

13 January 2020

RAF Museum Cosford 2020 Events Diary



Forthcoming events taking place at the Royal Air Force Museum Cosford during 2020:

Date	Event
Saturday 8 February	Photography Workshop (fully booked)
Saturday 29 February	Pillows and Pilots Sleepover (fully booked)
Saturday 14 March	Photography Night Shoot
Saturday 28 March	Pillows and Pilots Sleepover
Saturday 4 – Sunday 19 April	Animal Easter Trail
Friday 8 May – Sunday 10 May	VE Weekend Street Party
Sunday 14 June	RAF Cosford Air Show
Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 June	Open Cockpits Weekend
Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 July	Large Model Air Show
Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 July	Cosford Food Festival
Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 August	Vintage and Handmade Festival
Sunday August 30 August	Spitfire 10K and Spitfire Family Run
Friday 4 – Saturday 5 September	Outdoor Cinema
Saturday 12 September	Proms – commemorating Battle of Britain 80 th
Saturday 17 – Sunday 18 October	Open Cockpits Weekend
Sunday 8 November	Remembrance Service
Monday 9 – Saturday 14 November	Conservation Centre Open Week
Saturday 28 November	Photography Night Shoot
Tuesday 1 December – Sunday 3 January	Letters Home Christmas Trail

Visitors can expect to see all the big favourites making a return, including the Cosford Food Festival, Outdoor Cinema, Spitfire 10K and Large Model Air Show as well as new events including a VE Weekend Street Party taking place over the first May bank holiday weekend.

RAF Museum Cosford Public Events Executive, Nathan Davis said:

"2020 promises to be another big year for the RAF Museum Cosford with the 80th anniversary of the Battle of Britain being a big theme running through this year's events line-up. Not only will we commemorate this important milestone in Royal Air Force history with a brand new display arriving in the Spring, I'm excited to announce we will be holding a Proms in September with musical acts suitable for all the family, marking 80 years since the Battle of Britain."

The busy schedule of events caters to the Museum's wide and diverse audience and begins the year with a Photography Night Shoot where the British Aircraft Corporation TSR2 and British Aerospace Experimental Aircraft Programme (EAP) will be wheeled out of the hangars. Displayed outside and lit with LED lighting, this evening event will give photographers and aviation enthusiasts alike the exclusive opportunity to capture images of the aircraft like never before (limited places remaining).

The summer months will see many of the biggest events in the Museum's calendar take place. Held on the airfield in July will be the Large Model Air Show packed with flying displays and family entertainment,

followed by the popular Cosford Food Festival which this year will feature 2019 Master Chef: The Professionals winner Stu Deeley from Birmingham. The Vintage and Handmade Festival will be back for a third year in August and September will see two more Outdoor Cinema screenings where hundreds of film fans can enjoy watching classic movies under the stars and surrounded by aircraft.

Nathan Davis continues:

"We look forward to welcoming back repeat visitors, along with those just discovering us for the first time. Tickets are already on sale for many of our events and they're filling up fast. The first Pillows and Pilots Sleepover date is already fully booked and we have just half the places remaining for the second date in March. One of our most sought-after events is the Spitfire 10K and over half the 1,500 places available have already been snapped up by keen runner's eager to get their hands on the bespoke medal and the chance to race across the airfield."

Later in the year visitors can expect to see much more of the aircraft on display during the Open Cockpits Weekend in October and the annual Conservation Centre Open Week in November where aviation fans can go behind the scenes and speak with the team who carries out the work.

Organisers are confident the RAF Museum's great offer, combined with an exciting events programme will make a visit to remember!

For further information on the events taking place throughout 2020, visit the Museum's website rafmuseum.org/cosford. Admission charges apply for some events and activities. Events may be subject to change and additional events may be added during the year. The Museum is open daily from 10am and entry is FREE of charge.

Keep a look out in 2020 for the RAF Museum's Spitfire tour of the West Midlands, details coming soon...!

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- Open daily from 10am
- Admission is free of charge
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