



Look to the skies for this year's headliners at the Cotswold Show

Thousands of visitors flocked to last year's Cotswold Show & Food Festival, making it one of the most successful in its 29-year history. This year's packed programme of family fun and entertainment promises to make it an unforgettable weekend.

Taking place this year on 7th and 8th July, this year's Show will be commemorating the centenary of the end of World War I and 100 years of the RAF. The skies above the Show will feature aerial dogfighting from the Bremont Great War Display Team – biplanes and triplanes will engage in mock warfare for a thrilling display. The Poppy Parachute Team, serving and former members of the British Army, will also be jumping in to the centre of the Bathurst Arena.

Brand new to the Show, the Savage Skills BMX Show is the UK's leading freestyle mountain bike stunt team. They pride themselves on being the most accomplished stunt show team in the United Kingdom and quite possibly the World. The facts speak for themselves, with 8 World and over 25 British Championship titles you're sure to see some of the most impressive tricks, jumps and stunts possible, many of which would not think possible on a bicycle.

Equine enthusiasts will love the Mounted Games Association of Great Britain - expect the most exciting and exhilarating competitions on horseback with riders racing against each other demonstrating speed, accuracy and horsemanship.

The Dog and Duck Show is also new to the Show this year - the most popular sheepdog display in the UK, providing highly entertaining sheepdog demonstrations with the aim of giving a better understanding of our canines' behaviour. The team rescue sheepdogs and use these trained and untrained dogs in the arena, educating and entertaining, while the dogs show their natural instincts as they herd Indian Runner Ducks!

The award-winning Cotswold Show & Food Festival is hosted by its founder, Earl Bathurst, in beautiful Cirencester Park. It remains one of the Cotswold's most popular rural events, with its winning mix of family entertainment, arena attractions, and over 200 trade stands and food stalls, showcasing the best of the British countryside, its history, traditions and produce.

Originally founded as a showcase for countryside pursuits, Show visitors can expect to learn all about traditional rural skills through demonstrations and hands-on experience. Have a go at shooting clays, archery and even falconry, and watch the experts at work in displays of weaving, glassblowing, beekeeping, wood carving and more.

Then, there's food glorious food! The Show's Food Festival demonstrates the region's appetite for the world class food and drink we are lucky enough to have right here on our doorstep. Some 50 food and drink producers will be featured in this year's Food Hall and the Cookery Theatre.

With the help of its visitors The Cotswold Show & Food Festival continues to raise valuable funds to support local charities, including Cirencester Hospital League of Friends, Help for Heroes, Blue Cross and the Royal British Legion and once again the Show's sponsors make a vital contribution, with Show partner Moore Allen & Innocent headlining the impressive list of local businesses sponsoring and supporting the Show.

For further information about the Cotswold Show & Food Festival and to buy advance discounted tickets, visit: www.cotswoldshow.co.uk