each day for the fastest times, and a Ministry of Steampunk medal will be awarded for the fastest time over the whole weekend. Also at the closing ceremony on Monday the 'Tea Cosy of Doom' will be awarded for the slowest overall time.

13:00 - 14:00

The Heritage Centre

Some You Win, Some Zulus!

Join Colin Mathieson for a talk on the making of his ZULU: Water Cart Rescue Graphic Novel inspired by the Michael Caine movie and Clash of British and Zulu Empires, hear about the creative journey and real dangers encountered when exploring the battlefields and forgotten outposts of Zululand.

13:00 - 14:00

Westgate School carpark

Belly Fusion Dance Collective

Belly Fusion are a vibrant belly dance group with a theatrical mix of colour, personality and a touch of elegant madness. They also always wear the most fabulous costumes. Their performances are always a wonderful spectacle and they never fail to draw a crowd.

13:30 - 15:00

The County Assembly Rooms Edwardian Tea Room

(at the back of the building - access is through an inside corridor to the right of the main room)

Tea Party with Frenchy & the Punk, Victor and the Bully #1

Come and enjoy a wonderful English afternoon tea in the splendid company of not only New York based Frenchy & the Punk but also UK steampunk favourites Victor and the Bully. This tea party will be a unique opportunity to meet all of these wonderful artists who will be co-headlining the Time Travellers gig on Sunday evening. And there will be tea. And cake.

13:30 - 14:30

The County Assembly Rooms

Steamstress Squadron Fabric Swap

It's time to clear out all the sewing bits you aren't sure what to do with and come and swap for some new inspiration! Even if you haven't got anything to swap you can still join in by giving a £1 donation which will be going to this year's charity MIND.

13:30 - 14:30

The Castle Bandstand

Sing Sea Shanties with Storm Petrel

Come and join the crew of M/V Storm Petrel at the Castle Bandstand to raise the roof off the castle with some sing-along sea shanties. All welcome.

14:00 - 15:00

The Heritage Centre

Meet The Makers Panel

The clue here is very much in the title. Whether you are an experienced maker, a novice or just curious about what makes the mind of the Steampunk maker (of often frankly very weird stuff) tick, then this is the session for you. May contain eccentricity.

14:30 - 15:30

The County Assembly Rooms

The Asylum Tea Duelling Championship

Do you have nerves of steel? Do you have what it takes to resist eating your dunked biscuit until the very last moment before it collapses in a mess? If the answer is yes then you might be in with a chance to be crowned the Asylum XIII champion in this most Steampunk of extreme sports. The winner will automatically be entered into the World (yes World!!) championship on Monday and will also go home with a Ministry of Steampunk medal.

14:30 - 15:30

The Castle Bandstand

Adult Costume Competitions

At Asylum XIII we will be awarding medals for the best adult scratch-built outfit and the best adult curated outfit (put together from purchased items). If you would like to enter your outfit into the competition, please come to the Bandstand at 14:15, bringing a card with your name, character name if wanted, and a brief description of your outfit (in up to 100 words) to be read out on the day.

14:30 - 15:00

Westgate School playground

The Old Curiosity Swap

See details above for the similar 11:00 feature. This is an opportunity for participants who want to swap trinkets, badges, patches, etc. with others to meet up.

15:00 - 16:00

The Heritage Centre

The Bear Necessities

Come and meet Sue Streete of Streete Bears and discover the history of the Teddy Bear (in his 121st year). Sue will also be explaining all you need to know about making and assembling Teddy Bears and will be bringing along some of her work in progress. Sue is also a Teddy Bear Doctor, so if you have any poorly Teddies or furry friends in your families, she will be happy to talk to you about them.

15:30 - 17:00

The County Assembly Rooms Edwardian Tea Room

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Tea Party with Frenchy & the Punk, Victor and the Bully #2

Another chance to come and enjoy a wonderful English afternoon tea in the splendid company of not only New York based Frenchy & the Punk but also UK steampunk favourites Victor and the Bully. This tea party will be a unique opportunity to meet all of these wonderful artists who will be co-headlining the Time Travellers gig on Sunday evening. And there will be cake. And tea.

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The County Assembly Rooms

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15:30 - 16:30

The Castle Banjo

Belly Fusion Dance Collective

Another chance to see the ladies of Belly Fusion who have a shared quirky style of tribal belly dance, mixed with a fusion of styles and theatrical costumes, choreography, props and improvisation. All together the mixture makes for a wonderful chaos! (Belly Fusion's words - not mine - Ed.)

SUNDAY DAYTIME TIMETABLE

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10:10 - 10:55

The Heritage Skills Centre

The Patreon's (Second) Breakfast

Patreons of the Ministry of Steampunk are invited to join the Ministry for a (Second) Breakfast in the heritage Skills Centre.

10:30 - 10:50

The Castle Banjo

The Teapot Promenade

While waiting for the Uniform Parade, why not come along to the Castle Banjo to see a promenade of the most splendid Racing Teapots? All motorised teapots are welcome to take part. Just don't expect any of them to make you a cup of tea...

10:30 - 10:55

The Men's Prison Exercise Yard

Muster for the Uniform Parade

Those groups who will be taking part in the Uniform Parade (by prior arrangement) are asked to Muster in readiness for the start of the parade. Remember, Shouty Man is a stickler for punctuality.

11:00 - 12:00

The Castle Banjo

The Uniform Parade

This is the more formal of the two parades that takes place at Asylum. All militaryesque or otherwise uniformed groups are welcome to participate, but they must pre-register with the Shouty Man (get in touch using the 'contact us' form under the 'get involved' tab above). The parade will be inspected by Queen Victoria and will be followed by a minute's silence. More information about the various groups you are likely to see parading can be found in 'The Uniform Parade' section under the 'Features' tab above.

11:00 - 12:00

The Heritage Centre

Faking It Until You Make It

Come and join Erika Madelin to learn how she made a fake faerie museum exhibit complete with a fake faerie burial mound and contents, field notebook etc. Think 'Sutton Hoo' but on a much smaller scale.

12:00 - 12:30

The County Assembly Rooms

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12:00 - 12:30

The Castle Bandstand

Steampunk Sallys

Come along and enjoy the bracing optimism, exuberance and sheer joy of one of Steampunk's newer crazy ideas. The Steampunk Sallys' blend of music and mayhem will be sure to have you tapping your feet and singing along and they might even persuade you to give up the 'demon drink'. Every member of the Sallys' army is called Anna, but that is another story altogether...

12:00 - 13:00

The Heritage Centre

Irene Adler: Creating a Steampunk Comic Book Heroine

Paul McCaffrey, artist on Titan Comics Adler series, will be talking about how he and award-winning writer Lavie Tidhar brought their interpretation of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's iconic adventuress to the comic book page. He'll be discussing their influences – visual, literary, and historical – as well as talking about the many other characters – some well-known, some not – populating Adler's world and where her story might go next...

12:30 - 13:30

The County Assembly Rooms

Belly Fusion Dance Collective Workshop

So you have seen Belly Fusion perform their amazing moves and now it is time to come and take part yourself. A most splendid invitation is extended by the whole group to any lovely toe-tappers who wish to join them for an open level old-time dance-out Belly Fusion style. No former belly dancing experience is required!

12:30 - 13:00

The Castle Bandstand

Frenchy and the Punk

This is your chance to see New York duo Frenchy and the Punk perform on the castle bandstand, blending gothic folk, post-punk and alternative cabaret. After their performance they will be available for a meet and merch session in the castle marquee before later in the evening cranking up the volume once again as one of the three headline acts at the Time Travellers Gig (at the Engine Shed).

12:30 - 13:00

The Castle Marquee

Steam Trek Meet-Up

Asylum XII in 2022 saw some amazing Star Trek inspired Steampunk costumes - so much so that we have set aside time on the timetable this year for all of the 'Trek fans of a steampunk disposition to meet up and discuss their outfits, the whole genre and what should come next. Anyone wearing a 'Trek outfit will be welcome to join the Heroes and Villains group for their photoshoot on the Castle Bandstand at 15:30.

12:30 - 13:30

The Men's Prison

Teapot Hill Climb Competition

Just when you thought that racing motorised teapots was an unusual occupation, along comes teapot hill climbing. The clue to the activity is in the name. Bring along your motorised teapot and see how you get on driving up an incline through a marked course. Who will get to the top first? How do teapots that fare well racing on the flat cope when faced with a steep hill? Come and find out. As with all of our features, spectating this challenge is great fun too.

13:00 - 14:00

The Castle Marquee

Frenchy and the Punk Meet and Merch

This is your chance to get up close to Frenchy and the Punk, to find out more about their musical journey, interests, history and how they create their music. It will also be an opportunity to pick up some much sought-after merch (before it sells out at Time Travellers tonight).

13:00 - 14:00

The Heritage Centre

The Making of The Hunting of the Snark

Join film maker Simon DaVison to find out why and how he came to make a 90 minute film based on Lewis Carroll's 'The Hunting of the Snark'. Simon will later be hosting a screening of the film in the County Assembly Rooms (see Asylum Sunday Evening).

13:00 - 13:30

The Castle Banjo

The Wacky and Para-Racers

"How wacky is wacky?" I hear you ask. Well the answer is very wacky. This is your opportunity to see some highly wacky racers take part in a race along the castle banjo. Some will be powered by dubious means, others will be piloted by dubious pilots. Some will finish the course, but quite possibly not all of them. Come and marvel at the inventiveness, weirdness and overall wackiness of them all. The winner will receive a medal. As for the para-racers, much the same applies. But you didn't read that here.

13:00 - 14:00

Westgate School playground

The Steampunk Sallys

Another opportunity to see the awesomeness of the Steampunk Sallys, this time out in the wild of Lincoln. They are on a mission and you are their target. They are hilarious, joyful and awesome, but sometimes a little naughty too.

13:30 - 14:30

The County Assembly Rooms

The Steamstress Squadron Show and Tell

Come along and join members of the Steamstress Squadron for a natter and also an opportunity to share any makes made from items picked up at last year's swap. Remember there is no such thing as a stupid question and yes, safety pins are OK.

13:30 - 14:00

The Castle Banjo

The Jet Pack Race

What could be safer than a jet pack race? Possibly any other kind of race. With jetpacks powered by a host of unusual fuels including unobtainium, dilithium, refined kryptonite and imagination, be prepared to watch the daredevil jet pack racers as they compete for another of the Asylum's most treasured medals. They risk all to put on the most spectacular performance.

14:00 - 14:30

The Castle Bandstand

The Brass Brothers

More Brassy than the Blues Brothers and more Bluesy than Brasso. Come along and hear Steampunk's answer to the Blues Brothers with words that might not quite be 100% how you remember them. Find out why the Brass Brothers are gaining more and more traction in the Steampunk Community.

14:00 - 15:00

The Heritage Centre

Post-Apocalypse 101

Have you ever wondered if there's another awesome alternative scene where you don't have to polish brass all the time? Come and find out everything you always wanted to know about the post-apocalyptic scene. There's costuming, music, games, events and a whole raft of fabulous characters. Some look a bit scary at times, but they are a hugely friendly bunch and will love to tell you what makes them tick.

14:00 - 15:00

The Men's Prison Carpark

Teapot racing

By Sunday at Asylum we're all getting blasé about the idea that teapots are for racing, not really for making tea at all. So if you've not done so before, come along and watch or even try out this most infusing of sports. There will be a medal on the day for the fastest time and an overall MoS medal awarded on Monday for the fastest time of the weekend. Or you can compete for the 'Tea Cosy of Doom' for the slowest time, if you prefer!

14:00 - 15:00

Westgate School carpark

Belly Fusion Dance Collective

More quirky, stylish and awesome coordinated moves from our favourite tribal belly dance group. Watching Belly Fusion is always a joy and a wonder. Colour, style and personality in abundance.

14:30 - 16:30

The County Assembly Rooms

Steampunk Poundland

Come and see the prize giving for this year-long makers challenge. The makes are all on display in the Great Exhibition, but we will be showing photos on screen and talking about each of the builds. Then there will be the opportunity to discuss and plan the next challenge: do you want a specific theme? Would you rather use The Works or Aldi's legendary middle aisle instead of Poundland? Now is the chance to have your say.

14:30 - 15:00

The Castle Bandstand

Coglings Costume Competition

All fabulously dressed coglings come and show us your steampunk outfit on the Bandstand. There will be a medal for the best outfit and a small gift for all others who take part. To join in come to the side of the Bandstand around 14:15 and bring a short written note of your name, age and a short description of your outfit.

14:30 - 15:00

The Castle Marquee

The Brass Brothers Meet and Merch

Come and find out how the Brass Brothers get that high brassy shine on their performances and ask them about their favourite brass polish and whether they have any merch.

15:00 - 15:30

The Castle Bandstand

Group Costume Competition

Are you a group of friends or a family who have come in coordinated Steampunk outfits? If so, why not enter the Asylum Group costume competition? This will follow on from the coglings competition. To take part please come to the Bandstand and bring a short written description of your outfits.

15:00 - 15:30

The Castle Marquee

Steampunk Heroes and Villains Meet-Up

For those who bring a touch of Cosplay to their Steampunk outfits, whether you identify as more of a hero or a villain, come and meet like-minded (or perhaps opposite-minded) Steampunks to share your joy and discuss your costumes.

15:00 - 17:00

The Castle Grounds

Asylum Picnic

If you fancy a spot of rest in the beautiful castle grounds on Sunday afternoon, why not bring along a picnic? Take it easy, soak up the atmosphere and the fun and unwind for a while before you head out to one of the Sunday evening features.

15:00 - 16:00

The Heritage Centre

Quantum Entanglement

Join comic creators Steve Tanner and Dave West (Time Bomb Comics) to learn how their new comic anthology release, Quantum is introducing steampunk to the masses!

15:30 - 16:00

The Castle Bandstand

Heroes and Villains (and Steam Trek) Photoshoot

Time to take to the Bandstand in your awesome outfits for photos and more fun. As well as heroes, villains and steam-trek you can expect to meet some friendly photographers too.

16:00 - 17:00

The Castle Bandstand

Belly Fusion Dance Collective

This will be your last opportunity to see the amazing Belly Fusion at Asylum XIII. A group of friends who have found the perfect way to blend colourful costumes, fun music, wonderful movement and the best smiles you will see all weekend. Belly Fusion are sure to end Sunday's daytime activities on a high note.

MONDAY DAYTIME TIMTABLE

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10:30 - 11:00

Westgate School Playground

Muster for the Grand Parade

All wristband holders are invited to gather together in the Westgate School playground to form up for the Grand Parade which will be taking a very slightly longer route than normal this year (to be published with a map in advance of the Asylum).

11:00 - 12:00

Westgate School - Chapel Lane - Bailgate - Eastgate - Munster Yard - Exchequer Gate - Castle Square - Castle

The Grand Parade

Either come and be part of this most amazing Steampunk Grand Parade or else join the crowds lining the streets as this awesome exhibition of creativity winds its way through the Historic Quarter of Lincoln and into the Castle grounds.

12:00 - 12:30

The County Assembly Rooms

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The Castle Bandstand

The Steampunk Sallys

This could be your last chance to give up the demon drink before Asylum XIV! Come, see and hear the magnificent Steampunk Sallys. There will be tambourines. There will be many many smiles. There will be a lot of Annas. Don't miss it.

12:30 - 13:30

The County Assembly Rooms

The Illicit Market #2

A second opportunity for small independent traders to come along and sell their wares whilst doing their best to escape the eye of the law. This is a fun event which mixes up trading and role playing. It is known as 'the market that doesn't happen'. You can find out more about it under the 'Features' tab on the website.

12:30 - 13:00

The Castle Bandstand

Facial Hair Competition

After multiple costume competitions it's only natural to turn our attention to facial hair. If you find yourself sporting a fabulous beard and/or moustache then come along to the Bandstand where our team of expert judges will determine who is to receive this year's medal for the finest facial hair! This feature is sponsored by Greek Gods Beard Care.

12:30 - 13:30

Men's Prison Exercise Yard

The First Asylum Parasol Duelling Competition

The competition you have all been waiting for. Parasol Duelling comes to the Asylum. Think Rock, Paper Scissors and Parasols and you can't go far wrong. A non-contact sport for genteel Steampunks (not for the riff-raff who prefer to shoot missiles at each other).

12:30 - 13:30

The Heritage Centre

Penny Dreadful Creative Workshop

The return of our fun creative workshop where you free your imagination to deliver a sensational headline, story, or illustration for Asylum's very own Penny Dreadful publication! Will the Kracken return? Will the Octopus Traps be found? Can the Button shortage continue and are the French really going to ban our tea? Who knows what extraordinary tales a desperate deadline may unlock! Join comic artists Colin Mathieson (Moments of Adventure, Zulu) and David Morris (Norton The Dragon, Quantum) who will guide you through the editorial process to create your very own Penny Dreadful broadsheet to take away with you. Paper, templates, and pens will be provided in this informal workshop, suitable for all.

13:00 - 13:30

The Castle Bandstand

Madam Misfit

Assuming she's got her voice back after last night's performance at the Major's Soiree, Madam Misfit will be treating us to her melodious charms on the Bandstand. You can expect chaphop, electroswing and a miscellany of styles.

13:00 - 13:30

The Castle Marquee

Rebel Steam Meet-Up

Are you sporting a Star Wars themed outfit this year? Come along and join other like-minded steampunks in the castle marquee to chat and admire each other's outfits prior to the bandstand photoshoot on the Bandstand.

13:30:14:30

The County Assembly Rooms

The World Tea Duelling Championship

If you have come to the Asylum from another Country you are invited to come along and represent that Dominion in the World Tea Duelling Championships. The winner of the Asylum XIII championship will also get to take part. Whoever wins will then be the reigning World Tea Duelling Champion for the next 12 months and they will receive a medal to prove it.

13:30 - 14:30

The Castle Marquee

Madam Misfit Meet and Merch

This is your chance to meet up with Madam Misfit (who was also responsible for B.A.P.S. on Saturday). Find out whether she is really a misfit at all and see what merch she has brought along with her.

13:30 - 14:00

The Castle Bandstand

Rebel Steam Photoshoot

One of the most popular photoshoots of the weekend. Come along and join a plethora of characters in Star Wars themed Steampunk outfits. Do you recognise the characters? Can you tell who are from the Dark side or the Light side? Maybe there will be some bounty hunters too. Or creatures. Or a death star. The Force is always strong with this photoshoot.

14:00 - 14:30

The Castle Bandstand

The Cogkneys

Having hosted the *Asylum Introducing* evening on Saturday night, this is your chance to see the Cogkneys perform a set of their own sketches and songs on the castle bandstand. The whole castle will be getting into full-on party mode by this stage.

14:00 - 15:00

The Men's Prison Car Park

Teapot Racing

Your last chance to spectate or compete in this most splendid and awesome Steampunk sport. The chances are that when you go home tomorrow your teapots will all be stationary. How boring is that? Come and see if you can take home the day's medal for the fastest lap of the assault course this afternoon. You might even be the fastest of the whole weekend and win an Mos Medal - or the slowest and take home the 'Tea Cosy of Doom'!

14:00 - 15:00

The Heritage Centre

Stephenson's Robot

Comic creators Dave West and Steve Tanner (Time Bomb Comics) reveal details of Stephenson's Robot, their new graphic novel release resulting from Queen Victoria's challenge to Brunel and Stephenson to build an army of robots – what could possibly go wrong?

14:30 - 15:30

The County Assembly Rooms

Where Next for the Ministry of Steampunk?

You will know that the MoS are constantly striving to put on the best events that we can. We will be making some important announcements about our plans over the Asylum weekend. This will be an opportunity to meet up with the MoS to hear more about what we have in store. We will talk about our plans for all of the events over the next 12 months up to and including Asylum XIV in August 2024.

14:30 - 15:00

The Castle Bandstand

Victor and the Bully

Party time reaches it's climax for the afternoon as VATB take to the castle marquee for their final set of the weekend. You can expect singing. You can expect dancing. We can neither confirm nor deny whether there will be the hokey cokey. Just make sure you don't get trampled underfoot.

14:30 - 16:00

The Castle Marquee

The Cogkneys and Victor and the Bully Meet and Merch

Come along and meet the Cogkneys who will be joined by VATB after their set. Find out more about these veterans of the Asylum and buy yourself some merch!

15:30 - 16:30

The Castle Bandstand

The Closing Ceremony

Come and join us at The Bandstand for the closing ceremony. We will be celebrating the splendour of the weekend, giving out a host of our new MoS medals and MoS awards for creativity, we will be announcing the winner of Saturday night's *Asylum Introducing* show and there will be one or two more surprises.

For those who are coming to the Dead Dog Party at the County Assembly Rooms we will then see you all again later as we party on into the night.

Thank you to everyone who has come to and supported Asylum XIII. We hope you have had a brilliant time and look forward to doing it all (and more) again next year. You are the people who make the event the amazing experience that it is.