

BUNBURY 2021

Bunbury Village Day, Jubilee Playing Fields, Hurst Close, Bunbury, Cheshire, CW6 9QP

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An Olympic Day Out!

As you will now know, the Olympic themed Bunbury Village Day will be going ahead on Saturday 26 June (subject to the Government's roadmap out of lockdown being implemented as planned).

Guest of Honour

The team are delighted to announce that our guest of honour will be Olympian Dan Purvis, who was ranked Men's Artistic Gymnast World number 1 in both 2011 and 2014.

At the London 2012 Olympic Games, Dan was the only member of the team to compete in all six rotations in the Olympic final. Dan's near faultless floor routine which, combined with the other scores, contributed towards the British Gymnastic team winning their first Olympic team medal in 100 years.

Gymnastics and Olympics fans will have the opportunity to meet Dan and get a photo and autograph and we also hope that he will be able to give some coaching to our budding local gymnasts during the afternoon.

Delectable delights

As ever food and drink will be a key element of Bunbury Village Day. Once again we are very grateful to Henry, Pat and the team at The Nags Head for generously supporting the BVD Bar.

We will of course have the BVD-BBQ using Burrows Butchers burgers and bangers along with veggie and vegan options. The fine ladies of Bunbury Women's Institute will be running a take-away café with hot drinks and sweet treats. And as the BBQ cools down, we will be joined by the very popular Maximilliano's Wood Fired Pizza run by Max and Amanda Harris from their converted vintage horsebox!

Shop till you Drop!

Stalls of all sorts are signing up for the event, giving you the opportunity to shop till you drop! Commercial stall holders include, Cherry's Homemade Stitches, Cheshire Cheese and Wine, Clever Mutts, Bunbury Co-op, The Dysart, Susan Baker Gifts, Wild Bramble Blooms/Living, The Yew Tree,

Sarah Hughes Will Consult You and Lizella Clothing and we will also have local groups including Bunbury Gardening Club, Sadlers Wells Wood and Bunbury Mill.

Everyone loves a parade!

Our parade traditionally begins at St Boniface Church, however, as there will be a wedding taking place at exactly the same time, and for some reason the bride and groom didn't fancy an Olympic themed wedding, we have decided to do the honourable thing and move our starting point to Bunbury Aldersey School.

Talking of the parade, we are thrilled that it will this year be led by the City of Chester Brass Band and that talented artist Russell Kirk will be working with year six pupils from Bunbury School to create their parade display.

King or Queen for a Day

We're delighted to announce that the draw has taken place for our Rose Queen/King and Attendants and the results are: ROSE QUEEN - Scarlett Ellis, ATTENDANTS - Eva Connelly, Ella Connelly, Anya Yates, Elise Tomlinson, Martha Bennett, Tom Ford. We can't wait to see them in their amazing outfits.

If music be the food of love play on

The Easy Peelers have already been announced to much delight and we are happy to say that local band The Lost Boys will also now be appearing on our music stage.

Remember, remember, remember!

- *Entry for adults is £2.50 and free for under 16s – it would be great if you can bring the correct change!
- *Unfortunately, no dogs are allowed on the Jubilee Playing Fields (except Guide Dogs).
- *The parade begins at Bunbury School (not from the church)
- *Now you're all set.... Ready, steady go.... see you on 26 June for An Olympic Day Out

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Dan Purvis Biography

Training under the expert tutelage of Jeff Brookes at Southport YMCA and Andrei Popov at the British gymnastics HQ in Lilleshall, Daniel was ranked Men's Artistic Gymnast World number 1 in 2011 and 2014.

Dan first competed for GB at the Junior European Championships in 2006. Two years later he showed his true calibre, helping the British Junior team win team Gold, and picking up Silver in the individual all-around final at Lausanne. In 2010 Dan entered the senior ranks where he claimed the British Men's all-around championship. He promptly showed his pedigree on the international stage at the European Championships in Birmingham, winning team Silver and an individual Bronze. Dan won a further Bronze Medal in the floor discipline at the World Championships later that year.

In 2011 Dan continued to excel. After winning the all-around British title for the second consecutive year, Dan went on to win a Bronze medal in the all-around competition at the European Gymnastics Championships in Berlin, and the 2011 World Cup event in Glasgow. He showed experience beyond his years at the World Championships in Tokyo, proving a steady rock for the team as he performed consistently in every event. Despite the team's disappointing performance overall, Dan showed what an exceptionally capable gymnast he is, qualifying for the individual all-around final and missing a medal by an agonizing 0.323 marks.

In failing to secure automatic qualification for the Games, the Men's team had to finish in the top four of the eight teams at the Test Event in January 2012 to get a full quota of places for the Olympics. Dan produced another brilliant all-around performance, scoring 89.948 for the six pieces of apparatus. By topping the individual standings, he secured individual Olympic qualification, and achieved further success by winning Gold in the floor discipline which he tied with Chilean gymnast Tomas Gonzalez.

Dan arrived at the European Championships in Montpellier, France, in May 2012 in full confidence but was struck down by illness on the eve of the competition. Despite a shaky first vault, which saw him land on the judges lap, Dan recovered to his reliable self for the remaining rotations, thus playing a key role in helping the team make history by being the first British line-up to ever take a major championships team Gold Medal.

At the British championships in front of his home crowd at the Liverpool Echo Arena, Dan produced another dominant display amassing a total points' score of 91.550 to win for the third successive year.

At the London 2012 Olympic Games, Dan was generally regarded as the bona fide engine room of the Men's Artistic Gymnastic team as he was the only member of the team to compete in all six rotations in the Olympic final. With the team requiring three solid floor routines to guarantee a medal, Dan displayed great courage and skill in a near faultless routine which, combined with the other scores, contributed towards the British team winning their first Olympic team medal in 100 years.