

**Belford Community Cinema presents:
OUR NORTH PART TWO**

THE BIG MEETING

**A Documentary about the Durham Miner's Gala
+ Q and A with Filmmaker Dan Draper**

UPSTAIRS at Bell View, 33 West Street, Belford NE70 7QB

Tuesday 24th March 2020 Doors 6.30pm/7pm start.

Running Time: 94 mins. Tickets: £5 on the Door



Every second Saturday in July since 1871 the city of Durham is taken over by miners, trade unions and the public for an event known locally as '**The Big Meeting**'. The Durham Miners' Gala is an annual celebration of noise, colour and solidarity, and of class culture, creativity and endeavour. It regularly attracts over 200,000 people, banners and brass bands who parade through the streets to honour their heritage.

"A rich, heartfelt and intimate tribute.... Draper's film persuasively shows that even after the pits have closed, a defiant and exuberant spirit lives on in The Gala. The merry-making and the music may once have been purely the icing on the cake of trade union business, but now increasingly it is the cake, it is the business. " * The Guardian.***



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