### Free & Low Cost Physical Activity in Thurrock

**Version: March 2025** 



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Low Cost
(£5 and under)

Developed & updated by





### Children & Young People's Activities 1/3



#### Children's Dance, Drama and Singing classes

Wednesday Babies 18 months-3 years 5:00-5:30pm Mixed styles

Sparkle & shine ages 5-11 years 5:00pm-5:45pm SEND dance class

**Junior street Ages 7-11 years** 5:00pm-6:15pm

Senior street ages 12-16 years 6.15pm-7:00pm

Saturday Minis ages 3-6 years 9.30am-11.15am Street, tap, ballet, singing, drama,

> Ages 7-16 years 9:30am-10:15am

tap, ballet and singing

acrobatics and musical theatre Juniors and seniors acro

Junior & Senior ages 7-16 years 10:30am-12:30pm Musical theatre,

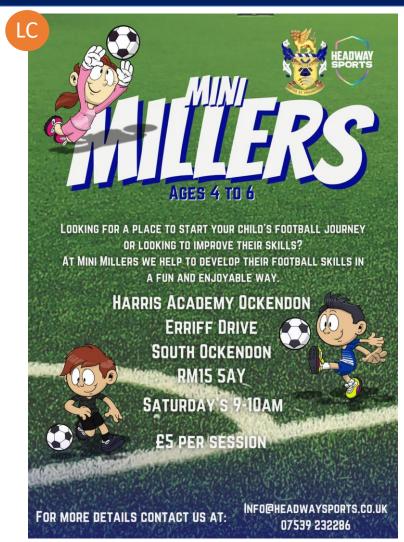
For more information and to book please contact: jtdofperformingarts@hotmail.co.uk

Grays



For more information please visit: https://riverview.org.uk/

Purfleet



For more information and to book please contact: 07539 232286

South Ockendon

### Children & Young People's Activities 2/3









Essex ActivAte run fun and exciting holiday programmes during school holidays to support children's physical health and wellbeing through a range of engaging activities.

Clubs are free to eligible school aged children between 4 – 16 years

https://www.activeessex.org/child ren-young-people/essex-activate/

Multiple locations



#### **Arts Outburst**

Funded spaces available in their Dance sessions for ages 6-9, 10-13 and 14+ with our industry pro Miss Claudia in their Make Some Noise programme.

Thameside Complex, 2nd Floor, Orsett Road, Grays, RM17 5DX

https://www.artsoutburst.co.uk/p roject/make-some-noise/

Grays



#### **JTD Arts**

Fully inclusive youth club Wednesdays 5-6pm

Free sports and fun activities for 14-19 years: darts, bush craft, dance, indoor football, pool, games

& food provided!

The Community House -Seabrooke Rise, New Rd, Grays RM17 6DR

https://www.facebook.com/Jtdofp erformingarts/

Grays



#### **Thurrock Libraries**

All Libraries offer this class weekly for children and their parents to join them in singing and dancing together for rhyme time!

It is a chance to meet other parents and enjoy sharing nursery rhymes with your child.

https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/wha ts-on-at-vour-library/rhyme-time

### Children & Young People's Activities 3/3





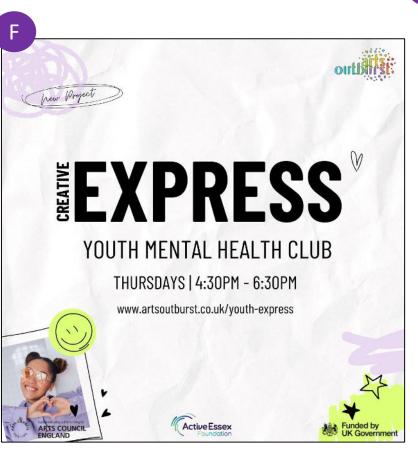
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**Call Rio** 

Purfleet



For more information please visit: Grays

https://www.artsoutburst.co.uk/



**Call Anthony or Ashley** 

South Ockendon

### **Essex ActivAte Easter Holiday Programme 2025**



This Easter,
there are 34
<b>Clubs offering</b>
5,087 free
places to
eligible
children on
Income
<b>Related Free</b>
School Meals,
including
Primary,
Secondary,
Mental
Wellbeing
Specialist,
SEND
<b>Specialist and</b>
Youth
intervention
Specialist
Clubs.

Club	Address
AEF - ALT Movement (Grays)	Treetops School, Thurrock, Buxton Rd, Grays
AEF - Combat Academy (Stanford-le-hope)	Combat Academy for Sport, The Pavilion, Billet Recreation Ground, Billet Lane, Stanford Le Hope
AEF - Get Golfing (Aveley)	Belhus Woods Golf club, Belhus park, Aveley, South Ockendon RM15 4PX
AEF - Uturnship (Grays)	Evolve Youth Academy, Unit 1-3 Globe Industrial estate, Grays,
Alternative Movement LTD -Treetops School (Grays)	Treetops School Thurrock - Grays
AQ Basketball - Gateway Academy (Chadwell St Mary)	Gateway Academy, Marshfoot Road, Tilbury, Chadwell St Mary, Grays,
Arts Outburst LTD- Chadwell St Mary Village Hall (Chadwell St Mary)	Chadwell St Mary Village Hall, Waterson Rd, Grays
Arts Outburst LTD - Purfleet Primary Academy (Purfleet)	Purfleet Primary Academy, Purfleet.
Arts Outburst LTD - Thameside Theatre (Grays) ~ MWB	Thameside Theatre, 2nd Floor, Orsett Road, Grays
Arts Outburst LTD - Thameside Theatre (Grays) ~ Primary	Thameside Theatre, 2nd Floor, Orsett Road, Grays
Arts Outburst LTD - Thameside Theatre (Grays) ~ Secondary	Thameside Theatre, 2nd Floor, Orsett Road, Grays
Chafford Tots to Teens (Chafford)	Chafford Tots to Teens Childcare Services Ltd, 1A Lakeside Business Village, Fleming Road, Chafford Hundred, Essex
Christina Marks School of Performing Arts	Warren Primary School, Gilbert Road, Chafford Hundred, Grays. Essex
Essex Boys and Girls Clubs - Aveley Community Centre (Aveley)	Aveley Community Centre, Thurrock
Essex Boys and Girls Clubs - Brisbane House (Tilbury)	Brisbane House, Leicester Road, Tilbury
Essex Boys and Girls Clubs - Chadwell St Mary (Aveley)	Chadwell St Mary Centre. Brentwood Road, Chadwell St Mary,
Essex Boys and Girls Clubs - Flowers Community Centre (South Ockendon)	Flowers Community Hall, South Ockendon
Essex Boys and Girls Clubs - Seabrook Rise Community (Grays)	Seabrook Rise Community House, New Road, Grays
Family First	Linford Church, East Tilbury Road, Stanford Le Hope
Family First - Tilbury Band Hall (Tilbury)	99 – 101 DOCK ROAD, TILBURY.
Golf in the Community - Belhus Golf Club (South Ockenden)	Bulhus Golf Park, South Ockenden
Golf in the Community - Belhus Golf Club (South Ockenden) ~SEND	Bulhus Golf Park, South Ockenden
Grangewaters (South Ockendon)	Grangewaters, Buckles Lane, South Ockendon, Essex,
Headway Sports - Harris Academy	Harris Academy, Grays
Holloway Coaching LTD - Tudor Court Primary (Grays)	Tudor Court Primary School, Bark Burr Rd, Chafford Hundred, Grays
JTD Arts LTD - Thurrock Rugby Club (Grays) ~ Primary	Thurrock-Thurrock Rugby Club, Oakfield Long Lane,
JTD Arts LTD - Thurrock Rugby Club (Grays) ~ Secondary	Thurrock-Thurrock Rugby Club, Oakfield Long Lane,
JTD Arts LTD - Thurrock Rugby Club (Grays) ~ SEND	Thurrock-Thurrock Rugby Club, Oakfield Long Lane,
Malearn LTD - South Ockendon Village Hall (South Ockendon)	South Ockendon Village Hall, 65 North Road, South Ockendon
Monarchs Childcare LTD - (Grays)	64 Whitehall Lane, Grays, Essex
Rise Sports LTD - Mossbourne Herd Lane Academy (Corringham)	Mossbourne Herd Lane Academy (Corringham Primary School), Herd Ln, Corringham, Stanford-le-Hope
The Future of Sport CIC - St Cleres (Stanford-le Hope)	St Clere's School, Butts Lane, Stanford Le Hope, Essex
The Future of Sport CIC - Tilbury Family Hub (Tilbury)	Tilbury Family Hub and Anchor Playing Fields, London Road, Tilbury, Essex,
Zaza Dance - Ormiston Park Academy (Aveley)	Ormiston Park Academy, Belhus Park Lane, Aveley, South Ockendon

https://www.activeessex.org/children-young-people/essex-activate/

### **Community Activities 1/3**







#### **Sugarloaf RDA**

Volunteering opportunity on Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturday mornings 9.15-12.30

Sugarloaf riding for the Disabled meet at Liitle Fields Farm, Stifford Clays Road Orsett RM16 3ND.

Their volunteers help children and adults with physical and/or learning difficulties to ride for therapy, achievement and run.

Whatever your skills, you have something to offer. No experience necessary. Age 12+

http://www.sugarloafrda.org/

Orsett



### **Community Gardens**

There are many Community Gardens, Allotments & Sensory Gardens you can visit & get involved with in Thurrock.

Enjoy being within your community growing, enjoying the green spaces learning new skills and knowledge about outdoor education.

At the community gardens you can go along to enjoy the views and being within nature and also you can volunteer your time to help develop the grounds working together with other volunteers.

https://strongertogetherthurrock.org.uk /community-allotments-gardens/

Multiple locations



### Men's Shed

Men's Sheds are similar to garden sheds – a place to pursue practical interests at leisure, to practice skills and enjoy making and mending. Many Sheds get involved in community projects - restoring village features, helping maintain parks and green spaces, and building things for schools, libraries and individuals in need.

Activities in Sheds vary greatly, but you can usually find woodworking, metalworking, repairing and restoring, electronics, model buildings or even car building in a typical Shed.

https://menssheds.org.uk/find-ashed/

Multiple locations



#### **Start Thurrock**

15 February – 2 March 2025

Start Thurrock is excited to bring you Green Light two-week programme packed full of FREE creative experiences and tasters for everyone to enjoy.

Amongst the activities for Green Light are family theatre shows, creative writing, dance and movement, arts and crafts, film making, painting and visual art workshops, print workshops and much, much more!

There are sessions for children, teenagers, families and adults, plus intergenerational activities.

https://www.startthurrock.org/wh ats-on/green-light-2025/

### **Community Activities 2/3**







Volunteering can be a stepping stone to employment, a chance to make new friends or provide you the opportunity to try something new.

Also, it is a way you can get more active in your community!

https://thurrockcvs.org/volunt eer-thurrock/

Multiple locations



### Outdoor Gyms

Spending time outdoors to exercise is beneficial for physical and mental health. Outdoor fitness equipment helps communities create outdoor gyms and workout areas in local parks. These outdoor fitness spaces allow people of all ages and abilities to exercise and enjoy the outdoors.

Find the locations of the outdoor gyms in Thurrock which are free to use 365 days a year!

https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/playsites/outdoor-gyms

Multiple locations



### **Conservation Volunteers**

To get involved with one of their day projects, all you need to do is book a place and turn up – with suitable clothing, footwear, lunch and enthusiasm!

Trained leaders provide all the necessary tools and guidance, from complete beginners to those with more experience. They even provide hot drinks and biscuits!

Tasks will be varied in nature depending on the location and time of year. It's an ideal way to make new friends, learn new skills and feel you are giving something back to the community.

Thurrock location listed: Davy Down in South Ockendon

https://www.tcv.org.uk/eastern/tcvessex/volunteer-essex/

South Ockendon



#### Beach of Dreams

Beach of Dreams is a UK-wide coastal arts festival, presented by Kinetika, activating and exploring the unique heritage, cultures and climate futures of our coastlines.

A major interdisciplinary creative programme will see ambitious new participatory art commissions, creative walks and events taking place, for free, across the coasts of England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales, and digitally, from 1 May – 1 June 2025.

https://www.beachofdreams.org/

### **Community Activities 3/3**







#### **Beat the Street**

Beat the Street is a free, fun initiative that will see South Ockendon & Aveley transformed into a giant game!

See how far you can walk, cycle, run, scoot and wheel in just 4 weeks. There are great challenges to enjoy and prizes up for grabs.

The game will start on Wednesday 23rd April 2025 and end on Wednesday 21st May 2025.

https://beatthestreet.me/sout hockendonaveley/

South Ockendon & Aveley

### **Dance classes**





#### **Arts Outburst**

Zumba® on Thursdays 6:05pm - 6:50pm with Arts Outburst

This well-attended session is now FREE. Enjoy a lively mix of worldly rhythms in our studio.

Tune out the world and get lost in some 'you time' with us.

https://www.artsoutburst.co. uk/project/feelgood/

Grays



#### Vicky's Fitness

Zumba for £5

South Ockendon @ The Royal British Legion

- Monday's 6.30am
- Wednesday's 9.30am
- Thursday's 6.30pm

& in Aveley @ Aveley Band Hall

- Saturday's 9am

Vicky's classes are suitable for everyone, all ages and abilities are welcome to this fun class which is also a great way to meet new people, to get fit and have fun!

No contracts no booking scheme, just pay as you go for £5 a session, also with a loyalty scheme to achieve free classes

Just turn up or contact Vicky ahead if you have questions: 07753216009

Multiple locations



ROUTINES TO FEEL GOOD SING-ALONG MUSIC FROM ALL DECADES!

PAY AS YOU GO OR PURCHASE A CLASS PASS TODAY!

DAY	TIME	PLACE
MONDAY	6РМ	CHADWELL VILLAGE HALL £5
WEDNESDAY	9.30AM	CHADWELL WORKING MENS CLUB £5
THURSDAY	1.30PM & 6.45PM	NORTH STIFFORD VILLAGE HALL & CHADWELL WORKING MENS CLUB £5

For more information please visit: https://www.stepnsmile.co.uk/

Multiple locations



**Regency Dance Academy** 

**Zumba Fit Class** 

All abilities welcome

Class is split beginner to intermediate

**Thursdays** East Tilbury Village Hall 7:00 - 7.30pm

£3.50 per class

To book call: 07960755774

East Tilbury

### **Exercise classes**





FITNESS CLASSES FOR 50+

SUITABLE FOR ALL FITNESS LEVELS!

**MONDAYS 10.30 - 12.00** 

**FOLLOWED BY TEA & COFFEE** 

**STARTS MON 25TH SEPTMEMBER** 

@ GRANS JEAN HALL NUTBERRY FIELDS 2PR, LONG LANE, GRAYS, RM16 2PJ

**CONTACT: MARK ADAMS** 

EMAIL: markads01@icloud.com

MOBILE: 07711 817253

COST £5.00 PAYG

### **Family Activities**



Brighter Futures
Healthy Families

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#### **Brighter Futures**

The Thurrock 0-19 Brighter
Futures Healthy Families
Service is an integrated
service encompassing Health
Visiting, School Health
(historically School Nursing),
targeted support and a range
of health interventions for
children, young people and
their families.

https://www.nelft.nhs.uk/serv ices-thurrock-brighter-futureshealthy-families/

Online



### Forest School For All

Forest School is an inspirational process, that offers ALL learners regular opportunities to achieve and develop confidence and selfesteem through hands-on learning experiences in a woodland or natural environment with trees.

Parent and Toddler Group: Friday morning 9 – 11 a.m. at Grays Beach Park, Grays Essex First child:

£6.00 per session Additional Siblings: £5.00 per session\*

https://www.forestschoolforall.co. uk/parent%20and%20toddler/

Grays



### Family Hubs

8 Family Hubs in Thurrock which offer a wide range of free activities:

Information and advice for families, regular drop-in sessions and activities, family health services, parenting support including support for young people with SEND.

https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/ family-hubs

Multiple locations



WHAT WE OFFER:

JOIN A
COMMUNITY OF
FAMILIES
WORKING
TOWARDS A
HEALTHIER
FUTURE

- Regular nutritional tips & tricks for individuals and families
- Weekly walking group for free and effective exercise to get the
- Family workshops to teach you how to get fit together and build health
- FREE introductory 1-1 lifestyle coaching session to support busy
- families
  - and changes can be made
- 7 Virtual home exercise calls

8 Support groups

ONTACT US TODAY TO FIND OUT MORE

INFO@BEREVITALISE.CO.UK

For more information and to book please contact: 07923 918949

Thurrock-wide

### **Health and Weight Loss Programmes**





#### **Health Referral**

Impulse Leisure offer an extensive Health Referral programme to help prevent, maintain and cure illness, injury and mental health conditions throughout their sites

Belhus: Belhus Park, Aveley, South Ockendon RM15 4PX

Blackshots: Blackshots Ln, Grays **RM16 2JU** 

Corringham: Springhouse Rd, Corringham, Stanford-le-Hope **SS17 7NB** 

https://www.impulseleisure.co.uk/ wellbeing/health-referral-schemes

Multiple locations



#### **THLS**

Thurrock Healthy Lifestyle Service offers an initial assessment of your health.

Depending on the results of the assessment, you can get free help to improve your health.

This includes supporting you to have a healthy weight and also with access to physical activity programmes.

> 0800 292 2299 thls@thurrock.gov.uk

https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/publ ic-health/thurrock-healthylifestyle-service

Online



### **Inclusive Activities 1/3**



## activity alliance

disability inclusion sport

#### **Activity Alliance**

Alliance Activity is a national charity that enables organisations to support disabled people to be, and stay, active for life. It is for everyone with lived experience of disability or health conditions.

Useful guide for getting started being active:

https://www.activityalliance.o rg.uk/assets/000/000/149/25 18 BeingActiveReport A4 FI NAL%281%29 original.pdf?14 61165840

Multiple locations

### Waders



#### W.A.D.E.R.S.

Waders offers exercise in water for Adults with physical difficulties.

Corringham Pool Fridays 11.30-12.10pm / 12.20pm-1pm

Blackshots Teaching Pool Tuesdays 7.15-8.30pm / 8.30-9pm

£5 including pool entry

https://www.waders.org.uk/

Corringham & Grays



### LC

#### Alternative Movement

With almost all of their clients living with disabilities their mission is to help educate, inspire and help those in the adaptive community reach their full potential.

Using Strength and conditioning we aim to work on your strength, conditioning and rehabilitation.

Treetops School
Buxton Road
Grays
RM162WU

https://www.altmovement.co.uk/

Grays



LC

# **Grangewaters Outdoor Education Centre**

Grangewaters is a year-round outdoor education centre set in Thurrock's countryside. Covering more than 70 acres, we have natural woodland, open grassland, 2 lakes, activity areas and accommodation.

We try to make sure that all our activity areas are accessible. A range of specialist equipment is on hand, such as hoists and activity equipment designed for people with mobility issues. Accessible accommodation is available for residential visits.

Buckles Lane, South Ockendon

https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/grangewaters -outdoor-education-centre/grangewaters

South Ockendon

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### **Inclusive Activities 2/3**





**CoDa Dance Company** 

Supporting people with neuro-disabilities and their families they're offering free interactive dance sessions within groups from October 2024 to January 2025.

These bespoke sessions are fun, relaxed and they use clever technology to get people moving. No experience is necessary and they'll come to you!

Steph:

admin@codadance.com

Multiple locations



#### **JTD ARTS LTD**

Music man sessions Held every Monday 10:00am-11.30am 11:30am-12:30pm learn how to play the drums, Tamborine, bells and guitars. carers welcome, care homes welcome, school sessions delivered and individuals welcome.



Funky Feet Performing arts classes For adults age 19 plus An independently lead,

fun dance, drama and singing classes Held every Friday 9.30am-2.30pm

Wats app 07856 869296 email: activejtd@hotmail.com





https://www.artsoutburst.co.uk/project/feelgood/

**Chadwell St Mary** 

### **Inclusive Activities 3/3**





### **Low Impact Activities 1/2**







#### **Oomph Sessions**

Low impact exercise class, open to all abilities and free for all, in 29 locations across Thurrock!

Get active and make friends, reduce social isolation and improve mental, physical and emotional well-being regardless of age, gender or mobility.

Timetables for Stanford, Grays, Chadwell, South Ockendon & Purfleet on the link below

https://thurrockcvs.org/2024/11/29/improv e-your-mental-physical-and-emotionalwellbeing-with-oomph/

Multiple locations



#### U<sub>3</sub>A

U3A' aim is to keep their bodies, brains and other faculties fully functional, through activities (both physical and mental) that involve others of a like mind.

Various movement sessions including: Aqua Aerobics, Boules/Petanque, Rambling, Strollers, Short Mat Bowls & Table Tennis

£20 annual membership

https://thurrock.u3asite.uk/groups/

Multiple locations



for everyone living with dementia

#### **Happy Days**

Happy Days Creative Group at Tyrrells Hall, 67 Dock Rd

For those with memory loss accompanied by their carer. Enjoy gentle dance, singing, art and other fun activities.

Every other Tuesday 4pm -6pm

Cost: £6.50 annual fee for venue/ membership. £1 for tea/ coffee

Contact: Claire after 4pm 07903 963601

Grays





FREE OF CHARGE – STARTING WEEK COMMENCING 13TH JANUARY 2025



impulseleisure.co.uk

Charity number: Thurrock Community Leisure 1080186

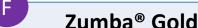




### **Low Impact Activities 2/2**







Fridays 11:30am – 12:30pm

The session is a low impact dance fitness session – suitable for everyone to take part in – even if you need a chair, the routines are totally adaptable to do seated so you can still enjoy the session.

Followed by the option of relaxing in a warm space with a tea.

An opportunity to get active and meet new people – all in a friendly space.

https://www.artsoutburst.co. uk/project/feelgood/

Chadwell St Mary



#### Hardie Park

Hardie Park Weekly Groups at Hardie Road, SS17 OPB

Such as SS17 Walkers, Adult Craft Club, Hardie Gardeners, Pétanque, Knit and Natter.

Contact Hardie Park for more information: 07732 086162 / info@friendsofhardiepark.co. uk

Or visit their website:

https://www.friendsofhardiepark.co.uk/weekly-clubs/

Stanford-le-Hope



### Friday Men's Club

Relaxed group that play pool, table tennis, card games and get together for a chat.

If a carer attend's they must be male due to this being a men's group.

First Friday of the month 7.30pm – 9.30pm Cost: Free (no booking necessary)

Venue: St John's Grays North Hall, 8A Victoria Avenue

Contact: Kevin 01375 382417 / 07850 585763 / mrkspring@hotmail.com

Grays

### **Running & Walking Activities 1/5**





**Big Local** 

### **JOG GONERS**

### **FREE**

SATURDAY

Complete beginners welcome

Family friendly walking/orjogging

Train for your first 3 km/5 km/10 km

Elm Road Open Space RM17 6LB

(only 2 REAL reasons you can't do this) 9--10 AM

#### MEET OTHERS, **GET OUTDOORS!**

Head outdoors with the T100 Festival team from January to April 2025 with a free line-up of activities.

#### MEANDERING MONDAYS

Join us on the second Monday of every month for a relaxed stroll, followed by chats over tea.

- . 10 FEB. HORNDON ON THE HILL

- . SUN 27 APR, CRANHAM MARSH

#### INTERESTED IN GARDENING?









PURFLEET HERITAGE & MILITARY CENTRE Magazine No.5, Centurion Way, Purfleet-on-Thames, Essex, RM19 1ZZ Charity No: 1080629 Website: purfleet-hmc.org



PURFLEET-ON-THAMES - GHOST & FOLKLORE WALK SATURDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 2025 - SOLD OUT SATURDAY 17th MAY - 9 P.M. SATURDAY 16th AUGUST - 9 P.M. SATURDAY 15th NOVEMBER - 5 P.M.

> From Heritage Centre Car Park £5 (INCLUDING TEA/COFFEE & BISCUITS) \*Please bring a torch\* \*Recommended Age 16+\*

PLEASE NOTE WALKS ARE PRE-BOOKING ONLY

Pre-bookings: paulhounsell64@outlook.com



To prebook contact Paul: paulhounsell64@outlook.com

Purfleet



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Please contact us for further information and enrolment by email at: info@nafhealth.org

**EVERY SATURDAY** 

8:30AM - 9:30AM

Multiple locations



Contact Jim for more information or just turn up & attend, no booking required: jimworking@mail.com

Grays

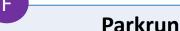
To attend or volunteer visit: https://t100festival.co.uk/2024-yearround-walks/

### **Running & Walking Activities 2/5**









Free 5km timed weekly walk, jog or running event.

Taking place every
Saturday Morning at 9am
over:

Pyramid Centre,
Heath Road,
Chadwell St Mary,
Essex,
RM16 4XH

https://www.parkrun.org.u k/thurrock/

Chadwell St Mary's

Thurrock Ramblers

We arrange walks most
Sundays as well as
Wednesday evenings
during the summer
months. Sunday walks are
typically from 8 to 10 miles
and include a pub stop
where possible.

https://www.ramblers.org. uk/go-walking/ramblersgroups/thurrock-group

Multiple locations



Thurrock Nomads

A very friendly running and walking group meeting on Tuesdays at 7pm and Thursday at 6pm at:

Thurrock Rugby Club,
Oakfield, Long Lane,
Grays,
Essex,
RM16 2QH

https://www.facebook.co m/thurrocknomads/

Grays



Essex Wildlife Trust

Various adults & children's activities to book onto, and opportunities to learn about their beautiful site!

Dates and times vary.

Thameside Nature
Discovery Park
Mucking Wharf Road,
Stanford-le-Hope,
SS17 ORN

https://www.essexwt.org. uk/events?location\_term= 494

Stanford-le-Hope

### **Running & Walking Activities 3/5**





#### Ramblers Wellbeing Walks

April 2024 – March 2025
Wellbeing Walks is a
national programme which
encourages people to
exercise for the benefit of
their health.

Walking is suitable for people of all ages and abilities and Walks range from a leisurely 30 minutes suitable for complete beginners, to a brisker 90 minutes (4-5 miles) for more experienced walkers and are graded from easy to hard.

https://tinyurl.com/5cstdwbs

Multiple locations



### Wild Challenge

Are you ready to take on a Wild Challenge? You can help wildlife, explore nature and enjoy lots of wild, fun activities.

Take part within your school or with your family!

Send results by 24 February 2025

https://www.rspb.org.uk/help ing-nature/what-you-cando/activities/wild-challenge

Multiple locations



#### MSA

Every Thursday MSA host free Nordic Walks 10:00-11:00am for 16yrs+

Tese take place at Venue:
Thames Chase Forest
Centre

Parking costs £2

https://muslimahsports.org.uk /msa-nordic-walks/

**Upminster** 



#### SS17 Walkers

Every Tuesday, friendly walking group

Like their Facebook page to see regular updates for their weekly walks.

https://www.facebook.com/S S17Walkers

Stanford-le-Hope

### **Running & Walking Activities 4/5**







Over 50's Men's Football Club

Address: Lakeside Sports Ground, A1306 Arterial Rd West Thurrock, Chafford Hundred, Grays RM16 6DN

Train on Monday and Friday Mornings between 10am and 11.30am.

First game is free then £5 per session plus £20 annual membership which includes insurance.

Contact Rod for more information: +44 (0)7854 897227

Grays



#### Mama Meet-Up Walk

Meeting Point: Creamstry
Dessert Shop, 6 Derwent
Parade, South Ockendon
RM15 5EE

They welcome women from all walks of life and stages of motherhood for this childfriendly walk followed by free light refreshments

Every Friday 10am-12pm, starting from 10<sup>th</sup> January, for 17 weeks

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mamameet-up-thurrock-tickets-1109222196449

Ockendon



#### Purfleet-on-Thames Heritage Walk

Meeting Point: Purfleet Heritage and Military Centre, Magazine No5, Centurion Way, Purfleet-on-Thames, Essex, RM19 1ZZ

When: Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. 1 p.m.

Price: Adults £5, under 16's £3

Includes: Tea/Coffee and Biscuits

Payment: Pre-booking only until March

Booking contact:
paulhounsell64@outlook.com

Purfleet-on-Thames



#### Couch to 5K app

A running programme for absolute beginners, Couch to 5K has helped millions of people like you start running.

The app:

- Has a choice of 5 trainers to motivate you
- Works with your music player tracks your runs
- Connects you with other Couch to 5K runners

Couch to 5K can be completed in as little as 9 weeks, or longer if you want to go at your own pace.

https://www.nhs.uk/better-health/getactive/

Online

### **Running & Walking Activities 5/5**





## Join us on Walk to Work Day

#### Friday 4th April

We're encouraging all Thurrock employees to walk to work



### Can't walk to work?

Enjoy an active lunchbreak instead. Whether that's a walk round the block or busting a move to the radio

#### We invite you

Work in Grays? Join us for a 30 minute lunchtime walk, 12.30pm-1pm, meeting at The Beehive Resource Centre. All welcome!

Optional £1 donation to dress down and wear trainers at work.

All proceeds going towards the Pride Bench!







https://forms.office.com/e/WqMc0aGLjD

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https://parents1st.org.uk/activity/walkie-talkies-april

### **Sport Specific Activities 1/2**





#### **Grays Judo Club**

Grays Judo Club provide a safe and inspiring environment where children and their families can achieve a healthier lifestyle by taking part in physical activity on a regular basis, whilst also learning new skills.

Wednesday Evenings 17:15 - 18:30pm Socketts Heath Baptist Church, Premier Avenue, Grays, **RM16 2SB** 

> One Session: £5 A Month: £25

https://sites.google.com/view/gra vsiudoclub/home/judo-schedule

Grays



#### **Sea Cadets**

At Thurrock they aim to give young people an experience that will help them grow into the person they want to be in a safe and friendly environment. Through various activities and adventures, they learn teamwork, respect, loyalty, self-confidence, commitment, self-discipline, honesty and how to be the best version of ourselves.

Volunteering opportunities to get involved!

https://www.seacadets.org/thurrock/volunteerwith-us

**Tilbury** 





**Gateway Cycling Club** 

Meet others get outdoors, 4th Monday every month Gateway Cycling invites you for a short 7 mile, slow bike ride along Grays riverfront, with a stop on the way for refreshments.

Ideal for beginners and for those who have not ridden for a long time. Please ensure that your bike is in working order. Helmets must be worn and please bring along a bike lock.

Meet up outside the Blackshots Leisure Cenre, Blackshots Lane, RM16 3LU for a 10.00am start.

For queries:

recreation secretary@gateway cycling.org.uk

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**Thurrock Hockey Club** 

First training session is free (come and try hockey to see if you like the game and setup)

Any session attended after that is £3 per session and on a pay as you play basis

Hockey stick and equipment are available for the session

https://www.facebook.com/Thurr ockHockevClub

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### **Sport Specific Activities 2/2**





# KARATE

**SELF DEFENCE & FITNESS** 

New beginners class
All ages welcome

Your child will learn the old ways of Karate that will improve and develop their strength, confidence and health.

Martial Arts and fitness are also great for the brain, improving memory, combating stress and anxiety, which will carry over into your childs school work and home life.

ENROL NOW limited spaces availible

WEDNESDAYS 4 -5pm

The Aveley Community Hub, High Street Recreation ground car park, AVELEY, RM15 4BX

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£5 per class

Aveley

### Other support & ways to get active 1/2







#### FYA Thurrock Facebook

Follow our page for activities, events and news!

A wide range of physical activity opportunities across Thurrock so you can get out moving in the community in a way you enjoy!!

https://essexfrontline.org.uk/

Online



### **Activity Finder**

Here you will find lots of clubs and activities listed on the Active Essex Activity Finder.

Also if you run a session you can add your activities to promote for free!

https://www.activeessex.org/ activity-finder/

Online



#### **Frontline**

Frontline is a community project.

It helps frontline workers and the public to quickly find details on local health and wellbeing services and to contact services through call back and referral options.

https://essexfrontline.org.uk/

Online



#### **Thurrock Council**

Help is available for Thurrock residents whose weight puts them at higher risk of illhealth.

Thurrock Council signpost to services & they also organize local programmes that can help with weight management.

These are for eligible adults aged 18 years-old or older. Schemes are both free or low costing.

https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/help-tohave-healthy-weight/where-to-get-help

Online

### Other support & ways to get active 2/2







#### **Better Health**

Healthy changes start with little changes. Whether you want to lose weight, drink less alcohol, get active or quit smoking, you have access to lots of free tools and support through Better Health. You can also find simple ways to lift your mood with Every Mind Matters.

There has never been a better time to kickstart your health.

Let's do this!

https://essexfrontline.org.uk/

Online





#### **Essex Youth Map**

There are over 7000 groups/activities in Essex, with over 290,000 places for young people to join in! Find out about youth groups / activities near you.

Use the Essex youth map by searching Thurrock to find a group/activity near you!

https://ecvys.org.uk/youthgroups/

Multiple locations





#### Active 10 app

The Active 10 app anonymously records every minute of walking you do. Just pop your phone in your pocket and away you go!

#### The app:

- Tracks your steps
- Helps you set goals
- Shows you your achievements
- Gives you tips to boost your activity

Did you know walking briskly, even for 1 minute, counts as exercise?
What are you waiting for - take your first steps today!

https://www.nhs.uk/better-health/getactive/

Online



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#### **Forward Motion**

ForwardMotion is an initiative to encourage people to think differently about the way they travel around South Essex instead of jumping in the car for every journey.

They provide signposting to services that make alternative travel options accessible by providing links to cycling maps, cycling safety information & also links to local clubs.

Please note – the Cycling Hub shop in Tilbury is now closed.

https://forwardmotionsouthessex.co.uk/services-near-me/thurrock/