

# Adventure Film Festival/International Climbing Competition/Mountain Bike Demo/ SUP/ Trail Running Festival

## FESTIVAL OF THE OUTDOORS

### MTB Skills Coaching/ E-Bike Ride Out Guided Walks/ Hill Climb Cycle Race Half Marathon/ Kayaking/ Pub Trail Orienteering/ Trail Day/ March 2020

#### Accessible Cycling/ Beer Week Events Navigation/ Heritage Walks/ Q&As Moorland Exploration/ 10K Run/ Book Talks/ Taking place across Sheffield Family Fun Activities/ Night Running Expos/ Workshops/ Taster Sessions Volunteering/ Beer! Doc UK Premiere Wildlife & Conservation/ Bike Festival

# Kicking off Sheffield's outdoor season with a bang!

## The Festival of the Outdoors offers a full month of events and activities celebrating the city's outdoor communities.

### Taking place 1 - 31 March - spanning walking, climbing, running, orienteering, kayaking, road cycling, mountain biking, conservation, wildlife, history, film, beer and a whole lot more - there's something for everyone to get involved in.

## So get out there and join in!

# The Outdoor City

Sheffield

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[theoutdoorcity.co.uk/festival-of-the-outdoors](http://theoutdoorcity.co.uk/festival-of-the-outdoors)

### South Yorkshire Orienteers Events

National Orienteering Race	Urban Night Orienteering	Saturday Series 6	Urban Orienteering
<b>Sunday 1 March</b> <b>Burbage Moor, S17 3BJ   10am - 12.30pm</b> Come and join in a National level orienteering race and explore beautiful Burbage in the Northern Peak District. Burbage is predominately open moorland with small areas of woodland and intricate rock and contour detail providing a significant technical and physical challenge to experienced orienteers. Alongside the technical courses, there are also courses suitable for younger juniors, families and newcomers. This event kick starts Sheffield's month-long Festival of the Outdoors - come and give orienteering a go and enjoy fabulous views on the outskirts of The Outdoor City.	<b>Thursday 12 March</b> <b>Start: The Fat Cat, S3 8SA   6.30pm - 7.30pm</b> Come and experience the challenge of night orienteering around the streets of Kelham Island. With a choice of 3 different courses, this race caters to experienced orienteers, runners and newcomers alike.	<b>Saturday 14 March</b> <b>Norfolk Heritage Park, S2 2PL   12.30 - 3pm</b> This is the 6th race in the Saturday Series of events aimed at introducing adult and junior newcomers to orienteering. Using a map to navigate, the aim is to find the control points in the fastest time possible. Come and give orienteering a go and enjoy fabulous views across The Outdoor City.	<b>Wednesday 25 March</b> <b>Endcliffe Student Village, S10 3ED   5.15pm - 6.45pm</b> Enjoy urban orienteering around The Edge student village and surrounding residential area. The mix of old Victorian buildings, modern accommodation blocks, landscaped gardens and complex walls and pathways will offer an interesting navigational challenge. Newcomers welcome.



For more info or to enter visit: [southyorkshireorienteers.org.uk](http://southyorkshireorienteers.org.uk)

### Tree Walks

Want to learn about trees in a fun and informal way? Join Sheffield Woodland Connections for this series of walks exploring historic planting and current tree conservation efforts across a range of Sheffield green spaces.

The main theme of these two hour long walks will be winter tree ID, using bark and buds to tell trees apart. All attendees will be provided with a link to a downloadable tree ID sheet prepared to accompany the walk. You'll also be on the lookout for notable and veteran trees - tape measures will be provided to help establish their age.

Tickets: £7 adult; £5 unwaged; kids under 14 go free. Maximum group size: 20.

**General Cemetery Tree Walk**  
**Sunday 1 March | 11.30am**  
**Sheffield General Cemetery, S11 8NT**  
 A peaceful oasis close to the heart of the city, the cemetery is known for its fine specimen trees.

Meet at the gatehouse entrance at the end of Cemetery Avenue. Although the majority of the paths are accessible, the route will include some moderate slopes.

**For more information visit:**  
[sheffieldwoodlandconnections.co.uk](http://sheffieldwoodlandconnections.co.uk)

### Sheffield & Rotherham Wildlife Trust Volunteer Days

Fancy getting outside while giving something back to the beautiful green spaces, woodland and nature reserves across the city?

Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust run regular volunteer work days throughout the year.

Tasks can vary from footpath improvement and access works, to habitat and vegetation management. Most run from 10am - 3pm.

Tools and gloves are provided (as are tea and biscuits). Please wear warm, waterproof clothing, and sturdy footwear.

If joining for the whole day, please also bring a packed lunch and water.

Here's a rundown of the events taking place in March.

- 2 March | Crabtree Ponds**
- 3 March | Wyming Brook & Fox Hagg**
- 5 March | Moss Valley Woodland**
- 6 March | Victoria Hall Garden**
- 9 March | Centenary Riverside**
- 15 March | Wyming Brook**
- 16 March | Carr House Meadows**
- 19 March | Blacka Moor**
- 20 March | Woodhouse Washlands**
- 24 March | Carbrook Ravine**
- 27 March | Greno Woods**

For more info visit:  
[www.wildsheffield.com/whats-on](http://www.wildsheffield.com/whats-on)

### Cycling 4 All Sessions

**3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26 & 31 March**  
**Hillsborough Park, S6 2AB | 10am - 2pm**

Sheffield's Cycling 4 All enables anyone to enjoy cycling, whatever difficulties or disabilities they face. The volunteer run organisation hold weekly sessions where you can ride various cycles each built to cater to specific needs.

Run by qualified cycle leaders, the sessions are open to all.

First session is free during March, £4 per rider thereafter. Carers always ride free!

For more info visit:  
[www.sheffieldcycling4all.org](http://www.sheffieldcycling4all.org)

### Sheffield Together

**Sunday 8 March | 9.15am - 12.30pm**  
**Ecclesall Woods, S7 2AW**

Come along to Sheffield Together and help support local cancer charity, Cavendish Cancer Care.

Now in its fifth year, expect a fantastic atmosphere, winding woodland routes. Sheffield Together follows a fun route (one about 5k and one 10k), starting and finishing at the Ecclesall Woods picnic area, off Limb Lane. This is a beautifully muddy outdoors event perfect for all ages and abilities.

Choose to walk it with your kids and dog if you like, or get together a group of friends and colleagues to run to the finish line. It's all about having fun.

There is no set sponsorship target for Sheffield Together, though the charity encourages you to raise as much as you can to help the continued delivery of care to local families affected by cancer.

For more info visit:  
[www.sheffieldtogether.co.uk](http://www.sheffieldtogether.co.uk)

### Sheffield Canoe Club

**Learn to Kayak - Pool Sessions**  
**6, 13, 20 & 27 March**  
**Hillsborough Leisure Centre, S6 2AN**  
**8pm - 9.30pm**

Every Friday evening, Sheffield Canoe Club run beginner and family friendly pool sessions, with experienced coaches on hand to train and guide you. They also welcome experienced kayakers who want to hone their existing skills.

Payment is at the poolside in the café area (please note this isn't open during these sessions).

All paddlers please wear swimwear with a t-shirt over the top.

Visitors to the pool will be asked to sign-in, allowing you to participate with the club 3 times, before becoming a full member.

For further information please visit:  
[www.sheffieldcanoeclub.co.uk](http://www.sheffieldcanoeclub.co.uk)

### Learn to Kayak - River Sessions

**8, 15, 22 & 29 March**  
**Dixon's Sports Ground, S1 4PQ**  
**9.30am - 12 pm**

Every Sunday morning, Sheffield Canoe Club run beginner and family friendly river sessions, with experienced coaches on hand to train and guide you.

The club's coaches will use their experience and judgement to decide if the water level is suitable for you.

All of the equipment you need to get started is provided. Just bring clothes to go on the water and a change of clothes for afterwards. There are changing rooms available at the site.

Visitors to the river will be asked to sign-in, allowing you to participate with the club 3 times, before becoming a full member.

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[www.sheffieldcanoeclub.co.uk](http://www.sheffieldcanoeclub.co.uk)

### Friends of the Peak District Boundary Walk

**Low Bradfield Post Office, S6 6LA**  
**Saturday 7 March | 10am - 5pm**

Join the Friends of the Peak District for a guided linear walk on Stage 8 of the Peak District Boundary Walk.

This stage of the route will take you from Low Bradfield all the way down to Ringinglow.

The route will be approximately 11 miles.

The group will then walk from the end of Stage 8 (the Norfolk Arms at Ringinglow) to Ash House Lane at the bottom of Long Line where there is a bus stop for transferring back to Sheffield.

Make sure you wear supportive footwear, bring warm and waterproof clothing and something to eat/drink along the way.

Free guided walk, but please register to attend.

For more info & to register go to:  
[www.friendsofthepeak.org.uk/events](http://www.friendsofthepeak.org.uk/events)

### A Civilised Place Discovery Walk

**Sheffield City Centre**  
**Saturday 7 March | 11am - 1pm**

Join ICE Yorkshire and Humber for guided walk along an easy-going two mile discovery trail exploring how engineering has developed the city of Sheffield.

Among the 32 points of interest included in the walk are Sheffield Cathedral, both City and Town Halls, theatres, the Millennium Gallery, Sheffield Station and Passenger Transport Interchange, Lady's Bridge, the Parkway Viaduct and Victoria Quays.

It is suitable for all abilities including wheelchairs and pushchairs, the walk will set off from the forecourt of Sheffield Cathedral in on Church Street at 11am.

Assistance dogs only please. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

For more info go to:  
[www.ice.org.uk](http://www.ice.org.uk)

### Great Sheffield Flood Anniversary Walks

**Wednesday 11 March | 10.30am - 1pm**  
**Meet at the Sands car park at Low Bradfield.**

A five mile walk with local archivist Malcolm Nunn, to the site of the breach of the Dale Dike Dam.

In 1864 the newly built dam burst releasing 600 million gallons of water down the Loxley Valley resulting in the death of 250 people and the destruction of many homes and buildings.

Malcolm will relate the stories behind the disaster and point out important sites along the route.

This event is FREE to attend, but contributions are always welcome.

No need to book, just turn up.

**Thursday 12 March | 10.30am - 1pm**  
**Meet at Malin Bridge Supertram terminus.**

The second of Malcolm Nunn's anniversary walks takes a linear route along the Loxley Valley and up to Dam Flask. The walk will continue to explore the route of the Great Sheffield Flood in 1864.

Once again, Malcolm will point out the various locations which were impacted by the flood along the way.

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### Trek Events

**All events take place at the Trek Sheffield Shop at Fox Valley Way, S36 2AB**

**International Women's Day Bike Ride**  
**Sunday 8 March | 9.15am - 11.30am**

A beginner's road bike ride to celebrate International Women's Day. This easy ride starts from the store for about 1.5 hours. Everyone welcome. Trek can provide you with a bike and equipment.

**Nutrition with Annie Simpson**  
**Thursday 12 March | 6.15pm - 8.00pm**

Nutrition for Sporting performance presentation from OIE's Annie Simpson. There will be sampling stations to try the products and goodie bags on the night.

**Trek MTB/E-Bike Demo Day**  
**Friday 20 March | 10.00am - 5.00pm**

A fantastic opportunity to demo the whole range of Trek's 2020 MTB and E bikes. Guided rides into the local Woods.

For more info go to:  
[www.trekbikes.com/gb/en\\_GB/retail/sheffield\\_fox\\_valley](http://www.trekbikes.com/gb/en_GB/retail/sheffield_fox_valley)

### Women In Cycling Festival

**The Norfolk Arms, S11 7TS**  
**Sunday 8 March | 1pm - 10pm**

Join the women of the University of Sheffield Cycling Club for a day of riding, chatting and celebrating the growing community of Women in Cycling!

Open to both road and mountain biking and everything in between. Women who have been riding for 40 years or those who started only last week. Everyone is welcome.

There will be a variety of routes: long and short, MTB, road and a gravel ride. All the rides you could want, for every discipline and every capability. Local bike brand Cotoc will be in attendance with their demo fleet of steel-framed weaponry for those without a bike.

After a couple of hours of riding, everyone will meet back at the Norfolk Arms for a post-ride knees up. Expect cheap food, alcohol, free teas/coffee and overall good vibes.

**Clarion Call**  
**Friday 27 March | 1.30pm - 2.30pm**  
**Ecclesall Library, S11 9PL**

Clarion Call takes us back 100 years and shares the story of Sheffielders in the early fights for our right to freely walk on the Peak District moors. Join the authors as they describe the experiences of local rambblers, based on rare photographs taken by Sheffield Clarion Ramblers Herbert Harry Diver.

### Library Events

**Best Foot Forward!**  
**Thursday 9 March | 7pm - 8.30pm**  
**Library Theatre, S1 2XZ**

Derry Brabbs has written many books combining landscape and architectural heritage. His most recent work, 'Pilgrimage', highlights some of Europe's iconic pilgrim routes and he will be sharing some stunning images from the book plus a photographic journey along the Pennine Way.

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### The Route to Tokyo: Q&A with Percy Bishton

**The Climbing Works, Unit E, S8 0UJ**  
**Thursday 12 March | 7pm**

Climbing is set to be one of the sports making its debut at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games later this year and the man who will be responsible for setting all the bouldering routes is none other than Sheffield's own, Percy Bishton.

IFSC Chief Routesetter and co-owner of the Climbing Works, Percy has been route setting for nearly 30 years and has set the routes for over 50 international events.

Ahead of the Rab Climbing Works International Festival, join us for a special Q&A with Percy as he reflects upon his life in climbing, career in route setting and thoughts on the upcoming Olympics.

This event is free, but attendees must be registered.

For information about registering for this event please visit the festival homepage.

### The Rab Climbing Works International Festival (CWIF)

**14 - 15 March**  
**The Climbing Works, S8 0UJ**

A bouldering competition with a difference, attracting competitors from around the world. Yes it offers prize money, but above all else CWIF exists for the fun of it.

No entry fee, no isolation for the qualification round, the chance to climb alongside some of the best climbers in the world on problems set by some of the world's best route setters. You don't just come to watch, you come to take part.

As usual Saturday is the Qualification Circuit with two qualifying sessions and a fun evening round for those who aren't aiming for the Semis and Finals.

For more info & tickets visit:  
[www.climbingworks.com](http://www.climbingworks.com)

### Beer! UK Premiere Screening Plus Q&A with Director & Producer

**Showroom Cinema, S1 2BX**  
**Friday 13 March | 6pm**

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**INDIE BEER FEAST**

**6 - 7 March**  
**Abbaydale Picture House, S7 1FS**

With an emphasis on great quality, independent, craft beer from across the UK and around the globe, the Indie Beer Feast kicks off Sheffield Beer Week in style.

Expect over 20 great brewery bars, with a line-up of tempting street food to pair alongside.

Two sessions run each day, Session 1 runs 11.30am - 4.30pm and Session 2 runs 5.30pm - 10.30pm. Tickets are £6.50 /£8.50 per session.

Simply take a snap of your pint with the surroundings you're enjoying it in, then share it to either Instagram, Facebook or Twitter and tag:  
**@TrueNorthBrewCo**  
**@TheOutdoorCity**  
**#FestivaloftheOutdoors**

before Tuesday 31 March. The best shot wins! Cheers and good luck!

To book visit:  
[www.indiebeerfeast.co.uk](http://www.indiebeerfeast.co.uk)

**TRUE NORTH BREW CO**

**'Trale' Beer Competition**

To celebrate the Festival of the Outdoors and Sheffield Beer Week, True North Brew Co have brewed a special Trale pale ale. A 4% hoppy beer that is available at all True North venues across the city.

Available for a limited time only throughout March, anyone who samples this special edition brew could also be in with the **chance of winning an exclusive 'Brewer For A Day' experience.**

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**Sheffield Beer Week 9 - 15 March**

Because you can't have a whole month of outdoor adventure without a little refreshment... Sheffield Beer Week is a citywide celebration of the region's brewing landscape. It's also about highlighting the wonderful world of beer, taking and sharing inspiration from across the globe. Collaboration is key, with many of Sheffield's bars, pubs and restaurants joining forces with local, national and international breweries to host a weeklong programme of beery events - below are a few highlights with an outdoors theme!

**Sheffield Pub Heritage Walk**  
**8 March | 2pm**  
**Starts from Fagans, S1 4BS**

A short walking tour around some of the entries in the Campaign for Real Ale Yorkshire's Real Heritage Pubs book.

Also included are a number of 'try also' pubs which include aspects of architectural merit.

The tour starts at Fagans and proceeds to the Dog and Partridge via a short stop outside The Grapes. After a short refreshment break, the walk will then proceed past The Beehive, the Red Deer and Bloo88, before finishing at The Bath Hotel.

**Women in Beer & Brewing Walking Tour**  
**Thursday 12 March | 7pm**  
**Starts from Hop Hideout, S3 8LN**

Join Sheffield Beer Week director Jules Gray on this beer journey around Sheffield as she shares the intriguing history of women in beer and brewing.

With Sheffield stories, people and places interwoven through the beer landscape.

Meet at Hop Hideout - where you will be greeted and provided with a third of beer included in the ticket price. The walking tour will then visit The Crow, Shakespeares and Kelham Island Tavern. There will be time at each venue to purchase a drink, if you would like too.

**Pub & Industrial Heritage Walk**  
**Friday 13 March | 2pm**  
**Starts from The Fat Cat, S3 8SA**

Join Dave Pickersgill for a talk and walk around Kelham Island and Neepsend.

After a short introduction, the walk follows a 1.2 mile route passing the oldest working brewery in Sheffield, a myriad of industrial sites, more breweries and a number of pubs before finishing at the Sheffield Brewery Company, where brewery staff will then take you on a tour.

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**Mikkeller 5th Birthday Shakeout 5km Run**  
**Saturday 14 March | 11.30am**  
**Starts at Hop Hide Out, in Kommune, S1 2HF**

Like beer? Like running? Well you've come to the right place then. Join specialist beer shop, Hop Hideout and the Sheffield chapter of the Mikkeller Running Club for their 5th Birthday.

This gentle 5k run round Sheffield's urban city centre, starts from Hop Hideout and heads up to the Saint Mars of the Desert brewery in Attercliffe. After a celebration at Saint Mars, the run will double back to return to Hop Hideout.

All levels and abilities welcome, friendly group, all welcome. Free to join in.

To book and for the full programme of Sheffield Beer Week events visit:  
[www.sheffieldbeerweek.co.uk](http://www.sheffieldbeerweek.co.uk)

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**Sheffield Doc/Fest**  
 4 - 9 June 2020

**BIER!**

## The Magnificent Seven

**Sunday 15 March**  
Bradfield Village Hall (HQ), S6 6LB  
8.30am - 12 noon

Not for the faint-hearted, this unique cycling race is a cross between a sportive and a hill climb that invites participants to face seven of the city's toughest hills.

The full route is just over 28 miles long, presenting each rider with over 3800ft of climbing, with inclines ranging from 9 to 23 per cent.

So how does it work? Cyclists ride with motorbike escorts and lead cars between each of the seven hills, where the riders then gather at the bottom of each climb before racing for points to the summit.

Each of the seven climbs will be subject to a full road closure, giving the competitors the unique chance to race up traffic-free closed roads, something only professional riders normally have the opportunity to do.

Both men and women are encouraged to ride with equal prize money for both categories and there's even a trophy for the over 40 and 50 year old riders, as the fastest veterans battle for a separate prize list.

Spectators are really encouraged to come out and make some noise, using cow bells, musical instruments or anything you can bang, rattle or whistle - it all helps the riders tackle the climbs!

**For full route/climb info visit:**  
[www.sheffec.cc/magnificent-7](http://www.sheffec.cc/magnificent-7)



## Urban Stand-Up Paddleboarding Taster Sessions

**14, 15, 28 & 29 March**  
Victoria Quays, S2 5SY  
Session Times: 9.30am - 11am, 11.30am - 1pm & 1.30pm - 3pm

Ever wanted to try stand-up paddleboarding? Join DC Outdoors for an Urban SUP experience at Sheffield's historic canal basin, Victoria Quays.

Once you've had a quick introduction to the equipment and a short safety briefing, your SUP guide will help you get to grips with controlling the board whilst kneeling. Then once you've mastered this, you will move onto getting stood up - after all, it is called stand-up paddleboarding!

Tickets £15.

**For information about buying tickets please visit the festival homepage.**

## GoodGym Sheffield Runs

**3, 10, 17 & 24 March**  
Showroom Cinema, S1 2BX  
Meet at 6.30pm to run for 6.45pm

GoodGym is a community of runners that combine getting fit with doing good. They stop off on their runs to do physical tasks for charities and community organisations.

It's a great way to get fit, meet new people and do some good. As long as you're up for getting sweaty, everyone's welcome.

The group run every Monday from the Showroom Cinema. During the Festival of the Outdoors, they'll be carrying out work for Sustrans - National Cycling Network, Heeley People's Park and Lynwood Gardens.

**For more info and FREE sign-up:**  
[www.goodgym.org](http://www.goodgym.org)

## Rother Valley Inclusive Cycling Taster Session

**Rother Valley Country Park, S26 5PQ**  
Thursday 19 March | 11am - 3pm

Want to get out into the countryside?

Come along if you'd like to try out a Mountain Trike or a Mountain Bike Hand Cycle at our taster session, funded by Slater & Gordon Lawyers, from 11am - 3pm at Rother Valley Country Park near Sheffield.

This is a great venue for us to take our equipment as it's fairly flat if you're trying something for the first time. So if you fancy coming along, or know someone who would want to try out a Mountain Trike or adapted bike then please get in touch. We now also have an Electric-assist Ice Trike that you can try.

Additionally, if you have your own kit and would like to come and train with us there is now an option to buy a 'bring your own kit' ticket.

**For more info go to:**  
[www.experiencecommunity.co.uk](http://www.experiencecommunity.co.uk)

## Cycle To The Cinema - Best Of ShAFF 2020

**Decathlon, S1 3H**  
Wednesday 18 March | 8.15pm - 10.15pm

These films will be published once the judges have decided on the award winners for the 2020 festival. They meet early March, the programme will be published as soon as possible after that, but get your tickets in advance as it's sure to sell out. Total running time approx. 100mins.

Doors open 8pm, film starts 8.15pm. Store closes at 9pm, but tills will remain open during event.

Arrive on a bike and you will get a FREE rear LED.

In-store bike storage - bring your own lock.

Certificate 12A

**For more info go to:**  
[cycletothecinema.boombam.io/best-of-shaff-2020](http://cycletothecinema.boombam.io/best-of-shaff-2020)

## Eastern Moors Events

**Walk Moor**  
Thursday 5 March | 10am - 1pm

This 3 mile led walk will take you from Curbar Gap and along Baslow Edge. The weather on the moors is changeable so come prepared. Meet at Curbar Gap car park.

**Bilberry Planting**  
Tuesday 10 March | 10.00am - 12.30pm

Muck in and help plant bilberry bushes in the Burbage Valley as part of the Pollinating the Peak project. Meet at Surprise View car park.

**After Emergency Amble**  
Sunday 29 March

A gentle stroll on Big Moor looking for adders as they emerge from hibernation. Wardens will guide you in the best way to view this incredibly sensitive species.

**For more info go to:**  
[www.visit-eastern-moors.org.uk](http://www.visit-eastern-moors.org.uk)

## Longshaw Estate Events

**Weekly Drop-In Walks**  
4, 11, 18 & 25 March | 11am - 1.30pm

Explore Longshaw on one of the free walks led by their team of volunteers.

**Spring Detectives**  
28 - 31 March | 10am - 3.30pm

From birds to bunnies, adders to ants, wildlife is emerging and birds are nesting so tick off some of your 50 things to do before you're 11 & 3/4.

**Ranger Tots**

Thursday 12 March | 9.45am - 2.30pm  
Mini explorers and intrepid tots are invited to take part in fun outdoor activities.

**For more info go to:**  
[www.nationaltrust.org.uk/longshaw-burbage-and-the-eastern-moors](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/longshaw-burbage-and-the-eastern-moors)

## Devil's Elbow Trail Day

**Saturday 14 March | 9.30am - 4pm**

The Devil's Elbow bridleway has the classic combination of roots, rock and woodland that make the periphery of our city so inviting to mountain bikers. On foot, or hoof its natural history and landscape reveals itself even more.

Local MTB group Ride Sheffield have been maintaining the bridleways on Blacka and surrounding hills for the past 10 years - supporting the work of Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust and Sheffield Rights of Way team, making them better for all users.

After Sheffield was hit with some bad storms last year, the group are looking at some big work on this multi-user bridleway, to make the damaged sections safer and easier to both ride and walk. It's a big job, so they're collaborating with other user groups

to share the load and asking anyone who uses the trail to help out.

The Trail Day briefing will be at 9.30am, but you're welcome to pop along throughout the day as long as you register with the event lead to be briefed first.

Meet at Shorts Lane by the stables. Parking is also on Shorts Lane.

Equipment and refreshments will be provided, but please make sure you dress appropriately for some outdoor graft - it will be muddy!

**For more info visit:**  
[www.ridesheffield.org.uk](http://www.ridesheffield.org.uk)

## Urban Stand-Up Paddleboarding Taster Sessions

**14, 15, 28 & 29 March**  
Victoria Quays, S2 5SY  
Session Times: 9.30am - 11am, 11.30am - 1pm & 1.30pm - 3pm

Ever wanted to try stand-up paddleboarding? Join DC Outdoors for an Urban SUP experience at Sheffield's historic canal basin, Victoria Quays.

Once you've had a quick introduction to the equipment and a short safety briefing, your SUP guide will help you get to grips with controlling the board whilst kneeling. Then once you've mastered this, you will move onto getting stood up - after all, it is called stand-up paddleboarding!

Tickets £15.

**For information about buying tickets please visit the festival homepage.**

## GoodGym Sheffield Runs

**3, 10, 17 & 24 March**  
Showroom Cinema, S1 2BX  
Meet at 6.30pm to run for 6.45pm

GoodGym is a community of runners that combine getting fit with doing good. They stop off on their runs to do physical tasks for charities and community organisations.

It's a great way to get fit, meet new people and do some good. As long as you're up for getting sweaty, everyone's welcome.

The group run every Monday from the Showroom Cinema. During the Festival of the Outdoors, they'll be carrying out work for Sustrans - National Cycling Network, Heeley People's Park and Lynwood Gardens.

**For more info and FREE sign-up:**  
[www.goodgym.org](http://www.goodgym.org)

## Rother Valley Inclusive Cycling Taster Session

**Rother Valley Country Park, S26 5PQ**  
Thursday 19 March | 11am - 3pm

Want to get out into the countryside?

Come along if you'd like to try out a Mountain Trike or a Mountain Bike Hand Cycle at our taster session, funded by Slater & Gordon Lawyers, from 11am - 3pm at Rother Valley Country Park near Sheffield.

This is a great venue for us to take our equipment as it's fairly flat if you're trying something for the first time. So if you fancy coming along, or know someone who would want to try out a Mountain Trike or adapted bike then please get in touch. We now also have an Electric-assist Ice Trike that you can try.

Additionally, if you have your own kit and would like to come and train with us there is now an option to buy a 'bring your own kit' ticket.

**For more info go to:**  
[www.experiencecommunity.co.uk](http://www.experiencecommunity.co.uk)

## Cycle To The Cinema - Best Of ShAFF 2020

**Decathlon, S1 3H**  
Wednesday 18 March | 8.15pm - 10.15pm

These films will be published once the judges have decided on the award winners for the 2020 festival. They meet early March, the programme will be published as soon as possible after that, but get your tickets in advance as it's sure to sell out. Total running time approx. 100mins.

Doors open 8pm, film starts 8.15pm. Store closes at 9pm, but tills will remain open during event.

Arrive on a bike and you will get a FREE rear LED.

In-store bike storage - bring your own lock.

Certificate 12A

**For more info go to:**  
[cycletothecinema.boombam.io/best-of-shaff-2020](http://cycletothecinema.boombam.io/best-of-shaff-2020)

## Big Running Weekend

**20 - 22 March**  
J G Graves Woodland Discovery Centre, Ecclesall Woods, S7 2QZ

The Big Running Weekend is a family friendly running festival in and around the stunning Ecclesall Woods. It is a celebration of all things trail running with a strong fun, community feel.

Based at the Woodland Discovery Centre, the festival is organised by Wood Run in association with Sheffield's leading independent running store, Accelerate.

The Big Running Weekend programme offers a multitude of running activities that cater for both beginners and experienced runners, including: led runs, talks, films, workshops, Q&As, night runs, navigation, prize draws, Hill Sprint Challenge, coaching, Family Wood Run, hill technique training.

A weekender pass is just £15 - bargain!

**For more info/to book visit:**  
[www.bigrunningweekend.co.uk](http://www.bigrunningweekend.co.uk)



## Sheffield Adventure Film Festival (ShAFF)

**20 - 22 March**  
Showroom Cinema, S1 2BX

Sheffield's celebrated annual adventure film festival, presented by the BMC, returns to the Showroom Cinema.

Now in it's 15th year, ShAFF brings the wild outdoors into Sheffield city centre for three days of jaw dropping spectacle and heart stopping adventure.

Expect a packed programme of carefully curated films from the world's best outdoor filmmakers. Featuring top athletes, awe-inspiring locations and the whole spectrum of outdoor sports, with films on running, climbing, biking, skiing, surfing, kayaking and everything in between.

As well as watching films, you can share a ShAFF beer with adventure sports athletes and filmmakers in the bar, check out the exhibitors area in The Outpost, take inspiration from the

FREE ShED Talks or get involved in a range of outdoor activities such as the Alpkit Night Run, Trail Advantage Kid's MTB coaching and the Saturday night SMASH party!

This year, ShAFF wants to inspire you to find the rebel in yourself, come together with your tribe, and use your adventurous skills and spirit to re-shape the world for the better. For the love of the land that feeds our adventures, and for the love of the people we adventure with. How will you use your adventurous skills and spirit - and what will your act of rebellion be?

**For full film programme/tickets:**  
[www.shaff.co.uk](http://www.shaff.co.uk)



## ShAFF Fringe Highlights

**In conversation with Sheffield's MTB Women of Steel**  
Saturday 21 March | 3pm

Join Ride Sheffield and Cotic's Women of Steel at ShAFF for a friendly panel discussion with some of the inspiring women from Sheffield's mountain bike scene. Covering all manner of topics from starting out to professional racing, challenges for women riders such as riding during/after pregnancy, top tips, advice and a just a general chin wag with a bunch of rad women who are doing great things in the local MTB community.

**Acts of Rebellion Screening**  
Friday 20 March | 5.30pm

A screening of a selection of films that highlight this year's ShAFF festival theme.

**Rebellious fun for families**

Saturday 21 March | 10.30am - 4pm  
Gear up your little ones for a life of adventure with inspiring films, workshops and family activism experiences.

**Adventure Repair Cafe & Second Life X Preloved Sale**  
Sunday 22 March | 10am - 1.30pm

Pick up a bargain and repair the gear you love.

**Up & Running Alpkit Night Run**  
Friday 20 March | 7.30pm - 9pm  
The Workstation, S1 2BX

Night run taking place from the Showroom, conveniently timed to get back just in time to watch ShAFF Run Films.

**Up & Running Breakfast Run**

Saturday 21 March  
The Workstation, S1 2BX  
A breakfast run around Sheffield's green spaces before ShAFF Run Films.

**For full fringe programme visit:**  
[www.shaff.co.uk](http://www.shaff.co.uk)

## Sheffield Greenway Walks

**Southern Loop**  
Sheffield Train Station, S1 2BP  
Wednesday 4 March | 10am

The Sheffield Greenway is a 100-mile walk in and around the city of Sheffield. However, by using public transport, the route can be tailored as demonstrated by this 6.5-mile walk out to Norton Water Tower.

This stretch of the Southern loop includes sights of interest such as the Cholera Monument, Norfolk Heritage Park, Black Bank and the ancient woodlands of the Gleadless Valley.

Meet the leader at the tram stop to the rear of Sheffield Train Station.

**Eastern Loop**  
Woodhouse Train Station, S12 4TG  
Thursday 26 March | 10.15am

This lovely circular walk of 5 miles incorporates two sections of the Eastern loop. It starts and finishes at Woodhouse Train Station and includes Beighton Marsh Nature Reserve, Linleybank Meadows, the Shire Brook Valley, the Shircliffe Valley and Flockton Park.

Meet the leader at Woodhouse Train Station.

**Graves Park Family Walk**  
Graves Park Animal Farm, S8 8LJ  
Monday 30 March | 10.30am

To celebrate the start of the Easter Holidays, this short family walk offers a 2 mile snapshot of the 100 mile Sheffield Greenway Route.

Starting from the car park at Graves Park Animal Farm, the circular route will take you through the farm to visit the duck ponds, Norton Church and then circle back to the park to finish at the Rose Garden Café.

Those wanting to spend longer at the animal farm will then have the opportunity to do so at the end.

**All the walks are free, but you must be registered.**

**For information about registering for these events please visit the festival homepage.**

## Sheffield Canal Wellness Walk

**Meadowhall South - Tinsley Tram Stop, S9 1EA**  
Saturday 21 March | 10.30am - 12 noon

Join the Canal and River Trust for a wellness walk by water. On this walk you can meet new people, take your mind off everyday stresses and stop to appreciate the small things like the nature around us, signs of past lives by the canal, and some lovely street art.

At the end of the walk you'll have the option of a nice warm cup of tea/coffee and cake in our Trust's little hub at Victoria Quays.

The walk is 3.5 miles and suitable for most ages. The route is flat but can get muddy if it has been raining, so sturdy shoes are recommended.

Unfortunately the route is not currently suitable for wheelchairs.

**For tickets go to:**  
[www.canalrivertrust.org.uk](http://www.canalrivertrust.org.uk)

## Sheffield 20s & 30s Walking Group Walk

**The Fox House & Hathersage Lodge, S11 7TY**  
Saturday 21 March | 10.15am - 4pm

Sheffield 20s and 30s Walking Group invite you to join them for a lovely 10.5 mile circular walk, starting from Fox House Pub, on Hathersage Road.

The group will start the walk through Longshaw Estate, and head up onto White Edge where you'll have a chance to observe some Red Deer from a distance.

From here, you'll visit the trig point on White Edge before dropping down onto Balsow Edge to see some highland cows, before heading towards Curbar Gap for a stop at the cafe van for a beverage. The group will then proceed onto Curbar Edge, Froggatt Edge and back to Fox House via the Longshaw Estate.

**For more info go to:**  
[www.sheffieldwalkinggroup.org.uk](http://www.sheffieldwalkinggroup.org.uk)

## Sheffield Half Marathon

**Sunday 29 March**  
Sheffield City Centre | 9.30 am

A major event in the UK's running calendar, the Sheffield Half Marathon attracts thousands of runners of all abilities and spectators to the city's streets and raises many thousands of pounds for good causes.

With a city centre start and finish, the event boasts a super scenic route with stunning views of the Peak District for those who conquer the climb to Ringinglow.

The race even incorporates a 'triple test' giving entrants a chance to be crowned 'King of the Hill' or 'Queen of the Hill' in a timed hill climb, triumph in a 10K downhill sprint section and cross the finish line first to lift the Sheffield Half Marathon title.

**This year The Outdoor City is proud to be an official partner of the event and sponsor the hill climb and downhill sprint sections.**

**For more info/to book visit:**  
[www.runforall.com](http://www.runforall.com)

## Sheffield Bike Fest

**Kelham Island Museum, S3 8RY**  
27 - 28 March

This March top brands and retailers from across all aspects of cycling will descend on Sheffield for this family-friendly celebration of cycling.

Demo rides will be available throughout the weekend, taking advantage of the nearby trail centre, Parkwood Springs.

For the more adventurous riders there will be an airbag at the festival, perfect for trying out your latest trick, or just for those eager to get some air-miles for the first time without risking life and limb. If that doesn't sound like your cup of tea come and try the pump-track loop.

The event also plans to offer films and bike related talks, before finishing with Saturday Night Pump Track Challenge where riders will go against the clock to be crowned the fastest rider.

Event price £5 under 12s Free

**For more info go to:**  
[www.sheffieldbikifest.com](http://www.sheffieldbikifest.com)

## Trail Advantage - MTB Fundamentals Taster

**Lady Cannings Trail & Houndkirk Moor, S11 7TS**  
Sunday 29 March | 10am - 12 noon

As part of Festival Of The Outdoors, Trail Advantage are launching their 2020 skills programme with a 2 hour session aimed at riders who are just starting their mountain bike adventure or those who want to get the basics dialled in.

By the end of the session you will be riding with more confidence and ready to explore the fine trails in and around The Outdoor City.

10 places are available. Cost is £20 per person.

Trail Advantage are Ride Sheffield Ambassadors and £10 of the cost goes toward the fine work Ride Sheffield do for our local trails.

**For more info go to:**  
[www.trailadvantage.com](http://www.trailadvantage.com)



# Culture Galore!

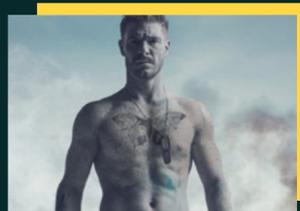
The Outdoor City's greatest asset is the close proximity of great outdoors to an array of vibrant cultural experiences indoors. March, as it happens, has a stellar line-up of events on offer. Here's our highlights of the biggest and best to keep your brain buzzing while your body gets a breather.

## Coriolanus

**6 - 28 March**  
Crucible Theatre, S1 1DA

A Sheffield Theatres production, this contemporary take on Shakespeare's play about the disconnect between the rulers and the ruled follows Artistic Director Robert Hastie's critically acclaimed Julius Caesar.

[www.sheffieldtheatres.co.uk](http://www.sheffieldtheatres.co.uk)



## Reel Steel Cult Weekender

**13 - 15 March**  
The Abbeydale Picture House, S7 1FS

A celebration of films which hold a 'classic' or 'cult' status in cinema. Taking place at Sheffield's historic Abbeydale Picture House - a Grade II listed 1920's picture palace cinema - bringing the sense of occasion to match some of cinema's most iconic films.

The 2020 weekend programme includes: Friday The 13th (1980), 40th Anniversary The Evil Dead (1981), Assault On Precinct 13 (197