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## Children & Young People's Activities 1/4



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

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



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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, acrobatics and musical theatre

> Juniors and seniors acro Ages 7-16 years 9:30am-10:15am

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

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

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**Youth Programmes** 

All programmes are term time

For more information please get in touch with Rio: jodeku@riverview.org.uk | 07376 955460

#### **Youth Clubs** Over 13s

Tuesdays: 5 - 6:30pm Under 13s

Health &

Wellbeing EmpowerHer

Girls Wellbeing Hub

4:30 - 6pm (Over 13s)

St Stephen's Church, London Road, Purfleet-on-Thames, Essex, RM19 1QD

VIOLENCE & VULNERABILITY

Children

Wednesdays: 4:30 - 6pm St Stephen's Church, London Road, Purfleet-on-Thames, Essex, RM19 1QD



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#### Sports Programmes

**Girls Football** Mondays: 4.30 - 5.30pm (ages 10-13) Street Football Thursdays: 4 - 5pm (Under 13s) Thursdays: 5 - 6pm (Over 13s) Purfleet Primary Academy, Tank Hill Rd. Purfleet RM19 1SX



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Purfleet Primary Acadamy, Tank Hill Rd, RM19 ISX

FOOTBALL

CLUBS

- Monday
- 4.30 5.30pm Girls Yr 6-8 Thursday
- 4pm -5pm Yr 5-6 5pm-6pm Yr 8- Sixth form 07376 955460 (Rio)





POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR ESSEX

## Children & Young People's Activities 2/4

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#### **Essex ActivAte**

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



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/

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#### 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/

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#### **Thurrock Libraries**

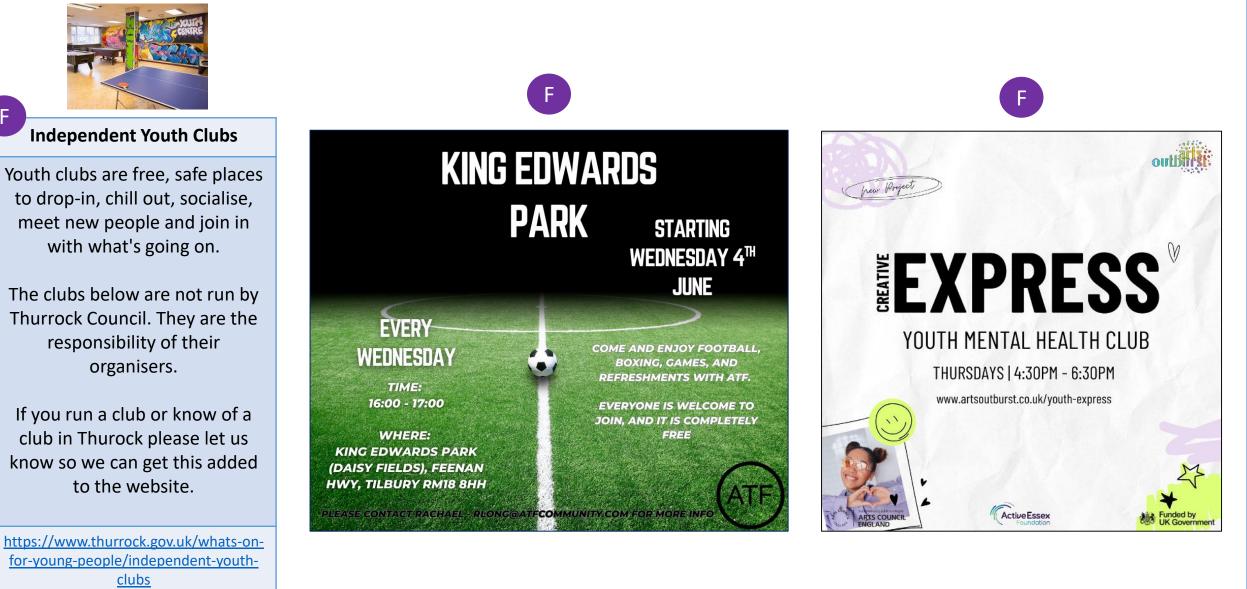
All Libraries offer this class weekly for children and their parents to join them in singing and dancing together for rhyme time!

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-your-library/rhyme-time

## Children & Young People's Activities 3/4





## **Children & Young People's Activities 4/4**





## **Community Activities 1/2**



#### **NHS Inclusion**

To utilize the wide range of activities with Thurrock Recovery College to support your mental health and wellbeing, enroll with NHS Inclusion.

Once registered, their team will contact you directly and book you in for a meeting, where we complete an Individual Learning Plan (ILP). Upon completion of the ILP, you will be enrolled as a student on the database.

Submit an <u>online registration</u> <u>form</u>

https://recoverycollege.inclusionthurroc k.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/RC-April-July-Timetable-UPDATED.pdf

Multiple locations



#### **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



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#### 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/

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TUESDAY From June 4th every <u>Tuesday</u> between 10-11am we will be taking your inspected garden waste subject to Jim saying yes COMMUNITY SHED JIM 07951 457745

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#### **Start Thurrock**

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Start Thurrock is about listening to your creative ideas and interests, and what you need and want. Letting our communities have a say. We don't present you with cultural events we 'think you might like' – we include you so that you have an impact on all decisions. We're here to give more people the opportunity to be creative, and for you to decide what creative activities you want to see, experience or take part in.

Find out more and get involved in their upcoming events and activities!

https://www.startthurrock.org /whats-on/

## **Community Activities 2/2**





Volunteering can be a stepping stone to employment, a way to make new friends, a chance to learn new skills and give you the opportunity to try something new!

Active volunteering is a great way to get moving in your community whilst helping others at the same time!

https://thurrockcvs.org/volunteerthurrock/

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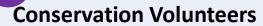
#### **Outdoor Gyms**

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



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/

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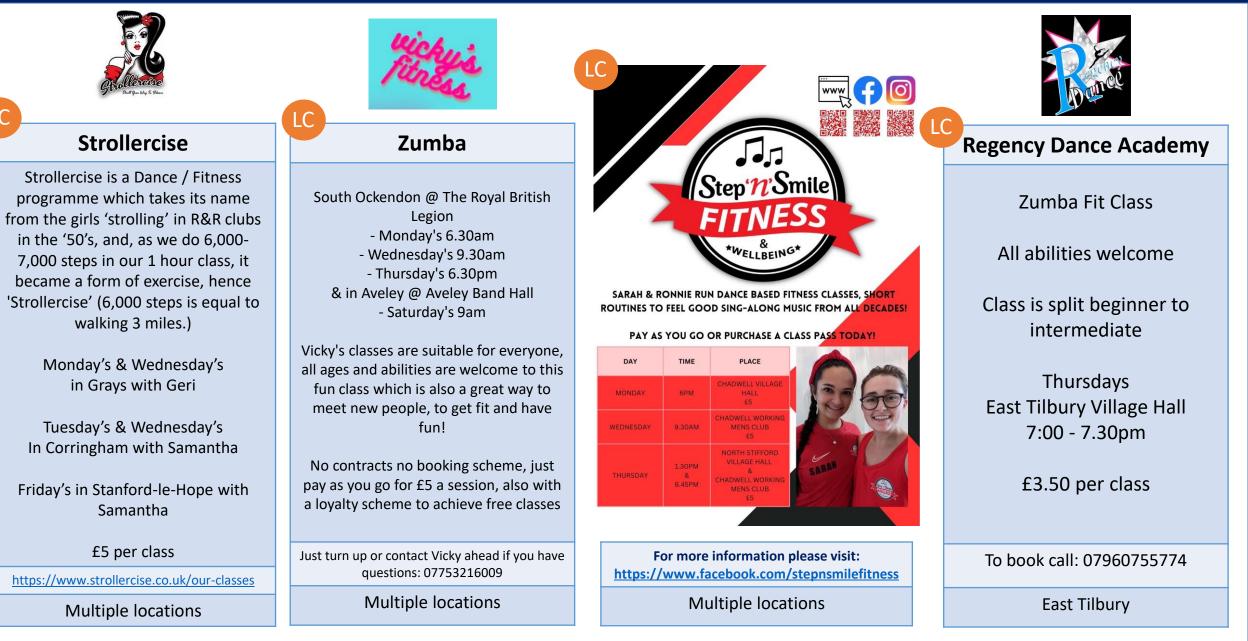




For more information please visit: <u>https://www.startthurrock.org/whats-on/thurrock-big-lunches-2025/</u>

## Dance classes





## **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: <u>markads01@icloud.com</u> MOBILE: 07711 817253 COST £5.00 PAYG



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These classes take place at The Royal British Legion

- Monday's 7.30am - Thursday's 7.30am

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

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## **Family Activities**



## Brighter Hutures Healthy Families

#### **Brighter Futures**

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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

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#### 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



#### 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.

They 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

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2	Regular nutritional tips & tricks for individuals and families
3	Weekly walking group for free and effective exercise to get the family moving
4	Family workshops to teach you how to get fit together and build health lifestyles as a family
5	FREE introductory 1-1 lifestyle coaching session to support busy families
6	Individual/family wellbeing assessment to see where lifestyle improve and changes can be made
7	Virtual home exercise calls
8	Support groups
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For more information and to book please contact: 07923 918949

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## Health and Weight Loss Programmes

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### Health Referral

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Impulse

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-referralschemes

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/p ublic-health/thurrock-healthylifestyle-service

Online

## **Inclusive Activities 1/2**



# RDA

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#### **Sugarloaf RDA**

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

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

"Tea with a Pony" is for people that would be unable to ride but would like to come and see the horse or pony being worked, enjoy a cup of tea and slice of cake and meet the pony before going home. This costs £5 per person and they can take up to around 6 people including their carers or relatives at 10:30 on Friday mornings

http://www.sugarloafrda.org/

Orsett

## 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

## **Inclusive Activities 2/2**





## CO specialising in children with CP (Cerebal Palsy) DISABILITY FOOTBALL ST CLERES COMETS OPEN TO GIRLS AND **BOYS AGED 6-11** FIRST CENTRE IN SOUTH **ESSEXII** POB

Coming soon to Thurrock at St Cleres FC

CONTACT PAUL 07944 956291

St Cleres School Stanford Le Hope \*Comets is the disability pathway name with the Essex FA

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

07856 869296









## **Beyond The Darkness**

Thursday 3 - Monday 28 July, FREE Thameside Complex, Gallery Ground Floor, Orsett Road, Grays RM17 5DX

Proudly created in Thurrock by CoDa Dance Company, Beyond the Darkness is an interactive digital experience designed to get you moving and lead you into the world of neurological disabilities.

- Monday 9.30am- 6.30pm
- Tuesday 9.30am-4.30pm
- Wednesday 9.30am-4.30pm
- Thursday 9.30am- 6.30pm (opens 3pm on 3 July)
- Friday 9.30am-4.30pm
- Saturday 9.30am -12.30pm



£5 per session Waiting list may apply

## 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



U3A

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



#### 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: £9.00 annual fee for venue/ membership. £1 for tea/ coffee

Contact: Claire after 4pm 07903 963601

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#### 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 / <u>mrkspring@hotmail.com</u>

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## Low Impact Activities 2/2





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#### Zumba<sup>®</sup> Gold

Monday's at 11am, £4.50 per session (paused during Summer break)

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/

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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. <u>uk</u>

Or visit their website:

https://www.friendsofhardiep ark.co.uk/weekly-clubs/

Stanford-le-Hope



Sign up at www.togetherproductions.co.uk/events Find out more: rachel@togetherproductions.co.uk or message/call us on 07378 968443

## **Running & Walking Activities 1/4**





Multiple locations





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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

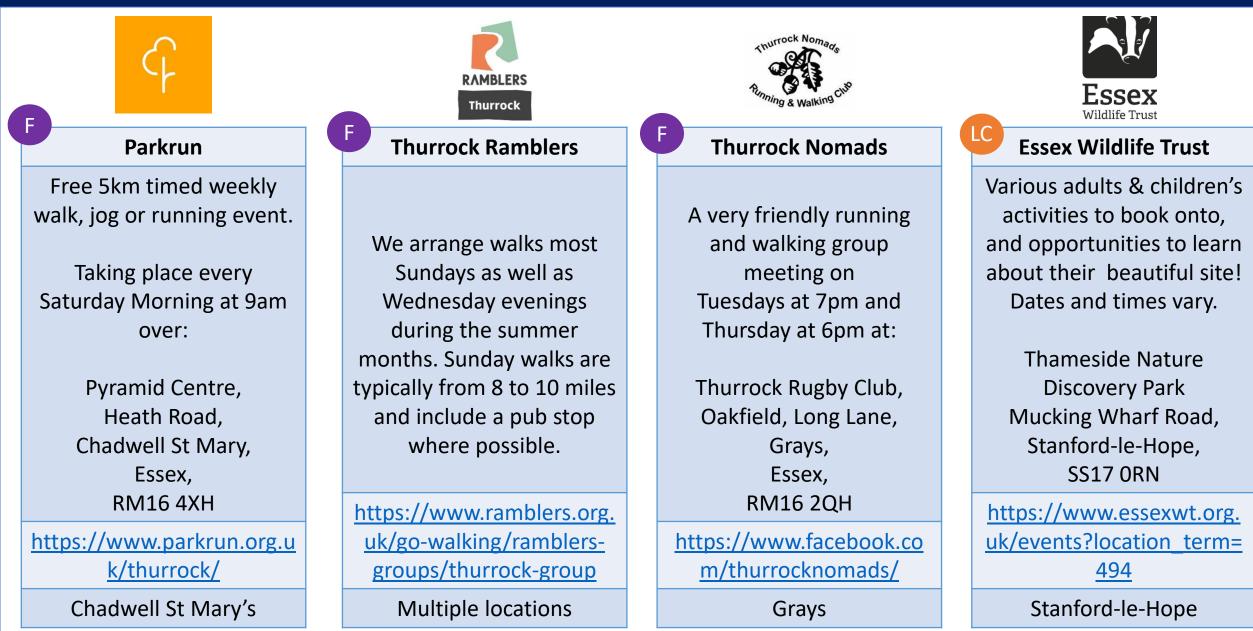


To prebook contact Paul: paulhounsell64@outlook.com

Purfleet

## **Running & Walking Activities 2/4**

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## **Running & Walking Activities 3/4**





#### Mummy's Day Out

They organise events that empower, encourage & inspire mothers, father's and the extended family.

Now that the sun is shining, they're taking their Mama Walks outdoors—and making a park stop too! As part of the walk, they'll also be stopping by Rhyme Time at Thurrock Library (11.30am) for some fun songs and stories with the little ones!

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/mumm ys-day-out-9906857944#events

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#### **T100**

Meandering Monday walks with T100 on the second Monday of every month.

Each month with a different meeting point and always an opportunity for a sit down with a cuppa and a biscuit for a chat with the group.

Come along to enjoy a free stroll and refreshments as you explore the local area alongside other community members.

https://t100festival.co.uk/reg ularwalks/

Multiple locations

MUSLIMAH SPORTS ASSOCIATION EST 2014

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

These take place at Thames Chase Forest Centre

Parking costs £2

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

Upminster

SS17 Walkers

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Every Tuesday 10.30am, 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 4/4**





#### **The Walkie Talkies**

Parent's 1<sup>st</sup> offer Walkie Walkie sessions and also online fitness sessions for mums completely free of charge!

These outdoor talk and walk sessions are for both pregnant and new parents. Enjoy some light outdoor exercise whilst meeting other local parents. Walks will last 1 hour and will be followed by a hot drink and a chat.

A fun and friendly weekly online exercise group that helps expectant mums to keep healthy. Exercise sessions are adapted to suit all stages of pregnancy and all fitness levels.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/parents-1st-58718511373

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Purfleet-on-Thames Heritage Walk

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

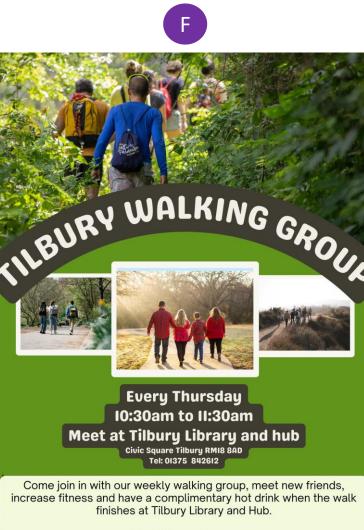
When: Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. 1 p.m.

Price: Adults £5, under 16's £3

Includes: Tea/Coffee and Biscuits

Booking contact: paulhounsell64@outlook.com

Purfleet-on-Thames



All abilities welcome.

b thurrock.gov.uk

## **Sport Specific Activities**





#### **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 ysjudoclub/home/judo-schedule

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#### **Gateway Cycling Club**

Meet others, get outdoors – on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month Gateway Cycling invites you for a short 7 mile, free, 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@gatewaycyclin g.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 £4 per session and on a pay as you play basis

Hockey stick and equipment are available for the session

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

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# 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 available WEDNESDAYS 4 -5pm

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

> 07810 186820

£5 per class

Aveley

## **Sport Specific Activities**





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Join Grays Athletic Fitness & Football at Palmers College Astro to get fit through football!

They play twice a week, Monday and Wednesday at 7pm.

Age range is 18+

First game is free! Then costs £20 per month or £5 per session if you prefer pay as you play.

https://www.facebook.com/profile .php?id=100095363793655

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#### Grays Athletic Walking FC

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 £6.50 per session.

Use special booklet discount code to pay £5 per session: FYAT5

https://www.gawfc.co.uk/

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Community Big Lunches 28 July – 28 August 2025 Multiple locations	Grays 10K Challenge Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> September Grays Free 3K fun run	Walkie Talkies Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July Stanford le Hope
Ghost and Folklore Walk	Meandering Monday	Mummy's Day Out: Summer Beach Meetup
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> August
Purfleet	Chafford Hundred	Lakeside
Open Day Extravaganza	Tyre Workout	<u>The Mini Olympics 2025</u>
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> August
Grays	Grays	Aveley
Free Bike Check and Repair	Discovery Day	Gateway Cycling Monthly Ride
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> July
Belhus Library	Tilbury	Grays

## **Other directories**



THURROCK FYA Thurrock Facebook



**Activity Finder** 

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**Essex Youth Map** 



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

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

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



#### Summer Fun

Welcome to your guide to fun activities for the family this summer

We know that keeping the kids entertained over the holidays can be a challenge

That's why we are gathering together all that's going on locally that you can do as a family - and on a budget

Save this page to your favourites as we will be updating regularly with new events, offers and ideas

https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/ arts-and-culture/summer-fun

**Other support** 



<u>Local Wellbeing Services</u>	<u>Getting Started Guide</u>	<u>Better Health</u>
Frontline	Activity Alliance	NHS
Cycling Routes	<u>Couch to 5K app</u>	<u>Active 10 app</u>
Forward Motion South Essex	NHS	NHS
<u>Weight management support</u> Thurrock Council	Instagram Blog Find Your Active Thurrock	