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## A Pristine Paradise Playground

.. "but where's the beer Steve?"

Arlene and I had the fantastic privilege last week of leading a wonderful group of members on a once-in-a-lifetime adventure in beautiful Finnish Lapland. We drove snowmobiles, walked on frozen lakes, bonded with huskies, sledged down a ski slope and relaxed under a breath-taking display of the northern lights.

Only one thing got in the way of perfection and that was that current covid rules in Finland insist that every bar has to close at 6pm - shock horror! But as a Spice coordinator I am used to being resourceful in an emergency! We had plenty of evening entertainment; from musical bingo to a quiz and music and dancing in a log hut, complete with firepit.

It was an awesome experience. Do check out the pictures and video on the Spice West Mids and Spice Escapes Facebook pages to find out more about the fun we had. Oh, and do keep an eye on the [Spice Escapes Holidays](#) as they are a wonderful part of what your Spice membership delivers and can help you access the incredible!

Steve



## Your opportunity to perform on stage in front of one billion people!

I'm sure you need no reminding that the Commonwealth Games are coming to Birmingham this Summer. Well, the organisers know how much Spice like a challenge, so have contacted us in their search for enthusiastic individuals "who can move to a beat" for a variety of volunteer performance roles across the Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

The Opening Ceremony will take place on 28 July and the Closing Ceremony on 8 August. Both Ceremonies will take place at Birmingham's redeveloped Alexander Stadium and will be produced by a World-Class Creative Team. Check out the last opening ceremony (Gold Coast) on YouTube to get an idea of what it might be like.

If you are aged 18 or over, can attend a fun, relaxed audition in the first two-weeks of March 2022, and could attend two or three evening or weekend rehearsals a week throughout June and July, get in touch. For more details and to apply visit [www.birmingham2022.com/ceremonies](http://www.birmingham2022.com/ceremonies) Select Volunteer Cast and use the code Spice. Applications close on the 11th February

## Upcoming Events



**Spice Dines Nepalese**



**Pubs are Worth Treasuring!**

If you were a fan of Santosh in the recent Masterchef - The Professionals finals, you'll remember just how special Nepali Cuisine can be. So, here's a chance to try it.

Best of all, we've found that one of the best restaurants this side of Kathmandu is in Birmingham's Jewellery Quarter and has outstanding online reviews.

We have just 4 remaining places to join us there next Friday, 11th Feb. So don't miss out on an evening of Himalayan cuisine and Spice friends. Click [Learn More](#) below

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Yes, pubs are back which means our famous Spice Pub Treasure Hunts are back to entertain you!

These popular events are extremely sociable, mildly educational and lots of fun. We particularly recommend them to new Spice members, as you are put into a team and will get to know the other members really well as you try to navigate the clues together.

Our classic Birmingham Pub Treasure Hunt is coming up on Thursday 17th February and is over half full already – so don't delay booking if you want to be there. Click [Learn More](#) below for this and any other treasure hunts as and when they are added

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## New events this week



### Four New Animal Encounters!

Spice members always love the events where we get up close and personal with our favourite members of the animal kingdom. So we've renewed our long term friendships with the Guide Dogs Training Centre and also with Exotic Zoo, who have moved to a bigger and better centre since our last visit. Whilst some of these dates are a few months away, please don't delay your



### Four New Events for Petrol Heads!

Another lovely place to dine is the School House Spice members love having fun on four wheels .. and sometimes two wheels and eight wheels as well!

If you've always fancied piloting a digger (who hasn't?), captaining an amphibious Argocat, bouncing in a buggy or getting blindfolded in a Land Rover (ooh err!) then we might have just the ticket for you!

booking as we know just how popular these experiences can be:

- Meet The Meerkats; Exotic Zoo (Telford) Sun 3rd April Click [HERE](#)
- Guide Dog Breeding Centre Visit, Bishop's Tachbrook Sat 14th May Click [HERE](#)
- Meet The Lemurs, Exotic Zoo (Telford) Sat 21st May Click [HERE](#)
- Meet the Armadillos, Exotic Zoo (Telford) Sat 25th June Click [HERE](#)

## More Events

Here's a selection of new events with a motoring theme at a wonderful venue in Market Harborough, that are guaranteed to test your skills whilst offering lots of sociable fun and laughter as well:

- Digger Driving Experience; Sun 17th April Click [HERE](#)
- Opposite Steer Buggy Experience; Sun 8th May Click [HERE](#)
- Argocat Amphibious Vehicle Driving Experience; Sun 22nd May Click [HERE](#)
- Blindfold Driving Experience; Sun 12th June Click [HERE](#)

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