

The Folk Gathering

**Alstonefield Staffordshire
DE6 2FR, Peak National Park
15th to 17th September 2017**



Early Bird Special Offer
£37

**OVER 90% OF TICKETS
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0780 552 9492

Guest list so far

Narthen

(Lester Simpson, Barry Coope, Fi Frazer and Jo Freya)

Colum Sands, Steve Turner,
Tom Lewis, Anna Shannon,
Tom McConville,
The Birdscarers, Marie Little,
Tom Perry & Clive Brooks
Stephen Edkins,
The Laners, Rick Ford, Brian Bull
Mark Robinson, John Morris,
Peter Hopkins, Graham Bellinger,
Pete Shirley & Esther Brennan
Sound Tradition
The Mundys,
Hazel Richings,
The Peace Through Folk Choir

Information correct at 1/2/2017 Changes may yet happen



The Folk Gathering 2017, Alstonefield, DE6 2FR, Staffordshire Moorlands



Quite simply, a small yet perfectly formed weekend of folk music, a grand gathering of friends old and new, Folk Musicians and Singers; sharing music, songs and fellowship in an informal atmosphere and enjoying performances from some of our favourite national folk celebrities and some of the immensely talented local folk acts.

In 2017 Folk Gathering will take place again in the beautiful village of **Alstonefield** just 3 miles south of Hulme End in the Manifold Valley in the Staffordshire part of the Peak National Park.

The venues this year will include Alstonefield Memorial Hall, the **Peace Tent** main marquee plus the Garden Tent for informal sessions, singarounds and the all important Titanic real ale bar. Catering by Moor & Coast.



Programme - a full programme will be emailed to all ticket holders well before the event.

Friday 15th - Evening Concert, 'At Home Style' Singers style Folk club, 'Big Sings', singarounds, and musicians sessions.

Saturday 16th - Concerts both in the day and the evening, workshops including harmony, 'Meet the artists', ukeleles, singarounds and sessions.

Sunday 17th - Sunday Sing, morning concerts and workshops. **Peace Through Folk 14-18** * **Peace Concert**, concerts and singarounds in the afternoon and Folk Club, concerts and singarounds in the evening.



Another Folk Gathering First - This year, Tom McConville, a qualified practitioner and teacher of 'The Alexander Technique' for over 20 years, will be running two optional workshops at The Gathering, one on Saturday, one on Sunday. Each workshop will be limited to only 12 people (act quickly- book your place on one of the courses when buying your tickets).

Being there -

Folk Gathering Campsite costs £5 per person per night which can be booked when ordering tickets (but pay for the camping on arrival). Site will open at 6.00pm on **Thursday 14th** and close at **12.00 noon on Monday 18th September**.



If you want to come early or stay on after the Folk Gathering there are several good local camp sites available.

Also a wonderful range of B&B and self catering accommodation is available in and around Alstonefield, many within walking distance of Folk Gathering Venues. - see the 'Useful Information' section on our website. There is so much to see and do in this very special part of the Peak District. The rivers of the Manifold and the Dove inspired Isaac Walton and Charles Cotton to pen the 'Compleat Angler'. The walks over the hills of Ecton, Alstonefield and Wetton mesh superbly with the Manifold valley and Beresford, Dove and Narrow Dales. Visitors often join local folkies to enjoy their favourite rambles. (A particularly popular route includes five pubs!). Or bring your bikes to explore the Manifold and Tissington bike trails which are close by.

Ticket numbers are limited to 170 maximum so buy now from **see our website** www.thefolkgathering.org or phone 01538 360256 or 0780 552 9492 or email thefolkgathering@gmail.com

Please note that all information published is correct as at 1st Feb 2017 but may be subject to change due to circumstances outside our control

'Peace through Folk' is a not for profit trust that exists to celebrate Peace, Friendship and Reconciliation, through folk music and the performing arts.

Benefiting charities this year include - UNHCR, Save The Children, War Child & Médecins Sans Frontières.

