

# Do more in...

August 1st -2nd

2018

## Historylinks 5\* Museum

Open Daily: 10am-4pm

Entry: Adults £4, Concessions £3, Children Free. Ticket valid for 7 days.  
Guided walks every Tuesday from the Museum at 2pm to ticket holders.  
For more information call 01862 811 275 or visit [www.historylinks.org.uk](http://www.historylinks.org.uk)

## Grannie's Heilan' Hame, Embo

Open daily: from 9am

Soft Play Area, Swimming Pool, Children's Entertainment, Amusement Arcade,  
Bingo & Evening entertainment. Facilities open to all Dornoch visitors.  
Entry: £15 for family of four for a day pass. For more information: 01862 810 383

## Dornoch Pipe Band Parade

Every Saturday: 8pm-9pm (but not 18th August)

Dornoch Square, Dornoch

Pipe band parade followed by Highland dancing display. Entry: Free

## Children's Softplay Centre

Mon-Fri: 9am to 7:45pm Sat: 9am-4:30pm Sun: 10am-3:30pm

Kyle of Sutherland Hub, IV24 3AQ South Bonar Estate, Bonar Bridge  
The Hub has a bespoke three-level indoor soft play centre for children aged 0-12,  
and a Creperie with choice of tacos, tortilla and nachos, hot drinks and  
smoothies.

Entry: £4.50 (restricted to 2 hours during busy periods)

For more information: 01863 769 170 [www.facebook.com/koshltd/](http://www.facebook.com/koshltd/)

## Whisky or Gin Chocolate Pairings

Every Friday: 1pm or 3pm

The Carnegie Whisky Cellars, The Carnegie Courthouse, Dornoch

Come along and taste some World Famous chocolate by Iain Burnett The  
Highland Chocolatier with spirits from across Scotland

Tickets: £25. For more information: Contact 01862 811 791

## Made in Helmsdale

Until 26th August: Daily: 10am-5pm

Timespan Museum, Helmsdale

Made in Helmsdale is a portrait of Timespan's parish through its makers,  
environment and history. Our taxonomy of Helmsdale synthesises arts and  
crafts; Barbara Cartland; natural history and earth sciences; La Mirage fish and  
chups; industry and resistance.

For more information: [www.timespan.org.uk](http://www.timespan.org.uk)

## Scenes from the North Coast 500

Until 4th August: Mon & Thu - Sat: 10am - 5pm

Golspie Gallery, Golspie

An exhibition of artwork by Moira MacBeath. Scenes from the NC500, vibrant  
acrylics and pastels. Free entry.

For more information: [www.golspiegallery.co.uk/whatsonevents](http://www.golspiegallery.co.uk/whatsonevents)

## Fibre

Throughout August: Mon & Thu - Sat: 10am - 5pm

Golspie Gallery, Golspie

An exciting show of varied work from established and emerging textile artists.

For more information: [www.golspiegallery.co.uk/whatsonevents](http://www.golspiegallery.co.uk/whatsonevents)

## Golspie Gala Week

Saturday 28th July-Saturday 4th August

Fountain Road, Golspie

Organised by The Golspie Gala Association, the week-long packed program of  
daily and evening events cater for children of all ages and adults alike.

For more information: [www.facebook.com/golspiegala](http://www.facebook.com/golspiegala)

## Colour Craft Workshop

Wednesday 1st August-Thursdays 2nd August: 10am-12pm

Dornoch Social Club (Struie Room), Dornoch

Colour craft workshop for children, run by Jude Holden.

For more information: [www.facebook.com/colourcraftworkshop/](http://www.facebook.com/colourcraftworkshop/)



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August 1st–7th

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## **Kyiv Classic Accordion Concert**

Wednesday 1st August: 7:30pm

St Finnbarrs Church, Dornoch

Concert in aid of Hippokrat the Society of Mothers of Disabled children still suffering mental and physical injuries resulting from the Chernobyl nuclear explosion.

Entry: Free—donations welcome. For more information: [www.facebook.com/KyivClassicAccordion](http://www.facebook.com/KyivClassicAccordion)

## **Black Isle Show**

Wednesday 1st August from 4pm –Thursday 2nd August :8am–9pm

Mannsfield Showground, Muir of Ord

A fun-filled day for all the family - the north's biggest one-day event is back with monster appeal. Over 1000 animals will be showcased in numerous livestock events. It will feature displays such as sheep shearing and a vintage tractor parade, speciality bars and beer tents, a craft and food hall and funfair. New this year is a monster truck display from big Peter and the Grim Reaper. At the Black Isle Show there is something for everyone.

Entry: Adult: £15, Concession: £10, Under 12's: Free. For more information: <https://blackisleshow.com/>

## **Come & Play Rachmaninov's 2nd Symphony**

Thursday 2nd–Saturday 5th of August: Various Times

The Ross Institute, Halkirk, KW12 6XY

Caithness Orchestra will be delighted to welcome orchestra players to rehearse Rachmaninov's 2nd Symphony under the baton of Susie Dingle in a productive but relaxed atmosphere.

Cost: £30 for the whole event or £10 per session. For more information: [www.facebook.com/caithnessorchestra](http://www.facebook.com/caithnessorchestra)

## **The Dornoch Highland Gathering**

Friday 3rd August: 10:30am & march from Dornoch Square at 12:15pm

Meadows Park, Dornoch

Traditional Highland Games with piping, dancing, tossing the caber, track & field events. Fun for all the family. In the evening the Games Night Dance is held in the Marquee at Meadows Park (licensed bar).

Entry: Adult £5.50, Senior £3.50, Child £1.00, Car Parking £1.00.

For more information: [www.dornochhighlandgathering.com](http://www.dornochhighlandgathering.com)

## **Games Night Dance**

Friday 3rd August: 9pm-1am

The Marquee, Meadows Park, Dornoch

Dance to Blue Ridge. Tickets £5, licensed bar (please bring photo ID if you are under 21 years)

## **Nature's Basecamp Holiday Fun**

Friday 3rd August: 10am–4pm

Culloden Woods, Tower Road, Inverness

The well established Basecamps offer lots of outdoor fun including bushcraft skills, games, nature activities and woodland crafts. Often have a campfire; always have hot chocolate! For 8 years & over.

Entry: £25 per child. Booking limited & essential. For more information contact Ian on 01549 402 698.

## **Fine Art Fair**

Friday 4th August–Saturday 11th August: 10am– 6pm

Dornoch Social Club (Struie Room), Dornoch

Willaim Shannon has been dealing in original Scottish art - Victorian to Contemporary - in the Highlands of Scotland for more than fifteen years, selling privately, online and at antique fairs. He offers an eclectic mix of oils, watercolours, pastels, etchings, engravings and prints at affordable prices. Whilst his focus is on Scottish art, he also offers a wide range of original pictures and prints from all over the world.

For more information: [www.originalscottishart.com](http://www.originalscottishart.com)

## **Mey Highland & Cultural Games**

Saturday 4th August: 11am–5pm

The Showground, KW1 4YR

The Mey Highland and Cultural Games is a celebration of the hospitality, culture and talent of the people of the North Highlands in Scotland. Events such as Running, Heavy Weights, Tug-of-war, Solo Piping and Highland Dancing and lots of stalls too.

For more information: [www.facebook.com/MeyGames](http://www.facebook.com/MeyGames)

## **Boys Home International**

Tuesday 7th–Thursday 9th

Royal Dornoch Golf Club

Spectators are very welcome to come and watch the next generation of golfing superstars. Entry is free and there are no ropes or grandstands so you can walk along the fairways and get close to the action.

For more information: [www.randa.org/Championships/BoysHomeInternationals](http://www.randa.org/Championships/BoysHomeInternationals)

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## August 5th–12th

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### **Dornoch Festival Week—please see separate programme for details**

Sunday 5th–Saturday 11th August

Various Venues, Dornoch

Dornoch Festival Week has a packed programme of family activities including sandcastle competition, children's fancy dress, children's sports, family quiz night, car treasure hunt, pipe band parade, Treasure Island and Live & Let Spy with the Walking Theatre Company, Gin Tea party, golf competition, films, and a teddy bear's picnic! Programmes are available in the Visitor Centre and in shops around town.

For more information: [www.visitdornoch.com/whats-on-in-dornoch/event/festival-week](http://www.visitdornoch.com/whats-on-in-dornoch/event/festival-week)

### **Dornoch Community Market**

Wednesday 8th August: 9:30am –1pm

Cathedral Green, Dornoch

Come and browse up to 30 stalls with homegrown produce, plants, arts & crafts, baking, artisan bread, specialist chocolates, cheese, handmade cosmetics, jewellery, gifts & clothing. For more information:

[www.visitdornoch.com/whats-on-in-dornoch/event/community-markets](http://www.visitdornoch.com/whats-on-in-dornoch/event/community-markets)

### **Assynt Highland Games**

Friday 10th August: 10am–6pm

Culag Park in Lochinver.

Assynt's annual games featuring solo piping, track and field events, Highland dancing, trout and salmon casting, caber tossing, tug o' war and an evening dance.

For more information: [www.welcometoscotland.com/things-to-do/events/north-highland/assynt-highland-games](http://www.welcometoscotland.com/things-to-do/events/north-highland/assynt-highland-games)

### **Dornoch Cinema Monthly Film Showing 'The Mercy' Cert 12A**

Friday 10th August: Doors open at 7pm for 7:30pm showing

Dornoch Social Club, School Hill, Dornoch

Monthly film show with refreshments, raffle and sociable company. Entry: Adults £5.00 children £3.00.

For more information: [www.dadca.org.uk](http://www.dadca.org.uk)

### **Strathpeffer Highland Gathering**

Saturday 11th August–1pm–5:30pm

Castle Leod, Strathpeffer, Ross-shire

Highland games with heavy events, dancing, piping, hill race, side shows, trade stalls, horse jumping and tug o' war

For more information: [www.facebook.com/Strathpeffer-Highland-Gathering-248278731927901/](https://www.facebook.com/Strathpeffer-Highland-Gathering-248278731927901/)

### **Live Music from Dave MacBeath**

Saturday 11th August: 8pm

Dornoch Inn, Dornoch

Join the Dornoch Inn for live music from Dave MacBeath with great tunes and great atmosphere.

Entry: Free

For more information: 01862 810 376

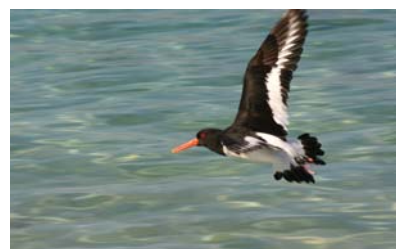
### **Taste of the Wild Event at Ledmore and Migdale**

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August

Spinningdale, Dornoch

Have you ever cooked venison in an underground oven? Or thrown a tomahawk? Want to? Then come along to our 'Taste of the wild' event; these family friendly events allow you to learn about the woodland around you, how to survive and the creatures you share this woodland with. Come along between 10am - 12pm for activities for 11 - 14 years + families. 1:30pm - 3:30pm for activities for 8 - 11years + families. 12pm - 1:30pm all participants are invited to join a BBQ and enjoy the venison cooked in underground oven. Entry: £7. Babies & Toddlers free. Booking essential.

For more information: <http://woodlandtrusttickets.cloudvenue.co.uk/tasteledmore>



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## August 18th – 30th

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### **Helmsdale Highland Games**

Saturday 18th August: 10am–5pm

Couper Park, Helmsdale

The Games Parade from the village to the Couper Park starts at mid-day followed by the installation of the Games Chieftain, the Official Opening and the Raising of the Games Flag. There follows an afternoon programme of Highland Games heavy events, track and field events, Scottish Championship Hill Race, Pipe Band Parade, Tug of War, Trade Stands, Side Shows and various other fun events.

Entry: Adults: £6.00. Concessions: £3.00. Car parking at Couper Park Car: £3.00. Camper Vans: £10.00

For more information: [www.helmsdalegames.co.uk](http://www.helmsdalegames.co.uk)

### **Dornoch Community Market**

Wednesday 22nd August: 9:30am – 1pm

Cathedral Green, Dornoch

Come and browse up to 30 stalls with homegrown produce, plants, arts & crafts, baking, artisan bread, specialist chocolates, cheese, handmade cosmetics, jewellery, gifts & clothing. For more information: [www.visitdornoch.com/whats-on-in-dornoch/event/community-markets](http://www.visitdornoch.com/whats-on-in-dornoch/event/community-markets)

### **The Lairg Crofters Show**

Saturday 25th August: 10am – 5pm

The Showfield, Lairg

Now over 100 hundred years old, the Lairg Crofters Show is the last surviving mainland crofters show and is an excellent day out with something for all the family. There are opportunities to take part in lots of exciting events, watch demonstrations and main ring attractions. Evening dance follows at 9pm (£8).

For more information: [www.lairgcroftersshow.co.uk](http://www.lairgcroftersshow.co.uk)

### **NessCon**

Saturday 25th August–Sunday 26th August: 10am–5pm.

Inverness Ice Centre, Inverness

NessCon for short is a comic convention in the North of Scotland celebrating pop culture fandoms from Books, Film and TV.

Entry: Adults: £16.78. Children: £8.50. Family: £44.25

For more information: [www.invernesscomiccon.com](http://www.invernesscomiccon.com)

### **North Kessock Community Market**

Saturday 25th August: 10am – 12:30pm

North Kessock Hall, Inverness

The market offers a large range of fresh local food products, craft items and much more. Come along and support our local producers.

For more information: [www.transitionblackisle.org/n-kessock-community-market.asp](http://www.transitionblackisle.org/n-kessock-community-market.asp)

### **Sutherland Walkers Group: Glas Bheinn : 776m / 2546ft. and Eas a´ Chual Aluinn. OS 15 238 285**

Sunday 26th August: Walk starts at Strathrusdale–Breantra: OS 21 569 780

Walk starts at A894 layby above Loch na Gainmhich, Meet for car share at: The Mound 9.00 /Bonar Bridge PO: 9:15am/Lairg (Opp Chemist) 9.30/Rosehall Trails Car Park 9.45

7.5 miles, circular. Traverse of Glas Bheinn: trackless rough walking to

Bealach na h-Uidhe, then by stalker's track via Eas a´ Chual Aluinn,

Bealach a´ Bhuirich back to start.

For more information contact: Stan Holroyd : 01408 621370/07890 352804

### **Inverness & District Model Railway Club Annual Exhibition**

Saturday 25th August: 10am–5pm & Sunday 26th August: 10am–4pm

Jurys Inn, Inverness

2018 will be our 5th Exhibition at this venue, we shall have our Shunting Puzzle for the older folk to try their hand, as well as the photo opportunity for the young ones to pose at the controller at the Thomas stand. Ample parking, wheelchair access, refreshments available in hotel. Layouts, Trade stands, Second-hand stall. Sat: 10am–5pm. Sun: 10am–4pm.

Entry: Adult: £5. Child: £2. Family (2 + 2): £10. 50p of every ticket goes to MFR's Cash for Kids

For more information: [www.ukmodelshops.co.uk/events/15684-InvernessandDistrictModelRailwayClubExhibition](http://www.ukmodelshops.co.uk/events/15684-InvernessandDistrictModelRailwayClubExhibition)

### **Aspects of the Impact of The First World War on Fortrose, Rosemarkie And Avoch**

Thursday 30th August: 7:30pm

Groam House Museum, Rosemarkie

Talk by Robin Witheridge and Richard Jenner, organised by Groam House Museum.

Entry: £5 for non-members. £2.50 for members & students. For more information: [www.groamhouse.org.uk](http://www.groamhouse.org.uk)