



Welcome to CyberNorth's August Newsletter

This issue is focused on events happening in September for CyberFest 2023.

CyberNorth is working to support the growth and development of the whole cyber security community across the North East region. Find out more below and make sure you sign up so you don't miss out on key events and fun activities!

Local Talent - Global Ambition



Yes, it's back! This will be #CyberFest's sixth year as the North East's biggest cyber security festival. We've been working hard to raise the profile of the cyber security sector in the region while celebrating its diverse and exciting nature.

Supported By [Aspire Technology Solutions](#), the theme for this year is:

Local Talent – Global Ambition

Not only are we building on our platform to create a mixed festival of online and in person events throughout September, we are also launching our flagship event to attract a local, national and international audience.

The Main Event:

- **Date:** Tuesday 26 September 2023
- **Venue:** St James' Park, Barrack Rd, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 4ST

CyberNorth and Aspire will be hosting the region's leading cyber security event. Bringing together cyber security leaders and technology expert speakers through an in-depth programme to improve your security posture and defend against the

constantly evolving business threat landscape. #AspireCyberFest23 is aimed at business leaders across all organisational sectors .

Watch our video about the [Flagship Event](#).

Get your tickets [here](#).

Other events happening at #CyberFest:

- **5 Sept – Start Your New Business**

Are you working in cyber security and thinking about starting a new business? Do you have a great idea but don't know where to start? Are you doing a job and thinking you could do this better? Tickets available [HERE](#).

- **12 Sept – The Fakes Just Got Real**

AI is changing the landscape for all of us whether at home or at work. New cyber security vulnerabilities are emerging, particularly relating to more vulnerable groups. What is research telling us, how can we combat the threat and make AI work for good? Tickets available [HERE](#).

- **13 Sept – Coffee, Cake and Collaboration with Newcastle University**

The third in our series of joint workshops with Newcastle University's Centre for Cyber Security and Resilience and Security and Resilient Systems Group. This time we're looking at some *hidden threats in the Internet of Things (IoT) and Cyber Physical Systems (CPS)*. Tickets available [HERE](#).

- **13 Sept – Tees Valley Summit**

How can Tees Valley businesses and CyberNorth work more effectively together to support the cyber security sector in this area? Tickets available [HERE](#).

- **14 Sept – Cyber Intelligence Alliance September Conference**

Workshops, security expo, expert panel discussion, food and refreshments. Raffle prizes to be won! Tickets available [HERE](#).

- **14 Sept – Cyber Security Culture & Peer Support with Northumbria University**

Cultural issues within organisations that hold back efforts to improve cyber security and how to harness peer influence to improve cybersecurity behaviour. Tickets available [HERE](#).

- **14 & 15 Sept – Quantum Hardware and Post-Quantum Cyber Security**

An interdisciplinary forum to discuss academic and industrial research

advances in quantum computing and post-quantum cyber security. Tickets available [HERE](#).

- **20 Sept – Cyber Careers & Training**

Aimed at parents, teachers and careers advisors, this short webinar is designed to give you the information you need to advise the young people around you about careers in cyber security. Tickets available [HERE](#).

- **21 Sept – Cyber Security & FinTech Partnership event with Durham University**

Learn about the capabilities in the region and how these can be used to grow our secure FinTech sector. Tickets available [HERE](#).

- **25 Sept – Northern Cyber Cluster Collaboration**

An invite-only dinner to explore the outcome of the NCCC findings, covering the three clusters, to encourage greater collaboration across the north.

- **27 Sept – Schools Debate**

An inter-schools challenge between 4 teams debating the motion: *This house believes that harvesting personal data for commercial gain is unethical and a risk to online security*. Tickets available [HERE](#).

- **30 Sept – BSides Newcastle Mark V**

We're going weird again in 2023!!! New venue, new vibe, new merch, new things!!! Welcome to the 5th edition of BSidesNCL (Newcastle). Tickets available [HERE](#).

There are more events to added, so keep checking the [#CyberFest](#) and [Events](#) pages on our website.

Get Involved



If you are involved in cyber security across the North East then CyberNorth is your community. Do get involved!

MANY WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE:

- Come along to our events and encourage others too.
- Volunteer to speak at an event, write a blog post or take part in our podcast
- Give us content for the website, including your own organisation's events
- Amplify our message by commenting on, reposting or liking our social media
- Suggest ideas for future initiatives
- Encourage your colleagues to become part of CyberNorth
- Tell people outside the region about what is going on



About CyberNorth

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CyberNorth is the region's cybersecurity community, supported by Accenture, UK Cyber Cluster Collaboration and recognised by the Department for Science, Information and Technology (DSIT) and the National Cyber Security Centre as representing the region. It is part of the UK Cyber Cluster Collaboration (UKC3) and Global Epic.

CyberNorth is working to support all organisations across the regional cybersecurity ecosystem including cybersecurity service suppliers, consumers of cybersecurity services, academia, government, other public sectors including blue light organisations, media and policy makers.

Our aim is to position the North East as a great place to deliver cybersecurity services.

Contact us

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