

# Liverpool's Most Wuthering Heights Day... Ever!

## FAQs

### What and where is Rimrose Valley?

Rimrose Valley Country Park, to give it its full title, is situated in South Sefton between the communities of Seaforth, Waterloo, Crosby, Thornton, Netherton and Litherland.

Unlike some of Liverpool's grand Victorian parks, it is a wild/semi wild country park with woodland, wetland and grassland, situated alongside the historic Leeds-Liverpool canal.

The event will be held in a recreational section of the park known locally as Chaffer's Running Track, with a wildflower meadow at its centre.

### How do I get there?

As an environmental organisation, we would like everyone to travel responsibly and sustainably so please use public transport, or travel on foot, bicycle or scooter, wherever possible.

Plus... what a sight it will be to see hundreds of "Kates" on our trains and buses!!

The closest train station to the event location is Waterloo on Merseyrail's Northern Line.

The closest bus stops are located on the A565 Crosby Road North, which is serviced by numbers 47, 53, 54, 54A, 63 and the X2. We'll be sharing maps soon so you can choose the best route for you and will advise on the best stop to get off.

Head to the Glenwyllin Road entrance of the park. The nearest Post Code is L22 4RN, or What3Words location [///them.doll.gravy](https://www.what3words.com/?w3w=them.doll.gravy)

We'll have signs and stewards on the day directing you to the event itself.

We would LOVE it if you wanted to share some photos of your journey on social media, using the hashtag #wutheringheightsliverpool and tag @SaveRimrose and @RimroseValley in any posts.

### Can I drive?

Again, we discourage this wherever possible, but we do recognise that some people are less mobile than others, and driving is their only option.

Please note that there are no parking facilities at the event location and Rimrose Valley is in a residential setting so we must respect the local community and residents.

If you have to drive, please park at Crosby Civic Hall & Library car park, which is free on Sundays. The address is Haigh Road, Waterloo (not Crosby) L22 0LQ. What3Words location [///trunk.curiosity.miss](https://www.what3words.com/?w3w=trunk.curiosity.miss)

If that is full, please park considerately and do not block any driveways, or double-park, so access remains clear for residents and emergency vehicles.

### **What is happening?**

As detailed on the Eventbrite page, together, we will be recreating the 1978 Kate Bush contemporary dance masterpiece, "Wuthering Heights".

### **I have mobility issues. Will it be suitable for me?**

Please email [lindag@rimrosevalleyfriends.org](mailto:lindag@rimrosevalleyfriends.org) if you are a blue badge holder and would like us to arrange parking for you.

Even though we are in a beautiful green setting, we want to make this accessible to all, so our event will be taking place on a hard surface running track and the gates to the park will be open so both access and terrain is suitable for all.

### **What do I need to wear?**

Wherever possible, a red dress, like those seen in the promotional videos and photos we've shared so far.

Google "Kate Bush Wuthering Heights Red Dress Version" and you'll find her frolicking in the great outdoors.

If you don't have one, hit the charity shops, but be quick, we've heard they're selling fast!

### **Is a red dress compulsory?**

We won't be enforcing it, but it will make the visual spectacle so much better if as many people as possible get involved.

### **What about gents?**

This is your big chance to wear a dress (you know you want to...) BUT we don't want anyone to feel excluded or this to put you off getting involved.

Dig out any red clothing, tie some black fabric around your waist and come along.

### **How do I learn the dance?**

For now, take your inspiration from Kate Bush's red dress video online, but we'll be creating a simplified version for you to practice the main moves to before the big day.

On the day itself, we'll have a few dance leaders, so don't worry if you're not prepared.

If you have time to practice, that's great, but you don't need to be perfect and this isn't strictly so we won't be marking you out of 10!

Come to have fun, help us to create a visual spectacle and the rest will fall into place.

### **Will we be Running Up that Hill too?**

Kind of! After Wuthering heights we'll play this other hit of Kate's and inviting anyone that wishes to run, jog, walk or shuffle up a gentle slope behind the main event space.

This is entirely optional so again, don't worry if it's not for you.

**Will the event be filmed and photographed?**

Yes, we film and photograph all our events.

Given the size of the event and that a drone will be used, we cannot guarantee that you won't be captured on film, unless you remove yourself from the event area during the performance itself.

If this is a consideration for you or your family, please give this some thought.

**Will it be family-friendly?**

Absolutely. We would love to see as many generations as possible attending and having fun.

**Will there be toilets?**

Yes. We will be providing toilets on the day. We will have a rough idea of the number of people attending, but if this exceeds our plans, you may need to wait, so thank you in advance for your patience.

**Will there be food and drink?**

This is our first ever Wuthering Heights event so we're keeping things as simple as possible which means no food and drink on this occasion.

You are welcome to bring a picnic and blanket and sit around the wildflower meadow.

No alcohol will be served at this event.

If you'd like a post-event celebratory drink with fellow 'Wutherers', we're working on some options to check back here soon.

**Will there be entertainment?**

We're currently working on a few ideas to keep you entertained for the duration of the event, not just the big performance. Check back here for details.

**Is this weather dependent?**

As we all know, the Great British Summer can be... unpredictable.

Keep an eye on the forecast and come prepared for whatever's predicted on the day... so sunblock/hat, or raincoat/brolly.

Extreme weather conditions such as lightening, high/unsafe temperatures, torrential rain may lead to the cancellation of the event at short notice. We will communicate through your Eventbrite booking, but please also check our social media accounts on the day for any announcement.

**Is the event insured?**

Yes, all our events are covered by our events insurance policy, but the best way to avoid needing this is for us all to act responsibly on the day.

**Will bins be provided?**

Yes. As with all our events, we have seen that people are great at respecting green space, so please take your litter home with you and leave as little work for our volunteers as possible.

**Can I bring my dog?**

Yes. As with all our events, this one is dog-friendly for responsible owners, as long as your dog is used to large crowds, music and you're happy they will be fine on the day.

**Who are Rimrose Valley Friends and Save Rimrose Valley?**

Rimrose Valley Friends (RVF) is a charity formed to protect, enhance and promote Rimrose Valley Country Park to surrounding communities and beyond.

Since 2017 RVF has also been running a campaign – Save Rimrose Valley – to stop this beautiful green space from destruction. National Highways has plans to bulldoze a dual carriageway through the length of the park to service the Port of Liverpool.

By supporting events like this one, you'll be helping us to raise awareness of our fight and doing your bit to help us secure its long-term future.

**Have we missed anything?**

We hope we've covered as much as possible at this stage. If you have any questions, please email [lindag@rimrosevalleyfriends.org](mailto:lindag@rimrosevalleyfriends.org). If we get enough of the same question, we'll add them to this page.