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Lydiard Park to come alive with top events this summer



Swindon's historic Lydiard Park will welcome visitors for a spectacular programme of summer outdoor events.

As the season unfolds, the country park will host outdoor cinema evenings, a thrilling falconry experience, outdoor theatre, delicious foodie events, an

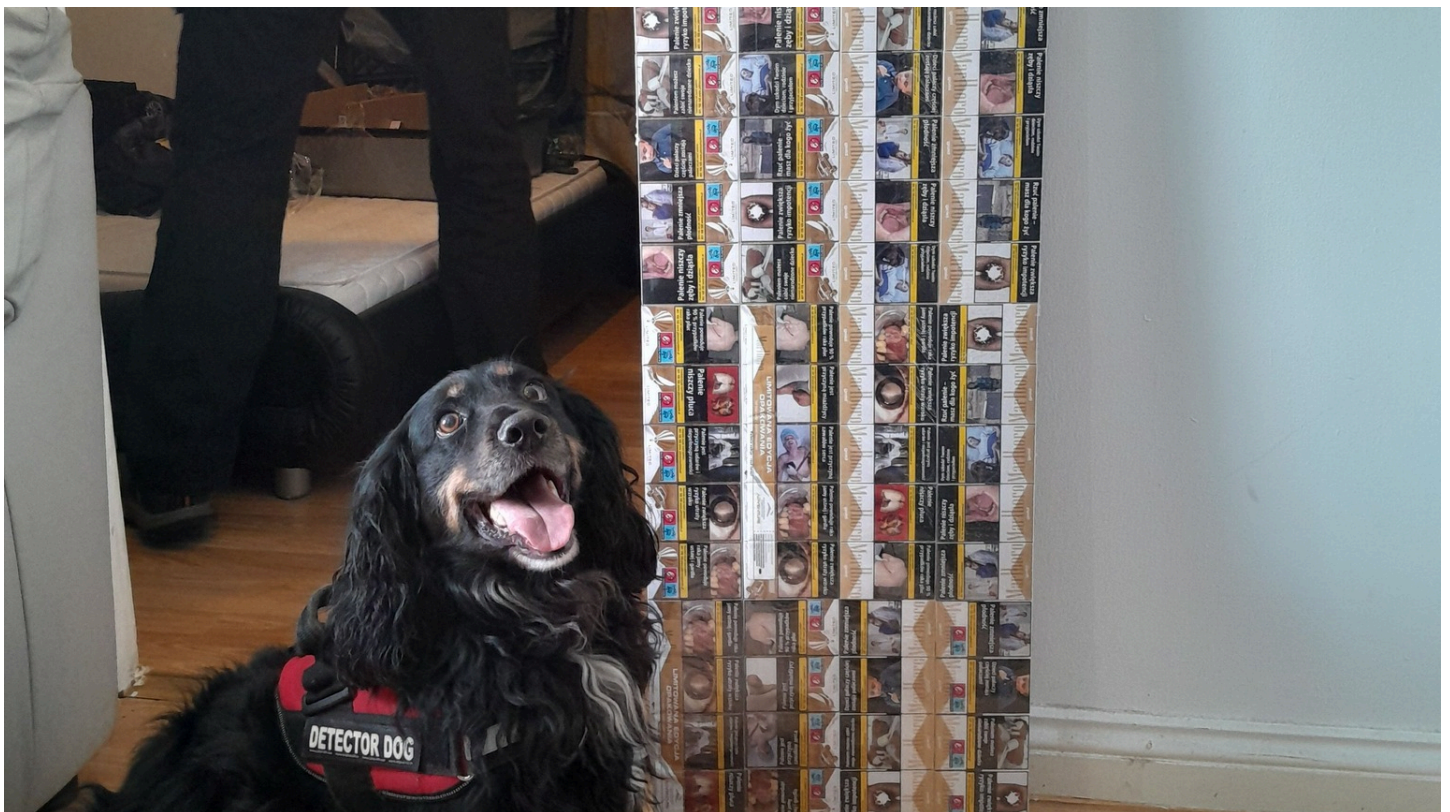
incredible hot air balloon festival and more.

Events include:

- [Armed Forces Day](#) - Saturday, 28 June
- [Regency Dance workshops](#) - Sunday, 29 June
- [Swindon Balloon Festival](#) - Friday, 4 and Saturday, 5 July
- [Outdoor Cinema: Sense and Sensibility](#) - Saturday, 12 July
- [Great British Food Festival](#) - Saturday, 2 and Sunday, 3 August
- [Outdoor Theatre: The Wind in the Willows](#) - Sunday, 3 August
- [Bollywood Mini Mela Outdoor Cinema](#) - Saturday, 9 August
- [Run the Rainbow](#) - Saturday, 16 August
- [Mayhem of Mad4Animals](#) - Thursday, 21 August

Book tickets using the links above to avoid missing out.

Thousands of pounds of illegal goods seized



Last week, more than £70,000 worth of illegal cigarettes, tobacco and alcohol were seized during a joint operation in Broadgreen.

Working together, officers from our Trading Standards team, Swindon Police Central South NPT, HMRC Immigration Enforcement and the South West

Regional Organised Crime Unit searched two retail premises and a nearby home.

As a result, a large quantity of illicit goods, cash and a vehicle were seized. Two men, aged 28 and 29, were arrested on suspicion of money laundering and offences under the Trade Marks Act.

This work forms part of Brighter Broadgreen, our ongoing multi-agency effort to improve safety, reduce crime and support the local community.

Kebab shop must stay closed after rat infestation



Filthy conditions were uncovered at Shinwari Kebab, located at 52 Manchester Road, earlier this month.

The Council's Environmental Health team discovered a severe rat infestation after being tipped off by a member of the public.

District Judge Kirsty Allman, sitting at Swindon Magistrates Court yesterday (19 June), imposed a Hygiene Emergency Prohibition Order after being presented with evidence of the inspection by the Council's Senior Environmental Health Officers.

You can find out more about [the case on our website](#).

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