Public Events Calendar 2025

The events that are listed have been notified to PESAG. They include- Fetes; fairs; open air concerts and music festivals; trade shows; sporting events; horse shows, agricultural shows, dog shows; car and caravan shows (and similar); open air entertainment including theatre, opera and historic reenactments; firework displays; marches; processions; carnivals; street parties; large scale religious events and company parties.

Date of Event	Event	Location	No of People Attending	Ref No
1 st February 2025	Comicon	Hopetown, Darlington	Spectators/Public: 1000 Staff: 20 Performers: 25	03.25
13 th February 2025	Old School Boxing Presents a Night of Amateur Boxing	The Dolphin Centre, Darlington	Spectators/Public: max 500 Staff: Performers: 30	01.25
21 st – 23 rd February	CAMRA Beer Festival	Hopetown, Exhibition Hall, Darlington	Spectators/Public:360 Staff:24 Performers:3	04.25
14 th March	Darlington Boxing Club Home Show	The Dolphin Centre, Darlington	Spectators/Public:450-500 Staff:20-30 Performers:32	13.25
12 th April	UWCB	The Dolphin Centre, Darlington	Spectators/Public: 700 Staff: 10 Performers: 40	31.25
20 th April	Easter Egg Run	Darlington Memorial Car Park	Spectators/Public: 1000's Staff: 50+ Performers:	22.25

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2 – 5 th May	Darlington Food & Drink Festival 2025	West Row, Blackwell Gate, East Row, High Row, Market Square and Indoor Market Hall, Darlington	Spectators/Public: 10,000 (est) Staff: 8 (est) Performers: 20 (est)	39.25
4 th May Commencement Every Sunday weather permitting	Car boor sale	Mowden Park Car Boot Sale	Spectators/Public: 300-400 Staff:7 Performers: N/A	36.25
10 th May	Darlington Dance Festival – Mass Dance	Darlington Market Square	Spectators/Public:mn500 Staff: 20 Performers: 600	08.25
10 th May	Team Luke Foundation Family Fun Day	Blackwell Meadows	Spectators/Public: 1000 Staff: Performers:	37.25
15 th – 18 th May	Crows Family Funfair	South Park, Darlington	Spectators/Public: 4000 Staff: 50 Performers: 2	17.25
17 th May	UNITY Fighting Championship	The Dolphin Centre	Spectators/Public: approx. 800 Staff: approx. 100 Performers: approx. 30-40	33.25
24 th May	Motorsports Day	Darlington Market Square	Spectators/Public: 700 Staff: 6	18.25
27 th May	Tractor Tuesday	Darlington Town Centre	Spectators/Public: 600 Staff: 4 Performers:	35.25

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31 st May	Emergency Services Day	Darlington Town Centre	Spectators/Public: 600 Staff: 4 Performers:	16.25
7 th June	Eco Fair	Darlington Market Square	Spectators/Public: 300 Staff: 8 Performers: 0	19.25
8 th June	Roland's Ride	Start at Darlington Arena	Spectators – 200 Participants – 150	23.25
8 th June	Darlington Race for Life	South Park, Darlington	Spectators/Public: 200 Staff: 10 staff/suppliers and between 30 to 40 volunteers Performers: Up to 1,100 participants	30.25
14 th June	8 th Cockerton Scouts Annual Garden fair	Cockerton Green	Spectators/Public: 1500 max. Staff: 30 Performers: 30	38.25
14 th June	St George's CE Academy Summer Fair	St George's CE Academy	Spectators/Public: TBC Staff: TBC Performers: TBC	05.25
28 th June	Darlington Community Carnival Parade	Stanhope Park	Spectators/Public: 700 Staff: 10 Performers: 250	09.25
27 th June	Armed Forces Day	Darlington Market Square	Spectators/Public:250 Staff:4 Performers: 20	14.25

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6 th July	Proms in the Park	South Park, Darlington	Spectators/Public: 2000 Staff: 20 Performers: 40	10.25
9 th July – 1 st October	Summer Stage Program	Darlington Market Square / Central Hall, The Dolphin Centre	Spectators/Public: 600 Staff: To be confirmed Performers: 25 3000 max during whole event	32.25
12 th July	Vintage Vehicle Rally	Darlington Market Square	Spectators/Public: 700 Staff: 6 Performers: 1	12.25
19 th – 23 rd July	Darlington by the Sea	Darlington Market Square	Spectators/Public: 3000 Staff: 15 Performers: 10	07.25
26 th July	Cockerton Community Carnival	Cockerton Green	Spectators/Public:1000 Staff:20 Performers 20	26.25
3 rd August	Darlington 10K Road Run	Darlington Town Centre	Spectators/Public: 3500 Staff: 70 Performers: 10	15.25
3 rd August	Bishopton Lake Triathlon	Bishopton Lake, Northeast Wake Park	Spectators/Public: minimal Staff: 40 inc volunteers Performers: max 400	27.26

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9 th August	Pride	Darlington Market Square / South Park	Spectators/Public:2500 Staff:20 Performers:20	25.25
14 th August	Making Sense Day	Darlington Town Centre	Spectators/Public:200 Staff:10 Performers: 5	20. 25
23 rd August	MSGCA Summer Fair	Middleton St George Community Centre	Spectators/Public: 900 Staff: 8 Performers: 100	06.25
30 th – 31 st August	Misfit Market	Darlington Market Square	Spectators/Public: 1500 Staff: 4 Performers:	21.25
13 th – 14 th September	Rhythm n Tunes Festival	Darlington Market Square / River side	Spectators/Public: 8000 Staff: 15 Performers: 100	24.25
11 th October	Diwali Parade	Darlington Market Square Joseph Pease Circle Blackwellgate near Hatch	Spectators/Public:150 Staff: 6 Performers: 8	34.25
16 th November	Christmas Light Switch On	Darlington Market Square	Spectators/Public: 5000 Staff: 10 Performers: 40	29.25
30 th November 2025	Mental Elf Festive Family Fun Run	South Park, Darlington	Spectators/Public: 350 Staff: 30 Performers: 14	02.25

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13 th November 2025	Ice Sculpture Trail	Darlington Town Centre / Market Square	Spectators/Public: 8000 Staff: 8 Performers:	28.25