



Appleby Fair 2011

2 to 8 June

During Appleby Fair this year the Education on the Hoof project will be offering a series of events and exhibitions to celebrate the culture and history of Travellers and the Fair. Using the local community centre (Centre 67), the Library and an area close to Fair Hill at Saltpit Corner, day visitors and Travellers will benefit from these sessions and activities. The project, coordinated by Cumbria County Council, has been developed with Candy Sheridan Vice Chair of the Gypsy Council and Patricia Knight national coordinator of the History Month project with support from ACERT, A key element is a substantive **workshop and seminar on the Friday “Who are we?”** which will be introduced by the local **MP, Rory Stewart**. A small fee is being charged to cover the cost of this event and a booking form is attached below.



This workshop will be an opportunity for all visitors to the fair to learn more about Gypsy, Roma, Irish and Traveller cultures and lifestyles and particularly how society has challenged Gypsy women to fit in and build their own bridges. Attendance by officers and Elected Members from the public sector is particularly recommended. This event along with the additional option of walking round the Fair, will provide the opportunity to gain a better understanding of Europe’s largest Gypsy horse fair dating back to 1685 and the Gypsy and Traveller cultures.

Centre 67 will be the main venue for the exhibitions and the workshop, next to Broad Close car park. AA signs will provide directions and from here it is an easy walk to the river Eden and Fair Hill. Traveller Education staff and guest speakers will also be available for informal discussion. The drop-in sessions are run in the mornings and afternoons and the Hall will be open to the public so that displays can be viewed. Booking is essential for the workshop as there can be over 5000 day visitors in Appleby each day and demand will be high. Full details and a map are available on the web site www.applebyfair.org To book your place please return the attached booking form.



For more information please contact :

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Thursday 2nd June

Details of Event	Start Time	End Time
Fire Station Open Day - Holme Street (round corner from Centre 67)	10:00	16:00
Fire & Rescue Service - Travellers Youth Support King George's Field (next to Centre 67 and Broad Close Car Park)	12.00	16:00
Gypsy Council Exhibition - Centre 67	14:00	16:00

Friday 3rd June

Details of Event	Start Time	End Time
Workshop and Seminar on Gypsy History/Culture - "Who are we?" Gypsy and Traveller women outline the challenges presented by society and how they have fitted in and built their own personal bridges. Introduced by Rory Stewart, MP; Candy Sheridan; Patricia Knight; Andrea Smith - Centre 67 (There is a small charge for this workshop) Please book using form below	10:30	12:30
Drop-in exhibition and Traveller culture - Centre 67	12.00	15:30
"Spoken Word" event - A celebration by Travellers of the spoken word featuring poetry, rap, song and story - Centre 67	15:30	17:00

Saturday 4th June

Details of Event	Start Time	End Time
Drop-in exhibition and Traveller culture - Centre 67	10:00	16:00

Booking form – Gypsy History and Culture Workshop "Who are we?" Friday 3 June, Centre 67 10:30-12:00

Name(s): _____

Service/Agency: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____ e-mail: _____

Please book _____ places on the Workshop at a cost of £20 each. Please find enclose payment of _____ for this booking. (Cheques made payable to Cumbria County Council)

Please return this form to:

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