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Ever Lasting Folklore

Magic and Connections, Hope for the Future, Honouring the Past.

WHITBY KRAMPUS RUN ELF OUR 11TH YEAR - EVER LASTING FOLKLORE

Following on from our 10th celebratory year of existence...ten years of history, creativity, mischief, routes and kulture, magic and connections and of course successfully battling Storm Daragh. We continued to celebrate throughout the year again with further numerous successful events, guest speakers and fund raisers for local charities.

INTO OUR SECOND DECADE OF BEING THE ORIGINAL AND THE BEAST

For this year's event we are continuing with performances and appearances to include the whole town. WKRXI introduces the *Whitby Trommel Fiends*, an inclusive drumming collective who ask you to bring a drum or anything to bash and join in. Our creations from local folklore and legend, the Whitby Wyrms, The Black Dog and the Magical Beasts, now include giant cod to feature alongside Krampus and St. Hilda.

This year the event is held over three days and brings you a full programme of entertainment including music from *Seven Headed Raven*, *SYD.31*, *The Midsommars*, *Galdorcraft*, *Tengu Taiko Drummers* and *Petrol Hoers*.

The Royal Hotel will be our main venue and focus for daytime activities including children's entertainment. There will be selected stalls and it's where you can get your claws on official WKR ELF merchandise, which all goes to help support the event. Hetty and Bettys is also the ideal base for our performances and processions along Baxtergate.

It's an honour to be working alongside The Royal Hotel and Royal Whitby Events whose support this year has been so welcomed, together with that from Whitby Brewery, Whitby Abbey and Whitby Youth Hostel. We thank the continued support from North Yorkshire Council for their help in making this event happen alongside the continued support and association with Made In Whitby, and Whitby Sea Salt plus many other local businesses.

ABOUT KRAMPUS

The origins of Krampus are debated and though considered to be of pre-Christianity, elements of this period were adapted and blended with 17th Century Saint Niklaus' Customs, traditions and other Winter ceremonies to become what it is today.

Krampus is an anthropomorphic beast with variations from Pass to Pass (Groups) but is mainly of shaggy fur, horns, a long tongue, sharp teeth and claws, often heard with large cowbells and rattling chains. The original masks are beautifully carved from pieces of Stone Pine and use real horns and are quite a challenge to wear. Several of our members have made the pilgrimage to Austria to carve their own.

Whitby Krampus Run is a family-friendly interpretation of the Alpine festive tradition where the inclusion of local folklore, history and tradition make the Krampus story our very own. Through Krampus we have forged friendship and fellowship throughout the UK, Passes in Europe and the United States. We respect the tradition and receive guidance from Austrian Passes who also enjoy how we bring the festivity to life.

Whitby Krampus Run is the first of its kind in the U.K. The Original and The Beast brings in visitors from across the country and beyond, as it offers an alternative to a high street commercialised Christmas. Bringing the wonder and magic we all want back to the festive season in the perfect setting of Whitby.

Willkommen und Grusses Vom Usses.
WKR



FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER

THE ROYAL HOTEL

West Cliff YO21 3HA
8.00pm - 11.00pm

Free Entry
WKR MEAT & GREET

Meet members of WKR and learn about Krampus and Alpine festive folklore and traditions

Then be entertained by magic from

The Three Wise(ish) Men

Iain Mindwraith & Aiden Staggy
Paul Bower and Martin Exelby

And music from

Seven Headed Raven and SYD.31

SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER

WKRHQ - THE ROYAL HOTEL

West Cliff YO21 3HA
11.00am - 4.00pm

The place to get your official WKR merchandise plus stalls, children's activities, face painting, magicians, photos and more. Whitby Beach Sweep annual Krampus Klean at Whalebones - 11.00am

CHURCH STREET YO22 4DE

11.30am and 12.00pm
Whitby Trommel Fiends drumming performance

BAKTERGATE YO21 1DA

12.30pm
Procession and Street theatre performances
Whitby Trommel Fiends drumming performance

2.00pm - 2.30pm
Children's Procession
starting from Hetty and Betty

THE WHALE BONES YO21 3HA

3.15pm (sunset)
The Whitby Sea Salt Viking Boat makes its way into Whitby harbour. Welcomed in by Whitby Trommel Fiends plus fire performances.

4.00pm
Public participation, as night takes over the day. Lets all make some noise for the Wyrms to entice it from its lair.

DOCK END YO21 1YH

4.45pm - 5.15pm
Mister Fox
spectacular fire performance and dance.

WHITBY BREWERY YO21 1YH

7.15pm - 8.15pm
Free Entry
Tengu Taiko Drummers

SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER

THE WHALEBONES YO21 3HA

8.50pm
Public participation
Join us to sing the Wyrms back to its lair
'Do They Know It's Krampus Time'

*It's Krampus time
And there's need to be afraid
At Krampus time, we banish light and we let in shade
And in a world of naughty we can spread a snarl of joy
Throw your claws around the world at Krampus time*

*But say a prayer, pray for the other ones
At Krampus time, it's hard when you're having to run
There's a world outside your window
And it's a world of dread and fear
Where the only water flowing is the bitter sting of tears
And the Krampus bells that ring there
Are the clanging chimes of doom
Well, tonight thank Gott it's them instead of you*

*And there will be snow in Whitby this Krampus time
The greatest gift they'll get this year is Lauf, oh
Where the only thing that grows, is hair between their toes.
Do they know it's Krampus time at all?*

*Here's to you, raise a Stein for everyone
Here's to them whose Lauf is without fun*

Do they know it's Krampus time at all?

*Feed the Wyrms, feed the Wyrms
Feed the Wyrms, feed the Wyrms*

*Feed the Wyrms, let them know it's Krampus time
Feed the Wyrms, let them know it's Krampus time
Feed the Wyrms, let them know it's Krampus time
Feed the Wyrms, let them know it's Krampus time*

THE ROYAL HOTEL

West Cliff, YO21 3HA
9.00pm - 1.00pm

THEE KRAMPUS BALL

Ticketed event
Featuring
The Midsommars and Galdorcræft

SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER

CHOLMLEY HOUSE

East Cliff YO22 4JT
1.00pm - 3.00pm
The Reindeer Games
Family fun and Festive games in the grounds of Cholmley House including the annual 'Oss Race

3.30pm and 4.00pm
Join in the lantern procession from Cholmley House to Whitby Brewery for the closing party

WHITBY BREWERY YO21 1YH

4.30pm - Close
Free Entry
Celebrate the close of WKR ELF
With music from

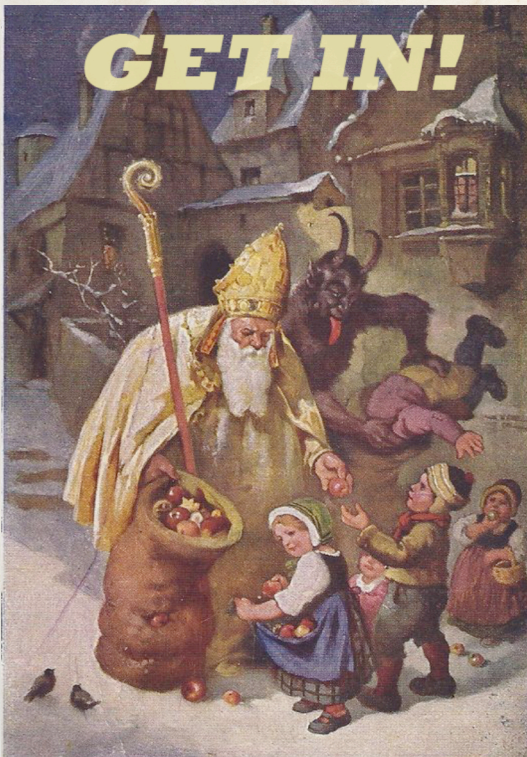
Petrol Hoers

And an Oompahrry to the end.

Smack My Birch Up



Merry Krampus





CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES

WKRHQ - THE ROYAL HOTEL

West Cliff YO21 3HA

Saturday 6th December

12.00am - 3.00pm

KRAMPUS KRAFTS

Come and make some Krampus Krackers and your own Krampus Tree ornaments to take home. Also don't miss your chance to add names to the naughty list too.

All materials provided free.

FACE PAINTING

Get you face painted as a fun and fearsome Krampus or other Wintery folklore figures.

MAGIC TIME

Our magician will make you disbelieve your eyes.

PHOTO BOOTH

Get your photo taken in front of the snowy scene

LIL' PURPLE PERIL KRAMPUS HUNT

All over Whitby in participating shops.

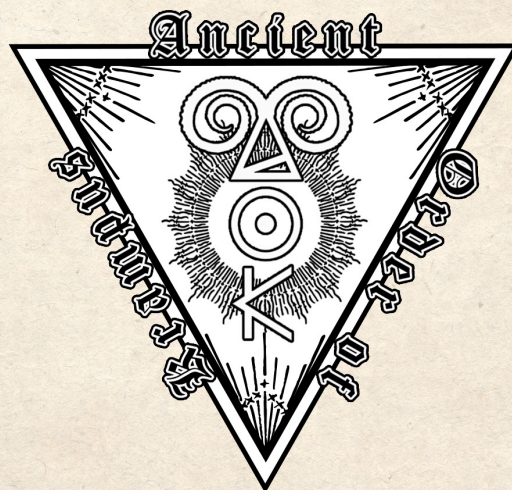
Help!! A gang of Lil' purple horned Krampus are running riot around the shops and businesses across town. Hidden in window displays. Go in search of them all, count up how many you find, Drop us a message to our Facebook Page with your total and be in with a chance of winning special prizes.



WHITBY KRAMPUS RUN

**A CHANCE TO EXPERIENCE THE REAL
THAT OUR ANCESTORS SHARED**

TOGETHER WE BECOME MAGICAL



THE WHALE BONES with WHITBY TROMMEL FIENDS

West Cliff YO21 3HA

Saturday 6th December at 4.00pm the **Whitby Trommel Fiends** invite to bring along anything you can that makes a noise.... Something to bash, something to smash, something to shake, something to drum, something to rattle, something to blow, something to squeeze, something to honk... We don't mind what it is let's just make an almighty noise at dusk at the Whale Bones and together drive the dark away.



WHITBY YELLOW TOUR BUS

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THE FAT BADGER

If you have a ticket to the **Krampus Ball** but are also wanting to see the **Tengu Taiko Drummers** up at **Whitby Brewery**. To help you arrive back on time The Fat Badger have kindly laid on two Whitby Yellow Tour Busses to get you back in time for the revelries at The Royal Hotel Ballroom.

* Limited spaces available

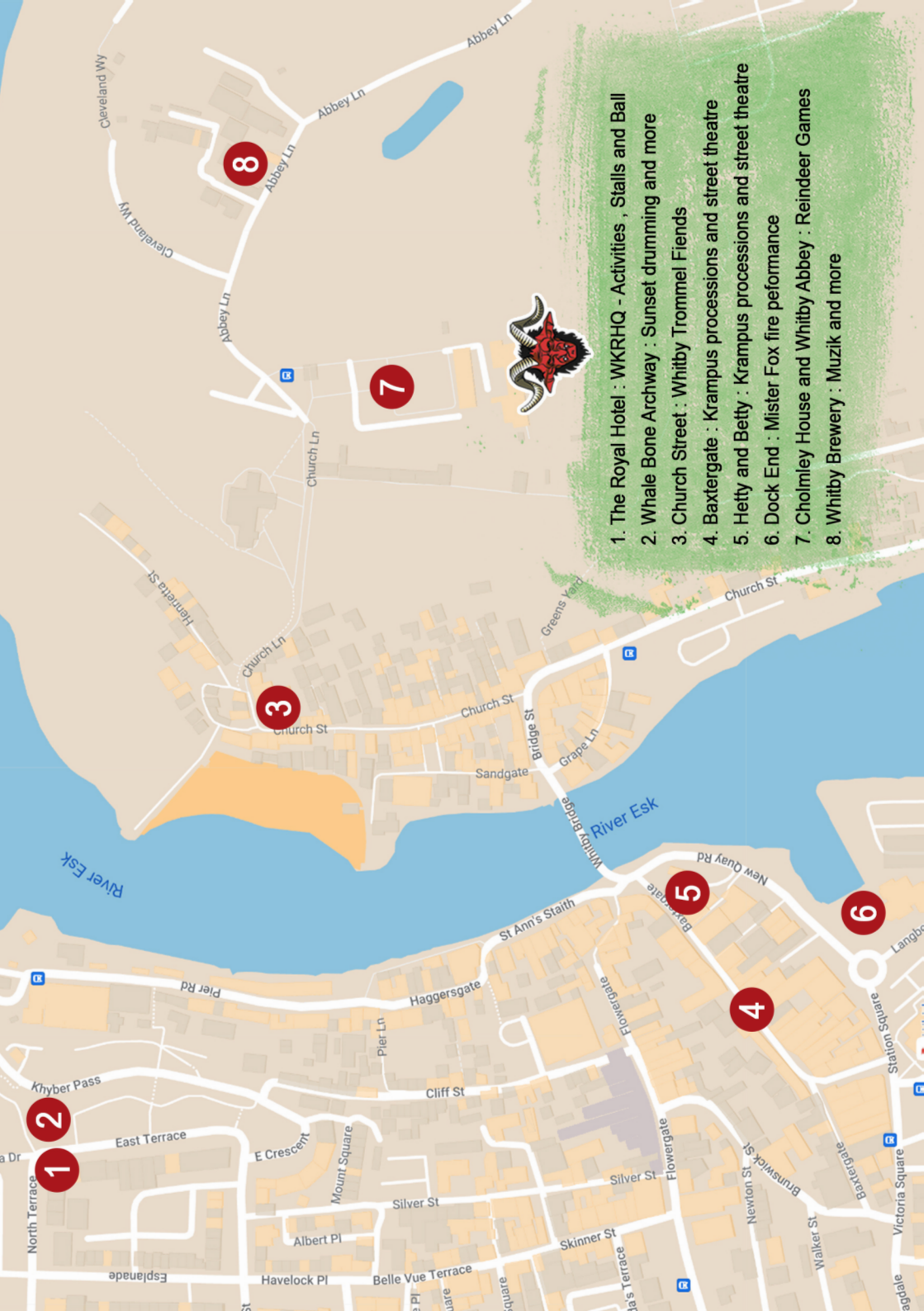
IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR MASCOT RUDY KRAMPDOCHIE

Whitby Krampus Run dedicate this years Lauf to the memory of our amazing mascot Rudy who sadly passed away on the 21st October 2025 after being such a brave boi battling lymphoma for over a year. His Mum and Dad and pack miss him dearly.

We have a GoFundMe to help support with all the vets bills and other costs, if you can donate please do

<https://gofund.me/683c9d50b>





1. The Royal Hotel : WKRHQ - Activities , Stalls and Ball
2. Whale Bone Archway : Sunset drumming and more
3. Church Street : Whitby Trommel Fiends
4. Baxtergate : Krampus processions and street theatre
5. Hetty and Betty : Krampus processions and street theatre
6. Dock End : Mister Fox fire performance
7. Cholmley House and Whitby Abbey : Reindeer Games
8. Whitby Brewery : Muzik and more



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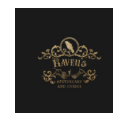
Hetty & Betty



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THANK YOU TO ALL

Who have been so supportive this year. To recognise and value what we do and the many events we bring to life. A shared love of creativity, art, comparative folklore and a sprinkling of magic with a dollop of mischief.

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