



Hastings and Rother Rainbow Alliance What's On June 2026

www.hrra.org.uk

Here is the monthly list of HRRRA and other local LGBTQIA+ events that we are aware of. If you know of any events and want them included here, please email info@hrra.org.uk

We are looking for volunteers to run our groups or to volunteer to help at events. Please email info@hrra.org.uk if you would like information or think that you may be able to assist.

On now until August – Various dates and events – Lemons, Laws & Secret Doors – Hastings Museum – Hastings Queer History Collective have created a queer history of Hastings. The Exhibition runs until 30 August 2026, and also features a number of events. For details - <https://www.homeliveart.com/llsdexhibitionprogramme>

June events:

9th June – Community Organising: Why are these Queers so Vocal?

12th June – Queer Late at the Museum

21st June – Poetry and Literature Salon

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Thursday 4th June, 2 to 4pm. HRRRA Bexhill Women's Afternoon Tea. The Front Room, 71 Devonshire Road, Bexhill TN40 1BD. Join fellow lesbians for a cuppa and a chat. Contact mary@hrra.org.uk

Sunday 7th June, 2pm, HRRRA Bridge group. Join our friendly HRRRA Bridge group in a relaxed environment. Beginners and experienced welcome. Email bridge@hrra.org.uk

Scrabble Evening – Wednesday June 10th at The Crown, All Saints Street. 7 to 9pm, the plan is for this to take place on the second Wednesday each month. To find out more please email info@hrra.org.uk.

Fags and Hags Exhibition – Opening Night 12th June, 6 – 9pm. Art in Romney Marsh presents: Fags and Hags – Hidden History and Queeriosities, at The Beacon, Hastings. Opening night 12th June. Open 13 & 14 June and 20 & 21 June. <https://beaconhastings.com/events/>

Eastbourne Pride 2026 – Saturday 13 June 2026 – Midday to 7pm Little Chelsea – Grove Road and South Street, Eastbourne - <https://www.eastbourne-pride.com/>

Velvet Lounge – 20th June 2026, 8pm to 1am.

We're taking over the stunning Crown House for the ultimate club night in St Leonards. We've got the incredible DJ Shields & Dr. Rat behind the decks, bringing their signature multi-genre magic to the dancefloor.

Get ready for a seamless journey through the decades—from 70s disco icons and 80s pop anthems to 90s house classics and today's biggest modern bangers. If it's a floor-filler, we're playing it.

For Queer women, non-binary, trans folk. Allies welcome!

Crown House, St Leonards.

<https://www.ticketsource.com/booking/t-aaandne> for tickets.

Sunday 21st June, HRRRA Walking Group, This month's walk will be lead by Martin. Email walking@hrrra.org.uk for details. (Following walk will be on 19th July.)

Thursday 25th June, HRRRA Dining Group, Colombo House.

We visited this Sri Lankan restaurant last year when it was known as Colombo 16. It offers a wide range of meat/fish and vegan dishes with good value set meals.

It is at 18-19 Marine Court in St Leonards. Let's meet there at 7pm or at the nearby Ritual Bar (8 Marine Court) from 6pm for a drink first. <https://www.colombohouse.co.uk>

Please let the organiser know by Friday 12 June (or as soon as possible) if you'd like to come on info@hrrra.org.uk.

Hailsham Pride – Saturday 27 June, Midday to Midnight – The White Hart, Horsebridge.

Sunday 28th June, 2:30pm in Rye. Rainbow Book Group. We will be talking about **The Betrayal of Thomas True** by A J West.

An introduction....

" Set in the London of the early 1700s, this wonderfully bawdy tale takes us on an adventure with a diverse group of London mollies (gay men). Young, innocent and beautiful Thomas True escapes abuse and imprisonment by his religious father and runs away to London. The first person he meets is Sweet Jacky" (Sue Purbrick's review on WordPress)

Please email michael.moor@btinternet.com for details of the meeting.

Our July meeting is on Friday 24th July at 2.30pm in Sedlescombe. The book is *The Safekeep* by Yael van der Wouden

All members of The Rainbow Alliance are very welcome to join us.

July Event – Trans Pride Hastings – Saturday 11 July – Trans Town, Sunday 12 July – Trans Pride Festival. <https://transpridehastings.uk/>

Regular Groups/Events:

HRRRA Dining Club, Dates and times vary. email info@hrrra.org.uk for more info.

Every Monday, an LGBTIAQ Group for people aged over 50 meets starting at 2.00pm until 4.00pm. There is a good cafe where an inexpensive meal / snack is available beforehand. Venue details: Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding Street, Hastings Old Town, TN34 3AT.

Every Wednesday evening, Quiz at the Forbidden Fruit, <https://tffhastings.co.uk>

Every Thursday evening, 7.30 to 8.30 pm, Hastings Rec FC at Horntye Park Sports Complex, Trans, enby and GNC inclusive football group, www.instagram.com/hastingsrecfc#

Hastings Queer Film Club, *Watch the film at home and come along to discuss it. Keep eye out on the Instagram page for film and location-*

<https://www.instagram.com/hastingsqueerfilmclub>

Hastings Queer Book Club, 7 for 7.30pm start at *The Good Place Cafe, Hastings*. Meetings are usually on the last Wednesday of each month.
www.instagram.com/hastingsqueerbooks

Samphire Sauna, a monthly queer sauna event on Hastings Pier. Held on the last Thursday of each month. www.instagram.com/samphire_sauna

Hailsham Queers hold a variety of regular social events, details at www.meetup.com/hailsham-queers/events

Bourne this Way is an LGBTQ+ Parent support group based in Eastbourne. They aim to provide a non-judgmental, friendly, inclusive space open to all LGBTQ+ parents and their children, as well as prospective parents. <https://bournethiswaylgbtparents.co.uk>

Eastbourne Lunch Positive offer healthy & enjoyable community lunches, drop-ins and support groups, and plenty of opportunities to socialise with other people living with HIV. <https://lunchpositive.org>

Current HRRRA social media pages

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1830049603905430/user/100064445632300>

(HRRRA public FB page)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/UnderTheRainbowHRRRA> (HRRRA private group)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/hrrrat> (trans and non binary private group)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/907801485993622> (HRRRA Walking group)