



# Hradec Králové Region

Spring is fast approaching and will soon be knocking on the door of the Hradec Králové Region. Free days during Easter are traditionally associated with travel and not just to visit relatives but also to enjoy varied tourist activities. April and its weather are usually adored by gardeners but it is also the time when various historical sites awake from their winter hibernation. The last day in the month can be spent in a mystic way – it is the Walpurgis Night – connected with the burning of witches. Why not come to our region to help open the tourist and cycling season here, where adventures are plentiful.

## Krkonoše Mountains and the Podkrkonoší Foothills All Day Free Cycle-buses or “Peddling in Krkonoše”

On Saturday, May 30 Vrchlabí square will be the venue for the opening of the tourist and cycling season. Everyone – children, parents, grandmas and granddads are invited. We want to show you the spring, summer and



Spring on Sněžka Peak

autumn Krkonoše. If you come to join us, register yourselves in the Krkonoše Regional Information Centre, Vrchlabí. A cycling trip will kick off at the square leading to all four cardinal points. You won't need to peddle up steep hills; you can use chair lifts or the Krkonoše cycle-buses. On this day they will be running for you free of charge. Young cyclists can participate in a ride on Vrchlabí square which will highlight their abilities. In the adjoining castle park an art competition for the best drawing of a cyclist will be held.  
[www.krkonose.eu](http://www.krkonose.eu)



## Festive Opening of the Tourist Season in Podzvičinsko

On Friday, May 8 from 11 a.m. Zvičín peak will be the venue for various competitions prepared for children, accompanied with musical performances. Representatives of local towns and villages will contribute to this programme. Join us to open the 2009 season at the highest peak of Podzvičinsko – Zvičina!  
[www.podzvicinsko.cz](http://www.podzvicinsko.cz)

## Bohemian Paradise Day Devoted to Children or “On the Trail of Bohemian Paradise Legends”

The sixth year of the social-fairytale gathering “On the Trail of Bohemian Paradise Leg-



Frýdštejn Castle

ends” has been prepared for you at Borecké Rocks to mark the opening of the tourist season on Saturday, April 25. A walk enlivened with legendary characters and competitions has been organised for children as well as their parents. A cultural programme will await you at the finish – the Happy Country grounds in Radvánovice u Turnova. Don't miss out on a ride in a historic steam train.  
[www.cesky-raj.info](http://www.cesky-raj.info)



Trips around Železný Brod

## Bělost Easter Fair

On April 3 – 5, the Easter Fair will take place in front of the most beautiful structure of folk architecture in Železný Brod, displaying arts and crafts as well as selling pottery, wooden toys and decorative products.  
[www.zeleznýbrod.cz](http://www.zeleznýbrod.cz)



### Easter Markets

Period markets with demonstrations of arts and crafts along with the chance to buy traditional goods will be held in the beautiful environment of the Honorary Court of the State Castle of Sychrov on April 4 – 5. Visitors can look forward to a cultural programme staged by the Bohém art company.

[www.zamek-sychrov.cz](http://www.zamek-sychrov.cz)



### Easter at Dlask Farm

On Saturday, April 11, the Dlask Farm in Dolánky u Turnova will be the venue of a traditional Easter celebration introducing folk ensembles and displaying an Easter decoration workshop.

[www.muzeum-turnov.cz](http://www.muzeum-turnov.cz)

### Orlické Mountains



### and the Podorlicko Foothills Šlitr's Spring

On April 24 – 26, the 15th year of the Šlitr's Spring festival will be held in Rychnov nad Kněžnou, aimed at fans of the composer, musician and multi-faceted artist, Jiří Šlitr. The programme for the whole weekend includes concert performances by swing bands, actors from the Semafor Theatre (among others also Jiří Suchý and Jitka Molavcová), film projection, and an exhibition of Šlitr's drawings, including the unique picture of Rychnov. A commemorative plaque of Jiří Šlitr will be unveiled in the building of F. M. Pelcl Grammar School.

[www.rychnovskypuvodce.info](http://www.rychnovskypuvodce.info)

### Fourth Year of the Cycling Season Opening

On Saturday, April 25, as is the tradition we are opening the cycling season in the Podorlicko Foothills. This event, again organised by the Voluntary Union of Orlice



Municipalities, will focus on cycle-ways weaving through the beautiful rural landscape. Come to Palacký Square in Kostelec nad Orlicí and get registered in the new mobile info-bus. The early birds among you will receive a souvenir. For the end of the day musical performances have been prepared along with entertainment for children and many prizes for successful competitors.

[www.orlickehory-cz.info](http://www.orlickehory-cz.info)



### Hradecko

#### Welcoming Springtime

On Wednesday, April 1, the Hradec Králové Mayor Ing. Otakar Divíšek, will "unlock" the city landmark – the White Tower, from where you may cast your eyes over all sides and corners of Hradecko. At the same time a new tourist route called "Hradec Králové Stronghold" will be opened, accompanied with several pleasant surprises. From April 30 to May 31 you can witness for yourselves that the White Tower is really haunted both day and night. Moreover, accept our invitation to pay a weekend visit to the castles - Hrádek u Nechanic and Karlova Koruna in Chlumec nad Cidlinou or the Observation Tower at Chlum.

[www.hradecko-info.cz](http://www.hradecko-info.cz), [www.bifavez.cz](http://www.bifavez.cz)

#### Kladské pomezí

On Saturday, April 18 the square and castle in Nové Město n. Metují will be the venue of the official opening of the tourist season accompanied by a number of musical and dance performances, attractions for children, an arts and crafts market, as well as



evening tours of the castle. Come and experience many enjoyable moments. Throughout the Česká Skalice vicinity, you can follow the trail of B. Němcová, visiting places associated with this great female Czech novelist, such as the Maloskalický Museum Grounds, Mill, Old Bleachery and Mandl in Babiččino údolí (Grandmother's Valley) and Ratibořice Castle. Vizmburk Castle near Červený Kostelec will be open to the public for the first time, on May 1. So don't miss out on it.

[www.kladskepomezí.cz](http://www.kladskepomezí.cz)

#### Easter Tours of the J. Bartoň Castle

A tour around the castle in Nové Město n. Metují will take place on Saturday, April 11.

[www.novemestonm.cz](http://www.novemestonm.cz)

#### The Town Gates Are Wide Open

On Saturday, April 18 the traditional event marking the official beginning of the tourist season will take place in the Renaissance town of Nové Město nad Metují.

[www.novemestonm.cz](http://www.novemestonm.cz)



#### International Day for Monuments and Sites

On Saturday, Apr. 18, within the International Day for Monuments and Sites the Manor Court grounds in Ratibořice will, exceptionally, open from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Entrance from the car park. Guided tours at the top of every hour.

[www.zamekratiborice.cz](http://www.zamekratiborice.cz)

[www.hradeckraloveregion.eu](http://www.hradeckraloveregion.eu)

