



HERNE BAY PIER TRUST

NEWSLETTER

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2024
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2024 LOOKING BACK

2024 was a busy year!

We welcomed a new Trustee Michael Tucker.

We had a successful events programme starting at Easter and ending in December with the Laser Light Show.

The weather was not kind.

We were fighting the elements on several occasions and the Pier was closed due to high winds on a few days too.

Our Tenants are amazing and have worked hard in difficult economic conditions to provide an eclectic variety of goods and food for sale.

Event
Calendar
for 2025

The retail promenade and food court are both popular, each area supports the other to attract customers. Currently we have one hut vacant and are hoping to fill that soon. The solar panels are working well to provide the necessary electricity supporting the Pier's green ethos.

A major success has been that we have bought three new Porta-loos including a disabled toilet.

The council carried out some major repair works and we are now looking forward to the start of the planned works to strengthen the Pier.



HERNE BAY PIER WON AN AMAZING TRIP ADVISOR

TRAVELLERS' CHOICE AWARD in 2024

**We are in the top 10% of Attractions
IN THE WORLD!**

The Lady Mayoress of Canterbury asked us to hold an afternoon event in aid of the Mayoress' charity. This was attended by many Mayors and dignitaries from around Kent (known as 'The Chain Gang'). The weather was wonderful and they were entertained by Up the Creek Ukelele Band and as you can see they had fun on the carousel!

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

01

Aurora with the Pier
In the background

03

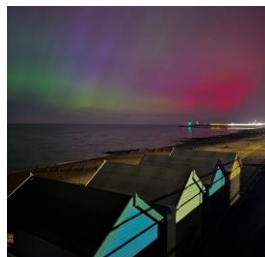
QR Code to make a
donation.

02

New Pier Stamp

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The Pier Stage on a
beautiful summer
night.



Our Amazing Volunteers

We cannot forget our incredible volunteers who excelled themselves again this year. Always turning up with a smile and cheerfully getting on with whatever was asked of them. The weekly maintenance team are the stalwart of the pier ensuring all the jobs which crop up daily are sorted. The volunteer events team set up and clear away after each event in the programme clearing after the farm animals at Easter to dressing up in Halloween costumes or as Elves to assist Santa at Christmas and all manner of other ways to make the events even more fun. The Trust is so much more effective because of you. So a huge thank you from all the Trust Team.

Pier Plaques



The Pier Plaques are still very popular for celebrations and commemorations and help raise much needed funds. Cruse held a particularly moving event on the Pier which we will hopefully repeat in 2025. You can find out more details about our plaques on our web site. <https://hernebaypier.co.uk>

Or if you would like to apply directly for a plaque:
<https://hernebaypier.co.uk/memorial-plaques>

Or use The Pier Plaques QR code.

If you enjoy a QR code here are a couple more for you to check out and leave reviews if you like to on either Google or Trip Advisor.

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TRIP ADVISOR



Moving Forward into 2025

2025 will showcase a full range of musical tribute acts from Queen to Elvis!

Friday and Saturday evenings from the end of June to early September the Pier is the place to be.

Please check out the event calendar on the next page. To buy tickets use the link below or the QR code on the poster. <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/herne-bay-pier>

We are looking forward to the Summer Season and hopefully good weather! And are excited to launch our new QR code. The QR code makes it easier to donate by smart phone as most people do not carry much change these days and donations were down last year so we have made a note to be more proactive on our donation collecting in 2025.

We have applied for planning permission for two huts to be joined and also for the Well-being/Community hut to be sited at the end of the Pier. The Community hut has been partly funded by a donation however a further £30k is needed to make the dream a reality.

We are always looking at ways to attract people to the Pier during the winter months if you have any ideas we would love to hear them. Also we would like to make a bigger splash of Christmas. Any ideas or suggestions will be gratefully received.

Fund raising is an increasingly difficult task with purse strings being stretched so we are always looking for innovative ways to increase the coffers so please let us know if you have any ideas.

The National Pier Society run the Pier of the Year competition. The award gives the winning Pier a wider audience both Nationally and Inter-Nationally. Unfortunately only individual members of the Pier Society can vote so you have to become a member first. If you are interested here is their QR code.



Thank you for taking the time to read our first newsletter. We hope you have enjoyed catching up with Herne Bay Pier news and look forward to being in touch with you again in the near future.

Please drop us a line with your comments and suggestions. We appreciate your feedback and look forward to hearing from you. Info@hernebaypier.co.uk

Kind regards

from

The Pier Trust Team.

2025 Event Calendar so far....

SUMMER NIGHTS 2025 ON THE PIER



June

SAT 28TH - SUPERSONIC QUEEN

July

FRI 4TH - ABBA CHIQUE

SAT 12TH - IMAGINE... THE BEATLES

FRI 18TH - HOMEGROWN - UB40 TRIBUTE

SAT 26TH - MICHAEL® STARRING BEN

August

SAT 2ND - VERY SANTANA

FRI 8TH - MICHAEL BUBLÉ EXPERIENCE

SAT 9TH - CARNIVAL NIGHT ON THE PIER

SAT 16TH - ELVIS TRIBUTE

SUN 17TH - HERNE BAY JAZZ & SWING FESTIVAL

FRI 22ND - FAMILY DISCO

SAT 23RD - DEFINITELY MIGHTBE - OASIS TRIBUTE

SUN 24TH - RUBBER BISCUIT

SAT 30TH - OUR OWN WAY - FLEETWOOD MAC TRIBUTE

September

SAT 6TH - HULLABALOO

LICENSED BARS AND FOOD
OUTLETS OPEN AT ALL EVENTS

LOOK OUT FOR
FREE
DAYTIME EVENTS

TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT
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/HERNE-BAY-PIER



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